

## Probability bound of Lemma 2 and 3

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**Lemma 2** (Estimation error due to permutation (Expectation version)).

$$\mathbb{E}\|\text{Block}_k(\mathcal{Y} \circ \hat{\sigma}^{-1}) - \text{Block}_k(\mathcal{Y} \circ \sigma^{-1})\|_F^2 \leq d^m \text{Loss}^2(\sigma, \hat{\sigma}).$$

**Lemma 2\*** (Estimation error due to permutation (Probability version)). With probability  $1 - k^m \exp(-h^m \epsilon^2)$ , taking  $e^2 = \log d / h^m \rightarrow \text{tail prob} \sim 1-1/d$

$$\|\text{Block}_k(\mathcal{Y} \circ \hat{\sigma}^{-1}) - \text{Block}_k(\mathcal{Y} \circ \sigma^{-1})\|_F^2 \leq d^m (\epsilon^2 + \text{Loss}^2(\sigma, \hat{\sigma})).$$

*Proof.* Define  $\mathcal{A} := \mathcal{Y} \circ \sigma^{-1}$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} := \mathcal{Y} \circ \hat{\sigma}^{-1}$ . Notice that  $\leq k^m \log d + d^m \text{loss}^2$

$$\|\text{Block}_k(\mathcal{Y} \circ \hat{\sigma}^{-1}) - \text{Block}_k(\mathcal{Y} \circ \sigma^{-1})\|_F^2 = h^m \sum_{\substack{k_i \in \{0, \dots, k-1\} \\ i=1, \dots, m}} \underbrace{\left( \frac{1}{h^m} \sum_{\substack{h_j \in \{0, \dots, h-1\} \\ j=1, \dots, m}} \hat{\mathcal{A}}_{\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m)} - \mathcal{A}_{\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m)} \right)^2}_{(*)}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m) = (k_1 h + h_1, \dots, k_m h + h_m)$ .

Notice that  $(*)$  in (1) is divided into three terms by

$$\hat{\mathcal{A}}_\omega - \mathcal{A}_\omega = \underbrace{\hat{\mathcal{A}}_\omega - [\Theta \circ \sigma \circ \hat{\sigma}^{-1}]_\omega}_{(a)} + \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_\omega - \Theta_\omega}_{(b)} + \underbrace{[\Theta \circ \sigma \circ \hat{\sigma}^{-1}]_\omega - \Theta_\omega}_{(c)}$$

Therefore, we bound  $(a)$ ,  $(b)$ , and  $(c)$  in  $(*)$  respectively. Since  $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\mathcal{A}}_\omega) = [\Theta \circ \sigma \circ \hat{\sigma}^{-1}]_\omega$  and  $\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{A}_\omega) = \Theta_\omega$ , Hoeffding's inequality, we bound  $(a)$  and  $(b)$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P} \left( \frac{1}{h^m} \left| \sum_{\substack{h_j \in \{0, \dots, h-1\} \\ j=1, \dots, m}} \hat{\mathcal{A}}_{\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m)} - [\Theta \circ \sigma \circ \hat{\sigma}^{-1}]_{\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m)} \right| \geq \epsilon \right) &\leq 2 \exp(-2h^m \epsilon^2), \\ \mathbb{P} \left( \frac{1}{h^m} \left| \sum_{\substack{h_j \in \{0, \dots, h-1\} \\ j=1, \dots, m}} \mathcal{A}_{\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m)} - \Theta_{\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m)} \right| \geq \epsilon \right) &\leq 2 \exp(-2h^m \epsilon^2), \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

for any  $\epsilon > 0$ . For  $(c)$  term, notice that for any  $\omega \in [d]^m$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |[\Theta \circ \sigma \circ \hat{\sigma}^{-1}]_\omega - \Theta_\omega| &= |[\Theta \circ \sigma]_{\omega'} - [\Theta \circ \hat{\sigma}]_{\omega'}|, \quad \text{for some } \omega' \in [d]^m \\ &\leq \frac{L|\sigma(\omega') - \hat{\sigma}(\omega')|_1}{d} \\ &\lesssim \text{Loss}(\sigma, \hat{\sigma}). \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Combining (2), (3) and triangular inequality, for probability at least  $1 - \exp(-h^m \epsilon^2)$ ,

