# On algorithms for computation of the Tukey depth 

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## Statistical data depth

A data depth measures, how "close" a given point is located to the "center" of a distribution. For $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ and a $d$-variate random vector $X$ distributed as $P \in \mathcal{P}$, a data depth is a function

$$
D: \mathbb{R}^{d} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow[0,1],(\boldsymbol{x}, P) \mapsto D(\boldsymbol{x} \mid P)
$$

that is:

- affine invariant: $D(A x+b \mid A X+b)=D(\boldsymbol{x} \mid X)$;
- vanishing at infinity: $\lim _{\|x\| \rightarrow \infty} D(x \mid X)=0$;
- monotone w.r.t. the deepest point: for any $\boldsymbol{x}^{*} \in \operatorname{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}} D(\boldsymbol{x} \mid X)$, any $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$, and any $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ it holds: $D(\boldsymbol{x} \mid X) \leq D\left(\boldsymbol{x}^{*}+\alpha\left(\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{x}^{*}\right) \mid X\right)$;
- upper semicontinuous in x : the upper-level sets $D_{\tau}(X)=\left\{\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}: D(\boldsymbol{x} \mid X) \geq \tau\right\}$ are closed for all $\tau$;
- (quasiconcave in $\mathbf{x}$ ): the upper-level sets are convex for all $\tau$.


## Tukey (halfspace, location) depth

Tukey (1975) - "Mathematics and the picturing of data"
Tukey depth of $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ w.r.t. a $d$-variate random vector $X$ distributed as $P$ is defined as the smallest probability mass of a closed halfspace containing $\mathbf{x}$ :

$$
D^{T}(\boldsymbol{x} \mid X)=\inf \{P(H): H \text { is a closed halfspace, } \boldsymbol{x} \in H\}
$$

and w.r.t. a data set $\boldsymbol{X}=\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{1}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}_{n}\right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^{d}$ :

$$
D^{T(n)}(\boldsymbol{x} \mid \boldsymbol{X})=\frac{1}{n} \min _{\boldsymbol{u} \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}} \sharp\left\{i: \boldsymbol{u}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \geq \boldsymbol{u}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}\right\} .
$$

Other depth notions: Mahalanobis ('36), projection (Stahel, '81; Donoho, '82), simplicial volume (Oja, '83), simplicial (Liu, '90), zonoid (Koshevoy, Mosler, '97), spatial (Vardi, Zhang, '00; Serfling, '02) depth.

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## Tukey-trimmed regions

Tukey depth defines a family of (depth-)trimmed (central) regions $D_{\tau}^{T}(X)$, the upper-level sets of the depth function:

$$
D_{\tau}^{T}(X)=\left\{x \in \mathbb{R}^{d}: D^{T}(\boldsymbol{x} \mid X) \geq \tau\right\} .
$$

## Properties:

## Depth:

- Affine invariant;
- Vanishing at infinity;
- Monotone w.r.t. deepest point;
- Upper-semicontinuous;
- Quasiconcave.


## Regions:

Affine equivariant;
Bounded;
Nested;
Closed;
Convex.

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Tukey (=halfspace, location) data depth


## Tukey (=halfspace, location) depth region

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## Applications of data depth:

- Multivariate data analysis (Liu, Parelius, Singh '99);
- Statistical quality control (Liu, Singh '93);
- Cluster analysis and classification (Mosler, Hoberg '06; Li, Cuesta-Albertos, Liu '12; M., Mosler, Lange '15);
- Tests for multivariate location, scale, symmetry (Liu '92; Dyckerhoff '02; Dyckerhoff, Ley, Paindaveine '15);
- Outlier detection (Hubert, Rousseeuw, Segaert '15);
- Multivariate risk measurement (Cascos, Mochalov '07);
- Robust linear programming (Bazovkin, Mosler '15);
- Missing data imputation (M., Josse, Husson '18);
- etc.

R-package ddalpha (Pokotylo, M., Dyckerhoff, Nagy):
calculates a number of depths; performs depth-based classification of multivariate and functional data; contains 50 multivariate and 5 functional data sets.

