

# Upper Bounds on the Spectral Norm of the Pseudo-Inverse of Non-Standard Gaussian Matrices

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## Abstract

In this paper we explore upper bounds on the spectral norm for Gaussian Matrices with columns standard from Central Correlated Multivariate Normal Distributions. We utilize a lemma from [Chi17, CWS09] and extend the analysis from [CD05]. These bounds find applications in the generalization of the randomized SVD given in [BT22] and wireless network science.

## 1 Introduction

The study of the expectation of the norms of the pseudoinverse of standard normal gaussian matrices first appeared in [HMT11] when analyzing the error bounds for the Randomized SVD algorithm. The bounds developed in [HMT11] used theory developed in analyzing the condition numbers of standard normal matrices in [CD05]. In a generalization of the Randomized SVD, the need for bounds on the expectation of the spectral norm for correlated Gaussian matrices appears in [BT22].

## 2 Relevant Work in Standard Uncorrelated Matrices

In this section we will briefly discuss bounds developed for the inequalities of standard normal matrices.

**Proposition 1.** (HMT Proposition 10.2). Draw a  $k \times (k + p)$  standard Gaussian matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  with  $k \geq 2$  and  $p \geq 2$ . Then

$$\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{G}^\dagger\| \leq \frac{e\sqrt{k+p}}{p} \quad (1)$$

From our search in the literature, there is no bound on equation 1 when the columns are not sampled from a multiple of the identity.

## 3 Theory

We will first introduce the necessary lemmas needed to prove our main results.

### 3.1 Necessary Lemmas

**Lemma 2.** [Jam64, Eq. (58,59)]. If  $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_m$  are the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{W}$  s.t.  $\mathbf{W} \sim \mathcal{W}_m(n, \mathbf{C})$  s.t.  $n > m - 1$ , then the joint PDF of eigenvalues is

$$f(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m) = K_{m,n} (\det \mathbf{C})^{-n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{W})\right) \prod_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^{(n-m-1)/2} \prod_{i < j} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j) \quad (2)$$

where

$$K_{m,n} = \frac{\pi^{m^2/2}}{\Gamma_m(\frac{1}{2}m) \Gamma_m(\frac{1}{2}n)} \quad (3)$$

**Lemma 3.** [WLR08, Lemma 3.6]. Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n \geq m$ . Suppose  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ , then if  $(\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A})$  is invertible

$$\left\| (\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^\top \right\| = \frac{1}{\sigma_m(\mathbf{A})} \quad (4)$$

**Lemma 4.** [Chi17, Lemma 1]. Draw a  $m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  s.t. the columns of  $\mathbf{G}$  are sampled from  $\mathcal{N}_m(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{C})$  where the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{C}$  are represented as  $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \dots > \sigma_m$ . Let  $\mathbf{W} \sim \mathcal{W}_m(n, \mathbf{C})$ . The eigenvalue distribution is given as

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = K_{\mathbf{C}} |\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})| \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^m (x_i - x_j) \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{n-m} \quad (5)$$

where  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \{e^{-x_i/\sigma_j}\}_{i,j=1}^m = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-\frac{x_1}{\sigma_1}} & \dots & e^{-\frac{x_1}{\sigma_m}} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ e^{-\frac{x_m}{\sigma_1}} & \dots & e^{-\frac{x_m}{\sigma_m}} \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$K_{\mathbf{C}}^{-1} = \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^m (\sigma_i - \sigma_j) \prod_{i=1}^m \sigma_i^{n-m+1} (n-i)! \quad (6)$$

With these lemmas we will go to proving the main results.

### 3.2 Main Results

**Theorem 5.** Draw a  $m \times m$  matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  s.t. the columns of  $\mathbf{G}$  are sampled from  $\mathcal{N}_m(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{C})$  where the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{C}$  are represented as  $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \dots > \sigma_m$ . Then

$$\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{G}^\dagger\| \leq \sqrt{\pi \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{1}{\sigma_k}} \quad (7)$$

**Proof.** We will first note

$$\|\mathbf{G}^\dagger\| \stackrel{\text{lem. 3}}{=} \frac{1}{\sigma_m(\mathbf{G})} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}^\top)}} \quad (8)$$

For  $\mathbf{W}$  sampled from  $\mathcal{W}_m(m, \mathbf{C})$ . We will now derive the distribution for minimum eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{W}$  similar to [NZYY08].

