

Lecture 7: Concentration inequalities.
Field theoretic calculations.

① Concentration of ensemble average of an observable.

$$H_\lambda(\sigma) = H_0(\lambda) + \lambda M(\sigma), \quad H_0(\sigma) = \langle \sigma, W \sigma \rangle.$$

$$M(\sigma) = \langle \sigma, \theta \rangle^2 / n$$

Show the concentration of $\langle M \rangle_{\beta, \lambda} / n$

$$\langle M \rangle_{\beta, \lambda} \equiv \int_{\Omega} M(\sigma) P_{\beta, \lambda}(d\sigma), \quad P_{\beta, \lambda}(d\sigma) \propto \exp\{-\beta H_\lambda(\sigma)\}.$$

Step a). $F_n(\beta, \lambda) / n \equiv -\frac{1}{n\beta} \log \int_{\Omega} \exp\{-\beta H_\lambda(\sigma)\} \nu_0(d\sigma).$

Show concentration of $U_n(\lambda) \equiv F_n(\beta, \lambda) / n$

(Gaussian concentration inequality).

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(|U_n(\lambda) - \mathbb{E}[U_n(\lambda)]| \geq \varepsilon) = 0 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

Step b). Show that limiting free energy.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} U_n(\lambda) = \underline{u(\lambda)} \quad \forall \lambda$$

and that $u(\lambda)$ is differentiable at λ_* .

i.e. defining

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

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

we have $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \Delta^+(\lambda_*, \delta) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \Delta^-(\lambda_*, \delta) = u'(\lambda_*).$ ②

Step c). $\Delta_n(\lambda) \equiv \langle M \rangle_{\beta, \lambda} / n = U_n'(\lambda).$

$$\Delta_n^+(\lambda, \delta) \equiv (U_n(\lambda + \delta) - U_n(\lambda)) / \delta, \quad \Delta_n^-(\lambda, \delta) \equiv (U_n(\lambda) - U_n(\lambda - \delta)) / \delta.$$

Note $U_n''(\lambda) = -\beta \text{Var}_{\beta, \lambda}(M) / c \leq 0$. concave.

$$\Delta_n^+(\lambda, \delta) \leq \Delta_n(\lambda) \leq \Delta_n^-(\lambda, \delta).$$

Final Step:

$$\Delta_n^+(\lambda_*, \delta) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\textcircled{1}} \Delta^+(\lambda_*, \delta) \xrightarrow[\delta \rightarrow 0]{\textcircled{2}} u'(\lambda_*)$$

$$\Delta_n^-(\lambda_*, \delta) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \Delta^-(\lambda_*, \delta) \xrightarrow[\delta \rightarrow 0]{} u'(\lambda_*).$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta_n(\lambda_*) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} u'(\lambda_*).$$

$$= \langle M \rangle_{\beta_*, \lambda_*}$$

Remark:

If we directly apply Gaussian concentration inequality on $\langle M \rangle_{\beta_*, \lambda_*}$, we cannot get a tight concentration bound.

② Trace of resolvent of Wishart matrix. (Stieltjes transform)

Let $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ with $X_{ij} \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, \frac{1}{d})$.

Denote $S(\lambda) \equiv \text{tr}[(X^T X + \lambda I_d)^{-1}] / d$. $\lambda > 0$.

Prop 2: For any $\delta > 0$, we have $\sqrt{L^2 C \log(2/\delta)} \xrightarrow{\frac{n}{d} \rightarrow r}$

$$\mathbb{P} \left(|S(\lambda) - \mathbb{E}[S(\lambda)]| \leq \sqrt{\frac{C \log(2/\delta)}{\lambda^3 d^2}} \right) \geq 1 - \delta.$$

$\uparrow$ fixed λ ,
this is $\Theta(\frac{1}{d})$.

Proof: Want to show S is $\frac{1}{d}$ -Lipschitz in Gaussian r.v.

$$G = \sqrt{d} X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d} \quad (G_{ij}) \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, 1).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{S}(G) &= \text{tr}[(\lambda I_d + G^T G / d)^{-1}] / d \\ &= \text{tr}[(\lambda d \cdot I_d + G^T G)^{-1}]. \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[\text{Goal: } |\bar{S}(G_1) - \bar{S}(G_2)| \leq \frac{C}{d} \cdot \|G_1 - G_2\|_F. \right] \quad E_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}_{j,j}^{n \times d} \text{ s.t. } \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\partial_{G_{ij}} \bar{S}(G) = 2 \text{tr}((\lambda d I_d + G^T G)^{-1} G^T E_{ij} (\lambda d I_d + G^T G)^{-1})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [A(t)^{-1}] = -A(t)^{-1} \frac{dA(t)}{dt} A(t)^{-1}$$

$$\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA) \quad = 2 \cdot \text{tr}((\lambda d I_d + G^T G)^{-2} G^T E_{ij})$$

$$= 2 \langle G(\lambda d I_d + G^T G)^{-2}, E_{ij} \rangle$$

$$\nabla_G \bar{S}(G) = 2 G(\lambda d I_d + G^T G)^{-2}$$

$n > d$.

