

Arrangement

Duality: Transform

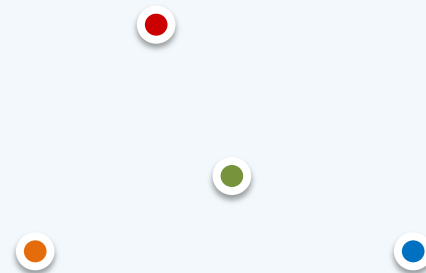
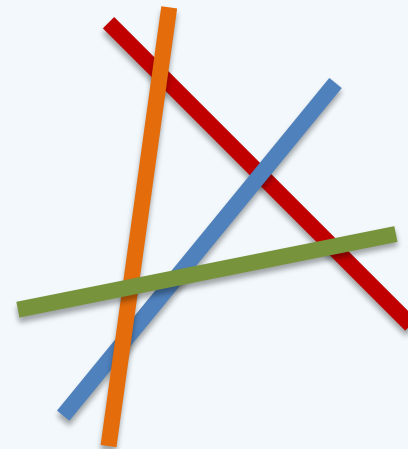
有天地，然后有万物；
有万物，然后有男女；
有男女，然后有夫妇；
有夫妇，然后有父子；
有父子，然后有君臣；
有君臣，然后有上下；
有上下，然后礼义有所错。

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Configuration

- ❖ A finite set P of points in \mathcal{E}^d is called a configuration
- ❖ Dual transform:
a 1-to-1 correspondence between
points and hyperplanes in \mathcal{E}^d
- ❖ Such a dual transform (if exists) will also be
a 1-to-1 correspondence between
configurations and arrangements in \mathcal{E}^d



Dual Transform \mathcal{D}

❖ For any point $p = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_d)^T \in \mathcal{E}^d$, let

Height : $d(p) = \pi_d$

Projection : $\Pi(p) = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_{d-1}, 0)^T$

Normal : $N(p) = 2\Pi(p) - (0, \dots, 0, 1)^T = (2\pi_1, \dots, 2\pi_{d-1}, -1)^T$

❖ Note that $N(p) = N(q)$ iff p lies in the same vertical line with q

❖ Dual transform \mathcal{D} between points and **non-vertical** hyperplanes

$\mathcal{D}(p)$ = hyperplane $h = \{x \in \mathcal{E}^d \mid N(p)^T x = d(p)\}$, and vice versa

$\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{D}(h)) = h$ for any **non-vertical** h

❖ Duality: primal space \sim dual space

configurations \sim arrangements (without vertical hyperplanes)

Geometric Explanation

❖ Unit paraboloid in \mathcal{E}^d :

$$U = \{ \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_d)^T \in \mathcal{E}^d \mid x^d = \sum_{i=1}^{d-1} x_i^2 \}$$

//consider a tangent hyperplane h of U ...

❖ If $h \cap U = \{ \mathbf{p} = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_{d-1}, \sum_{i=1}^{d-1} \pi_i^2)^T \in U \}$, then the normal of h

1) is parallel to $N(\mathbf{p})$, and

2) is parallel to any $N(\mathbf{q})$ provided that $\Pi(\mathbf{q}) = \Pi(\mathbf{p})$

❖ So geometrically

1) for a point $\mathbf{p} \in U$, $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{p})$ is just the tangent hyperplane of U at \mathbf{p}

2) for a point \mathbf{q} in the same vertical line with \mathbf{p} ,

$\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{q})$ is parallel to $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{p})$

Geometric Explanation

❖ Now, we have built a 1-to-1 correspondence in \mathcal{E}^d

1) between

points and

non-vertical hyperplanes

2) between

configurations and

arrangements without vertical hyperplanes

❖ Why does \mathcal{D} keep out of
the vertical hyperplanes?

