# Strong Duality and Facial Reduction in SDP: with Applications to Sensor Network Localization and Molecular Conformation

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#### Motivation: Loss of Slater CQ/Facial reduction

- optimization algorithms rely on the KKT system; and require that some constraint qualification (CQ) holds (Slater's CQ for convex conic optimization)
- However, surprisingly many conic opt. instances arising from applications (QAP, GP, strengthened MC, SNL, MolecConf...) do not satisfy Slater's CQ/are degenerate
- lack of Slater's CQ results in: unbounded dual solutions; theoretical and numerical difficulties, in particularly for primal-dual interior-point methods.
- solution:
  - theoretical facial reduction (Borwein-W81[4])
  - preprocess for regularized smaller problem (Cheung-Schurr-W01[7])
  - take advantage of degeneracy (Krislock-W10[10])

# Outline: Regularization/Facial Reduction

- Part I: Preprocessing/Regularization
  - Abstract convex program: LP, CP cases
  - Cone optimization/SDP case

2 Part II: Applications: QAP, GP, SNL, Molecular conformation ...

# Background/Abstract convex program

(ACP) 
$$\inf_{x} f(x)$$
 s.t.  $g(x) \leq_{\kappa} 0, x \in \Omega$ 

#### where:

- $f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$  convex;  $g: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is K-convex
- $K \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  closed convex cone;  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  convex set
- $a \leq_K b \iff b a \in K$
- $g(\alpha x + (1 \alpha y)) \leq_K \alpha g(x) + (1 \alpha)g(y)$ ,  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n, \forall \alpha \in [0, 1]$  (*g* is *K*-convex)

#### Slater's CQ: $\exists \hat{x} \in \Omega$ s.t. $g(\hat{x}) \in -\inf K$ $(g(x) \prec_K 0)$

- CQ guarantees strong duality
- essential for efficiency/stability in primal-dual interior-point methods

# Case of Linear Programming, LP

#### Primal-Dual Pair: $A, m \times n$ ; $\mathcal{P} = \{1, \dots, n\}$ constr. matrix/set

$$\text{(LP-P)} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \max & b^\top y \\ \text{s.t.} \quad A^\top y \leq c \end{array} \quad \text{(LP-D)} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \min & c^\top x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad Ax = b, \ x \geq 0. \end{array}$$

#### Slater's CQ for (LP-P) / Theorem of alternative

exactly one of (I),(II) holds:

(1) 
$$\exists \hat{\mathbf{y}} \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{A}^{\top} \hat{\mathbf{y}} > \mathbf{0}, \qquad ((\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{A}^{\top} \hat{\mathbf{y}})_i > \mathbf{0}, \forall i \in \mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}^{<})$$

(II) 
$$Ad = 0, c^{T}d = 0, 0 \neq d \geq 0$$
 (\*)

#### implicit equality constraints: $i \in P$

Finding solution  $0 \neq d^*$  to (\*) with max number of non-zeros determines:

$$d_i^* > 0 \implies (c - A^\top y)_i = 0, \forall y \in \mathcal{F}^y \quad (i \in \mathcal{P}^=)$$

# Rewrite implicit-equalities to equalities/ Regularize LP

# Facial Reduction: $A^T y \leq_f c$ ; minimal face $f \leq \mathbb{R}^n_+$

$$(LP_{reg}\text{-P}) \qquad \begin{array}{c} \max & b^\top y \\ \text{s.t.} & (A^\le)^\top y \le c^< \\ (A^=)^\top y = c^= \\ (\text{equiv:} \quad A^\top y \le_f c \text{ (min. face)}) \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \min & (c^<)^\top x^< + (c^=)^\top x^= \\ \text{s.t.} & [A^< A^=] \begin{pmatrix} x^< \\ x^= \end{pmatrix} = b \\ \text{(equiv:} \quad x \in f^* \text{ (dual. of face)}) \end{array}$$

#### Mangasarian-Fromovitz CQ (MFCQ) holds

(after deleting redundant equality constraints!)

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc} \underline{i \in \mathcal{P}^{<}} & \underline{i \in \mathcal{P}^{=}} \\ \exists \hat{y} : & (A^{<})^{\top} \hat{y} < c^{<} & (A^{=})^{\top} \hat{y} = c^{=} \end{array} \right)$$
  $(A^{=})^{T}$  is onto

## MFCQ holds if dual optimal set is compact if "stable"

Numerical difficulties if MFCQ fails; in particular for interior point methods! Modelling issue? Netlib dataset?

