Structure-aware and Large-scale ZORO Zeroth Order Online Meeting

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Motivation

Aim: Improve efficiency and storage of ZORO.

Trick: Improve CoSaMP

- Special structures of gradients ⇒ structure-based CoSaMP
 ⇒ reduce function queries ⇒ increase efficiency
- Special structures of sensing matrix ⇒ reduce information needed for building sensing matrix ⇒ save storage

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- ▶ In normal compressed sensing, $m = \mathcal{O}(s \log(n/s))$ to satisfy Restricted Isometry Property (RIP) with high probability.
- According to [Baraniuk et al., 2010], with specific structures of the signals, $m = \mathcal{O}(s)$.
- Two structures considered: binary tree structure, block structure.

Structure-based CoSaMP

Notations:

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- \mathcal{M}_s : the space of \mathcal{M} structure s-sparse signals.
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Structure-based CoSaMP:

Implement a given structure $\mathcal M$ to the usual CoSaMP. Solving:

$$\arg\min_{v}||Zv-y||_2 \ s.t. \ v \in \mathcal{M}_s$$

Structure-based CoSaMP

Algorithm 1: Model-based CoSaMP [Baraniuk et al., 2010]

Inputs: CS matrix Φ , measurements y, structured sparse approximation algorithm $\mathbb M$

Outputs: s-sparse approximation \hat{x} .

Initialize $\hat{x}_0 = 0$, d = y, i = 0 while halting criterion false do

- 1. $i \leftarrow i + 1$
- 2. $e \leftarrow \Phi^T d$
- 3. $\Omega \leftarrow \text{supp}(\mathbb{M}_2(e, s))$ $(\Omega \leftarrow \text{supp}(e_{2s}) \text{ in normal CoSaMP})$
- 4. $T \leftarrow \Omega \cup \operatorname{supp}(\hat{x}_{i-1})$
- 5. $b|_T \leftarrow \Phi_T^{\dagger} y, b|_{T^C}$
- 6. $\hat{x}_i \leftarrow \mathbb{M}(b, s)$

 $(\hat{x}_i \leftarrow b_s \text{ in normal CoSaMP})$

7. $d \leftarrow y - \Phi \hat{x}_i$

end while

return $\hat{x} \leftarrow \hat{x}_i$



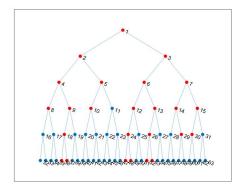
Tree Structure

connected sub-tree: a set of indices Ω forms a connected sub-tree if, whenever an index $i \in \Omega$, then its parent is also in Ω .

Definition: Tree Structure

Define the set of s-tree sparse signals as

$$\mathcal{T}_s = \{x|_{\Omega^c} = 0, |\Omega| = s, \Omega \text{ forms a connected subtree}\}\$$





Tree Structure CoSaMP

Seek an algorithm $\mathbb{T}(x,s)$ to solve the approximation repeatedly in CoSaMP:

$$x_s^{\mathcal{T}} = \arg\min_{\bar{x} \in \mathcal{T}_s} ||x - \bar{x}||_2 \tag{1}$$

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- condensing sort and select algorithm (CSSA) [Baraniuk and Jones, 1994].
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- (1) is equivalent to solve

$$\underset{\Omega}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} ||x_{\Omega}||_2 \ s.t. x_{\Omega} \in \mathcal{T}_s$$

In [Hegde et al., 2014], relax on the sparsity to solve

$$\arg\max_{\Omega} ||x_{\Omega}||_{2}^{2} - \lambda |\Omega| = \arg\max_{\Omega} \sum_{i \in \Omega} (|x_{i}|^{2} - \lambda)$$

where Ω is a support of tree structure (without sparsity constraint). The algorithm returns a tree support Ω which is $s \leq |\Omega| \leq cs$, for some chosen c.

Tree Approximation Algorithm [Hegde et al., 2014]

Algorithm 2: Tree Sparse Approximation

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Begin
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function TreeApprox(x, s, c, \delta)
     x_{\max} \leftarrow \max_{i \in [n]} |x_i|, \ x_{\min} \leftarrow \min_{i \in [n], x_i > 0} |x_i|
     \lambda_l \leftarrow x_{\text{max}}^2, \ \lambda_r \leftarrow 0, \ \epsilon \leftarrow \frac{\delta x_{\text{min}}^2}{\epsilon}
     while \lambda_1 - \lambda_r > \epsilon do
          \lambda_m \leftarrow \frac{\lambda_l + \lambda_r}{2}
          \Omega \leftarrow \mathsf{FindTree}(x, \lambda_m)
          if s \le |\Omega| \le cs then
                return \Omega
          else if |\Omega| < s then
               \lambda_1 \leftarrow \lambda_m
          else
               \lambda_r \leftarrow \lambda_m
     return \Omega \leftarrow \text{FindTree}(x, \lambda_l)
function FindTree(x, \lambda)
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Tree Approximation Algorithm [Hegde et al., 2014]

