

# Voronoi Diagrams for Non-Euclidean Metrics

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## Talk Overview

- Voronoi diagrams reminder – reviewing results on lifting to the paraboloid  $P$  in  $E^{d+1}$ .
- Power diagrams and higher order power diagrams.
- Affine diagrams and diagrams for a general quadratic distance.
- Weighted diagrams – additive weights.
- Weighted diagrams – multiplicative weights.
- $L_1$  and  $L_\infty$  metrics diagrams.
- Voronoi diagrams in hyperbolic space.

# Voronoi Diagrams Reminder

Objective: To compute Voronoi diagrams (VDs) of  $n$  sites in  $E^d$ .

$\Sigma$ : a sphere in  $E^d$  centered at point  $C$  with radius  $r$ .

- The **power** of point  $X$  with respect to  $\Sigma$ :

$$\Sigma(X) = \|X - C\|^2 - r^2$$

- The power  $\sigma$  of the origin with respect to  $\Sigma$ :

$$\sigma = \Sigma(0) = \|C\|^2 - r^2$$

## Voronoi Diagrams Reminder (cont.)

We map spheres in  $E^d$  into points in  $E^{d+1}$  by the mapping:

$$\Phi(\Sigma) = (C, \sigma)$$

$\Phi$  maps points in  $E^d$  onto the paraboloid  $P$ :

$$X_{d+1} = \|X\|^2 = \sum X_i^2$$

In a homogeneous system of coordinates  $P$  is represented as:

$$X \Delta_P X^T = 0 \quad \text{where} \quad \Delta_P = \begin{pmatrix} I_d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -0.5 \\ 0 & -0.5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Voronoi Diagrams Reminder (cont.)

The **polar hyperplane** of  $A \in E^{d+1}$ , with respect to  $P$  is:

$$A^* = \{X \in E^{d+1} : X \Delta_P A = 0\}, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$A^* = \{X \in E^{d+1} : x_{d+1} = 2 \sum_{i=1}^d A_i x_i - A_{d+1}\}$$

Two hyperspheres  $\Sigma_1$  and  $\Sigma_2$  are **orthogonal** if  $\Sigma_1(C_2) = r_2^2$

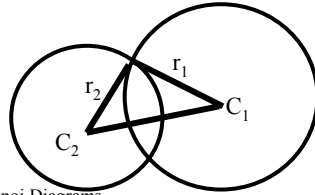
$$\|C_1 - C_2\|^2 = r_1^2 + r_2^2$$

$$2C_1 \cdot C_2 - \sigma_1 - \sigma_2 = 0$$

$$\Phi(\Sigma_1) \Delta_P \Phi(\Sigma_2) = 0$$

Geometric interpretation:

**Note:** In particular, points **on** the sphere are orthogonal spheres of zero radius.



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## Voronoi Diagrams Reminder (cont.)

**Lemma 17.2.1:** The set of all spheres that are orthogonal to  $\Sigma$  is mapped by  $\Phi$  to the polar hyperplane  $\Phi(\Sigma)^*$  of  $\Phi(\Sigma)$ .

**Lemma 17.2.2:** The points of a sphere  $\Sigma$  in  $E^d$  lifted on the paraboloid  $P$ , belong to the polar hyperplane  $\Phi(\Sigma)^*$  of  $\Phi(\Sigma)$ .



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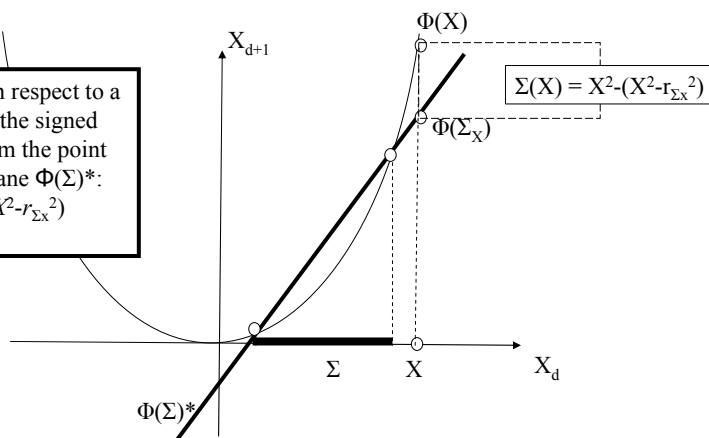
## Voronoi Diagrams Reminder (cont.)

The power of a point  $X$  with respect to a sphere  $\Sigma$  is equal to the square of the radius of the sphere  $\Sigma_X$  orthogonal to  $\Sigma$  and centered at  $X$ .

**Lemma 17.2.3:** The power of  $X$  with respect to a sphere  $\Sigma$  is equal to the signed vertical distance from the point  $\Phi(X)$  to the hyperplane  $\Phi(\Sigma)^*$ .

## Voronoi Diagrams Reminder (cont.)

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 $\Phi(X) - \Phi(\Sigma_X) = X^2 - (X^2 - r_{\Sigma_X}^2)$



## Voronoi Diagrams Reminder (cont.)

$$X \in \Sigma \Leftrightarrow \Phi(X) \in \Phi(\Sigma)^* \Leftrightarrow \Phi(\Sigma) \in \Phi(X)^*$$

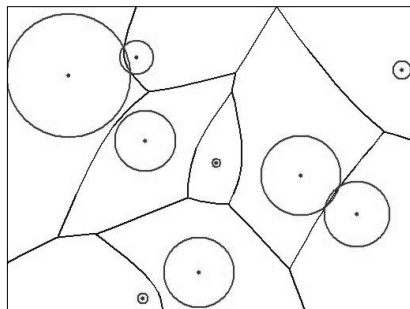
$$X \in \text{ext}(\Sigma) \Leftrightarrow \Phi(X) \in \Phi(\Sigma)^{*+} \Leftrightarrow \Phi(\Sigma) \in \Phi(X)^{*+}$$

$$X \in \text{int}(\Sigma) \Leftrightarrow \Phi(X) \in \Phi(\Sigma)^{-} \Leftrightarrow \Phi(\Sigma) \in \Phi(X)^{-}$$

### Conclusion

The complexity of the Voronoi diagram of  $n$  points in  $E^d$  is  $\Theta(n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$  in the worst case. We can compute such a diagram in  $O(n \log n + n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$  time, which is optimal in the worst case.

