

# Spectrum Analysis of Large Random Matrices: A Brief Introduction <sup>2</sup>

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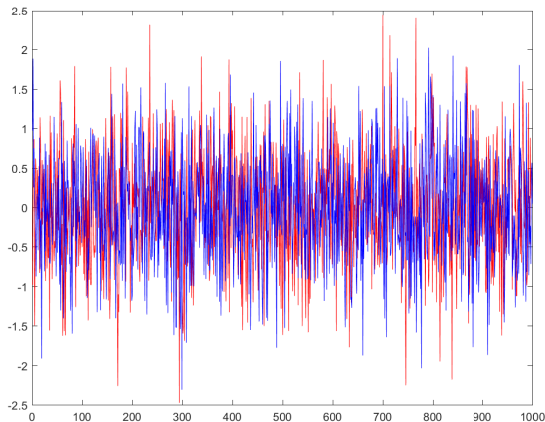
# Outline for Lecture 1

- ▶ Semi-Circle Distribution
- ▶ Marchenko-Pasture Distribution
- ▶ Single-Ring Distribution
- ▶ Random SVD

# Semi-Circle Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶ MATLAB implementation:  $Z = \text{randn}(n,m)$ ;
- ▶ A complex *matrix*.
- ▶  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$
- ▶  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . A complex number (scalar).
- ▶ This  $\mathbf{Z}$  is arbitrary. The only restriction is that the entries  $Z_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, m$  are Gaussian random variables.
- ▶ A matrix has its eigenvalues and eigenvectors, as a complex number has its amplitude and phase.
- ▶ What can we say about the eigenvalues?
- ▶ What happens if we allow  $n \rightarrow \infty, m \rightarrow \infty$  but  $\frac{m}{n} \rightarrow c \in (0, \infty)$ ?

# Semi-Circle Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration



**Figure:** Comparing the random Gaussian vectors obtained from the first and second columns of  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ .  $Z(:,1)$  and  $Z(:,2)$ .

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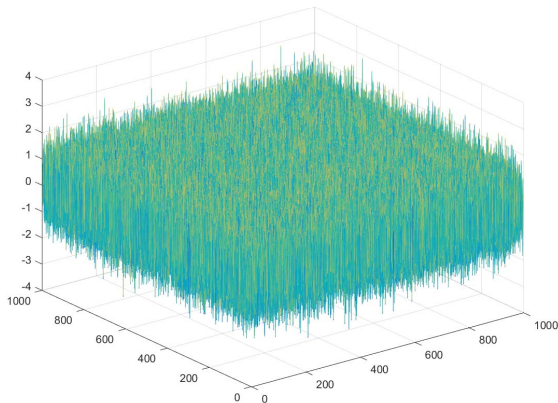


Figure: A 3D view of a random Gaussian matrix  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ .

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- ▶ The eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$  are still too complicated!!! We will revisit this problem.
- ▶ Let us add more restrictions.
- ▶ For a complex number  $z$ , we study the real part  $x = \frac{1}{2}(z + z^*)$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .
- ▶ In analogy, we study  $\mathbf{X} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}^H)$ ,  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ .

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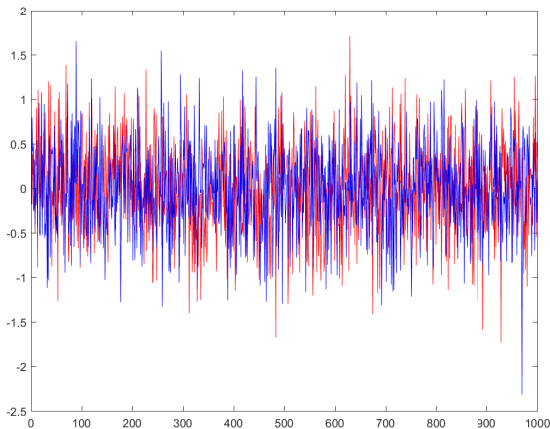


Figure:  $\mathbf{X} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}^H)$ ,  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ . First two columns.