# Case of ordinary convex programming, CP

(CP) 
$$\sup_{y} b^{\top} y \text{ s.t. } g(y) \leq 0,$$

#### where

- $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ;  $g(y) = (g_i(y)) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $g_i : \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}$  convex  $\forall i \in \mathbb{P}$
- Slater's CQ:  $\exists \hat{y}$  s.t.  $g_i(\hat{y}) < 0, \forall i$  (implies MFCQ)
- Slater's CQ fails <u>implies</u> implicit equality constraints exist, i.e.:

$$\mathcal{P}^{=} := \{i \in \mathcal{P} : g(y) \leq 0 \implies g_i(y) = 0\} \neq \emptyset$$
  
Let  $\mathcal{P}^{<} := \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{P}^{=}$  and  $g^{<} := (g_i)_{i \in \mathcal{P}^{<}}, g^{=} := (g_i)_{i \in \mathcal{P}^{=}}$ 

# Rewrite implicit equalities to equalities/ Regularize CP

#### (CP) is equivalent to $g(y) \le_f 0$ , f is minimal face

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \sup & b^\top y \\ \text{s.t.} & g^<(y) \leq 0 \\ & y \in \mathcal{F}^= & \text{or } (g^=(y) = 0) \end{array}$$

where  $\mathcal{F}^{=} := \{ y : g^{=}(y) = 0 \}$ , and

$$\mathcal{F}^{=} = \{ y : g^{=}(y) \leq 0 \},$$
 so is a convex set!

Slater's CQ holds for  $(CP_{reg})$ 

$$\exists \hat{y} \in \mathcal{F}^{=} : g^{<}(\hat{y}) < 0$$

modelling issue again?

# Faithfully convex case

#### Faithfully convex function f (Rockafellar70[14])

f affine on a line segment only if affine on complete line containing the segment (e.g. analytic convex functions)

$$f(y) = f_s(Ay + b) + v^T y + \alpha$$
,  $f_s$  strictly convex

(cone of directions of constancy:  $D_f^=(x) = D_f^= = (\mathcal{N}(A) \cap v^{\perp})$ )

$$\mathcal{F}^{=}=\{y: \mathbf{g}^{=}(y)=\mathbf{0}\}$$
 is an affine set

Then:

$$\mathcal{F}^{=} = \{ y : Vy = V\hat{y} \}$$
 for some  $\hat{y}$  and full-row-rank matrix  $V$ . And, MFCQ holds for

$$(CP_{reg}) \quad \begin{array}{c} \sup \quad b^{\top}y \\ \text{s.t.} \quad g^{<}(y) \leq 0 \\ Vy = V^{\circ} \end{array}$$

# Semidefinite Programming, SDP

#### $K = S^n_+$ nonpolyhedral cone!

(SDP-P) 
$$v_P = \sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^m} b^\top y \text{ s.t. } g(y) := \mathcal{A}^* y - c \preceq_{\mathcal{S}^n_+} 0$$

(SDP-D) 
$$v_D = \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}^n} \langle \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{x} \rangle \text{ s.t. } A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}, \ \mathbf{x} \succeq_{\mathcal{S}^n_+} \mathbf{0}$$

#### where

- PSD cone  $S_+^n \subset S^n$  space of (real) symmetric matrices
- $c \in S^n$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$
- $\mathcal{A}: \mathcal{S}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  is a linear transformation, with adjoint  $\mathcal{A}^*$

• 
$$Ax = (\text{trace } A_i x) \in \mathbb{R}^m$$
;  $A^*y = \sum_{i=1}^m y_i A_i \in S^n$ 

#### Slater's CQ/Theorem of Alternative

#### Slater's CQ

exactly one of (I),(II) holds:

(1) 
$$\exists \hat{y}$$
 s.t.  $s = c - A^* \hat{y} > 0$  (is positive definite)

(II) 
$$Ad = 0$$
, trace  $cd = 0$ ,  $0 \neq d \succeq 0$  (\*)

# Faces of Cones - Useful for Charact. of Opt.

#### Face

A convex cone F is a face of K, denoted  $F \subseteq K$ , if  $x, y \in K$  and  $x + y \in F \implies x, y \in F$  ( $\{0\} \neq F \triangleleft K$  proper face)

#### Conjugate Face

If  $F \subseteq K$ , the conjugate face (or complementary face) of F is  $F^c := F^{\perp} \cap K^* \subseteq K^*$ ,  $(K^* = \{\phi : \langle \phi, k \rangle \ge 0, \forall k \in K\})$  If  $x \in ri(F)$ , then  $F^c = \{x\}^{\perp} \cap K^*$ 

