# The spiked matrix model

with generative priors

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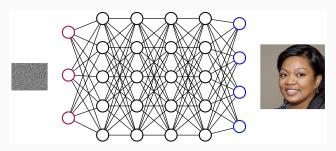
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Example: GANs (Goodfellow et al. 2014)



### The model

#### Spiked matrix estimation

We observe a matrix  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$  generated by a ground truth vector  $\mathbf{v}^*$ :

$$Y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p}} \mathbf{v}^* (\mathbf{v}^*)^{\mathsf{T}} + \sqrt{\Delta} \xi \tag{1}$$

with  $\mathbf{v}^* \in \mathbb{R}^p \sim P_v$ ,  $\xi_{ij} \underset{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, I_p)$ ,  $p \to \infty$  and  $\Delta = \Theta(1)$ 

**Objective**: estimate  $\mathbf{v}^*$ .

#### **Sparse PCA**

- $k \ll p$ : non-zero components  $\rho = \frac{k}{p} = \Theta(1)$
- Sparse prior

$$\mathbf{v}^{\star} \sim (1 - \rho)\delta(\mathbf{v}^{\star}) + \rho \mathcal{N}(0, I_p)$$

- Critical noise for  $\Delta_c = 1$  (BBP transition)
- Algorithmic hard phase for small  $\rho$

#### Generative prior

- $k \ll p$ : latent variables,  $\alpha = \frac{p}{k} = \Theta(1)$
- Generative prior

$$v^* = \varphi^{(L)} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} W^{(L)} \dots \varphi^{(1)} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} W^{(1)} \mathbf{z}^* \right) \right)$$

- Critical noise  $\Delta_c(\alpha) = \dots$ ?
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# Main result 1: Analysis of the optimal Bayesian estimator

We prove a rigorous formula describing the performance of the optimal Bayesian estimator for arbitrary prior  $P_v$ :

$$MMSE_v(\Delta) = \rho_v - \operatorname{arginf}_{q_v} i_{RS}(\Delta, q_v)$$

where

$$i_{RS}(\Delta, q_v) = \frac{(\rho_v - q_v)^2}{4\Delta} + \lim_{p \to \infty} \frac{I\left(\mathbf{v}; \mathbf{v} + \sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{q_v}} \xi\right)}{p}$$

with 
$$\boldsymbol{\xi} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I_p)$$
,  $I(Y; \mathbf{v}^*) = D_{\text{KL}}(P_{(\mathbf{v}^*, Y)}|P_{\mathbf{v}^*}P_Y)$  and  $\rho_v = \lim_{p \to \infty} \mathbb{E}_{P_v}[\mathbf{v}^\intercal \mathbf{v}]/p$ .

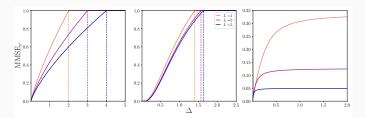
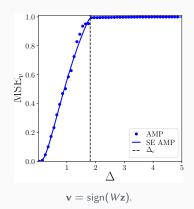


Figure: Linear (left), Sign (middle) and ReLU (right) activation functions.

## Results

# Main result 2: Approximate Message Passing algorithm

We derive an Approximate Message Passing algorithm (AMP) and analyse its performance. For our class of random multi-layer generative priors with linear, sign and ReLU activations, AMP achieves the optimal statistical threshold previously derived.



## Results

# Main result 3: L-AMP spectral method

The linearised AMP algorithm yield a simple spectral method also achieving the optimal statistical threshold. In particular, it beats PCA.

**Input:** Observed matrix  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$ , prior  $P_v$  on  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^p$ 

Take the leading eigenvector  $\hat{\mathbf{v}} \in \mathbb{R}^p$  of  $K_p\left[\frac{Y}{\sqrt{p}} - I_p\right]$  with  $K_p = \mathbb{E}_{P_v}\left[\mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^\intercal\right]$ .

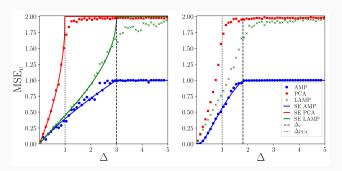
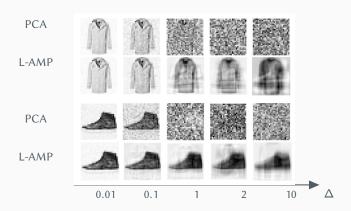


Figure: Linear (left) and Sign activation functions, L = 1.

# Spectral algorithm L-AMP - Application to FashionMnist

- $P_v$ : underlying distribution of Fashion Mnist dataset  $\{\mathbf{v}^{\mu}\}_{\mu=1}^m$ .
- Use empirical covariance  $K_p = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}] \simeq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\mu=1}^{m} v^{\mu} (v^{\mu})^{\mathsf{T}}$  and apply the L-AMP spectral method.



# Thank you!

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