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## Theoretical background

- Reminder: Tukey depth of $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ w.r.t. a data set $\boldsymbol{X}$ is:

$$
D^{T(n)}(\boldsymbol{x} \mid \boldsymbol{X})=\frac{1}{n} \min _{\boldsymbol{p} \in \mathbb{R}^{d} \backslash\{0\}} \sharp\left\{i: \boldsymbol{p}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \geq \boldsymbol{p}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}\right\}
$$

- Due to the affine-invariance property we can rewrite:

$$
D^{T(n)}\left(\boldsymbol{z} \mid \boldsymbol{x}_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right)=D^{T(n)}\left(\mathbf{0} \mid \mathbf{x}_{1}-\boldsymbol{z}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}_{n}-\boldsymbol{z}\right)
$$

- We call a vector $\boldsymbol{p} \in \mathbb{R}^{d} \backslash\{\mathbf{0}\}$ optimal for the data set $\boldsymbol{X}$ if

$$
D^{T(n)}(\mathbf{0} \mid \boldsymbol{X})=\frac{1}{n} \#\left\{i \mid \boldsymbol{p}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \geq 0\right\}
$$

- For $\boldsymbol{p} \neq \mathbf{0}$ we define:

$$
I_{\boldsymbol{p}}^{+}=\left\{i \mid \boldsymbol{p}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}>0\right\}, \quad I_{\boldsymbol{p}}^{0}=\left\{i \mid \boldsymbol{p}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}=0\right\}, \quad I_{\boldsymbol{p}}^{-}=\left\{i \mid \boldsymbol{p}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}<0\right\}
$$

## Proposition

If $\boldsymbol{p} \neq 0$ is optimal for $\boldsymbol{X}$, then $I_{\boldsymbol{p}}^{0}=\emptyset$, i.e., no data points lie on the boundary of the closed halfspace defined by $\boldsymbol{p}$.

## Theoretical background: Illustration



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## Main result

- Denote by $\mathcal{L}_{k}$ the set of all subsets $/$ of order $k$ of $\{1, \ldots, n\}$ such that the points $\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right)_{i \in I}$ are linearly independent.
- For any $I \in \mathcal{L}_{k}$ with $I=\left\{i_{1}, \ldots, i_{k}\right\}$, let $\boldsymbol{P}_{I}=\left[\boldsymbol{x}_{i_{1}}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}_{i_{k}}\right]$.
- For any $I \in \mathcal{L}_{k}$ with $I=\left\{i_{1}, \ldots, i_{k}\right\}$, let $\boldsymbol{a}_{1}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{a}_{d-k}$ be a basis of the orthogonal complement of $\operatorname{span}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i_{1}}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}_{i_{k}}\right)$ and $\boldsymbol{A}_{I}$ the matrix whose columns are the $\boldsymbol{a}_{\boldsymbol{i}}$.
- Denote by $I^{C}$ the complement of a set $I$.
- For a set $I=\left\{i_{1}, \ldots, i_{k}\right\}$ of indices, we denote by $I^{*}=\left\{j \mid \boldsymbol{x}_{j} \in \operatorname{span}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i_{1}}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}_{i_{k}}\right), j=1, \ldots, n\right\}$ the set of all indices $j$ such that $\boldsymbol{x}_{j}$ is contained in the linear hull of $\boldsymbol{x}_{i_{1}}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}_{i_{k}}$.


## Theorem

For each $k$ such that $1 \leq k<d$ it holds that

$$
n \cdot D^{T(n)}(\mathbf{0} \mid \boldsymbol{X})=\min _{l \in \mathcal{L}_{k}}\left[n \cdot D^{T(n)}\left(\mathbf{0} \mid \boldsymbol{A}_{l}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{X}_{\left(I^{*}\right)^{c}}\right)+n \cdot D^{T(n)}\left(\mathbf{0} \mid \boldsymbol{P}_{l}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{X}_{I^{*}}\right)\right]
$$

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## Example: combinatorial algorithm with $k=d-2$

1: function NHD_Comb2 $\left(d, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right)$
$\triangleright$ Halfspace depth of 0
2: if $d=1$ then return $\operatorname{NHD} 1\left(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right)$
3: if $d=2$ then return $\operatorname{NHD} 2\left(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right)$
4: $\quad n_{\text {min }} \leftarrow n$
5: for each subset $I \subset\{1, \ldots, n\}$ of order $d-2$ do

6:
7:
8:
9:
10:
11:
12:
13:
14:
15:
16:
17:
18: if $\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{\boldsymbol{i}}\right)_{i \in I}$ linearly independent then

