

# Three Views of Facial Reduction in Cone Optimization

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# Motivation: Loss of Slater CQ/Facial reduction

- **Slater condition** – existence of a strictly feasible solution – is at the heart of convex optimization.
- **Without Slater:** first-order optimality conditions may fail; dual problem may yield little information; small perturbations may result in infeasibility; many software packages can behave poorly.
- **a pronounced phenomenon:** though Slater holds **generically**, **surprisingly** many models arising from hard nonconvex problems show loss of strict feasibility, e.g., Matrix completions, sensor network localization, SNL, EDM, POP, **Molecular Conformation**, QAP, GP, strengthened MC
- We look at various reasons and how to take advantage using three views of **FACIAL REDUCTION, FR**  
*Refs: Borwein, W. '79-81'; Cheung, Schurr, W.'11 Krislock, W.'10 , Drusvyatskiy, Pataki, W.'15 ; Cheung, Drusvyatskiy, Krislock, W.'14*  
*("And some things that should not have been forgotten were lost. History became legend. Legend became myth ...")*

# Facial Reduction (FR) on LP:

feasible set  $F = \{x : Ax = b, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n (x \geq 0)\}$

Theorem of alternative, (with  $A$  full row rank)

Exactly one of the following is consistent:

(I)  $\exists \hat{x}$  s.t.  $A\hat{x} = b, \hat{x} > 0$

(II)  $0 \neq z = A^T y \geq 0, b^T y = 0, (**); (z \text{ exposes } F, z \cdot F = 0)$

Linear Programming Example,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^5$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & (2 \ 6 \ -1 \ -2 \ 7) x \\ \text{s.t.} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, x \geq 0 \end{array}$$

Sum the two constraints (use  $y^T = (1 \ 1)$  in (\*\*)):

$$2x_1 + x_4 + x_5 = 0 \implies x_1 = x_4 = x_5 = 0$$

yields equivalent simplified problem:

$$\min \quad 6x_2 - x_3 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad x_2 + x_3 = 1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$$

# Facial Reduction (FR) on , $A^T y \leq c$

## Linear Programming Example, $y \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & (2 \ 6) y \\ \text{s.t.} & \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} y \leq \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{active set } \{2, 3, 4\} \\ & \text{opt: } y^* = \begin{pmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}, p^* = 6 \end{array}$$

weighted last two rows  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  sum to zero:  
set of implicit equalities (zero slacks):  $\mathcal{P}^e := \{3, 4\}$

**Facial reduction, FR**, to 1 dim. after substit. for  $y$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \max \{2 + 8t : -1 \leq t \leq \tfrac{1}{2}\}, \quad t^* = \tfrac{1}{2}.$$

# General Case?

- preprocessing is important in LP.
- Can we do facial reduction **in general**?
- Is it **efficient/worthwhile**?
- **important applications**? .... relation to feasibility questions and iterative methods? (DR, MAP?)

# Abstract convex program

$$(\text{ACP}) \quad \inf_x f(x) \text{ s.t. } g(x) \preceq_K 0, x \in \Omega$$

where:

- $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  convex;  $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is  $K$ -convex
  - $K \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  closed convex cone;  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  convex set
  - $a \preceq_K b \iff b - a \in K$ ,  $a \prec_K b \iff b - a \in \text{int } K$
  - $g(\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y) \preceq_K \alpha g(x) + (1 - \alpha)g(y)$ ,  
 $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n, \forall \alpha \in [0, 1]$

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

- guarantees strong duality
- (near) loss of strict feasibility, **nearness to infeasibility**,  
correlates with number of iterations & loss of accuracy

# Faces of Convex Sets - Useful for Charact. of Opt.

Face of  $C$ ,

$$F \trianglelefteq C$$

- $F \subseteq C$  is a **face** of  $C$  if  $F$  contains any line segment in  $C$  whose relative interior intersects  $F$ .
- A convex cone  $F \subseteq K$  is a **face** of convex cone  $K$ ,  $F \trianglelefteq K$ , if

$$x, y \in K \text{ and } x + y \in F \implies x, y \in F$$

## Polar (Dual) Cone/Conjugate Face

- polar cone  $K^* := \{\phi : \langle \phi, k \rangle \geq 0, \forall k \in K\}$
- If  $F \trianglelefteq K$ , the **conjugate face** of  $F$  is

