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# High Dimensional Regression Models

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## Abstract

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## Chapter 0

### Notes

#### 0.1 Notes for chapter 1

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#### 0.2 Notes for chapter 2

#### 0.2.1 Section 6.2

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \tag{1}$$

We define  $\hat{\beta}$  as follows

$$\hat{\beta} := \arg\min_{\beta} \left\{ \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\beta\|_1 \right\}$$
 (2)

Lemma 0.1 (Basic Inequality).

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^0)\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_1 \le 2 \frac{\varepsilon^T \mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^0)}{n} + \lambda \|\beta^0\|_1$$

*Proof.* By definition of  $\hat{\beta}$ , we have that

$$\forall \beta \quad \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_1 \le \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\beta\|_1$$

In particular for  $\beta = \beta^0$  we have

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\beta^{0}\|_{1}$$

We now replace  $\mathbf{Y}$  using equation (1).

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{\|(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{X}(\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\rangle}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{\|\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})\|_{2}^{2} + \|\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\|_{2}^{2} + 2\langle \mathbf{X}(\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}), \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\rangle}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{\|\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0})\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{2\langle \mathbf{X}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}), \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\rangle}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0})\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{2\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{T}\mathbf{X}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}), \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\rangle}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}\|_{1}$$

Let

$$\mathscr{T} := \left\{ \max_{1 \le j \le p} 2 \frac{\left| \varepsilon^T \mathbf{X}^{(j)} \right|}{n} \le \lambda_0 \right\}$$

**Lemma 0.2** (Lemma 6.2.). For all t > 0 and

$$\lambda_0 := 2\sigma \sqrt{\frac{t^2 + 2\log p}{n}}$$

we have

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathscr{T}) \geq 1 - 2 \exp\left[-t^2/2\right]$$

*Proof.* We define

$$V_j := \frac{\varepsilon^T \mathbf{X}^{(j)}}{\sqrt{n\sigma^2}}$$

Then we have

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathscr{T}) = \mathbb{P}\left(\max_{1 \le j \le p} 2 \frac{\left|\varepsilon^{T} \mathbf{X}^{(j)}\right|}{n} \le 2\sigma \sqrt{\frac{t^{2} + 2\log p}{n}}\right)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left(\max_{1 \le j \le p} \left|\frac{\varepsilon^{T} \mathbf{X}^{(j)}}{\sqrt{n\sigma^{2}}}\right| \le \sqrt{t^{2} + 2\log p}\right)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left(\max_{1 \le j \le p} |V_{j}| \le \sqrt{t^{2} + 2\log p}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \mathbb{P}\left(\max_{1 \le j \le p} |V_{j}| > \sqrt{t^{2} + 2\log p}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{p} |V_{j}| > \sqrt{t^{2} + 2\log p}\right)$$

$$\ge 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{p} \mathbb{P}\left(|V_{j}| > \sqrt{t^{2} + 2\log p}\right)$$

$$\ge 1 - p \,\mathbb{P}\left(|V_{j}| > \sqrt{t^{2} + 2\log p}\right)$$

Now, since  $V_j$  is  $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$ -distributed and  $\sqrt{t^2 + 2 \log p} > 0$ .

$$P(Z > x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{x}^{\infty} exp(-y^{2}/2) dy$$

$$< \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{x}^{\infty} y * e^{-y^{2}/2} dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^{2}/2}$$

Let Z be a standard normal random variable and x > 0. Then

$$P(Z > x) = 1/\sqrt{2\pi} \int_{x}^{\infty} exp(-y^{2}/2)dy < 1/(x * \sqrt{2\pi}) \int_{x}^{\infty} y * exp(-y^{2}/2)dy$$
$$= 1/(x\sqrt{2\pi})exp(-x^{2}/2)$$

Since in our case  $x\sqrt{2\pi} > 1$  (if p is at least =2), we finally get  $P(Z > x) < exp(-x^2/2)$  Since the normal distribution is symmetric we also have  $P(|Z| > x) < 2exp(-x^2/2)$ 

Corollary 0.3 (Consistency of the LASSO). Assume  $\sigma^2 = 1$  for all j. We define the regularization parameter as

$$\lambda = 4\hat{\sigma}^2 \sqrt{\frac{t^2 + 2\log p}{n}}$$

where  $\hat{\sigma}$  is some estimator of  $\sigma$ .

