

Distance Geometry and Applications

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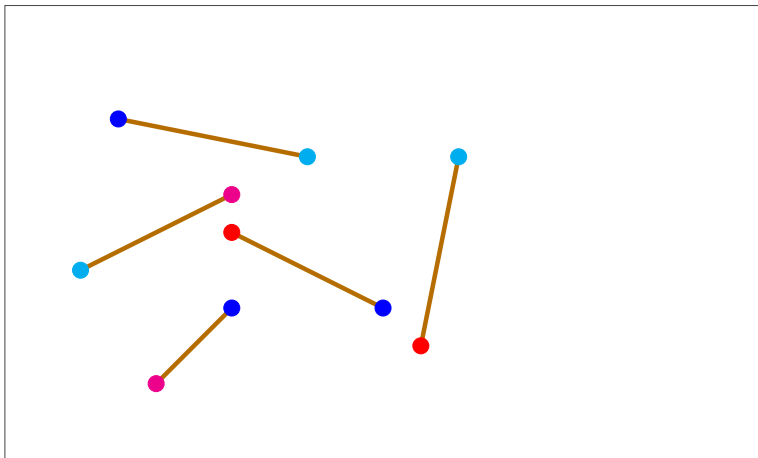
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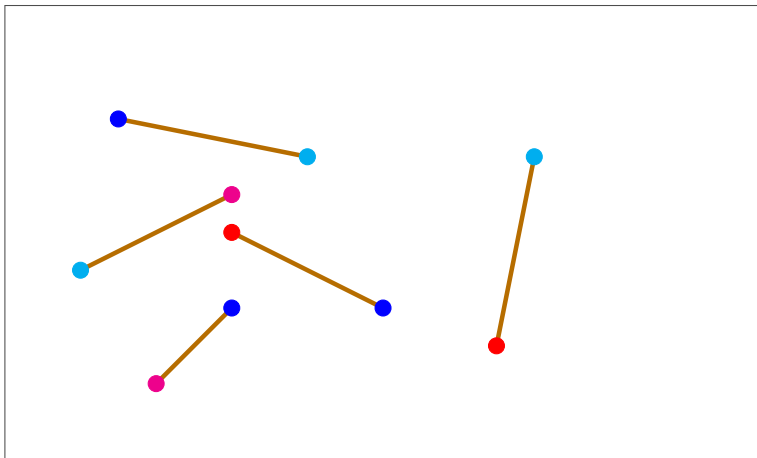
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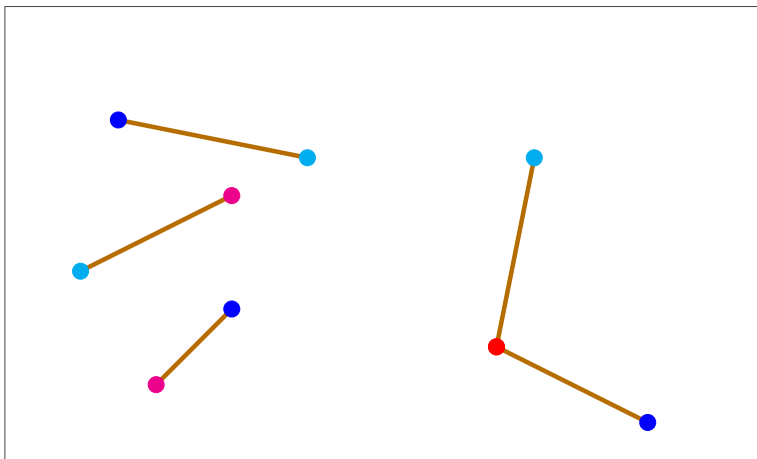
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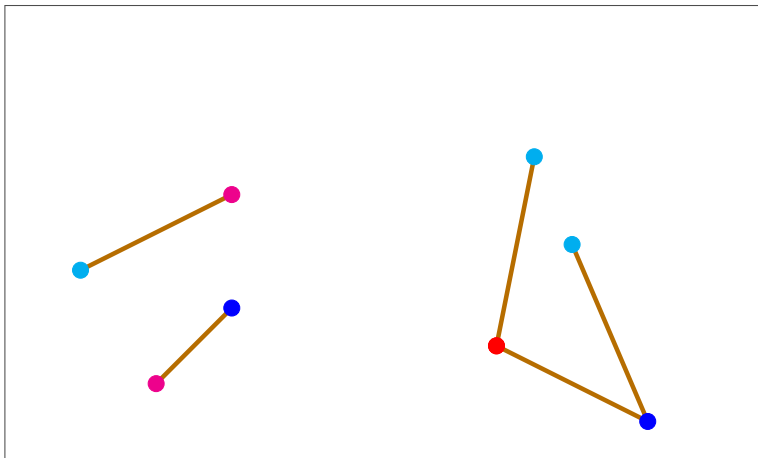
