

# Easy and not so easy multifacility location problems... *(In 20 minutes.)*

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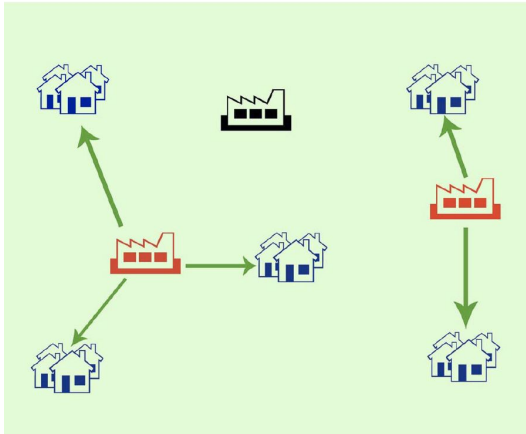
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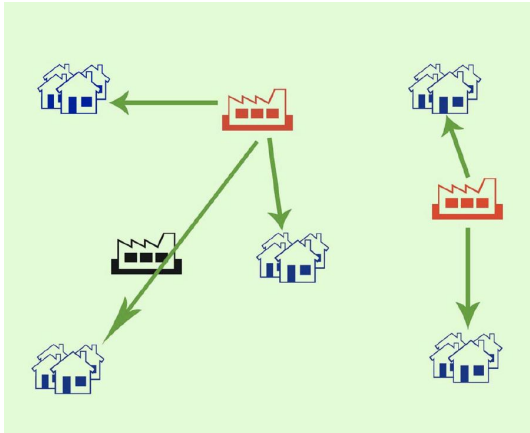
# Outline

- 1 Introduction (In 3 minutes)
- 2 Discrete ordered median problem (in 7 minutes)
- 3 Continuous multifacility problems (10 minutes)
- 4 Dimensionality reduction of the SDP-rel for multifacility location problems (in no time)

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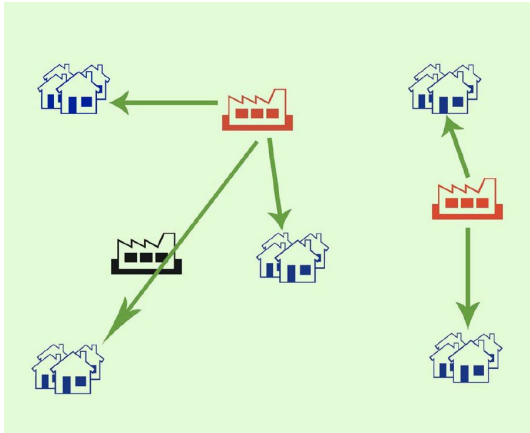


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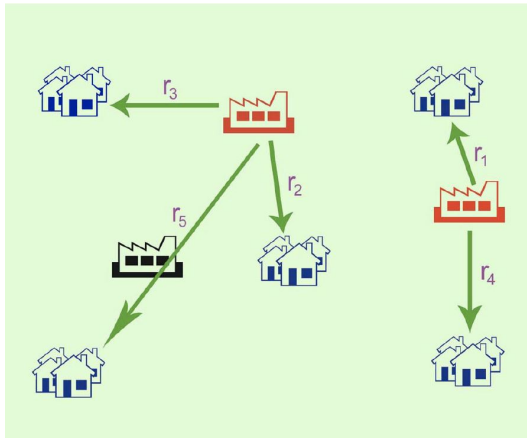
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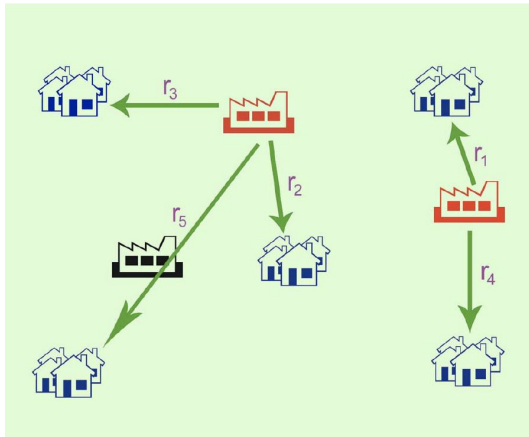


