

# SDP relaxation of SNL

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In our notation,  $\dim$  represents the number of dimensions we are considering. In other words,  $\dim = 2$  means we are in Euclidean space, and every anchor/sensor is a 2-dimensional vector.

$\text{pts} = 50$  means we are solving for 50 sensor locations, and  $\text{anc} = 3$  means we are given 3 anchor locations. I have described the rest in code comments. I also formulate the SDP relaxation below. This is adapted from Equation 7 from <https://web.stanford.edu/~yyye/adhocn4.pdf>, and I have omitted the sensor-sensor distances for now (i.e. the equality constraints as well as the inequality constraints), which are trivial to add.

$$Z := \begin{pmatrix} I & X \\ X^T & Y \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0$$

Note that  $I \in R^{\dim \times \dim}$ ,  $X \in R^{\dim \times \text{pts}}$ , and  $Y \in R^{\text{pts} \times \text{pts}}$ . Then, the problem can be written as a standard SDP problem:

$$\sum_{k,j \in N_e} (\alpha_{kj}^+ + \alpha_{kj}^-)$$

s.t.

$$(1; 0; \mathbf{0})^T Z (1; 0; \mathbf{0}) = 1$$

$$(0; 1; \mathbf{0})^T Z (0; 1; \mathbf{0}) = 1$$

$$(1; 1; \mathbf{0})^T Z (1; 1; \mathbf{0}) = 2$$

$$(a_k; e_j)^T Z (a_k; e_j) - \alpha_{kj}^+ + \alpha_{kj}^- = (\hat{d}_{kj})^2, \forall k, j \in N_e,$$

$$\alpha_{kj}^+, \alpha_{kj}^- \geq 0$$

$$Z \succeq 0.$$