

L6: Distances

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Modeling

- mathematical properties
- math to data properties

• efficiency

Distance

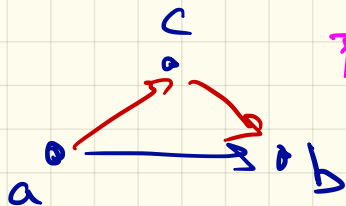
$$d : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

Range

space that data lies in
ex: \mathbb{R}^d , $\{G=(V,E)\}$, text

Metric

- (M1) $d(a,b) \geq 0$ (non-negativity)
- (M2) $d(a,b) = 0$ iff $a=b$ (identity)
- (M3) $d(a,b) = d(b,a)$ (symmetry)
- (M4) $d(a,b) \leq d(a,c) + d(c,b)$ (triangle inequality)



pseudometric M1, M3, M4

quasimetric M1, M2, M4

$$\text{Data} \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_d) \quad b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_d)$$

L_p - distances

$$D_p(a, b) = \|a - b\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^d (|a_i - b_i|)^p \right)^{1/p}$$

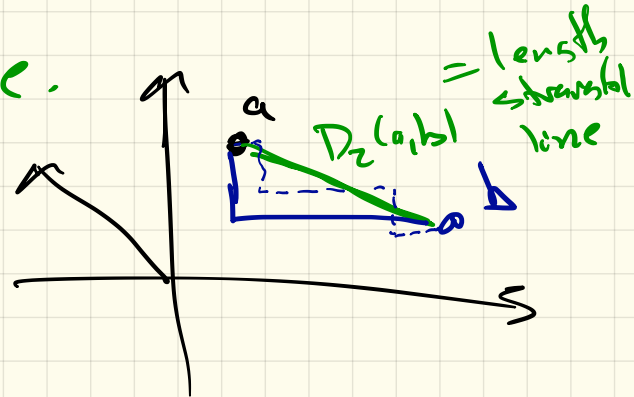
$p \in [1, \infty) \Rightarrow$ metric

consider $p = 2, 1, \infty, 0$

L_2 distance

$$D_2(a, b) = \|a - b\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (a_i - b_i)^2}$$

Euclidean distance.