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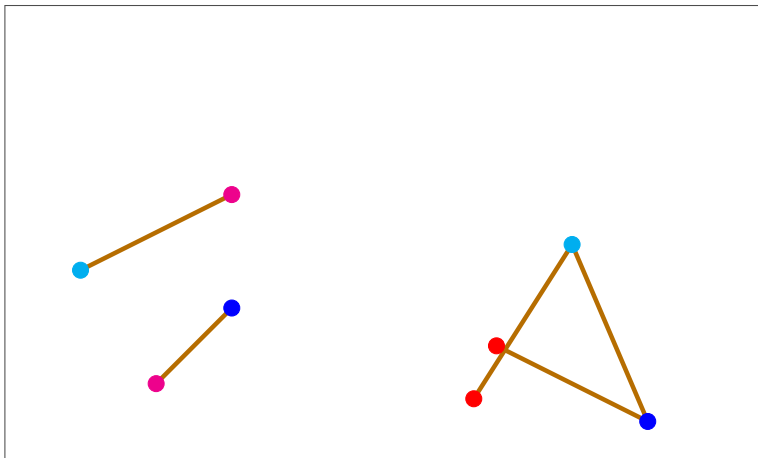
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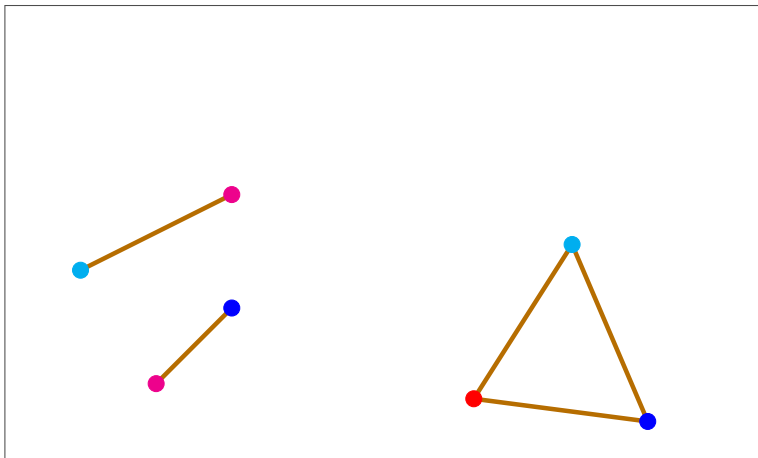
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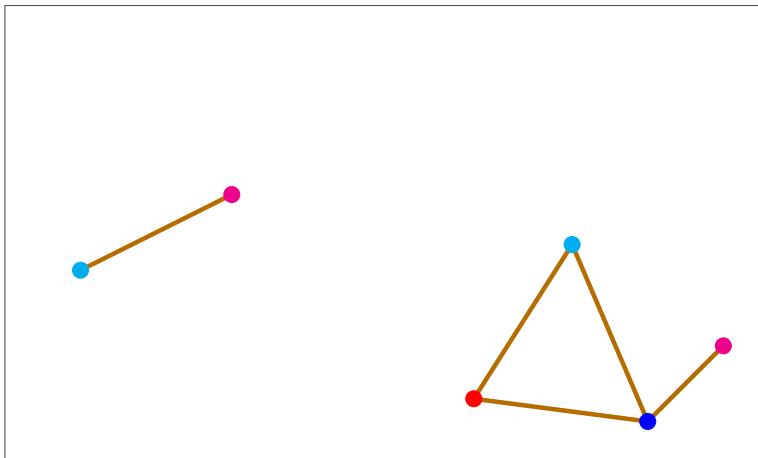
