Approximation Algorithms for the Fault-Tolerant Facility Placement Problem

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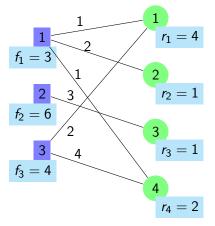
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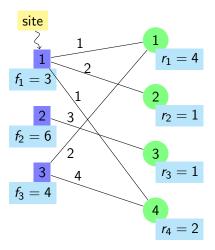
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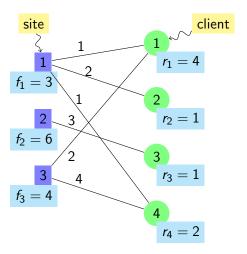
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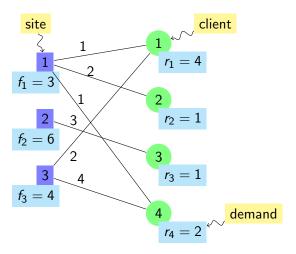
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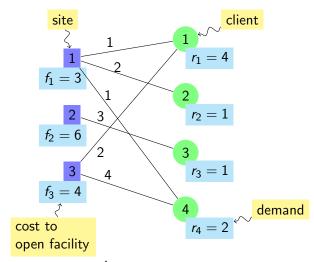


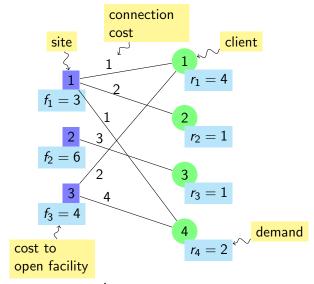


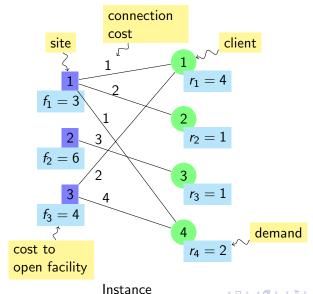


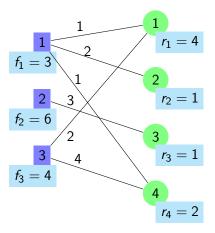




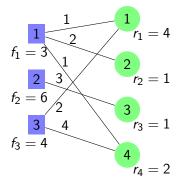






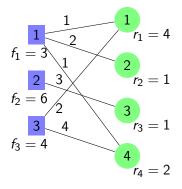


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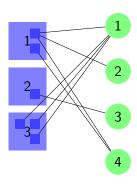


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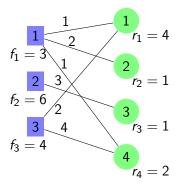


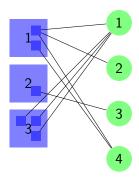
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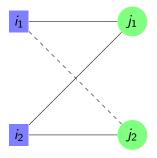
Solution

Cost

$$2f_1 + f_2 + 3f_3 + d_{11} + d_{12} + 2d_{14} + d_{23} + 3d_{31} = 38$$



Metric Distances: Triangle Inequality



$$d(i_1, j_2) \le d(i_1, j_1) + d(i_2, j_1) + d(i_2, j_2)$$

Needed when estimating distances...

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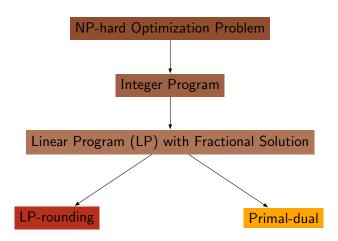
Hardness

How hard is FTFP?

FTFP is NP-hard

FTFP is MaxSNP-hard

Best ratio ≥ 1.463 unless P \neq NP



Results Highlight

- LP-rounding: 1.575-approximation
- LP-rounding: asymptotic ratio of 1 when all demands large
- Primal-dual: H_n -approximation
- Primal-dual: Example of $\Omega(\log n / \log \log n)$ for dual-fitting

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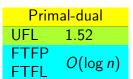
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Related Work for UFL

Approximation Results for UFL

Shmoys, Tardos and Aardal	1997	3.16	LP-rounding
Chudak	1998	1.736	LP-rounding
Sviridenko	2002	1.58	LP-rounding
Jain and Vazirani	2001	3	primal-dual
Jain <i>et al.</i>	2002	1.61	greedy
Mahdian <i>et al.</i>	2002	1.52	greedy
Arya <i>et al.</i>	2004	3	local search
Byrka	2007	1.5	hybrid
Li	2011	1.488	hybrid

Lower Bound

Guha and Khuller 1998 1.463



Related Work for FTFL

Approximation Algorithms for FTFL

Jain and Vazirani	2000	3 In max _j r _j	primal-dual
Guha <i>et al.</i>	2001	4	LP-rounding
Swamy, Shmoys	2008	2.076	LP-rounding
Byrka <i>et al.</i>	2010	1.7245	LP-rounding

No primal-dual algorithms for FTFL with constant ratio.