Compute basis $\boldsymbol{a}_{1}, \boldsymbol{a}_{2}$ of orthogonal complement of $\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right)_{i \in I}$
$\boldsymbol{A}_{I} \leftarrow \operatorname{Matrix}\left[\boldsymbol{a}_{1}, \boldsymbol{a}_{2}\right]$
$\boldsymbol{P}_{I} \leftarrow \operatorname{Matrix}\left[\boldsymbol{x}_{i_{1}}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}_{\boldsymbol{i}_{d-2}}\right]$
for all $x_{j}$ do
if $\boldsymbol{A}_{l}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{j} \neq 0$ then $\boldsymbol{y}_{j} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{A}_{l}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{j}$
else $z_{j} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{P}_{l}^{\prime} x_{j}$
$I \leftarrow \#\left\{j: \boldsymbol{A}_{l}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{j} \neq \mathbf{0}\right\}$
$n_{\text {new }} \leftarrow \operatorname{NHD} 2\left(\boldsymbol{y}_{j_{1}}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{y}_{j_{i}}\right)$
if $n-I>d-2$ then

$$
n_{\text {new }} \leftarrow n_{\text {new }}+\text { NHD_ComB2 }\left(d-2, \boldsymbol{z}_{j_{1}}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{z}_{j_{n-1}}\right)
$$

if $n_{\text {new }}<n_{\text {min }}$ then $n_{\text {min }} \leftarrow n_{\text {new }}$
return $n_{\text {min }}$

## Combinatorial algorithm: Illustration


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## Time of depth calculation (sec.): $k=1, d-2, d-1$

|  | $n=40$ | 80 | 160 | 320 | 640 | 1280 | 2560 | 5120 | 10240 | 20480 | 40960 | 81920 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $d=3$ | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.011 | 0.047 | 0.184 | 0.780 | 3.19 | 13.2 | 54.5 | 225 | 933 |
|  | 0.002 | 0.002 | 0.003 | 0.016 | 0.063 | 0.250 | 1.03 | 4.22 | 17.4 | 72.2 | 293 | 1210 |
|  | 0.000 | 0.003 | 0.014 | 0.117 | 0.936 | 7.60 | 61.3 | 519 | - | - | - | - |
| 4 | 0.006 | 0.048 | 0.402 | 3.36 | 28.2 | 235 | 1960 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 0.005 | 0.038 | 0.302 | 2.50 | 20.4 | 166 | 1360 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 0.005 | 0.055 | 0.784 | 12.3 | 203 | 3290 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 5 | 0.205 | 3.62 | 62.5 | 1070 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 0.055 | 0.952 | 16.1 | 269 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 0.047 | 1.24 | 35.7 | 1110 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 6 | 7.32 | 275 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 0.506 | 18.4 | 633 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 0.392 | 21.6 | 1250 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 7 | 257 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 3.60 | 278 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 2.66 | 305 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 8 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 21.4 | 3550 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 14.3 | 3470 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 9 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 107 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 69.8 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 10 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 439 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 289 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

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## Directional quantiles

Kong, Mizera (2008)
For a random vector $X \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ define the $\boldsymbol{u}$-directional $\tau$-th quantile:

$$
Q(\tau, \boldsymbol{u}, X)=\inf \left\{x: P\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{\prime} X \leq x\right) \geq \tau\right\}
$$

Directional quantile envelope:

$$
R_{\tau}(X)=\bigcap_{\boldsymbol{u} \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}} H(\boldsymbol{u}, Q(\tau, \boldsymbol{u}, X))
$$

where $H(\boldsymbol{u}, q)=\left\{x: \boldsymbol{u}^{\prime} x \geq q\right\}$ is the supporting halfspace determined by $\boldsymbol{u} \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}$ and $q \in \mathbb{R}$.
Then for every $p \in\left(0 ; \frac{1}{2}\right]$ directional quantile envelopes coincide with the Tukey regions:

$$
R_{\tau}(X)=D_{\tau}^{T}(X) \text { for every } \tau \in\left(0 ; \frac{1}{2}\right]
$$

## Directional quantiles (illustration)



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## Multiple-output regression quantiles