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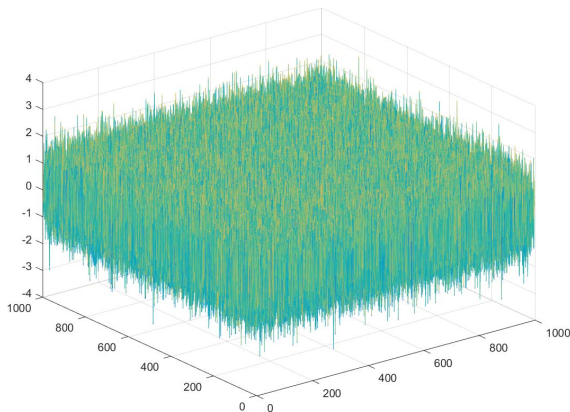


Figure:  $\mathbf{X} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}^H)$ ,  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ . 3D view.



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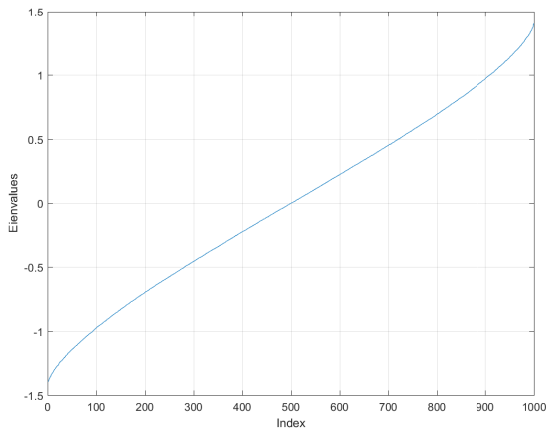
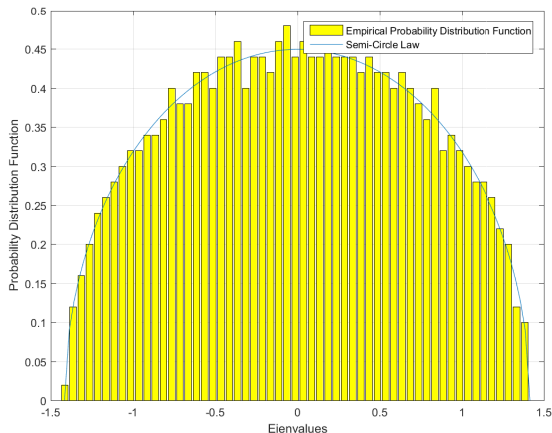


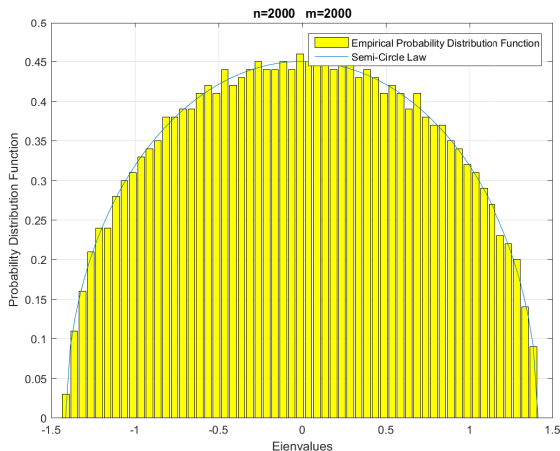
Figure: Eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{X}$  are real, since it is a complex Hermitian matrix.

# Semi-Circle Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration



**Figure:** The probability distribution function of all the  $n$  eigenvalues follows a semi-circle distribution. Parameters:  $n = 1000$ ,  $m = 1000$ .

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**Figure:** The probability distribution function of all the  $n$  eigenvalues follows a semi-circle distribution. Parameters:  $n = 2000$ ,  $m = 2000$ .

