Allocation

• Example: given *n* DCs and *m* customers, with customer *j* receiving *w_j* TLs per week, determine the total distance per week assuming each customer is served by its *closest* DC



$$w = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 20 & 30 & 40 \\ 45 & 35 & 25 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$TD = 2(10) + 4(20) + 6(25) + 8(15)$$
$$= 370$$

Pseudocode

- Different ways of representing how allocation and TD can be calculated
 - High-level pseudocode most concise, but leaves out many implementation details (sets don't specify order, initial starting points)
 - Low-level pseudocode includes more implementation details, which can hide/obscure the core idea, and are usually not essential

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Low-level Pseudocode
TD = 0
for j = 1:m
   dj = D(1,j)
   for i = 2:n
        if D(i,j) < dj
        dj = D(i,j)
        end
   end
   TD = TD + w(j)*dj
end</pre>
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High-level Pseudocode

$$N = \{1, \dots, n\}, \quad n = |N|$$
$$M = \{1, \dots, m\}, \quad m = |M|$$
$$\alpha = [\alpha_j] = \arg\min_{i \in N} d_{ij}$$
$$TD = \sum_{j \in M} w_j d_{\alpha_j, j}$$

Matlab/Matlog

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a = argmin(D);
W = sparse(a,1:m,w,n,m)
TD = sum(sum(W.*D))
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Minisum Multifacility Location



Majority Theorem for Minisum Location

- Single-facility: Locate NF at EFj if $w_j \ge \frac{W}{2}$, where $W = \sum_{i=1}^{m} w_i$
- Multifacility: can be used to reduce and sometimes solve

Given *m* EF and *n* NF, let $\mathbf{V} \leftarrow \mathbf{V} + \mathbf{V}'$

1. While any
$$v_{ik} \ge \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m} w_{ij} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} v_{ij} \right)$$
, co-locate NF*i* and NF*k* and

(a) add row k to row i of W, remove row k from W

- (b) add row k to row i and column k to column i of \mathbf{V}
- (*c*) remove row *k* and column *k* from **V**, and set $0 \leftarrow v_{ii}$

2. Locate all NF*i* at EF*k* if
$$w_{ik} \ge \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m} w_{ij} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} v_{ij} \right)$$
,

where any NFj co-located with NFi are also located at EFk.

Ex 6: Multifacility Majority Theorem

3 EF, 2 NF,
$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
:

1. No solutions or reductions possible

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{W} \ \mathbf{V} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & 5 & | & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma = 5 \\ \Sigma = 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Modified $\mathbf{V} \Rightarrow$ solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{W} \ \mathbf{V} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0.5 \\ 4 & 0 & 5 & 0.5 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma = 3.5 \Rightarrow w_{1,1} = 2 > 1.75 \Rightarrow \text{ NF1 at EF1} \\ \Sigma = 9.5 \Rightarrow w_{2,3} = 5 > 4.75 \Rightarrow \text{ NF2 at EF3} \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Modified $V \Rightarrow$ reduction \Rightarrow solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{W} \, \mathbf{V} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 & 5 & | & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma = 7 \Rightarrow v_{1,2} = 4 > 3.5 \Rightarrow \text{ NF1 and NF2 co-located} \\ \Sigma = 13 \Rightarrow \text{all } w_{ij}, v_{ij} < 6.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Reduced W, no V: W = $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \sum = 12 \Rightarrow w_1 = 6 \ge 6 \Rightarrow \text{NF1} \text{ (and NF2) at EF1}$

Ex 7: Location of Production Processes



Multiple Single-Facility Location



Facility Location–Allocation Problem



 Determine both the location of *n* NFs and the allocation of flow requirements of *m* EFs that minimize TC

 $w_{ji} = r_{ji}f_{ji} = (1)f_{ji}$ = flow between NFj and EFi

 w_i = total flow requirements of EF*i*

$$TC(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{W}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{m} w_{ji} d(\mathbf{X}_{j}, \mathbf{P}_{i})$$
$$\mathbf{X}^{*}, \mathbf{W}^{*} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{W}} \left\{ TC(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{W}) : \sum_{j=1}^{n} w_{ji} = w_{i}, w_{ji} \ge 0 \right\}$$
$$TC^{*} = TC(\mathbf{X}^{*}, \mathbf{W}^{*})$$

