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RIP & NSP & Spark

A has RIP of order  $k$  if  $\forall \|x\|_0 \leq k \quad (1-\delta_k) \|x\|_2^2 \leq \|Ax\|_2^2 \leq (1+\delta_k) \|x\|_2^2$

A has NSP of order  $k$  if  $\forall h \in N(A) \quad \|h\|_2 \leq c \frac{\|h\|_1}{\sqrt{k}} \quad \forall |S| \leq k$

A has spark  $\geq k+1$  if  $\forall h \in N(A) \quad \|h\|_0 \geq k+1$

Relations: RIP  $\Rightarrow$  NSP

RIP is like a well conditioned version of spark.

Spark(A)  $\geq k+1 \Rightarrow \forall \|x\|_0 \leq k \quad 0 < \|Ax\|_2$  "not in null space"

Activity:  $A_{m \times n}$  has RIP of order  $k$  if  $\exists \delta_k$  s.t.

$$(1 - \delta_k) \|x\|_2 \leq \|Ax\|_2 \leq (1 + \delta_k) \|x\|_2 \quad \forall \|x\|_0 \leq k.$$

Do you think the following matrix satisfies RIP of order  $m$ ?

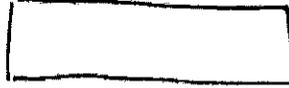
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1^2 & \dots & 1^n \\ 2 & 2^2 & \dots & 2^n \\ 3 & 3^2 & \dots & 3^n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ m & m^2 & \dots & m^n \end{pmatrix}$$

↳ but normalize each column to be length 1.

Is it a good sensing matrix?

RIP & Stable Embedding

$A$  is  $m \times n$  w  $m < n$



$A$  has RIP  $\|x\|_2 \approx \|Ax\|_2$  for sparse  $x$

$A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

So  $A$  preserves the magnitude of sparse vectors.  
As  $A$  linear, preserves the distance between sparse points.

Dimension reduction!

Noisy recovery thm

Let  $A$  satisfy RIP ( $2k$ ) with  $\delta_{2k} < \sqrt{2} - 1$

Let  $y = Ax_0 + \epsilon$ ,  $\|\epsilon\| \leq \epsilon$ .

Then  $\hat{x} = \arg \min \|Ax - y\|$  st  $\|Ax - y\| \leq \epsilon$

satisfies  $\|\hat{x} - x\|_2 \leq C_0 \frac{\|x_0 - x_{opt}\|_1}{\sqrt{k}} + C_2 \epsilon$ .

Proof: Outline (in case  $x_{opt} = 0$ )

Technical result: Fix any  $h$   
Let  $\Delta$  be best  $2k$  entries

$$\|h_{\Delta}\|_2 \leq B \frac{|\langle Ah_{\Delta}, Ah \rangle|}{\|h_{\Delta}\|_2}$$

Optimizer satisfies:

$$\|\hat{x} - x\|_2 \leq C \frac{|\langle Ah_{\Delta}, Ah \rangle|}{\|h_{\Delta}\|_2} \quad w/ \quad h = \hat{x} - x$$

$$\leq C \frac{(1 + \delta_{2k}) \|Ah_{\Delta}\|_2}{\|h_{\Delta}\|_2} \|Ah\|$$

As  $\|A\hat{x} - y\| \leq \epsilon$  &  $\|Ax_0 - y\| \leq \epsilon$ ,  $\|A\hat{x} - Ax_0\| \leq 2\epsilon$

$$\text{So } \|\hat{x} - x\|_2 \leq C(1 + \delta_{2k}) 2\epsilon.$$

How good is error estimate?

$$\|\hat{x} - x\|_2 \leq C_2 \epsilon \quad \text{for } y = Ax + e \text{ w } \|e\|_2 \leq \epsilon.$$

Suppose we know which  $k$  cols of  $X$  were nonzero,  $S$ .

$$y = A_S X$$

restriction of  $A$  to columns in  $S$   
overdetermined (full) matrix  $m \times k$

Solve for  $x$  by least squares

$$\hat{x} = (A_S^T A_S)^{-1} A_S^T y.$$

How much error

$$\hat{x} - x_0 = (A_S^T A_S)^{-1} A_S^T (x_0 + e) - x_0$$

$$\hat{x} - x_0 = (A_S^T A_S)^{-1} A_S^T e$$

$$\|\hat{x} - x_0\| \leq \|(A_S^T A_S)^{-1} A_S^T\| \|e\|_2$$

like inverse of  $A$   
its max sing value  
is like reciprocal of  
 $A_S$ 's min sing value

$$\leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \delta_{2k}}} \|e\|_2.$$

So error estimate optimal up to a constant factor

## Activity 0

A signal is compressible if

$$|X_o|_{(k)} \leq C_n \cdot k^{-r}$$

a) Compute <sup>worst case</sup>  $\|X_o - X_{o,5}\|_2$

b) Compute <sup>worst case</sup>  
 $\frac{\|X_o - X_{o,5}\|_1}{\sqrt{5}}$

c) Could anyone improve bound  $\|\hat{X} - X_o\|_2 \leq C \frac{\|X_o - X_{o,5}\|_1}{\sqrt{5}}$  ?

d) Isn't every finite signal compressible ??

