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Approximation complexity of convex bodies

Abstract:

Consider the approximation of an  $n$ -dimensional convex body by a projection of a section of an  $N$ -dimensional simplex, and call the minimal  $N$  for which such approximation exists the approximation complexity of the body. The reason for such strange definition lies in computer science. A projection of a section of a simplex is the feasible set of a linear programming problem, and so it can be efficiently generated. We will discuss how large the approximation complexity of different classes of convex bodies can be.