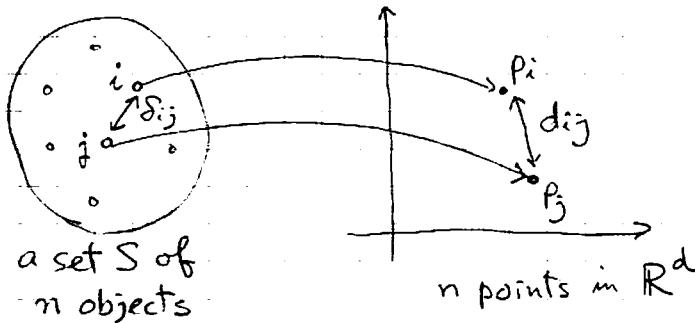


# MDS : Multi-Dimensional Scaling



$\delta_{ij}$  : dissimilarity between objects  $i$  and  $j$

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$d_{ij}$  : Euclidean distance between two points  $p_i$  and  $p_j$

Given an integer  $d > 0$  and a matrix  $\Delta = [\delta_{ij}]$  representing dissimilarity of every pair of objects, find a mapping of those objects to points in  $d$ -dimensional space  $\mathbb{R}^d$  so that pointwise distance is approximately equal to the dissimilarity between corresponding objects.

approximation error:  $e_{ij} = |\delta_{ij} - d_{ij}|$

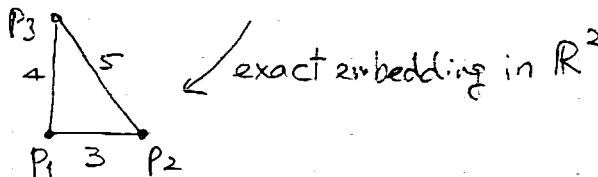
Objective function to be minimized:

$$f_1: \sum_{i,j} e_{ij} \rightarrow \min$$

$$f_2: \sum_{i,j} e_{ij}^2 \rightarrow \min \dots \text{etc.}$$

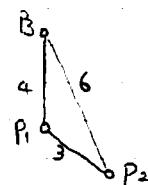
(Example E1)

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} \delta_{12} &= \delta_{21} = 3 \\ \delta_{13} &= \delta_{31} = 4 \\ \delta_{23} &= \delta_{32} = 5 \end{aligned}$$



(Example E2)

$$\Delta' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 0 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Exact embedding is still possible}$$



(Example E3)

$$\Delta' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 0 & 8 \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} &\text{violates triangular inequality} \\ &\text{for } i, j, k \\ &d_{ij} + d_{jk} \geq d_{ik} \end{aligned}$$

{ Metric case : every triple satisfies triangular inequality  
 Non-metric case : otherwise }

Given a set of  $n$  objects with associated dissimilarity matrix which is metric (ie. satisfying triangular inequality), those objects are mapped to points in the  $(n-1)$  dimensional space so that  $\delta_{ij} = d_{ij}$  for every pair  $(i, j)$ .

$\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{i1}, x_{i2}, \dots, x_{id})^T$  : point in  $\mathbb{R}^d$

$\Rightarrow$  the Euclidian distance  $d_{ij}$

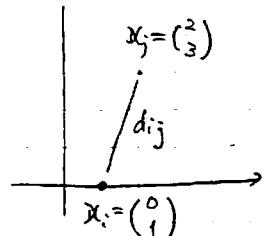
$$d_{ij}^2 = (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)^T (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j) \quad (1)$$

(Example E4)

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_j = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j = \begin{pmatrix} 0-2 \\ 1-3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d_{ij}^2 = (-2 \ -2) \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = (-2)^2 + (-2)^2 = 8$$



Let the inner product matrix be  $\mathbf{B}$ , where

$$[\mathbf{B}]_{ij} = b_{ij} = \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j \quad (2)$$

Want to find  $\mathbf{B}$  using known squared distances  $\{d_{ij}^2\}$

To find  $\mathbf{B}$

Translation does not change pairwise distances

↓ as a natural assumption

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_{ij} = 0 \quad \text{for } j=1, \dots, d. \quad (3)$$

(means that the centroid of  $n$  points is placed at the origin)

$$\begin{aligned} d_{ij}^2 &= (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)^T (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j) \\ &= \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j + \mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_j - 2 \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ij}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_j - 2 \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j)$$

Here  $\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i^T \right) \mathbf{x}_j = 0$  (due to (3))

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ij}^2 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_j \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_j \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_j - 2 \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j) \\ &= \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_j \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 \right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_j \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i + \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_i \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_j \\ &= \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

From (5) and (7),

$$\mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_j = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{2n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2$$

Similarly

$$\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{2n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2$$

Now, combining (2) and (4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} b_{ij} &= \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{x}_j^T \mathbf{x}_j - d_{ij}^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{2n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{2n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 - d_{ij}^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ij}^2 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 - d_{ij}^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore b_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2} \left( d_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 + \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 \right) \quad (8)$$

Now, define

$$a_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2} d_{ij}^2,$$

$$a_{i*} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2$$

$$a_{*j} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_{ij}^2$$

$$a_{**} = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n d_{ij}^2 \quad (9)$$

Then, we have

$$b_{ij} = a_{ij} - a_{i*} - a_{*j} + a_{**}. \quad (10)$$

Define matrix  $A$  as  $[A]_{ij} = a_{ij}$ , and hence the inner product matrix  $B$  is

$$\boxed{B = HAH} \quad (11)$$

where  $H$  is the centering matrix

$$H = I - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}^T, \quad \mathbf{1} = \underbrace{(1, 1, \dots, 1)}_n$$

e.g.

