

Location Analysis

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Homework 2

To be discussed in the tutorial on November 15, 2007.

5. a) Show that the optimal solution $X_{l_2^*}$ of a problem of type $1/P/\bullet/l_2^2/\Sigma$ with existing facility locations at a_1, \dots, a_n is always located in $\text{conv}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$, the convex hull of the existing facilities.
 b) Show that the same also holds for problems of type $1/P/\bullet/l_2/\Sigma$.
6. Prove Lemma 2.17.
7. Justify the following properties of problems of type $1/S/\bullet/A/\Sigma$:
 - a) A point on S is a minimizer for $\sum_{j=1}^n w_j A(X, a_j)$ if, and only if, its antipode is a maximizer.
 - b) A point and its antipode with equal weights can be added to the problem without a change in the optimal location of the facility.
 - c) A point with weight w_j can be replaced by its antipode with weight $-w_j$ without changing the optimal location of the facility.
 - d) Every problem can be transformed to an equivalent problem that has only positive weights.
8. For problems of type $1/S/\bullet/A/\Sigma$, derive the equations

$$\begin{aligned} \tan x_2 &= \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (w_j \cos a_{j1} \sin a_{j2}) / \sin A(X, a_j)}{\sum_{j=1}^n (w_j \cos a_{j1} \cos a_{j2}) / \sin A(X, a_j)} \\ \frac{\tan x_1}{\sin x_2} &= \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (w_j \sin a_{j1}) / \sin A(X, a_j)}{\sum_{j=1}^n (w_j \cos a_{j1} \sin a_{j2}) / \sin A(X, a_j)} \end{aligned}$$

from the optimality conditions $\frac{\partial W(X)}{\partial x_1} = \frac{\partial W(X)}{\partial x_2} = 0$.