

Last time

- short reviews from probability
  - variance & tail bounds
  - Gaussians & CLT
- Distinct els
- Similarity search & dimension reduction

Today

Locality sensitive hashing (LSH)  
 => efficient approx. similarity search

Similarity search, NNS

large collection of data items

- $x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^k$
- notion of distance (or equivalently similarity)  
 $d(x, y) = \text{dist between } x \text{ \& } y$

2 problems:

① Find all pairs  $i, j$  s.t.  
 $d(x^{(i)}, x^{(j)}) \leq r$

Naive:  
 $O(n^2 k)$

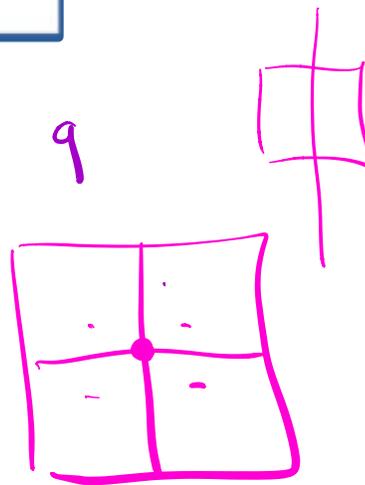
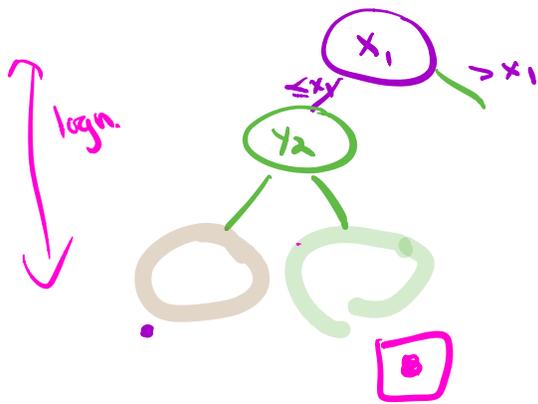
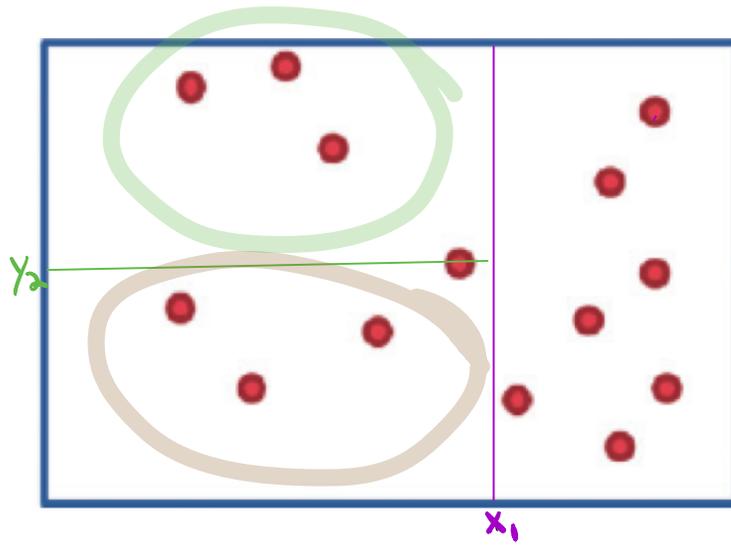
② Preprocess database & then efficiently respond to queries

★ query  $q \in \mathbb{R}^k$   
 return all pts  $x^{(i)}$  in DB s.t.  
 $d(q, x^{(i)}) \leq r$

$O(nk)$  / query

If  $k$  small, say  $< 15$ , there are space partitioning data structures that are reasonably efficient

k-d trees



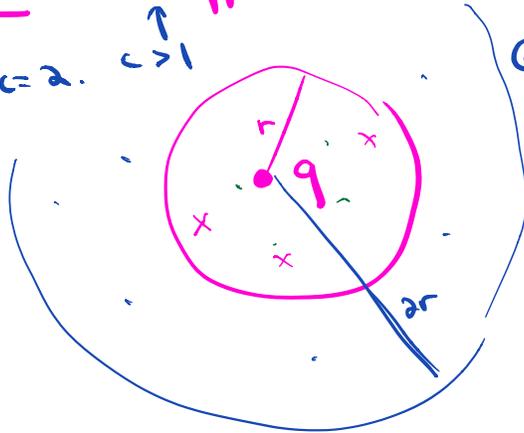
curse of dimensionality.

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# LSH

## c-approx r-nearest neighbors problem

think  $c=2$ .