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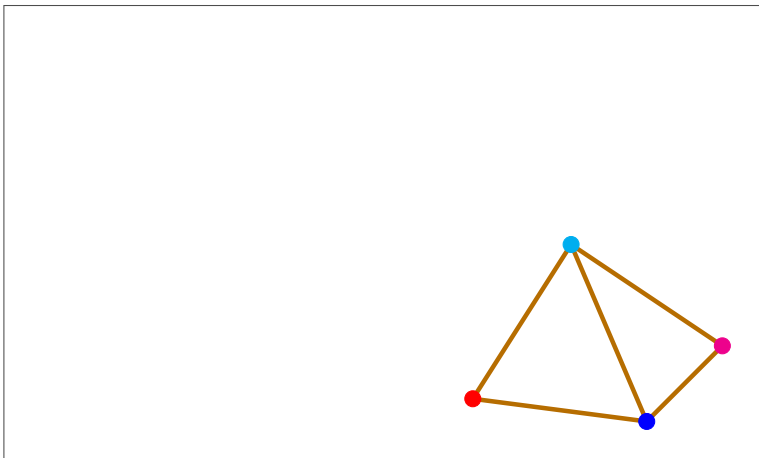
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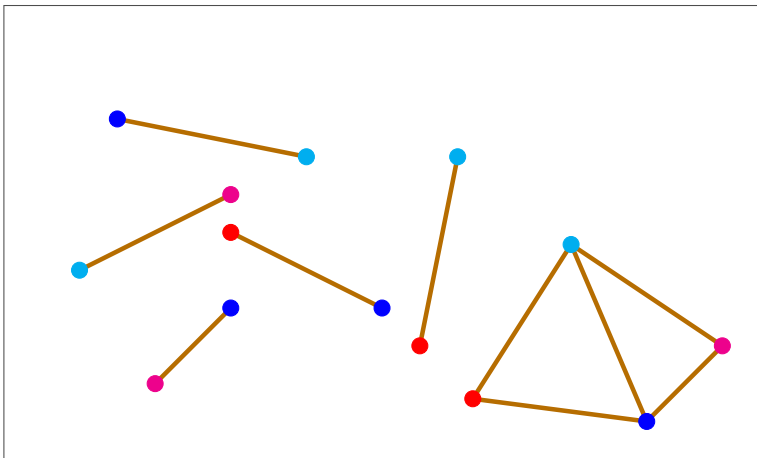
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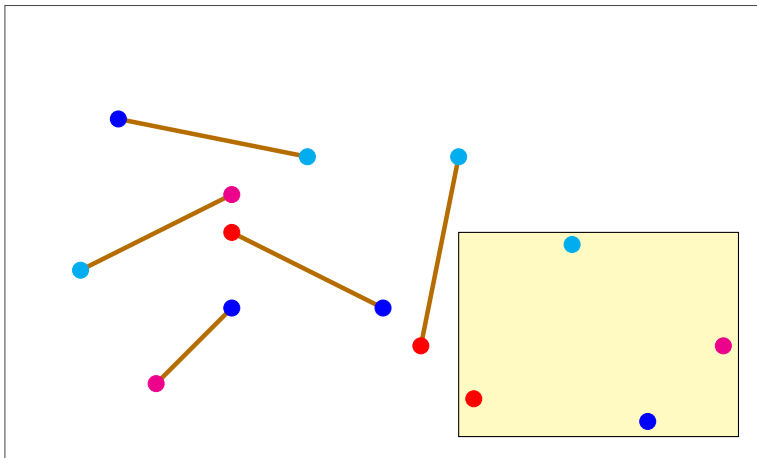
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Let $G = (V, E, (\delta, \pi))$ be a **simple weighted undirected graph**:

