# Online Mixed Packing and Covering

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### Outline

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- Online algorithm for OMPC
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# Online Mixed Packing and Covering (OMPC)

- Packing constraints are given offline
  - $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x} \leq \lambda \mathbf{p}$
- Covering constraints arrive online one at a time
  - $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{c}$
- Goal: minimize λ

min 
$$\lambda$$
s.t.  $\mathbf{Cx} \geq \mathbf{1}$ ,
 $\mathbf{Px} \leq \lambda$ ,
 $\mathbf{x}, \lambda \geq \mathbf{0}$ .

$$\kappa = \max_{i,j} c_{ij} / \min_{i,j:c_{ij}>0} c_{ij}$$

$$ho = \max_{k,j} p_{kj} / \min_{k,j:p_{kj}>0} p_{kj}$$

$$\mu = 1 + \frac{1}{3\ln(em)}$$

$$\sigma = e^2 \ln(\mu d^2 \rho \kappa)$$

(d denotes the maximum number of variables in any constraint)

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$$\lambda$$
s.t.  $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{1}$ ,
 $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x} \leq \lambda$ ,
 $\mathbf{x}, \lambda \geq \mathbf{0}$ .

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \max_{k \in [m]} (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x})_k.$$

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}) \ := \ \ln \left( \sum_{k \in [m]} \exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x})_k \right)$$

$$rate_{j}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_{j}}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{k \in [m]} p_{kj} \exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x})_{k}}{\sum_{k \in [m]} \exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x})_{k}}.$$

$$\epsilon_i(\mathbf{x}) = (\mu - 1) \min_{j: c_{ij} > 0} \text{rate}_j(\mathbf{x}) / c_{ij},$$

$$egin{array}{ll} \max & \sum_i y_i \ & ext{s.t.} & \mathbf{C^Ty} \leq \mathbf{P^Tz} \,, \ & \sum_{k=1}^m z_k \, \leq \, 1 \,, \ & ext{y}, \, ext{z} \, \geq \, \mathbf{0} \,. \end{array}$$

## Algorithm

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}) \ := \ \ln \left( \sum_{k \in [m]} \exp(\mathbf{P} \mathbf{x})_k \right)$$

Multiplicative weight update

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$$= \frac{\sum_{k \in [m]} p_{kj} \exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x})_{k}}{\sum_{k \in [m]} \exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x})_{k}}.$$

- Initial:  $x_j \leftarrow 1/(d_1^2 \rho \kappa_1)$
- For covering constraint i, while  $(Cx)_i < 1$ , do:

Let  $\mathbf{x}^l$  be the current value of  $\mathbf{x}$ . Increase each  $x_j$ 

to 
$$x_j \left(1 + \epsilon_i(\mathbf{x}^l) \frac{c_{ij}}{\text{rate}_j(\mathbf{x}^l)}\right)$$
.

Increment dual variable  $y_i$  by  $e\epsilon_i(\mathbf{x}^l)$ .

#### Result and Proof Sketch

- ▶ Result: The algorithm is  $8\sigma \ln(em)$  competitive.
- Proof:

$$\max_k(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x})_k \leq \Phi(\mathbf{x}) \leq \max_k(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x})_k + \ln m.$$

LEMMA 2.1. For the variables as initialized,  $\lambda(\mathbf{x}^0) \leq$  OPT, and hence  $\Phi(\mathbf{x}^0) \leq$  OPT + ln m.

LEMMA 2.2. The increase in  $\sum_i y_i$  is an upper bound on the increase in  $\Phi(\mathbf{x})$  in every phase.

Bound the result by dual variables

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) \leq \sum_{i} y_i + \ln m + \text{OPT}$$

Dual variables y might violate the constraints in dual problem

LEMMA 2.4. For any  $j \in [n]$ ,

$$(\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{y})_j \leq \sigma \max_{l \in L} \operatorname{rate}_j(\mathbf{x}^l).$$

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$$\max_{l \in L} \operatorname{rate}_{j}(\mathbf{x}^{l}) = \max_{l \in L} \frac{\sum_{k \in [m]} p_{kj} \exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}^{l})_{k}}{\sum_{k \in [m]} \exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}^{l})_{k}}$$

$$z_{k} := \max_{l \in L} \frac{\exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}^{l})_{k}}{\sum_{k \in [m]} \exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}^{l})_{k}} \cdot \leq \sum_{k \in [m]} p_{kj} \max_{l \in L} \frac{\exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}^{l})_{k}}{\sum_{k \in [m]} \exp(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}^{l})_{k}}.$$

Lemma 2.5. 
$$\sum_{k \in [m]} z_k \leq \ln(em) + \max_{l \in L} \lambda(\mathbf{x}^l).$$

- Define  $\nu := \ln(em) + \max_{l} \lambda(x^{l})$
- $\mathbf{z}/v$  and  $\mathbf{y}/(\sigma v)$  are feasible for the dual problem
- $\sum_{i} y_{i} \leq OPT \times (\sigma v)$

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) \leq 4\sigma \ln(em)\text{OPT} + \text{OPT} + 4\sigma \ln m\text{OPT}$$
  
  $\leq 8\sigma \ln(em)OPT$ .

