

Mean Field Asymptotics in Statistical Learning.

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Lecture 6: Concentration phenomena in mean field asymptotics

Non-asymptotic regime $\mathbb{P} \left(\|\hat{\theta} - \theta\|_2^2 / d \geq C \cdot \sqrt{\frac{d \log d / \delta}{n}} \right) \leq \delta.$

Asymptotic regime.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left(\left| \|\hat{\theta} - \theta\|_2^2 / n - \mathbb{E}[\|\hat{\theta} - \theta\|_2^2 / n] \right| \geq \varepsilon \right) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[\|\hat{\theta} - \theta\|_2^2] / n = \text{some formula.}$$

① Gaussian concentration inequality.

Prop: Let $f: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an L -Lipschitz function.

$$|f(x_1) - f(x_2)| \leq L \cdot \|x_1 - x_2\|_2, \quad \forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

Let $G = (G_1, \dots, G_d)$ standard Gaussian r.v.

$$G_i \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, 1).$$

Then we have

$$\mathbb{P} \left(|f(G) - \mathbb{E}f(G)| \geq t \right) \leq 2 \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{t^2}{2L^2} \right\}.$$

$$\text{Example: } f(G) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n G_i \quad \|\nabla f(G)\|_2 = \left\| \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}_n \right\|_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

$$f \text{ is } \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \text{-Lipschitz.} \quad G_i \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, 1)$$

$$\mathbb{P} \left(\left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n G_i \right| \geq t \right) \leq 2 \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{nt^2}{2} \right\}.$$

Proof of Prop.: ① Gaussian Log-Sobolev inequality + Herbst.
[Thm 3.25] Ramon von Handel.

② Gaussian isoperimetric inequality.

② $\mathbb{Z}_2$ sync problem.

$$\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \theta_i \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \text{Unif}(\mathbb{Z}_2 = \{\pm 1\})$$

$$Y = \frac{\lambda}{n} \theta \theta^T + W \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, \quad W \sim \text{GOE}(n).$$

$$\|W\|_{\text{op}} \stackrel{2}{\approx} \text{const}$$

$$\|\frac{\theta \theta^T}{n}\|_{\text{op}} \approx \frac{\|\theta\|_2^2}{n} \approx 1$$

$$W_{ij} \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, \frac{1}{n}) \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq n, \quad W_{ii} \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, \frac{2}{n}) \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad W_{ij} = W_{ji}$$

Observe $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, estimate θ .

Spectral estimator: $\hat{\theta}(Y) = \hat{\theta}_{\text{spec}}(Y) = \underset{\sigma \in S^{n-1}(\sqrt{n})}{\text{argmax}} \langle \sigma, Y \sigma \rangle / n$

a) Goal: To show $\max_{\sigma \in S^{n-1}(\sqrt{n})} \langle \sigma, Y \sigma \rangle / n \approx \text{its expectation. w.h.p.}$

Prop 1: Let $\mathcal{R}_n \subseteq \{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|\theta\|_2^2 / n \leq 1\}$.

Let $Y = A + W \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. A deterministic matrix

$$W \sim \text{GOE}(n)$$

Then $\delta > 0$, we have

$$\mathbb{P}_W \left(\left| \sup_{\sigma \in \mathcal{R}_n} \langle \sigma, Y \sigma \rangle / n - \mathbb{E}[\dots] \right| \leq \sqrt{\frac{4 \lg(2/\delta)}{n}} \right) \geq 1 - \delta.$$

Proof: Let $G \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ $G_{ij} \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, 1)$, $1 \leq i, j \leq n$. (Not symmetric)

Denote $\hat{W} = (G + G^T) / \sqrt{2n}$. Then we have $\hat{W} \stackrel{d}{=} W$.

Define $\hat{Y} = A + \hat{W}$.

$$f(G) = \sup_{\sigma \in \mathcal{R}_n} \langle \sigma, \hat{Y} \sigma \rangle / n = \sup_{\sigma \in \mathcal{R}_n} \langle \sigma, \frac{G + G^T}{\sqrt{2n}} \sigma \rangle / n.$$

Heuristic: $\nabla_G f(G) = 2 \frac{\sigma_x \sigma_x^T / \sqrt{2n}}{n}$ $\sigma_x = \text{arg sup}$

$$\|\nabla_G f(G)\|_F = \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}} \left\| \frac{\sigma_x \sigma_x^T}{n} \right\|_F = \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}} \|\sigma_x\|_2^2 / n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}.$$

$$f(G_1) - f(G_2) \quad G_1, G_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}.$$

$$= \sup_{\sigma \in \mathcal{R}_n} \langle \sigma, \hat{Y}_1 \sigma \rangle / n + \inf_{\sigma \in \mathcal{R}_n} - \langle \sigma, \hat{Y}_2 \sigma \rangle / n.$$

$$\leq \langle \sigma_x, \hat{Y}_1 \sigma_x \rangle / n - \langle \sigma_x, \hat{Y}_2 \sigma_x \rangle / n$$