- V represents a set of objects
- E indicates whether distances are known
- δ provides the distance value
- π assigns a priority to the distance

Definition

The **DGP** in dimension K .

Determine whether there exists an **realization**

$$x : V \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^K$$

of G in \mathbb{R}^K such that, for all edges $(u, v) \in E$,

$$\|x_u - x_v\| \approx \delta(u, v).$$

When not all distances can be satisfied, distances δ having higher priorities π are to be privileged.

Embeddability of Weighted Graphs in k -Space is Strongly NP-Hard (Extended Summary)¹

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Abstract--In this paper we investigate the complexity of embedding edge-weighted graphs into Euclidean spaces: Given an (incomplete) edge-weighted graph, G , can the vertices of G be mapped to points in Euclidean k -space in such a way that any two vertices connected by an edge are mapped to points whose distance is equal to the weight of the edge? We prove that the preceding problem is NP-Hard (by reduction from 3-Satisfiability), even when $k=1$ and the edge weights are restricted to take on the values 1 and 2. Related results are shown for the problem of testing the uniqueness of a known embedding and for variations involving inexact edge weights.

1. Introduction

In many applications of distributed sensor networks² there arises the problem of determining the locations of sensors from incomplete (and possibly errorful) information about their distances from each other and from fixed landmarks. This prompts us to ask the following geometric question:

this result to higher questions concerning inherently involves relevance to an "app discuss versions of the distance matrix is known. We show that these v in the paper. Finally,

2. Fundamental Co

We begin by intro

Definitions:

A weighted graph is an unordered pair (G, w) where G is an undirected graph with vertex set V and edge set E . The element w is a function from the edges of G to $[0, \infty)$. The weight of an edge e in G (or simply

Definitions:

Let $G = \langle V, E, w \rangle$

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- let's start with some *static* applications

Protein conformations

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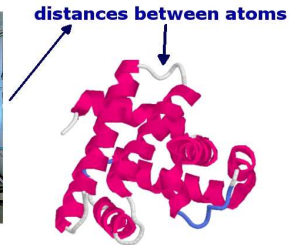
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Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) is able to provide some of the distances between pairs of atoms of a molecule.



Main limitations:

- only short range distances are provided;
- no distances are *exact*, a certain interval is rather given;
- only distances between hydrogen atoms are generally available.

Sensor Network Localization

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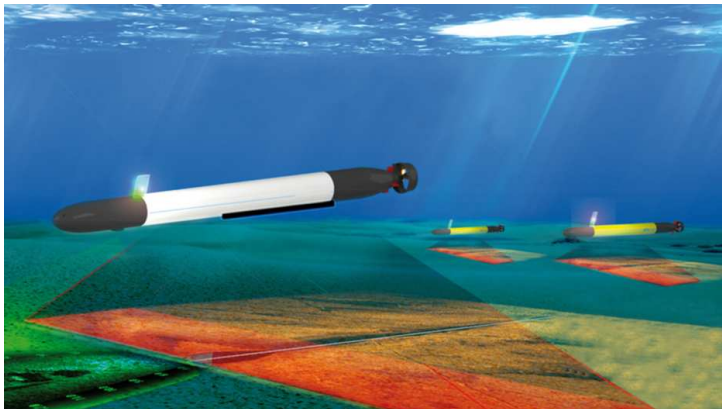
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Dynamical Applications

- and if we need to deal with dynamical problems?

How to deal with the dynamics?

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The dynamical Distance Geometry Problem

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Let $G = (V \times T, E, (\delta, \pi))$ be a **simple weighted undirected graph**:

V represents a set of objects u, v , etc.

T represents a (discrete) set of temporal instants q, t , etc.

E indicates the existence of distances between u_q and $v_t \in V \times T$

δ distance value

π priority of distance

Definition

The **dynamical DGP** (dynDGP) in dimension K .

Determine the **realization**

$$x : V \times T \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^K$$

of G in \mathbb{R}^K such that the overall error on the given distances is minimized. *When a realization with null error does not exist, distances δ having higher priorities π are to be privileged.*

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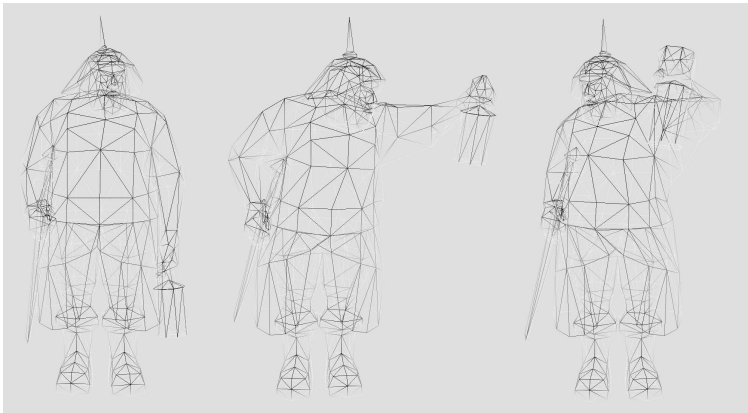
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Motion Adaptation

- we represent a motion by distances
- new distance constraints can manipulate such a motion

Two crossing people

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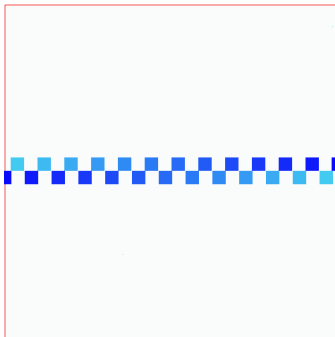
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Two particles going to each other from opposite directions in a $1\text{cm} \times 1\text{cm}$ box.