#### Minimal Faces (Intersection of Faces is a Face)

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textit{f}_{\textit{P}} := \mathsf{face}\, \mathcal{F}_{\textit{P}}^{\, \text{S}} \unlhd \textit{K}, & \mathcal{F}_{\textit{P}}^{\, \text{S}} \text{ is primal feasible set} \\ \textit{f}_{\textit{D}} := \mathsf{face}\, \mathcal{F}_{\textit{D}}^{\, \text{X}} \unlhd \textit{K}^*, & \mathcal{F}_{\textit{D}}^{\, \text{X}} \text{ is dual feasible set} \\ \end{array}$ 

(also: face of a face is a face)

# Regularization Using Minimal Face

# Borwein-W81[4], $f_P = \text{face } \mathcal{F}_P^s$ (minimal face)

(SDP-P) is equivalent to the regularized

$$(SDP_{reg}-P) \qquad v_{RP} := \sup_{V} \left\{ \langle b, y \rangle : \mathcal{A}^* y \leq_{f_P} c \right\}$$

 $\dim f_P = t(r)$  (triangle number t(r) = r(r+1)/2) and  $\max_{S \in f_P} \operatorname{rank} S = r < n$ , if  $f_P \le S^n_+$  (implicit rank reduction)

#### Lagrangian Dual DRP Satisfies Strong Duality:

$$(\mathsf{SDP}_{reg}\mathsf{-D}) \quad v_P = v_{RP} = v_{DRP} := \inf_{x} \left\{ \langle c, x \rangle \ : \ \mathcal{A} \ x = b, \ x \succeq_{f_P^*} 0 \right\}$$

and *v<sub>DRP</sub>* is <u>attained</u>

smaller cone in primal  $f_P \subseteq K$ ; larger cone in dual  $K^* \subseteq f_P^*$ 

# (SYMMETRIC) Subspace form

#### Assume Linear Feasibility for $\tilde{s}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{x}$ ; with data A, b, c, K

$$\mathcal{A}^* \tilde{\mathbf{y}} + \tilde{\mathbf{s}} = \mathbf{c}$$
  $\mathcal{A} \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{b}$   $\mathcal{L}^{\perp} = \mathcal{R} (\mathcal{A}^*) \text{ (range)}$   $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{N} (\mathcal{A}) \text{ (nullspace)}$ 

#### Equivalent P-D Pair in Subspace Form, (e.g. N&N94[12])

<u>Particular solution</u> + solution of homogeneous equation

(SDP-P) 
$$v_P = c\tilde{x} - \inf_{s} \left\{ s\tilde{x} : s \in (\tilde{s} + \mathcal{L}^{\perp}) \cap K \right\}.$$

$$(\mathsf{SDP\text{-}D}) \quad \textit{v}_{\textit{D}} = \tilde{\textit{y}}\textit{b} + \inf_{\textit{x}} \left\{ \tilde{\textit{s}}\textit{x} : \textit{x} \in \left(\tilde{\textit{x}} + \mathcal{L}\right) \cap \textit{K}^* \right\}.$$

# Minimal subspaces

#### Recall

minimal faces:  $f_P = \text{face } \mathcal{F}_P^s$ ,  $f_D = \text{face } \mathcal{F}_D^x$ 

#### Minimal Subspaces/Linear Transformations

min. subsp.: 
$$\mathcal{L}_{PM}^{\perp} := \mathcal{L}^{\perp} \cap (f_P - f_P), \quad \mathcal{L}_{DM} := \mathcal{L} \cap (f_D - f_D)$$
 min. Lin. Tr.:  $\mathcal{A}_{PM}^*, \qquad \mathcal{A}_{DM}$ 

# Regularization using minimal subspace

#### Assume K Facially Dual Complete, FDC (Pataki07[13], 'nice')

i.e. 
$$F \triangleleft K \implies K^* + F^{\perp}$$
 is closed. (e.g.  $S^n_+$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^n_+$ , SOC).

$$\mathcal{L}_{PM}^{\perp} = \mathcal{L}^{\perp} \cap (f_P - f_P)$$

$$v_{RP} = c\tilde{x} - \inf_{S} \left\{ s\tilde{x} : s \in (\tilde{s} + \mathcal{L}_{MP}^{\perp}) \cap K \right\}$$
(RP)

