

5.2 If  $\rho$  is a metric, is  $\rho^2$  a metric?

It is trivial to see that  $\rho^2$  satisfies 3 of the 4 required properties: nonnegativity, symmetry, and reflexivity. It does not satisfy triangle inequality.

$\rho$  is a metric implies:  $\rho(a,b) + \rho(b,c) \geq \rho(a,c)$  (1)

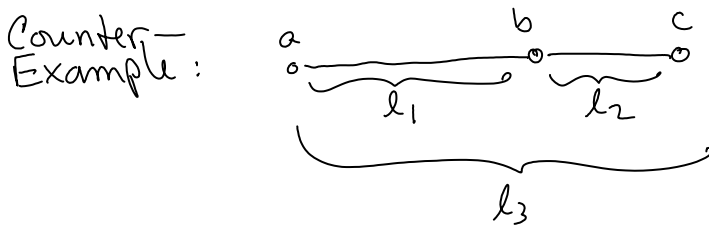
$$\Rightarrow \rho^2(a,b) + \rho^2(b,c) + 2\rho(a,b)\rho(b,c) \geq \rho^2(a,c) \quad (2)$$

Suppose  $\rho^2$  is a metric. Then we must have:

$$\rho^2(a,b) + \rho^2(b,c) \geq \rho^2(a,c) \quad (3)$$

Since  $p \geq 0$ ,  $2p(a,b)p(b,c) \geq 0$ . When  $2p(a,b)p(b,c)$  is strictly positive, then (2) could be satisfied when (3) is not.  $\therefore$  (3) is not always satisfied.

$\therefore \rho^2$  is not a metric.



using  $L_2$  norm:  $l_1^2 + l_2^2 < l_3^2$

5.3. Is  $\rho(x, x') = \begin{cases} 1 & \forall x \neq x' \\ 0 & \text{if } x = x' \end{cases}$  a metric?

Requirements:

Non neg:  $\rho(x, x') \geq 0$  ✓ Yes

Reflex:  $\rho(x, x) = 0$  ✓ Yes

Symmetry:  $\rho(x, x') = \rho(x', x)$  ✓ Yes

Tri Ineq.:  $\rho(x, x') + \rho(x', x'') \geq \rho(x, x'')$  ✓ Yes

for Triangle Ineq, there are 3 cases:

①  $x, x', x''$  are distinct  
 ② all are equal  
 ③ two are distinct

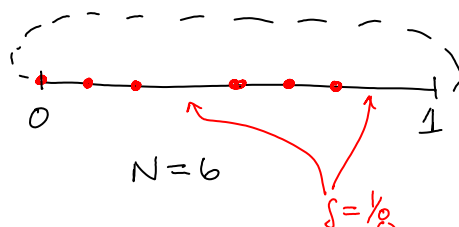
} Triangle Ineq. is satisfied in all cases.

Yes,  $\rho$  is a metric

5.6 Determine dispersion  $\delta$  of a van der Corput sequence on the circle. Let  $P$  denote a set of samples. Then  $\delta(P)$  is:

$$\delta(P) = \sup_{x \in X} \left\{ \min_{p \in P} \{ \rho(x, p) \} \right\}$$

$\delta(P)$  on  $S^1$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$  the largest clear interval



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$$N=6$$

$$\delta = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\text{where } k = \lfloor \log_2(N) \rfloor$$

↑ floor function

$$\text{and } N = |P| = \# \text{ of samples}$$

- 5.9 Determine formula for dispersion  $\delta$  after  $i$  samples of a van der Corput sequence in base  $p$  on  $[0,1]/\sim$ .

Create table of dispersion for base 3 and observe the critical aspects to derive formula.

Let  $L$  = length of longest interval.

$L$  drops by  $1/3$  for each  $i$

$L$  drops by  $1/3^2$  after each 3 pts

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$i$	$\alpha(i)$	length longest interval
1	0.000	$3/3$
2	0.100	$2/3$
3	0.200	$1/3 = 3/9$
4	0.010	$3/9$
5	0.110	$3/9$
6	0.210	$2/9$
7	0.020	$2/9$
8	0.120	$2/9$
9	0.220	$3/27$
10-17	$\vdots$	$3/27$
18-26	$\vdots$	$2/27$
27-53	$\vdots$	$3/81$
54-80	$\vdots$	$2/81$

$$\delta = \frac{1}{2 \cdot p^x} \left[ 1 - \frac{(\lfloor \frac{i}{p^x} \rfloor - 1)}{p} \right]$$

$$\text{where } x = \lfloor \log_p(i) \rfloor$$

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5.13 Show that for any set of points in  $[0, 1]^n$  a range space  $\mathcal{R}$  can be designed so that the discrepancy is as close to 1 as desired

$$D(P, \mathcal{R}) = \sup_{R \in \mathcal{R}} \left\{ \frac{|P \cap R|}{N} - \frac{\mu(R)}{\mu(X)} \right\}$$

where  $N = |P| = \# \text{ samples}$

$\mu(\cdot)$  is the measure of a space (Area)  
volume

$\mathcal{R}$  is any one of a collection of subsets of  $X$

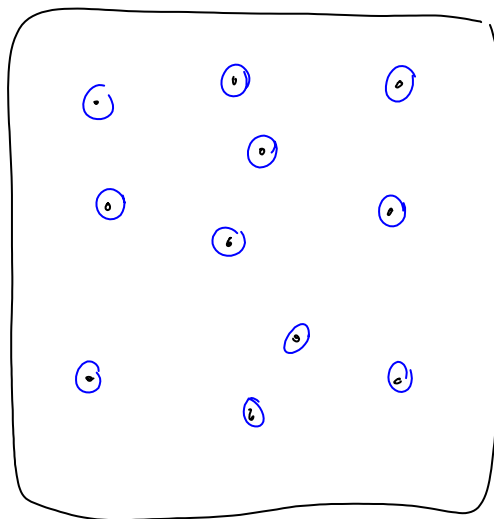
Example Soln:

$P$  is a set of points

$R$  is a set of open  
discs  $\ni$

$$P \cap R = P$$

This gives first term  
of  $D$  expression = 1



Now make  $\mu(R)/\mu(X)$  go to zero

Since  $\mu(X) = \text{constant} > 0$ , as long as  $\mu(R) \rightarrow 0$   
then we have the required result.

Letting the radius of the circles of  $R$  go to  
zero gives  $\mu(R) \rightarrow 0$  q.e.d.