

Location 3: Geocoding and Great-Circle Distances

- How can the distances between facility locations be determined?
 - Not computationally feasible to repeatedly calculate the actual road distances between locations.
 - Most continuous locations examined during Nelder-Mead procedure are not connected to a road

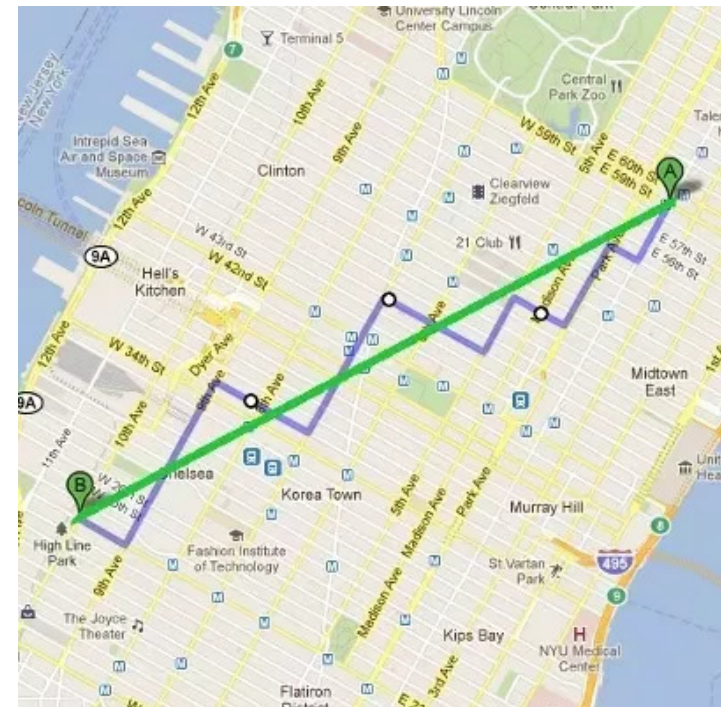
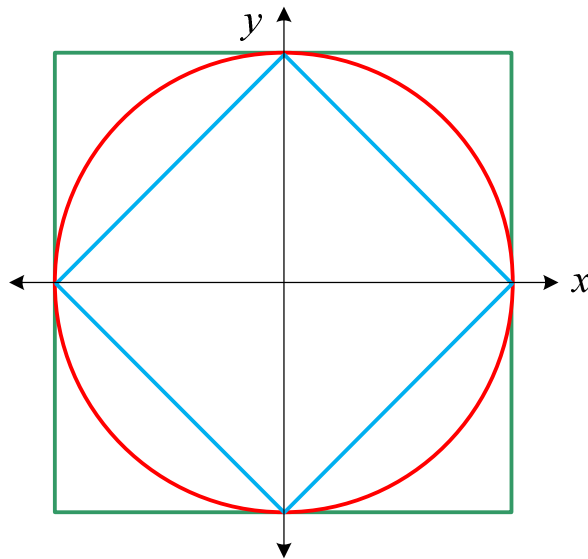
Metric Distances

General l_p : $d_p(P_1, P_2) = \left[|x_1 - x_2|^p + |y_1 - y_2|^p \right]^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad p \geq 1$

Rectilinear : $d_1(P_1, P_2) = |x_1 - x_2| + |y_1 - y_2|$
($p=1$)

Euclidean : $d_2(P_1, P_2) = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$
($p=2$)

Chebyshev : $d_\infty(P_1, P_2) = \max \{ |x_1 - x_2|, |y_1 - y_2| \}$
($p \rightarrow \infty$)