#### Lagrangian Dual DRP Satisfies Strong Duality:

$$v_P = v_{RP} = v_{DRP} = \tilde{y}b + \inf_{x} \{ \tilde{s}x : x \in (\tilde{x} + \mathcal{L}_{MP}) \cap K^* \}$$
 (DRP) and  $v_{DRP}$  is attained

# SDP Regularization process

#### (recall) alternative to Slater CQ

$$\mathcal{A}d = 0$$
, trace  $cd = 0$ ,  $0 \neq d \succeq_{\mathcal{S}^n_+} 0$  (\*)

### Determine a proper face $f \triangleleft S^n_+$

let d solve (\*) with  $d = \begin{bmatrix} P & Q \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_+ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P^\top \\ Q^\top \end{bmatrix} = Pd_+P^\top$ and:  $0 \prec d_+ \in \mathcal{S}_+^{n-\bar{n}}$ ; with  $[P \ Q] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  orthogonal

Then

$$c - \mathcal{A}^* y \succeq_{\mathcal{S}^n} 0 \quad \iff \quad \langle c - \mathcal{A}^* y, d^* \rangle = 0,$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{P}^{s} \subseteq f = \mathcal{S}_{+}^{n} \cap \{d\}^{\perp} = \boxed{Q\mathcal{S}_{+}^{\bar{n}} \ Q^{T}} \lhd \mathcal{S}_{+}^{n}$$

(implicit rank reduction,  $\bar{n} < n$ )

# Backwards Stable Regularization of SDP

#### to check **Theorem of Alternative**:

$$Ad=0,\; \langle oldsymbol{c}, oldsymbol{d} 
angle = 0,\; 0 
eq oldsymbol{d} \succeq_{\mathcal{S}^n_{\pm}} 0, extbf{(*)}$$

use stable auxiliary problem

(AP) 
$$\min_{d} \delta \text{ s.t. } \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}d \\ \langle c, d \rangle \end{bmatrix} \right\|_{2} \leq \delta, \\ \operatorname{trace}(d) = \sqrt{n}, \\ d \succ 0.$$

- MFCQ holds for both (AP) and its dual.
   Implies polytime accurate solution??
   But, strict complementarity can fail (resulting in possible inaccurate search directions).
- at most n-1 iterations to satisfy Slater's CQ for the SDP.

# Connections; complementarity partitions,

Connections: (i) finite duality gap, (ii) Slater's CQ, (iii) strict compl. in Tuncel-W07[16].

<u>DEFINITION:</u> Pair faces  $F_1 \subseteq K$ ,  $F_2 \subseteq K^*$  form *complementarity* partition of K,  $K^*$  if  $F_1 \subseteq F_2^c$  (equiv.  $F_2 \subseteq F_1^c$ ) Partition is *strict* if  $(F_1)^c = F_2$  or  $(F_2)^c = F_1$ .

#### **New Connection**

<u>THEOREM:</u> Let  $\delta^* = 0$ ,  $d^* \neq 0$  solve (AP). with  $d^*$  being a maximal (not full) rank; Then corresponding reduced problem satisfies Slater's CQ if, and only if, strict complementarity holds for (AP); if, and only if, the two faces

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f_P^0 := \text{face} (\{d \in S^n : A \ d = 0, \ \langle c, d \rangle = 0, \ d \succeq 0\})

f_D^0 := \text{face} (\{w \in S^n : w = A_c^* z \succeq 0, \text{ for some } z\})

form a strict complementarity partition of S_\perp^n.
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# Regularizing SDP

# Minimal face containing $\mathcal{F}_P^s := \left\{ s : s = c - \mathcal{A}^* y \succeq_{\mathcal{S}_+^n} 0 \right\}$

$$f_P = Q \mathcal{S}_+^{\bar{n}} Q^{\top}$$

for some  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix  $U \in [P \ Q]$ 

#### (SPD-P) is equivalent to

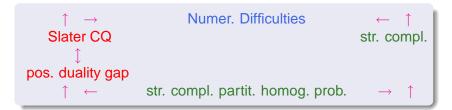
$$\sup_{y} b^{\top} y$$
s.t.  $g^{\prec}(y) := Q^{\top} (A^* y - c) Q \leq 0$ 

$$g^{=}(y) := \begin{bmatrix} P^{\top} z P \\ Q^{\top} z P (+P^{\top} z Q) \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

MFCQ holds after removing redundant equality constraints:  $\exists \hat{y} \text{ s.t. } g^{\prec}(y) \prec 0 \text{ and } g^{=}(y) = 0.$ 