## Voronoi Diagrams with Non-Euclidean Metrics



# Power Diagrams

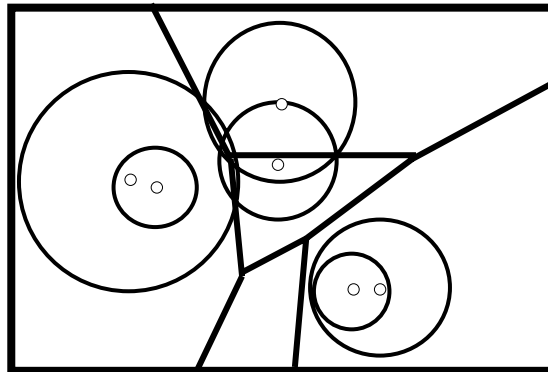
## Definition:

Let  $S = \{\Sigma_1, \dots, \Sigma_n\}$  be a set of  $n$  spheres in  $E^d$ . To each  $\Sigma_i$  corresponds a region defined by:

$$P(\Sigma_i) = \{X \in E^d : \Sigma_i(X) \leq \Sigma_j(X), i \neq j\}$$

The regions  $P(\Sigma_i)$  and their faces are called the **power diagram** of  $S$  and denoted by  $\text{Pow}(S)$ .

## Power Diagrams (cont.)



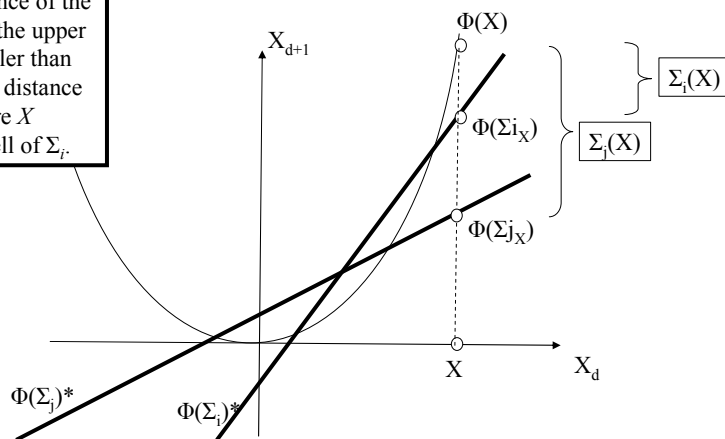
## Power Diagrams (cont.)

Let  $P(S)$  be the intersection of the halfspaces bounded below by the polar hyperplanes  $\Phi(\Sigma_1)^*, \dots, \Phi(\Sigma_n)^*$ .

**Theorem 18.1.1:**  $\text{Pow}(S)$  is a cell complex in  $E^d$ . Its faces are obtained by projecting  $P(S)$  from  $E^{d+1}$  to  $E^d$ .

## Power Diagrams (cont.)

The signed distance of the point  $\Phi(\Sigma_{iX})$  on the upper envelope is smaller than any other signed distance  $\Phi(\Sigma_{jX})$ . Therefore  $X$  belongs to the cell of  $\Sigma_i$ .



# Power Diagrams - Conclusion

**Theorem 18.1.2:** The complexity of the power diagram of  $n$  spheres in  $E^d$  is  $\Theta(n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$ . The diagram can be computed in  $O(n \log n + n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$  time.

## Comments

- There can be redundant hyperplanes (spheres with an empty region).
- The spheres may be imaginary (i.e.,  $\|X-C\|^2 + r^2 = 0$ ).
- Any polytope in  $E^{d+1}$  corresponds to a power diagram.

# Higher-Order Power Diagrams

## Definition:

Let  $S_k$  be a subset of  $S$  of size  $k$ .

$$P(S_k) = \{X \in E^d : \sum_i(X) \leq \sum_j(X), \sum_i \in S_k, \sum_j \in S \setminus S_k\}$$

The structure  $P(S_k)$  is called the **power cell of  $S_k$** . The union of non-empty power cells is called the **power diagram of order  $k$  of  $S$**  and is denoted by  $\text{Pow}_k(S)$ .



# Higher-Order Power Diagrams and Levels of Arrangements

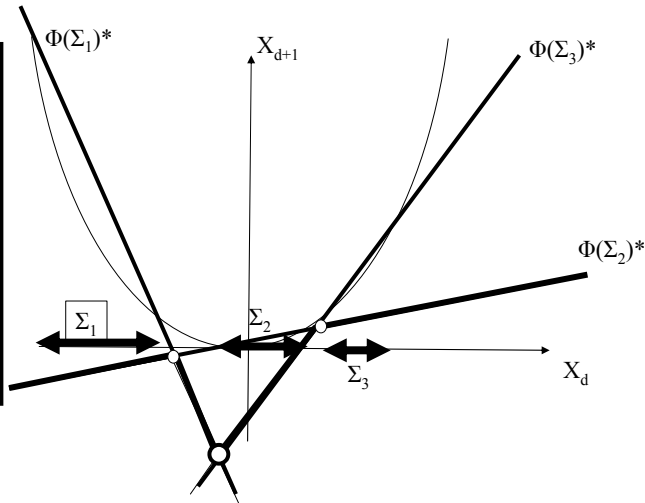
Let  $A(S)$  be the arrangement of  $\Phi(\Sigma_1)^*, \dots, \Phi(\Sigma_n)^*$ , the polar hyperplanes of spheres in  $S$ .