$$F^c := F^\perp \cap K^* \trianglelefteq K^*$$

- A face of a face is a face
- intersection of a face with a face is a face.
- Let  $C \subseteq K$ , then  $\text{face}(C)$  denotes the minimal face (intersection of faces) containing  $C$ .
- Let  $X \in K = \mathcal{S}_+^n$ , PSD cone;  $X = [P \ Q] \begin{bmatrix} D_+ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} [P \ Q]^T$  be spectral decomposition of  $X$ ,  $\text{rank } X = r$ ,  $D_+ \in \mathcal{S}_{++}^r$ . Then  $\text{face}(X) = PS_+^r P^T = (QQ^T)^\perp \cap \mathcal{S}_+^n$ .  
 $Z = QQ^T$  is an *exposing vector* for the face.



Recall: (ACP)  $\inf_x f(x)$  s.t.  $g(x) \preceq_K 0, x \in \Omega$

- polar cone:  $K^* = \{\phi : \langle \phi, y \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in K\}$ .
- $K^f := \text{face}(F)$  minimal face containing feasible set  $F$ .

Lemma (Facial Reduction (FR); find EXPOSING vector  $\phi$ )

Suppose  $\bar{x}$  is feasible. Then the LHS system

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\Omega - \bar{x})^+ \cap \partial \langle \phi, g(\bar{x}) \rangle \neq \emptyset \\ \phi \in K^+, \quad \langle \phi, g(\bar{x}) \rangle = 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{ implies } K^f \subseteq \phi^\perp \cap K.$$

Proof

line 1 of system implies  $\bar{x}$  global min for convex function  $\langle \phi, g(\cdot) \rangle$  on  $\Omega$ ; i.e.,  $0 = \langle \phi, g(\bar{x}) \rangle \leq \langle \phi, g(x) \rangle \leq 0, \forall x \in F$ ;  
implies  $-g(F) \subseteq \phi^\perp \cap K$ . □

$K = \mathcal{S}_+^n = K^*$ : nonpolyhedral, self-polar, facially exposed

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

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

where:

- PSD cone  $\mathcal{S}_+^n \subset \mathcal{S}^n$  symm. matrices
- $c \in \mathcal{S}^n$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$
- $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is an onto linear map, with adjoint  $\mathcal{A}^*$

$$\mathcal{A}x = (\text{trace } A_i x) = (\langle A_i, x \rangle) \in \mathbb{R}^m, \quad A_i \in \mathcal{S}^n$$

$$\mathcal{A}^* y = \sum_{i=1}^m A_i y_i \in \mathcal{S}^n$$

# Slater's CQ/Theorem of Alternative

## From Lemma for FR

(Assume feasibility:  $\exists \tilde{y}$  s.t.  $c - \mathcal{A}^* \tilde{y} \succeq 0$ .)

Exactly one of the following alternatives holds:

$$(I) \quad \exists \hat{y} \text{ s.t. } s = c - \mathcal{A}^* \hat{y} \succ 0 \quad (\text{Slater})$$

or

$$(II) \quad \mathcal{A}d = 0, \langle c, d \rangle = 0, 0 \neq d \succeq 0 \quad (*)$$

( $d$  exposes a proper face containing all the feasible slacks  
 $z = c - \mathcal{A}^* y \succeq 0$ .)

# Regularization Using Minimal Face

Borwein-W.'81 ,  $f_P = \text{face } \mathcal{F}_P^S$ ; min. face of feasible slacks

(SDP-P) is equivalent to the regularized

$$(\text{SDP}_{\text{reg-P}}) \quad V_{RP} := \sup_y \{ \langle b, y \rangle : \mathcal{A}^* y \preceq_{f_P} c \}$$

$f_P$  is minimal face of primal feasible slacks

$$\{s \succeq 0 : s = c - \mathcal{A}^* y\} \subseteq f_P \trianglelefteq S_+^n$$

Lagrangian dual of regularized problem satisfies strong duality:

$$(\text{SDP}_{\text{reg-D}}) \quad V_{DRP} := \inf_x \{ \langle c, x \rangle : \mathcal{A} x = b, x \succeq_{f_P^*} 0 \}$$

$V_P = V_{RP} = V_{DRP}$  and  $V_{DRP}$  is attained.

regularized primal-dual pair

If we take the dual of (SDP<sub>reg-D</sub>) we recover the primal regularized problem (SDP<sub>reg-P</sub>).