Then with probability at least  $1 - \alpha$ , where  $\alpha := 2 \exp(-t^2/2) + \mathbb{P}(\hat{\sigma} \leq \sigma)$  we have

$$2\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^0)\|_2^2}{n} \le 3\lambda \|\beta^0\|_1$$

**Lemma 0.4** (Lemma 6.3.). We have on  $\mathscr{T}$ , with  $\lambda \geq 2\lambda_0$ ,

$$2\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^0)\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_0^c}\|_1 \le 3\lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_0} - \beta_{S_0}^0\|_1$$

*Proof.* We start with the Basic Inequality

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^0)\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_1 \le 2\frac{\varepsilon^T \mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^0)}{n} + \lambda \|\beta^0\|_1$$

Now since we are on  $\mathcal{T}$  and since  $2\lambda_0 \leq \lambda$ 

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^0)\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_1 \le \lambda_0 \|\hat{\beta} - \beta^0\|_1 + \lambda \|\beta^0\|_1$$

$$2\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta}-\beta^0)\|_2^2}{n} + 2\lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_1 \le \lambda \|\hat{\beta}-\beta^0\|_1 + 2\lambda \|\beta^0\|_1$$

Let  $\beta_{j,S} := \beta_j 1\{j \in S\}$ . We use the triangle inequality on the left hand side

$$\begin{split} \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} &= \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}}\|_{1} \\ &= \|\beta_{S_{0}}^{0} - \beta_{S_{0}}^{0} + \hat{\beta}_{S_{0}}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}}\|_{1} \\ &\geq \|\beta_{S_{0}}^{0}\|_{1} - \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}}^{0}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}}\|_{1} \end{split}$$

whereas on the right hand side

$$\|\hat{\beta} - \beta^{0}\|_{1} = \|(\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} + \hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}}) - (\beta_{S_{0}}^{0} + \underbrace{\beta_{S_{0}^{c}}^{0}}_{=0})\|_{1}$$
$$= \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}}^{0}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}}\|_{1}$$

Injecting these two results, we get that

$$2\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{0})\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + 2\lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} \leq \lambda \|\hat{\beta} - \beta^{0}\|_{1} + 2\lambda \|\beta^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{0})\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + 2\lambda \left(\|\beta_{S_{0}}^{0}\|_{1} - \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}}^{0}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}}\|_{1}\right)$$

$$\leq \lambda \left(\|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}}^{0}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}}\|_{1}\right) + 2\lambda \|\beta^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{0})\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + 2\lambda \|\underbrace{\beta_{S_{0}^{0}}^{0}}_{=\beta^{0}}\|_{1} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}}\|_{1} \leq 3\lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}}^{0}\|_{1} + 2\lambda \|\beta^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{0})\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}}\|_{1} \leq 3\lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}^{0}}^{0}\|_{1}$$

**Definition 0.5** (Compatibility condition). We say that the compatibility condition is met for the set  $S_0$ , if for some  $\phi_0 > 0$ , and for all  $\beta$  satisfying  $\|\beta_{S_0^c}\|_1 \leq 3\|\beta_{S_0}\|_1$ , it holds that

$$\|\beta_{S_0}\|_1^2 \le \left(\beta^T \hat{\Sigma} \beta\right) s_0 / \phi_0^2 \tag{3}$$

**Theorem 0.6** (Theorem 6.1.). Suppose the compatibility condition holds for  $S_0$ . Then on  $\mathscr{T}$ , we have for  $\lambda \geq 2\lambda_0$ ,

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^0)\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta} - \beta^0\|_1 \le 4\lambda^2 \frac{s_0}{\phi_0^2}$$

*Proof.* Using lemma 0.4 we have that

$$2\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{0})\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta} - \beta^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$= 2\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{0})\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} + \hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}} - \beta_{S_{0}}^{0} - \underbrace{\beta_{S_{0}^{c}}^{0}}_{S_{0}^{c}}\|_{1}$$

$$= 2\frac{\|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{0})\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}}^{0}\|_{1} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}^{c}}\|_{1} \quad (by \ lemma \ 0.4)$$

$$\leq 4\lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}^{0}}^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\leq 4\lambda \sqrt{\left(\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}^{0}}^{0}\right)^{T}} \hat{\Sigma} \left(\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}^{0}}^{0}\right) s_{0}/\phi_{0}^{2}$$

$$\leq \sqrt{\left(\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}^{0}}^{0}\right)^{T}} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X} \left(\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}^{0}}^{0}\right) \frac{4\lambda \sqrt{s_{0}}}{\phi_{0}\sqrt{n}}}$$

$$\leq \|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}^{0}}^{0})\|_{2}^{2} \frac{4\lambda \sqrt{s_{0}}}{\phi_{0}\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\leq \|\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta}_{S_{0}} - \beta_{S_{0}^{0}}^{0})\|_{2}^{2} + \frac{4\lambda^{2}s_{0}}{\phi_{0}^{2}n}$$

Where the last inequality follows from  $4uv \le u^2 + 4v^2$ .