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$$r_1 \leq r_2 \leq r_3 \leq r_4 \leq r_5$$

$$\lambda_1 r_1 + \lambda_2 r_2 + \lambda_3 r_3 + \lambda_4 r_4 + \lambda_5 r_5$$

# Ordered Median Functions

## Definition

Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . The ordered median function,  $f_\lambda$  is defined as:

$$f_\lambda(x) = \langle \lambda, \text{sort}(x) \rangle$$

where  $\text{sort}(x) = (x_{(1)}, \dots, x_{(n)})$  with  $x_{(i)} \in \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  and such that  $x_{(1)} \leq x_{(2)} \leq \dots \leq x_{(n)}$ .



# Special Cases

Mean	$(\frac{1}{n}, \dots, \frac{1}{n})$	$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$
Minimum	$(1, 0, \dots, 0)$	$\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i$
Maximum	$(0, 0, \dots, 1)$	$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i$
$k$ -centrum	$(0, \dots, 0, \overbrace{1, \dots, 1}^k)$	$\sum_{i=n-k+1}^n x_{(i)}$
anti- $k$ -centrum	$(\overbrace{1, \dots, 1}^k, 0, \dots, 0)$	$\sum_{i=1}^k x_{(i)}$
$(k_1, k_2)$ -Trimmed mean	$(\overbrace{0, \dots, 0}^{k_1}, \overbrace{1, \dots, 1}^{k_2}, \overbrace{0, \dots, 0}^{k_2})$	$\sum_{i=k_1+1}^{n-k_2} x_{(i)}$
Range	$(-1, 0, \dots, 0, 1)$	$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i - \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i$
...	...	...

Our program starts about 2006 ...



# Previous Works

- Discrete Case: (Nickel & P., 2005; Boland, Marin, Nickel, P., 2006; Marín, Nickel, P., 2009).
- Networks: ( Nickel & P., 1999; Kalcsics, Nickel, P., 2002; Kalcsics, Nickel, P., Tamir, 2006; P. & Tamir, 2005);
- Continuous:
  - Planar Weber Problem: (Weiszfeld, 1937; and extensions...)
  - Planar Euclidean: BTST (Drezner, 2007); D.C. (Drezner& Nickel, 2009).
  - Planar Convex OM with  $\ell_p$  norms: (Espejo, et. al, 2009).
  - Planar Euclidean  $k$ -centrum: (Rodríguez-Chía et. al, 2010).
  - OM 1-Facility Location, any dimension, any  $\ell_p$  or polyhedral norm: (Blanco, P. & ElHaj-BenAli, 2013, 2014).

# 7 minutes for the DOMP: An INLP

- $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$
- $C = (c_{ij})_{i,j=1,\dots,n}$
- $X \subseteq A$  with  $|X| = p \leq n$
- $c_i(X) := \min_{k \in X} c_{ik}$
- $\sigma_X$  a permutation of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$

$$c_{\sigma_X(1)}(X) \leq c_{\sigma_X(2)}(X) \leq \dots \leq c_{\sigma_X(n)}(X)$$

## Discrete ordered median problem (DOP)

$$\min_{X \subseteq A, |X|=p} \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i c_{\sigma_X(i)}(X).$$

with  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$  y  $\lambda_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n$ .

# Sorting as an integer program (IP)

- **INPUT:** real numbers  $r_1, \dots, r_n$ .
- **OUTPUT:**  $r_{\sigma(1)} \leq r_{\sigma(2)} \leq \dots \leq r_{\sigma(n)}$ ,  $\sigma \in \Pi(\{1, \dots, n\})$ .
- **Decision variables:**

$$s_{ki} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sigma(k) = i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \forall i, k = 1, \dots, n.$$

$$r_{\sigma(k)} := \sum_{i=1}^n s_{ki} r_i, \quad k = 1, \dots, n$$

Desired output obtained

Sorting as an IP:

(SORT) minimize 1  
s.t.