Hallin, Paindaveine, Šiman (2010); Paindaveine, Šiman (2011)
Regress $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{m}$ on $X=\left(1, W^{\prime}\right)^{\prime} \in \mathbb{R}^{p}$.
For a data set $(\boldsymbol{X}, \boldsymbol{Y})=\left\{\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}, \boldsymbol{y}_{i}\right) \in \mathbb{R}^{\boldsymbol{p}} \times \mathbb{R}^{m} ; i=1, \ldots, n\right\}$, for $\tau \in(0,1)$, and for $\boldsymbol{u} \in S^{m-1}$ a $(\tau \boldsymbol{u})$-quantile positive halfspace is any

$$
\left.\begin{array}{l}
H_{\tau \boldsymbol{u}}^{(n)+}:=\left\{\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{\prime}, \boldsymbol{y}^{\prime}\right)^{\prime} \in \mathbb{R}^{p-1} \times \mathbb{R}^{m}: \hat{\boldsymbol{b}}_{\tau \boldsymbol{u}}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{y}-\hat{\mathbf{a}}_{\tau \boldsymbol{u}}^{\prime}\left(1, \boldsymbol{w}^{\prime}\right)^{\prime} \geq 0\right\} \text { with } \\
\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{a}}_{\mathrm{HPS}}^{\prime} ; \tau \boldsymbol{u}\right.
\end{array}, \hat{\boldsymbol{b}}_{\mathrm{HPS}}^{\prime} ; \tau \boldsymbol{u}\right)^{\prime}=\operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \rho_{\tau}\left(\boldsymbol{b}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{y}_{i}-\boldsymbol{a}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right) \text { subject to } \boldsymbol{u}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{b}=1, ~\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\text { or } \\
\text { or } \\
\left(\hat{\mathbf{a}}_{\text {proj; }}^{\prime}, \hat{\boldsymbol{b}}_{\text {proj; } ; \boldsymbol{u}}^{\prime}\right)^{\prime}=\operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \rho_{\tau}\left(\boldsymbol{b}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{y}_{i}-\boldsymbol{a}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right) \text { subject to } \boldsymbol{u}=\boldsymbol{b},
\end{array}\right.
$$

where $\rho_{\tau}(x)=x(\tau-I(x<0))$ is the $\tau$-quantile check function.

## Multiple-output regression quantiles (location)

Hallin, Paindaveine, Šiman (2010); Paindaveine, Šiman (2011)
Regress $X \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ on $1 \in \mathbb{R}$.
For a data set $\boldsymbol{X}=\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{i} \in \mathbb{R}^{d} ; i=1, \ldots, n\right\}$, for $\tau \in(0,1)$, and for $\boldsymbol{u} \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}$ a $(\tau \boldsymbol{u})$-quantile positive halfspace is any

$$
H_{\tau \boldsymbol{u}}^{(n)+}:=\left\{\boldsymbol{x}^{\prime} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}: \hat{\boldsymbol{b}}_{\tau \boldsymbol{u}}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}-\hat{a}_{\tau \boldsymbol{u}} \geq 0\right\} \text { with }
$$

$\left(\hat{a}_{\mathrm{HPS}}^{; \tau \boldsymbol{u}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{b}}_{\mathrm{HPS}}^{; \tau \boldsymbol{u}}\right)^{\prime}=\operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \rho_{\tau}\left(\boldsymbol{b}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}-a\right)$ subject to $\boldsymbol{u}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{b}=1$,
or

$$
\left(\hat{a}_{\text {proj; } \tau \boldsymbol{u}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{b}}_{\text {proj; } ; \boldsymbol{u}}^{\prime}\right)^{\prime}=\operatorname{argmin} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \rho_{\tau}\left(\boldsymbol{b}^{\prime} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}-a\right) \text { subject to } \boldsymbol{u}=\boldsymbol{b}
$$

where $\rho_{\tau}(x)=x(\tau-I(x<0))$ is the $\tau$-quantile check function. Then for some $\mathcal{L}_{\boldsymbol{X}, \tau}$ with $\# \mathcal{L}_{\boldsymbol{X}, \tau}<\infty$ it holds:

$$
D_{\tau}^{T(n)}(\boldsymbol{X})=R_{\tau}^{(n)}(\boldsymbol{X})=\bigcap_{\boldsymbol{u} \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}}\left\{H_{\tau \boldsymbol{u}}^{(n)+}\right\}=\bigcap_{\boldsymbol{u} \in \mathcal{L}_{\boldsymbol{X}, \tau}}\left\{H_{\tau \boldsymbol{u}}^{(n)+}\right\}
$$

Multiple-output regression quantiles (illustration)


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## Univariate projection quantiles (algorithm)

