

## Recent progress in Matrix Rank Minimization

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## Part I: (Brendan Ames and Stephen Vavasis)

Convex relaxation/Compressive sensing: for the planted clique, biclique and cluster problems

## Part II: (Nathan Krislock and Henry Wolkowicz)

Explicit Sensor Network Localization using Semidefinite Representations and Facial Reductions

## Outline: Part I

- 1 Examples of **compressive sensing** (find sparse solutions using convex relaxations)
- 2 Algorithm for Maximum clique and biclique (NP hard problems)
- 3 combinatorial clustering
- 4 tools: matrix rank minimization using nuclear norm relaxation

## Convex relaxation example: compressive sensing

sparsest vector (NP-hard) problem

find  $\mathbf{x}$  with fewest number of nonzero entries satisfying  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$

Spherical section property:

$\nexists \mathbf{v} \in \text{Null}(\mathbf{A})$  with  $\|\mathbf{v}\|_1 / \|\mathbf{v}\|_2$  unusually small value

[Cf. Donoho; Candès, Romberg and Tao; Zhang; others.]

- If  $\mathbf{A}$  has **spherical section** property, and  $\exists \mathbf{x}^*$  a **suff. sparse soluton**: then convex relax.  $\min\{\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 : \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}\}$  yields  $\mathbf{x}^*$ .
- AND: Only exponentially small subset of  $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  fails to have spherical section property; so can choose  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  randomly.

## Maximum clique and biclique, NP hard, problems

### Clique:

Given an undirected graph  $(V, E)$ , find  $k$  vertices mutually interconnected such that  $k$  is maximized

### Biclique:

Given a bipartite graph  $(U, V, E)$ , find a subgraph  $(U^*, V^*, E^*)$  containing all possible  $|U^*| \cdot |V^*|$  edges such that  $|U^*| \cdot |V^*|$  is maximized

They are simple models of information retrieval problems

## Results for clique and biclique

convex relaxation of clique or biclique finds exact solution  
provided input graph is constructed as:

- Start with a single reasonably large clique or biclique.
- Insert additional 'noise' edges either chosen by an adversary (arbitrary) or at random.
- The algorithm tolerates a modest number (but the largest possible number, up to constants) adversary-chosen noise edges.
- The algorithm tolerates a much larger number of random noise edges.

## Combinatorial clustering problem

NP-hard ( $s = 1$  case is classical max clique problem)

Can be posed very generally as follows. Given a graph on  $n$  data points, where edges indicate compatibility, find a set of  $s$  disjoint cliques that cover as many nodes as possible.

### Results

- Suppose the graph consists of  $s$  cliques plus some inter-clique noise edges plus additional noise nodes not part of any cliques. Then our convex relaxation will recover the original cliques exactly.
- Many more noise edges and nodes tolerated in the randomized (than in arbitrary) case.

## Biclique reformulation as rank minimization

Existence of an  $mn$  biclique as rank minimization:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \text{rank}(X) \\ \text{s.t.} & X(i, j) \in [0, 1] \quad \forall (i, j) \in U \times V \\ & X(i, j) = 0 \quad \forall (i, j) \in (U \times V) - E \\ & \sum_{(i,j)} X(i, j) \geq mn \end{array}$$

(Similar formulation exists for clique)



## Matrix rank minimization

- Matrix rank minimization is an optimization problem:  
 $\min \text{rank}(X)$  s.t.  $X \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  convex
- Certain well-known cases solvable efficiently:  
 $\mathcal{C} = B(X_0, \delta, \|\cdot\|_2)$  or  $\mathcal{C} = B(X_0, \delta, \|\cdot\|_F)$ ,
- In general, the problem is NP-hard. Nonetheless, many very interesting problems are expressed as matrix rank minimization.
  - Sensor network localization
  - Matrix completion problem

## Matrix rank min., nuclear norm, compr. sensing

- *Nuclear norm* of  $X$ ,  $\|X\|_*$ , is sum of singular vals of  $X$ 's
- refs.: e.g., Fazel thesis (2002), suggested nuclear norm (convex function) as relaxation of rank.
- Recht, Fazel, Parrilo (2007) showed nuclear norm relaxation is exact for an interesting class of matrix rank minimization problems
- RFP extended compressive sensing properties to rank minimization: If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n \times p}$  satisfies a certain property,  $\hat{X}$  is sufficiently low rank, and  $b = A\hat{X}$ , then  $\hat{X}$  can be recovered by minimizing  $\|X\|_*$  subject to  $AX = b$ .
- Nuclear norm minimization can be rewritten as SDP.