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$$s_{ki} \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i, k = 1, \dots, n.$$

# p-median formulation

## Decision variables:

$$y_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{a new facility is built in } a_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad x_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{site } a_i \text{ is served by facility } a_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{minimize} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n y_j = p$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$y_j \geq x_{ij} \quad \forall j, i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$y_j \in \{0, 1\}, \quad x_{ij} \geq 0 \quad \forall j, i = 1, \dots, n$$

# Quadratic formulation for DOMP: Constraints to sort

Setting  $r_i = \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij}x_{ij}$ ,  $\forall i = 1, \dots, n$ . (SORT+  $p$ -median) (**DOMP**)

minimize  $\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \sum_{i=1}^n s_{ki} \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij}x_{ij}$

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Constraints corresponding to p-median problem

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{j=1}^n y_j &= p \\ \sum_{j=1}^n x_{ij} &= 1 && \forall i = 1, \dots, n \\ y_j &\geq x_{ij} && \forall j, i = 1, \dots, n \\ x_{ij} &\geq 0 && \forall j, i = 1, \dots, n \\ s_{ki} &\in \{0, 1\} && \forall i, k = 1, \dots, n \\ y_j &\in \{0, 1\} && \forall j = 1, \dots, n\end{aligned}$$

# A first linearization: DOMP1

Constraints to sort. Adding artificial variables  $x_{ij}^k$

$$(L1) \quad \text{minimize} \quad \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij} \underbrace{S_{ki} X_{ij}}_{x_{ij}^k}$$

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# Linearization

## Constraints corresponding to $p$ -median problem

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j y_j &= p \\ \left( \sum_j \underbrace{x_{ij}}_{\sum_k x_{ij}^k} = 1 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n \right) \\ y_j &\geq \underbrace{x_{ij}}_{\sum_k x_{ij}^k} \quad \forall j, i = 1, \dots, n \\ x_{ij}^k &\in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i, k, j = 1, \dots, n \\ y_j &\in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

# A new formulation for DOMP: DOMP3

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_{ij}^k \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_{ij}^{k+1} \quad \forall k = 1, \dots, n-1$$

## Example

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 7 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 5 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 & 0 & 2 \\ 9 & 4 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

11  $\prec$  22  $\prec$  33  $\prec$  44  $\prec$  21  $\prec$  43  $\prec$  12  $\prec$  34  $\prec$

31  $\prec$  14  $\prec$  42  $\prec$  23  $\prec$  24  $\prec$  32  $\prec$  13  $\prec$  41

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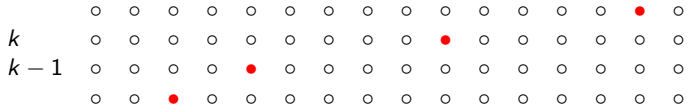
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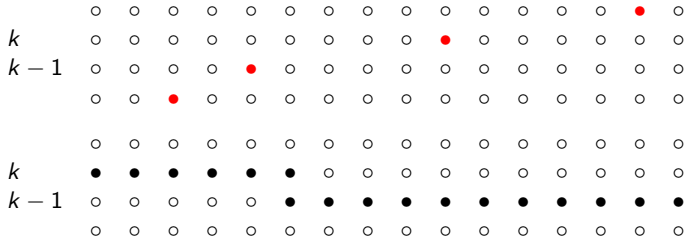
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$$x_{ij}^k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if facility } i \text{ allocated to server } j \text{ and} \\ & C_{ij} \text{ is the } k\text{-th smallest cost} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$y_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j \in J \\ 0 & \text{if } j \notin J \end{cases}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda^k C_{ij} x_{ij}^k \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n x_{ij}^k = 1 && \forall i = 1, \dots, n \\
 & \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n x_{ij}^k = 1 && \forall k = 2, \dots, n \\
 & \sum_{k=1}^n x_{ij}^k \leq y_j && \forall i, j = 1, \dots, n \\
 & \sum_{j=1}^n y_j = p \\
 & \sum_{\tilde{ij} \succeq ij} x_{\tilde{ij}}^{k-1} + \sum_{\tilde{ij} \preceq ij} x_{\tilde{ij}}^k \leq 1 && \forall i, j = 1, \dots, n \forall k = 2, \dots, n \\
 & x_{ij}^k \in \{0, 1\} && \forall i, j, k = 1, \dots, n
 \end{aligned}$$



