

# Graphic Lasso: Scaled membership

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## 1 Simple case

Now we consider a simple case that  $K$  categories share the same structure of the precision matrix but with different scalar coefficients. To make the parameters identifiable, we need the assumptions mentioned in the Proposition 2 of the Note 010921. The problem is stated as following.

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\{u, \Theta\}} \quad & \mathcal{L}(u, \Theta) = \sum_{k=1}^K \langle S^k, \Omega^k \rangle - \log \det(\Omega^k), \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \Omega^k = u_k \Theta, \quad k = 1, \dots, K, \\ & u_k \geq 0, \|u\|_F = 1, \end{aligned}$$

### 1.1 Trivial Accuracy

There is a trivial accuracy rate if we simply consider  $u_k \Theta$  as  $K$  different precision matrix.

**Lemma 1** (Trivial Accuracy). *Let  $\{u, \Theta\}$  denote the true parameters. Consider a estimation  $\{\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}\}$  such that  $\mathcal{L}(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) \geq \mathcal{L}(u, \Theta)$ . With probability tends to 1 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we have the accuracy*

$$\sum_{k=1}^K \left\| \hat{\Omega}^k - \Omega^k \right\|_F = \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| \hat{u}_k \hat{\Theta} - u_k \Theta \right\|_F^2 \leq CK \sqrt{\frac{p^2 \log p}{n}}.$$

**Remark 1.** The Trivial Accuracy does not take the advantage of the same structure. So, the accuracy is of order  $\mathcal{O}(K)$  which should not be optimal.

### 1.2 Sharp Accuracy

If we consider the common structure of precision matrix, my conjecture is that the accuracy should be of order  $\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{K})$ .

**Lemma 2** (Sharp Accuracy(conjecture)). *Let  $\{u, \Theta\}$  denote the true parameters. Consider a estimation  $\{\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}\}$  such that  $\mathcal{L}(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) \geq \mathcal{L}(u, \Theta)$ . With probability tends to 1 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we have the accuracy*

$$\sum_{k=1}^K \left\| \hat{\Omega}^k - \Omega^k \right\|_F = \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| \hat{u}_k \hat{\Theta} - u_k \Theta \right\|_F \leq C\sqrt{K} \sqrt{\frac{p^2 \log p}{n}}.$$

*Proof.* Note that

$$\sum_{k=1}^K \left\| \hat{u}_k \hat{\Theta} - u_k \Theta \right\|_F^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^K u_k^2 \left\| \hat{\Theta} - \Theta \right\|_F^2 + \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| (\hat{u}_k - u_k) \hat{\Theta} \right\|_F^2,$$

where  $\sum_{k=1}^K u_k^2 = 1$ , the first term represents the estimation error from  $\Theta$ , and the second term represents the estimation error from  $u$ . Consider the function

$$\begin{aligned} G(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) &= \mathcal{L}(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) - \mathcal{L}(u, \Theta) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \langle S^k, \hat{u}_k \hat{\Theta} \rangle - \langle S^k, u_k \Theta \rangle - \log \det(\hat{u}_k \hat{\Theta}) + \log \det(u_k \Theta) \\ &= G_1(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) + G_2(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} G_1(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) &= \sum_{k=1}^K \langle S^k, u_k (\hat{\Theta} - \Theta) \rangle - \log \det(u_k \hat{\Theta}) + \log \det(u_k \Theta), \\ G_2(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) &= \sum_{k=1}^K \langle S^k, (\hat{u}_k - u_k) \hat{\Theta} \rangle - \log \hat{u}_k / u_k \end{aligned}$$

Consider  $G_1$ . Let  $\Delta = \hat{\Theta} - \Theta$ . By Taylor Expansion, we have

$$\begin{aligned} -\log \det(u_k \hat{\Theta}) + \log \det(u_k \Theta) &\geq -\langle (u_k \Theta)^{-1}, u_k \Delta \rangle + \frac{1}{4\tau^2} \|u_k \Delta\|_F^2, \\ &\geq -\langle u_k^{-1} \Sigma, u_k \Delta \rangle + \frac{1}{4\tau^2} u_k^2 \|\Delta\|_F^2 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tau$  is the max singular value of  $\Theta$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} G_1(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) &\geq \sum_{k=1}^K \langle S^k - u_k^{-1} \Sigma, u_k \Delta \rangle + \frac{1}{4\tau^2} u_k^2 \|\Delta\|_F^2 \\ &= \left\langle \sum_{k=1}^K u_k S^k - K \Sigma, \Delta \right\rangle + \frac{1}{4\tau^2} \|\Delta\|_F^2. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $X_1^k, \dots, X_n^k \sim_{i.i.d.} \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma / u_k)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . Note that

$$\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K u_k S_{jl}^k = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( (\sqrt{u_k} X_{ij}^k)(\sqrt{u_k} X_{il}^k) - (\sqrt{u_k} X_{.j}^k)(\sqrt{u_k} X_{.l}^k) \right).$$

Since  $\sqrt{u_k} X_i^k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$ , we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{nK} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^n (\sqrt{u_k} X_{ij}^k)(\sqrt{u_k} X_{il}^k) - \Sigma_{jl} \right| \leq C \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{nK}},$$

with high probability. Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
G_1(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) &\geq \frac{1}{4\tau^2} \|\Delta\|_F^2 - C\sqrt{K} \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}} \|\Delta\|_1 \\
&\geq \frac{1}{4\tau^2} \|\Delta\|_F^2 - C\sqrt{K} \sqrt{\frac{p^2 \log p}{n}} \|\Delta\|_F
\end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Consider  $G_2$ . Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
-\log \hat{u}_k / u_k &= -\log \det(\hat{u}_k \Theta) + \log \det(u_k \Theta) \\
&\geq -\langle u_k^{-1} \Sigma, (\hat{u}_k - u_k) \Theta \rangle + \frac{1}{4\tau^2} (\hat{u}_k - u_k)^2 \|\Theta\|_F^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Plug into the  $G_2$ . We have

$$G_2(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \langle S^k - u_k^{-1} \Sigma, (\hat{u}_k - u_k) \hat{\Theta} \rangle + \langle u_k^{-1} \Sigma, (\hat{u}_k - u_k) (\hat{\Theta} - \Theta) \rangle + \frac{1}{4\tau^2} (\hat{u}_k - u_k)^2 \|\Theta\|_F^2$$

**Conjecture.**

$$\begin{aligned}
G_2(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) &\geq \frac{1}{4\tau^2} \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| (\hat{u}_k - u_k) \hat{\Theta} \right\|_F \right)^2 - C\sqrt{K} \sqrt{\frac{p^2 \log p}{n}} \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| (\hat{u}_k - u_k) \hat{\Theta} \right\|_F \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2\tau^2} \|\Delta\| \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| (\hat{u}_k - u_k) \hat{\Theta} \right\|_F.
\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Combining the upper bounds (1) with (2), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\geq G_1(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) + G_2(\hat{u}, \hat{\Theta}) \\
&\geq \left( \frac{1}{2\tau} \|\Delta\|_F + \frac{1}{2\tau} \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| (\hat{u}_k - u_k) \hat{\Theta} \right\|_F \right)^2 - C\sqrt{K} \sqrt{\frac{p^2 \log p}{n}} \left( \|\Delta\|_F + \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| (\hat{u}_k - u_k) \hat{\Theta} \right\|_F \right),
\end{aligned}$$

which implies the accuracy rate.  $\square$