## Aside for motivation for SDP: Dantzig Story in '47-48

- 1947: visits Von Neumann (Princeton) and develops **Simplex Method for LP**
- 1948: Econometric society presents simplex method to well-known statisticians, mathematicians, economists.
  - Hotelling (*giant of a man*): stood up and stated: **"But we all know the world is nonlinear"**
  - Von Neumann came to his defence: **"The speaker titled his talk 'Linear Programming' and he carefully stated his axioms. If you have an application that satisfies the axioms, use it. If it does not, then don't"**
- SIAM in 70's: 70% of world computer time spent on LP
- Dantzig later admitted: **"The world is nonlinear ..."** Using nonlinear models can be better than restricting to linear models.

# Motivation: Quadratic models are 'better'

## Binary problems modelled by quadratics

E.g.

- binary:  $x \in \{\pm 1\} \iff x^2 = 1$
- binary:  $x \in \{0, 1\} \iff x^2 - x = 0$
- permutation matrices:  $X \in \Pi \iff X^T X = I, X \circ X - X = 0$

## QQP: quadratic objective; quadratic constraints

in **GROUND SPACE**

$$q_i(x) := x^T Q_i x + g_i^T x + \alpha_i, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, m$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{(QQP)} & p^* := \min \quad q_0(x) \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad q_i(x) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & \quad \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{array}$$

# Quadratic models lead to SDP

## Lagrangian dual/relaxation of QQP/homogenized Lagrangian

$$q_i(x) := x^T Q_i x + g_i^T x + \alpha_i, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, m \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

$$\begin{aligned} p^* \geq d^* &:= \max_y \min_x L(x, y) := q_0(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m q_i(x) \\ &= \max_{y,t} \min_{x,x_0} L(x, x_0, y, t) := \\ &\quad q_0(x, x_0) + \sum_{i=1}^m q_i(x, x_0) \\ &\quad + t(1 - x_0^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d^* &= \max_{y,t} \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \alpha_i + t \\ &\quad \text{s.t.} \quad Z = Z(y, t) = \nabla^2 L(x, x_0, y, t) \succeq 0 \\ &\quad Z \in \mathcal{S}_+^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

Lagrangian relaxation equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} d^* &= \max && b^T y \\ \text{s.t.} &&& Z = C - \mathcal{A}^* y \succeq 0 \\ &&& Z \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \end{aligned}$$

Dual of dual yields SDP relaxation

$$\begin{aligned} d^{**} \geq d^* &= \min && \text{trace } CY \\ \text{s.t.} &&& \mathcal{A} Y = b \\ &&& X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \end{aligned}$$



# SDP Regularization process

Recall Alternative to Slater CQ

$$\mathcal{A}d = 0, \langle c, d \rangle = 0, 0 \neq d \succeq_{S_+^n} 0 \quad (*)$$

Determine a proper face  $f_p \trianglelefteq f = QS_+^{\bar{n}}Q^T \triangleleft S_+^n$

- Let  $d$  solve  $(*)$  with compact spectral decomposition  $d = Pd_+P^T$ ,  $d_+ \succ 0$ , and  $[P \ Q] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  orthogonal.
- Then  $d$  is an *exposing vector/matrix*

$$\begin{aligned} c - \mathcal{A}^*y \succeq_{S_+^n} 0 &\implies \langle c - \mathcal{A}^*y, d^* \rangle = 0 \\ &\implies \mathcal{F}_P^S \subseteq S_+^n \cap \{d^*\}^\perp = QS_+^{\bar{n}}Q^T \triangleleft S_+^n \end{aligned}$$

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

- at most  $n - 1$  iterations to satisfy Slater's CQ.
- to check [Theorem of Alternative](#)

$$\mathcal{A}d = 0, \langle c, d \rangle = 0, 0 \neq d \succeq_{S_+^n} 0, \quad (*)$$

use [stable](#) auxiliary problem

$$(AP) \quad \min_{\delta, d} \delta \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}d \\ \langle c, d \rangle \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 \leq \delta, \\ \text{trace}(d) = \sqrt{n}, \\ d \succeq 0.$$

- Both (AP) with e.g.  $d = I, \delta \gg 0$ , and its dual satisfy Slater's CQ.