# Marchenk-Pasture Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶  $a = zz^*$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .
- ▶  $\mathbf{S} = \frac{1}{n}\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}^H$ ,  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ ,  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ .
- ▶ As multiplication is much more complicated than addition, this problem, using matrix multiplication, is much harder!



$$\mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z}_1 & \mathbf{z}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{z}_m \end{bmatrix}_{n \times m} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$$

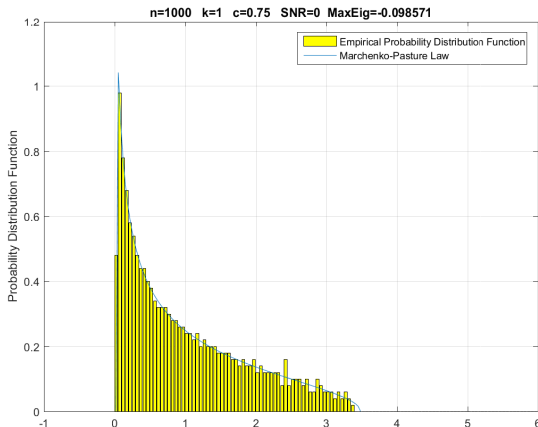
$$\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2, \dots, \mathbf{z}_m \in \mathbb{C}^n$$

$$\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}^H = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z}_1 & \mathbf{z}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{z}_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z}_1^H \\ \mathbf{z}_2^H \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{z}_m^H \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{z}_i \mathbf{z}_i^H$$

$$\mathbf{z}_i \mathbf{z}_i^H \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}, \text{ rank - one matrix}$$

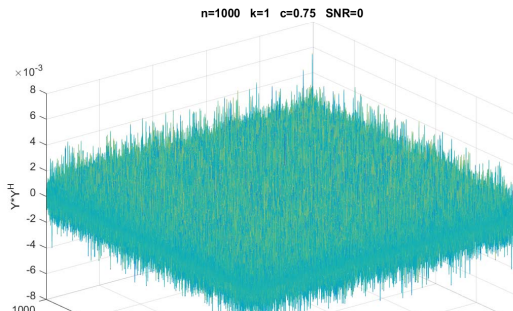
# Marchenko-Pasture Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶ For  $n \rightarrow \infty, m \rightarrow \infty$  but  $\frac{m}{n} \rightarrow c \in (0, \infty)$ , we have a convergent distribution, called Marchenko-Pasture Distribution.



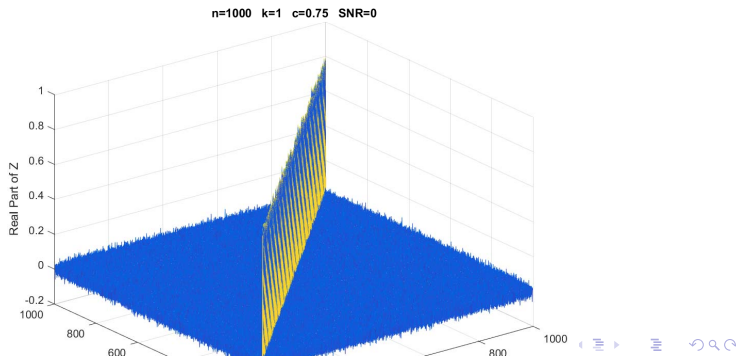
# Marchenko-Pasture Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶ For random vectors, we certainly have the intuition.
- ▶ The rank-one matrix  $\mathbf{z}_i \mathbf{z}_i^H$  is the building block for the whole sample covariance matrix.
- ▶ what is interesting lies in that the random vector is very long! Here the length is  $n = 1000$ . This kind of intuition is not common, before the popularity of big data.



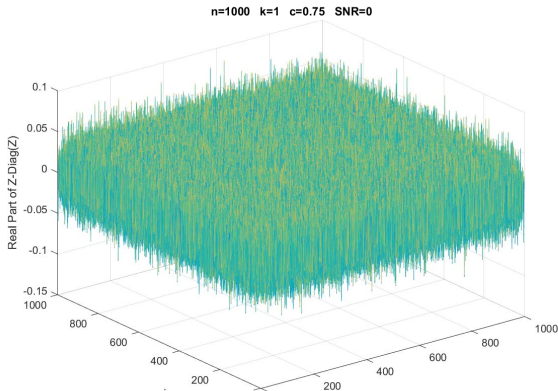
# Marchenko-Pasture Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶ What we are interested in is the sum of the rank-one matrix.
- ▶  $\frac{1}{n}\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}^H = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{z}_i\mathbf{z}_i^H \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ , here  $n = 1000$ ,  $m = 750$ .
- ▶ Diagonal entries are fundamentally different from the non-diagonal ones; they add coherently.