**Theorem 18.1.3:** The  $k$ -order diagram of  $S \text{ Pow}_k(S)$  is obtained by projecting the faces of the cells at level  $k$  of the arrangement  $A(S)$ , onto  $E^d$ .

The  $l$ -faces of  $\text{Pow}_k(S)$  ( $l < d$ ) are obtained by projecting the  $l$ -faces common to at least two cells of  $A(S)$  at level  $k$ .

# Higher-Order Power Diagrams and Levels of Arrangements (cont.)

The 2-order diagram corresponds to level 2 in the arrangement of polar hyperplanes. Note that not all the 1-faces (vertices in the figure) are projected to the diagram.



# Higher-Order Power Diagrams

## Conclusions

**Theorem 18.1.4:** The complexity of the first  $k$  power diagrams of a set of  $n$  spheres in  $E^d$  is  $O(n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil} k^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$ . These  $k$ -diagrams can be computed in  $O(n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil} k^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$  time if  $d > 2$  and in  $O(nk^2 \log(n/k))$  time if  $d = 2$ .

## Affine Diagrams

An **affine diagram** is a diagram in which the locus of points equidistant from two sites (bisector) is a hyperplane.

To any affine diagram correspond a set of bisectors  $H_{ij}$  that satisfy the relation:

$$H_{ij} \cap H_{jk} = H_{ij} \cap H_{ik} = H_{ik} \cap H_{jk} = I_{ijk}$$

The diagram is said to be **simple** if the  $I_{ijk}$  are disjoint and not empty.

## Affine Diagrams and Power Diagrams

**Theorem 18.2.1:** Any simple affine diagram in  $E^d$  is the power diagram of a set of spheres in  $E^d$ .

### General Idea of Proof:

Constructing a set of  $n$  hyperplanes  $P_1, \dots, P_n$  in  $E^{d+1}$  such that the vertical projection of  $P_i \cap P_j$  is  $H_{ij}$ . Then for each  $P_i$  corresponds a sphere  $\Sigma_i = \Phi^{-1}(P_i^*)$  whose polar hyperplane is exactly  $P_i$  and  $H_{ij}$  is the radical hyperplane between  $\Sigma_i$  and  $\Sigma_j$ .

## Affine Diagrams and Power Diagrams

**Theorem 18.2.2:** The affine diagram whose hyperplanes  $H_{ij}$  have equations:

$$-2(C_i - C_j) \cdot X + \sigma_i - \sigma_j = 0$$

is the power diagram of the spheres  $\Sigma_i$  with center  $C_i$  and power  $\sigma_i$ .

**Proof:**  $H_{ij}$  can be written as  $\Sigma_i(X) - \Sigma_j(X) = 0$ .

# Voronoi Diagrams for Quadratic Distance

For two points  $X, A \in E^d$ , the **general quadratic distance** from  $A$  to  $X$  is:

$$\delta_Q(X, A) = (X - A)\Delta (X - A)^t + \rho(A)$$

Where  $\rho(A) \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $\Delta$  is a real symmetric  $d \times d$  matrix.

# Voronoi Diagrams for Quadratic Distance (cont.)

All diagrams we have met so far have been special cases of Voronoi diagrams for quadratic distances.

- Standard Voronoi diagrams:  $\Delta = I_d$  and  $\rho(A) = 0$ .
- Power diagrams:  $\Delta = I_d$  and  $\rho(A) \neq 0$ .
- Furthest-neighbor diagrams:  $\Delta = -I_d$  and  $\rho(A) = 0$ .

# Voronoi Diagrams for Quadratic Distance - Conclusion

**Theorem 18.2.3:** The Voronoi diagram of  $n$  points for an arbitrary general quadratic distance in  $E^d$  has complexity  $\Theta(n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$ .

It can be computed in  $O(n \log n + n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$  time in the worst case.

**Proof:** For any pair of points, the bisector is a hyperplane and thus (by 18.2.1) the diagram is an affine diagram.

# Weighted Diagrams: Introduction

An alternative representation for Voronoi diagrams:

For each site  $M_i$  there is a cone

$$C(M_i): X_{d+1} = \delta(X, M_i) = \|X - M_i\|$$

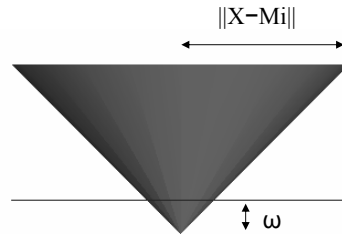
Which has apex  $(M_i, 0)$  and an opening angle of  $\pi/4$ .

## Weighted Diagrams: Introduction (cont.)

**Observation 1:** For an additive distance function

$$\delta(X, M_i) = \|X - M_i\| - \omega,$$

The cone has apex  $(M_i, -\omega)$



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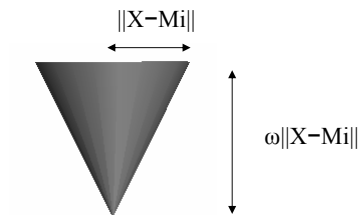
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## Weighted Diagrams: Introduction (cont.)

**Observation 2:** For a multiplicative distance function

$$\delta(X, M_i) = \omega \|X - M_i\|,$$

The cone has an opening angle of  $\arctan(1/\omega)$ .

