

# The MOSEK Release Notes. Version 7.1 (Revision 63).

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# Chapter 1

## Changes and new features in MOSEK

The section presents improvements and new features added to MOSEK in version 7.

### 1.1 Platform support

In Table 1.1 the supported platform and compiler used to build MOSEK shown. Although RedHat is explicitly mentioned as the supported Linux distribution then MOSEK will work on most other variants of Linux. However, the license manager tools requires Linux Standard Base 3 or newer is installed.

### 1.2 General changes

- The interior-point optimizer has been extended to semi-definite optimization problems. Hence, MOSEK can optimize over the positive semi-definite cone.
- The network detection has been completely redesigned. MOSEK no longer try detect partial networks. The problem must be a pure primal network for the network optimizer to be used.
- The parameter `iparam.objective_sense` has been removed.
- The parameter `iparam.intpnt_num_threads` has been removed. Use the parameter `iparam.num_threads` instead.
- MOSEK now automatically exploit multiple CPUs i.e. the parameter `iparam.num_threads` is set to 0 be default. Note the amount memory that MOSEK uses grows with the number of threads employed.

Platform	OS version	C compiler
linux32x86	Redhat 5 or newer (LSB 3+)	Intel C 13.0 (gcc 4.3, glibc 2.3.4)
linux64x86	RedHat 5 or newer (LSB 3+)	Intel C 13.0 (gcc 4.3, glibc 2.3.4)
osx64x86	OSX 10.7 Lion or newer	Intel C 13.0 (llvm-gcc-4.2)
win32x86	Windows Vista, Server 2003 or newer	Intel C 13.0 (VS 2008)
win64x86	Windows Vista, Server 2003 or newer	Intel C 13.0 (VS 2008)

  

Interface	Supported versions
Java	Sun Java 1.6+
Microsoft.NET	2.1+
Python 2	2.6+
Python 3	3.1+

Table 1.1: Supported platforms

- The MBT file format has been replaced by a new task format. The new format supports semi-definite optimization.
- the HTML version of the documentation is no longer included in the downloads to save space. It is still available online.
- MOSEK is more restrictive about the allowed names on variables etc. This is in particular the case when writing LP files.
- MOSEK no longer tries to detect the cache sizes and is in general less sensitive to the hardware.
- The parameter `iparam.auto_update_sol_info` is default off. In previous version it was by default on.
- The function `relaxprimal` has been deprecated and replaced by the function `primalrepair`.

## 1.3 Optimizers

### 1.3.1 Interior point optimizer

- The factorization routines employed by the interior-point optimizer for linear and conic optimization problems has been completely rewritten. In particular the dense column detection and handling is improved. The factorization routine will also exploit vendor tuned BLAS routines.

### 1.3.2 The simplex optimizers

- No major changes.

### 1.3.3 Mixed-integer optimizer

- A new mixed-integer for linear and conic problems has been introduced. It is from run-to-run deterministic and is parallelized. It is particularly suitable for conic problems.

## 1.4 API changes

- Added support for semidefinite optimization.
- Some clean up has been performed implying some functions have been renamed.

## 1.5 Optimization toolbox for MATLAB

- A MOSEK equivalent of `bintprog` has been introduced.
- The functionality of the MOSEK version of `linprog` has been improved. It is now possible to employ the simplex optimizer in `linprog`.
- `mosekopt` now accepts a dense  $A$  matrix.
- A new method for specification of cones that is more efficient when the problem has many cones has been introduced. The old method is still allowed but is deprecated.
- Support for semidefinite optimization problems has been added to the toolbox.

## 1.6 License system

- Flexlm has been upgraded to version 11.11.

## 1.7 Other changes

- The documentation has been improved.

## 1.8 Interfaces

- Semi-definite optimization capabilities have been added to the optimizer APIs.
- A major clean up has occurred in the optimizer APIs. This should have little effect for most users.
- A new object oriented interface called Fusion has been added. Fusion is available in Java, MATLAB, .NET and Python.
- The AMPL command line tool has been updated to the latest version.

## 1.9 Platform changes

- 32 bit MAC OSX on Intel x86 (osx32x86) is no longer supported.
- 32 and 64 bit Solaris on Intel x86 (solaris32x86,solaris64x86) is no longer supported.



## Chapter 2

# Limitations and known issues

- Operating system user names containing spaces can result in problems with the license system.
- We advise against simultaneously using multiple MOSEK environments within a single program as this might cause problems with the Flexlm licensing system.



## Chapter 3

# Libraries

MOSEK consists of several libraries. When packaging software using MOSEK for redistribution, only a subset of these are required, depending on the platform.