$$L^2 \equiv \sup_G \|\nabla_G \bar{S}(G)\|_F^2$$

$$G = U \Sigma V^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$$

$$= \sup_G 4 \|G(\lambda d I_d + G^T G)^{-2}\|_F^2$$

$$U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$$

$$\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$$

$$V \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$$

$$= \sup_G 4 \|\Sigma(\lambda d I_d + \Sigma^2)^{-2}\|_F^2$$

$$U \Sigma V^T (\lambda d I_d + V \Sigma^2 V^T)^{-2}$$

$$= U \Sigma (\lambda d I_d + \Sigma^2)^{-2} V^T$$

$$= \sup_G 4 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_i(G)^2}{(\lambda d + \sigma_i(G)^2)^4}$$

$$\sigma_i(G)^2 = c \cdot \lambda d$$

$$\leq 4 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{c \lambda d}{(\lambda d + c \lambda d)^4} = \frac{n}{\lambda^3 d^3}$$

□

③ Field theoretic calculation (Heuristic physics calculation)

$$Z_n = \int_{\Omega} \exp \{ -\beta H_n(\sigma) \} d\sigma$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{n} \log Z_n \right]$$

a) Delta function $\delta(x-a)$.

$$i) \mu(\{a\}) = 1 \quad \mu((-\infty, +\infty) \setminus \{a\}) = 0.$$

$$ii) \delta(x-a) = \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\varphi_{\sigma}(x-a)}_{\text{Gaussian density with mean } a \text{ and variance } \sigma^2}$$

$$\int f(x) \delta(x-a) dx = \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \int f(x) \varphi_{\sigma}(x-a) dx$$

$$- f(a) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) \delta(x-a) dx.$$

$$- a \in \mathbb{R} \quad \delta(x-a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{ip(x-a)} dp \quad (\text{Delta identity formula}).$$

$$a \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad \delta(\vec{x}-\vec{a}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{i \langle p, x-a \rangle} dp$$

Intuition:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{ipx} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-i\alpha x} f(\alpha) d\alpha \right) dp$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{ip(x-a)} dp \right) f(\alpha) d\alpha$$

$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(\alpha) \delta(x-\alpha) d\alpha.$$

$$- \quad 1 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \delta(x-a) dx$$

b) Gaussian identity formula. $\mathbb{E}[e^{\langle p, x-a \rangle}] \quad p \sim N(0, I_a)$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \det(A)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ \|x - a\|_A^2 / 2 \right\} = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}^d} \exp \left\{ \langle p, x-a \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \|p\|_{A^{-1}}^2 \right\} dp.$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \det(A)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\|x - a\|_A^2 / 2 \right\} = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}^d} \exp \left\{ i \langle p, x-a \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \|p\|_{A^{-1}}^2 \right\} dp.$$

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{i \langle p, x-a \rangle}]$$

① Gaussian moment generating function

② Gaussian characteristic formula.

$$\int \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} \det(A)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left\{ -(x-a - Ap)^T A^{-1} (x-a - Ap) / 2 \right\} dp = 1$$

c) Laplace method.

— If $f_n(\lambda) \rightarrow f(\lambda)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^k} \exp \{ n f_n(\lambda) \} d\lambda \doteq \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^k} \exp \{ n f(\lambda) \}.$$

$$a_n \doteq b_n \iff \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log b_n.$$

$$— \quad f_n(\lambda) = \frac{1}{n} \log \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n h(\sigma_i; \lambda) \right\} \prod_{i=1}^n d\sigma_i$$

$$— \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\lambda \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n h(\sigma_i; \lambda) \right\} \prod_{i=1}^n d\sigma_i \\ \doteq \sup_{\lambda} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n h(\sigma_i; \lambda) \right\} \prod_{i=1}^n d\sigma_i \not\stackrel{X}{=} \sup_{\sigma} \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n h(\sigma_i; \lambda) \right\}$$

d). Saddle point approximation. (Method of steepest descent).