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} (111) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I - \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$HAH = \begin{pmatrix} 1-p & -p & -p \\ -p & 1-p & -p \\ -p & -p & 1-p \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1-p & -p & -p \\ -p & 1-p & -p \\ -p & -p & 1-p \end{pmatrix}, \quad p = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} - p \sum_{i=1}^3 a_{i1}, & a_{12} - p \sum a_{i2}, & a_{13} - p \sum a_{i3} \\ \hline \hline \hline - & - & - \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1-p & -p & -p \\ -p & 1-p & -p \\ -p & -p & 1-p \end{pmatrix}$$

(1,1) element

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (-p) \left[ a_{11} - p \sum_{i=1}^3 a_{ii} \right] - p \left[ a_{12} - p \sum_{i=1}^3 a_{i2} \right] - p \left[ a_{13} - p \sum_{i=1}^3 a_{i3} \right] \\
 &= a_{11} - p \sum_{i=1}^3 a_{ii} - p [a_{11} + a_{12} + a_{13} - p \sum a_{ii} - p \sum a_{i2} - p \sum a_{i3}] \\
 &= a_{11} - p \sum a_{ii} - p \sum a_{ii} + p^2 \sum \sum a_{ij} \\
 &= a_{11} - \frac{1}{n} \sum a_{ii} - \frac{1}{n} \sum a_{ii} + \frac{1}{n^2} \sum \sum a_{ij} \\
 &= a_{11} - a_{**} - a_{1*} + a_{**}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, we have

$$[B]_{ij} = \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{H} \quad (11)$$

Setting  $\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n]^T$ 

$$\downarrow \\ \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T \quad (12)$$

The rank of  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $r(\mathbf{B})$ , is then

$$r(\mathbf{B}) = r(\mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T) = r(\mathbf{X}) = d.$$

Now,  $\mathbf{B}$  is symmetric, positive semi-definite and of rank  $d$ , and hence has  $d$  non-negative eigenvalues and  $n-d$  zero eigenvalues.

$$\mathbf{B} \mathbf{v}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{v}_i, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n \quad (13)$$

 $\lambda_i$ : eigenvalue $\mathbf{v}_i$ : corresponding eigenvector

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc}
 & 1 & 2 & \cdots & d \\
 \hline
 1 & & & & \mathbf{x}_1^T \\
 2 & & & & \vdots \\
 \vdots & & & & \vdots \\
 n & & & & \mathbf{x}_n^T
 \end{array}$$

Define a matrix  $V$  by

$$V = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n]$$

Then, from (13) we have

$$BV = V\Lambda, \quad (14)$$

where

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

with normalizations:

$$v_i^T v_i = 1. \quad (15)$$

And for any  $i \neq j$ ,

$$v_i^T v_j = 0. \quad (16)$$

Therefore, we have

$$VV^T = I.$$

Hence

$$B = BVV^T = V\Lambda V^T$$

$$\text{i.e. } B = V\Lambda V^T \quad (17)$$

Because of the  $n-d$  zero eigenvalues,  $B$  can be written as

$$B = V_1 \Lambda_1 V_1^T, \quad (18)$$

$$\Lambda_1 = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d), \quad V_1 = [v_1, \dots, v_d],$$

Hence, as  $B = X X^T$ , the coordinate matrix  $X$  is given by

$$X = V_1 \Lambda^{1/2} \quad (19)$$

$$\Lambda^{1/2} = \text{diag}(\sqrt{\lambda_1}, \sqrt{\lambda_2}, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_d})$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & d \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ n \end{bmatrix} = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_d] \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & & & 0 \\ & \sqrt{\lambda_2} & & \vdots \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \sqrt{\lambda_d} \end{pmatrix} = (\sqrt{\lambda_1} v_1, \sqrt{\lambda_2} v_2, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_d} v_d)$$

$\sqrt{\lambda_i} v_i$  gives the  $i$ -th coordinate values of  $n$  points.

(Example E5)

$$\text{dissimilarity matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = (\delta_{ij})$$

$$a_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{9}{2} & -8 \\ -\frac{9}{2} & 0 & -25/2 \\ -8 & -25/2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a_{1*} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{j=1}^3 a_{1j} = \frac{1}{3} (0 - \frac{9}{2} - 8) = -\frac{25}{6} = a_{1*1}.$$

$$a_{2*} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{j=1}^3 a_{2j} = \frac{1}{3} (-\frac{9}{2} + 0 - \frac{25}{2}) = -\frac{34}{6} = a_{1*2}$$

$$a_{3*} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{j=1}^3 a_{3j} = \frac{1}{3} (-8 - \frac{25}{2} + 0) = -\frac{41}{6} = a_{1*3}$$

$$a_{**} = \frac{1}{3} (a_{1*1} + a_{1*2} + a_{1*3}) = \frac{1}{3} \left( -\frac{25}{6} - \frac{34}{6} - \frac{41}{6} \right) = -\frac{100}{18}$$

$$b_{11} = a_{11} - a_{1*} - a_{*1} + a_{**} = 0 + \frac{25}{6} + \frac{25}{6} - \frac{100}{18} = \frac{50}{18}$$

$$= -\frac{4}{18}$$

$$b_{12} = a_{12} - a_{1*} - a_{*2} + a_{**} = -\frac{9}{2} + \frac{25}{6} + \frac{34}{6} - \frac{100}{18} = \frac{1}{18}(-81 + 75 + 102 - 100)$$

$$b_{13} = a_{13} - a_{1*} - a_{*3} + a_{**} = -8 + \frac{25}{6} + \frac{41}{6} - \frac{100}{18} = \frac{1}{18}(-144 + 75 + 123 - 100) = -46/18$$

$$b_{22} = a_{22} - a_{2*} - a_{*2} + a_{**} = 0 + \frac{34}{6} + \frac{34}{6} - \frac{100}{18} = \frac{1}{18}(102 + 102 - 100) = \frac{104}{18}$$

$$b_{23} = a_{23} - a_{2*} - a_{*3} + a_{**} = -\frac{25}{2} + \frac{34}{6} + \frac{41}{6} - \frac{100}{18} = \frac{1}{18}(-225 + 102 + 123 - 100) = -\frac{100}{18}$$

$$b_{33} = a_{33} - a_{3*} - a_{*3} + a_{**} = 0 + \frac{41}{6} + \frac{41}{6} - \frac{100}{18} = \frac{1}{18}(12) + 123 - 100 = \frac{146}{18}$$

$$B = \frac{1}{18} \begin{pmatrix} 50 & -4 & -46 \\ -4 & 104 & -100 \\ -46 & -100 & 146 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2.78, & -0.22, & -2.56 \\ -0.22, & 5.78, & -5.56 \\ -2.55, & -5.56, & 8.11 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = 12.96, \quad \lambda_2 = 3.70 \quad \sqrt{\lambda_1} = 3.6, \quad \sqrt{\lambda_2} = 1.92$$

$$v_1^T = (-0.18, -0.59, 0.78)$$

$$v_2^T = (-0.79, 0.56, 0.24)$$

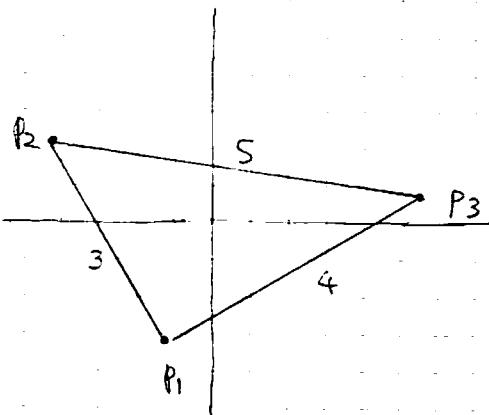
$$\sqrt{\lambda_1} v_1^T = (-0.65, -2.12, 2.81)$$

$$\sqrt{\lambda_2} v_2^T = (-1.52, 1.08, 0.46)$$

$$\therefore p_1 = (-0.65, -1.52)$$

$$p_2 = (-2.12, 1.08)$$

$$p_3 = (2.81, 0.46)$$

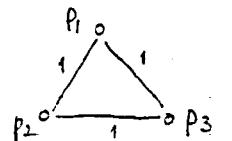


Given a dissimilarity matrix  $\{\delta_{ij}\}$ , can we always find an exact embedding if there is?