### 3.1 C/C++

When redistributing a program or library linked with MOSEK, following libraries must be included:

Linux	
64-bit	32-bit
libmosek64.so.7.1	libmosek.so.7.1
libmosekglb64.so.7.1	libmosekglb.so.7.1
libiomp5.so	libiomp5.so
Windows	
64-bit	32-bit
mosek64_7_1.dll	mosek7_1.dll
mosekglb64_7_1.dll	mosekglb7_1.dll
libiomp5md.dll	libiomp5md.dll
OS X	
64-bit	
libmosek64.dylib.7.1	
libmosekglb64.dylib.7.1	
libiomp5.dylib	

### 3.2 Java

When redistributing a Java application using with MOSEK, following libraries must be included:

Linux	
64-bit	32-bit
libmosek64.so.7.1	libmosek.so.7.1
libmosekglb64.so.7.1	libmosekglb.so.7.1
libiomp5.so	libiomp5.so
libmosekjava7_1.so	libmosekjava7_1.so
libmosekxx7_1.so	libmosekxx7_1.so
libmosekscopt7_1.so	libmosekscopt7_1.so
Windows	
64-bit	32-bit
mosek64_7_1.dll	mosek7_1.dll
mosekglb64_7_1.dll	mosekglb7_1.dll
libiomp5md.dll	libiomp5md.dll
mosekjava7_1.dll	mosekjava7_1.dll
mosekxx7_1.dll	mosekxx7_1.dll
mosekscopt7_1.dll	mosekscopt7_1.dll
OS X	
64-bit	
libmosek64.dylib.7.1	
libmosekglb64.dylib.7.1	
libiomp5.dylib	
libmosekjava7_1.dylib	
libmosekxx7_1.dylib	
libmosekscopt7_1.dylib	

By default the MOSEK/Java interface will look for the binaries in the same directory as the `.jar` file, so they should be placed in the same directory when redistributing.

### 3.3 .NET

When redistributing a .NET application using with MOSEK, following libraries must be included:

64-bit Windows	32-bit Windows
mosek64_7_1.dll	mosek7_1.dll
mosekglb64_7_1.dll	mosekglb7_1.dll
libiomp5md.dll	libiomp5md.dll
mosekxx7_1.dll	mosekxx7_1.dll
mosekscopt7_1.dll	mosekscopt7_1.dll
mosekdotnet.dll	mosekdotnet.dll

### 3.4 Python

When redistributing a Python application using with MOSEK, following libraries must be included:

Linux	
64-bit	32-bit
libmosek64.so.7.1	libmosek.so.7.1
libmosekglb64.so.7.1	libmosekglb.so.7.1
libiomp5.so	libiomp5.so
libmosekxx7_1.so	libmosekxx7_1.so
libmosekscopt7_1.so	libmosekscopt7_1.so
Windows	
64-bit	32-bit
mosek64_7_1.dll	mosek7_1.dll
mosekglb64_7_1.dll	mosekglb7_1.dll
libiomp5md.dll	libiomp5md.dll
mosekxx7_1.dll	mosekxx7_1.dll
mosekscopt7_1.dll	mosekscopt7_1.dll
OS X	
64-bit	
libmosek64.dylib.7.1	
libmosekglb64.dylib.7.1	
libiomp5.dylib	
libmosekxx7_1.dylib	
libmosekscopt7_1.dylib	

Furthermore, one (or both) of the directories

- `python/2/mosek` for Python 2.x applications, and
- `python/3/mosek` for Python 3.x applications.

must be included.

By default the MOSEK/Python API will look for the binary libraries in the MOSEK module directory, i.e. the directory containing `__init__.py`. Alternative, if the binary libraries reside in another directory, the application can pre-load the `mosekxx` library from another located before `mosek` is imported, e.g. like this

```
import ctypes ; ctypes.CDLL('my/path/to/mosekxx.dll')
```



## Chapter 4

# Third party libraries attributions

### 4.1 Intel MKL

MOSEK uses the Intel(R) Math Kernel Library. Please refer to the official [MKL website](#) for more information and details on the license agreement.

### 4.2 zlib

MOSEK includes the zlib library obtained from the [zlib website](#). The license agreement for zlib is shown below.

```
zlib.h -- interface of the 'zlib' general purpose compression library
version 1.2.7, May 2nd, 2012
```

```
Copyright (C) 1995-2012 Jean-loup Gailly and Mark Adler
```

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```
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jloup@gzip.org
```

```
Mark Adler
madler@alumni.caltech.edu
```

### 4.3 fplib

MOSEK includes the floating point formatting library developed by David M. Gay obtained from the [netlib website](#). The license agreement for fplib is shown below.

