

## Dimension Reduction for Distance-Based Indexing

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#### Motivation

# A theoretical framework for metric space indexing.



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- PCA for distance-based indexing
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### General steps of Distance-based

- 1. metric space  $\rightarrow R^k$
- multi-dimensional indexing → query cube
- direct evaluation of cube





#### Pivot space model

• Pivot space F(S, P, d):

- For data set S, pivot set P, and distance d:

 $F_{P,d}(S) = \{x_p \mid x_p = F_{P,d}(x) = (d(x,p_1), ..., d(x,p_k)), x \in S\}.$ 

- Complete pivot space: P = S
- Theorem 1: F(S, P, d) = F(F(S, P, d), F(P, P, d), L<sup>∞</sup>)

– Metric space  $\rightarrow R^n$ 



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  - 2. dimension reduction for the complete pivot space?
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  - 4. how to select pivots?
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# 1. Answer queries directly in the complete pivot space?

**Theorem 2**: Evaluation of similarity queries in the complete pivot space degrades the query performance to linear scan.

• Dimension reduction is inevitable



# 2. Dimension reduction for the complete pivot space?

**Theorem 3**: If a dimension reduction technique creates new dimensions based on all existing dimensions, evaluation of similarity queries degrades to a linear scan

- Pivot selection: select only existing dimensions
- Metric space indexing vs. high dimensional indexing



## 3. Why is pivot selection important?

- Building index tree: a process of information loss
  - Information available to data partition is determined by pivot selection





#### Example: 2-d pivot space



Pivots: opposite corners (0,0) and (1,1)

Pivots: neighboring corners (0,0) and (1,0)



## 4. How to select pivots?

- Heuristic: for each new dimension, select the point with the largest projection on that new dimension in the pivot space.
  - Using of mathematical tools in  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{R}}^{\ensuremath{\mathsf{n}}}$
  - Yet what is a good objective function for pivot selection?



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## PCA for pivot selection

- PCA for the complete pivot space.
- Apply the heuristic: for each PC, find the most similar dimension(point) in the complete pivot space
- Start with corners (farthest first traversal) as candidates



Estimate the intrinsic dimension

- 1. Pair wise distances  $\rho = \mu^2/2\sigma^2$
- 2.  $|Range(q,r)| \sim r^d$ 
  - Linear regression: log(|Range(q,r)|) and log(r)
- 3. Where eigenvalue changes the most:

 $- \operatorname{argmax}_{i} (\lambda_{i} / \lambda_{i+1}), 0.015 \leq \lambda_{i+1} \leq 0.035, \sum_{j=1}^{i} \lambda_{j} > 0.6$ 

Yet how to define the intrinsic dimension?



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#### Query performance





#### Intrinsic dimension

| Workload                | Domain<br>dimension | Distance<br>oracle            | Intrinsic dimension    |                    |  |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--|
|                         |                     |                               | $\mu^2/2\sigma^2$      | regression         | $\operatorname{argmax}_{i}(\lambda_{i}/\lambda_{i+1})$ |
| Vector<br>(uniform)     | D=1-20              | $\Gamma_{\infty}$             | 1.72d - 1.81           | 0.73d + 0.88       | d+1 (d≠3,4), 4, 7 (d=3, 4)                             |
|                         |                     | $L^1$                         | d                      | 0.75d + 0.84       | d+1  |
|                         |                     | $L^2$                         | 1.41d - 0.71           | 0.78d - 0.72       | d+1  |
| Vector<br>(exponential) | D = 1-10            | $\Gamma_{\infty}$             | 0.244d + 0.446         | 0.676d + 0.62      | d+1  |
|                         |                     | $L^1$                         | 0.499d <b>-</b> 0.0006 | 0.737d + 0.482     | d+1  |
|                         |                     | $L^2$                         | 0.427d + 0.113         | 0.72d + 0.534      | d+1  |
| Vector<br>(normal)      | D = 1-10            | $\Gamma_{\infty}$             | 0.644d + 0.559         | 0.858d + 0.325     | d+1  |
|                         |                     | $L^1$                         | 0.875d + 0.002         | 0.863d + 0.32      | d+1  |
|                         |                     | $L^2$                         | 0.989d <b>-</b> 0.145  | 0.872d + 0.305     | d+1  |
| Texas                   | 2                   | $L^{\infty} / L^1 / L^2$      | 1.29 / 1.42 / 0.87     | 1.54 / 1.54 / 1.51 | 3  |
| Hawaii                  | 2                   | $L^{\infty} / L^1 / L^2$      | 0.31 / 0.26 / 0.36     | 1.47 / 1.45 / 1.44 | 2  |
| Protein q-gram          | q = 6-18            | Weighted edit distance        | 2.46q + 2.32           | -0.08q + 4.16      | q+1 (q<18), 17 (q=18)                                  |
| DNA q-gram              | q = 9-18            | Hamming distance              | 1.27q + 0.37           | 0.14q + 2.52       | q+1 (q<18), 21 (q=18)                                  |
| Mass-spectra            | 40,000              | Fuzzy cosine distance         | 0.62                   | 1.23               | 2  |
| Image                   | 66                  | Linear combination of L-norms | 5.26                   | 4.85               | 5  |

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## Conclusions and future work

- Established a parallel between metric space indexing and high dimensional indexing
- More mathematical tools for pivot selection?
- Objective function of pivot selection?
- Pivot space model for data partition?
- Intrinsic dimension?
- Optimal num of pivots vs. intrinsic dimension?



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