## Nuclear norm relaxation

Nuclear norm (convex) relaxation of biclique:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \|X\|_* \\ \text{s.t.} & X(i, j) \geq 0 \quad \forall (i, j) \in U \times V, \\ (NNR) & X(i, j) = 0 \quad \forall (i, j) \in (U \times V) - E, \\ & \sum_{(i, j)} X(i, j) \geq mn. \end{array}$$

## Conclusions and open questions, Part I

- Convex relaxation can find a clique or biclique in a graph that contains the clique and biclique plus many diversionary edges.
- If the diversionary edges are placed at random, then the algorithm can tolerate many more of them.
- Would be interesting to extend the technique to other information retrieval problems, e.g., nonnegative matrix factorization.
- Efficient and accurate solvers needed.

## Outline Part II

### Sensor Network Localization (SNL)/ Facial Reduction

Algorithm based on **Euclidean Matrix Completions, EDM** and **exploiting implicit degeneracy** in SDP relaxation.

**No SDP solver** is used.

**anchors ignored**

### Outline

- Problem Description
- clique union and facial reduction algorithm
- delayed Euclidean Matrix Completion

# Sensor Network Localization (SNL)/ Facial Reduction

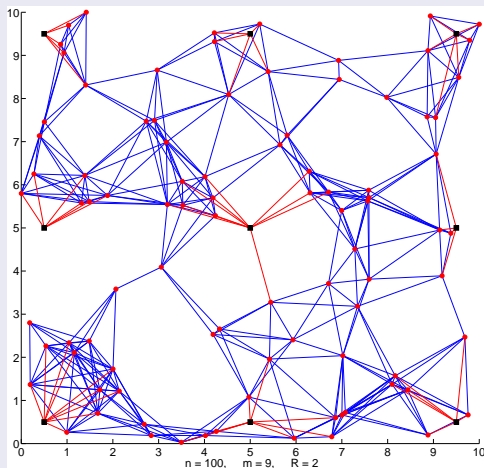
SNL - a Fundamental Problem of Distance Geometry;  
easy to describe - dates back to Grassmann 1886

- $n$  ad hoc wireless sensors (nodes) to locate in  $\mathbb{R}^r$ ,  
( $r$  is embedding dimension;  
sensors  $p_i \in \mathbb{R}^r, i \in V := 1, \dots, n$ )
- $m$  of the sensors are anchors,  $p_i, i = n - m + 1, \dots, n$ )  
(positions known, using e.g. GPS)
- pairwise distances  $D_{ij} = \|p_i - p_j\|^2, ij \in E$ , are known  
within radio range  $R > 0$
- 

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} p_1^T \\ \vdots \\ p_n^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ A \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$$

# Sensor Localization Problem/Partial EDM

## Sensors $\circ$ and Anchors $\blacksquare$



## Applications

Horst Stormer (Nobel Prize, Physics, 1998), “21 Ideas for the 21st Century”, Business Week. 8/23-30, 1999

Untethered micro sensors will go anywhere and measure anything - traffic flow, water level, number of people walking by, temperature. This is developing into something like a nervous system for the earth, **a skin for the earth**. The world will evolve this way.

Tracking Humans/Animals/Equipment/Weather (**smart dust**)

- geographic routing; data aggregation; topological control; soil humidity; earthquakes and volcanos; weather and ocean currents.
- military; tracking of goods; vehicle positions; surveillance; random deployment in inaccessible terrains.