# DOMP<sub>4</sub> Formulation

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \min & \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda^k C_{ij} x_{ij}^k \\
 \text{s.t.} & \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n x_{ij}^k = 1 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n \\
 & \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n x_{ij}^k = 1 \quad \forall k = 2, \dots, n \\
 & \sum_{k=1}^n x_{ij}^k \leq y_j \quad \forall i, j = 1, \dots, n \\
 & \sum_{j=1}^n y_j = p \\
 & \sum_i \sum_j \left( \sum_{\substack{i'=1 \\ :i'j' \leq ij}}^n \sum_{j'=1}^n x_{i'j'}^k + \sum_{\substack{i'=1 \\ :i'j' \geq ij}}^n \sum_{j'=1}^n x_{i'j'}^{k-1} \right) \leq n^2 \quad \forall k = 2, \dots, n \\
 & x_{ij}^k \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i, j, k = 1, \dots, n
 \end{array}$$

# Comparing formulations

## Notation

We denote by  $P_l$  the polytope defining the feasible set of the linear relaxation of formulation  $DOMP_l$ , by  $z_l(\cdot)$  the value of the objective function of  $DOMP_l$  evaluated at the point  $(\cdot)$  and by  $P_l^I$  the convex hull of the integer solutions within that polytope.

## Theorem

- 1  $g(P_2) \subset P_1$ .
- 2  $f(P_3) \subset P_2$ .
- 3  $P_3 \subseteq P_1$ .
- 4  $z_3^{LP} \geq z_2^{LP} \geq z_1^{LP}$ .

<b>Formulation</b>	<b>GAP</b>
<i>DOMP</i> <sub>1</sub>	2.79%
<i>DOMP</i> <sub>2</sub>	6.18%
<i>DOMP</i> <sub>3</sub>	0.92%
<i>DOMP</i> <sub>4</sub>	2.57%
<i>DOMP</i> <sub>4∩1</sub>	2.48%

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Solution approach	Time (s)	#nodes
$DOMP_3(B\&B)$	463.24(8)	46.20
$DOMP_{4 \cap 1}(B\&B)$	18.64	1389.51
$DOMP_{4 \cap 1}(B\&C - 3)$	52.25	24.94
$DOMP_4(B\&C - 3)$	39.39	29.37

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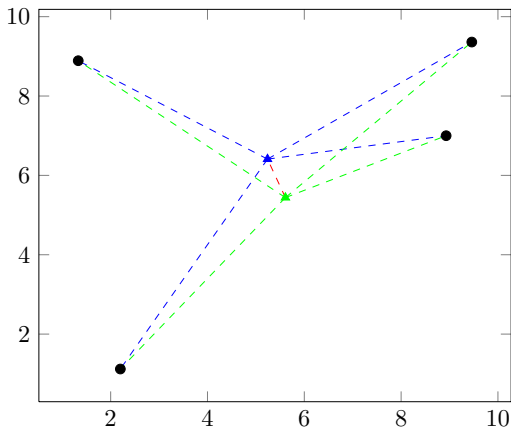
**Table:** CPU-Time and Number of nodes of the different formulations for  $n = 20, 30, 50$ .

# Continuous Multifacility Ordered Median Problems in 10 minutes

- Demand points** :  $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$
- Norm** :  $\ell_\tau$  ( $\|x\|_\tau = \left( \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i|^\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{\tau}}$ , for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ )
- Feasible Domain** :  $\mathbb{R}^d$
- Facilities** :  $p$  facilities to be located.
- Goal** : Find  $p$  points  $x_1^*, \dots, x_p^* \in \mathbb{R}^d$  minimizing some globalizing function of the distances to the set  $A$ .

# An easy model: Multiple allocation MF OMP

Rodríguez-Chía, Nickel, P., and Fernández. (2000).