Thm: Let  $A$  be  $N \times n$  w i.i.d  $N(0,1)$  entries  
 $\forall t \geq 0,$

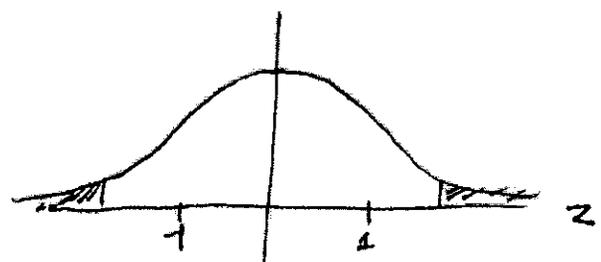
$$\sqrt{N} - \sqrt{n} - t \leq \sigma_{\min}(A) \leq \sigma_{\max}(A) \leq \sqrt{N} + \sqrt{n} + t$$

w/ probability at least  $1 - 2e^{-t^2/2}$

"Tall <sup>random</sup> matrices are <sup>approximate</sup> isometries"

Note: taking  $t$  big provides worse control on singular values  
 but better guarantee on probability band is true.

Compare to: Let  $z \sim N(0,1)$   
 $P(|z| \in (-t, t)) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2}$  for  $t > 1$



If we want more  
 certainty on window of  $z$   
 we need wider window

Theorem: Let  $A_{m \times n}$  have iid  $N(0, 1)$  entries.

Let  $\bar{A} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} A$ .  $\forall k \in [1, n]$   $\forall \delta \in (0, 1)$

if  $m \geq \frac{C}{\delta^2} k \log\left(\frac{en}{k}\right)$  then  $d_k(\bar{A}) < \delta$

with probability at least  $1 - 2e^{-c\delta^2 m}$ . Here,  $C, c$  are universal constants.

Proof:  ~~$\sqrt{\lambda} - \sqrt{k} - t \leq \sigma_{\min}$~~

Consider a fixed subset  $T \subset [1, n]$  w/  $|T| \leq k$

By concentration of singular values,

$$\sqrt{m} - \sqrt{k} - t \leq \sigma_{\min}(A_T) \leq \sigma_{\max}(A_T) \leq \sqrt{m} + \sqrt{k} + t \quad \text{w/ prob } 1 - 2e^{-ct^2}$$

$$\text{So } 1 - \frac{\sqrt{k}}{\sqrt{m}} - \frac{t}{\sqrt{m}} \leq \sigma_{\min}(\bar{A}_T) \leq \sigma_{\max}(\bar{A}_T) \leq \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} + \frac{t}{\sqrt{m}} \quad \text{w/ prob } 1 - 2e^{-ct^2}$$

$$\text{So } \|A_T^t A_T - I_k\| \leq 3\delta_0 \quad \text{where } \delta_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} + \frac{t}{\sqrt{m}} \quad \text{where } t, m \text{ will be s.t. } \delta_0 < \frac{\delta}{3}$$

So all subsets of size  $k$  are s.t.  $\|A_T^t A_T - I_k\| < \delta$

with probability at least  $1 - \binom{n}{k} 2e^{-ct^2}$  prob  $\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} + \frac{t}{\sqrt{m}} < \frac{\delta}{3}$

$$1 - 2e^{+k \log\left(\frac{en}{k}\right) - ct^2} \quad \text{Note: } \binom{n}{k} \leq \left(\frac{en}{k}\right)^k$$

Choose  $t$  s.t.  $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{k \log\left(\frac{en}{k}\right)} + \frac{\delta}{6} \sqrt{m}$

So prob. at least  $1 - 2e^{-\frac{c\delta^2 m}{6}}$

All we need is  $\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{k \log\left(\frac{en}{k}\right)}{m}} < \frac{\delta}{3}$

Choose  $m \geq \frac{C' k \log\left(\frac{en}{k}\right)}{\delta^2}$

Application to compressed sensing

To get <sup>robust</sup> recovery, setting  $\delta_{2k}(A) < \sqrt{2} - 1$

If  $m \gtrsim \bar{C} k \log \frac{n}{k}$  then  $A$  iid  $N(0,1)$   
satisfies RIP w prob  $1 - 2e^{-\bar{c}m}$

If you want a RIP constant twice as good,  
need 4 times the # measurements. Don't  
need arb small  $\delta$  in order to get recovery