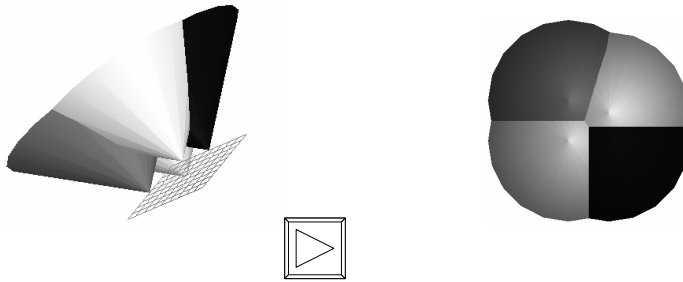


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## Weighted Diagrams: Introduction (cont)

The projection of the lower envelope of the cones  
onto  $E^d$  is the Voronoi diagram  $\text{Vor}(M)$ .



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## Weighted Diagrams: Additive Weight

Let  $M = \{M_1, \dots, M_n\}$  be a set of  $n$  points in  $E^d$ . To each point  $M_i$  corresponds a real  $r_i$  called the weight of  $M_i$ . The additive weight distance from  $X$  to  $M_i$  is:

$$\delta(X, M_i) = \|X - M_i\| - r_i,$$

The Voronoi diagram of  $M$  with additive weights is denoted  $\text{Vor}_+(M)$ .

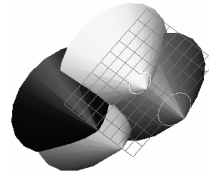
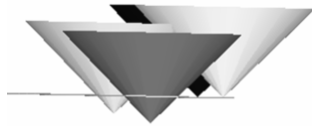
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# Weighted Diagrams: Additive Weight

To get  $\text{Vor}_+(M)$  we will set each cone apex at  $(M_i, r_i)$ .  
The projection of the lower envelope of the cones onto  $E^d$  is  $\text{Vor}_+(M)$ .

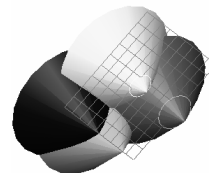
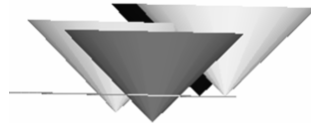
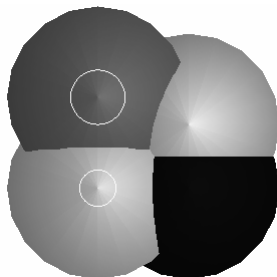
We will show that this can be done by computing a power diagram in  $E^{d+1}$ .



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# Weighted Diagrams: Additive Weight



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## Weighted Diagrams: Additive Weight

The set of equidistant points from two points of  $M$  is the projection of the intersection of two cones:

$$C_1: (X_{d+1} + r_1)^2 = \|X - M_1\|^2, \quad X_{d+1} + r_1 > 0$$

$$C_2: (X_{d+1} + r_2)^2 = \|X - M_2\|^2, \quad X_{d+1} + r_2 > 0$$

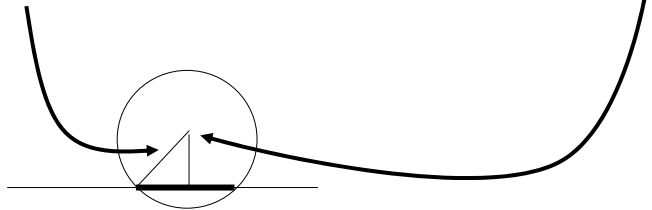
The intersection of the two cones is contained in the hyperplane  $H_{12}$ :

$$H_{12}: -2(M_1 - M_2) \cdot X - 2(r_1 - r_2) X_{d+1} + M_1^2 - M_2^2 + r_2^2 - r_1^2$$

Q: In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , what does that make the bisector curves?

## Weighted Diagrams: Additive Weight

Let  $\Sigma_i'$  be the sphere (in  $E^{d+1}$ ) centered at  $(M_i, r_i)$  and of radius  $r_i\sqrt{2}$  (the intersection of  $\Sigma_i'$  with  $E^d$  is  $\Sigma_i$ ).



What do we need  $\Sigma_i'$  for? We will see that the Voronoi cell  $\text{Vor}_+(M_i)$  corresponds to the power diagram cell of  $\Sigma_i'$ .

## Weighted Diagrams: Additive Weight

**Theorem:** The cell of  $\text{Vor}_+(M)$  that corresponds to  $M_i$  is the projection of the intersection of the cone  $C_i$  and the cell of  $\Sigma_i'$  in the power diagram.

**Proof:** Let  $X_i$  be the point  $(X, x_{d+1}) \in E^{d+1}$ .

$X \in \text{Vor}_+(M_i) \Leftrightarrow$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 (x_{d+1} + r_i)^2 = \|X - M_i\|^2 \text{ and} & \left. \begin{array}{l} X_i \text{ is on } C_i \text{ and} \\ X_i \text{ is below all } C_j \end{array} \right\} \\
 (x_{d+1} + r_j)^2 \leq \|X - M_j\|^2, j \neq i & \\
 \Leftrightarrow \Sigma_i'(X_i) \leq \Sigma_j'(X_i), j \neq i & \left. \right\} X_i \text{ is in the cell of } \Sigma_i'.
 \end{array}$$

## Weighted Diagrams: Additive Weight

The additive diagram can thus be computed as follows:

1. Compute  $\Sigma_i'$  for  $i=1, \dots, n$ .
2. Compute the  $E^{d+1}$  power diagram of the  $\Sigma_i'$ 's.
3. For all  $i=1, \dots, n$  project onto  $E^d$  the intersection with the cone  $C_i$  of the cell of the power diagram that corresponds to  $\Sigma_i'$ .

# Weighted Diagrams: Additive Weight - Conclusions

**Theorem 18.3.1:** The Voronoi diagram of a set of  $n$  points in  $E^d$  with additive weights, has complexity  $O(n^{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor + 1})$  and can be computed in  $O(n^{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor + 1})$  time.

**Note:** For  $d=2$ , this is not optimal since each cell is connected (cones of  $\pi/4$  angle), and thus (why?) the diagram has complexity  $O(n)$ .