# Multiple allocation MF OMP

$$f_{\lambda}^{MI}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_{ij} d_{(i)}(x_j) + \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \sum_{j'=j+1}^p \mu_{jj'} \|x_j - x_{j'}\|_{\tau}, \quad (1)$$

where,

$$X = \{x_1, \dots, x_p\},$$

$$d_i(x) = \|a_i - x\|_{\tau},$$

$$d_{(1)}(x) \geq d_{(2)}(x) \geq \dots \geq d_{(n)}(x),$$

$$\lambda_{11} \geq \lambda_{21} \geq \dots \geq \lambda_{n1} \geq 0,$$

$$\lambda_{12} \geq \lambda_{22} \geq \dots \geq \lambda_{n2} \geq 0,$$

...

$$\lambda_{1p} \geq \lambda_{2p} \geq \dots \geq \lambda_{np} \geq 0,$$

$$\mu_{jj'} \geq 0.$$

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$$f_{\lambda}^{NI}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_{ij} d_{(i)}(x_j) + \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \sum_{j'=j+1}^p \mu_{jj'} \|x_j - x_{j'}\|_{\tau}, \quad (1)$$

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$$\rho_{\lambda}^{NI} := \min_x \{f_{\lambda}^{NI}(x_1, \dots, x_p) : x_j \in \mathbb{R}^d, \forall j = 1, \dots, p\}, \quad (\text{LOCOMF} - \text{NI})$$



# Decision variables

$v_{ij}$  and  $w_{\ell j}$  **continuous variables** modelling the ordered weighted average in the o.f.,

$x_j$  = coordinates in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  of the  $j$ -th facility,

$y_{ijk}$  = absolute value of the  $k$ -th coordinate of the vector  $x_j - a_i$ ,

$$u_{ij} = \|x_j - a_i\|_{\tau}^{\tau}.$$

$z_{jj'k}$  = absolute value of the  $k$ -th coordinate of the vector  $x_j - x_{j'}$ ,

$$t_{jj'} = \|x_j - x_{j'}\|_{\tau}^{\tau}.$$

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s.t

$$\begin{aligned} v_{ij} + w_{\ell j} &\geq \lambda_{\ell j} u_{ij}, & \forall i, \ell = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p \\ y_{ijk} - x_{jk} + a_{ik} &\geq 0, & i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d \\ y_{ijk} + x_{jk} - a_{ik} &\geq 0, & i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d, \\ \mathbf{y}_{ijk}^r &\leq \zeta_{ijk}^s \mathbf{u}_{ij}^{r-s}, & i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d, \\ \omega_i^{\frac{r}{s}} \sum_{k=1}^d \zeta_{ijk} &\leq u_{ij}, & i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p \\ z_{jj'k} - x_{jk} + x_{j'k} &\geq 0, & j, j' = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d, \\ z_{jj'k} + x_{jk} - x_{j'k} &\geq 0, & j, j' = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d, \\ \mathbf{z}_{jj'k}^r &\leq \xi_{jj'k}^s \mathbf{t}_{jj'}^{r-s}, & j, j' = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d, \\ \mu_{jj'}^{\frac{r}{s}} \sum_{k=1}^d \xi_{jj'k} &\leq t_{jj'}, & j, j' = 1, \dots, p, \\ \zeta_{ijk} &\geq 0, & i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d, \\ \xi_{jj'k} &\geq 0, & j, j' = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d. \end{aligned}$$

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$$z_{jj'k}^r \leq \xi_{jj'k}^s t_{jj'}^{r-s},$$

$$\mu_{jj'}^{\frac{r}{s}} \sum_{k=1}^d \xi_{jj'k} \leq t_{jj'},$$

$$s_{ijk} \geq 0,$$

$$\xi_{jj'k} \geq 0$$

$$\forall i, \ell = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p$$

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# Sorting with permutations: $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_{ij} u_{(i)j} = \max_{\sigma \in \mathcal{P}_n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_{ij} u_{\sigma(i)j}.$$

The permutations in  $\mathcal{P}_n$  can be represented by the binary variables  $s_{ijk} \in \{0, 1\}$   
Next, combining the two sets of variables the objective function is:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_{ij} u_{(i)j} = \max \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_{ij} u_{ij} s_{ijk} \\ s.t. \quad \sum_{i=1}^n s_{ijk} = 1, \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, p, \quad k = 1, \dots, n, \\ \sum_{k=1}^n s_{ijk} = 1, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n, \quad j = 1, \dots, p, \\ s_{ijk} \in \{0, 1\}. \end{array} \right. \quad (3)$$

# Sorting with a linear program

For fixed  $j \in \{1, \dots, p\}$  and for any vector  $u_j \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , by using the dual of the assignment problem (7) we obtain the following expression