Motion manipulation

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Let us create a dynDGP instance such that:

- the motion of every v is **preserved** by using the original distances

$$\delta(v_q, v_t) \quad \forall q : t - 3 \leq q < t,$$

- collisions** are avoided by including the constraint:

$$\delta(u_t, v_t) > \Delta \quad \forall t \in T, \forall u, v \in V : u \neq v,$$

where Δ is strictly positive.

*The **priority** to the distances is assigned so that all newly introduced distances have maximal priority, and the distances between closer frames are more important.*

Two crossing people avoiding collisions

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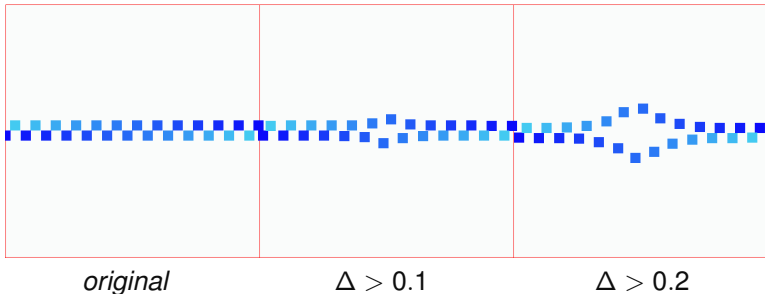
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Frame by frame, we use here a spectral gradient approach to solve the DGP, where the original animation is given as a starting point.

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- adapting human motions...

A little step for the human skeleton

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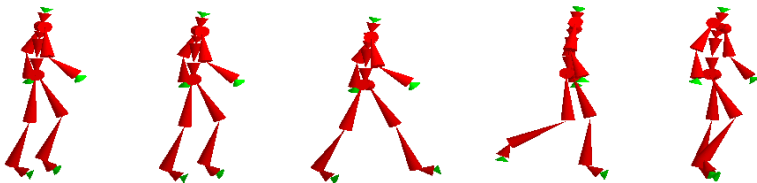
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A **human motion** can be represented by the trajectories of the joints of a given skeletal structure.



⇒ How to impose the **same** movement to a **different** skeleton?

Retargeting: the classical approach

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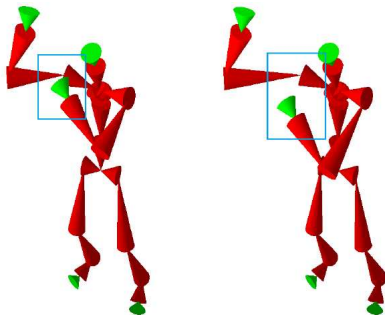
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Classical approaches are based on bone **angle-transfer**.



Also, they cannot avoid undesired **collisions**.

Retargeting: a distance-based approach

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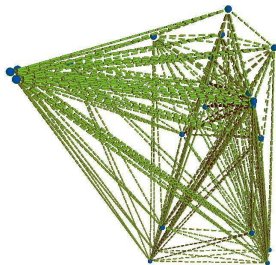
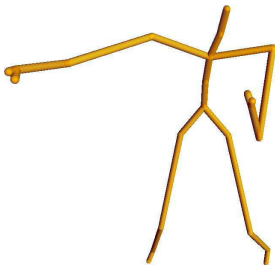
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We can represent human motions by **distances**.



They can represent either *bones*, or rather *relative movements*.

Retargeting: some preliminary solutions

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The Discretizable DGP

- reducing the search space of our DGPs to a discrete (and finite!) domain...

The discretization

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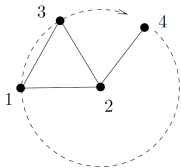
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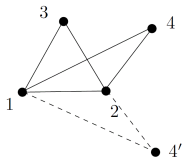
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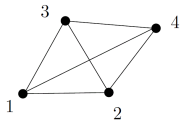
In dimension 2, how many positions for these points?



