Random Matrix Methods for Machine Learning

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Erratum

Theorem 2.11 (Inspired by Mestre [2008]). Under the setting of Theorem 6 with $\mathbb{E}[|\mathbf{Z}_{ij}|^4] < \infty$ and $\max_{1 \leq i \leq p} \operatorname{dist}(\lambda_i(\mathbf{C}), \operatorname{supp}(\nu)) \to 0$, let $f : \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$ be a complex function analytic on the complement of $\gamma(\mathbb{C} \setminus \operatorname{supp}(\mu))$ in \mathbb{C} with γ defined in (2.39). Then,

$$\frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^{p} f(\lambda_{i}(\mathbf{C})) - \frac{1}{2c\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma_{\mu}} f\left(\frac{-1}{m_{\frac{1}{n}\mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{X}}(\omega)}\right) \omega m'_{\frac{1}{n}\mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{X}}(\omega) d\omega \xrightarrow{a.s.} 0,$$

for some complex positively oriented contour $\Gamma_{\mu} \subset \mathbb{C}$ surrounding supp $(\mu) \setminus \{0\}$. In particular, if c < 1, the result holds for any f analytic on $\{z \in \mathbb{C}, \Re[z] > 0\}$ with Γ_{μ} chosen as any such contour within $\{z \in \mathbb{C}, \Re[z] > 0\}$.

Section Equation (2.43).

$$\ell_a - \hat{\ell}_a \xrightarrow{a.s.} 0, \quad \hat{\ell}_a = -\frac{n}{p_a} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma_u^{(a)}} \omega \frac{m'_{\frac{1}{n} \mathbf{X}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{X}}(\omega)}{m_{\frac{1}{n} \mathbf{X}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{X}}(\omega)} d\omega.$$
 (2.43)

Section 3.1.1 "GLRT asymptotics" around Equation (3.2). As a consequence, in order to set a maximum false alarm rate (or false positive, or Type I error) of r > 0 in the limit of large n, p, one must choose a threshold $f(\alpha)$ for T_p such that

$$\mathbb{P}(T_n \geq f(\alpha)) = r,$$

that is, such that

$$\mu_{\text{TW}_1}([A_p, +\infty)) = r, \quad A_p = (f(\alpha) - (1 + \sqrt{c})^2)(1 + \sqrt{c})^{-\frac{4}{3}}c^{\frac{1}{6}}n^{\frac{2}{3}}$$
 (3.2)

with μ_{TW_1} the Tracy-Widom measure in Theorem 2.15.

Section 5.1.1 "Regression with random neural network" after Equation (5.12). The fact that this denominator scales like $\|\gamma\bar{\mathbf{Q}}\|$ as $\gamma \to 0$ explains the major difference between the training and test error behavior in Figure 5.5. Due to the γ^2 prefactor in \bar{E}_{train} , the training error is guaranteed to be finite (even possibly to vanish) as $\gamma \to 0$. But for the test error, since $\gamma\bar{\mathbf{Q}} \to 0$ as N approaches n from each side, if the numerator term

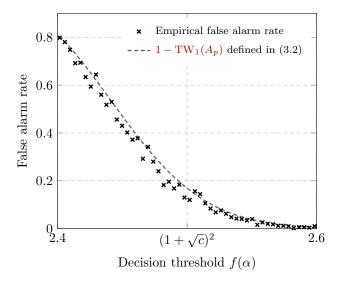


Figure 1: Comparison between empirical false alarm rates and $1 - \text{TW}_1(A_p)$ for A_p of the form in (3.2), as a function of the threshold $f(\alpha) \in [(1+\sqrt{c})^2 - 5n^{-2/3}, (1+\sqrt{c})^2 + 5n^{-2/3}]$, for $p=256, n=1\,024$ and $\sigma=1$. Results obtained from 500 runs. Link to code: Matlab and Python.

 $\frac{1}{\hat{n}}\operatorname{tr}\bar{\mathbf{K}}_{\hat{\mathbf{X}}\hat{\mathbf{X}}} - \frac{1}{\hat{n}}\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{I}_n + \gamma\bar{\mathbf{Q}})(\bar{\mathbf{K}}_{\mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{X}}}\bar{\mathbf{K}}_{\mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{X}}}^{\mathsf{T}}\bar{\mathbf{Q}}) \text{ does not scale like } \gamma\bar{\mathbf{Q}}, \text{ then } \bar{E}_{\text{test}} \text{ diverges to infinity at } N = n. \text{ A first counterexample is of course when } \hat{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X}, \text{ for which the numerator term of } \bar{E}_{\text{test}} \text{ is now}$

$$\frac{1}{\hat{n}}\operatorname{tr}\bar{\mathbf{K}}_{\hat{\mathbf{X}}\hat{\mathbf{X}}} - \frac{1}{\hat{n}}\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{I}_n + \gamma\bar{\mathbf{Q}})(\bar{\mathbf{K}}_{\mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{X}}}\bar{\mathbf{K}}_{\mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{X}}}^{\mathsf{T}}\bar{\mathbf{Q}}) = \frac{\gamma^2}{n}\operatorname{tr}\bar{\mathbf{Q}}\bar{\mathbf{K}}\bar{\mathbf{Q}}$$

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