

# DraftTesiMazza

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## 1 K-Medoids

K-medoids is a clustering algorithm that selects actual data points as cluster centers (medoids) instead of computing centroids like k-means. It minimizes the total dissimilarity (e.g., distance or travel time) between points and their assigned medoid, making it more robust to outliers and suitable for arbitrary distance metrics.

K-medoids is more suitable than k-means when working with distance metrics like travel times, which may not be symmetric, since avoids the need for computing a "mean" point in a non-Euclidean space.

### 1.1 MIP Formulation

The formulation is for each day  $d$  and session  $s$ . This dependency is avoided in the notation.

### 1.2 Sets

- $\mathcal{P} := \{1, \dots, P\}$ : set of patients of day  $d$  and session  $s$ ;
- $\mathcal{R} := \{1, \dots, R\}$ : set of requests of day  $d$  and session  $s$ ;
- $\mathcal{O} := \{1, \dots, O\}$ : set of operators available in day  $d$  session  $s$

### 1.3 Parameters

- $\tau_{ij} \geq 1$  = time in minutes between patient  $i$  and  $j$ ;
- $K \in \mathbb{N}, K > 1$  number of clusters;
- $w_p \in [0, 1] = \frac{|\{i \mid p_i = p \ \forall i \in \mathcal{R}\}|}{R}$

### 1.4 Variables

- $x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} = \mathbb{1}\{\text{patient } i \text{ is associated to medoid } j\}$ ;
- $y_i \in \{0, 1\} = \mathbb{1}\{\text{patient } i \text{ is a medoid}\}$ ;

## 1.5 Formulation

$$\min_{x,y} \sum_i \sum_j \tau_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$\sum_j x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{P} \quad (1)$$

$$\sum_i y_i = K \quad (2)$$

$$x_{ij} \leq y_j \quad \forall i, j \in \mathcal{P} \quad (3)$$

## 2 Greedy Routing and Scheduling Algorithm (GRS)

Once we have some balanced clusters of requests, we have to schedule all of them to some operators.

To each request  $i$  is associated a feasible temporal window  $[\alpha_i, \beta_i]$  when the request must be served, its duration  $t_i$  in minutes, and the relative patient  $p_i \in \mathcal{P}$ . The goal of this method is to assign each request to an operator in a feasible manner. We have to guarantee that

- The total work time assigned to each operator is compatible with its time shift.
- All sets of requests assigned to each operator must be feasible for each operator, i.e., there must exist a feasible sequence  $(i_o^1, i_o^2, \dots, i_o^n)$  with  $n \leq N$  such that operator  $o$  can serve all of them in their time windows,  $\forall o \in \mathcal{O}$ .
- We want to create these feasible sequence trying to minimize also the routing cost in a greedy manner.

### 2.1 Variables

- $p_o \in \mathcal{P} \cup \{h\} \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$ : the current patient of operator  $o$ .  $h$  is a dummy node that represents the depot. We can think to  $h$  as the starting point of each operator.
- $e_o \in \mathbb{R}, e_o > 0$ : is the first moment available for operator  $o \in \mathcal{O}$  to serve a request.
- $w_o \in \mathbb{R}, w_o > 0$ : is the amount of time worked by operator  $o \in \mathcal{O}$
- $L_o = \{(i, \max\{e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i}, \alpha_i\})\}$ : is the list of requests assigned to operator  $o$
- $h_o \in \mathbb{R}, h_o > 0$ : is the remaining time till the end of the session for operator  $o \in \mathcal{O}$

## 2.2 Pseudocode

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### Algorithm 1: GRS - Time

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**Input** : Set of requests  $\mathcal{R}$ , set of operators  $\mathcal{O}$   
**Output**: A set of feasible sequences of requests for each operator  
 // Sort requests by their min time of begin  
 Sort  $\mathcal{R}$  with respect to  $\alpha_i$   
 // Initialize variables  
 $\tau_{hp_i} \leftarrow 0 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{R}$   
 $h_o \leftarrow 300 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$  // 5-hours shift  
 $p_o \leftarrow h \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$   
 $e_o \leftarrow 420 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$  // Morning shift begins at 7  
 $w_o \leftarrow 0 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$   
 $L_o \leftarrow \emptyset \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$   
**foreach**  $i \in \mathcal{R}$  **do**  
     Assign  $i$  to  $o \in \arg \min_o \{ \tau_{p_o p_i} \text{ s.t. } e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i} \leq \beta_i \text{ and } t_i \leq h_o \}$   
      $L_o \leftarrow L_o \cup (i, \max\{e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i}, \alpha_i\})$   
      $w_o \leftarrow w_o + t_i + \tau_{p_o p_i}$   
      $e_o \leftarrow \max\{e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i}, \alpha_i\} + t_i$   
      $h_o \leftarrow 720 - e_o$  // 720 (12 am) for morning shift, 1290  
     (21.30) for afternoon shift  
      $p_o \leftarrow p_i$

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**Algorithm 2:** GRS - SaturamiPlease

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**Input** : Set of requests  $\mathcal{R}$ , set of operators  $\mathcal{O}$   
**Output:** A set of feasible sequences of requests for each operator

// Sort requests by their min time of begin  
Sort  $\mathcal{R}$  with respect to  $\alpha_i$

// Initialize variables  
 $\tau_{hp_i} \leftarrow 0 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{R}$   
 $h_o \leftarrow 300 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$  // 5-hours shift  
 $p_o \leftarrow h \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$   
 $e_o \leftarrow 420 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$  // Morning shift begins at 7  
 $w_o \leftarrow 0 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$   
 $L_o \leftarrow \emptyset \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$