Work on FTFP (Dissertation Topic)

Approximation Algorithms for FTFP

Xu and Shen	2009		Introduced FTFP
Liao and Shen	2011	1.861	Dual-fitting (for special case)
Yan and Chrobak	2011	3.16	LP-rounding
Yan and Chrobak	2012	1.575	LP-rounding
Yan and Chrobak	preliminary results		Dual-fitting (for general case)

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Demand Reduction

- Reduce all r_i to polynomial values (to ensure polynomial time of rounding)
- ρ -approx for reduced instance $\Rightarrow \rho$ -approx for original instance

Adaptive Partitioning

- Split sites into facilities and clients into unit demands
- Split associated fractional values
- Properties ensure rounding similar to UFL can be applied



LP Formulation for FTFP

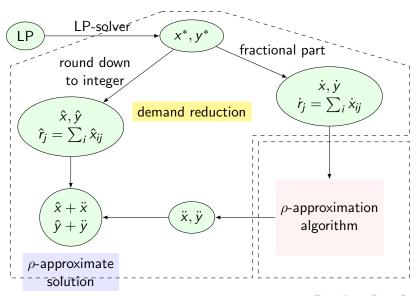
- $\mathbf{v}_i = \text{number of facilities open at site } i \in \mathbb{F}$
- x_{ii} = number of connections from client $i \in \mathbb{C}$ to site $i \in \mathbb{F}$

(Primal) minimize
$$\sum f_i y_i + \sum d_{ij} x_{ij}$$

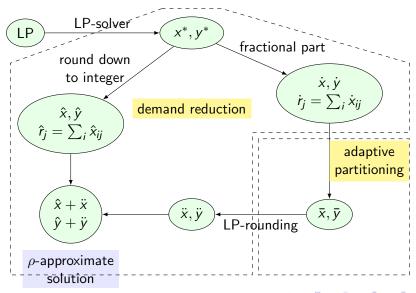
subject to $y_i - x_{ij} \ge 0$ $\forall i, j$
 $\sum x_{ij} \ge r_j$ $\forall j$
 $x_{ij} \ge 0, y_i \ge 0$ $\forall i, j$

(Dual) maximize
$$\sum r_j \alpha_j$$

subject to $\sum \beta_{ij} \leq f_i \quad \forall i$
 $\alpha_j - \beta_{ij} \leq d_{ij} \quad \forall i, j$
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Algorithm for FTFP



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Demand Reduction

Implementation

- Solving LP for (x*, y*).
- $(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = (\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{y}^*)$ round down to integer
- $(\dot{\mathbf{x}}, \dot{\mathbf{y}}) = (\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{y}^*) (\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{y}})$, fractional part
- $\hat{r}_i = \sum_i \hat{x}_{ii}$ for $\hat{\mathcal{I}}$, $\dot{r}_i = r_i \hat{r}_i$ for $\dot{\mathcal{I}}$
- $(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{y}})$ (integral) feasible and optimal for $\hat{\mathcal{I}}$
- $(\dot{\mathbf{x}}, \dot{\mathbf{y}})$ (fractional) feasible and optimal for $\dot{\mathcal{I}}$

Properties

- $\dot{r}_i = \text{poly}(|\mathbb{F}|)$
- ρ -approx for $\mathcal I$ implies ρ -approx for $\mathcal I$



Demand Reduction: Consequences

FTFP to FTFL, 1.7245-approximation

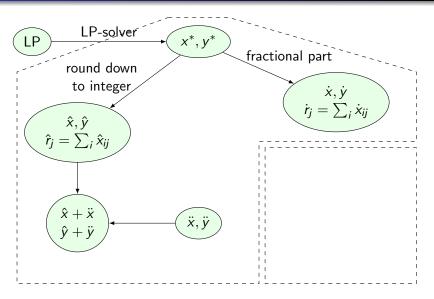
- Sites into facilities
- Clients with demand r_i
- FTFL size polynomial because demand reduction

