Accelerating Metric Filtering by Improving Bounds on Estimated Distances

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## Metric Filtering

## Topic

- Let $q, o, p$ are objects in metric space $(D, d)$

The upper-bound:
$d(q, o) \leq d(q, p)+d(o, p)$
The lower-bound:
$d(q, o) \geq|d(q, p)-d(o, p)|$
Isometric Embedding to Euclidean Space

- The isometric embedding of $q, o, p$ into 2D Euclidean space is always possible, $\rightarrow$ let's compute angles in the triangle
- Notation:


Tight Bounds on $c$ ?

- Two angles out of $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ must be zero, and one $180^{\circ}$ to have any of the bounds on c tight
- This practically never happens in contempo rary data
- $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ are always (nearly precisely) limited:

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\Omega_{\min } \leq \alpha, \beta, \gamma \leq \Omega_{\max }
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We enhance triangle inequalities with information about range of angles $\Omega_{\text {min }}, \Omega_{\text {max }}$ in triangles to improve the tightness of the bounds on unknown distances.

If the angles limitation $\Omega_{\min }, \Omega_{\max }$ holds, then newly derived bounds on $c$ are correct.

## Newly Derived Bounds on c

New Bounds on $c$-Examples

| $\left[\Omega_{\min }, \Omega_{\max }\right]$ | Upper-bound | Lower-bound | (Very new) lower-bound |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\left[0^{\circ}, 180^{\circ}\right]$ | $c \leq(a+b) \cdot 1$ | $c \geq\|a-b\| \cdot 1$ | $c \geq(a+b) \cdot 0$ |
| $\left[60^{\circ}, 60^{\circ}\right]$ | $c \leq(a+b) \cdot 0.5$ | indef. exp. | $c \geq(a+b) \cdot 0.5$ |
| $\left[20^{\circ}, 100^{\circ}\right]$ | $c \leq(a+b) \cdot 0.815$ | $c \geq\|a-b\| \cdot 1.347$ | $c \geq(a+b) \cdot 0.174$ |
| $\left[20^{\circ}, 80^{\circ}\right]$ | $c \leq(a+b) \cdot 0.742$ | $c \geq\|a-b\| \cdot 1.532$ | $c \geq(a+b) \cdot 0.174$ |
| $\left[25^{\circ}, 120^{\circ}\right]$ | $c \leq(a+b) \cdot 0.869$ | $c \geq\|a-b\| \cdot 1.294$ | $c \geq(a+b) \cdot 0.216$ |
| $\left[25^{\circ}, 90^{\circ}\right]$ | $c \leq(a+b) \cdot 0.752$ | $c \geq\|a-b\| \cdot 1.570$ | $c \geq(a+b) \cdot 0.216$ |
| $\left[30^{\circ}, 100^{\circ}\right]$ | $c \leq(a+b) \cdot 0.778$ | $c \geq\|a-b\| \cdot 1.580$ | $c \geq(a+b) \cdot 0.259$ |
| $\left[30^{\circ}, 80^{\circ}\right]$ | $c \leq(a+b) \cdot 0.684$ | $c \geq\|a-b\| \cdot 1.938$ | $c \geq(a+b) \cdot 0.259$ |

Consequences of Imprecise Angles Limitation $\Omega_{\text {min }}, \Omega_{\text {max }}$

- In practice, metric spaces guarantee just atrivial limitation $\left[\Omega_{\min }, \Omega_{\max }\right]=\left[0^{\circ}, 180^{\circ}\right]$
- We still can set $\left[\Omega_{\min }, \Omega_{\text {max }}\right]$ experimentally
- Then, we lose the certainty that the bounds on $c$ are correct
- We define the decomposition of all triangles into classes that correspond to the correctness of new bounds on distance $c$
- Each bound on $c$ is either 'tight',' 'correct but not tight', or 'wrong'
- 15 classes of triangles exist (Some combinations do not exist)
- This allows to set $\left[\Omega_{\min }, \Omega_{\mathrm{max}}\right.$ ] to provide extremely precise bounds on $c$ (more precisely: such that they almost do not lead to false negatives and false positives)

- All triangles $\triangle a, b, c$ can be depicted as single points:
- $x$-axis expresses the size of angle $\beta$
- $y$-axis expresses the size of angle $\alpha$
- We assume $\beta \geq \alpha$, and $\alpha+\beta \leq 180^{\circ}$ without a loss of generality (see the video). Thus focus on a space below black lines
- Coloured curves assume
$\left.\Omega_{\text {min }}, \Omega_{\text {max }}\right]=\left[30^{\circ}, 8\right.$
- Decomposition of triangles according to the correctness of new bounds on $c$
- All bounds on $c$ are correct iff the point describing a triangle is between colour curves

Results
Visualisation of Real-life Data


Fig.: MPEG7 descriptors
sampled from triang ife data, nearest neighbours.

- Coloured curves visualise angles limitation $\left[\Omega_{\min }, \Omega_{\max }\right.$ used in experiments


## Derived Bounds \& Experiments

Selected angles limitation $\left[\Omega_{\min }, \Omega_{\max }\right.$ ], and new bounds on $c$ \begin{tabular}{|l|l|l|}
\hline$\left[\Omega_{\text {min }}, \Omega_{\text {max }}\right]$ \& {$\left[\Omega_{\text {min }}, \Omega_{\text {max }}\right]$} \& {$\left[\Omega_{\text {min }}, \Omega_{\text {max }}\right]$} <br>
\hline$\left[28^{\circ}, 0^{\circ}\right]$ <br>
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\hline $\left.28^{\circ}, 90^{\circ}\right]$ \& {$\left[8^{\circ}, 86^{\circ}\right]$} \& $\left.c 30^{\circ}, 80^{\circ}\right]$ <br>
\hline$c \geq 1.66 \cdot|b-a|$ \& $c \geq 0.07 \cdot(b+a)$ \& $c \leq 0.68 \cdot(b+a)$ <br>
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\hline $12^{\circ}, 84^{\circ}$ \& {$\left[3^{\circ}, 88.5^{\circ}\right.$} \& {$\left[20^{\circ}, 85^{\circ}\right.$} <br>
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\hline$c \geq 1.26 \cdot|b-a|$ \& $c \geq 0.03 \cdot(b+a)$ \& $c \leqq 0.76 \cdot(b+a)$ <br>
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\hline$\left[8^{\circ}, 86^{\circ}\right]$ \& {$\left[4^{\circ}, 88^{\circ}\right]$} \& {$\left[40^{\circ}, 90^{\circ}\right]$} <br>
\hline$c>1.16 \cdot|b-a|$ \& $c>0.04 \cdot(b+a)$ \& $c<0.71 \cdot(b+a)$ <br>
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\end{tabular}

Increase of saved distance computations:


Metric filtering with 256 pivots, 1M data, 1000 query objects, 10NN queries Box-plots: values over particular
query objects
Bark: pure triangle inequalities, light: new bound

- The evaluation with new bounds is approximate. Nevertheless:
- 999 out of 1000 answers to 10 NN query contain ALL 10 NN in case of all datasets
- The median query answer size is 10 in case of all datasets