# Auxiliary Problem

$$(AP) \quad \min_{\delta, d} \delta \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}d \\ \langle c, d \rangle \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 \leq \delta, \\ \text{trace}(d) = \sqrt{n}, d \succeq 0.$$

Both (AP) and its dual satisfy Slater's CQ ... but ...

Cheung-Schurr-W'11, a  $k = 1$  step CQ

Strict complementarity holds for (AP)

iff

$k = 1$  steps are needed to regularize (SDP-P).

$k = 1$  always holds in LP case.

# Singularity Degree - Minimal Number of FR Steps

## Sturm's error bounds Theorem for SDP, 2000

Given an affine subspace  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $\mathcal{S}^n$ , the pair  $(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{S}_+^n)$  is  $\frac{1}{2^d}$ -Holder regular,  $\gamma = \frac{1}{2^d}$ , with displacement, where  $d$  is the singularity degree of  $(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{S}_+^n)$  with displacement.

( e.g., for intersecting sets, for all compact sets  $U$  there exists a constant  $c > 0$  such that

$$\text{dist}(x, \mathcal{V} \cap \mathcal{S}_+^n) \leq c \left( \text{dist}^\gamma(x, \mathcal{V}) + \text{dist}^\gamma(x, \mathcal{S}_+^n) \right), \quad \forall x \in U$$

## Cgnce rate alternating directions for SDP

Theorem (Drusvyatskiy, Li, W. 2015) If the sequence  $X_k, Y_k$  converges,  $d > 0$ , then the rate is  $\mathcal{O} \left( k^{-\frac{1}{2^d+1-2}} \right)$   
(If Slater holds then cgnce is R-linear.)

Explains SLOW convergence seen for MAP applied to molecular conformation?

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

- high (implicit) degeneracy translates to low rank solutions
- take advantage of degeneracy; fast, high accuracy solutions

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

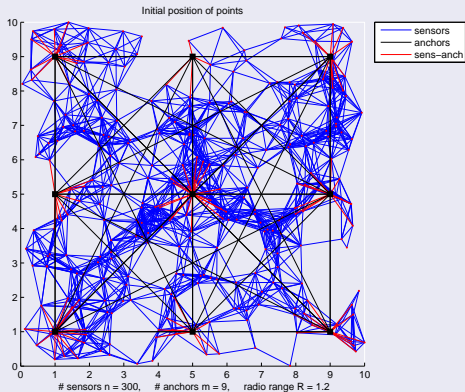
- $r$  : embedding dimension
- $n$  ad hoc wireless sensors  $p_1, \dots, p_n \in \mathbb{R}^r$  to locate in  $\mathbb{R}^r$ ;
- $m$  of the sensors  $p_{n-m+1}, \dots, p_n$  are anchors (positions known, using e.g. GPS)
- pairwise distances  $D_{ij} = \|p_i - p_j\|^2, ij \in E$ , are known within radio range  $R > 0$



$$P^T = [p_1 \quad \dots \quad p_n] = [X^T \quad A^T] \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$$

# Sensor Localization Problem/Partial EDM

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



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

- node set  $\mathcal{V} = \{1, \dots, n\}$
- edge set  $(i, j) \in \mathcal{E}; \omega_{ij} = \|p_i - p_j\|^2$  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

$$D_{ij} = \begin{cases} d_{ij}^2 & \text{if } (i, j) \in \mathcal{E} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise (unknown distance),} \end{cases}$$

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

# Connections to Semidefinite Programming (SDP)

$$D = \mathcal{K}(B) \in \mathcal{E}^n, B = \mathcal{K}^\dagger(D) \in \mathcal{S}^n \cap \mathcal{S}_C \text{ (centered } Be = 0)$$

$$P^\top = [p_1 \ p_2 \ \dots \ p_n] \in \mathcal{M}^{r \times n};$$

$$B := PP^\top \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \text{ (Gram matrix of inner products);}$$

$$\text{rank } B = r; \text{ let } D \in \mathcal{E}^n \text{ corresponding EDM; } e = (1 \ \dots \ 1)^\top$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(to } D \in \mathcal{E}^n) \quad D &= (\|p_i - p_j\|_2^2)_{i,j=1}^n \\ &= (p_i^\top p_i + p_j^\top p_j - 2p_i^\top p_j)_{i,j=1}^n \\ &= \boxed{\text{diag}(B) e^\top + e \text{diag}(B)^\top - 2B} \\ &=: \mathcal{K}(B) \quad (\text{from } B \in \mathcal{S}_+^n). \end{aligned}$$