Chebychev Distances

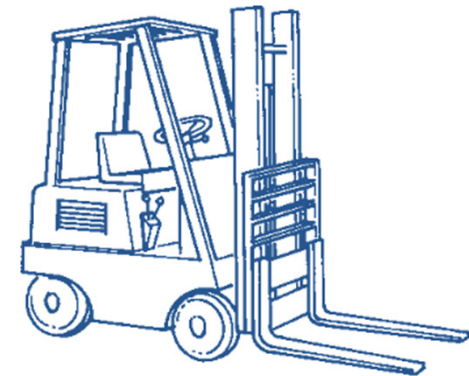
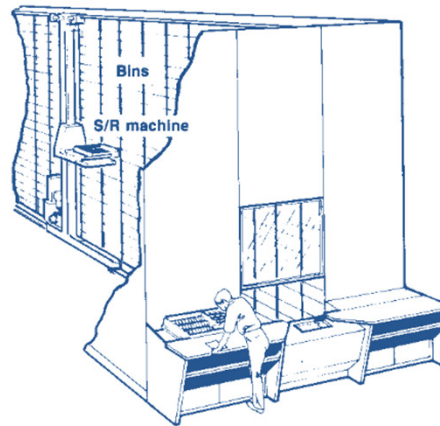
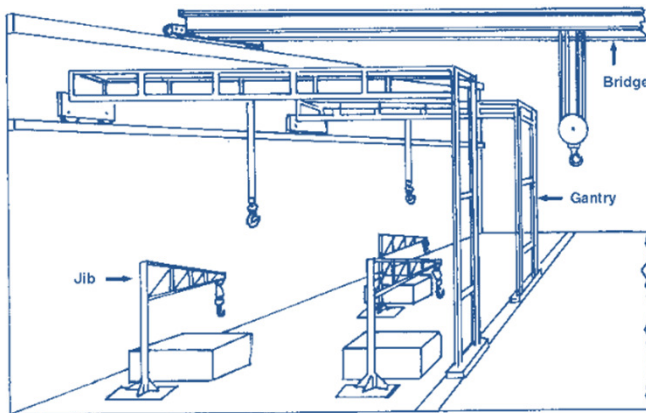
Proof

Without loss of generality, let $P_1 = (x, y)$, for $x, y \geq 0$, and $P_2 = (0, 0)$. Then $d_\infty(P_1, P_2) = \max\{x, y\}$ and $d_p(P_1, P_2) = [x^p + y^p]^{1/p}$.

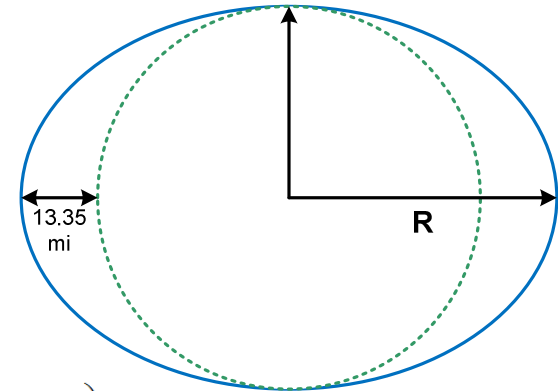
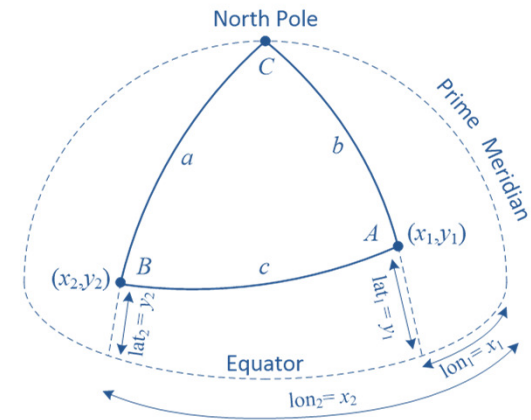
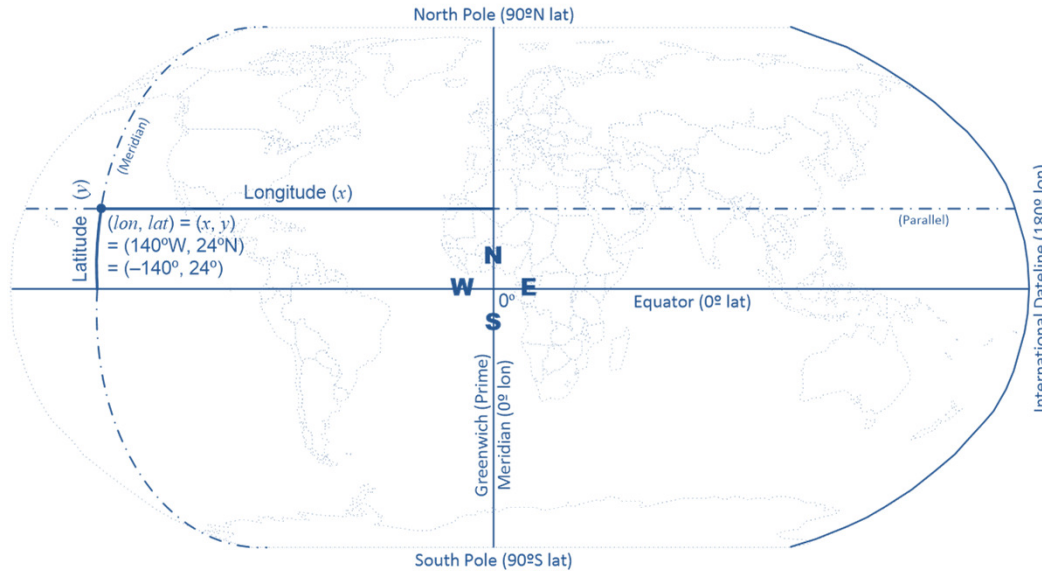
If $x = y$, then $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} [x^p + y^p]^{1/p} = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} [2x^p]^{1/p} = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} [2^{1/p} x] = x$.

