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Geom. of Numbers

Voronoi's characterization of extreme forms/lattices

Def. $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is extreme if $\Lambda \cap B(0,1) = \{0\}$, and in some neighbourhood U of Λ , $\forall \Lambda' \in U$ is either similar to Λ , or $d(\Lambda') < d(\Lambda)$ or $\Lambda' \cap B(0,1) \neq \{0\}$ (local max. of $\frac{\lambda_1}{d(\Lambda)^{1/n}}$).

Def Q a pos. def. form is extreme ($Q = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j$, $(a_{ij}) \in \text{Sym}_n$) if $\exists$ neighbourhood U of Q in the space of pos. def. quad. forms, $\forall Q' \in U$, either $Q' = cQ$ for some $c \in \mathbb{R}$, or $r(Q') < r(Q)$ [where $r(Q) = \min_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{0\}} \frac{Q(x)}{\det(a_{ij})}$].

[both defs. are equiv.]

~~Def~~ Let $\pm u_1, \dots, \pm u_s$ be the minimizers of Q - $\pm u_l \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{0\}$ and $Q(\pm u_l) = \min_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{0\}} Q(x) = r'$ [and $u_l, 1 \leq l \leq s$ are the only ones for which it's true], $1 \leq l \leq s$.

Def. Q is perfect if it's uniquely determined by the equations $Q(u_l) = r'$, $1 \leq l \leq s$, i.e. $Q'(u_l) = r'$, $1 \leq l \leq s \Rightarrow Q' = Q$. If $Q' = \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_{ij} x_i x_j$, let $t_{ij} = b_{ij} - a_{ij} \in \text{Sym}_n$. Saying $Q(u_l) = Q'(u_l) = r'$ is equiv. to saying $\sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} u_i^{(l)} u_j^{(l)} = 0$ a lin. equation in t_{ij} , and Q perfect $\Leftrightarrow$ not all $t_{ij} \in \text{Sym}_n$ satisfy this lin. eq. for $1 \leq l \leq s$, except for the trivial $t_{ij} = 0$.

Let $\tilde{A} = (\tilde{a}_{ij}) = \text{adj } A$, $a_{ij} = \det A_{-ij} \cdot (-1)^{i+j}$, so $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} (\tilde{A})^t$. for a quad. form Q , denote by Q' the adjoint form $\sum_{i,j=1}^n \tilde{a}_{ij} x_i x_j$.

Def Q is eutactic if $\exists p_1, \dots, p_s > 0$ s.t. $\tilde{Q}(x) = \sum_{l=1}^s p_l \langle u_l, x \rangle^2$.

Note $x \mapsto \langle x, u_l \rangle^2$ is a quad. form of sig. $(1,0)$

Note $\tilde{a}_{ij} = \frac{\partial \det(a_{ij})}{\partial a_{ij}}$

Thm. (Voronoi) Q extreme $\Leftrightarrow Q$ perfect and eutactic.

Lemma So, $S_0, S_1 \in \text{Sym}_n^+$ (sym. matrices giving pos. def. forms, i.e. $\det S_i > 0$). $\exists P$ invertible s.t. $P^t A P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. Define

$f: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(\theta) = \det((1-\theta)S_0 + \theta S_1)$, f is strictly

in particular strictly concave.

[Recall f is strictly concave if $\forall a, b \in [0, 1]$, any $\theta \in (0, 1)$,
 $f((1-\theta)a + \theta b) > (1-\theta)f(a) + \theta f(b)$.

f is strictly log-concave if $\log f$ is strictly concave.]
 for positive functions.

Pf. Strictly log-conc. $\rightarrow$ Strictly conc.:

$$\log f((1-\theta)a + \theta b) > (1-\theta)\log f(a) + \theta\log f(b) = \log f(a)^{1-\theta} f(b)^\theta.$$

so, $f((1-\theta)a + \theta b)$

First assume $S_0 = \text{diag}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$, $S_1 = \text{diag}(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$. It's enough to check $\frac{d^2 \log f(\theta)}{d\theta^2} < 0$. But $f(\theta) = \det(\text{diag}((1-\theta)\alpha_i + \theta\beta_i))$
 so $\log f(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log((1-\theta)\alpha_i + \theta\beta_i)$, so $\frac{d^2 \log f(\theta)}{d\theta^2} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{-(\beta_i - \alpha_i)^2}{((1-\theta)\alpha_i + \theta\beta_i)^2} < 0$.