Given query pt  $q$ , return

- all pts  $x^{(i)}$  s.t.  $d(x^{(i)}, q) \leq r$  (w.h.p.)
- may return some pts  $x^{(i)}$  s.t.  $d(x^{(i)}, q) \leq c \cdot r$

### Primitive

$\mathcal{H}$ : family of hash fns that map pts  $\in \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow$

$\mathcal{H}$  is  $(r, cr, p_1, p_2)$ -sensitive if  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^k$

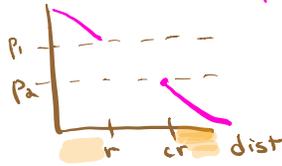
If  $d(x, y) \leq r \Rightarrow \Pr_{h \in \mathcal{H}} (h(x) = h(y)) \geq p_1$

If  $d(x, y) \geq cr \Rightarrow \Pr_{h \in \mathcal{H}} (h(x) = h(y)) \leq p_2$   
 $p_2 < p_1$

$d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{identical } x=y \\ \infty & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$



} defn.



Example: Suppose pts  $\in \{0, 1\}^k$

$\{0, 1\}^k \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

$\mathcal{H} = \{h(x) = x_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq k\}$

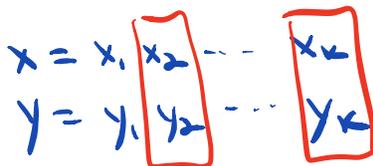
$d(x, y) = \text{Hamming dist} = \sum_{i=1}^k \mathbb{1}_{x_i \neq y_i}$

(# bits where different)

$d(x, y) \leq r$   
 $\underline{p_1} = \Pr(h(x) = h(y)) \geq 1 - \frac{r}{k} \approx e^{-\frac{r}{k}}$

$d(x, y) \geq cr$

$p_2 = \Pr(h(x) = h(y)) \leq 1 - \frac{cr}{k} \approx e^{-\frac{cr}{k}}$



$(r, cr, 1 - \frac{r}{k}, 1 - \frac{cr}{k})$  family of hash fns.

combine these hash fns to amplify difference between  $p_1$  &  $p_2$

$$h(x) \in [0,1]^d$$

$$g(x) \in [0,1]^d$$

①  $g(x) = [h_1(x), h_2(x), \dots, h_\ell(x)]$

Purpose: reduce chance that pts that are far away map to same value.

ANO step  $q, y \quad d(q, y) \geq cr$

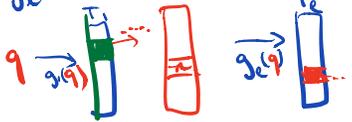
$$\Pr(g(q) = g(y)) \leq p_2^d$$

②  $g_1(x) = [h_{11}(x), h_{12}(x), \dots, h_{1\ell}(x)]$

$$g_2(x) = [h_{21}(x), h_{22}(x), \dots, h_{2\ell}(x)]$$

$$\vdots$$

$$g_\ell(x) = [h_{\ell 1}(x), h_{\ell 2}(x), \dots, h_{\ell \ell}(x)]$$



③ On query  $q$ , compute  $g_1(q), \dots, g_\ell(q)$

OR  $S_q = \{x^{(i)} \mid g_j(x^{(i)}) = g_j(q) \text{ for some } 1 \leq j \leq \ell\}$

④ compute  $d(q, x) \quad \forall x \in S_q$

output all of those that have  $d(q, x) \leq r$

$$d(x, q) < r$$

$$\Pr(x \notin S_q) =$$

$$\Pr(g_1(x) \neq g_1(q), g_2(x) \neq g_2(q), \dots, g_\ell(x) \neq g_\ell(q))$$

$$= (\Pr(g_1(x) \neq g_1(q)))^\ell$$

$$= 1 - \Pr(g_1(x) = g_1(q))$$

$$= 1 - \Pr(h_{11}(x) = h_{11}(q), \dots, h_{1\ell}(x) = h_{1\ell}(q))$$

$$\leq (1 - p_1^d)^\ell \approx e^{-p_1^d \cdot \ell}$$

$$d = \frac{\log n}{\log(\frac{1}{p_2})}$$

$$\ell = n^2$$

where we are:

- preprocessing time:  $n \cdot \ell \cdot d$  hash fn computations

- space:  $n \cdot \ell + \text{actual pts}$

- exp time to process query:

$\ell d$  (hash fn computations)

+  $E(\# \text{ far } > cr \text{ pts that are in } S_q)$

$$\leq \ell \cdot n \cdot p_2^d$$

- Prob miss a close pt  $\rightarrow 1$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - p_1^d)^\ell$$

$\mathcal{X}$  is  $(r, cr, p_1, p_2)$ -sensitive  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^k$

If  $d(x, y) \leq r \Rightarrow \Pr_{\text{next}}(h(x) = h(y)) \geq p_1$

If  $d(x, y) \geq cr \Rightarrow \Pr_{\text{next}}(h(x) = h(y)) \leq p_2$

dist fn.