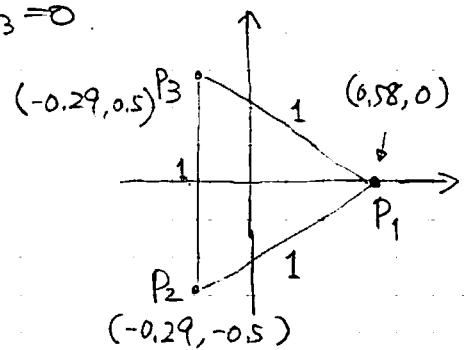
Condition :  $B$  is positive semidefinite of rank  $d$   
 $\Rightarrow$  exact embedding in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

(Example E6)

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0.5, \lambda_3 = 0$$



Question.

How many dimensions are required?

$B$  has at least one 0 eigenvalue since

$$B\mathbf{1} = HAH\mathbf{1}$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1-\frac{1}{n} & \dots & -\frac{1}{n} \\ \vdots & 1-\frac{1}{n} & \vdots \\ -\frac{1}{n} & \ddots & 1-\frac{1}{n} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H\mathbf{1}_i = \left(1-\frac{1}{n}\right) + \underbrace{\left(-\frac{1}{n}\right) + \dots + \left(-\frac{1}{n}\right)}_{n-1} = 0 \quad \therefore H\mathbf{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore B\mathbf{1} = \mathbf{0} = 0\mathbf{1},$$

Suppose we are given a dissimilarity matrix  $\{\delta_{ij}\}$  defined by pointwise distances. Then, can we find a configuration such that  $d_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$  for every  $i, j$ ?

YES by Mardia et al. in 1979.

if  $B$  is positive semi-definite of rank  $d$ .

$$\Rightarrow B = V \Lambda V^T = X X^T, \text{ where}$$

$$\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d), \quad X = [x_1, \dots, x_n]^T, \quad x_i = \lambda_i^{1/2} v_i.$$

$$d_{ij}^2 = (x_i - x_j)^T (x_i - x_j) = x_i^T x_i + x_j^T x_j - 2 x_i^T x_j$$

$$= b_{ii} + b_{jj} - 2 b_{ij}$$

$$= (a_{ii} - a_{i*} - a_{*i} + a_{**}) + (a_{jj} - a_{j*} - a_{*j} + a_{**})$$

$$- 2(a_{ij} - a_{i*} - a_{*j} + a_{**})$$

$$= a_{ii} + a_{jj} - 2a_{ij} \quad (\because a_{i*} = a_{*i}, a_{j*} = a_{*j}, \text{etc.})$$

$$= -2a_{ij} \quad (\because a_{ii} = -\frac{1}{2} \delta_{ii}^2 = 0)$$

$$= \delta_{ij}^2$$

$$\therefore d_{ij}^2 = \delta_{ij}^2$$

Gower (1966) named this method "Principal Coordinates Analysis" (PCO).

in the embedding into  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ ,

$$d_{ij}^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \lambda_k (x_{ik} - x_{jk})^2 \quad (20)$$

So, if  $\lambda_i$  is small enough, then their contribution can be neglected.

## Principal Coordinates Analysis

- $\{\delta_{ij}\}$ : dissimilarity matrix
- Define a matrix  $B$
- Find  $d$  largest eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_d \geq 0$   
and their corresponding eigenvectors  $v_1, \dots, v_d$ .
- Compute a configuration by  

$$X = [\sqrt{\lambda_1} v_1, \sqrt{\lambda_2} v_2, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_d} v_d]$$

Principal Coordinate Analysis (PCO) is expected to give a good embedding even if there is no exact embedding, but there is no theoretical bound on the performance (e.g., as an approximation ratio).

## Metric Least Squares Scaling

loss function

$$S = \sum_{i < j} \frac{1}{\delta_{ij}} (d_{ij} - \delta_{ij})^2 / \sum_{i < j} \delta_{ij} \quad (21)$$

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to be minimized.

Now,  $d_{ij}^2 = \sum_{k=1}^d (x_{ik} - x_{jk})^2$ , and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial x_{tk}} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{tk}} \sqrt{(x_{i1} - x_{j1})^2 + \dots + (x_{id} - x_{jd})^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{d_{ij}} \cdot [2(x_{ik} - x_{jk}) \delta^{it} - 2(x_{ik} - x_{jk}) \delta^{jt}] \\ &= \frac{1}{d_{ij}} (x_{ik} - x_{jk})(\delta^{it} - \delta^{jt}) \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

where  $\delta^{rs} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } r=s \\ 0 & \text{if } r \neq s \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial S}{\partial x_{tk}} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{tk}} \left[ \sum_{i < j} \frac{1}{\delta_{ij}} (d_{ij} - \delta_{ij})^2 / \sum_{i < j} \delta_{ij} \right] \\ &= \left[ \sum_{i < j} \frac{1}{\delta_{ij}} 2(d_{ij} - \delta_{ij}) \frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial x_{tk}} \right] / \sum_{i < j} \delta_{ij} \\ &= \left[ \sum_{i < j} \frac{1}{\delta_{ij}} 2(d_{ij} - \delta_{ij}) \frac{1}{d_{ij}} (x_{ik} - x_{jk})(\delta^{it} - \delta^{jt}) \right] / \sum_{i < j} \delta_{ij} \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{i < j} \delta_{ij}} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{tk}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\delta_{it}} (d_{it} - \delta_{it})^2 \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{2}{\sum_{i < j} \delta_{ij}} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d_{it} - \delta_{it}}{\delta_{it}} \cdot \frac{1}{d_{it}} (x_{tk} - x_{ik})(\delta^{it} - \delta^{tt}) \\ &= \left( \frac{2}{\sum_{i < j} \delta_{ij}} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d_{it} - \delta_{it}}{\delta_{it} d_{it}} (x_{tk} - x_{ik}). \end{aligned}$$

The equations

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial x_{tk}} = \left( \frac{2}{\sum_{i,j} s_{ij}} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d_{it} - s_{it}}{d_i s_{it}} (x_{tk} - x_{ie}) = 0 \quad (23)$$

$$t = 1, \dots, n, \quad k = 1, \dots, d$$

have to be solved numerically.