# Marchenko-Pasture Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

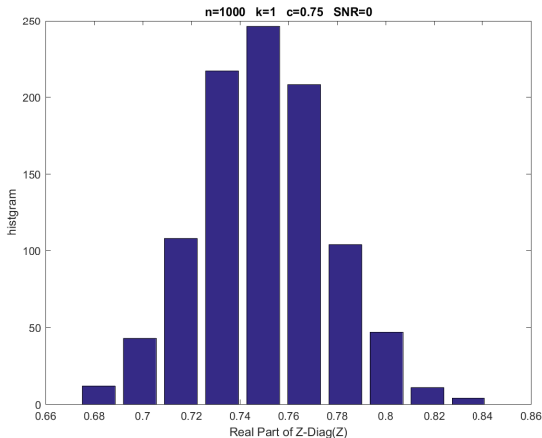
- ▶ Removing the diagonal entries.
- ▶ All non-diagonal entries behave similarly. They are bounded in magnitude.





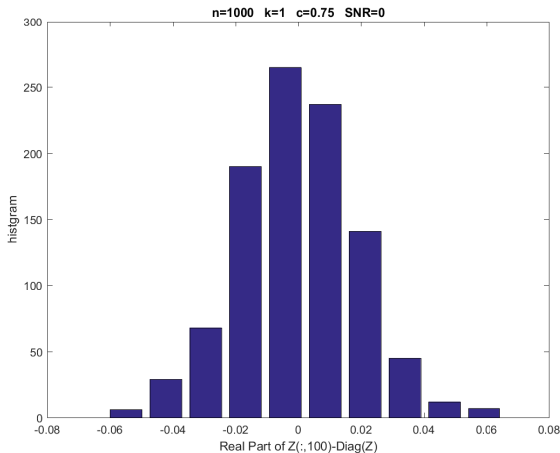
# Marchenko-Pasture Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶ The distribution of diagonal entries is Gaussian.



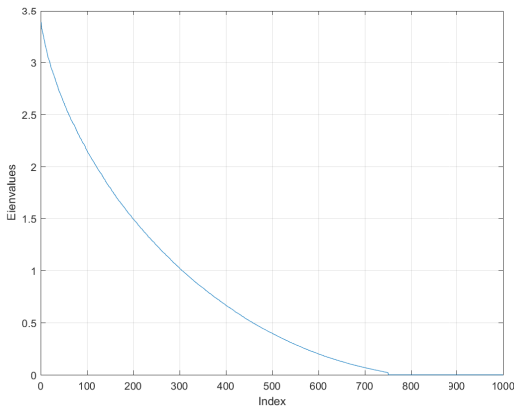
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- ▶ The non-diagonal entries are also Gaussian.



# Marchenko-Pasture Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶ The eigenvalues vary from zero to a finite upper bound.



# Single-Ring Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶ Let us get back the most general Gaussian matrix  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ , where the entries  $Z_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, m$  are complex Gaussian random variables.
- ▶ What happens if

$$n \rightarrow \infty, m \rightarrow \infty \text{ but } \frac{m}{n} \rightarrow c \in (0, \infty)?$$

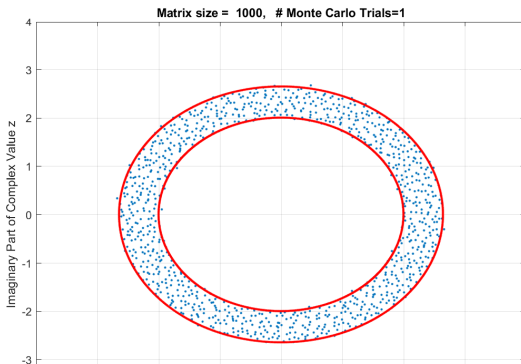
- ▶ The distribution of the complex eigenvalues converges to a *single ring* on the complex plane.

# Single-Ring Distribution—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- Consider

$$\frac{1}{n} \sqrt{\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}^H} \mathbf{H},$$

where  $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is a Haar matrix whose measure is a unit circle.

