

# Appendix F

## Proof of EDM composition

### F.1 EDM-entry exponential

(§4.10)

$$D \in \text{EDM}^n \Leftrightarrow [1 - e^{-\lambda d_{ij}}] \in \text{EDM}^n \quad \forall \lambda > 0 \quad (656)$$

**Lemma 2.1.** from *A Tour d'Horizon ... on Completion Problems*. [154]  
The following assertions are equivalent: for  $D = [d_{ij}, i, j = 1 \dots n] \in \mathbb{S}_h^n$  and  $\mathcal{E}^n$  the ellipsope in  $\mathbb{S}^n$  (§4.9.1.0.1),

(i)  $D \in \text{EDM}^n$

(ii)  $e^{-\lambda D} \triangleq [e^{-\lambda d_{ij}}] \in \mathcal{E}^n$  for all  $\lambda > 0$

(iii)  $\mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}^T - e^{-\lambda D} \triangleq [1 - e^{-\lambda d_{ij}}] \in \text{EDM}^n$  for all  $\lambda > 0$  ◇

**Proof.** [211] (*confer* [149])

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Hallo Jon,

I looked again at the paper of Schoenberg and what I can see is the following:

1) the equivalence of Lemma 2.1 (i) (ii) (my paper) is stated in Schoenberg's Theorem 1 (page 527).

2) (ii) implies (iii) can be seen from the statement in the beginning of section 3, saying that a distance space embeds in  $L_2$  iff some associated matrix is PSD. Let me reformulate it:

Let  $d=(d_{ij})_{i,j=0,1,\dots,n}$  be a distance space on  $n+1$  points (i.e., symmetric matrix of order  $n+1$  with zero diagonal) and let  $p=(p_{ij})_{i,j=1,\dots,n}$  be the symmetric matrix of order  $n$  related by relations:

$$(A) \quad p_{ij} = \{d_{0i}+d_{0j}-d_{ij}\}^2 \text{ for } i,j=1,\dots,n$$

or equivalently

$$(B) \quad d_{0i} = p_{ii}, \quad d_{ij} = p_{ii}+p_{jj}-2p_{ij} \\ \text{for } i,j=1,\dots,n$$

Then,  $d$  embeds in  $L_2$  iff  $p$  is positive semidefinite matrix iff  $d$  is of negative type  
 (see second half of page 525 and top of page 526)

For the implication from (ii) to (iii), set:

$\rho = \exp(-\lambda d)$  and define  $d'$  from  $\rho$  using (B) above. Then,  $d'$  is a distance space on  $n+1$  points that embeds in  $L_2$ . Thus its subspace of  $n$  points also embeds in  $L_2$  and is precisely  $1 - \exp(-\lambda d)$ .

Note that (iii) implies (ii) cannot be read immediately from this argument since (iii) involves the subdistance of  $d'$  on  $n$  points (and not the full  $d'$  on  $n+1$  points).

3) Show (iii) implies (i) by using the series expansion of the function  $1 - \exp(-\lambda d)$ ; the constant term cancels;  $\lambda$  factors out; remains a summation of  $d$  plus a multiple of  $\lambda$ ; letting  $\lambda$  go to 0 gives the result.

As far as I can see this is not explicitly written in Schoenberg. But Schoenberg also uses such an argument of expansion of the exponential function plus letting  $\lambda$  go to 0 (see first proof in page 526).

I hope this helps. If not just ask again.  
Best regards, Monique

> Hi Monique  
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> I'm reading your "A Tour d'Horizon..." from the AMS book "Topics in  
> Semidefinite and Interior-Point Methods".  
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> On page 56, Lemma 2.1(iii),  $1 - \exp(-\lambda D)$  is EDM  $\Leftrightarrow D$  is EDM.  
> You cite Schoenberg 1938; a paper I have acquired. I am missing the  
> connection of your Lemma(iii) to that paper; most likely because of my  
> lack of understanding of Schoenberg's results. I am wondering if you  
> might provide a hint how you arrived at that result in terms of  
> Schoenberg's results.  
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> Jon Dattorro