Sammon (1969) uses a steepest descent method, so that if  $x_{tk}^{(m)}$  is the m-th iteration in minimizing  $S$ , then

$$x_{tk}^{(m+1)} = x_{tk}^{(m)} - MF \frac{\partial S}{\partial x_{tk}} / \left| \frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial x_{tk}^2} \right|, \quad (24)$$

where MF is Sammon's magic factor to optimize convergence and was chosen as 0.3 or 0.4.

Least absolute residuals.

$$LAR = \sum_{i,j} w_{ij} |d_{ij} - s_{ij}| \quad (25)$$

where  $w_{ij}$  are weights.

## Unidimensional Scaling

in one dimension

$$d_{ij} = |x_i - x_j| \quad (26)$$

and the loss function to be minimized is

$$S = \sum_{i < j} (\delta_{ij} - |x_i - x_j|)^2 \quad (27)$$

$x$  is a local minimum of  $S$  if and only if

$$x_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \delta_{ij} \operatorname{sign}(x_i - x_j), \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n. \quad (28)$$

where  $\operatorname{sign}(a-b) = \begin{cases} 1 & a > b \\ 0 & a = b \\ -1 & a < b \end{cases}$  (29)

Special case : ordering is fixed  $x_1 \geq x_2 \geq \dots \geq x_n$

$$S = \sum_{i < j} (\delta_{ij} - (x_i - x_j))^2 \quad (30)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial S}{\partial x_k} &= \sum_{k=i < j} (-2\delta_{kj} + 2(x_k - x_j)) + \sum_{i < k=j} (2\delta_{ik} + 2(x_k - x_i)) \\ &= \sum_{j=k+1}^n (-2\delta_{kj} + 2(x_k - x_j)) + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} (2\delta_{ik} + 2(x_k - x_i)) \\ &= 2(n-1)x_k - \sum_{i \neq k} x_i + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} 2\delta_{ik} - \sum_{i=k+1}^n 2\delta_{ik} \end{aligned}$$

So, the equations to be satisfied are

$$(n-1)x_k - \sum_{i \neq k} x_i = - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \delta_{ik} + \sum_{i=k+1}^n \delta_{ik} \quad (32)$$

Since we have at most  $(n-1)$  independent equations, the system of equations is expressed in the following matrix form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} n-1 & -1 & \cdots & -1 \\ -1 & n-1 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & -1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ -1 & -1 & \cdots & n-1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $c_i = -\sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \delta_{ij} + \sum_{j=i+1}^n \delta_{ij}, i=1, \dots, n.$

Fortunately, the matrix has an inverse matrix. In fact,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2/n & 1/n & \cdots & 1/n \\ 1/n & 2/n & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1/n & 1/n & \cdots & 2/n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} n-1 & -1 & \cdots & -1 \\ -1 & n-1 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -1 & -1 & \cdots & n-1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & & \\ 0 & 1 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \text{diagonal} = \frac{2}{n} \times (n-1) + (n-2) \times \frac{1}{n} \times (-1) = \frac{1}{n} (2n-2-n+2) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{non-diagonal} &= \frac{2}{n} \times (-1) + \frac{1}{n} \times (n-1) + (n-3) \times \frac{1}{n} \times (-1) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} (-2+n-1-n+3) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{n} & \frac{1}{n} & \cdots & \frac{1}{n} \\ \frac{1}{n} & \frac{2}{n} & \cdots & \frac{1}{n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{n} & \frac{1}{n} & \cdots & \frac{2}{n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_n = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \delta_{in} \right]$$

(Example E7)

$$(\delta_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 & 8 & 10 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & 1 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 5 \\ 4 & 8 & 4 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 10 & 6 & 5 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C_1 = -\sum_{j=1}^0 \delta_{1j} + \sum_{j=2}^5 \delta_{1j} = 27$$

$$C_2 = -\sum_{j=1}^1 \delta_{2j} + \sum_{j=3}^6 \delta_{2j} = -4 + 11 = 7$$

$$C_3 = -\sum_{j=1}^2 \delta_{3j} + \sum_{j=4}^6 \delta_{3j} = -6 + 8 = 2$$

$$C_4 = -\sum_{j=1}^3 \delta_{4j} + \sum_{j=5}^5 \delta_{4j} = -15 + 2 = -13$$

$$C_5 = -\sum_{j=1}^4 \delta_{5j} = -23$$

$$C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + C_4 + C_5 = 27 + 7 + 2 - 13 - 23 = 36 - 36 = 0$$

$$x_1 = \frac{1}{n} C_1 + \frac{1}{n} \sum C_i = \frac{27}{5}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1}{n} C_2 + \frac{1}{n} \sum C_i = \frac{7}{5}$$

$$x_3 = \frac{1}{n} C_3 + \frac{1}{n} \sum C_i = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$x_4 = \frac{1}{n} C_4 + \frac{1}{n} \sum C_i = -\frac{13}{5}$$

$$x_5 = \frac{1}{4} [x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + C_5] = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \frac{1}{5} (27 + 7 + 2 - 13) - 23 \right] = \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{23}{5} - 23 \right)$$

$$= -\frac{23}{5}$$

(Example E8)

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

$$C_1 = n-2$$

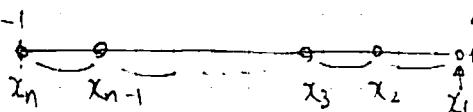
$$C_2 = n-2-2 = n-4$$

$$C_i = n-2-2*(i-1) = n-2i$$

$$C_n = n-2-2(n-1) = -n$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n C_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (n-2i) = n(n-1) - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} n(n-1) = 0$$

$$\therefore x_1 = \frac{1}{n} C_i = \frac{1}{n} (n-2i) = 1 - \frac{2i}{n}, \quad x_1 = 1 - \frac{2}{n}, \quad x_0 = 1 - 2 = -1$$



## Special Case $\delta_{ij} = \delta^{ij}$

$$(\delta_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \ddots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- In one dimension, there is an optimal embedding that minimizes  $\sum_{i < j} (\delta_{ij} - d_{ij})^2$ , where  $d_{ij} = |x_i - x_j|$  in  $\mathbb{R}^1$ .

$$x_1 = 1 - \frac{2}{n}, x_2 = 1 - \frac{4}{n}, \dots, x_{n-1} = 1 - \frac{2(n-1)}{n}, x_n = -1.$$

- What is an optimal embedding in  $\mathbb{R}^1$  if we add constraints  $d_{ij} \geq \delta_{ij}$  for all  $i$  and  $j$ ?