$$f_{\lambda_{\min}}(x_m) = \int_{x_2}^{\infty} \dots \int_{x_{m-1}}^{\infty} K_{\mathbf{C}} |\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})| \cdot \prod_{i < j}^m (x_i - x_j) \prod_{i=1}^m x_j^{m-m} \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} dx_i \quad (9)$$

$$= K_{\mathbf{C}} \int_{x_2}^{\infty} \dots \int_{x_{m-1}}^{\infty} |\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})| \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{m-2} \prod_{j=i+1}^{m-1} (x_i - x_j) \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} (x_i - x_m) \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} dx_i \quad (10)$$

$$\stackrel{(a)}{=} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_m}{\sigma_i}} \left( \int_{y_2}^{\infty} \dots \int_{y_{m-1}}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^m (-1)^{i+m} K_{\mathbf{C}} |\mathbf{E}_i(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_m, \boldsymbol{\sigma})| \prod_{i=1}^{m-2} \prod_{j=i+1}^{m-1} (y_i - y_j) \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} dy_i \right) \quad (11)$$

$$\stackrel{(b)}{=} \Xi e^{-\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_m}{\sigma_i}} \quad (12)$$

(a) follows due to the properties of the determinant. (b) follows as the intergral expresion in Equation (11) no longer integrates over  $x_m$  and thus integrates to some constant we define as  $\Xi$ . Since the PDF must integrate to 1, we thus have,

$$f_{\lambda_{\min}}(x) = \left( \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{1}{\sigma_k} \right) e^{-x \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{1}{\sigma_k}} \quad (13)$$

The Expected Value follows from a simple integration.

$$\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{G}^\dagger\| = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} e^{-x \sum_{k=1}^m \sigma_k^{-1}} dx \quad (14)$$

$$= \sqrt{\pi \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{1}{\sigma_k}} \operatorname{erf} \left( \sqrt{\pi \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{1}{\sigma_k}} \right) \leq \sqrt{\pi \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{1}{\sigma_k}} \quad (15)$$

The proof is complete.  $\blacksquare$

In our next theorem, we will consider the matrix is rectangle and all the singular values of the covariance matrix are distinct.

**Theorem 6.** Draw a  $m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  s.t. the columns of  $\mathbf{G}$  are sampled from  $\mathcal{N}_m(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{C})$  where the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{C}$  are represented as  $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \dots > \sigma_m > 0$ . Let  $\mathbf{W} \sim \mathcal{W}_m(n, \mathbf{C})$ . Let  $\gamma \triangleq \min_{k \in [m-1]} (\sigma_k - \sigma_{k+1})$  and  $p \triangleq n - m + 1$ , then

$$\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{G}^\dagger\| \leq \gamma^m 2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{e}} \left(\frac{p}{e}\right)^p \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma_i}} \quad (16)$$

**Proof.** Let  $K_{\mathbf{C}}$  and  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})$  be defined as in Lemma 4.

$$f_{\lambda_{\min}}(x_m) = \int_{x_2}^\infty \dots \int_{x_{m-1}}^\infty K_{\mathbf{C}} |\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})| \cdot \prod_{i < j}^m (x_i - x_j) \prod_{i=1}^m x_j^{n-m} \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} dx_i \quad (17)$$

$$= K_{\mathbf{C}} x_m^{n-m} \int_{x_2}^\infty \dots \int_{x_{m-1}}^\infty |\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})| \cdot \prod_{i < j}^{m-1} (x_i - x_j) \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} (x_i - x_m) \prod_{i=1}^m x_i^{n-m} \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} dx_i \quad (18)$$

$$\leq K_{\mathbf{C}} x_m^{n-m} \int_{x_2}^\infty \dots \int_{x_{m-1}}^\infty |\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})| \cdot \prod_{i < j}^{m-1} (x_i - x_j) \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} x_i^{n-m+1} \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} dx_i \quad (19)$$

$$\leq K_{\mathbf{C}} x_m^{n-m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( (-1)^{i+m} e^{-\frac{x_m}{\sigma_i}} \int_{x_2}^\infty \dots \int_{x_{m-1}}^\infty |\mathbf{E}_{m,i}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})| \cdot \prod_{i < j}^{m-1} (x_i - x_j) \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} x_i^{n-m+1} \prod_{i=1}^{m-1} dx_i \right) \quad (20)$$

$$= x_m^{n-m} K_{\mathbf{C}} \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^m (-1)^{i+m} e^{-\frac{x_m}{\sigma_i}} K_{\mathbf{C},i}^{-1}}_{\Xi} \quad (21)$$

We will now upper bound  $\Xi$ .