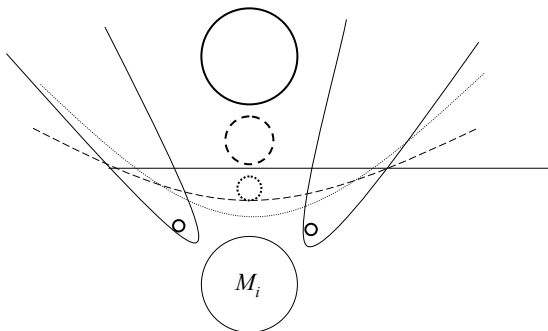


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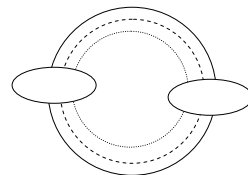
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# Weighted Diagrams: Additive Weight - Conclusions

An example of an  $O(n^2)$  cell in dimension 3:



Side view



View from below

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# Weighted Diagrams: Multiplicative Weight

Let  $M = \{M_1, \dots, M_n\}$  be a set of  $n$  points in  $E^d$ . To each point  $M_i$  corresponds a positive real number  $\rho(M_i)$  called the weight of  $M_i$ . The **multiplicative distance** from  $X$  to  $M_i$  is:

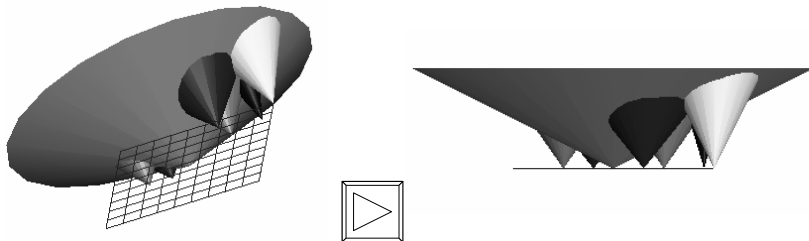
$$\delta(X, M_i) = \rho(M_i) \|X - M_i\|,$$

The Voronoi diagram of  $M$  with multiplicative weights is denoted  $\text{Vor}_*(M)$ .

# Weighted Diagrams: Multiplicative Weight

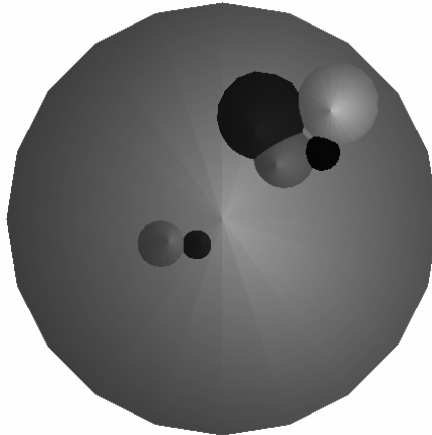
For each  $M_i$  there is a cone given by:

$$C(\Sigma_i): X_{d+1} = \rho(M_i) \|X - M_i\|,$$



## Weighted Diagrams: Multiplicative Weight

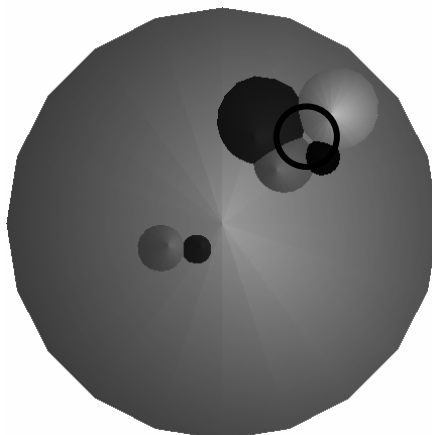
- The projection of the lower envelope of the cones  $C_i$  onto  $E^d$  is exactly  $\text{Vor}_*(M)$ .



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## Weighted Diagrams: Multiplicative Weight

- Note that the cell of the diagram need not be connected.



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# Weighted Diagrams: Multiplicative Weight

The set of all points at equal distance from the sites  $M_i$  and  $M_j$  (the bisector) is the sphere:

$$X^2 - 2 \frac{\rho_i M_i - \rho_j M_j}{\rho_i - \rho_j} \cdot X + \frac{\rho_i M_i^2 - \rho_j M_j^2}{\rho_i - \rho_j} = 0$$

$$X^2 - 2 \frac{\rho_i M_i - \rho_j M_j}{\rho_i - \rho_j} \cdot X + \frac{\rho_i M_i^2 - \rho_j M_j^2}{\rho_i - \rho_j} = 0$$

# Weighted Diagrams: Multiplicative Weight

The bisector sphere is represented in  $E^{d+1}$  as the point:

$$\Phi(\Sigma_{ij}) = \left( \frac{\rho_i M_i - \rho_j M_j}{\rho_i - \rho_j}, \frac{\rho_i M_i^2 - \rho_j M_j^2}{\rho_i - \rho_j} \right)$$

and its polar hyperplane  $H_{ij}$  (with respect to the paraboloid  $P$ ) is:

$$(\rho_i - \rho_j) X_{d+1} - (2\rho_i M_i + 2\rho_j M_j) \cdot X + \rho_i M_i^2 - \rho_j M_j^2 = 0$$

## Weighted Diagrams: Multiplicative Weight

We denote by  $\Sigma_i$  the spheres in  $E^{d+1}$  centered at  $(\rho_i M_i, -\rho_i/2)$  and  $\sigma_i = \rho_i M_i^2$ , which have  $H_{ij}$  as their radical hyperplanes.

**Theorem:** The cell  $\text{Vor}_*(M_i)$  in  $\text{Vor}_*(M)$  is the projection of the intersection of the paraboloid  $P$  with the cell  $P(\Sigma_i)$  in the power diagram of the  $\Sigma_i$ 's .