#### Conclusion Part I

- Minimal representations of the data regularize (P); use min. face  $f_P$  and/or the min. L.T.  $\mathcal{A}_{PM}$  or  $\mathcal{L}_{PM}^*$ (implicit rank reduction)
- goal: preprocessing and a backwards stable algorithm to approx. solve (feasible) conic problems for which Slater's CQ (almost) fails (efficient on one-step problems, e.g. LPs)



# Part II: Applications of SDP where Slater's CQ fails

# SDP relaxations of NP-hard comb. opt. probs; row/column sum, and 0,1 constraints

- Quadratic Assignment (Zhao-Karish-Rendl-W96[18])
- Graph partitioning (W., Zhao99[17])
- strengthened Max-cut (Anjos-W01[3])
- General 0 1 row/col sum constraints (Tuncel01[15])

#### Low rank problems

- Sensor network localization (SNL) problem (Krislock-W10[10], Krislock-Rendl-W.10[9])
- Molecular conformation (Babak-Krislock-Ghodsi-W-Donaldson-Li11[2], Burkowski-Cheung-W11[6])
- Manifold learning (Alipanahi-Krislock-Ghodsi10[1])
- general SDP relaxation of low-rank matrix completion.

# SNL (K-W10[10], K-R-W10[9])

#### Highly (implicit) degenerate/low-rank problem

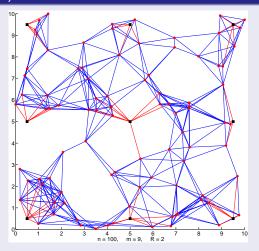
- high (implicit) degeneracy translates to low rank solutions
- -fast, high accuracy solutions

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

- r: embedding dimension
- n ad hoc wireless sensors  $p_1, \ldots, p_n \in \mathbb{R}^r$  to locate in  $\mathbb{R}^r$ ;
- m of the sensors  $p_{n-m+1}, \ldots, p_n$  are anchors (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 (partial Euclidean distance matrix, EDM)
- $P^T = [p_1 \dots p_n] = [X^T A^T] \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$

#### Sensor Localization Problem/Partial EDM

Sensors (atoms) • and Anchors ■; (no anchors -> molecular conformation)



# Graph $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \omega)$

- node set  $\mathcal{V} = \{1, \dots, n\}$
- edge set  $(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}$ ;  $\omega_{ij} = \|\mathbf{p}_i \mathbf{p}_j\|^2$  known approximately
- The anchors form a clique (complete subgraph)
- Realization of  $\mathcal{G}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^r$ : a mapping of nodes  $v_i \mapsto p_i \in \mathbb{R}^r$  with squared distances given by  $\omega$ .

#### Corresponding Partial Euclidean Distance Matrix, EDM

$$D_{ij} = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} d_{ij}^2 & ext{if } (i,j) \in \mathcal{E} \ 0 & ext{otherwise} \ ext{(unknown distance)}, \end{array} 
ight.$$

 $d_{ij}^2 = \omega_{ij}$  are known squared Euclidean distances between sensors  $p_i$ ,  $p_i$ ; anchors correspond to a clique.

# Connections to Semidefinite Programming (SDP)

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D = \mathcal{K}(B) \in \mathcal{E}^n, B = \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(D) \in \mathcal{S}^n \cap \mathcal{S}_C (centered Be = 0)
P^T = [p_1 \quad p_2 \quad \dots \quad p_n] \in \mathcal{M}^{r \times n};
B := PP^T \in \mathcal{S}^n_{\perp} (Gram matrix of inner products);
rank B = r; let D \in \mathcal{E}^n corresponding EDM; e = (1 \dots 1)^T
         (to D \in \mathcal{E}^n) D = (\|p_i - p_j\|_2^2)_{i,i=1}^n
                                          = \left( p_i^\mathsf{T} p_i + p_j^\mathsf{T} p_j - 2 p_i^\mathsf{T} p_j \right)_{i,j=1}^n
                                          = \operatorname{diag}(B) e^{T} + e \operatorname{diag}(B)^{T} - 2B
                                          =: \overline{\mathcal{D}_{e}(B)} - 2B
                                          =: \mathcal{K}(B) \quad (\text{from } B \in \mathcal{S}^n_+).
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#### **Euclidean Distance Matrices and SDP**

#### Moore-Penrose Generalized Inverse K

$$B \succeq 0 \implies D = \mathcal{K}(B) = \operatorname{diag}(B) e^{T} + e \operatorname{diag}(B)^{T} - 2B \in \mathcal{E}$$
  