$$\Xi \triangleq K_{\mathbf{C}} \sum_{i=1}^m (-1)^{i+m} e^{-\frac{x_m}{\sigma_i}} K_{\mathbf{C},i}^{-1} \quad (22)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^m (-1)^{k+m} e^{-\frac{x_m}{\sigma_k}} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^m \mathbb{I}\{i, j \neq k\} (\sigma_i - \sigma_j) \prod_{i=1}^m \mathbb{I}\{i \neq k\} \sigma_i^{n-m+1} (n-i)!}{\prod_{i=1}^{m-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^m (\sigma_i - \sigma_j) \prod_{i=1}^m \sigma_i^{n-m+1} (n-i)!} \quad (23)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^m (-1)^{k+m} e^{-\frac{x_m}{\sigma_k}} \left( \prod_{i > k}^m (\sigma_i - \sigma_k) \prod_{i < k}^m (\sigma_k - \sigma_i) \cdot \sigma_k^{n-m+1} (n-k)! \right)^{-1} \quad (24)$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=1}^m e^{-\frac{x_m}{\sigma_k}} \underbrace{\left( \prod_{i > k}^m (\sigma_i - \sigma_k) \prod_{i < k}^m (\sigma_k - \sigma_i) \cdot \sigma_k^{n-m+1} (n-k)! \right)^{-1}}_K \quad (25)$$

Now we will lower bound  $K$  for  $i = k$ . Define  $\delta_k \triangleq \min\{(\sigma_k - \sigma_{k+1}), (\sigma_{k-1} - \sigma_k)\}$ , then

$$K \triangleq \prod_{i > k}^m (\sigma_i - \sigma_k) \prod_{i < k}^m (\sigma_k - \sigma_i) \cdot \sigma_k^{n-m+1} (n-k)! \quad (26)$$

$$\geq \delta_k^m \sigma_k^{n-m+1} (n-k)! \quad (27)$$

We thus have

$$f_{\lambda_{\min}}(x_m) \leq K x_m^{n-m} \sum_{i=1}^m e^{-\frac{x_m}{\sigma_i}} = \mathcal{O} \left( x_m^{n-m} \sum_{i=1}^m e^{-\frac{x_m}{\sigma_i}} \right) \quad (28)$$

Now we will integrate over  $f_{\lambda_{\min}}(x_m)$ .

$$\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{G}^\dagger\| = \int_0^\infty \mathcal{O} \left( x^{n-m-\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{i=1}^m e^{-\frac{x}{\sigma_i}} \right) dx \quad (29)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{O} \left( \sigma_i^{n-m+\frac{1}{2}} \Gamma \left( \frac{n-m+\frac{1}{2}}{2} \right) \right) \quad (30)$$

$$\stackrel{(a)}{\leq} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{O} \left( \sigma_i^{n-m+\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{n-m+\frac{1}{2}}} \left( \frac{n-m+\frac{1}{2}}{e} \right)^{n-m+\frac{1}{2}} \right) \quad (31)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{O} \left( \sigma_i^{n-m+\frac{1}{2}} 2\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{e}} \left( \frac{n-m+\frac{1}{2}}{e} \right)^{n-m} \right) \quad (32)$$

(a) follows from an application of Stirling's Approximation [Rob55]. Now we will plug in the lower bound for  $K$  from Equation (27).

$$\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{G}^\dagger\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\sigma_i^{n-m+\frac{1}{2}} 2\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{e}} \left( \frac{n-m+\frac{1}{2}}{e} \right)^{n-m}}{\delta_i^m \sigma_i^{n-m+1} (n-i)!} = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{2\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{e}} \left( \frac{n-m+\frac{1}{2}}{e} \right)^{n-m}}{\delta_i^m \sqrt{\sigma_i} (n-i)!} \quad (33)$$

Define  $\gamma \triangleq \min_{k \in [m-1]}$  and the proof is complete.  $\blacksquare$

In our next theorem we will consider the matrix is rectangle but the singular values of the covariance are not all distinct.

**Theorem 7.** Draw a  $m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  s.t. the columns of  $\mathbf{G}$  are sampled from  $\mathcal{N}_m(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma)$  where the eigenvalues of  $\Sigma$  are represented as  $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \dots > \sigma_m$ . Let  $\mathbf{W} \sim \mathcal{W}_m(n, \Sigma)$ . Then,

$$\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{G}^\dagger\| \leq \Xi \quad (34)$$