$$(7, -2)$$

$$(-1, 1)$$

$$\left(|7|^3 + |-2|^3 \right)^{1/3} = (27 + 27)^{1/3}$$

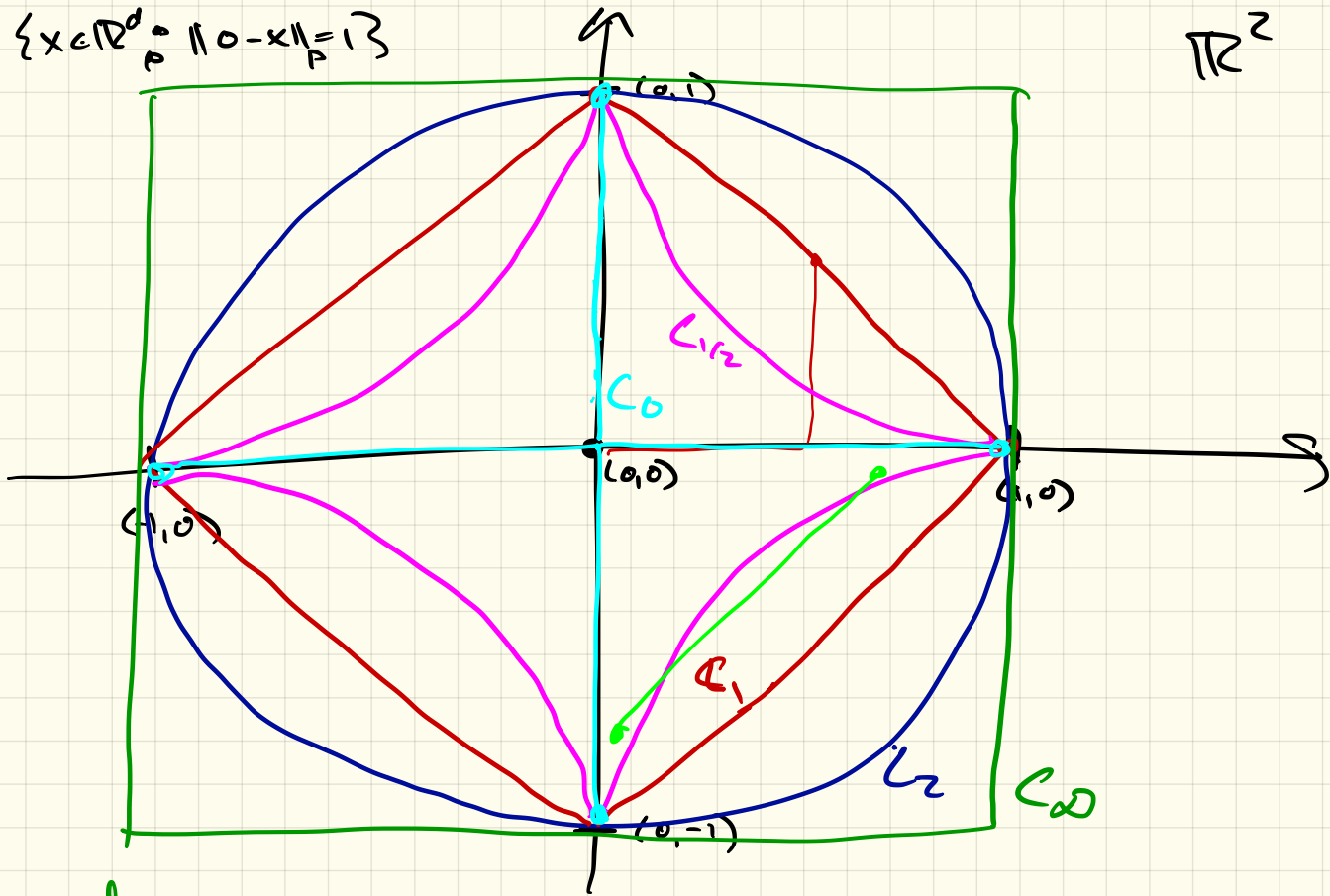
L_1 - distance

$$D_1 = \|a - b\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^d |a_i - b_i|$$

Manhattan Distance

SLC - distance

$$C_P = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid \|0-x\|_P = 1\}$$

 \mathbb{R}^2


$$L_\infty = \max_{i=1}^d |a_i - b_i|$$

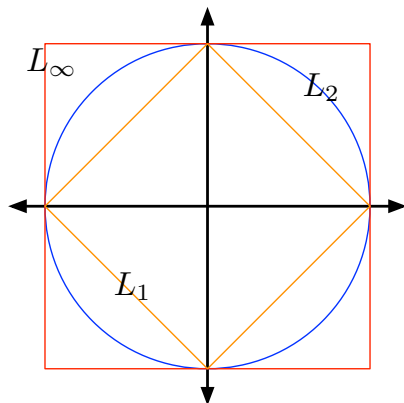
$L_0 \approx$ counting how many matches
= Hamming Distance

Lp Distances and Unit Balls

For $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_d)$ and $b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$L_p: d_p(a, b) = \|a - b\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^d (|a_i - b_i|)^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

Let $a = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$ and $\|a - b\|_p = 1$.



$L_0 = \frac{1}{d}$ (# mismatches)

Lp Distances and Units

Distance Metric Learning

For $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_d)$ and $b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$L_p: d_p(a, b) = \|a - b\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^d (|a_i - b_i|)^p \right)^{1/p}$$



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250,000	→	250,000
2400	→	2250
1847	→	104
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Mahalanobis Distance