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_{ij} u_{(i)j} = \min \sum_{i=1}^n v_{ij} + \sum_{l=1}^n w_{lj} \\ \text{s.t. } v_{ij} + w_{lj} \geq \lambda_{ij} u_{ij}, \quad \forall i, l = 1, \dots, n. \end{array} \right. \quad (4)$$

Finally, we replace (4) for the objective function and we get

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p v_{ij} + \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p w_{lj} + \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \sum_{j'=j+1}^p t_{jj'} \\ \text{s.t. } v_{ij} + w_{lj} \geq \lambda_{ij} u_{ij}, \quad \forall i, l = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p, \\ u_{ij} \geq \omega_i \|x_j - a_i\|_{\tau}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p, \\ t_{jj'} \geq \mu_{jj'} \|x_j - x_{j'}\|_{\tau}, \quad j, j' = 1, \dots, p. \end{array} \right. \quad (5)$$

# Second Order Cone Constraints

## Lemma (Blanco, P., ElHaj-BenAli, 2014)

Let  $\tau = \frac{r}{s}$  be such that  $r, s \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $r > s$ ,  $\gcd(r, s) = 1$  and  $k = \lceil \log_2(r) - 1 \rceil$ .  
Let  $x$ ,  $u$  and  $t$  be non negative and satisfying

$$x^r \leq u^s t^{r-s}. \quad (6)$$

Then, there exists  $w$  such that, (6) is equivalent to:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} w_1^2 \leq A_1 B_1, \\ \vdots \\ w_m^2 \leq A_m B_m, \\ x^2 \leq A_{m+1} B_{m+1}, \end{array} \right. \quad (7)$$

where  $A_i, B_i \in \{w_{i-1}, u, t, x\}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$  and

$m = 1 + 2\#\{i : \alpha_i + \beta_i + \gamma_i \geq 2, 1 \leq i < k-1\} + \#\{i : \alpha_i + \beta_i + \gamma_i \leq 1, 1 \leq i < k-1\} \sim \mathcal{O}(\log(r))$  with:

$$\begin{aligned} s &= \alpha_{k-1}2^{k-1} + \alpha_{k-2}2^{k-2} + \dots + \alpha_12^1 + \alpha_02^0, \\ r-s &= \beta_{k-1}2^{k-1} + \beta_{k-2}2^{k-2} + \dots + \beta_12^1 + \beta_02^0, \\ 2^k - r &= \gamma_{k-1}2^{k-1} + \gamma_{k-2}2^{k-2} + \dots + \gamma_12^1 + \gamma_02^0, \\ 2^k &= (\alpha_{k-1} + \beta_{k-1} + \gamma_{k-1})2^{k-1} + \dots + (\alpha_0 + \beta_0 + \gamma_0)2^0, \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha_i, \beta_i, \gamma_i \in \{0, 1\}$ .

## Corollary (sequel)

Moreover, Problem (2) satisfies Slater condition and it can be represented as a second order cone (or semidefinite) program with  $(np + p^2)(2d + 1) + p^2$  linear inequalities and at most  $4(p^2d + npd) \log r$  second order cone (or linear matrix) inequalities.

## Remark

As consequence of the previous theorem, problem (2) is convex and can be solved, up to any given accuracy, in polynomial time for any dimension  $d$ .

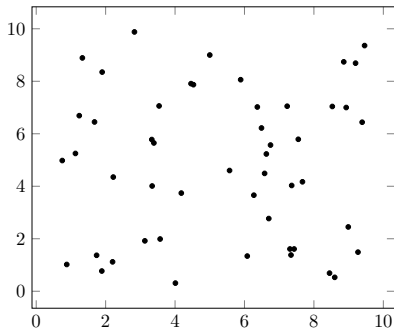


# Experiments

Coded in: Gurobi 5.6.

Intel Core i7 processor; 2x 2.40 GHz; 4 GB of RAM

Instance: 50-points data set in Eilon, Watson-Gandy & Christofides (1971).