## Underlying Graph Realization/Partial EDM **NP-Hard**

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inner product  $\langle A, B \rangle = \text{trace } AB$

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## BASIC THEOREM for Single Clique/Facial Reduction

### THEOREM 1: Single Clique/Facial Reduction

Let:  $\bar{D} := D[1:k] \in \mathcal{E}^k$ ,  $k < n$ , with embedding dimension  $t \leq r$ ;  
 $B := \mathcal{K}^\dagger(\bar{D}) = \bar{U}_B S \bar{U}_B^T$ ,  $\bar{U}_B \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times t}$ ,  $\bar{U}_B^T \bar{U}_B = I_t$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{S}_{++}^t$ .

Furthermore, let  $U_B := \begin{bmatrix} \bar{U}_B & \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \mathbf{e} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times (t+1)}$ ,

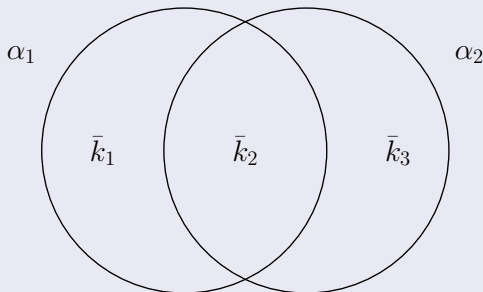
$U := \begin{bmatrix} U_B & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n-k} \end{bmatrix}$ , and let  $\begin{bmatrix} V & \frac{U^T \mathbf{e}}{\|U^T \mathbf{e}\|} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{n-k+t+1}$  be  
 orthogonal. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{face } \mathcal{K}^\dagger(\mathcal{E}^n(1:k, \bar{D})) &= (U S_+^{n-k+t+1} U^T) \cap \mathcal{S}_C \\ &= (UV) S_+^{n-k+t} (UV)^T \end{aligned}$$

Note that we add  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \mathbf{e}$  to represent  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{K})$ ; then we use  $V$  to  
 eliminate  $\mathbf{e}$  to recover a centered face.

## Sets for Intersecting Cliques/Faces

$$\alpha_1 := 1 : (\bar{k}_1 + \bar{k}_2); \quad \alpha_2 := (\bar{k}_1 + 1) : (\bar{k}_1 + \bar{k}_2 + \bar{k}_3)$$



For each clique  $|\alpha| = k$ , we get a corresponding face/subspace ( $k \times r$  matrix) representation. We now see how to handle two cliques,  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2$ , that intersect.

## Two (Intersecting) Clique Reduction/Subsp. Repres.

### THEOREM 2: Clique/Facial Intersection Using Subspace Intersection

$$\{ \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \subseteq 1:n; \quad k := |\alpha_1 \cup \alpha_2|$$

For  $i = 1, 2$ :  $\bar{D}_i := D[\alpha_i] \in \mathcal{E}^{k_i}$ , embedding dimension  $t_i$ ;

$$B_i := \mathcal{K}^\dagger(\bar{D}_i) = \bar{U}_i S_i \bar{U}_i^T, \quad \bar{U}_i \in \mathcal{M}^{k_i \times t_i}, \quad \bar{U}_i^T \bar{U}_i = I_{t_i}, \quad S_i \in \mathcal{S}_{++}^{t_i};$$

$$U_i := \left[ \bar{U}_i \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_i}} \mathbf{e} \right] \in \mathcal{M}^{k_i \times (t_i+1)}; \text{ and } \bar{U} \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times (t+1)} \text{ satisfies}$$

$$\mathcal{R}(\bar{U}) = \mathcal{R} \left( \begin{bmatrix} U_1 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{\bar{k}_3} \end{bmatrix} \right) \cap \mathcal{R} \left( \begin{bmatrix} I_{\bar{k}_1} & 0 \\ 0 & U_2 \end{bmatrix} \right), \text{ with } \bar{U}^T \bar{U} = I_{t+1}$$

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## Two (Intersecting) Clique Reduction, cont. . .