## Weighted Diagrams: Multiplicative Weight

**Theorem:** The cell  $\text{Vor}_*(M_i)$  in  $\text{Vor}_*(M)$  is the projection of the intersection of the paraboloid  $P$  with the cell  $P(\Sigma_i)$  in the power diagram of the  $\Sigma_i$ 's .

**Proof:**

$$X \in \text{Vor}_*(M_i) \Leftrightarrow \rho_i(X-M_i)^2 \leq \rho_j(X-M_j)^2, \text{ for all } i \neq j$$

$$\Leftrightarrow H_{ij}(X, X^2) \leq 0, \text{ for all } i \neq j$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \Sigma_i(\Phi(X)) \leq \Sigma_j(\Phi(X)) \text{ , for all } i \neq j$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \Phi(X) \text{ is in the cell } P(\Sigma_i).$$

# Weighted Diagrams: Multiplicative Weight

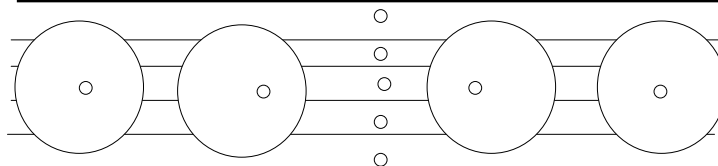
The multiplicative diagram can thus be computed as follows:

1. Compute  $\Sigma_i$  for  $i=1, \dots, n$ .
2. Compute the  $E^{d+1}$  power diagram of the  $\Sigma_i$ 's.
3. For all  $i=1, \dots, n$ , project the intersection of the cell of the power diagram that corresponds to  $\Sigma_i$ , with the paraboloid  $P$ .

# Weighted Diagrams: Multiplicative Weight - Conclusions

**Theorem 18.3.2:** The Voronoi diagram of a set of  $n$  points in  $E^d$  with multiplicative weights, has complexity  $O(n^{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor + 1})$  and can be computed in  $O(n^{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor + 1})$  time.

**Example of an  $O(n^2)$  diagram in dimension 2:**  $n/2$  points are put on a vertical line and given the same weight, and  $n/2$  points on a horizontal line with an identical larger weight.





## $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$

The  $L_1$  distance from a point  $X$  to a point  $A$  in  $E^d$  is defined as:

$$\delta_1(X, A) = \sum_{i=1}^d |X_i - A_i|$$

Let  $M = \{M_1, \dots, M_n\}$  be a set of  $n$  points in  $E^d$ .

The Voronoi diagram of  $M$  for the  $L_1$  distance is denoted  $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$ .

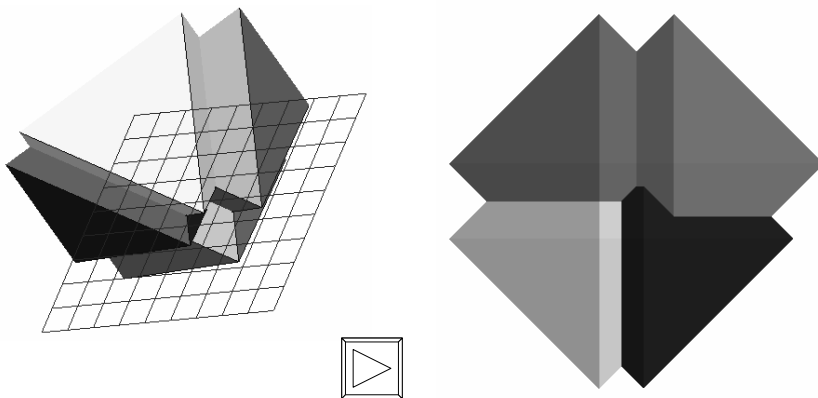
## $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$

To each point  $M_i$  there corresponds a pyramid  $P_i$  of equation:

$$X_{d+1} = \delta_1(X, M_i)$$

The vertical projection of the lower envelope of the pyramids is the diagram  $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$ .

# $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$



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# $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$

The complexity of the diagram  $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$  can be bounded by the complexity of the lower envelope of  $n$   $d$ -simplices in  $E^{d+1}$ :

$$|\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)| = O(n^d \alpha(n))$$

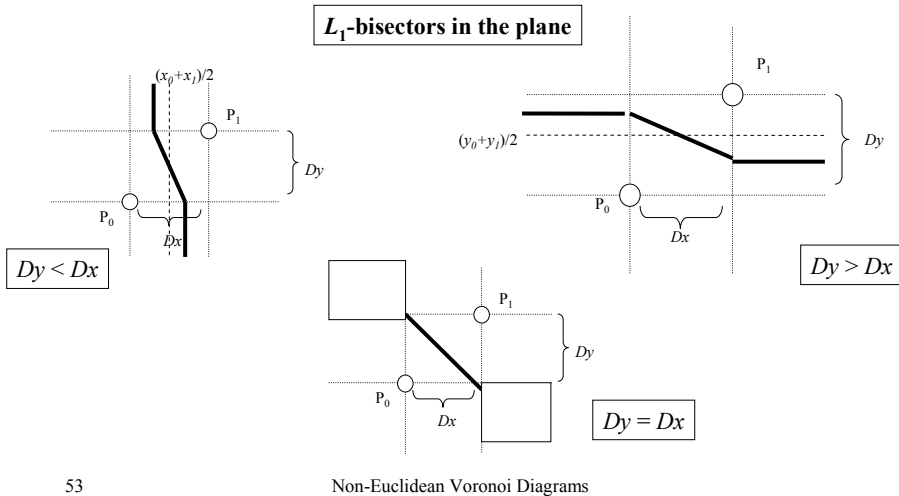
Where  $\alpha(n)$  is an inverse of Ackerman's function.