# Capacity Constrained Facility Location (CCFL)

- A set of facilities F, each has opening cost and capacity
- Clients arrive online, they should be assigned to facilities.
  - Assignment cost, facility capacity
- Determine whether to open new facilities (paying opening cost), and where to assign the client (paying assignment cost)
- Goal: minimize the sum of opening costs and assignment costs
  - Subject to the capacity constraints

# Integer Scheduling LP (ISLP) for the CCFL problem

Minimize 
$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{F}} c_i x_i + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{F}} a_{ij} y_{ij}$$
 subject to:

$$(3.11) \quad \sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} p_{ij} y_{ij} \leq x_i \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{F}$$

$$(3.12) y_{ij} \leq x_i \quad \forall \ i \in \mathcal{F}, \ j \in \mathcal{C}$$

$$(3.13) \qquad \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{ij} \geq 1 \quad \forall \ j \in \mathcal{C}$$

$$(3.14) x_i, y_{ij} \in \{0,1\} \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{F}, \ j \in \mathcal{C}$$

### Fractional Algorithm

- Relax integrality constraints x, y
- Relax "packing constraints"

$$\sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} p_{ij} y_{ij} \leq 9x_i \quad \forall \ i \in \mathcal{F}$$
$$y_{ij} \leq 2x_i \quad \forall \ i \in \mathcal{F}, \ j \in \mathcal{C}$$

Facility i is said to be closed, partially open or fully open when  $x_i = 0, x_i \in (0,1), x_i = 1$ 

Define a virtual cost for client j on facility i

$$\eta_i(j) = \begin{cases} c_i A^{\ell_i - 1} p_{ij} + a_{ij}, & \text{if facility } i \text{ is fully open,} \\ & \text{i.e., } x_i = 1 \\ c_i p_{ij} + a_{ij}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Order all facilities in non-decreasing order of virtual cost M(j)
- Let P(j) denote the maximal prefix of M(j) such that  $\sum_{i \in P(j)} x_i < 1$
- Let k(j) denote the first facility in M(j) and not in P(j)

- When client j arrives, increase  $x_i$  and  $y_{ij}$  until  $\sum_{i \in F} y_{ij} \ge 1$  (Covering constraint satisfied)
  - ▶ Increase  $x_i$  for  $i \in P(j)$  by  $x_i/c_i n$
  - And
- $x_{k(j)} < 1$  (i.e. facility k(j) is partially open). We increase  $x_{k(j)}$  (and correspondingly  $\Delta x_{k(j)}$ ) by  $\delta x_{k(j)}$  for facility k(j); further, we set the value of  $y_{k(j)j}$  to the effective capacity created on facility k(j) for client j. We call this an algorithmic step of **type A**.
- $x_{k(j)} = 1$  (i.e. facility k(j) is fully open). We keep the value of  $x_{k(j)}$  unchanged at 1 but *increase*  $y_{k(j)j}$  by  $9/\eta_{k(j)}(j)n$ . We call this an algorithmic step of **type B**.

### **Analysis**

Lemma 3.1. The fractional assignment produced by the online algorithm satisfies

$$\sum_{j\in\mathcal{C}} y_{ij} p_{ij} = O(\log m)$$

for each facility i, and

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{F}} c_i x_i + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{F}} a_{ij} y_{ij} = O(m \log m).$$

Lemma is proved by using this potential function

$$\phi_{i} = \begin{cases} c_{i}A^{\ell_{i}-1} + \frac{1}{9} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} a_{ij}y_{ij}, & \text{if facility } i \text{ is fully open,} \\ c_{i}x_{i} + \frac{1}{9} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} a_{ij}y_{ij}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Bound increase of potential function for different operation type

LEMMA 3.4. The increase in potential in a single algorithmic step of type A is at most 4/n.

Lemma 3.5. For any constant 1 < A < 19/18, the increase in potential in a single algorithmic step of type B is at most 3/n.

Lemma 3.3. For any constant 1 < A < 19/18, the increase in potential in a single algorithmic step of either type A or type B is at most 4/n.

Then bound the number of algorithmic step

LEMMA 3.7. The total number of algorithmic steps (of either type A or type B) in the second and third categories for a client j is at most  $2\eta_{\text{OPT}(j)}(j)n/9$ .

## Online Randomized Rounding

- Fractional step. The fractional solution is updated (via multiple algorithmic steps) as described in the fractional algorithm. Let  $x_i(j)$  be the value of  $x_i$  after this update.
- Activation step. Each facility i that satisfies  $5x_i(j)\ln(mn) \geq r_i$  (and is not already open) is opened. Let  $M_{(j)}$  denote the set of open facilities after this step.
- Assignment step. Let

$$z_{ij} = \begin{cases} rac{y_{ij}}{2x_i(j)} & \text{if } x_i(j) < rac{1}{5\ln(mn)} \\ y_{ij} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$q_{ij} = rac{z_{ij}}{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{F}_A(j)} z_{ij}}$$

for any facility  $i \in \mathcal{F}_A(j)$ . We assign client j to a facility  $i \in \mathcal{F}_A(j)$  with probability  $q_{ij}$ .

LEMMA 3.11. The total opening cost of all facilities opened in the integer schedule is  $O(m \log m \log(mn))$  in expectation.

Lemma 3.13. The total assignment cost of all clients in the integer assignment is  $O(m \log m \log(mn))$  in expectation.

LEMMA 3.14. The maximum congestion on any facility is  $O(\log m)$  with probability  $1 - 2/\sqrt{m}$ .

### **Lessons Learned**

- Potential function is useful for analysis.
- Multiplicative weight update.
- In these two problems, packing constraints are not satisfied strictly.
- Several techniques for analyzing inequalities.