# Euclidean Distance Matrices; Semidefinite Matrices

## Moore-Penrose Generalized Inverse $\mathcal{K}^\dagger$

$$B \succeq 0 \implies D = \mathcal{K}(B) = \text{diag}(B) e^\top + e \text{diag}(B)^\top - 2B \in \mathcal{E}$$

$$D \in \mathcal{E} \implies B = \mathcal{K}^\dagger(D) = -\frac{1}{2} J \text{offDiag}(D) J \succeq 0, Be = 0 \\ (J = I - \frac{1}{n} ee^\top)$$

## Theorem (Schoenberg, 1935)

A (hollow) matrix  $D$  (with  $\text{diag}(D) = 0, D \in S_H$ ) is a  
Euclidean distance matrix  
if and only if

$$B = \mathcal{K}^\dagger(D) \succeq 0. \quad (\text{and centered } Be = 0)$$

And !!!!

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

(1)

# 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, BUT: expensive/low accuracy/implicitly highly degenerate (cliques restrict ranks of feasible  $B$ s)

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

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

# Basic Single Clique/Facial Reduction

## Matrix with Fixed Principal Submatrix

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

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

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

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

if  $\alpha = 1:k$ ; embedding  $\dim \text{embdim}(\bar{D}) = t \leq r$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{D} & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{bmatrix}.$$

# BASIC THEOREM for Single Clique FR

## Primal View

Let:

- $\bar{D} := D[1:k] \in \mathcal{E}^k$ ,  $k < n$ ,  $\text{embdim}(\bar{D}) = t \leq r$  be given;
- $B := \mathcal{K}^\dagger(\bar{D}) = \bar{U}_B S \bar{U}_B^\top$ ,  $\bar{U}_B \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times t}$ ,  $\bar{U}_B^\top \bar{U}_B = I_t$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{S}_{++}^t$  be full rank orthogonal decomposition of Gram matrix;
- $U_B := \begin{bmatrix} \bar{U}_B & \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \mathbf{e} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times (t+1)}$ ,  $U := \begin{bmatrix} U_B & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n-k} \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} V & \frac{U^\top \mathbf{e}}{\|U^\top \mathbf{e}\|} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{n-k+t+1}$  be orthogonal.

Then the minimal face:

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

## Aside:

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

Note that the minimal face is defined by the subspace  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{R}(UV)$ . 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.

# Facial Reduction for Disjoint Cliques

## Corollary from Basic Theorem

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

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

$\bar{U}_j \in \mathbb{R}^{|\alpha_j| \times (t_j+1)}$  with full column rank satisfy  $e \in \mathcal{R}(\bar{U}_j)$  and

$$U_j := \begin{matrix} & k_{j-1} & t_j+1 & n-k_j \\ \begin{matrix} k_{j-1} \\ |\alpha_j| \\ n-k_j \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{U}_j & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-|\alpha_j|+t_j+1)}$$

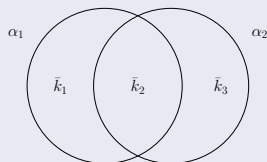
The minimal face is defined by  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{R}(U)$ :

$$U := \begin{matrix} & t_1+1 & \dots & t_\ell+1 & n-|\alpha| \\ \begin{matrix} |\alpha_1| \\ \vdots \\ |\alpha_\ell| \\ n-|\alpha| \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \bar{U}_1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \bar{U}_\ell & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-|\alpha|+t+1)},$$

where  $t := \sum_{i=1}^\ell t_i + \ell - 1$ . And  $e \in \mathcal{R}(U)$ .

