

# Conjecture 1

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**Conjecture 1** (Tail bounds for empirical process). Consider the correlated pairs of normal variables  $(X_i, Y_i)$  for  $i \in [n]$ , where  $X_i, Y_i \sim N(0, 1)$  and  $\text{cov}(X_i, Y_i) = \rho$ . Let  $\rho = \sqrt{1 - \sigma^2}$ , and  $F_n, G_n$  denote the empirical CDF of  $\{X_i\}$  and  $\{Y_i\}$ . Then, the  $L_p$  norm between  $F_n$  and  $G_n$  satisfies:

1. if  $\rho > 0$ ,

$$\mathbb{P}(\|F_n - G_n\|_p \geq \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{n}}) \leq C_1 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\sigma}\right); \quad (1)$$

2. if  $\rho = 0$ ,

$$\mathbb{P}(\|F_n - G_n\|_p \leq \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{n}}) \leq C_2 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\sigma}\right), \quad (2)$$

for  $p \in [1, \infty)$  with universal positive constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

**Proof Sketches:** We prove the inequalities (1) and (2) separately.

For inequality (1), by Ding et al. (2021) (Need to figure out the specific derivation), we have

$$\|F_n - G_n\|_p = \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{n}}\right),$$

for general  $p \geq 1$  when  $n$  is large enough. Therefore, for a fixed  $q \geq 1$  and fixed  $\lambda > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[\exp(\lambda \sqrt{n} \|F_n - G_n\|_q)] \leq C \exp(\lambda \sigma), \quad (3)$$

for some positive constant  $C$ . The inequality (3) then indicates that  $\|F_n - G_n\|_q$  is a sub-Gaussian when  $n$  is large enough, i.e.,

$$\mathbb{E}[\exp(\lambda \|F_n - G_n\|_q)] = C' \exp(\lambda \sqrt{\sigma/n} + \lambda^2 \xi^2/2).$$

for some positive constant  $C'$  with mean  $\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{\sigma/n})$  and sub-Gaussianity parameter  $\xi^2 \leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{\sigma/n})$ . Otherwise, the inequality (3) dose not hold when  $\xi^2 \gtrsim \sqrt{\sigma/n}$ . Take  $\xi^2 = \sigma^2/n$ . By Chernoff bound, we have

$$\mathbb{P}(\|F_n - G_n\|_q \geq \mathbb{E}[\|F_n - G_n\|_q] + t) \leq \exp\left(-\frac{t^2}{2\xi^2}\right) \lesssim \exp\left(-\frac{nt^2}{\sigma^2}\right).$$

Take  $t \asymp \sqrt{\sigma/n}$ . We have

$$\mathbb{P}(\|F_n - G_n\|_q \geq C'' \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{n}}) \leq C_1 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\sigma}\right).$$

For inequality (2), we follow the inequality (14) in Ding et al. (2021) (Also need to figure out the specific derivation).

Therefore, when  $n$  is large enough, we have Conjecture 1.

## References

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