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CalculateBest(1, x, \lambda)
   return \Omega \leftarrow FindSupport(1)
function CalculateBest(i, x, \lambda)
    b_i \leftarrow |x_i|^2 - \lambda
    for j \in \text{children}(i) do
       CalculateBest(j, x, \lambda)
       b_i \leftarrow b_i + b_i
    b_i \leftarrow \max(0, b_i)
function FindSupport(i)
    if b_i = 0 then
       \Omega_i \leftarrow \{\}
    else
       \Omega_i \leftarrow \{i\}
       for j \in \text{children}(i) do
           \Omega_i \leftarrow \Omega_i \cup \mathsf{FindSupport}(j)
return \Omega_i
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RIP on Tree Structure CoSaMP

According to [Baraniuk et al., 2010], a subgaussian random matrix has the \mathcal{T}_s -RIP property with constant $\delta_{\mathcal{T}_s}$ and probability $1-e^{-t}$ if the number of measurements obeys

$$m \ge \frac{2}{c\delta_{\mathcal{T}_s}^2} \left(s \ln \frac{48}{\delta_{\mathcal{T}_s}} + \ln \frac{512}{se^2} + t \right)$$

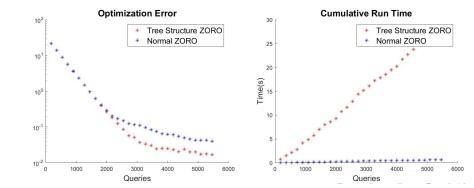
which is $\mathcal{O}(s)$.

Numerical Results on QP

$$\min f(x) = x^T Q x$$

where Q is diagonal with tree structure diagonal entries.

$$n = 2^{10} - 1 = 1023$$
, $s = 26$, $m = 7s = 182$



Block Structure

Definition: Block Sparsity

Define the set of S-block sparse signals as

$$\mathscr{B}_S = \{x = [x_1^T \cdots x_N^T]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{JN} \text{ such that }$$

$$x_n \neq 0$$
 for $n \notin \Omega$, $\Omega \subseteq \{1, 2, ..., N\}$, $|\Omega| = S\}$

Example

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & | & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 5}$$
, $J = 2$, $N = 5$, $S = 2$, total sparsity $s = 4$.

Block Structure CoSaMP

Block-structure-based algorithm $\mathbb{B}(x, S)$:

$$x_s^{\mathscr{B}} = \arg\min_{\bar{x} \in \mathscr{B}_S} ||x - \bar{x}||_2$$

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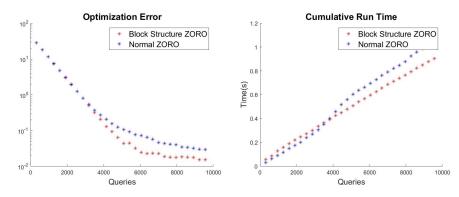
RIP [Baraniuk et al., 2010]

The number of measurements for robust recovery: $m = \mathcal{O}(JS + S\log(N/S))$, which is a substantial improvement over $m = \mathcal{O}(JS\log(N/S))$

Numerical Results on QP

Similar tests on noisy QP $f(x) = x^T Qx$

$$J = 50, N = 20, S = 1, s = 50, m = 6 \text{ceil}(SJ + S \log(N/S)) = 318$$



Quick Summary and Future Works

- By exploiting specific structures, m is reduced.
- ▶ In ZORO, estimation uses $E_f(x+\delta z_i)$ for $i \in [m]$.
- Further study on learning the underlying structure with first few ZORO iterations.
- Still Looking for applications of non-trivial structured gradient.
- Possible future directions: learning to optimize, hyperparameter optimization...

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Motivation and Ideas

- ➤ Storage problem for large-scale ZORO (e.g. adversarial attack on 1024 × 1024 image).
- ightharpoonup Consider special forms of sensing matrix Z.
- Two cases: Random Block Diagonal Matrix and Circulant Matrix.
- Trade-off: to satisfy the RIP, the order of measurements will increase.

Random Block Diagonal Matrix

Random block diagonal matrix takes the form:

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \Phi_2 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \Phi_J \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$$

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- ▶ Distinct Block Diagonal Matrix (DBD): Φ_i are distinct and independently drawn.
- ▶ Repeated Block Diagonal Matrix (RBD): Φ_i are identical.

Measurements for RIP

For DBD case, according to [Eftekhari et al., 2015] and [Koep et al., 2019], the number of measurements needed to satisfy RIP with high probability is

$$m \gtrsim \delta^{-2} \tilde{\mu}^2(U) \cdot s \cdot \log^2(s) \log^2(n)$$

where U is the orthogonal basis, $\tilde{\mu}(U) := \min\{\sqrt{J}, \mu(U)\}$, $\mu(U) = \sqrt{n} \max_{p,q \in [n]} |U(p,q)|$, s is the sparsity and n is the ambient dimension.