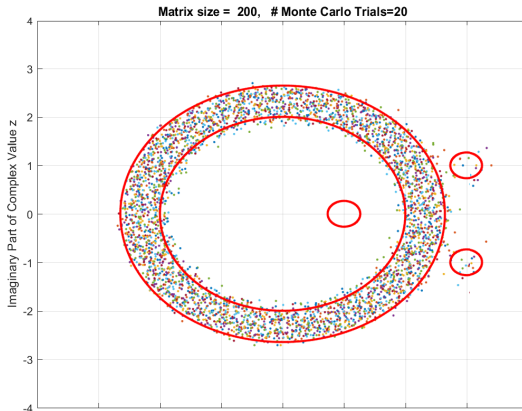


# Single-Ring Distribution with Outliers—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

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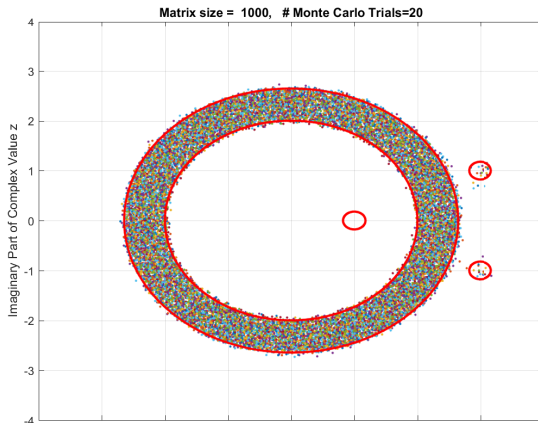
$$\frac{1}{n} \sqrt{\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}^H} \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{A},$$

where  $\mathbf{A}$  is a matrix of low rank.



# Single-Ring Distribution with Outliers—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶ Larger matrix implies better resolution.
- ▶ Outlier detection. Anomaly detection. PCA.
- ▶ Power grid, wireless network, stocks market



# Random SVD—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶ Consider

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{U} \begin{pmatrix} s_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & s_n \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{V},$$

where  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{V}$  are Haar-distributed unitary random matrices and the  $s_i$ 's are positive numbers that are independent of  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{V}$ .

- ▶ If  $\mathbf{Z}$  is a random matrix with i.i.d. entries. The singular values  $s_i$  are compactly supported on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ . The Marchenko-Pastur quarter circular distribution is defined as

$$\mu_s(dx) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{4 - x^2} \mathbf{1}_{[0,2]}(x) dx,$$

where  $\mathbf{1}_{[c,d]}(x)$  is the indicator function that is one on the interval  $[c, d]$  and zero outside the interval.



# Random SVD—A MATLAB Experimental Demonstration

- ▶ The eigenvalue distribution converges, in probability, weakly to a deterministic probability measure whose support on the complex plane is a **single ring** defined as  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : a \leq |z| \leq b\}$ .
- ▶ The inner radius  $a$  and outer radius  $b$  of the ring is

$$a = \left( \int_0^\infty x^{-2} d\mu_s(x) \right)^{-1/2}, \quad b = \left( \int_0^\infty x^2 d\mu_s(x) \right)^{1/2}$$

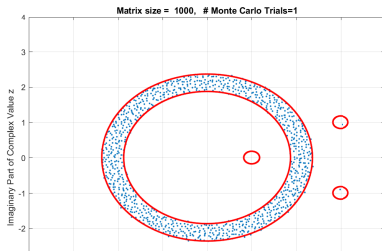
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- ▶ Singular values have a uniform distribution on the interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$ , for  $\beta > \alpha$ .
- ▶ The inner radius  $a$  and outer radius  $b$  of the ring is

$$a = \left( \int_0^\infty x^{-2} d\mu_s(x) \right)^{-1/2} = \sqrt{\alpha\beta},$$

$$b = \left( \int_0^\infty x^2 d\mu_s(x) \right)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \sqrt{\alpha^2 + \alpha\beta + \beta^2}.$$

- ▶ Example:  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 3.5$



- ▶ Matrix Concentration Inequities for Sample Covariance Matrix
- ▶ Linear Eigenvalue Statistics
- ▶ Free Probability
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