CPU-Times (secs.):

$p \backslash \tau$	1.5	2	3
2	2.51	2.12	3.75
5	12.78	6.52	9.81
10	29.19	10.57	19.55
15	49.49	19.11	40.45
30	148.75	40.56	85.57

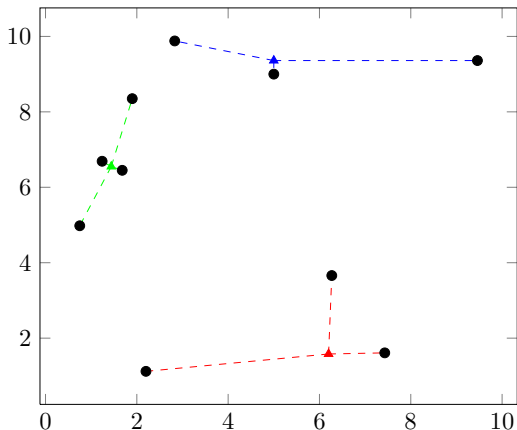
The program continues with some extensions...



# A hard MF problem: Single allocation MF OMP

Miehle (1958), Cooper (1963)

C. Pey-Chun, P. Hansen, B. Jaumard and T. Hoang (1998).



# Single allocation MF OMP

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{f}_i(x) : \mathbb{R}^{pd} &\mapsto \mathbb{R} \\ x = (x_1, \dots, x_p) &\mapsto t_i := \min_{j=1..p} \{\|x_j - a_i\|_\tau\}.\end{aligned}$$

Assume that:

- $\mathbf{K} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ .
- $\tau := \frac{r}{s} \geq 1$ ,  $r, s \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\gcd(r, s) = 1$ .
- $\lambda_\ell \geq 0$  for all  $\ell = 1, \dots, n$ .

Consider the following problem

$$\rho_\lambda := \min_x \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \tilde{f}_i(x) : x = (x_1, \dots, x_p), x_j \in \mathbf{K}, \forall j = 1, \dots, p \right\}, \quad (\text{LOCOMF})$$

# Single allocation MF OMP

$$\hat{p}_\lambda = \min \sum_{\ell=1}^n \lambda_\ell \theta_\ell \quad (\text{MFOMP}_\lambda)$$

$$\text{s.t. } h_{ij}^1 := t_i \leq \theta_\ell + UB_i(1 - w_{i\ell}), \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \ell = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$h_j^2 := \theta_\ell \geq \theta_{\ell+1}, \quad \ell = 1, \dots, n-1,$$

$$h_{ij}^3 := u_{ij} \leq t_i + UB_i(1 - z_{ij}), \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p,$$

$$h_{ijk}^4 := v_{ijk} - x_{jk} + a_{ik} \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d,$$

$$h_{ijk}^5 := v_{ijk} + x_{jk} - a_{ik} \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d,$$

$$h_{ijk}^6 := v_{ijk}^r \leq \zeta_{ijk}^s u_{ij}^{r-s}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d,$$

$$h_{ij}^7 := \sum_{k=1}^d \zeta_{ijk} \leq u_{ij}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p,$$

$$h_i^8 := \sum_{j=1}^p z_{ij} = 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$h_l^9 := \sum_{i=1}^n w_{il} = 1, \quad l = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$h_i^{10} := \sum_{l=1}^n w_{il} = 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$w_{i\ell} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad \forall i, \ell = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$z_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p,$$

$$\theta_\ell, t_i, v_{ijk}, \zeta_{ijk}, u_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^+, \quad i, l = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, d,$$

$$x_j \in \mathbf{K}, \quad j = 1, \dots, p.$$

## Theorem

Let  $x$  be a feasible solution of **LOCOMF** then there exists a solution  $(x, z, u, v, \zeta, w, t, \theta)$  for **MFOMP** $_{\lambda}$  such that their objective values are equal. Conversely, if  $(x, z, u, v, \zeta, w, t, \theta)$  is a feasible solution for **MFOMP** $_{\lambda}$  then  $x$  is a feasible solution for **LOCOMF**. Furthermore, if  $K$  satisfies Slater condition then the feasible region of the continuous relaxation of **MFOMP** $_{\lambda}$  also satisfies Slater condition and  $\rho_{\lambda} = \hat{\rho}_{\lambda}$ .