**foreach**  $i \in \mathcal{R}$  **do**  
    Assign  $i$  to  $o \in \arg \min_o \{h_o \text{ s.t. } e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i} \leq \beta_i \text{ and } t_i \leq h_o\}$   
     $L_o \leftarrow L_o \cup (i, \max\{e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i}, \alpha_i\})$   
     $w_o \leftarrow w_o + t_i + \tau_{p_o p_i}$   
     $e_o \leftarrow \max\{e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i}, \alpha_i\} + t_i$   
     $h_o \leftarrow 720 - e_o$  // 720 (12 am) for morning shift, 1290  
    (21.30) for afternoon shift  
     $p_o \leftarrow p_i$

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**Algorithm 3:** GRS - LasciamiInPace

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**Input** : Set of requests  $\mathcal{R}$ , set of operators  $\mathcal{O}$   
**Output:** A set of feasible sequences of requests for each operator

// Sort requests by their min time of begin  
Sort  $\mathcal{R}$  with respect to  $\alpha_i$

// Initialize variables  
 $\tau_{hp_i} \leftarrow 0 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{R}$   
 $h_o \leftarrow 300 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$  // 5-hours shift  
 $p_o \leftarrow h \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$   
 $e_o \leftarrow 420 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$  // Morning shift begins at 7  
 $w_o \leftarrow 0 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$   
 $L_o \leftarrow \emptyset \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$

**foreach**  $i \in \mathcal{R}$  **do**  
    Assign  $i$  to  $o \in \arg \max_o \{h_o \text{ s.t. } e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i} \leq \beta_i \text{ and } t_i \leq h_o\}$   
     $L_o \leftarrow L_o \cup (i, \max\{e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i}, \alpha_i\})$   
     $w_o \leftarrow w_o + t_i + \tau_{p_o p_i}$   
     $e_o \leftarrow \max\{e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i}, \alpha_i\} + t_i$   
     $h_o \leftarrow 720 - e_o$  // 720 (12 am) for morning shift, 1290  
    (21.30) for afternoon shift  
     $p_o \leftarrow p_i$

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**Algorithm 4:** GRS - TradeOff

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**Input :** Set of requests  $\mathcal{R}$ , set of operators  $\mathcal{O}$   
**Output:** A set of feasible sequences of requests for each operator

// Sort requests by their min time of begin  
Sort  $\mathcal{R}$  with respect to  $\alpha_i$

// Initialize variables  
 $\tau_{hp_i} \leftarrow 0 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{R}$   
 $h_o \leftarrow 300 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$  // 5-hours shift  
 $p_o \leftarrow h \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$   
 $e_o \leftarrow 420 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$  // Morning shift begins at 7  
 $w_o \leftarrow 0 \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$   
 $L_o \leftarrow \emptyset \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O}$

**foreach**  $i \in \mathcal{R}$  **do**  
    Assign  $i$  to  $o \in \arg \min_o \{w_o + \tau_{p_o p_i} + t_i \text{ s.t. } e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i} \leq \beta_i \text{ and } t_i \leq h_o\}$   
     $L_o \leftarrow L_o \cup (i, \max\{e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i}, \alpha_i\})$   
     $w_o \leftarrow w_o + t_i + \tau_{p_o p_i}$   
     $e_o \leftarrow \max\{e_o + \tau_{p_o p_i}, \alpha_i\} + t_i$   
     $h_o \leftarrow 720 - e_o$  // 720 (12 am) for morning shift, 1290 (21.30) for afternoon shift  
     $p_o \leftarrow p_i$

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For the afternoon shift, we have  $t_o = 960$  (16).

### 3 Method Overview

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**Algorithm 5:** METHOD OVERVIEW

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**Input** : Set of requests  $\mathcal{R}$ , set of operators  $\mathcal{O}$ , set of patients  $\mathcal{P}$   
**Output:** Heuristic scheduling and routing for the week

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foreach  $d \in \mathcal{D}$  do
  foreach  $s \in \{m, a\}$  do
     $\mathcal{R}_{ds} \leftarrow \{i, i \in \mathcal{R}, d_i = d, s_i = s\}$ 
     $\mathcal{P}_{ds} \leftarrow \{p, p \in \mathcal{P} \mid \exists i \in \mathcal{R}_{ds}, p_i = p\}$ 
     $w_{pds} \leftarrow \frac{|\{i \in \mathcal{R}_{ds}, p_i = p\}|}{|\mathcal{R}_{ds}|} \quad \forall p \in \mathcal{P}_{ds}$ 
    Plot  $(\{(lat_p, lon_p), \forall p \in \mathcal{P}_{ds}\})$ 
    foreach  $k = 1, \dots, 20$  do
       $Clusters \leftarrow k - medoid(w_{pds}, \mathcal{P}_{ds}, \tau)$ 
    // Select the best clusters configuration  $C^*$ 
      according to some measures
    // Define the partition
     $\{\mathcal{O}_{dsc} \mid \bigcup_c \mathcal{O}_{dsc} = \mathcal{O}_{ds}, \mathcal{O}_{dsc_i} \cap \mathcal{O}_{dsc_j} = \emptyset \quad \forall c_i \neq c_j, c_i, c_j \in C^*\}$ 
    // according to some heuristics
    foreach  $c \in C^*$  do
       $GRS(c, \mathcal{O}_{dsc})$ 
      // Print statistics of the cluster  $c$  of day  $d$  in
        session  $s$ 

// Print all the statistics with total routing costs and
working shifts
// Create a directed graph with the scheduling of the
requests for each operator/day/session

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