We just need to prove $\exists Q$ invertible s.t. $Q^T S_0 Q$ and $Q^T S_1 Q$ are both diag. - we know $\exists Q_1$ s.t. $Q_1^T S_0 Q_1 = I$,
 and $Q_1^T S_1 Q_1$ is symm. so $\exists P$ orthogonal such that

$P^T Q_1^T S_1 Q_1 P$ is diagonal, and $P^T Q_1^T S_0 Q_1 P$ is a diagonal matrix as well, so we can just take $Q = Q_1 P$,

so $P^{-1} = \text{diag}(\frac{1}{p_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{p_n}) P^T$, and therefore $P^T Q_1^T S_1 Q_1 P$ is

diagonal as it is $\underbrace{P^T P}_{\text{diag}} \cdot \underbrace{P^{-1} Q_1^{-1} S_1 Q_1 P}_{\text{diag}}$. Also,

$P^T Q_1^T S_0 Q_1 P = P^T P$ is diagonal as well, so we just take

$Q = Q_1 P$. $\log \det S \geq \log \alpha$

Cor. $\{S \in \text{Sym}_n^+ \mid \det(S) \geq \alpha\}$ is convex.

Cor. If $S_0 \neq S_1$ then $\frac{d}{d\theta} \log \det((1-\theta)S_0 + \theta S_1) > 0$.
 $\det(S_1) > \det(S_0)$

pf. by lemma, $\frac{d}{d\theta} \log \det((1-\theta)S_0 + \theta S_1) > 0$ but this is just
 $\frac{d}{d\theta} \det((1-\theta)S_0 + \theta S_1) / \det S_0$.

pf. of Voronoi's thm

Let $Q(x) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j$ be a pos. def. quad. form represented by $A = (a_{ij}) \in \text{Sym}_n$, $D = \det A$, $u_1, \dots, u_n$ the minimizers of Q ,
 (not all zero) $(t_{ij}) \in \text{Sym}_n$ parameters. For $p \in \mathbb{R}$ define $Q_p(x) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n (a_{ij} + p t_{ij}) x_i x_j$,
 $D_p = \det A_p$. Note that $A_0 = A$, $Q_0 = Q$, $D_0 = D$, so for $|p| < \epsilon$

Q_0 is pos. def. Assume Q is extreme, so $r(Q) = \min_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{0\}} \frac{Q(x)}{\det A^{1/n}} \leq r(Q_0)$ for small enough $|p|$. Then for each

p close enough to 0, $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{0\}$, $\frac{Q_p(x)}{D_p^{1/n}} \leq \frac{Q(x)}{D^{1/n}}$.

For small enough p , x has to be a minimizer for Q , say $x = u_0$. So $\frac{\sum_{i,j=1}^n (a_{ij} + p t_{ij}) u_i^{(0)} u_j^{(0)}}{D_p^{1/n}} \leq \frac{\sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij} u_i^{(0)} u_j^{(0)}}{D^{1/n}} \quad (0) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{may depend} \\ \text{on } p \end{array} \right]$

Suppose Q isn't perfect. Then we can choose t_{ij} ^(not all 0) s.t.

$\sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} u_i^{(0)} u_j^{(0)} = 0$, ^{(0) implies} so $D_p \geq D$. But this contradicts cor. 2, applied to $S_0 = (a_{ij})$, $S_1 = (a_{ij} + p t_{ij})$.

To show Q is entactic, define $B = \{(\xi_{ij}) \in \text{Sym}_n \mid \sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} \xi_{ij} \geq 0\}$, a half space of B depending on (t_{ij}) . Suppose $\forall \ell$, B contains $(\xi_{ij}) = (u_i^{(\ell)}, u_j^{(\ell)})$. Then (0) implies $D_p \geq D$

when p is non-negative. By cor. 2 again $\frac{d}{dp} D_p = \sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} \frac{\partial D}{\partial a_{ij}} \Big|_A = \sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} \tilde{a}_{ij}$. So any half-space B in Sym_n which contains

$(u_i^{(0)}, u_j^{(0)})$, also contains $(\tilde{a}_{ij})$. So $(\tilde{a}_{ij})$ is contained in the intersection of all such half-spaces, which is exactly the convex cone generated by $(u_i^{(0)}, u_j^{(0)})$. So we can

write $t_{ij}, \tilde{a}_{ij} = \sum_{\ell=1}^s \rho_\ell u_i^{(\ell)} u_j^{(\ell)}$, $\rho_\ell \geq 0$. [in fact we can show $\rho_\ell > 0$ by further analysis]. This proves one direction.

For the other, assume Q perfect and entactic. Write

$\tilde{Q}(x) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \tilde{a}_{ij} x_i x_j$ the adj. form, $\tilde{a}_{ij} = \frac{\partial D}{\partial a_{ij}} \Big|_A$. Choose (t_{ij}) s.t. $\sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} \tilde{a}_{ij} = 0$. Define D_p like before.