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let:  $U := \begin{bmatrix} \bar{U} & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n-k} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{n \times (n-k+t+1)}$  and

$\begin{bmatrix} V & \frac{U^T e}{\|U^T e\|} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{n-k+t+1}$  be orthogonal. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\underline{\bigcap_{i=1}^2 \text{face } \mathcal{K}^\dagger(\mathcal{E}^n(\alpha_i, \bar{D}_i))}} &= (US_+^{n-k+t+1}U^T) \cap \mathcal{S}_C \\ &= (UV)\mathcal{S}_+^{n-k+t}(UV)^T \end{aligned}$$

## Expense/Work of (Two) Clique/Facial Reductions

### Subspace Intersection for Two Intersecting Cliques/Faces

Suppose:

$$U_1 = \begin{bmatrix} U'_1 & 0 \\ U''_1 & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad U_2 = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & U''_2 \\ 0 & U'_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

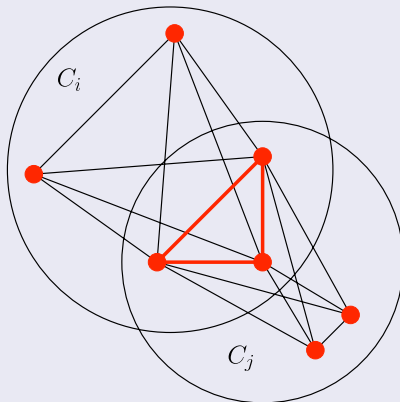
Then:

$$U := \begin{bmatrix} U'_1 \\ U''_1 \\ U'_2(U''_2)^\dagger U''_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad U := \begin{bmatrix} U'_1(U''_1)^\dagger U''_2 \\ U''_2 \\ U'_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Efficiently/stably) satisfies:

$$\mathcal{R}(U) = \mathcal{R}(U_1) \cap \mathcal{R}(U_2)$$

## Two (Intersecting) Clique Reduction Figure



Completion: missing distances can be recovered if desired.

## Two (Intersecting) Clique Explicit **Delayed** Completion

### COR. Intersection with Embedding Dim. $r$ /Completion

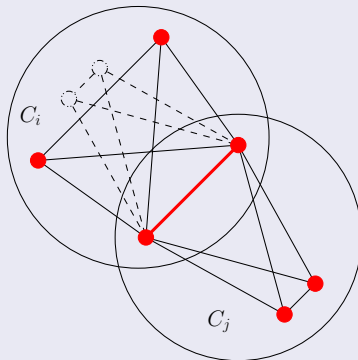
Hypotheses of Theorem 2 holds. Let  $\bar{D}_i := D[\alpha_i] \in \mathcal{E}^{k_i}$ , for  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $\beta \subseteq \alpha_1 \cap \alpha_2$ ,  $\gamma := \alpha_1 \cup \alpha_2$ ,  $\bar{D} := D[\beta]$ ,  $B := \mathcal{K}^\dagger(\bar{D})$ ,  $\bar{U}_\beta := \bar{U}(\beta, :)$ , where  $\bar{U} \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times (t+1)}$  satisfies intersection equation of Theorem 2. Let  $\begin{bmatrix} \bar{V} & \frac{\bar{U}^T \mathbf{e}}{\|\bar{U}^T \mathbf{e}\|} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{t+1}$

be orthogonal. Let  $Z := (J\bar{U}_\beta \bar{V})^\dagger B (J\bar{U}_\beta \bar{V})^T$ . If the embedding dimension for  $\bar{D}$  is  $r$ , THEN  $t = r$  in Theorem 2, and  $Z \in \mathcal{S}_+^r$  is the unique solution of the equation  $(J\bar{U}_\beta \bar{V})Z(J\bar{U}_\beta \bar{V})^T = B$ , and the **exact completion** is

$$D[\gamma] = \mathcal{K}(PP^T) \quad \text{where} \quad P := UVZ^{\frac{1}{2}} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\gamma| \times r}$$

## 2 (Intersecting) Clique Red. **Figure**/Singular Case

### Two (Intersecting) Clique Reduction Figure/Singular Case



Use **R** as lower bound in singular/nonrigid case.