σ_x is
 $\text{arg sup}_{\sigma \in \mathcal{R}_n} \langle \sigma, \hat{Y}_1 \sigma \rangle$

$$= \langle G_1 - G_2, \sigma_x \sigma_x^T \rangle \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}} / n$$

$$\leq \|G_1 - G_2\|_{\text{op}} \underbrace{\|\sigma_x\|_2^2 / n}_{\leq 1} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}$$

$$\leq \|G_1 - G_2\|_F \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}.$$

$$\mathbb{P}(|f(u) - \mathbb{E}[f(u)]| \geq t) \leq 2 \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{nt^2}{4}\right\}.$$

$$2 \exp\left\{-\frac{nt^2}{4}\right\} = \delta. \quad t = \sqrt{\frac{4 \log(2/\delta)}{n}} \quad \square$$

b). Show the concentration $\frac{\langle \hat{\theta}, \theta \rangle^2}{n^2}$. $\|\hat{\theta}\|_2^2/n$.

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \sup_{\sigma \in S^{n-1}(\sqrt{n})} \langle \sigma, Y \sigma \rangle / n. \quad \left(H_h(\sigma) = \langle \sigma, Y \sigma \rangle / n + h \|\sigma\|_2^2 / n \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{aligned} U_n(\lambda) &= \sup_{\sigma \in S^{n-1}(\sqrt{n})} \langle \sigma, Y \sigma \rangle / n \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} U_n(\lambda) &= \begin{cases} 2 & , \lambda \leq 1 \\ \lambda + \frac{1}{\lambda} & , \lambda > 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \right) \quad \text{BBP transition.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\lambda} U_n(\lambda) &= \frac{d}{d\lambda} \sup_{\sigma \in S} \left[\frac{\lambda}{n^2} \langle \sigma, \hat{\theta} \rangle^2 + \langle \sigma, W \sigma \rangle / n \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} \langle \hat{\theta}, \hat{\theta} \rangle^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(|U_n(\lambda) - \mathbb{E}[U_n(\lambda)]| \geq \varepsilon) = 0$$

Heuristic.

$$\left(\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \langle \sigma, \hat{\theta} \rangle^2 &\approx \partial_\lambda \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[U_n(\lambda)] = \partial_\lambda \begin{cases} 2 & , \lambda \leq 1 \\ \lambda + \frac{1}{\lambda} & , \lambda > 1 \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & , \lambda \leq 1 \\ 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} & , \lambda > 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$1) \quad \Delta_n^+(\lambda, \delta) = \frac{U_n(\lambda + \delta) - U_n(\lambda)}{\delta}.$$

$$\Delta_n^-(\lambda, \delta) = \frac{U_n(\lambda) - U_n(\lambda - \delta)}{\delta}.$$

$$\Delta_n^-(\lambda, \delta) \leq \frac{\langle \hat{\theta}, \hat{\theta} \rangle^2}{n^2} \leq \Delta_n^+(\lambda, \delta).$$

$$U_n(\lambda + \delta) = \sup_{\sigma \in \dots} \langle \sigma, W \sigma \rangle / n + \frac{\lambda + \delta}{n^2} \langle \sigma, \hat{\theta} \rangle^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_x = \hat{\theta} &\geq \langle \sigma_x, W \sigma_x \rangle / n + \frac{\lambda}{n^2} \langle \sigma_x, \hat{\theta} \rangle^2 + \frac{\delta}{n^2} \langle \sigma_x, \hat{\theta} \rangle^2 \\ &= U_n(\lambda) + \frac{\delta}{n^2} \langle \hat{\theta}, \hat{\theta} \rangle^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$2) \quad \Delta^+(\lambda, \delta) = \frac{u(\lambda + \delta) - u(\lambda)}{\delta}$$

$$\Delta^-(\lambda, \delta) = \frac{u(\lambda) - u(\lambda - \delta)}{\delta}$$

$$u(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 2 & , \lambda < 1 \\ \lambda + \frac{1}{\lambda} & , \lambda \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(|\Delta_n^+ - \Delta^+| \geq \varepsilon) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \text{ and } \delta > 0.$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left(\Delta^-(\lambda, \delta) - \varepsilon \leq \langle \hat{\theta}, \theta \rangle^2 / n^2 \leq \Delta^+(\lambda, \delta) + \varepsilon \right) = 0.$$

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \Delta^\pm(\lambda, \delta) = \Delta(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \lambda < 1 \\ 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} & , \lambda > 1. \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left(\left| \langle \hat{\theta}, \theta \rangle^2 / n^2 - \Delta(\lambda) \right| \geq \varepsilon \right) = 0$$

③ Concentration of Lasso training loss.

Consider the LASSO problem.

