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Sparsity and Non-Euclidean Embeddings

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Notes for page 28

The concentration of measure ineq comes from a Martingale ineq in (2).

Notes for page 36

For latest "explicit" construction, refer to Bourgain, Dilworth, Ford, Konyagin, Kutzarova.

where they break the obstruction at  $\sqrt{n}$  and get  $n^{(\text{larger than } \frac{1}{2})}$ ,

but still far from  $\frac{n}{\log n}$  obtained from random methods.

Notes for page 40

Replace RIP with property  $(\Phi_1)$ .

(Maybe easier to get compared to RIP if using log-concave random matrices)

Notes for page 45

Goal is to find an operator with

①  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} \sim \text{constant}$

②  $\frac{1}{k} \sim m$   
(kappa)

③  $m \sim \text{proportional to } n.$

Notes for page 49

◦ (1) Compare with (1) on page 29, but only look at sparse vectors (which live in a space of dimension  $m$ .)

◦ Classical Union bound:

$x \in \text{sparse}_p(m)$  means }  $x$  is  $m$ -sparse  
and  $x \in$  unit sphere of  $\ell_p$ .

Notes for page 53

Got our wish ① and ③ as in "Notes for page 45."

Notes for page 55

Note, we have erased the first  $m$  largest coordinates of  $x$ .  
So for  $m$ -sparse vectors, we don't ask anything about the lower bound.

(ie the lower bound is only meaningful when  $x$  is not  $m$ -sparse.)

Notes for page 56

Second  $\leq$  comes from Hölder's ineq (so  $\kappa = \frac{1}{m}$ )

First  $\leq$  comes from Compressed sensing techniques, once the first  $m$  largest coordinates are erased.

Notes for page 58

Embedding  $\ell_p^n \hookrightarrow \ell_1$  is now good:

$$\frac{\alpha}{\beta} = \text{const}, \quad m = \frac{1}{\kappa}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{m}{n} \sim \frac{\log(1+\eta)}{\eta}$$

Notes for page 62

Mixture of random and deterministic methods was used by

- ① Kashin in his original paper.
- ② Gluskin, that Ban-Maz compactum has  $\text{diam} \geq n$ .
- ③ Szarek on basis constant.

These can also <sup>be</sup> done with full random methods.

But for [Friedland-Guédon] here, mixture of random and deterministic is important.

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$$(1) \frac{8}{5} \|Th_{I_1}\|_1 = \frac{8}{5} \left\| T \left( \sum_{k=2}^M h_{I_k} \right) \right\|$$

because  $h \in \ker T$ , so  $Th_{I_1} = -T(h_{I_2} + \dots + h_{I_M})$

$$(2) \|h_{I_1}\|_p \leq \frac{8}{5} \sum_{k=2}^M \|Th_{I_k}\|_1 \stackrel{(\Phi_1)}{\leq} \frac{11}{5} \sum_{k=2}^M \|h_{I_k}\|_p$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ (\Phi_1) \end{array} \right\} \text{each } h_{I_k} \text{ is also } m\text{-sparse}$

(3) Last line, use  $(\Phi_2)$  instead of Hölder's ineq as in Comp Sensing.

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$$\left\| \sum_{k=2}^M h_{I_k} \right\|_p = \left( \sum_{k=2}^M \|h_{I_k}\|_p^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leftarrow \text{without } \frac{1}{p}$$

Notes for pages 74, 75

$$N = (1 + \eta)n$$

$$\text{so } \text{codim } S = N - \underbrace{\text{rank}(W)}_n = N - n = \eta n = k$$

Notes for page 80

$T$ : encoder

$Ty$ : is prescribed

want to reconstruct  $y$

$s$ : size of the sparsity of the vector.