# Sets for Intersecting Cliques/Faces

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



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

Let:

- $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \subseteq 1:n; \quad k := |\alpha_1 \cup \alpha_2|$
- for  $i = 1, 2$ :  $\bar{D}_i := D[\alpha_i] \in \mathcal{E}^{k_i}$ , embedding dimension  $t_i$ ;
- $B_i := \mathcal{K}^\dagger(\bar{D}_i) = \bar{U}_i S_i \bar{U}_i^\top$ ,  $\bar{U}_i \in \mathcal{M}^{k_i \times t_i}$ ,  $\bar{U}_i^\top \bar{U}_i = I_{t_i}$ ,  $S_i \in \mathcal{S}_{++}^{t_i}$ ;
- $U_i := \begin{bmatrix} \bar{U}_i & \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_i}} \mathbf{e} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{k_i \times (t_i+1)}$ ; and  $\bar{U} \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times (t+1)}$

satisfies  $\mathcal{R}(\bar{U}) = \mathcal{R} \left( \begin{bmatrix} U_1 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{k_3} \end{bmatrix} \right) \cap \mathcal{R} \left( \begin{bmatrix} I_{k_1} & 0 \\ 0 & U_2 \end{bmatrix} \right)$ , with  $\bar{U}^\top \bar{U} = I_{t+1}$

- $U := \begin{bmatrix} \bar{U} & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n-k} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{n \times (n-k+t+1)}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} v & \frac{U^\top \mathbf{e}}{\|U^\top \mathbf{e}\|} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}^{n-k+t+1}$   
be orthogonal.

Then

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



# 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:

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

( $Q_1 =: (U_1'')^\dagger U_2''$ ,  $Q_2 =: (U_2'')^\dagger U_1''$  orthogonal/rotation)

(Efficiently) satisfies

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

# Two (Intersecting) Clique Explicit Delayed Completion

Let:

- Hypotheses of intersecting Theorem (Thm 2) holds
- $\bar{D}_i := D[\alpha_i] \in \mathcal{E}^{k_i}$ , for  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $\beta \subseteq \alpha_1 \cap \alpha_2$ ,  $\gamma := \alpha_1 \cup \alpha_2$
- $\bar{D} := D[\beta]$  with embedding dimension  $r$
- $B := \mathcal{K}^\dagger(\bar{D})$ ,  $\bar{U}_\beta := \bar{U}(\beta, :)$ , where  $\bar{U} \in \mathcal{M}^{k \times (t+1)}$  satisfies intersection equation of Thm 2
- $\left[ \bar{V} \quad \frac{\bar{U}^\top e}{\|\bar{U}^\top e\|} \right] \in \mathcal{M}^{t+1}$  be orthogonal.
- $Z := (J\bar{U}_\beta \bar{V})^\dagger B (J\bar{U}_\beta \bar{V})^\dagger{}^\top$ .

THEN  $t = r$  in Thm 2, and  $Z \in \mathcal{S}_+^r$  is the unique solution of the equation  $(J\bar{U}_\beta \bar{V})Z(J\bar{U}_\beta \bar{V})^\top = B$ , and the **exact completion** is

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

# 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  $D = \mathcal{K}(PP^\top)$
- Solve the orthogonal Procrustes problem:

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

$P_2^\top A = U \Sigma V^\top$  SVD decomposition; set  $Q = UV^\top$ ;  
(Golub/Van Loan'79-'12, Algorithm 12.4.1)

- Set  $X := P_1 Q$

- 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

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:

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

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

## View 2: Details with Exposing Vector

Thm D.P.W. '15:  $\mathcal{M} : \mathbb{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{Y}$ ,  $K$  proper convex cone

$\emptyset \neq F = \{X \in K : \mathcal{M}(X) = b\}$ . Then a vector  $v$  exposes a proper face of  $\mathcal{M}(K)$  containing  $b$  if, and only if,  $v$  satisfies the auxiliary system

$$0 \neq \mathcal{M}^*v \in K^*, \quad \langle v, b \rangle = 0.$$

Let  $N = \text{face}(b, \mathcal{M}(K))$  (smallest face containing  $b$ ). Then:

- $K \cap \mathcal{M}^{-1}(N) = \text{face}(F, K)$
- $v$  exposes  $N$  IFF  $\mathcal{M}^*(v)$  exposes  $\text{face}(F, K)$ .

### Corollary

If Slater's condition fails, then  $d = 1$  IFF the minimal  $\text{face}(b, \mathcal{M}(K))$  is exposed.