# Experiments

Problem	$p$	$\tau$	CPU Time	$f^*$	Problem	$p$	$\tau$	CPU Time	$f^*$	Problem	$p$	$\tau$	CPU Time	$f^*$
$p$ -median	2	1.5	22.31	150.955	$p$ -center	2	1.5	1.03	4.9452	$p$ -25-centrum	2	1.5	10.08	100.8474
		2	1.13	135.5222			2	0.28	4.8209			2	0.38	95.0892
		3	23.68	130.856			3	13.51	4.788			3	139.03	89.0238
	5	1.5	55.28	78.6074		5	1.5	3.73	2.8831		5	1.5	33.09	53.4995
		2	12.49	72.2369			2	5.37	2.661			2	7.61	49.6932
		3	125.1	68.1791			3	2.87	2.5094			3	18.23	46.9844
	10	1.5	5.36	45.0525		10	1.5	2.66	1.6929		10	1.5	68.36	30.7137
		2	2.31	41.6851			2	5.3	1.6113			2	17.93	28.9017
		3	4.76	39.7222			3	55.76	1.595			3	225.64	27.5376
	15	1.5	6.7	30.0543		15	1.5	9.44	1.1139		15	1.5	49.92	22.4165
		2	43.91	27.6282			2	0.62	1.0717			2	11.26	20.6536
		3	150.99	26.6047			3	50.08	1.053			3	244.59	20.8544
	30	1.5	14.45	9.9488		30	1.5	74.43	1.008		30	1.5	202.54	9.0806
		2	4.81	8.7963			2	1.53	0.9192			2	5.29	8.521662
		3	198.78	8.6995			3	57.37	0.8508			3	287.90	8.001695

**Table:** Computational results for  $p$ -median,  $p$ -center and  $p$ -25-centrum problems for the 50-points in Eilon, Watson-Gandy & Christofides data set.

# Constrained MF Ordered Median Problem

A SDP relaxation of the LOCOMF

Let  $h_0(\theta) := \sum_{\ell=1}^m \lambda_\ell \theta_\ell$ , and denote  $\xi_j := \lceil (\deg g_j)/2 \rceil$  and  $\nu_j := \lceil (\deg h_j)/2 \rceil$ , where  $\{g_1, \dots, g_{n_K}\}$ , and  $\{h_1, \dots, h_{nc1}\}$  are, respectively, the polynomial constraints that define  $\mathbf{K}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{K}} \setminus \mathbf{K}$  in  $\text{MFOMP}_\lambda$ . For  $r \geq r_0 := \max\{\max_{k=1, \dots, n_K} \xi_k, \max_{j=0, \dots, nc1} \nu_j\}$ , introduce the hierarchy of semidefinite programs:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{y}} \quad & L_{\mathbf{y}}(\rho_\lambda) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & M_r(\mathbf{y}) \succeq 0, \\ & M_{r-\xi_k}(g_k, \mathbf{y}) \succeq 0, \quad k = 1, \dots, n_K, \\ & M_{r-\nu_j}(h_j, \mathbf{y}) \succeq 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, nc1, \\ & y_0 = 1, \end{aligned} \tag{Q1}_r$$



## Theorem

Let  $\hat{\mathbf{K}} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_{v1}}$  (compact) be the feasible domain of Problem  $\text{MFOMP}_\lambda$ . Let  $\inf \mathbf{Q1}_r$  be the optimal value of the semidefinite program  $\mathbf{Q1}_r$ . Then, with the notation above:

- (a)  $\inf \mathbf{Q1}_r \uparrow \rho_\lambda$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ .
- (b) Let  $\mathbf{y}^r$  be an optimal solution of the SDP relaxation  $\mathbf{Q1}_r$ . If

$$\text{rank } M_r(\mathbf{y}^r) = \text{rank } M_{r-r_0}(\mathbf{y}^r) = \varphi$$

then  $\min \mathbf{Q1}_r = \rho_\lambda$  and one may extract  $\varphi$  points

$(x_1^*(k), \dots, x_p^*(k), z^*(k), u^*(k), v^*(k), \zeta^*(k), w^*(k), t^*(k), \theta^*(k))_{k=1}^\varphi \subset \hat{\mathbf{K}}$ , all global minimizers of the  $\text{MFOMP}_\lambda$  problem.

- The size of SDP relaxations grows rapidly with the original problem size.
- In view of the present status of SDP-solvers, only small to medium size problems can be solved.

We found in our model patterns to exploit:

- Sparsity.
- Symmetry.

Thank you!

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