 $D \in \mathcal{E} \implies B = \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(D) = -\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{JoffDiag}(D) \operatorname{J} \succeq 0, Be = 0$ 

#### Theorem (Schoenberg, 1935)

A (hollow) matrix D with  $\operatorname{diag}(D) = O(D \in S_H)$  is a

Euclidean distance matrix

if, and only if,

$$B = \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(D) \succeq 0$$
. (Gram matrix  $B = PP^{T}, P \mid n \times r$ )

Furthermore.

$$r = \operatorname{embdim}(D) = \operatorname{rank}(\mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(D)), \quad \forall D \in \mathcal{E}^n$$

# Popular Techniques; SDP Relax.; Highly Degen.

#### Nearest, Weighted, SDP Approx. (relax/discard rank B)

- $\min_{B\succeq 0} \|H\circ (\mathcal{K}(B)-D)\|$ ; rank B=r; typical weights:  $H_{ij}=1/\sqrt{D_{ij}}$ , if  $ij\in E$ ,  $H_{ij}=0$  otherwise.
- with rank constraint: a non-convex, NP-hard program
- SDP relaxation is convex, <u>BUT</u>: expensive/low accuracy/implicitly highly degenerate (cliques restrict ranks of feasible Bs)

#### Instead: (Shall) Take Advantage of Degeneracy!

clique 
$$\alpha$$
,  $|\alpha| = k$  (corresp.  $D[\alpha]$ ) with embed. dim.  $= t \le r < k$   $\Rightarrow \operatorname{rank} \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(D[\alpha]) = t \le r \Rightarrow \operatorname{rank} B[\alpha] \le \operatorname{rank} \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(D[\alpha]) + 1$   $\Rightarrow \operatorname{rank} B = \operatorname{rank} \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(D) \le n - (k - t - 1)$   $\Rightarrow$  Slater's CQ (strict feasibility) fails

# Basic Single Clique/Facial Reduction

#### Matrix with fixed principal submatrix

For  $Y \in S^n$ ,  $\alpha \subseteq \{1, ..., n\}$ :  $Y[\alpha]$  denotes principal submatrix formed from rows & cols with indices  $\alpha$ .

$$D[\alpha] \leftarrow \bar{D} \in \mathcal{E}^k, \ \alpha \subseteq 1: n, \ |\alpha| = k$$

Define 
$$\mathcal{E}^n(\alpha, \bar{D}) := \{ D \in \mathcal{E}^n : D[\alpha] = \bar{D} \}.$$

Given  $\overline{D}$ ; find a corresponding  $B \succeq 0$ ; find the corresponding face; find the corresponding subspace.

#### if $\alpha = 1 : k$ ; embedding dim embdim $(\overline{D}) = t \le r$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} D[\alpha] = \bar{D} & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}, \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(D) = \begin{bmatrix} D[\alpha] = \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(\bar{D}) + ? & ? \\ ? & ? \end{bmatrix}$$

# **BASIC THEOREM** for Single Clique/Facial Reduction

#### THEOREM 1: Single Clique/Facial Reduction

Let: 
$$\bar{D} := D[1:k] \in \mathcal{E}^k$$
,  $k < n$ , embdim  $(\bar{D}) = t \le r$ ;  $B := \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(\bar{D}) = \bar{U}_B S \bar{U}_B^T$ ,  $\bar{U}_B \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times t}$ ,  $\bar{U}_B^T \bar{U}_B = I_t$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{S}_{++}^t$ ;  $U_B := \begin{bmatrix} \bar{U}_B & \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}e \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times (t+1)}$ ,  $U := \begin{bmatrix} U_B & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n-k} \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} V & \frac{U^Te}{\|U^Te\|} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{n-k+t+1}$  orthogonal. Then: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{face } \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}\left(\mathcal{E}^n(1:k,\bar{D})\right) &= \begin{pmatrix} U\mathcal{S}_+^{n-k+t+1}U^T \end{pmatrix} \cap \mathcal{S}_C \\ &= (UV)\mathcal{S}_+^{n-k+t}(UV)^T \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that the minimal face is defined by the subspace 
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{R}(UV)$$
. We add  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}e$  to represent  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{K})$ ; then we use  $V$  to eliminate  $e$  to recover a centered face.