← Infinite positions



← Two positions



← One position

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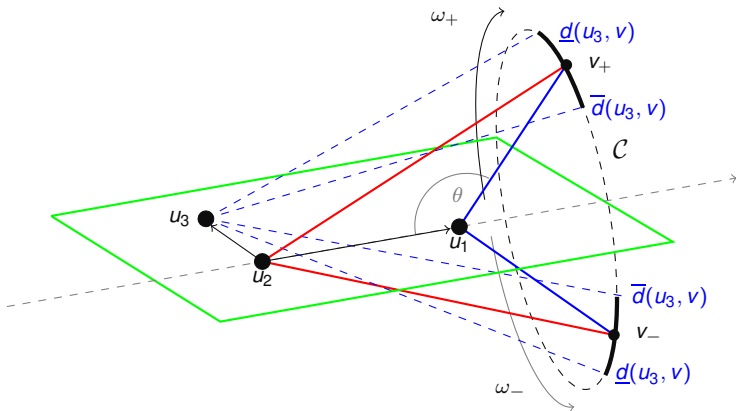
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And in dimension 3?



Thanks a lot Douglas for this picture!

The Discretizable DGP (DDGP)

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Given a graph $G = (V, E, d)$, there must exist a vertex order on V such that

(A1) $G[\{1, 2, \dots, K\}]$ is a clique consisting of exact distances;

(A2) $\forall v \in V : v > K, \exists u_1, u_2, \dots, u_K :$

$$\begin{cases} u_1 < v, u_2 < v, \dots, u_K < v, \\ \{(u_1, v), (u_2, v), \dots, (u_{K-1}, v)\} \subset E', (u_K, v) \in E, \\ \mathcal{V}(S[u_1, u_2, \dots, u_K]) \neq 0, \end{cases}$$

where $S[\dots]$ is the simplex defined by u_1, u_2, \dots, u_K , and \mathcal{V} is the volume of its argument.

\implies For all vertices $v > K$, candidate vertex positions can be generated by intersecting $K - 1$ spheres with 1 spherical shell;

\implies After the discretization, the problem remains **NP-hard**.

A Branch & Prune algorithm

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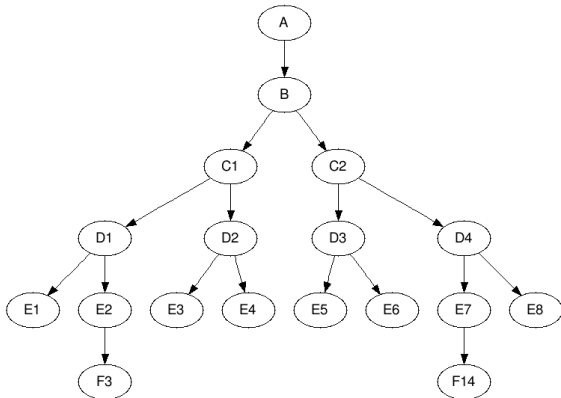
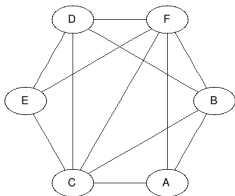
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Some computational experiments

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Numerical results on artificially generated instances from the [PDB](#).

PDB ID	Instance			D	BP		
	aa	$ V $	$ E $		Calls	Time	MDE
2JMY	15	120	660	5	2983	0.01	1e-16
2KXA	24	177	973	3	5064	0.01	6e-03
1DSK	28	222	1210	4	53890	0.14	1e-06
2PPZ	36	287	1522	3	442965	1.87	4e-08
1AQR	40	310	1596	4	114671	0.20	6e-03
2ERL	40	324	1792	3	10410	0.03	1e-03
2E2F	41	315	1716	3	19916	0.06	9e-03
1FJK	52	417	2306	4	925090	3.07	2e-06
2JWU	56	448	2416	4	226870	0.81	1e-02
2KIQ	57	455	2452	4	317136	1.12	7e-04
2LOW	64	497	2650	3	3738152	8.79	2e-07

This BP implementation integrates some additional features that allow for speeding up the algorithm. D is the discretization factor of the arcs.

The main challenge

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*How to perform the search **without** discretizing
the arcs?*

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