— If $f_n(i\lambda) \rightarrow f(i\lambda)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \exp \{ n f_n(i\lambda) \} d\lambda \doteq \text{ext}_{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}} \exp \{ n \cdot f(\lambda) \}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \int_{\mathbb{R}} \exp \{ n f_n(i\lambda) \} d\lambda = \underbrace{\text{ext}}_{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}} \underline{f(\lambda)}.$$

$$\text{"ext"}_{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}} \quad \text{ext}_{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}} f(\lambda) = \left\{ f(\lambda_*) : f'(\lambda_*) = 0 \right\}.$$

$$— \quad f_n(i\lambda) = \frac{1}{n} \log \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n h(\sigma_i; i\lambda) \right\} d\sigma$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\lambda \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n h(\sigma_i; i\lambda) \right\} d\sigma$$

$$= \max_{\lambda \in \mathbb{Q}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n h(\sigma_i; \lambda) \right\} d\sigma.$$

④ Large deviation of overlap matrix.

$$\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad k \text{ fixed, } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{Let } (\sigma_i)_{i \in [k]} \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \text{Unif}(S^{n-1}(\sqrt{n})).$$

$$\sigma = [\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_k] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}.$$

$$\bar{Q}(\sigma) = \sigma^T \sigma / n = \begin{bmatrix} \|\sigma_1\|^2/n, <\sigma_1, \sigma_2>/n, \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \|\sigma_k\|^2/n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}.$$

$$\bar{Q}(\sigma) \text{ symmetric} \quad \bar{Q}(\sigma)_{ii} = 1$$

Let $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ be a symmetric matrix with $Q_{ii} = 1$.

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log P(\bar{Q}(\sigma)_{ij} \in [-\varepsilon + Q_{ij}, Q_{ij} + \varepsilon], \forall i, j)$$

$$P(\bar{Q}(\sigma) \approx Q), \quad P_Q(Q)$$

$$= \frac{\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n \times k}} \delta(\bar{Q}(\sigma) - Q) \prod_{i=1}^k d\sigma_i}{\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n \times k}} \prod_{i=1}^k \delta(\|\sigma_i\|^2/n - 1) \prod_{i=1}^k d\sigma_i} = \frac{S_n(Q)}{T_n}$$

$$S_n(Q) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n \times k}} \prod_{i=1}^k d\sigma_i \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{k(k+1)/2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{k(k+1)/2}} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \exp \left\{ -i \lambda_{ij} \langle \sigma_i, \sigma_j \rangle + i \lambda_{ij} n Q_{ij} \right\} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} d\lambda_{ij}$$

$$\prod_{1 \leq i \leq k} \exp \left\{ -i \lambda_{ii} \|\sigma_i\|^2/2 + i \lambda_{ii} n Q_{ii}/2 \right\} \prod_{1 \leq i \leq k} d\lambda_{ii}$$

$$= \inf_{\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n \times k}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^k d\sigma_i \right) \exp \left\{ - \sum_{i,j=1}^k \lambda_{ij} \langle \sigma_i, \sigma_j \rangle / 2 + n \sum_{i,j=1}^k \lambda_{ij} Q_{ij} / 2 \right\}$$

$$= \inf_{\Lambda} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n \times k}} \prod_{i=1}^k \prod_{\alpha=1}^n d\sigma_i^\alpha \exp \left\{ - \sum_{i,j=1}^k \lambda_{ij} \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \sigma_i^\alpha \sigma_j^\alpha / 2 \right\} \times \exp \left\{ n \sum_{i,j=1}^k \lambda_{ij} Q_{ij} / 2 \right\}.$$

$$= \inf_{\Lambda} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^k} \prod_{i=1}^k d\sigma_i \exp \left\{ - \sum_{i,j=1}^k \lambda_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j / 2 \right\} \right)^n \times \exp \left\{ n \sum_{i,j=1}^k \lambda_{ij} Q_{ij} / 2 \right\}.$$

$$\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^k} \prod_{i=1}^k d\sigma_i \exp \left\{ - \sum_{i,j=1}^k \lambda_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j / 2 \right\} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^k} \exp \left\{ - \langle \bar{\sigma}, \Lambda \bar{\sigma} \rangle / 2 \right\} d\bar{\sigma} \right)$$

$$= \det(\Lambda)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\sqrt{2\pi})^k$$

$$= \inf_{\Lambda} \left(\det(\Lambda)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (\sqrt{2\pi})^k \right)^n \times \exp \left\{ n \langle \Lambda, Q \rangle / 2 \right\}.$$

$$= \inf_{\Lambda} \exp \left\{ n \left[\langle \Lambda, Q \rangle / 2 - \frac{1}{2} \log \det(\Lambda) + \frac{k}{2} \log(2\pi) \right] \right\}.$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \log S_n(Q) = \inf_{\Lambda} \left[\langle \Lambda, Q \rangle / 2 - \frac{1}{2} \log \det(\Lambda) + \frac{k}{2} \log(2\pi) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \log \det(Q) + \frac{k}{2} \log(2\pi)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \log P(\hat{Q}(\bar{\sigma}) \approx Q) \doteq \frac{1}{2} \log \det(Q) - \frac{1}{2} \log \det(I)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \log \det(Q).$$