start w/  $r, c$

get  $\mathcal{X}(r, cr, p_1, p_2)$

need to select

- $d$
- $\ell$

$$\text{set } n p_2^d = 1$$

$\equiv \leq 1$  bad pt per table

$$d = \frac{\log n}{\log(\frac{1}{p_2})}$$

$$\Pr(\text{missing close pt}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$p_1^d \cdot \ell = 1$$

$$\ell = n \cdot \frac{\log(\frac{1}{p_1})}{\log(\frac{1}{p_2})}$$

$$\frac{\log(\frac{1}{p_1})}{\log(\frac{1}{p_2})} \triangleq \rho$$

$$p_1 = \frac{1}{2} \quad p_2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$l = n^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Where we are:

- preprocessing time:  $n \cdot l \cdot d$  hash fn computatns  $\leftarrow n \cdot n^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \log n / \log(\frac{1}{p_2})$

- space:  $n \cdot l$  + actual pts  $n^{\frac{1}{2}} + pts$

- exp time to process query:  
 $ld$  (hash fn computatns)  
 $+ E(\# \text{ far pts that are in } S_q)$

$$\leq l \cdot n \cdot p_2^d$$

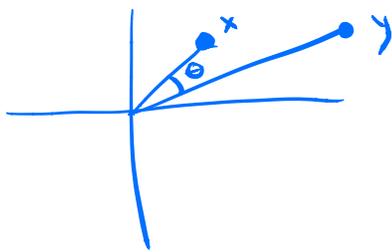
- Prob miss a close pt  $\Rightarrow (1 - p_1^d)^l$

$$n^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\log n}{\log(\frac{1}{p_2})} + n^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{e}$$

Cosine similarity

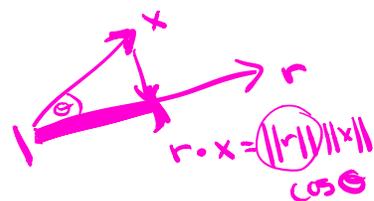
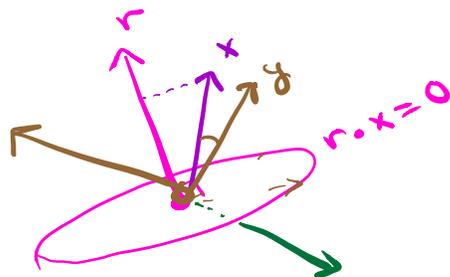
$$x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^k$$



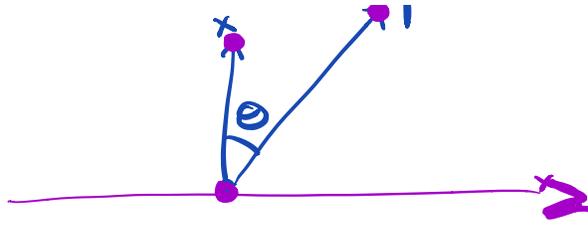
similar (close) if  $\theta \leq \theta_1$   $\geq p_1$   
 for  $\theta \geq \theta_2$   $\leq p_2$

$$h: \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

$$h(x) = \text{sign}(r \cdot x) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} r = (r_1, \dots, r_k) \\ r_i \sim N(0, 1) \\ \text{indep} \end{array} \right.$$



$$\text{sign}(r \cdot x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } r \cdot x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } r \cdot x < 0 \end{cases}$$



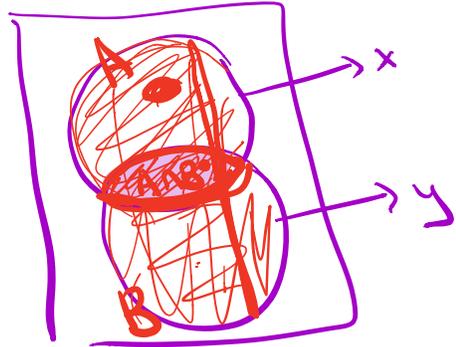
## Jaccard Similarity

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$x_i = \begin{cases} \# \text{ occurrences of word } i \text{ in doc} & \text{word } i \text{ is in doc} \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$J(x, y) = \frac{\sum_i \min(x_i, y_i)}{\sum_i \max(x_i, y_i)}$$

$$= \frac{|\text{intersection}|}{|\text{union}|}$$



$$x = (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0)$$

$$\pi = 5, 3, 2, 4, 7, 1, 6$$

$$h_\pi(x) = 0, 1$$

$$\Pr(h_\pi(x) = h_\pi(y)) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}$$

$$\pi^l = 7, 2, 4, \dots$$

$$h_{\pi^l}(x) = 4$$