**Proof.** First, let us represent  $\mathbf{W} = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^\top$  where  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma)$ . Then we can lower  $\sigma_{\min}(\mathbf{W})$ ,

$$\sigma_{\min}(\mathbf{W}) = \sigma_{\min} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \right) \quad (35)$$

$$= \sigma_{\min} \left( n\mathbb{E} [\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^\top] + \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top - \mathbb{E} [\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top] \right) \quad (36)$$

$$\geq n\sigma_{\min}(\Sigma) - \sigma_{\max} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top - \Sigma \right) \quad (37)$$

$$= n\sigma_{\min}(\Sigma) - \sigma_{\max} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \Sigma^{1/2} \mathbf{v}_i \right) \left( \Sigma^{1/2} \mathbf{v}_i \right)^\top - \Sigma \right) \quad (38)$$

$$= n\sigma_{\min}(\Sigma) - \sigma_{\max} \left( \Sigma^{1/2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{v}_i \mathbf{v}_i^\top - \mathbf{I} \right) \Sigma^{1/2} \right) \quad (39)$$

$$\geq n\sigma_{\min}(\Sigma) - \underbrace{\sigma_{\max}(\Sigma) \sigma_{\max} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{v}_i \mathbf{v}_i^\top - \mathbf{I} \right)}_A \quad (40)$$

$$(41)$$

There has been significant theory in Random Matrix Theory and High Dimensional Probability analyzing Covariance Estimation, especially in the standard normal case, [T<sup>+</sup>15, Ver20, Rig15]. We will utilize the Matrix Bernstein inequality to upper bound A in probability and in expectation.

## 4 Numerical Experiments

In Figure 1, we verify the results given in Theorem 5.

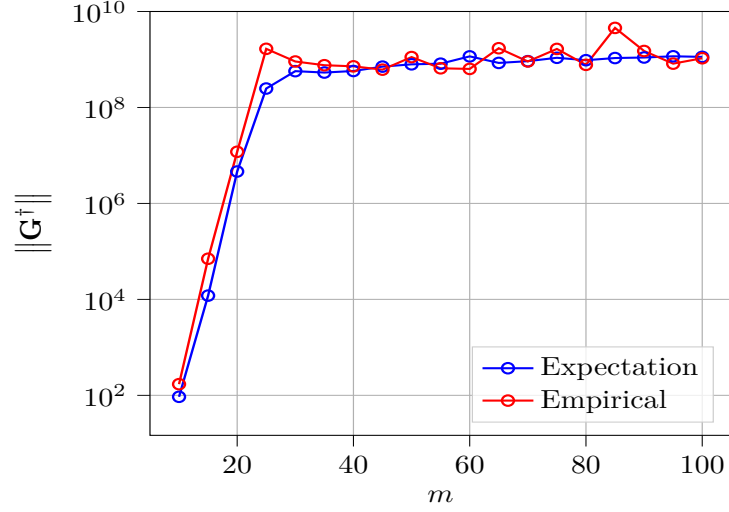


Figure 1: Comparing the expected norm upper bound on  $\|\mathbf{G}^\dagger\|$  where  $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and the columns of  $\mathbf{G}$  are sampled from  $\mathcal{N}_m(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K})$  with the average norm of  $\mathbf{G}^\dagger$  over 100 samples. The expected norm is calculated with Proposition 5.

In Figure 2, we verify the results given in Theorem 6.

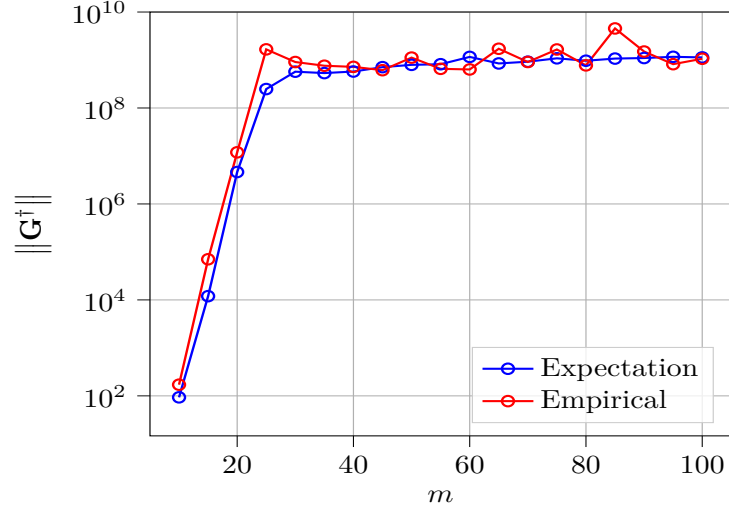


Figure 2: Comparing the expected norm upper bound on  $\|\mathbf{G}^\dagger\|$  where  $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and the columns of  $\mathbf{G}$  are sampled from  $\mathcal{N}_m(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K})$  with the average norm of  $\mathbf{G}^\dagger$  over 100 samples. The expected norm is calculated with Proposition 5.

## 5 Conclusions

In this paper, we derive novel upper bounds for the spectral norm of Gaussian matrices with columns sampled from a central correlated multivariate normal distribution with various distributions of the singular values of the covariance matrix.

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