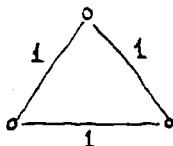
One solution is

$$x_1 = 0, x_2 = 1, \dots, x_n = n-1.$$

The solution is optimal!

## In two dimensions

There is an exact embedding of three objects in  $\mathbb{R}^2$



exact embedding for  $\Delta_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

For  $n$  objects

$$a_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij}^2 \quad \left( -\frac{1}{2} \text{ if } i \neq j, 0 \text{ if } i = j \right)$$

$$a_{i*} = a_{i+} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2n}(n-1)$$

$$a_{**} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \sum_j a_{ij} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a_{i*} = \frac{1}{n} \cdot n \cdot \left(-\frac{n-1}{2n}\right) = -\frac{n-1}{2n}$$

$$b_{ij} = a_{ij} - a_{i*} - a_{*j} + a_{**}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2n}(n-1) + \frac{1}{2n}(n-1) - \frac{1}{2n}(n-1) = -\frac{1}{2n} \quad \text{if } i \neq j$$

$$b_{ii} = a_{ii} - a_{i*} - a_{*i} + a_{**}$$

$$= 0 + \frac{1}{2n}(n-1) + \frac{1}{2n}(n-1) - \frac{1}{2n}(n-1) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n}$$

If we set  $\varepsilon = -\frac{1}{2n}$ , we have

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon & & & \\ & \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon & & \varepsilon \\ & & \ddots & \\ \varepsilon & & & \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

- The matrix B has an eigenvalue  $\frac{1}{2}$ :

for any vector  $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)^T$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^n v_i = 0$ ,

$$Bv = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad x_i = \frac{1}{2}v_i + \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^n v_j = \frac{1}{2}v_i$$

$$\therefore Bv = \frac{1}{2}v \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \text{ is an eigenvalue}$$

- The matrix B has an eigenvalue 0:

for the vector  $1 = (1, \dots, 1)^T$ ,

$$B1 = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad x_i = \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon n = \frac{1}{2} + n \times \left(-\frac{1}{2n}\right) = 0.$$

$$\therefore B1 = 0 \cdot 1 \Rightarrow \lambda = 0 \text{ is an eigenvalue}$$

- B has no other eigenvalues.

Let  $\lambda$  and  $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)^T$  be a pair of eigenvalue and eigenvector of the matrix B,

Then, we have

$$B\mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda v_i = \frac{1}{2} v_i + \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^n v_j, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n, \quad \varepsilon = -\frac{1}{2n}.$$

Case 1:  $\sum_{j=1}^n v_j = 0$

$$\lambda v_i = \frac{1}{2} v_i, \quad \therefore \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{eigenvalue})$$

Case 2:  $\sum_{j=1}^n v_j \neq 0$

we must have

$$\lambda v_i = \frac{1}{2} v_i - \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{j=1}^n v_j.$$

For any  $v_i \neq 0$ , we must have

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{j=1}^n v_j,$$

independently of  $i$ . Therefore, we must have

$v_1 = v_2 = \dots = v_n$ . Then, we have

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n} \cdot n v_i = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = 0. \quad (\text{eigenvalue})$$

In this special case, eigen vector corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}$  is not uniquely determined.

Any vector  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_n)^T$  with  $\sum_{j=1}^n v_j = 0$  can be an eigen vector of  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ .

Special case :  $n=3$

Let three points be  $p_1(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $p_2(x_2, y_2)$ , and  $p_3(x_3, y_3)$ .

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \mathbf{v}_1 = (x_1, x_2)^T \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_2 = (y_1, y_2)^T$$

condition:  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0$  and  $y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = 0$ .

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon & \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon & \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3}x_1 - \frac{1}{6}x_2 \\ -\frac{1}{6}x_1 + \frac{1}{3}x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{3}x_1 - \frac{1}{6}x_2 = \frac{1}{2}x_1 \rightarrow x_1 = -x_2$$

$$-\frac{1}{6}x_1 + \frac{1}{3}x_2 = \frac{1}{2}x_2 \rightarrow x_1 = -x_2.$$

Similarly, from  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}_2 = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{U}_2$ , we have

$$y_1 = -y_2$$

Thus, we have

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x_1 = -x_2 \Rightarrow x_1 = -x_2 \text{ and } x_3 = 0$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = 0 \quad y_1 = -y_2 \text{ and } y_3 = 0$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad y_1 = -y_2$$

• Two vectors must be orthogonal

$$\mathbf{U}_1^T \mathbf{U}_2 = (x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3) \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + x_3 y_3 = 1.$$

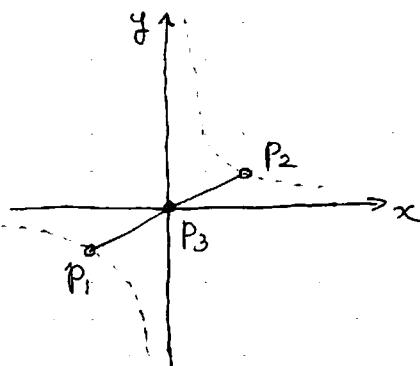
$$\Rightarrow x_1 y_1 + (-x_1)(-y_1) + 0 \cdot 0 = 2x_1 y_1 = 1.$$

• Summarize the constraints, we have

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_1 = -x_2, x_3 = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad y_1 = -y_2, y_3 = 0$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad x_1 y_1 = 1/2.$$