**Conjecture:** For points in general position this bound is not attained (we prove this for  $d=2$ ).

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# $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$ in the Plane



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# $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$ in the Plane

Points are in  **$L_1$ -general position** if no two points are connected by a line parallel to one of the main bisectors, and no four points belong to a common co-cube.

If  $M$  is in  $L_1$ -general position in the plane then:

- The bisectors are polygonal lines consisting of three line segments (two of which are rays).
- $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$  contains  $n$  connected cells.

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## $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$ in the Plane

The diagram of  $n$  points in  $L_1$ -general position is a planar map with  $n$  cells whose vertices have degree two or three and whose edges consist of at most three segments.

From Euler's relation we get:

**The complexity of  $\text{Vor}_{L_1}(M)$  (for points in general position) in the plane is  $O(n)$ .**

## $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)$

The  $L_\infty$  distance from a point  $X$  to a point  $A$  in  $E^d$  is defined as:

$$\delta_\infty(X, A) = \max_{i=1..d} |X_i - A_i|$$

Let  $M = \{M_1, ..M_n\}$  be a set of  $n$  points in  $E^d$ .

The Voronoi diagram of  $M$  for the  $L_\infty$  distance is denoted  $\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)$ .

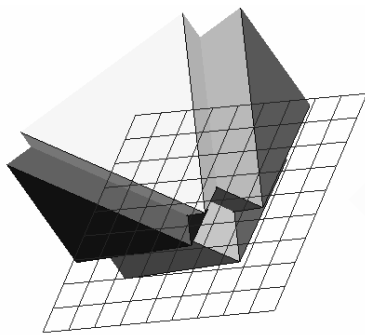
# $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)$

To each point  $M_i$  there corresponds a pyramid  $Q_i$  of equation:

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The vertical projection of the lower envelope of the pyramids is the diagram  $\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)$ .

# $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)$



## $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)$

The complexity of the diagram  $\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)$  can be bounded by the complexity of the lower envelope of  $n$   $d$ -simplices in  $E^{d+1}$ :

$$|\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)| = O(n^d \alpha(n))$$

Where  $\alpha(n)$  is an inverse of Ackerman's function.

## $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)$ in the Plane

Points are in  $L_\infty$ -**general position** if no two points are connected by a line parallel to the axes, and no four points belong to a common co-cube whose facets are parallel to the coordinate axes.

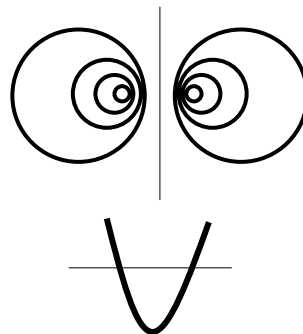
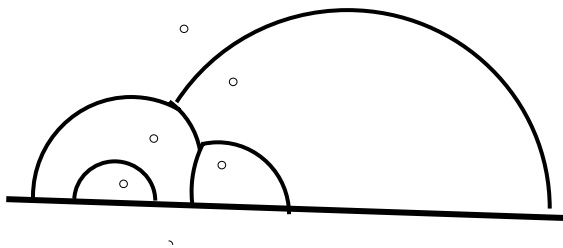
If  $M$  is in  $L_\infty$ -general position the  $O(n^d \alpha(n))$  bound is not attained.

# $L_1$ and $L_\infty$ Metrics: Computing $\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)$

If the points are in  $L_\infty$ -general position then the complexity of  $\text{Vor}_{L_\infty}(M)$  is the same as that of  $\text{Vor}(M)$ , namely,  $O(n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$ .

For the case of  $d=2$ , this is easy to see – rotate the coordinate system by an angle of  $\pi/4$  and the diagram is equivalent to an  $L_1$ -diagram.

## Application - Voronoi Diagrams in Hyperbolic Space



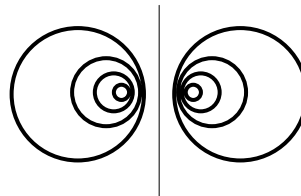
# Voronoi Diagrams in Hyperbolic Space

## Pencils of Spheres:

A **pencil of spheres** in  $E^d$  is a set of spheres that are affine combinations of two given spheres  $\Sigma_1$  and  $\Sigma_2$ :

$$F = \left\{ \Sigma : \begin{cases} \exists \lambda \in R, \forall X \in E^d, \\ \Sigma(X) = \lambda \Sigma_1(X) + (1 - \lambda) \Sigma_2(X) \end{cases} \right\}$$

Lifted to  $E^{d+1}$  with the mapping  $\Phi$ ,  
the pencil  $F$  is mapped to the line  
 $\Phi(F)$  connecting  $\Phi(\Sigma_1)$  and  $\Phi(\Sigma_2)$



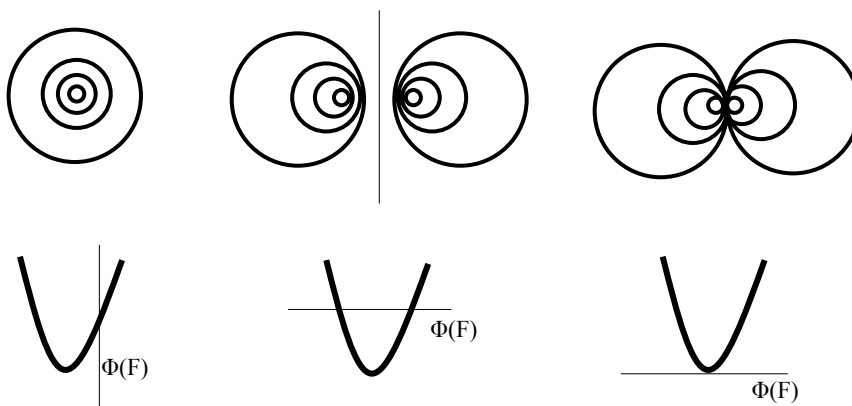
# Voronoi Diagrams in Hyperbolic Space (Cont.)

