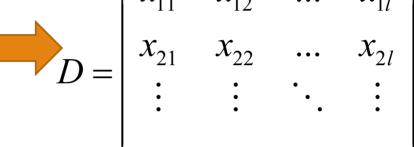
# Similarity, Dissimilarity, and Proximity

- □ Similarity measure or similarity function 2 จุดษณ์ขึ้นกันอย่าวไร → ต่องกมาเช่น [ดีเวิ]
  - A real-valued function that quantifies the similarity between two objects
  - Measure how two data objects are alike: The higher value, the more alike
  - Often falls in the range [0,1]: 0: no similarity; 1: completely similar
- 💶 Dissimilarity (or distance) measure 🏻 ดภษโม่เหมือน 🌶 ระยะย่าง
- Numerical measure of how different two data objects are
- ☐ In some sense, the inverse of similarity: The lower, the more alike
- □ Minimum dissimilarity is often 0 (i.e., completely similar) אלייניים און מוליינים און און אייניים און אייניים און אייניים און אייניים און אייניים און אייניים אייניים און אייניים אייניים
- Range [0, 1] or  $[0, \infty)$ , depending on the definition
- Proximity usually refers to either similarity or dissimilarity

## Data Matrix and Dissimilarity Matrix

- Data matrix
  - A data matrix of n data points with / dimensions



- 🗖 Dissimilarity (distance) matrix 🤍 ใจดำนวนก่อนประเมินผล
  - n data points, but registers only the distance d(i, j) (typically metric)
  - Usually symmetric, thus a triangular matrix
  - Distance functions are usually different for real, boolean, categorical, ordinal, ratio, and vector variables
- Weights can be associated with different variables based on applications and data semantics

$$\begin{pmatrix}
0 \\
d(2,1) & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\
d(n,1) & d(n,2) & \dots & 0
\end{pmatrix}$$

# Standardizing Numeric Data

- $\Box$  Z-score:  $z = \frac{x \mu}{\sigma}$ 
  - $\square$  X: raw score to be standardized,  $\mu$ : mean of the population,  $\sigma$ : standard deviation
  - the distance between the raw score and the population mean in units of the standard deviation
  - negative when the raw score is below the mean, "+" when above
- ☐ An alternative way: Calculate the mean absolute deviation

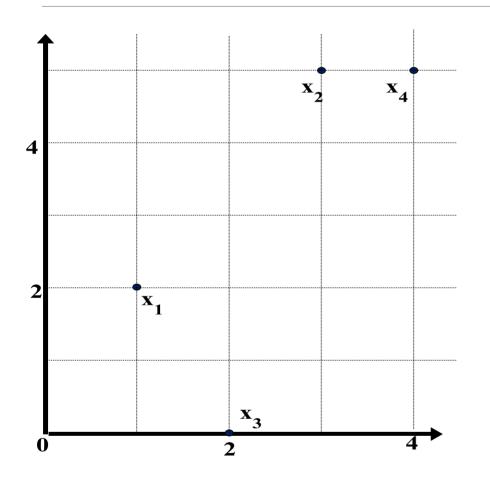
$$s_f = \frac{1}{n}(|x_{1f} - m_f| + |x_{2f} - m_f| + ... + |x_{nf} - m_f|)$$

where

$$m_f = \frac{1}{n} (x_{1f} + x_{2f} + \dots + x_{nf})$$

- standardized measure (z-score):  $z_{if} = \frac{x_{if} m_f}{s_f}$
- Using mean absolute deviation is more robust than using standard deviation

# **Example: Data Matrix and Dissimilarity Matrix**



#### **Data Matrix**

point	attribute1	attribute2
<i>x1</i>	1	2
<i>x2</i>	3	5
<i>x3</i>	2	0
x4	4	5



## **Dissimilarity Matrix (by Euclidean Distance)**

	x1	<i>x2</i>	<i>x3</i>	<i>x4</i>	> ฟาเอี <sup>เ</sup> ษวศ์น
<i>x1</i>	0				-2 Allolour
<i>x2</i>	3.61	0			
<i>x3</i>	2.24	5.1	0		
<i>x4</i>	4.24	1	5.39	0	