## Various Objective Functions

$$S_1 = \sum_{i < j} |d_{ij}^2 - \delta_{ij}^2|$$

$$S_2 = \sum_{i < j} (d_{ij} - \delta_{ij})^2$$

$$S_3 = \sum_{i < j} |d_{ij} - \delta_{ij}|$$

$$S_4 = \sum_{i < j} (d_{ij}^2 - \delta_{ij}^2)^2$$

many other variations, e.g.,

$$S'_2 = \sum_{i < j} \frac{1}{\delta_{ij}} (d_{ij} - \delta_{ij})^2 / \sum_{i < j} \delta_{ij}$$

$$S_1 = \sum_{i < j} |d_{ij}^2 - S_{ij}^2|$$

Special case :  $S_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$

$\bullet P_i \sim P_m$

$1 \quad 1$

$m = \lfloor n/3 \rfloor$

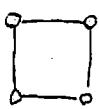
$P_{m+1} \sim P_{2m} \quad 1$

$P_{m+1} \sim P_n$

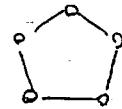
multiple points.

$$S_2 = \sum_{i < j} (d_{ij} - \delta_{ij})^2$$

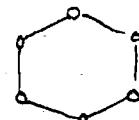
$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$



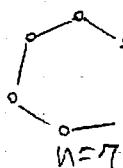
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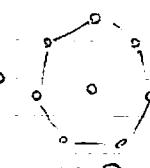
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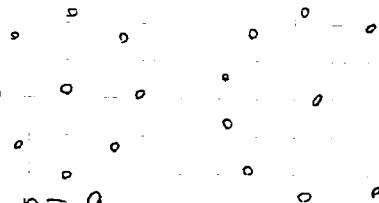
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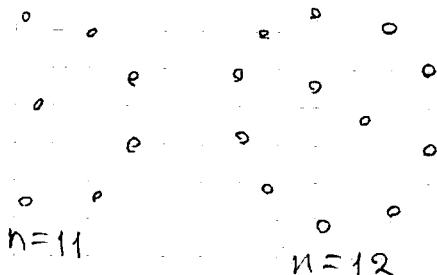
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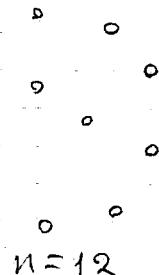
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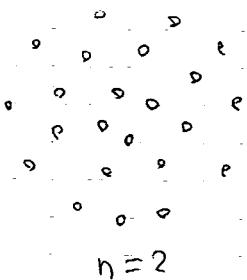
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$n=11$



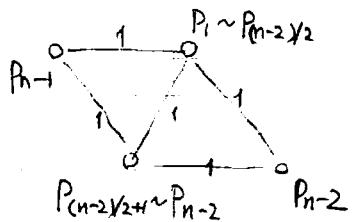
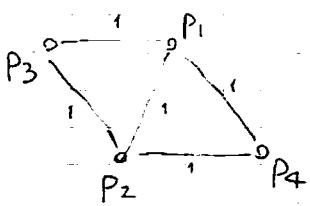
$n=12$



$n=?$

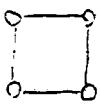
$$S_3 = \sum_{i < j} |d_{ij} - \delta_{ij}|$$

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j. \end{cases}$$

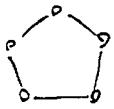


$$S_4 = \sum_{i < j} (d_{ij}^2 - \delta_{ij}^2)^2$$

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$



$n = 4$



$n = 5$

...



$n = 10$

## Inserting one point in the amidst of many points

Problem: Given  $n$  points  $p_1, \dots, p_n$  in the plane and  $n$  real values  $s_1, \dots, s_n$ , find a point  $p$  that minimizes

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |d_i^2 - s_i^2|,$$

where  $d_i$  is the distance from  $p$  to  $p_i$ .

Note!

A similar problem with an objective function

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |d_i - s_i|$$

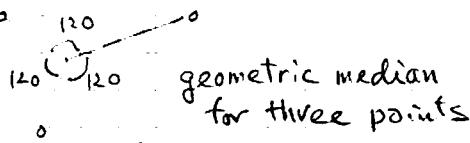
is hard.

$\therefore$  Consider a special case where  $s_i = 0, i = 1, \dots, n$ .

This problem is to find a point that minimizes the sum of distances to the existing points.

$\rightarrow$  It is called "Geometric Median"

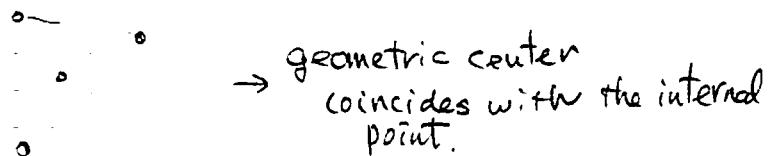
For three points.



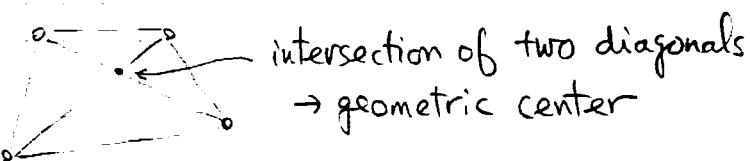
$\hookrightarrow$  known as "Fermat point"

This problem is called the Fermat-Weber problem.

For four points



Case 1 : one point is inside the triangle formed by the remaining three points



Case 2 : convex positions

For  $n$  points.

No formula is known to calculate the geometric median.

Good news : the sum of distances is a convex function

↓  
local optimum = global optimum.

Problem is hard even for 5 points.

Approximation algorithm (Bose-Maheshwari-Morin'03).

$\epsilon$ -approximation algorithms

$O(n \log n)$  time : deterministic

$O(n)$  time : randomized

FACT : The search space is convex.

Proof : the distance to each existing point  $p_i$  is convex.  
 $(f_i = d(p, p_i))$

- sum of convex functions is convex

- the sum of distances to the existing points is convex.  $\sum d(p, p_i)$

Problem : Given  $n$  points  $p_1, \dots, p_n$  and  $n$  real values  $s_1, \dots, s_n$ , find a point  $p$  that minimizes

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |d_i^2 - s_i^2|,$$

where  $d_i$  is the distance from  $p$  to  $p_i$ .

- Special case  $s_i = 0, i=1, \dots, n$

Find a point  $p : \sum_{i=1}^n d_i^2 \rightarrow \min$

Again, the search space is convex.

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x-x_i)^2 + (y-y_i)^2$$

At a global optimum, we must have

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial S}{\partial y} = 0.$$

Thus, we have

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial x} = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x-x_i) = 0 \quad \therefore x = \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial y} = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y-y_i) = 0 \quad \therefore y = \frac{1}{n} \sum y_i$$

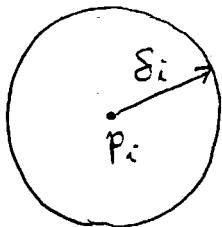
So, the centroid is the global optimum.