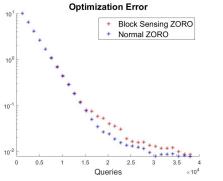
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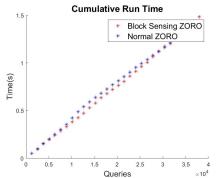
- ▶ $1 \le \tilde{\mu}(U) \le \sqrt{J}$. The result is dependent of the basis (or dictionary). For Fourier basis, $m = \mathcal{O}(s\log^2(n))$; and for canonical basis, $m = \mathcal{O}(Js\log^2(n))$.
- Similar results with the same order hold for RBD case, by changing coherence $\tilde{\mu}(U)$ to a block-wise coherence $\gamma(U)$.

Numerical results

Simple tests on QP $f(x) = x^T Qx$.

$$n = 1000, s = 10, m = 5 \text{ceil}(s \log(s)^2 \log(n)^2 / 10) = 1265$$





Circulant Matrix

Circulant matrix takes the form:

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} t_n & t_{n-1} & \cdots & \cdots & t_1 \\ t_1 & t_n & t_{n-1} & \ddots & \vdots \\ t_2 & t_1 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & t_n & t_{n-1} \\ t_{n-1} & \cdots & t_2 & t_1 & t_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- Only one row/column is needed to store.
- ➤ This row/column is generated randomly as a subgaussian vector.

Computation efficiency

Let $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be the circulant matrix and c be its first column. Let F_n be the discrete Fourier transform, then we have

$$C = \frac{1}{n} F_n^{-1} \operatorname{diag}(F_n c) F_n$$

Moreover, to compute the product Cx in compressed sensing for some x, we can apply the convolution:

$$Cx = c * x = F_n^{-1}[F_n(c) \cdot F_n(x)]$$

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Dependency issue: from [Yin et al., 2010], for sparse signals under DCT, the recovery is not robust.

Possible solution: instead of randomizing c, randomize $d := F_n c$ with $|d_i| = 1$ to establish C.

Measurements for RIP

According to [Huang et al., 2018], for the vector c being a random vector with zero mean and $\mathbb{E}(c_i^2) = 1$ and $|c_i| \le a$ for some constant $a \ge 1$, then the required number of measurements is

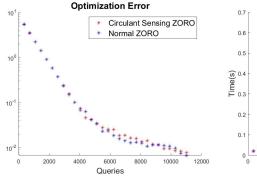
$$m \gtrsim \log^2(\frac{1}{\delta})\delta^{-2}s\log^2(s/\delta)\log(n)$$

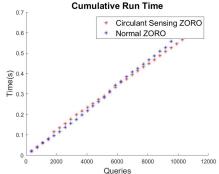
with the requirement $s\lesssim \frac{n}{\log^4(n)}$ to satisfy RIP with high probability. $m=\mathcal{O}(s\log^2(s)\log(n))$

Numerical Tests

Simple tests on QP $f(x) = x^T Qx$.

$$n = 1000, s = 10, m = \text{ceil}(s\log(s)^2\log(n)) = 367$$





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Problem considered:

$$\min_{\delta} f(x+\delta) + \lambda ||\delta||_{0}$$

where we consider to minimize the attack loss $f(x+\delta)$ and l_0 distortion.

We attacked Inception-V3 model [Szegedy et al., 2016] on ImageNet, on a randomly selected **subspace** of 2000 variables, and compared ZORO with ZO-AdaMM, ZO-SGD, and ZO-SCD [Chen et al., 2019]. The results from [Cai et al., 2020] are:

Table 2: Attack success rate (ASR), average final ℓ_0 distortion (as a percentage of the total pixels), average final ℓ_2 distortion, and average iteration of first successful attack for different attack methods.

METHODS	ASR	ℓ_0 dist	ℓ_2 dist	ITER
ZO-SCD	78 %	0.89%	57.5	240
ZO-SGD	78%	100%	37.9	159
ZO-AdaMM	81%	100%	28.2	172
ZORO	90%	0.73%	21.1	59



Median Filter

We also apply a median filter to attempt mitigating the adversarial attack. The results are:

Table 1: Recovery success rate (RSR), original image distortion rate, and total prediction accuracy reduction (TPAR) for different median filter sizes.

MED. FILTER	RSR	DIST RATE	TPAR
size = 2	86 %	8%	21%
size = 3	92%	7 %	14%
size = 4	76%	14%	34%
size = 5	69 %	29%	53%

Adversarial Attack Examples



(a) True label: "corn" \rightarrow Mislabeled: "ear, spike, capitulum"



(b) True label: "plastic bag" \rightarrow Mislabeled: "shower cap"



(c) True label: "water ouzel, dipper" → Mislabeled: "otter"



(d) True label: "thimble" \rightarrow Mislabeled: "measuring cup"

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Thank You!