If $x < y$, then $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} [x^p + y^p]^{1/p} = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} [(x/y)^p + 1]^{1/p} y = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} ((x/y)^p + 1)^{1/p} y = 1 \cdot y = y$.

A similar argument can be made if $x > y$. ■



Great Circle Distances



$$(lon_1, lat_1) = (x_1, y_1), \quad (lon_2, lat_2) = (x_2, y_2)$$

d_{rad} = (great circle distance in radians of a sphere)

$$= \cos^{-1} \left[\sin y_2 \sin y_1 + \cos y_2 \cos y_1 \cos(x_1 - x_2) \right]$$

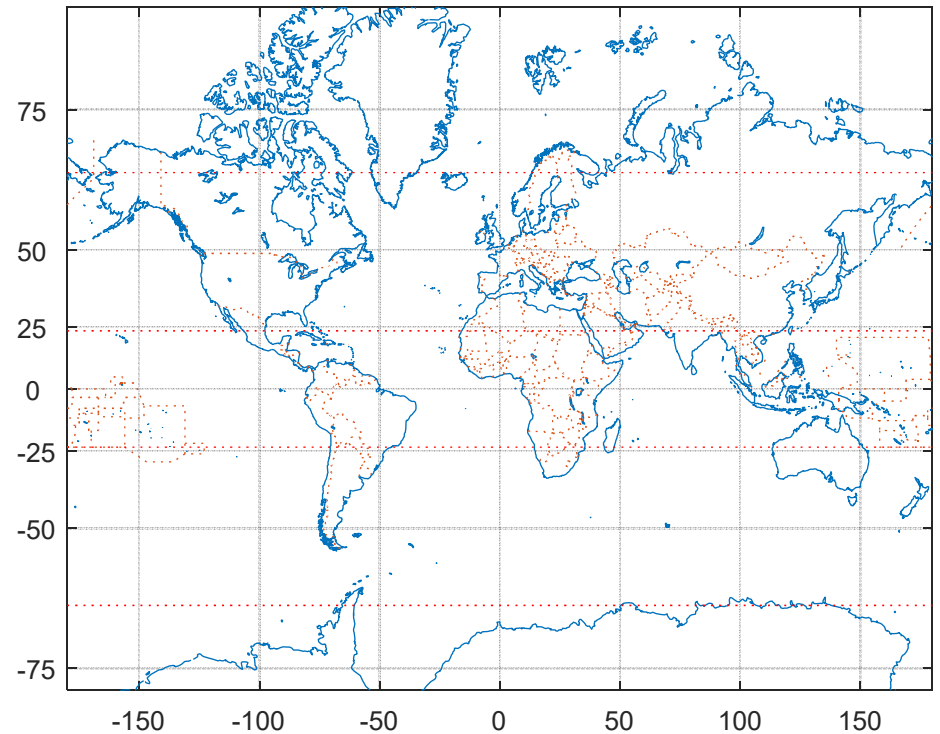
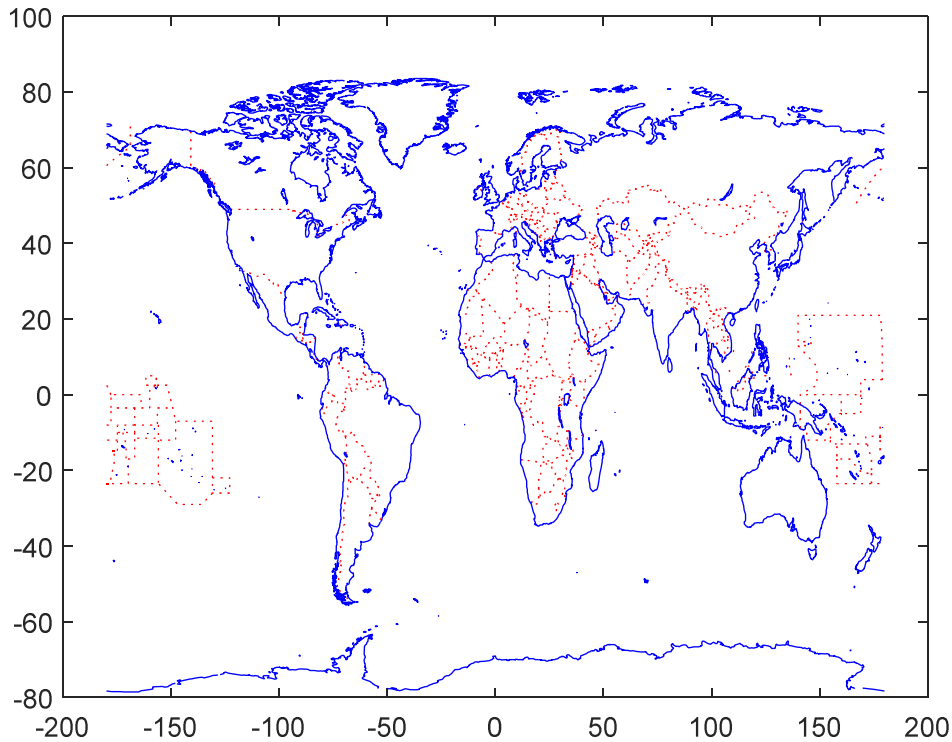
R = (radius of earth at equator) – (bulge from north pole to equator)

$$= 3,963.34 - 13.35 \sin\left(\frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right) \text{ mi}, \quad = 6,378.388 - 21.476 \sin\left(\frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right) \text{ km}$$

$$d_{GC} = \text{distance } (x_1, y_1) \text{ to } (x_2, y_2) = \boxed{d_{rad} \cdot R}$$

$$x_{deg} = \begin{cases} DD + \frac{MM}{60} + \frac{SS}{3,600}, & \text{if } E \text{ or } N \\ -DD - \frac{MM}{60} - \frac{SS}{3,600}, & \text{if } W \text{ or } S \end{cases}$$

Mercator Projection



$$x_{\text{rad}} = \frac{x_{\text{deg}}}{180} \pi \quad \text{and} \quad x_{\text{deg}} = \frac{x_{\text{rad}} \cdot 180}{\pi}$$

$$x_{\text{proj}} = x$$

$$y_{\text{proj}} = \sinh^{-1}(\tan y)$$

$$y = \tan^{-1}(\sinh y_{\text{proj}})$$