Original problem:  $S = \sum_{i=1}^n |d_i^2 - s_i^2| \rightarrow \min$

unfortunately, the function  $|d_i^2 - s_i^2|$  is not convex.  
So, the search space is not convex.

How to calculate  $|d_i^2 - s_i^2|$

Draw a circle  $C_i$  of radius  $s_i$  and center at  $p_i$



In the interior of  $C_i$

$$|d_i^2 - s_i^2| = s_i^2 - d_i^2$$

In the exterior of  $C_i$

$$|d_i^2 - s_i^2| = d_i^2 - s_i^2$$

For  $m$  points

Draw  $n$  circles  $C_1, \dots, C_n$

→ arrangement of those circles  
 $O(n^2)$  cells.

At each cell  $R_i$  we have a quadratic polynomial

$$a_i(x^2 + y^2) + b_i x + c_i y + d_i$$

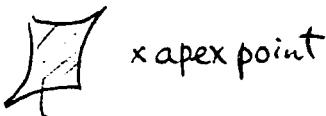
$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial x} = 2a_i x + b_i = 0 \quad x = -\frac{b_i}{2a_i}$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial y} = 2a_i y + c_i = 0 \quad y = -\frac{c_i}{2a_i}$$

$$\left(-\frac{b_i}{2a_i}, -\frac{c_i}{2a_i}\right) : \text{apex point.}$$

If the apex point is within the cell, the apex point is a candidate of an optimal point.

If the apex point is outside the cell



cell  $R_i$

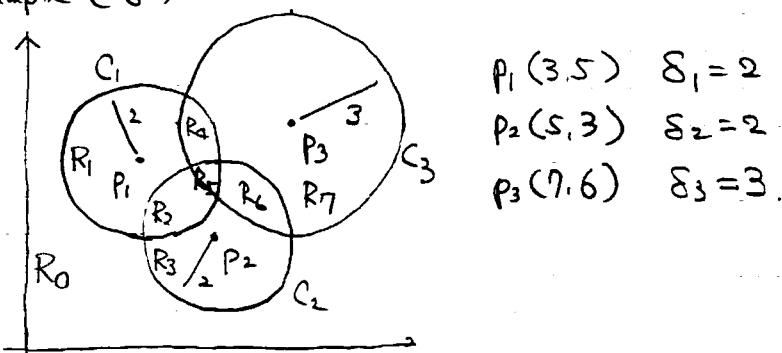
Case 1:  $a_i > 0$

find a point on the boundary of  $R_i$   
that is nearest to the apex point.  
→ candidate for the cell.

Case 2:  $a_i < 0$

find a point on the boundary of  $R_i$   
that is farthest to the apex point.

(Example E8)



Cells are coded by three signs  $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3)$

$$\sigma_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the cell is outside the circle } C_i \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then, the objective function

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \sigma_1[(x-3)^2 + (y-5)^2 - 2^2] + \sigma_2[(x-5)^2 + (y-3)^2 - 2^2] + \sigma_3[(x-7)^2 + (y-6)^2 - 3^2] \\ &= (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)(x^2 + y^2) - 2(3\sigma_1 + 5\sigma_2 + 7\sigma_3)x - 2(5\sigma_1 + 3\sigma_2 + 6\sigma_3)y \\ &\quad + \text{const.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial x} = 2(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)x - 2(3\sigma_1 + 5\sigma_2 + 7\sigma_3) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial y} = 2(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)y - 2(5\sigma_1 + 3\sigma_2 + 6\sigma_3) = 0$$

$$\therefore (x, y) = \left( \frac{3\sigma_1 + 5\sigma_2 + 7\sigma_3}{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3}, \frac{5\sigma_1 + 3\sigma_2 + 6\sigma_3}{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3} \right)$$

cell R<sub>0</sub> (1, 1, 1)     $x = 15/3 = 5$      $y = 14/3$      $(x, y) = (5, 14/3)$

cell R<sub>1</sub> (-1, 1, 1)     $x = 9/1 = 9$      $y = 4/1 = 4$      $(x, y) = (9, 4)$

cell R<sub>2</sub> (-1, -1, 1)     $x = -1/(-1) = 1$      $y = -2/(-1) = 2$      $(x, y) = (1, 2)$

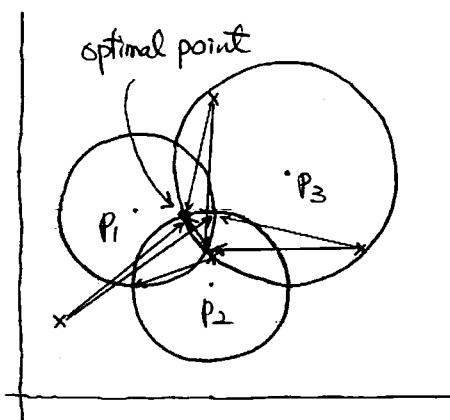
cell R<sub>3</sub> (1, -1, 1)     $x = 5/1 = 5$ ,  $y = 8/1 = 8$      $(x, y) = (5, 8)$

cell R<sub>4</sub> (-1, 1, -1)     $x = (-5)/(-1) = 5$ ,  $y = (-4)/(-1) = 4$      $(x, y) = (5, 4)$

cell R<sub>5</sub> (-1, -1, -1)     $x = (-5)/(-3) = 5$ ,  $y = (-14)/(-3) = (4/3)$      $(x, y) = (5, 14/3)$

cell R<sub>6</sub> (1, -1, -1)     $x = -9/(-1) = 9$ ,  $y = -4/(-1) = 4$      $(x, y) = (9, 4)$

cell R<sub>7</sub> (1, 1, -1)     $x = 1/1 = 1$ ,  $y = 2/1 = 2$ .     $(x, y) = (1, 2)$



No apex point lies in the interior of the corresponding cell.

for each cell,  
find a nearest/farthest  
point from the apex  
point

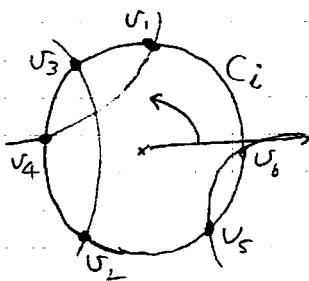
Construct an arrangement of circles.

① Compute all intersections of circles.