## Pencils Types:

- If  $\Phi(F)$  intersects the paraboloid  $P$  in only one point, then  $\Phi(F)$  is a *pencil of concentric spheres*.
- If  $\Phi(F)$  intersects  $P$  in two points, then  $\Phi(F)$  is a *pencil with two limit points*.
- If  $\Phi(F)$  is tangent to  $P$ , then  $\Phi(F)$  is a *tangent pencil* (two limit points coincide).
- If the line  $\Phi(F)$  does not intersect  $P$ , then  $\Phi(F)$  is a *pencil with supporting sphere*.



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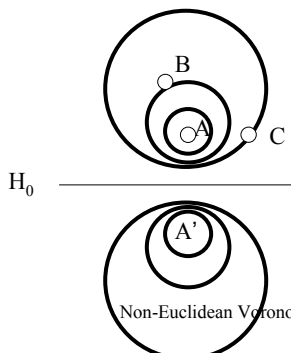


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## Voronoi Diagrams in Hyperbolic Space (Cont.)

Let  $H_0$  be the hyperplane  $X_d=0$ , and let  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  be points on the halfspace  $X_d>0$ .  $F_A$  is defined to be the pencil with two limit points  $A$  and  $A'$ , where  $A'$  denoted the symmetric of  $A$  with respect to  $H_0$ .



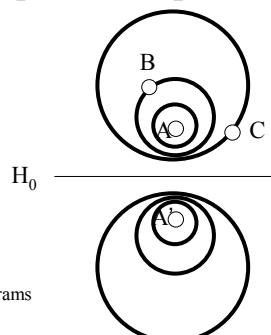
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# Voronoi Diagrams in Hyperbolic Space (Cont.)

## Closer point comparison in hyperbolic space:

Given two points  $B$  and  $C$  and an additional point  $A$ , the point  $B$  is closer than  $C$  to  $A$  for a hyperbolic distance, if the sphere  $F_A$  that passes through  $B$  has a smaller radius than that of the sphere that passes through  $C$ .



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# Voronoi Diagrams in Hyperbolic Space (Cont.)

$$X \in V_h(M_i)$$

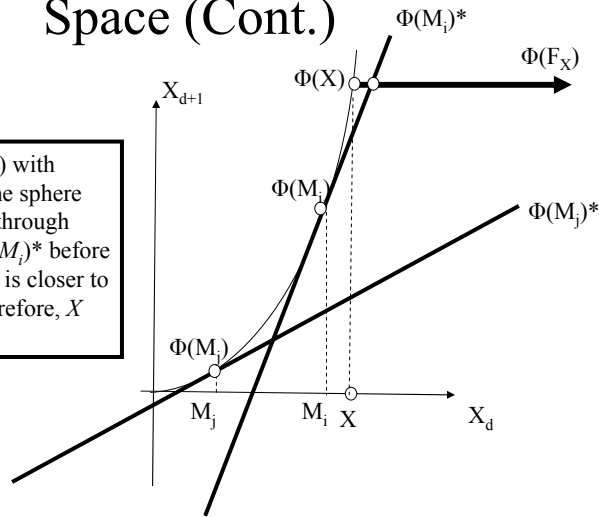
- If and only if the interior of the sphere in the pencil  $F_X$  that passes through  $M_i$  contains no point of  $M$ . }  $X$  is closer to  $M_i$  than to any other point in  $M$ .
- If and only if the ray parallel to the  $X_d$  axis originating at  $\Phi(X)$  (which corresponds to  $\Phi(F_X)$ ) intersects the hyperplane  $\Phi(M_i)^*$  before any other polar hyperplane  $\Phi(M_j)^*$ . } The sphere of the pencil  $F_X$  that passes through  $M_i$  does not contain any other pencil sphere that passes through  $M_j$ .

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## Voronoi Diagrams in Hyperbolic Space (Cont.)

The intersection of  $\Phi(F_X)$  with  $\Phi(M_i)^*$  corresponds to the sphere of the pencil that passes through  $M_i$ . Since it intersects  $\Phi(M_i)^*$  before any other hyperplane,  $M_i$  is closer to  $X$  than any other  $M_j$ . Therefore,  $X$  belongs to the cell of  $M_i$ .



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## Voronoi Diagrams in Hyperbolic Space (Cont.)

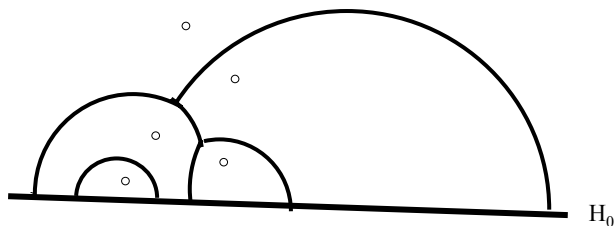
- The bisector surface of two points in hyperbolic distance is a half-sphere.
- A point  $X$  is equidistant from  $d+1$  points  $M_0, \dots, M_d$  iff  $\Phi(X)$  is the parallel-to-the- $X_d$ -axis projection of  $\bigcap_{i=0}^d \Phi(M_i)^*$ , onto the half-paraboloid.
- The hyperbolic Voronoi diagram can thus be obtained by  $X_d$ -parallel-projecting the polytope  $V(M) = \bigcap \Phi(M_i)^*$  onto the half-paraboloid, then projecting the result vertically onto the hyperplane  $X_{d+1}=0$ .

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## Voronoi Diagrams in Hyperbolic Space - Conclusion

- The complexity of the hyperbolic Voronoi diagram of  $n$  points in the hyperbolic half-space  $\{X_d > 0\}$  is  $\Theta(n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$ . We can compute such a diagram in  $O(n \log n + n^{\lceil d/2 \rceil})$ .



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