$$(*) \lesssim \epsilon^2 + \text{Loss}^2(\sigma, \hat{\sigma}).$$

Going back to (1), we show that

$$h^m \sum_{\substack{k_i \in \{0, \dots, k-1\} \\ i=1, \dots, m}} \left( \frac{1}{h^m} \sum_{\substack{h_j \in \{0, \dots, h-1\} \\ j=1, \dots, m}} \hat{\mathcal{A}}_{\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m)} - \mathcal{A}_{\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m)} \right)^2 \lesssim d^m (\epsilon^2 + \text{Loss}^2(\sigma, \hat{\sigma})),$$

with probability at least,  $1 - k^m \exp(-h^m \epsilon^2)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3** (Denoising error (Expectation version)).

$$\mathbb{E} \|\text{Block}_k(\mathcal{Y} \circ \sigma^{-1}) - \text{Block}_k(\Theta)\|_F^2 \leq k^m.$$

**Lemma 3\*** (Denoising error (Probability version)). With probability  $1 - k^m \exp(-h^m \epsilon^2)$ ,

$$\|\text{Block}_k(\mathcal{Y} \circ \sigma^{-1}) - \text{Block}_k(\Theta)\|_F^2 \leq d^m \epsilon^2.$$

*Intuition:*

this is a squared sum of  $k^m$  r.v.'s.

Each r.v. is an average of  $h^m$  i.i.d. r.v.'s  $\rightarrow$  zero-mean, variance  $\sim 1/h^m$ .

Therefore, the entire r.v. is roughly a chisq r.v. with  $\text{df} = k^m$

taking  $e^2 = \log d/h^m$

$\rightarrow$  tail prob  $\sim 1-1/d$

$\rightarrow$  event bound  $\sim k^m \log d$

*Proof.* Remember that we define  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{Y} \circ \sigma^{-1}$ . By definition, we have

$$\|\text{Block}_k(\mathcal{Y} \circ \sigma^{-1}) - \text{Block}_k(\Theta)\|_F^2 = h^m \sum_{\substack{k_i \in \{0, \dots, k-1\} \\ i=1, \dots, m}} \left( \frac{1}{h^m} \sum_{\substack{h_j \in \{0, \dots, h-1\} \\ j=1, \dots, m}} \mathcal{A}_{\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m)} - \Theta_{\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m)} \right)^2, \quad (4)$$

where  $\omega(k_1, \dots, k_m, h_1, \dots, h_m) = (k_1 h + h_1, \dots, k_m h + h_m)$ . Combining (2) and (4) yields,

$$\|\text{Block}_k(\mathcal{Y} \circ \sigma^{-1}) - \text{Block}_k(\Theta)\|_F^2 \lesssim d^m \epsilon^2,$$

with probability at least  $1 - k^m \exp(-2h^m \epsilon^2)$ .  $\square$

Based on the changed lemmas, our main theorem becomes

**Theorem 0.1** (Sorting-and-blocking under  $\beta$ -monotonicity of degree). With probability at least  $1 - k^m \exp(-h^m \epsilon^2)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{\Theta} - \Theta\|_F^2 &\lesssim d^m (\epsilon^2 + \text{Loss}^2(\sigma, \hat{\sigma})) + d^m \epsilon^2 + \frac{d^m}{k^2} \\ &\lesssim d^{-\beta(m-1)+m} + \frac{d^m \epsilon^2}{k^2} + \frac{d^m}{k^2}. \end{aligned}$$

$\log d / h^m$

$k^m * \log d$

Furthermore, setting  $\epsilon^2 = \frac{d}{h^m}$  yields,

$$\|\hat{\Theta} - \Theta\|_F^2 \lesssim d^{-\beta(m-1)+m} + dk^m + \frac{d^m}{k^2}$$

$$\lesssim d^{-\beta(m-1)+m} + d^{\frac{-2m+2}{m+2}+m},$$

with probability at least  $1 - k^m \exp(-d)$ . The last line comes from balancing the block size as  $k = \mathcal{O}(d^{\frac{m-1}{m+2}})$ .