Input: $\boldsymbol{X}=\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{1}, \cdots, \boldsymbol{x}_{n}\right\} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}, 2<d<n<\infty$.
Step 1: Set matrix $\mathcal{A}=\left(\text { false }_{n}\right)^{d-1}$, tree $\mathcal{G}_{\tau}=\emptyset$, queue $\mathcal{Q}=\emptyset$.
Step 2: Generate a sufficient initial set of $(d-1)$-tuples (e.g. ridges of the data convex hull), push them into $\mathcal{Q}$ and set them true in $\mathcal{A}$.
Step 3: Pop a $(d-1)$-tuple, say $\left[i_{1}, \cdots, i_{d-1}\right]$, from $\mathcal{Q}$.
Step 4: Find all subscripts $i_{d} \in\{1, \cdots, n\} \backslash\left\{i_{1}, \cdots, i_{d-1}\right\}$ s. t. $\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{i_{1}}, \cdots, \boldsymbol{x}_{i_{d-1}}, \boldsymbol{x}_{i_{d}}\right\}$ determine a $\tau$-th halfspace, store these in $\mathcal{T}$.
Step 5: For each $j$ (determining halfspace $\left.\mathbf{g}_{j}\right) \in \mathcal{T}$ do:
5.1: If $\mathbf{g}_{j} \notin \mathcal{G}_{\tau}$, add $\mathbf{g}_{j}$ to $\mathcal{G}_{\tau}$, else go to the next element in $\mathcal{T}$.
5.2: For each ridge of $\mathbf{g}_{j}$, except $\left[i_{1}, \cdots, i_{d-1}\right]$, say
[ $j_{1}, \ldots, j_{d-1}$ ], do:
5.2.1: If $\mathcal{A}_{\left[j_{1}, \ldots, j_{d-1}\right]}=$ false, set $\mathcal{A}_{\left[1_{1}, \ldots, j_{d-1}\right]}=$ true, push $\left[j_{1}, \ldots, j_{d-1}\right]$ into $\mathcal{Q}$.
Step 6: If $\mathcal{Q}$ is not empty, go to Step 3, else stop.
Step 7: Eliminate redundant halfspaces, compute region's facets.
Output: $\mathcal{G}_{\tau}, \tau$-region's facets.

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## Complexity

Notation:

- $n$ - number of points;
- d - dimension;
- $\sum_{\boldsymbol{u}}$ - number of relevant directions.

Algorithmic complexity in terms of time:

- Directional quantiles:
- Multiple-output regression quantiles:
$\sum_{u}$ is never larger than $O\left(n^{d}\right)$ $\sum_{u}$ is on an average $O\left(n^{d-1}\right)$
- Univariate projection quantiles: $\sum_{\boldsymbol{u}}$ is never larger than $\binom{n}{d-1}$
$O\left(n \sum_{u}\right)$
$O_{i}+O\left(n \sum_{u}\right)$
$\Longrightarrow \quad O\left(n^{d+1}\right)$
$\Longrightarrow \quad$ av. $O\left(n^{d}\right)$
$O_{i}+O\left(n \log n \sum_{u}\right)$
$\Longrightarrow \quad O\left(n^{d} \log n\right)$


## Relevant hyperplanes/facets

Logarithmized (average) ratio of the number of facets of the Tukey region to the number of relevant hyperplanes:


- Cases correspond to dimensions: $p=3,4,5,6$.
- Lines correspond to depths: $\tau=0.025,0.1,0.2,0.3$.
- Points correspond to sample sizes:

$$
n=40,80,160,320,640,1280,2560,5120 .
$$

## Upper bound on the number of facets of $D_{\tau}^{T(n)}$



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Proposition
For a given data set $\boldsymbol{X}=\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{1}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}_{n}\right\}$ in $\mathbb{R}^{d}$, the number of the (non-redundant) facets of the Tukey region $D_{\tau}^{T(n)}(\boldsymbol{X})$ is bounded from above by $2\binom{n}{d-1}$.

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## Tukey median (algorithm)

Input: $\boldsymbol{X}=\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{1}, \cdots, \boldsymbol{x}_{n}\right\} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}, 2<d<n<\infty$.

## Step 1: Initialize bounds on $\tau^{*}$ :

1.1: Compute coordinate-wise median $\boldsymbol{x}_{0}$.
1.2: Compute $d_{0}=D^{T}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{0} \mid \boldsymbol{X}\right)$.
1.3: Set $\tau_{\text {low }}=\max \left\{\frac{1}{n}\left\lceil\frac{n}{p+1}\right\rceil, d_{0}\right\}, \tau_{u p}=\frac{1}{n}\left\lfloor\frac{n-p+2}{2}\right\rfloor+\frac{1}{n}$ **.