# Applications of SDP where Slater's CQ fails

## Instances SDP relaxations of NP-hard comb. opt.

- Quadratic Assignment (Zhao-Karish-Rendl-W.'96 )
- Graph partitioning (W.-Zhao'99 )
- Strengthened Max-Cut (Anjos-W'02 )

## Low rank problems

- Systems of polynomial equations (Reid-Wang-W.-Wu'15)
- **Sensor network localization (SNL) problem (Krislock-W.'10**  
**(Drusvyatskiy, Krislock, Veronin, W.'15)**
- Molecular conformation (Burkowski-Cheung-W.'11 )
- general SDP relaxation of **low-rank matrix completion problems**



# Recent Application to QAP within ADMM Framework, D. Oliveira, Y. Xu, W'15

Quadratic Assignment Problem; “hardest” of NP-hard problems

$\min_{X \in \Pi} \text{trace } A X B X^T + C X^T$ ;  $\Pi$  set of permutation matrices

SDP relaxation greatly simplifies after FR, facial reduction

FR:  $Y = V R V^T$ ,  $Y \in \mathcal{S}_+^{n^2+1}$ ,  $R \in \mathcal{S}_+^{(n-1)^2+1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_R \quad & \langle L_Q, \hat{V} R \hat{V}^T \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathcal{G}_J(\hat{V} R \hat{V}^T) = E_{00} \\ & R \succeq 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $L_Q$  linearizes the objective function;  $\mathcal{G}_J$  is the **gangster operator**;  $E_{00}$  is the first unit matrix.

$$\min_{R,Y} \langle L_Q, Y \rangle, \text{ s.t. } \mathcal{G}_J(Y) = E_{00}, Y = \hat{V}R\hat{V}^\top, R \succeq 0.$$

augmented Lagrangian is

$$L_A := \langle L_Q, Y \rangle + \langle Z, Y - \hat{V}R\hat{V}^\top \rangle + \frac{\beta}{2} \|Y - \hat{V}R\hat{V}^\top\|_F^2.$$

alternating direction method of multipliers, ADMM

perform/repeat updates for  $(R_+, Y_+, Z_+)$   
 ('cheat' ... Eckert-Young for low rank psd)

$$R_+ = \operatorname{argmin}_{R \succeq 0, \text{ low rank}} L_A(R, Y, Z), \quad (2a)$$

$$Y_+ = \operatorname{argmin}_{Y \in P} L_A(R_+, Y, Z), \quad (2b)$$

$$Z_+ = Z + \gamma \cdot \beta(Y_+ - \hat{V}R_+\hat{V}^\top), \quad (2c)$$

where  $P$  is the polyhedral constraints consisting of the gangster constraints and  $0 \leq Y \leq 1$ .