Integrated Formulation



- If there are no capacity constraints on NFs, it is optimal to always satisfy all the flow requirements of an EF from its closest NF
- Requires search of (*n* x *d*)-dimensional TC that combines location with allocation

 $\alpha_i(\mathbf{X}) = \arg\min_j d(\mathbf{X}_j, \mathbf{P}_i)$ $TC(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i d(\mathbf{X}_{\alpha_i(\mathbf{X})}, \mathbf{P}_i)$ $\mathbf{X}^* = \arg\min_{\mathbf{X}} TC(\mathbf{X})$ $TC^* = TC(\mathbf{X}^*)$

Alternating Formulation



- Alternate between finding locations and finding allocations until no further TC improvement
- Requires *n d*-dimensional location searches together with separate allocation procedure
- Separating location from allocation allows other types of location and/or allocation procedures to be used:
 - Allocation with NF with capacity constraints (solved as minimum cost network flow problem)
 - Location with some NFs at fixed locations

$$allocate(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} w_{ji} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{cases} w_i, & \text{if } \arg\min_k d(\mathbf{X}_k, \mathbf{P}_i) = j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$TC(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{W}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{m} w_{ji} d(\mathbf{X}_{j}, \mathbf{P}_{i})$$

 $locate(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{X}) = \arg\min_{\mathbf{X}} TC(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{W})$

ALA: Alternate Location–Allocation



procedure $ala(\mathbf{X})$	
$TC \leftarrow \infty$, <i>done</i> \leftarrow false	
repeat	
$\mathbf{W}' \leftarrow allocate(\mathbf{X})$	
$\mathbf{X'} \leftarrow locate(\mathbf{W'}, \mathbf{X})$	
$TC' \leftarrow TC(\mathbf{X}', \mathbf{W}')$	
if $TC' < TC$	
$TC \leftarrow TC', \mathbf{X} \leftarrow \mathbf{X}', \mathbf{W} \leftarrow \mathbf{W}'$	
else	
<i>done</i> \leftarrow true	
<u>endif</u>	
until <i>done</i> = true	
return X, W	

%% ALA Matlab Code X = randX(P, n);TC = Inf; done = false; while ~done Wi = alloc h(X); Xi = loc h(Wi, X);TCi = TCh(Wi,Xi);if TCi < TC TC = TCi; X = Xi; W = Wi;else done = true; end end X, W

Best Retail Warehouse Locations

Number of Locations	Average Transit Time (days)	Warehouse Location			
1	2.20	Bloomington, IN			
2	1.48	Ashland, KY	Palmdale, CA		
3	1.29	Allentown, PA	Palmdale, CA	McKenzie, TN	
4	1.20	Edison, NJ	Palmdale; CA	Chicago, IL	
		Meridian, MS			
5	1.13	Madison, NJ	Palmdale, CA	Chicago, IL	
		Dallas, TX	Macon, GA		
6	1.08	Madison, NJ	Pasadena, CA	Chicago, IL	
		Dallas, TX	Macon, GA	Tacoma, WA	
7	1.07	Madison, NJ	Pasadena, CA	Chicago, IL	
		Dallas, TX	Gainesville, GA	Tacoma, WA	
		Lakeland, FL			
8	1.05	Madison, NJ	Pasadena, CA	Chicago, IL	
		Dallas, TX	Gainesville, GA	Tacoma, WA	
		Lakeland, FL	Denver, CO		
9	1.04	Madison, NJ	Alhambra, CA	Chicago, IL	
		Dallas, TX	Gainesville, GA	Tacoma, WA	
		Lakeland. FL	Denver, CO	Oakland, CA	
10	1.04	Newark, NJ	Alhambra, CA	Rockford, IL	
		Palistine, TX	Gainesville, GA	Tacoma, WA	
		Lakeland, FL	Denver, CO	Oakland. CA	
		Mansfield, OH			