Requires a $d \times d$ matrix M

$$D_M(a, b) = \sqrt{(a-b)^T M (a-b)}$$

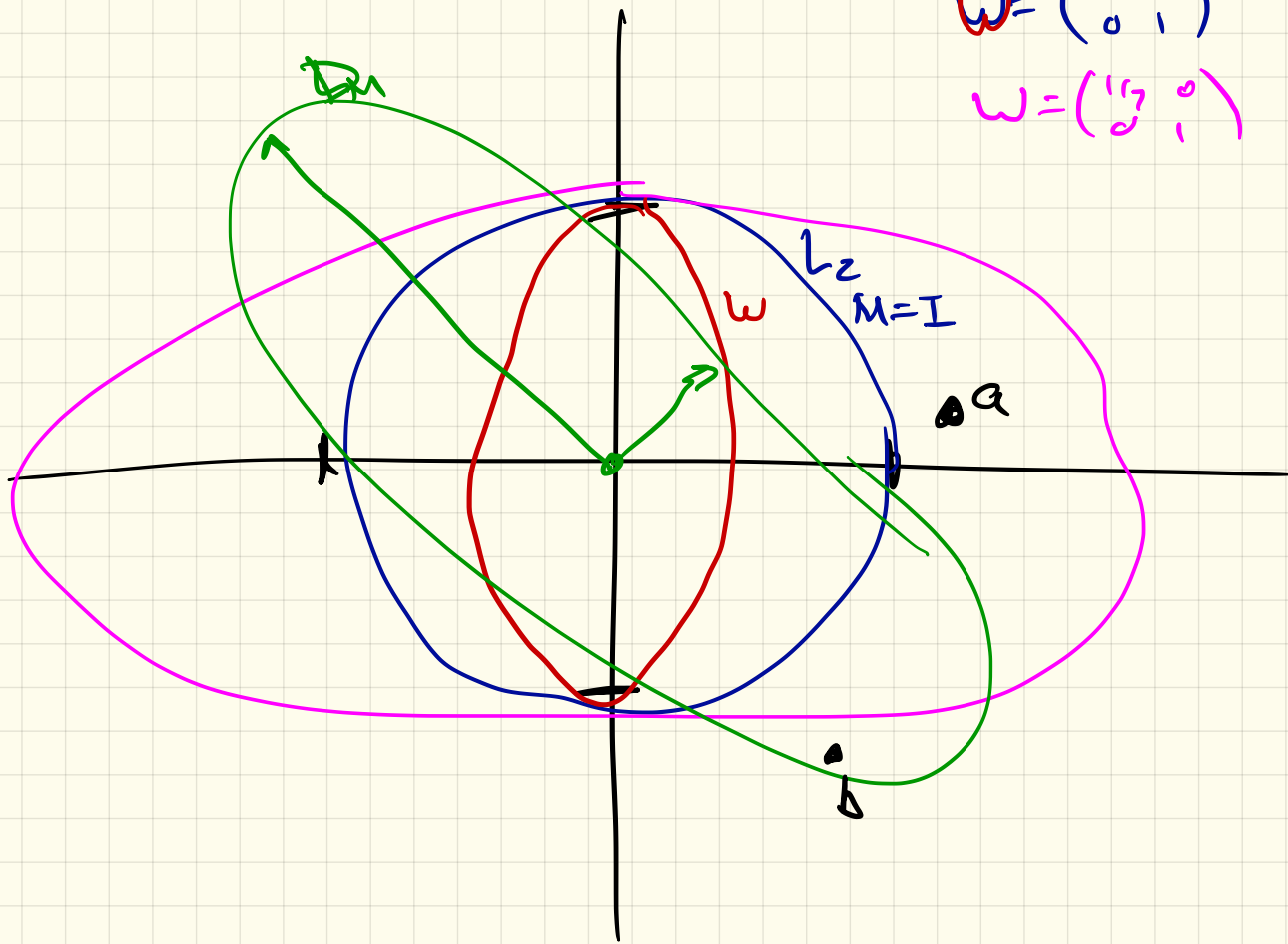
if $M = I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $D_M = D_2$

if $M = W = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 & & 0 \\ & w_2 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & w_d \end{pmatrix}$

$$= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d w_i (a_i - b_i)^2}$$

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Jaccard Distances

$$D_J(A, B) = 1 - JS(A, B)$$

metric

$$= 1 - \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|} = \frac{|A \Delta B|}{|A \cup B|}$$

Cosine Distance

pseudometric

$$\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$a = (a_1, \dots, a_d) \quad b = (b_1, \dots, b_d)$$

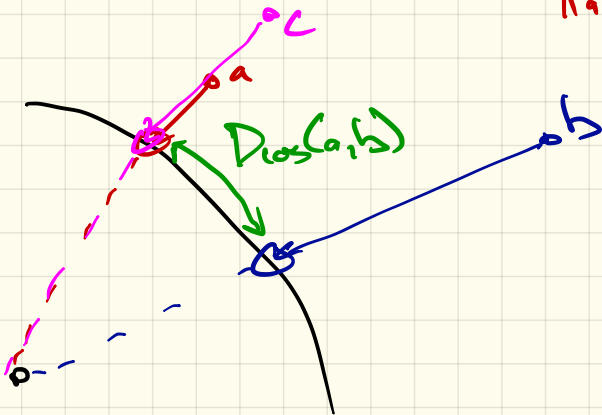
often each $a_i \geq 0$

↑ common

bag-of-words

$$D_{\cos}(a, b) = 1 - \frac{\langle a, b \rangle}{\|a\| \cdot \|b\|} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^d a_i b_i}{\|a\| \cdot \|b\|}$$

$$= 1 - \left\langle \frac{a}{\|a\|}, \frac{b}{\|b\|} \right\rangle$$



LStable.

KL - Divergence (Information Distance)

$a = (a_1, \dots, a_d)$ come from counts

$$\downarrow$$
$$\hat{a} = \frac{a}{\|a\|_1}$$

$$\sum_{c=1}^d |\hat{a}_c| = 1$$

↑ probability distribution

$$d_{KL}(a, b) = \sum_{i=1}^d a_i \ln \left(\frac{a_i}{b_i} \right)$$

$$d_{H1}(a, b) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (\sqrt{a_i} - \sqrt{b_i})^2}$$

Edit Distance

$D_{edit}(a, b)$ $a = \text{string of text}$

changes needed to
get to a from b

$a = cat \rightarrow hats = b \quad = D_{edit} = ?$

$c \rightarrow h$ cat
 $+ s$ $hats$

not
2 stable