→  $O(n^2)$  intersections

we compute a list of all intersections for each circle

circle  $C_i$   $[v_1 | v_2 | \dots |] \leftarrow$  list of intersections  
on  $C_i$

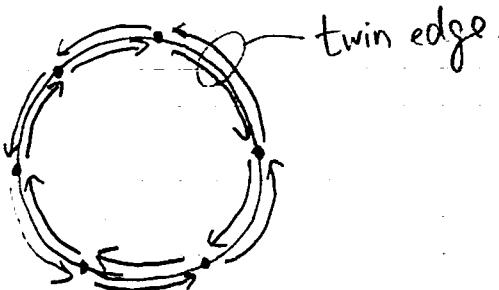


Sort all the intersections  
by angles from the  
horizontal ray to the right  
from the center of  $C_i$ .

$(v_{i_0}, v_{i_1}, \dots, v_{i_{k+1}})$ : sorted list

→ make edges  $e_{i_0} = (v_{i_0}, v_{i_1}), \dots, e_{i_{k+1}} = (v_{i_{k+2}}, v_{i_{k+1}}),$   
 $e_{i_k} = (v_{i_{k+1}}, v_{i_0})$

→ for each edge, we create its twin edge  
of the opposite direction



Now we have all vertices (intersections) and edges connecting vertices.

Next, we enumerate all the cells

while (there is an unvisited edges) {

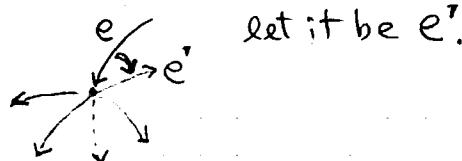
    Choose one unvisited edge  $e$  arbitrarily;

    Make a new cell  $R_i$  lying to the left of  $e$ ;

    Put the edge into a list  $L(R_i)$  associated with  $R_i$ .

do {

    Among those edges outgoing from the target point of the edge  $e$ , choose the one that is next to  $e$  in the clockwise order.



    let it be  $e'$ .

    Put  $e'$  into the list  $L(R_i)$  and label it as "visited".

$e = e'$ ;

} while (the list  $L(R_i)$  is not a cycle);

f.

## Algorithm

- (1) Draw  $n$  circles  $C_1, \dots, C_n$ ;
- (2) Construct an arrangement of those circles.
- (3) Compute a dual graph  $G$ ;
- (4) Compute a spanning tree  $T$  of  $G$ ;
- (5) Compute a walk along  $T$ ;  $\rightarrow$  sequence of cells.
- (6)  $R$  = initial cell in the sequence  
Compute the objective function  $S$   
(compute coefficients  $A, B, C$ , and  $D$ )

$$A(x^2 + y^2) + Bx + Cy + D.$$

Solve a system of equation  $\frac{\partial S}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial S}{\partial y} = 0$ ;  
let  $p(R)$  be a point satisfying the system;

Check whether  $p(R)$  lies inside  $R$  or not  
by traversing the boundary of  $R$ ;

if  $p(R)$  lies inside  $R$  then  $p^*(R) = p(R)$ ;

else if  $A > 0$  then

find a point on the boundary of  $R$  that  
is closest to  $p(R)$

else  $A < 0$  then

find a point on the boundary of  $R$  that  
is farthest from  $p(R)$

else  $A = 0$  then

find a point on the boundary of  $R$  that  
minimizes  $Bx + Cy + D$ ;

all by traversing the boundary of  $R$ ;

Now, we have a dual graph  $G = (V, E)$ .

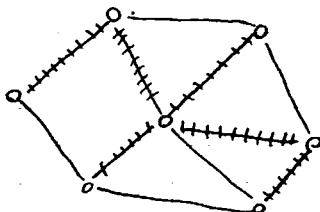
$$\# \text{ of vertices} = \# \text{ of cells} = O(n^2)$$

$$\# \text{ of edges} \leq \# \text{ of twin edges} = O(n^2)$$

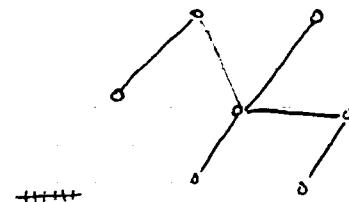
$$\text{time to compute the dual graph} = O(n^2).$$



Then, compute a spanning tree  $T$  of  $G$

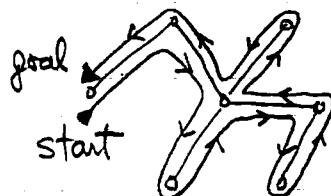


dual graph



tree edge

$\Downarrow$   
Define a walk along  $T$



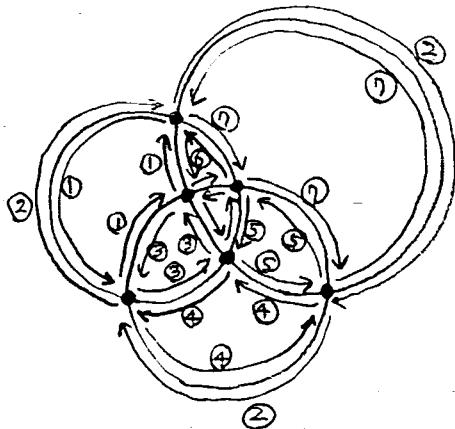
Walk

= a sequence of vertices visiting each edge exactly twice.

two vertices are adjacent in a walk

$\Rightarrow$  their corresponding cells are adjacent

(Example E9)



Now, we can traverse the boundary of any cell.

### Constructing a dual graph

Dual graph  $G = (V, E)$

vertex  $\leftarrow$  cell.

edge  $\leftarrow$  between two cells adjacent to each other.

For each cell  $R_i$

traverse the boundary of  $R_i$

for each edge  $e$

find its twin edge  $e'$

let  $R_j$  be the cell associated with  $e'$

define an edge  $(R_i, R_j)$  if it is not found.

while ( $R$  is not the last cell in the sequence) {  
 let  $R'$  be the next cell in the sequence;  
 modify the objective function using  
 the information of the edge between  $R$  and  $R'$ ;  
 (this modification can be done in  $O(1)$  time).  
 let  $R = R'$ ;  
 repeat the same calculation as above;  
 → find an optimal point  $p^*(R)$  for  $R$ ;  
 }.

Note that the boundary of a cell is traversed only twice. Thus, the total time for traverse is  $O(n^2)$ .

Therefore, the total running time is  
 $O(n^2 \log n)$  for sorting intersections  
 $O(n^2)$  for remaining computation  
 in total  $O(n^2 \log n)$  time and  
 $O(n^2)$  space



Can improve the running time into  $O(n^2)$ ?

Space can be improved  $O(n)$   
 while keeping the running time in  $O(n^2 \log n)$   
 ← Plane Sweep Algorithm.