$D_p = \det(a_{ij}) + p \sum_{i,j=1}^n \tilde{a}_{ij} t_{ij} + O(p^2) = D + O(p^2)$. Take $\rho_1, \dots, \rho_s$ positive given = 0 by s.t. $\tilde{a}_{ij} = \sum_{\ell=1}^s \rho_\ell u_i^{(\ell)} u_j^{(\ell)}$ ($\exists$ such ρ_s by Q being entactic), so $\sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} \tilde{a}_{ij} = \sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} \sum_{\ell=1}^s \rho_\ell u_i^{(\ell)} u_j^{(\ell)}$.

So $\exists \ell_0$ $\sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} u_i^{(\ell_0)} u_j^{(\ell_0)} < 0$, and therefore $\sum_{i,j=1}^n (a_{ij} + p t_{ij}) u_i^{(\ell_0)} u_j^{(\ell_0)}$ ^{Not all 0 by Q perfect}

is less than $\frac{\sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij} u_i^{(\ell_0)} u_j^{(\ell_0)}}{D^{1/n}}$ for $p > 0$ sufficiently small.

This means that $\frac{Q_p(u_0)}{D_p} \leq \frac{Q(u_0)}{D} = r(Q)$, for $p > 0$ sufficiently small. Therefore, the directional derivative $\text{VRT}(t_{ij})$ is negative ~~wherever~~ ^{wherever} $\sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} \tilde{a}_{ij} = 0$, and r goes down when walking in any direction in this subspace. If t_{ij} are multiples of a_{ij} , $\sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} \tilde{a}_{ij}$ is a multiple of D , so the direction of (a_{ij}) isn't in this 1 co-dim subspace. Moving in the direction of (a_{ij}) doesn't effect $r(Q)$ [this is just rescaling]. So, r has a local max. at Q , therefore Q is extreme.

Ideology of proof: Similar to $\max_Q \min_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{0\}} Q(x)$ subject to $\det(a_{ij})$ fixed ($\forall f$ here is just $\tilde{A}$).

Thm. (Voronoi) $\forall n \exists$ finitely many perfect forms. In particular, $r(Q)$ has finitely many local maxima, and since the maximum is attained (Voronoi showed it is one of those) it is attained on one of them.

Voronoi wrote an algorithm for enumerating all n -dim. perfect forms. To solve ~~pack~~ sphere-packing: enumerate perfect forms (maybe check eutactic) and calculate $r(Q)$ on each.

This was [essentially] the strategy for $n \leq 8$. Computationally hard

dim	# perfect forms	# extreme forms
1	1	1
2	1	2
3	2	3
4	3	6
5	7	30
6	33	2048
7	10416	?
8	> 500,000	?

probably around 10^6 ...

for $n > 8$...
Perfect & eutactic - intrinsic descriptions
 recall perfect $\Leftrightarrow$
 if $u_1, \dots, u_s$ minimizers,
 then $\sum_{i,j=1}^n t_{ij} u_i u_j = 0 \Rightarrow$
 $t_{ij} = 0$. The common kernel

of those s lin. functionals is trivial, hence they generate the ~~span~~ dual space. In particular $s \geq \dim \text{Sym}_n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$.

Cor Define $\text{Tr}(a_{ij}) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}$. Since $(u_i^{(1)}, u_j^{(2)})$ generate the dual space, $\exists p_1, \dots, p_s$ s.t. $\sum_{l=1}^s p_l P_{u_l}$ where $P_x(a_{ij}) \rightarrow \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j$

Fact If Q is eutactic $p_l > 0$ in the above formula $\Leftrightarrow$
 $\forall y \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|y\|^2 = \sum_{l=1}^s p_l \langle y, u_l \rangle^2$.

Corollaries of the algebraic theory of perfect & eutactic forms

Def. A lattice is perfect (resp. eutactic) if its shortest vectors WRT ^{skipped}

euclidean norm $u_1, \dots, u_s$ satisfy $\text{span}(t_{ij}) \rightarrow \sum_{i,j=1}^s t_{ij} u_i^{(1)} u_j^{(2)} =$

Sym^2 (resp. $\text{Tr} = \sum_{l=1}^s p_l P_{u_l}$ for $p_1, \dots, p_s > 0$).
 similar to

Theorem any perfect lattice is a sublattice of $\mathbb{Z}^n$

Cor the $r_n \in \mathbb{Q}$.

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Def. $\pm u_1, \dots, \pm u_s$ are a eutactic set if (*) holds.

Thm This is true iff $\exists$ orthonormal basis $v_1, \dots, v_s$ of $\mathbb{R}^s$,
 a scalar $c > 0$ and an orth. proj. $P: \mathbb{R}^s \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$,
 s.t. $\pm u_l = \pm c P(v_l)$.

i.e., to construct a eutactic set, take an
 orthogonal $s \times s$ matrix, delete last $s-n$ rows, multiply
 by a scalar and take the columns.

In fact, all eutactic set can be found that way.

Prop. eutactic set is always invariant under an irreducible
 subgroup of orthogonal transformation.

Big finite groups are connected to eutactic lattices.