## Distance on Numeric Data: Minkowski Distance

Minkowski distance: A popular distance measure

$$d(i,j) = \sqrt[p]{|x_{i1} - x_{j1}|^p + |x_{i2} - x_{j2}|^p + \dots + |x_{il} - x_{jl}|^p}$$

where  $i = (x_{i1}, x_{i2}, ..., x_{il})$  and  $j = (x_{j1}, x_{j2}, ..., x_{jl})$  are two l-dimensional data objects, and p is the order (the distance so defined is also called L-p norm)

- Properties
  - □ d(i, j) > 0 if  $i \neq j$ , and d(i, i) = 0 (Positivity)
  - $\Box$  d(i, j) = d(j, i) (Symmetry)
  - $\Box$  d(i, j)  $\leq$  d(i, k) + d(k, j) (Triangle Inequality)
- A distance that satisfies these properties is a metric
- □ Note: There are nonmetric dissimilarities, e.g., set differences

## Special Cases of Minkowski Distance

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- p = 1: (L<sub>1</sub> norm) Manhattan (or city block) distance
  - E.g., the Hamming distance: the number of bits that are different between two binary vectors  $d(i,j) = |x_{i1} x_{i1}| + |x_{i2} x_{i2}| + \cdots + |x_{il} x_{il}|$
- p = 2: (L<sub>2</sub> norm) Euclidean distance  $c^{2} = 3^{2} + 5^{2}$  from 2 + 5 = 5 = 5

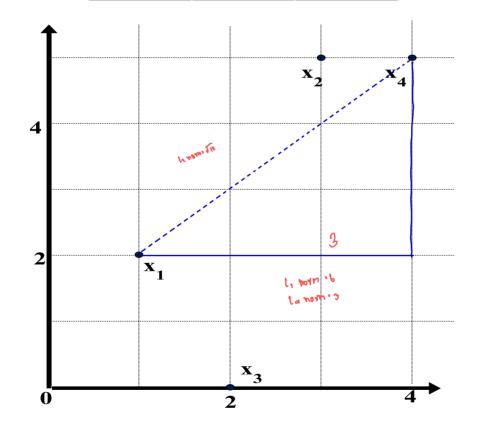
$$d(i,j) = \sqrt{|x_{i1} - x_{j1}|^2 + |x_{i2} - x_{j2}|^2 + \dots + |x_{il} - x_{jl}|^2}$$

- $\square$   $p \to \infty$ : ( $L_{\max}$  norm,  $L_{\infty}$  norm) "supremum" distance שַּלְּהֶאֹ אִיִּאוֹת אַ אַיִּאַה אָרָאָּ
  - ☐ The maximum difference between any component (attribute) of the vectors

$$d(i,j) = \lim_{p \to \infty} \sqrt[p]{|x_{i1} - x_{j1}|^p + |x_{i2} - x_{j2}|^p + \dots + |x_{il} - x_{jl}|^p} = \max_{f=1}^l |x_{if} - x_{jf}|$$

# Example: Minkowski Distance at Special Cases

point	attribute 1	attribute 2
<b>x1</b>	1	2
<b>x2</b>	3	5
х3	2	0
x4	4	5



### Manhattan (L<sub>1</sub>)

L	<b>x1</b>	<b>x2</b>	х3	x4
<b>x1</b>	0			
<b>x2</b>	5	0		
х3	3	6	0	
<b>x4</b>	6	1	7	0

#### Euclidean (L<sub>2</sub>)

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L2	<b>x1</b>	<b>x2</b>	х3	<b>x4</b>
<b>x1</b>	0			
x2	3.61	0		
х3	2.24	5.1	0	
<b>x4</b>	4.24	1	5.39	0

## Supremum $(L_{\infty})$

$L_{\infty}$	<b>x1</b>	<b>x2</b>	х3	x4
<b>x1</b>	0			
<b>x2</b>	3	0		
х3	2	5	0	
<b>x4</b>	3	1	5	0