# Facial Reduction for Disjoint Cliques

#### Corollary from Basic Theorem

let  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_\ell \subseteq 1:n$  pairwise disjoint sets, wlog:

$$\alpha_i = (k_{i-1} + 1) : k_i, k_0 = 0, \alpha := \bigcup_{i=1}^{\ell} \alpha_i = 1 : |\alpha| \text{ let}$$

 $ar{m{U}}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{|lpha_i| imes (t_i + 1)}$  with full column rank satisfy  $m{e} \in \mathcal{R}\left(ar{m{U}}_i
ight)$  and

$$U_{i} := \begin{bmatrix} k_{i-1} & t_{i}+1 & n-k_{i} \\ I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{U}_{i} & 0 \\ n-k_{i} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-|\alpha_{i}|+t_{i}+1)}$$

The minimal face is defined by  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{R}(U), U = \pi_i U_i$ :

# Sets for Intersecting Cliques/Faces

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

$$\alpha_1 \qquad \qquad \bar{k}_1 \qquad \bar{k}_2 \qquad \bar{k}_3$$

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

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha_1,\alpha_2\subseteq 1: \textbf{\textit{n}}; \quad k:=|\alpha_1\cup\alpha_2| \\ \text{For } i=1,2: \ \bar{D}_i:=D[\alpha_i]\in \mathcal{E}^{k_i}, \text{ embedding dimension } t_i; \\ B_i:=\mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(\bar{D}_i)=\bar{U}_iS_i\bar{U}_i^T, \ \bar{U}_i\in \mathcal{M}^{k_i\times t_i}, \ \bar{U}_i^T\bar{U}_i=I_{t_i}, \ S_i\in \mathcal{S}_{++}^{t_i}; \\ U_i:=\left[\bar{U}_i \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_i}}e\right]\in \mathcal{M}^{k_i\times (t_i+1)}; \text{ and } \bar{U}\in \mathcal{M}^{k\times (t+1)} \text{ satisfies} \end{array} \right.$$

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

cont...

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

#### THEOREM 2 Nonsing. Clique/Facial Inters. cont...

cont...with

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

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

$$egin{bmatrix} V & rac{U^Te}{\|U^Te\|} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{n-k+t+1}$$
 be orthogonal. Then

$$\underline{\bigcap_{i=1}^{2} \operatorname{face} \mathcal{K}^{\dagger} \left( \mathcal{E}^{n}(\alpha_{i}, \overline{D}_{i}) \right)} = \left( U \mathcal{S}_{+}^{n-k+t+1} U^{T} \right) \cap \mathcal{S}_{C} \\
= \left( U V \right) \mathcal{S}_{+}^{n-k+t} (U V)^{T}$$

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

#### Subspace Intersection for Two Intersecting Cliques/Faces

Suppose:

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

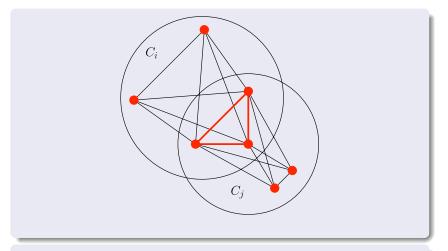
Then:

$$U := \begin{bmatrix} U_1' \\ U_1'' \\ U_2'(U_2'')^{\dagger} U_1'' \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad U := \begin{bmatrix} U_1'(U_1'')^{\dagger} U_2'' \\ U_2'' \\ U_2' \end{bmatrix}$$

(Q<sub>1</sub> =:  $(U_1'')^{\dagger}U_2''$ , Q<sub>2</sub> =  $(U_2'')^{\dagger}U_1''$  orthogonal/rotation) (Efficiently) satisfies

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

# Two (Intersecting) Clique Reduction Figure



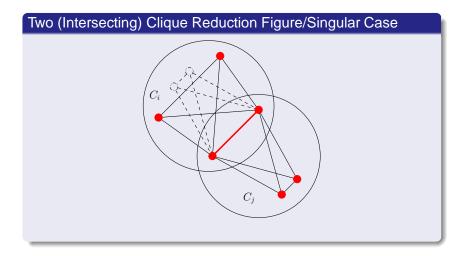
Completion: missing distances can be recovered if desired.