## Completing SNL (**Delayed** use of Anchor Locations)

### Rotate to Align the Anchor Positions

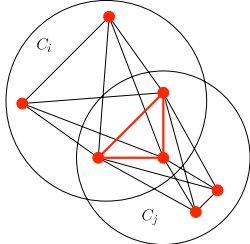
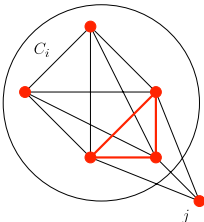
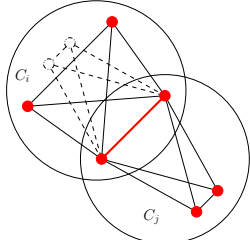
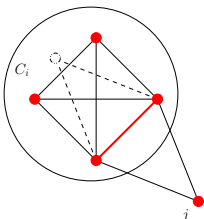
- Given  $P = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$  such that  $D = \mathcal{K}(PP^T)$
- Solve the orthogonal Procrustes problem:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \|A - P_2 Q\| \\ \text{s.t.} & Q^T Q = I \end{array}$$

$P_2^T A = U \Sigma V^T$  SVD decomposition; set  $Q = UV^T$ ;  
(Golub/Van Loan, Algorithm 12.4.1)

- Set  $X := P_1 Q$

## Algorithm: Four Cases

|           | Clique Union  | Node Absorption  |
|-----------|---|--|
| Rigid     |  |  |
| Non-rigid |  |  |

## Results - Data for Random Noisless Problems

- 2.16 GHz Intel Core 2 Duo, 2 GB of RAM
- Dimension  $r = 2$
- Square region:  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$
- $m = 9$  anchors
- Using only Rigid Clique Union and Rigid Node Absorption
- Error measure: Root Mean Square Deviation

$$\text{RMSE} = \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \|p_i - p_i^{\text{true}}\|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

## Results - Large $n$ (SDP size $O(n^2)$ )

$n$  # of Sensors Located

| $n$ # sensors \ $R$ | 0.07  | 0.06  | 0.05  | 0.04  |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2000                | 2000  | 2000  | 1956  | 1374  |
| 6000                | 6000  | 6000  | 6000  | 6000  |
| 10000               | 10000 | 10000 | 10000 | 10000 |

CPU Seconds

| # sensors \ $R$ | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.04 |
|-----------------|------|------|------|------|
| 2000            | 1    | 1    | 1    | 3    |
| 6000            | 5    | 5    | 4    | 4    |
| 10000           | 10   | 10   | 9    | 8    |

RMSE (over located sensors)

| $n$ # sensors \ $R$ | 0.07    | 0.06    | 0.05    | 0.04    |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 2000                | $4e-16$ | $5e-16$ | $6e-16$ | $3e-16$ |
| 6000                | $4e-16$ | $4e-16$ | $3e-16$ | $3e-16$ |
| 10000               | $3e-16$ | $5e-16$ | $4e-16$ | $4e-16$ |

## Results - $N$ Huge SDPs Solved

### Large-Scale Problems

| # sensors | # anchors | radio range | RMSD    | Time   |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------|--------|
| 20000     | 9         | .025        | $5e-16$ | 25s    |
| 40000     | 9         | .02         | $8e-16$ | 1m 23s |
| 60000     | 9         | .015        | $5e-16$ | 3m 13s |
| 100000    | 9         | .01         | $6e-16$ | 9m 8s  |

Size of SDPs Solved:  $N = \binom{n}{2}$  (# vrbls)

$\mathcal{E}_n(\text{density of } \mathcal{G}) = \pi R^2$ ;  $M = \mathcal{E}_n(|E|) = \pi R^2 N$  (# constraints)

Size of SDP Problems:

$M = [3,078,915 \quad 12,315,351 \quad 27,709,309 \quad 76,969,790]$

$N = 10^9 [0.2000 \quad 0.8000 \quad 1.8000 \quad 5.0000]$

## Noisy Case: Locally Recover Exact EDMs

### Nearest EDM

- Given clique  $\alpha$ ; corresp. EDM  $D_\epsilon = D + N_\epsilon$ ,  $N_\epsilon$  noise
- we need to find the smallest face containing  $\mathcal{E}^n(\alpha, D)$ .