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}, \quad A_{ij} \sim N(0, \frac{1}{n}). \quad x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad \text{with } \|x_0\|_2^2 / d \leq M.$$

$$y = Ax_0 + \varepsilon, \quad \text{with } \varepsilon = (\varepsilon_i)_{i \in [n]} \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, \tau^2).$$

$$\hat{x}_1 = \arg \min_x \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \|y - Ax\|_2 + \frac{\lambda}{d} \|x\|_1 \quad \xleftarrow{+h f(\hat{x}_1)} \text{ sgrt Lasso.}$$

$$\hat{x}_2 = \arg \min_x \frac{1}{n} \|y - Ax\|_2^2 + \frac{\lambda}{d} \|x\|_1$$

$$\|u\|_2^2 = \sup_{v \in \mathbb{R}^d} 2\langle u, v \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \|v\|_2^2.$$

$$\leftarrow \|v\|_2 \leq K \cdot \sqrt{d}.$$

Prop: Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ compact region. $\Omega = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : \|x\|_2^2 / d \leq D\}.$

$$\sup_{x \in \Omega} \{ \|x\|_2^2 / d \} \leq D.$$

Define $f_\Omega(A, \varepsilon) = \min_{x \in \Omega} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \|y - Ax\|_2 + \frac{\lambda}{d} \|x\|_1.$

$\exists K < \infty$, s.t. $\forall \delta > 0$, we have

$$\mathbb{P} \left(\left| f_\Omega(A, \varepsilon) - \mathbb{E}[f_\Omega(A, \varepsilon)] \right| \geq K \left(\sqrt{\frac{d}{n}} (M+D) + \tau \right) \sqrt{\frac{\log(2/\delta)}{n}} \right) \leq \delta.$$

Proof: Define $\bar{A} = \sqrt{n} A, \quad \bar{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon / \tau.$

Define $F(\bar{A}, \bar{\varepsilon}) = f_\Omega(\bar{A}/\sqrt{n}, \bar{\varepsilon} \cdot \tau) = f_\Omega(A, \varepsilon).$

$$F(\bar{A}, \bar{\varepsilon}) = \min_{x \in \Omega} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \|A(x_0 - x) + \varepsilon\|_2 + \frac{\lambda}{n} \|x\|_1.$$

$$\|u\|_2 = \sup_{\|v\|_2 \leq 1} \langle u, v \rangle.$$

$$= \min_{x \in \Omega} \sup_{\|v\|_2 \leq 1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \langle v, A(x_0 - x) + \varepsilon \rangle + \frac{\lambda}{n} \|x\|_1$$

$$= \min_{x \in \Omega} \sup_{\|v\|_2 \leq 1} \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \langle v, \bar{A}(x_0 - x) \rangle + \frac{\tau}{n} \langle v, \bar{\varepsilon} \rangle + \frac{\lambda}{n} \|x\|_1}_{L(\bar{A}, \bar{\varepsilon}, x, v)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& F(\bar{A}_1, \bar{\varepsilon}_1) - F(\bar{A}_2, \bar{\varepsilon}_2) \\
&= \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \sup_{\|v\|_2 \leq 1} L(\bar{A}_1, \bar{\varepsilon}_1, x, v) + \max_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \inf_{\|v\|_2 \leq 1} [-L(\bar{A}_2, \bar{\varepsilon}_2, x, v)] \\
&\quad \quad \quad x_* = \operatorname{argmax} \\
&\leq \sup_{\|v\|_2 \leq 1} L(\bar{A}_1, \bar{\varepsilon}_1, x_*, v) + \inf_{\|v\|_2 \leq 1} [-L(\bar{A}_2, \bar{\varepsilon}_2, x_*, v)] \\
&\quad \quad \quad v_* = \operatorname{argmax} \\
&\leq L(\bar{A}_1, \bar{\varepsilon}_1, x_*, v_*) - L(\bar{A}_2, \bar{\varepsilon}_2, x_*, v_*) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \langle v, (\bar{A}_1 - \bar{A}_2)(x_0 - x_*) \rangle + \frac{\tau}{\sqrt{n}} \langle v_*, \bar{\varepsilon}_1 - \bar{\varepsilon}_2 \rangle \\
&\leq \frac{1}{n} \|\bar{A}_1 - \bar{A}_2\|_{\text{op}} \underbrace{\|v_*\|_2}_{\leq 1} \underbrace{\|x_0 - x_*\|_2}_{\leq \sqrt{d} \cdot C} + \frac{\tau}{\sqrt{n}} \|\bar{\varepsilon}_1 - \bar{\varepsilon}_2\|_2 \underbrace{\|v_*\|_2}_{\leq 1} \\
&\leq C \cdot (\|\bar{A}_1 - \bar{A}_2\|_F + \|\bar{\varepsilon}_1 - \bar{\varepsilon}_2\|_2) / \sqrt{n} \\
&\leq C_1 \sqrt{\|\bar{A}_1 - \bar{A}_2\|_F^2 + \|\bar{\varepsilon}_1 - \bar{\varepsilon}_2\|_2^2} / \sqrt{n}
\end{aligned}$$

$n \propto d$.

$$G = (\bar{A}, \bar{\varepsilon}) \in \mathbb{R}^{nd+n}$$

$$\|G\|_2.$$

F is $\frac{C_1}{\sqrt{n}}$ - Lipschitz in G .