```

/*****
 *
 * The author of this software is David M. Gay.
 *
 * Copyright (c) 1991, 2000, 2001 by Lucent Technologies.
 *
 * Permission to use, copy, modify, and distribute this software for any
 * purpose without fee is hereby granted, provided that this entire notice
 * is included in all copies of any software which is or includes a copy
 * or modification of this software and in all copies of the supporting
 * documentation for such software.
 *
 * THIS SOFTWARE IS BEING PROVIDED "AS IS", WITHOUT ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED
 * WARRANTY. IN PARTICULAR, NEITHER THE AUTHOR NOR LUCENT MAKES ANY
 * REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY KIND CONCERNING THE MERCHANTABILITY
 * OF THIS SOFTWARE OR ITS FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE.
 *
 *****/
```



## Chapter 5

# Bug fixes and improvements

7.1.0.63

- Fixed a bug causing a wrong return code when the mixed-integer optimizer timed out.

7.1.0.62

- Fixed a bug in Fusion causing an assertion.

7.1.0.61

- Fixed a bug in the presolve that could cause a crash.

7.1.0.60

- Fixed a bug in the presolve that could cause a crash.

7.1.0.59

- The parameter `iparam.write_ignore_incompatible_nl_items` is no longer ignored.

7.1.0.58

- Fixed an issue occurring when removing variables when a problem had no conic constraints.
- Fixed a bug occurring when removing matrix variables.

7.1.0.57

- Fixed an issue occurring when removing variables. The objective function was not updated correctly.

7.1.0.56

- Fixed an issue that could occur when removing cones.

## 7.1.0.55

- Fixed MSK\_RES\_ERR\_MIO\_INTERNAL error in the mixed integer optimizer.

## 7.1.0.54

- Fixed a bug in the presolve that caused an assert in rare cases.

## 7.1.0.53

- Bug fixes in Matlab Toolbox functions "lsqlin" and "bintprog".

## 7.1.0.52

- Fixed a bug in the Fusion API: the dimension of some stacked expressions was not correctly recognized.

## 7.1.0.51

- Fixed some bugs in portfolio case study for C.
- By a mistake the GP order was disabled permanently.

## 7.1.0.50

- Fixed an issue that caused run-to-run indeterminism of the interior-point optimizer in rare cases.

## 7.1.0.49

- Adding features in task reader handling future improvements in task format.

## 7.1.0.48

- Modified the stopping criteria in the conic optimizer to make it a bit more conservative with respect to declaring infeasible.
- Fixed an invalid type test that caused unnecessary array conversions in Python.

## 7.1.0.47

- Script testing MOSEK installation in Windows fixed.
- Bug fix: segmentation fault in callback functions when data callback was not attached.

## 7.1.0.46

- Fixed a bug that could result in the wrong termination code (MSK\_RES\_TRM\_USER\_CALLBACK) being returned when the maximum time limit was reached.

## 7.1.0.45

- Fixed a bug in the Python stream callback: new line generated even if the output was suppressed.
- Fixed a bug in the semidefinite optimizer: in some cases the objective function could have been wrongly interpreted.
- Fixed a bug in the progress and data callbacks in Java. Note that this changes the `mosek.Progress` class and adds a `mosek.DataCallback` class.

## 7.1.0.44

- Fixed: A bug that could trigger an assert for some semidefinite optimization problems.
- Fixed bug for problem setup in Matlab toolbox.

## 7.1.0.43

- MATLAB Toolbox: Fixed a bug for semidefinite problems without linear variables.

## 7.1.0.42

- Fixed: Bug that caused a crash when callbacks were attached in the mixed-integer conic optimizer in matlab.

## 7.1.0.41

- Fixed: bug in Fusion `Expr.mul()` for scalar expressions.
- Fixed: bug in Fusion ranged constraints when created with sparse expression.
- Fixed: SCopt interface not correctly loaded in Python.

## 7.1.0.40

- Python: Fixed broken library names in Python API on Windows.
- Improved documentation.

## 7.1.0.39

- Working on improving robustness of the mixed-integer conic optimizer for near infeasible problems.
- Python: Fixed incorrect library names for Python API on Windows

## 7.1.0.38

- Improved the conic mixed integer optimizer for some badly scaled and nearly infeasible problem instances.

## 7.1.0.37

- Fixed a bug that may lead the conic optimizer to halt for some particular problems.

## 7.1.0.36

- In rare cases when a conic optimization problem the accuracy of the primal infeasibility certificate has been improved.
- MATLAB Toolbox: fixed possible issue in lsqin function.

## 7.1.0.35

- Fixed a bug in Fusion API: Expression object size wrong in some cases.
- Fixed a bug in Fusion API: in Model.constraint() bar-elements could have been shuffled.
- Modified Nearest Correlation Matrix example for Fusion Python API.

## 7.1.0.34

- Fixed a bug in Fusion API: in some cases expression dimensions were not correctly recognized.