# Sample Numerics: ADMM for SDP Relaxation of QAP

	1. opt value	2. Bundle [?] LowBnd	3. HKM-FR LowBnd	4. ADMM LowBnd	5. feas UpBnd	6. ADMM %gap	7. ADMM vs Bundle %Impr LowBnd	8 Tol5 cpusec HighRk	9 Tol5 cpusec LowRk	10 Tol12/5 cpuratio HighRk	11 HKM cpuratio Tol 9
Esc16a	68	59	50	64	72	11.76	7.35	2.30e+01	4.02	4.14	9.37
Esc16b	292	288	276	290	300	3.42	0.68	3.87e+00	4.55	2.15	8.08
Esc16c	160	142	132	154	188	21.25	7.50	1.09e+01	8.09	4.53	4.88
Esc16d	16	8	-12	13	18	31.25	31.25	2.14e+01	3.69	4.87	10.22
Esc16e	28	23	13	27	32	17.86	14.29	3.02e+01	4.29	4.80	8.79
Esc16g	26	20	11	25	28	11.54	19.23	4.24e+01	4.27	2.72	8.63
Esc16h	996	970	909	977	996	1.91	0.70	4.91e+00	3.53	2.33	10.60
Esc16i	14	9	-21	12	14	14.29	21.43	1.37e+02	4.30	2.39	8.76
Esc16j	8	7	-4	8	14	75.00	12.50	8.95e+01	4.80	3.83	7.93
Had12	1652	1643	1641	1652	1652	0.00	0.54	1.02e+01	1.08	1.06	5.91
Had14	2724	2715	2709	2724	2724	0.00	0.33	3.23e+01	1.69	1.19	10.46
Had16	3720	3699	3678	3720	3720	0.00	0.56	1.75e+02	3.15	1.04	12.51
Had18	5358	5317	5287	5358	5358	0.00	0.77	4.49e+02	6.00	2.22	13.28
Had20	6922	6885	6848	6922	6930	0.12	0.53	3.85e+02	12.15	4.20	14.53
Kra30a	149936	136059	-1111	143576	169708	17.43	5.01	5.88e+03	149.32	2.22	1111.11
Kra30b	91420	81156	-1111	87858	105740	19.56	7.33	4.36e+03	170.57	3.01	1111.11
Kra32	88700	79659	-1111	85775	103790	20.31	6.90	3.57e+03	200.26	4.28	1111.11
Nug12	578	557	530	568	632	11.07	1.90	2.60e+01	1.04	6.61	5.93
Nug14	1014	992	960	1011	1022	1.08	1.87	7.15e+01	1.87	5.06	8.43
Nug15	1150	1122	1071	1141	1306	14.35	1.65	9.10e+01	3.31	5.90	7.79
Nug16a	1610	1570	1528	1600	1610	0.62	1.86	1.81e+02	3.06	3.28	12.24
Nug16b	1240	1188	1139	1219	1356	11.05	2.50	9.35e+01	3.19	6.23	11.83
Nug17	1732	1669	1622	1708	1756	2.77	2.25	2.31e+02	4.34	3.63	13.13
Nug18	1930	1852	1802	1894	2160	13.78	2.18	4.16e+02	5.47	2.43	15.23
Nug20	2570	2451	2386	2507	2784	10.78	2.18	4.76e+02	11.56	3.75	14.35
Nug21	2438	2323	2386	2382	2706	13.29	2.42	1.41e+03	15.32	1.68	14.95
Nug22	3596	3440	3396	3529	3940	11.43	2.47	2.07e+03	21.82	1.39	13.90
Nug24	3488	3310	-1111	3402	3794	11.24	2.64	1.20e+03	29.64	3.29	1111.11
Nug25	3744	3535	-1111	3626	4060	11.59	2.43	3.12e+03	39.23	1.65	1111.11
Nug27	5234	4965	-1111	5130	5822	13.22	3.15	5.11e+03	78.18	1.58	1111.11
Nug28	5166	4901	-1111	5026	5730	13.63	2.42	4.11e+03	83.38	2.17	1111.11
Nug30	6124	5803	-1111	5950	6676	11.85	2.40	7.36e+03	133.38	1.76	1111.11
Rou12	235528	223680	221161	235528	235528	0.00	5.03	2.76e+01	0.93	0.98	6.90
Rou15	354210	333287	323235	350217	367782	4.96	4.78	3.12e+01	2.70	8.68	9.46
Rou20	725522	663833	642856	695181	765390	9.68	4.32	1.67e+02	10.31	10.90	16.08
Ser12	31410	29321	23973	31410	38806	23.55	6.65	4.40e+00	1.17	2.40	5.79
Ser15	51140	48836	42204	51140	58304	14.01	4.51	1.38e+01	2.41	1.84	10.75
Ser20	110030	94998	83302	106803	138474	28.78	10.73	1.53e+03	9.61	1.15	17.96
Tai12a	224416	222784	215637	224416	224416	0.00	0.73	1.79e+00	0.90	1.04	6.70
Tai15a	388214	364761	349586	377101	412760	9.19	3.18	2.74e+01	2.35	14.69	10.34
Tai17a	491812	451317	441294	476525	546366	14.20	5.13	6.50e+01	4.52	7.31	12.04
Tai20a	703482	637300	619092	671675	750450	11.20	4.89	1.28e+02	10.10	14.32	15.85
Tai25a	1167256	1041337	1096657	1096657	1271696	15.00	4.74	3.09e+02	38.48	5.58	1111.11
Tai30a	1818146	1652186	-1111	1706871	1942086	12.94	3.01	1.25e+03	142.55	10.51	1111.11
Tho30	88900	77647	-1111	86838	102760	17.91	10.34	2.83e+03	164.86	4.74	1111.11



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