Ratio
$$1 + O(|F|/Q)$$
 for $Q = \min_j r_j$, approaches 1 when Q is large

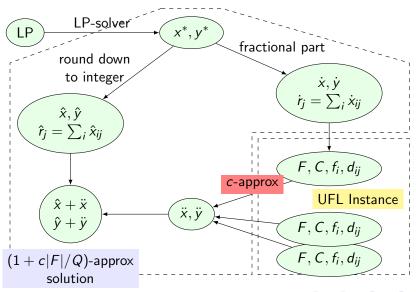
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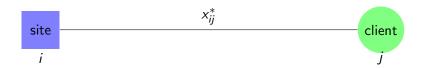
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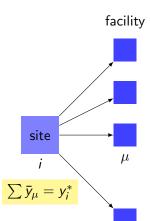
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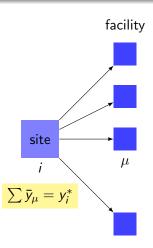


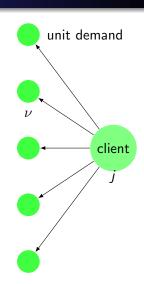


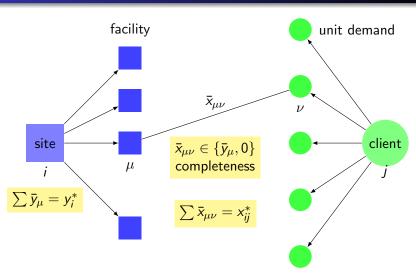


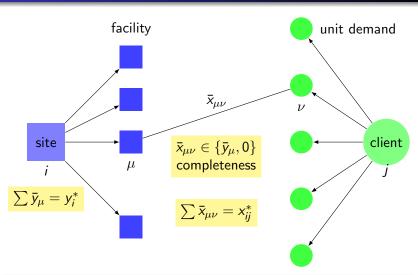






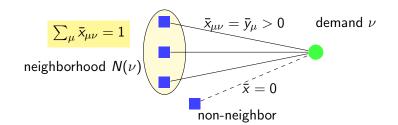


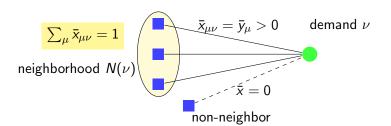




Partition must satisfy several properties for rounding to work...

Neighborhood of a demand





Strategy 1: for each ν , open one $\mu \in N(\nu)$ with prob. \bar{y}_{μ}

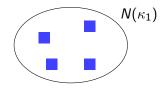
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- large facility cost

Strategy 2: do this for demands with disjoint neighborhoods

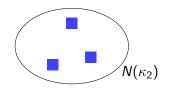
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How to balance these strategies?





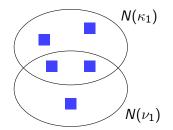
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 κ_1 primary



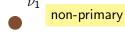


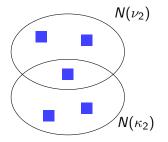
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 primary





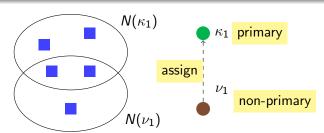
$$\mathbf{\bullet}$$
 ν_2

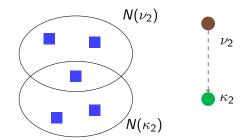
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Two Types of Demands

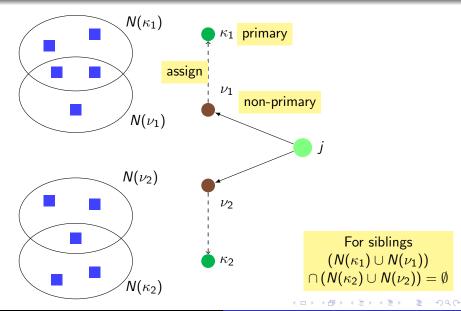




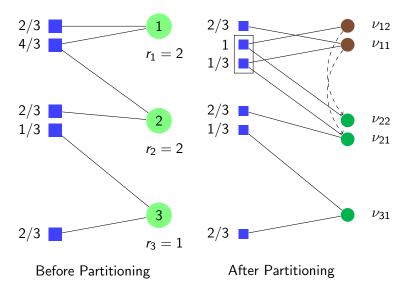
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Neighborhood Structure for Siblings



Example of Partitioning



Partitioning:

- \bullet Clients \rightarrow demands
- Sites → facilities (not yet opened)
- $\bullet \ (x^*,y^*) \to (\bar x,\bar y)$
- $\bullet \ \sum_{\mu} \bar{x}_{\mu\nu} = 1$
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Structure:

- If κ_1, κ_2 primary then $N(\kappa_1) \cap N(\kappa_2) = \emptyset$
- Each non-primary ν assigned to κ with
 - $N(\kappa) \cap N(\nu) \neq \emptyset$
 - priority(κ) < priority (ν) (rough estimate of demand's cost)
- if ν_1 , ν_2 are siblings and ν_i assigned to κ_i , then $[N(\kappa_1) \cup N(\nu_1)] \cap [N(\kappa_2) \cup N(\nu_2)] = \emptyset$



Summary of Partitioning - Intuition

Structure:

small facility cost
$$\longrightarrow$$
 If κ_1, κ_2 primary then $N(\kappa_1) \cap N(\kappa_2) = \emptyset$

small connection cost of
$$\nu$$

- Each non-primary ν assigned to κ with
 - $N(\kappa) \cap N(\nu) \neq \emptyset$
 - priority(κ) \leq priority (ν) (rough estimate of demand's cost)

fault tolerance
$$\bullet$$
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3-Approximation for FTFP

Client priority values

• $tcc(j) + \alpha_i^*$ (average connection cost + dual value)

Rounding

- Facilities: Each primary κ opens random $\mu \in N(\kappa)$
- Connections: All demands assigned to κ connect to μ

Analysis

- Fault-Tolerance: ν uses only facilities in $N(\nu) \cup N(\kappa)$
- Cost: $< 3 \cdot LP^*$, because
 - Facility cost $\leq F^*$
 - Connection cost $< C^* + 2 \cdot LP^*$



1.736-Approximation for FTFP

Client priority values

• $tcc(j) + \alpha_i^*$ (average connection cost + dual value)

Rounding

- Facilities:
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 - Other facilities open randomly independently
- Connections:
 - if a neighbor open, connect to nearest neighbor
 - else, connect via assigned primary demand

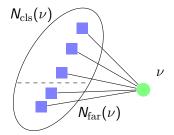
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- Fault-Tolerance: ν uses only facilities in $N(\nu) \cup N(\kappa)$
- Cost: $\leq (1+2/e) LP^*$, because
 - Facility cost < F*
 - Connection cost $\leq C^* + \frac{2}{9} \cdot LP^*$



More intricate neighborhood structure

- Two neighborhoods: close and far, $N(\nu) = N_{\rm cls}(\nu) \cup N_{\rm far}(\nu)$
- $N_{\rm cls}(\nu) = \text{nearest } (1/\gamma) \text{fraction of } N(\nu)$
- $N_{\rm cls}(\nu) \cap N_{\rm cls}(\kappa) \neq \emptyset$, if ν assigned to κ
- For siblings $\nu_1, \nu_2, N_{\rm cls}(\kappa_1) \cup N(\nu_1)$ and $N_{\rm cls}(\kappa_2) \cup N(\nu_2)$ disjoint



1.575-Approximation for FTFP

Client priority values

• $tcc_{cls}(i) + dmax_{cls}(i)$ (average + worst connection cost to close neighborhood)

Rounding (extension of Byrka's)

- Facilities:
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- Cost: $\langle \gamma \cdot LP \text{ for } \gamma = 1.575, \text{ because}$
 - Facility cost $\leq \gamma \cdot F^*$
 - Connection cost $\leq \gamma \cdot C^*$

- Greedy in polynomial time
 - Best star can be found quickly
 - Best star remains best
- Ratio H_n (Wolsey's result): Greedy is H_n -approx for
 - Minimizing a linear function
 - Subject to Submodular constraint
- Lower bound $O(\log n / \log \log n)$ for dual-fitting
 - Example has k groups, $n = k^k$
 - Shrinking factor is k/2



Dual-fitting Example

Dual feasibility forces a ratio of k/2, number of clients $n = k^k$

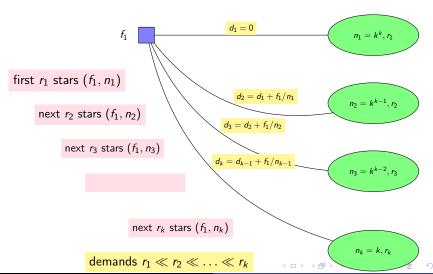


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Open Problems

- Can FTFL be approximated with the same ratio?
- LP-free algorithms for FTFP or FTFL with constant ratio?
- Close the 1.463 − 1.488 gap for UFL!