## Step 2: Update bounds:

2.1: Let $\bar{\tau}=\frac{1}{n}\left\lfloor\frac{n\left(\tau_{\text {ow }}+\tau_{\text {up }}\right)}{2}\right\rfloor$, and compute the region $\mathcal{D}(\bar{\tau})=D_{\bar{\tau}}^{T}(\boldsymbol{X})$.
2.2: If $\mathcal{D}(\bar{\tau})$ does not exist then set $\tau_{u p}=\bar{\tau}$, otherwise: calculate the barycenter $\mathbf{c}$ of $\mathcal{D}(\bar{\tau})$ and set $\tau_{\text {low }}=D^{T}(\boldsymbol{c} \mid \boldsymbol{X})$.
2.3: If $\tau_{\text {low }}<\tau_{\text {up }}-\frac{1}{n}$, then repeat Step 2, else stop.

Output: The Tukey median $D_{\tau_{\text {low }}}^{T}(\boldsymbol{X})$.
**Liu, Luo, Zuo (2017). Some results on the computing of Tukey's halfspace median. Statistical Papers. https://doi.org/10.1007/s00362-017-0941-5.

## Tukey median (illustration)



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## The projection property

A depth $D$ satisfies the projection property (Dyckerhoff, '04) if

$$
D(\boldsymbol{z} \mid X)=\inf _{\boldsymbol{p} \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}} D\left(\boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{z} \mid \boldsymbol{p}^{T} X\right)
$$

## Proposition (Dyckerhoff, '04)

- Let $D$ be a depth satisfying projection property,
- $\mathbb{S}^{d-1} \rightarrow[0, \infty), \boldsymbol{p} \mapsto D\left(\boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{z} \mid \boldsymbol{p}^{T} X\right)$ upper-semicontinuous,
- $\boldsymbol{p}_{1}, \boldsymbol{p}_{2}, \ldots$ a sequence of independent identically uniformly on $\mathbb{S}^{d-1}$ distributed random vectors.
Then with probability one

$$
\min _{1 \leq i \leq m} D\left(\boldsymbol{p}_{i}^{T} \boldsymbol{z} \mid \boldsymbol{p}_{i}^{T} X\right) \xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} D(z \mid X) .
$$

Application to the Tukey depth:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\underbrace{D^{T}(\boldsymbol{z} \mid X)}_{d \text {-variate depth }} & =\inf _{\boldsymbol{p} \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}} \overbrace{D^{T}\left(\boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{z} \mid \boldsymbol{p}^{T} X\right)}^{\text {univariate depth }} \\
& =\inf _{\boldsymbol{p} \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}} \min \left\{F_{\boldsymbol{p}^{T} X}\left(\boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{z}\right), 1-F_{\boldsymbol{p}^{T} X}\left(\boldsymbol{p}^{T} \boldsymbol{z}^{-}\right)\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

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## Computation of projection depths: Remarks

- A number of depths (Mahalanobis, halfspace, zonoid, ect.) satisfy the assumptions of the preceding proposition.
- The projection property enables the approximate computation of depths even in high dimensions.
- Due to affine invariance one can restrict $\boldsymbol{p}$ to a hemisphere.
- Since a large number of univariate depths have to be computed there is need in efficient algorithms for them.
- Many univariate depths can be exactly computed with time complexity $O(n)$.
- Computing the approximate depth leads to optimization of a (non-differentiable) function on the sphere $\mathbb{S}^{d-1}$. So what does the function

$$
\mathbb{S}^{d-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \boldsymbol{p} \mapsto D\left(\boldsymbol{p}^{T} z \mid \boldsymbol{p}^{T} X\right)
$$

look like? For example, does it have many local minima?

## Illustration: The map $\boldsymbol{p} \mapsto D\left(\boldsymbol{p}^{\top} z \mid \boldsymbol{p}^{\top} X\right)$ in $\mathbb{R}^{3}$



Trivariate uniform distribution, $n=1000$


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## Some conclusions

- Developed a family of exact algorithms for computing Tukey depth in the Euclidean space of any dimension, which are implemented in R-package ddalpha accessible on CRAN.
- Exact algorithm for computing Tukey trimmed regions, implemented in R-package TukeyRegion.
- Ongoing work: development of approximate algorithms for computation of bf depths that satisfy the projection property.

Open challenges:

- Still high complexity and computation time scales exponentially with dimension.
- Precision challenge: too many potentially relevant hyperplanes, precision-constant problems.
- For approximation: adaptation of the algorithm(s) to optimization over the surface of a hypersphere.


## Thank you for your attention! Questions?

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