### Why Are Cities Located Where They Are?



## **Taxonomy of Location Problems**



## **Hotelling's Law**



## **1-D Cooperative Location**



$$\operatorname{Min} TC = \sum w_i d_i \qquad a_1 = 0, \quad a_2 = 30$$

$$\operatorname{Min} TC = \sum w_i d_i^2 \qquad TC = \sum w_i d_i^2 = \sum w_i (x - a_i)^2$$

$$\operatorname{Min} TC = \sum w_i d_i^k \qquad \frac{dTC}{dx} = 2\sum w_i (x - a_i) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$x \sum w_i = \sum w_i a_i \Rightarrow$$
Squared-Euclidean Distance  $\Rightarrow$  Center of Gravity:  $x^* = \frac{\sum w_i a_i}{\sum w_i} = \frac{1(0) + 2(30)}{1 + 2} = 20$ 

## "Nonlinear" Location



# **Minimax and Maximin Location**



## **2-EF Minisum Location**



$$TC(x) = \sum w_i d_i = \beta_1 (x - x_1) + \beta_2 (x - x_2), \text{ where } \beta_i = \begin{cases} w_i, & \text{if } x \ge x_i \\ -w_i, & \text{if } x < x_i \end{cases}$$
$$TC(25) = w_1 (25 - 10) + (-w_2) (25 - 30)$$
$$= 5(15) + (-3)(-5) = 90$$

## **Median Location: 1-D 4 EFs**





## Median Location: 1-D 7 EFs



#### **Median Location: 2-D Rectilinear Distance 8 EFs**



## Ex 3: 2D Loc with Rect Approx to GC Dist

It is expected that 25, 42, 24, 10, 24, and 11 truckloads will be shipped • each year from your DC to six customers located in Raleigh, NC (36N,79W), Atlanta, GA (34N,84W), Louisville, KY (38N,86W), Greenville, SC (35N, 82W), Richmond, VA (38N,77W), and Savannah, GA (32N,81W). Assuming that all distances are rectilinear, where should the DC be located in order to minimize outbound transportation costs?



## **Logistics Network for a Plant**



## **Basic Production System**



FOB (free on board)

# **FOB and Location**

• Choice of FOB terms (who directly pays for transport) usually does not impact location decisions:

| Procurement<br>cost    | = | Landed cost + Inbo<br>at supplier +                                       | und transport<br>cost         |
|------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------|
| Production<br>cost     | = | $\frac{\text{Procurement}}{\text{cost}} + \frac{\text{Loc}}{\text{cost}}$ | cal resource<br>(labor, etc.) |
| Total delivered cost   | = | Production + Outbo  | ound transport<br>cost        |
| Transport cost<br>(TC) | = | Inbound transport + cost +  | Outbound transport<br>cost    |

- Purchase price from supplier and sale price to customer adjusted to reflect who is paying transport cost
- Usually determined by who can provide the transport at the lowest cost
  - Savings in lower transport cost allocated (bargained) between parties

## **Monetary vs. Physical Weight**

$$\min TC(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} w_i \, d(X, P_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} f_i \, r_i \, d(X, P_i)$$

where TC = total transport cost (\$/yr)

*w<sub>i</sub>* = monetary weight (\$/mi-yr)

 $f_i$  = physical weight rate (ton/yr)

 $r_i$  = transport rate (\$/ton-mi)

 $d(X, P_i)$  = distance between NF at X and EF<sub>i</sub> at  $P_i$  (mi)

NF = new facility to be located

EF = existing facility

m = number of EFs

(Montetary) Weight Gaining:  $\Sigma w_{in} < \Sigma w_{out}$ Physically Weight Losing:  $\Sigma f_{in} > \Sigma f_{out}$ 

# Minisum Location: TC vs. TD

- Assuming local input costs are
  - same at every location or
  - insignificant as compared to transport costs,

the minisum transport-oriented single-facility location problem is to locate NF to minimize TC

• Can minimize total distance (TD) if transport rate is same:

$$\min TD(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} w_i \, d(X, P_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} f_i \, r_i \, d(X, P_i)$$

where TD = total transport distance (mi/yr)

 $w_i$  = monetary weight (trip/yr)

$$f_i = \text{trips per year (trip/yr)}$$

 $r_i$  = transport rate = 1

 $d(X, P_i)$  = per-trip distance between NF and EF<sub>i</sub> (mi/trip)

#### **Ex 4: Single Supplier and Customer Location**



- The cost per ton-mile (i.e., the cost to ship one ton, one mile) for both raw materials and finished goods is the same (e.g., \$0.10).
  - 1. Where should the plant for each product be located?
  - 2. How would location decision change if customers paid for distribution costs (FOB Origin) instead of the producer (FOB Destination)?
    - In particular, what would be the impact if there were competitors located along I-40 producing the same product?
  - 3. Which product is weight gaining and which is weight losing?
  - 4. If both products were produced in a single shared plant, why is it now necessary to know each product's annual demand  $(f_i)$ ?

$$TC(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} f_i r_i d(X, P_i)$$
  
<sub>*w*<sub>i</sub></sub>

#### **Ex 5: 1-D Location with Procurement and Distribution Costs**



Assume: all scrap is disposed of locally

A product is to be produced in a plant that will be located along I-40. Two tons of raw materials from a supplier in Ashville and a half ton of a raw material from a supplier in Durham are used to produce each ton of finished product that is shipped to customers in Statesville, Winston-Salem, and Wilmington. The demand of these customers is 10, 20, and 30 tons, respectively, and it costs \$0.33 per ton-mile to ship raw materials to the plant and \$1.00 per ton-mile to ship finished goods from the plant. Determine where the plant should be located so that procurement and distribution costs (i.e., transportation costs to and from the plant) are minimized, and whether the plant is weight gaining or weight losing.

#### **Ex 5: 1-D Location with Procurement and Distribution Costs**