# 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  $i = 1, 2, \ \beta \subseteq \alpha_1 \cap \alpha_2, \gamma := \alpha_1 \cup \alpha_2, \ \bar{D} := D[\beta], B := \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(\bar{D}), \quad \bar{U}_{\beta} := \bar{U}(\beta,:), \text{ where } \bar{U} \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times (t+1)} \text{ satisfies}$ intersection equation of Theorem 2. Let  $\left[ \bar{V} \quad \frac{\bar{U}^T e}{\|\bar{U}^T e\|} \right] \in \mathcal{M}^{t+1}$ be orthogonal. Let  $Z := (J\bar{U}_{\beta}\bar{V})^{\dagger}B((J\bar{U}_{\beta}\bar{V})^{\dagger})^{T}$ . If the embedding dimension for  $\overline{D}$  is r, THEN t = r in Theorem 2, and  $Z \in \mathcal{S}^r_{\perp}$  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  $D[\gamma] = \mathcal{K} \; ig( PP^T ig)$  where  $P := UV \overline{Z^{rac{1}{2}}} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\gamma| imes r}$ 

# 2 (Inters.) Clique Red. Figure/Singular Case



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

# Two (Inters.) Clique Explicit Compl.; Sing. Case

#### COR. Clique-Sing.; Intersect. Embedding Dim. r-1

Hypotheses of previous COR holds. For i = 1, 2, let  $\beta \subset \delta_i \subseteq \alpha_i$ ,  $A_i := J\bar{U}_{\delta_i}\bar{V}$ , where  $\bar{U}_{\delta_i} := \bar{U}(\delta_i,:)$ , and  $B_i := \mathcal{K}^{\dagger}(D[\delta_i])$ . Let  $\bar{Z} \in \mathcal{S}^t$  be a particular solution of the linear systems

$$A_1 Z A_1^T = B_1$$
  
$$A_2 Z A_2^T = B_2.$$

If the embedding dimension of  $D[\delta_i]$  is r, for i = 1, 2, but the embedding dimension of  $\bar{D} := D[\beta]$  is r - 1, then the following holds, cont...

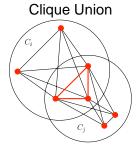
# 2 (Inters.) Clique Expl. Compl.; Degen. cont...

#### COR. Clique-Degen. cont...

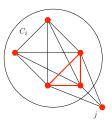
#### The following holds:

- ①  $\dim \mathcal{N}(A_i) = 1$ , for i = 1, 2.
- **②** For i = 1, 2, let  $n_i \in \mathcal{N}(A_i)$ ,  $||n_i||_2 = 1$ , and  $\Delta Z := n_1 n_2^T + n_2 n_1^T$ . Then, Z is a solution of the linear systems if and only if  $Z = \bar{Z} + \tau \Delta Z$ , for some  $\tau \in \mathcal{R}$
- ③ There are at most two nonzero solutions,  $τ_1$  and  $τ_2$ , for the generalized eigenvalue problem  $-ΔZv = τ\bar{Z}v$ , v ≠ 0. Set  $Z_i := \bar{Z} + \frac{1}{τ_i}ΔZ$ , for i = 1, 2. Then the exact completion is one of  $D[γ] ∈ \{K(\bar{U}\bar{V}Z_i\bar{V}^T\bar{U}^T) : i = 1, 2\}$

# Rigid Clique Union / Absorption



#### Node Absorption



# 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:

min 
$$||A - P_2 Q||$$
  
s.t.  $Q^T Q = I$ 

$$P_2^T A = U \Sigma V^T$$
 SVD decomposition; set  $Q = U V^T$ ; (Golub-Van Loan/96[8], Algorithm 12.4.1)

Set X := P<sub>1</sub>Q

# Summary: Facial Reduction for Cliques

- Using the basic theorem: each clique corresponds to a Gram matrix/corresponding subspace/corresponding face of SDP cone (implicit rank reduction)
- In the case where two cliques intersect, the union of the cliques correspond to the (efficiently computable) intersection of the corresponding faces/subspaces
- Finally, the positions are determined using a Procrustes problem

#### Results - Data for Random Noisless Problems

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

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

### 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	

#### RMSD (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:

 $M = \begin{bmatrix} 3,078,915 & 12,315,351 & 27,709,309 & 76,969,790 \end{bmatrix}$  $N = 10^9 \begin{bmatrix} 0.2000 & 0.8000 & 1.8000 & 5.0000 \end{bmatrix}$ 

# Summary Part II

- instances of degeneracy/lack of Slater CQ occurs in many applications (cliques in SNL, amino acids in molecular conformation)
- SDP relaxation of SNL is highly (implicitly) degenerate:
   The feasible set of this SDP is restricted to a low dim. face of the SDP cone, causing the Slater constraint qualification (strict feasibility) to fail
- We take advantage of this degeneracy by finding explicit representations of intersections of faces of the SDP cone corresponding to unions of intersecting cliques
- Without using an SDP-solver (eg. SeDuMi or SDPT3), we quickly compute the exact solution to the SDP relaxation



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# Thanks for your attention!

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