- Fixed a bug in Fusion API: improved exceptions error messages.

## 7.1.0.33

- Fixed a bug in Fusion regarding element-wise matrix multiplications when operands were a sparse matrix and an expression.
- Fixed a bug in Fusion that prevented some methods of class Model to be recognized using the Python API.

## 7.1.0.32

- Fixed bug in Fusion that could lead to infinite loops defining some sparse expressions.
- Fixed bug in Fusion that could lead to code crash executing element-wise multiplications.
- Fixed a bug occurring on all semidefinite optimization problems with zero constraints.
- Fixed a bug that lead to incorrect reporting of the dual violation for the matrix variables in some cases.
- Fixed a potential memory overflow in the semidefinite optimizer.
- Number of cores available in the computer is no longer logged. The reason is that obtaining the number of cores can be computationally expensive.
- Some improvement in the documentation.

## 7.1.0.31

- Improved the conic mixed integer optimizer for badly scaled models.

## 7.1.0.30

- Fixed bug in the conic mixed integer optimizer where infeasibility was not detected correctly in the root node.

## 7.1.0.29

- Fixed bug in the conic mixed integer optimizer that could cause infeasible problems to not be detected correctly.

## 7.1.0.28

- In the optimizer API for Python3: fixed a length check error.

## 7.1.0.27

- Improved the conic mixed integer optimizer for some numerically unstable models.
- Fixed a segmentation fault that may happens when hot-starting the simplex algorithm.

## 7.1.0.26

- A bug has been fixed in the mixed integer optimizer that caused an infeasible solution to be reported for certain mixed integer conic problems.
- Fixed issue that prevent the OPF file reader to accept scalar values in a specific form.
- A bug has been fixed in CBF file reader related to OBJBCOORD.
- Fixed possible memory issue in automatic conic reformulation function.

## 7.1.0.25

- Fixed issue with automatic detection of number of CPU cores on windows machines with more than 32 cores.

## 7.1.0.24

- Fixed a bug in the Fusion API that may cause sparse matrix wrong behavior.
- In case of near dual infeasibility certificate the infeasibility reporting had a bug that has been fixed.
- A bug has been fixed in the mixed integer optimizer that in special case made MOSEK report an infeasible solution as optimal.

## 7.1.0.22

- Improved mixed integer optimizer for some numerically unstable models.
- Fixed possible memory overwrite in mixed integer optimizer.
- Fixed installation of token server on Windows.

## 7.1.0.20

- By default all messages originating from the response handler (i.e. error and warning messages) were nulled. They are now displayed.

- There is now a mosekdotnet.dll and a mosekdotnet\_7.1.dll. Apart from the name they are identical. This means that both 7.0 and 7.1 .NET dlls can be included in the same project, but a single assembly can still only link with one of them.

## 7.1.0.15

- Fixed memory leak in the mixed integer optimizer.

## 7.1.0.14

- Fine tuned the warning handling.

## 7.1.0.13

- Fixed a bug occurring in the presolve when the problem has linear dependencies that causes infeasibilities.

## 7.1.0.12

- Fixed a bug in the mixed integer optimizer that made the optimizer report an optimal but infeasible solution in certain cases.
- Fixed possible memory overwrite in the mixed integer optimizer.
- Improved documentation for Fusion API.

## 7.1.0.10

- Fixed Python setup script.

## 7.1.0.9

- Fixed some typos in the quick start guide.

## 7.1.0.7

- Fixed issue occurring when infeasible initial solutions was passed to the mixed-integer optimizer.

## 7.1.0.6

- Fixed a bug in the optimization toolbox for MATLAB that could cause crash when a solution was specified for a conic problem.
- Fixed a bug that could cause a crash in the interior-point optimizer for very large problems..

## 7.1.0.5

- Removed the unused parameter `iparam.license_allow_overuse`.
- Fixed an array type-checking bug in the optimizer API for Python.

## 7.1.0.4

- Fixed a segmentation fault that could occur on 32 bit platforms for very large problems.

#### 7.1.0.0

- Updated mixed-integer conic optimizer with improved performance.
- Updated MPS reader with support for the CPLEX specific sections QMATRIX and QCMATRIX. The MPS reader has been improved.
- The default MPS format has been changed to the free MPS format.
- Experimental support for reading the conic benchmark format. Semidefinite constraints and variables are not supported yet.
- A new experimental feature for reformulating certain quadratically constrained into a conic problem.
- In Fusion it is now possible to obtain optimizer statistics e.g. mixed integer gap etc.
- Added some of the BLAS and LAPACK functionality e.g. gemm and potrf functions.