- $$\begin{cases} \min & \|\mathcal{K}(X) - D_\epsilon\| \\ \text{s.t.} & \text{rank}(X) = r, Xe = 0, X \succeq 0 \\ & X \succeq 0. \end{cases}$$

- Eliminate the constraints:  $Ve = 0, V^T V = I$ ,  
 $\mathcal{K}_V(X) := \mathcal{K}(VXV^T)$ :

$$U_r^* \in \underset{\text{s.t. } U \in M^{(n-1)r}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \|\mathcal{K}_V(UU^T) - D_\epsilon\|_F^2$$

The nearest EDM is  $D^* = \mathcal{K}_V(U_r^*(U_r^*)^T)$ .

## Solve Overdetermined Nonlin. Least Squares Prob.

Newton (expensive) or Gauss-Newton (less accurate)

$$F(U) := \text{us2vec} \left( \mathcal{K}_V(UU^T) - D_\epsilon \right), \quad \min_U f(U) := \frac{1}{2} \|F(U)\|^2$$

Derivatives: gradient and Hessian

$$\nabla f(U)(\Delta U) = \langle 2 \left( \mathcal{K}_V^* \left[ \mathcal{K}_V(UU^T) - D_\epsilon \right] \right) U, \Delta U \rangle$$

$$\nabla^2 f(U) = 2 \text{vec} \left( \mathcal{L}_U^* \mathcal{K}_V^* \mathcal{K}_V \mathcal{S}_\Sigma \mathcal{L}_U + \mathcal{K}_V^* \left( \mathcal{K}_V(UU^T) - D_\epsilon \right) \right) \text{Mat}$$

where  $\mathcal{L}_U(\cdot) = \cdot U^T$ ;  $\mathcal{S}_\Sigma(U) = \frac{1}{2}(U + U^T)$

random noisy probs;  $r = 2, m = 9, nf = 1e - 6$

- Using only Rigid Clique Union, preliminary results:

|                   |       |      |      |       |       |        |
|-------------------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|--------|
| remaining cliques | $n/R$ | 1.0  | 0.9  | 0.8   | 0.7   | 0.6    |
|                   | 1000  | 1.00 | 5.00 | 11.00 | 40.00 | 124.00 |
|                   | 2000  | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00  | 1.00  | 7.00   |
|                   | 3000  | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00  | 1.00  | 1.00   |
|                   | 4000  | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00  | 1.00  | 1.00   |
|                   | 5000  | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00  | 1.00  | 1.00   |




|             |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| cpu seconds | $n/R$ | 1.0   | 0.9   | 0.8   | 0.7   | 0.6   |
|             | 1000  | 9.43  | 6.98  | 5.57  | 5.04  | 4.05  |
|             | 2000  | 12.46 | 12.18 | 12.43 | 11.18 | 9.89  |
|             | 3000  | 18.08 | 18.50 | 19.07 | 18.33 | 16.33 |
|             | 4000  | 25.18 | 24.01 | 24.02 | 23.80 | 22.12 |
|             | 5000  | 38.13 | 31.66 | 30.26 | 30.32 | 29.88 |





|               |       |       |       |       |            |            |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------|------------|
| max-log-error | $n/R$ | 1.0   | 0.9   | 0.8   | 0.7        | 0.6        |
|               | 1000  | -3.28 | -4.19 | -2.92 | <i>Inf</i> | <i>Inf</i> |
|               | 2000  | -3.63 | -3.81 | -3.82 | -2.39      | -3.73      |
|               | 3000  | -3.51 | -3.98 | -3.25 | -3.90      | -3.28      |
|               | 4000  | -4.15 | -4.05 | -3.52 | -3.04      | -3.33      |
|               | 5000  | -4.80 | -4.38 | -3.89 | -4.13      | -3.40      |







## Conclusions, Part II

- **exploit**: fact that SDP relaxation of SNL is highly (implicitly) degenerate (feasible set of SDP is restricted to low dim. face of SDP cone (low rank matrices))
- take advantage of degeneracy by finding explicit representations of intersections of faces of the SDP cone corresponding to unions of intersecting cliques
- Without any SDP-solver, quickly compute exact solution to SDP relaxation (order of magnitude improvement in: cputime, accuracy, quality)
- anchors are **red herring**; ignore anchors; delay completion; rotate at end to recover anchor positions.

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