#### 0.2.2 Section 6.3

Now  $\mathbf{Y} := \mathbf{f}^0 + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  so  $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{Y}] := \mathbf{f}^0$ 

**Lemma 0.7** (New version of the Basic Inequality).  $\forall \beta^* \in \mathbb{R}^p$  we have

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} \leq \frac{2\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{T}\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{*})}{n} + \lambda \|\beta^{*}\|_{1} + \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\beta^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} \qquad (4)$$

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} \leq \frac{2\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{T}\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{*})}{n} + \lambda \|\beta^{*}\|_{1} + \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\beta^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

*Proof.* By definition of  $\hat{\beta}$ , we have that

$$\forall \beta \quad \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_1 \le \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}\|_1$$

In particular for  $\beta = \beta^*$  we have

$$\forall \beta^* \quad \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_1 \le \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta^*\|_2^2}{n} + \lambda \|\beta\|_1$$

We since 
$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{f}^0 + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{0}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|(\mathbf{f}^{0} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{\|(\mathbf{f}^{0} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|(\mathbf{f}^{0} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{\|(\mathbf{f}^{0} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\langle(\mathbf{f}^{0} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, (\mathbf{f}^{0} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\rangle}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1}$$

$$\leq \frac{\langle(\mathbf{f}^{0} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, (\mathbf{f}^{0} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\rangle}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\mathbf{f}^{0} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{2}^{2} + \|\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\|_{2}^{2} + 2\langle\mathbf{f}^{0} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\rangle}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}\|_{1}$$

$$\leq \frac{\|\mathbf{f}^{0} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}\|_{2}^{2} + \|\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\|_{2}^{2} + 2\langle\mathbf{f}^{0} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\rangle}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}\|_{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{2\langle\mathbf{X}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}), \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\rangle}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}\|_{1} + \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\|_{1} \leq \frac{2\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{T}\mathbf{X}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{*})}{n} + \lambda \|\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*}\|_{1} + \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

**Lemma 0.8** (New version of the Lemma 6.3.). We have on  $\mathcal{T}$ , with  $\lambda \geq 4\lambda_0$ ,

$$\frac{4\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^0\|_2^2}{n} + 3\lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_*^c}\|_1 \le 5\lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_*} - \beta_{S_*}^*\|_1 + \frac{4\|\mathbf{X}\beta^* - \mathbf{f}^0\|_2^2}{n}$$
 (5)

*Proof.* We start with the Basic Inequality

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} \leq \frac{2\varepsilon^{T}\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{*})}{n} + \lambda \|\beta^{*}\|_{1} + \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\beta^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

Now since we are on  $\mathscr{T}$  and since  $4\lambda_0 \leq \lambda$ 

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} \leq \frac{2\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^{T}\mathbf{X}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^{*})}{n} + \lambda \|\beta^{*}\|_{1} + \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\beta^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + \lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} \leq \lambda_{0} \|\hat{\beta} - \beta^{*}\|_{1} + \lambda \|\beta^{*}\|_{1} + \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\beta^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + 4\lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} \leq \lambda \|\hat{\beta} - \beta^{*}\|_{1} + 4\lambda \|\beta^{*}\|_{1} + 4 \frac{\|\mathbf{X}\beta^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

Let  $S_* = \{j : \beta_j^* \neq 0\}$ . We use the triangle inequality on the left hand side

$$\begin{split} \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} &= \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}^{c}}\|_{1} \\ &= \|\beta_{S_{*}}^{*} - \beta_{S_{*}}^{*} + \hat{\beta}_{S_{*}}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}^{c}}\|_{1} \\ &\geq \|\beta_{S_{*}}^{*}\|_{1} - \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}} - \beta_{S_{*}}^{*}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}^{c}}\|_{1} \end{split}$$

whereas on the right hand side

$$\|\hat{\beta} - \beta^*\|_1 = \|(\hat{\beta}_{S_*} + \hat{\beta}_{S_*^c}) - (\beta^*_{S_*} + \underbrace{\beta^*_{S_*^c}}_{=0})\|_1$$
$$= \|\hat{\beta}_{S_*} - \beta^*_{S_*}\|_1 + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_*^c}\|_1$$

Injecting these two results, we get that

$$4\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + 4\lambda \|\hat{\beta}\|_{1} \leq \lambda \|\hat{\beta} - \beta^{*}\|_{1} + 4\lambda \|\beta^{*}\|_{1} + 4\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\beta^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + 4\lambda \left(\|\beta_{S_{*}}^{*}\|_{1} - \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}} - \beta_{S_{*}}^{*}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}^{c}}\|_{1}\right)$$

$$\leq \lambda \left(\|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}} - \beta_{S_{*}}^{*}\|_{1} + \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}^{c}}\|_{1}\right) + 4\lambda \|\beta^{*}\|_{1} + 4\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\beta^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + 4\lambda \|\underbrace{\beta_{S_{*}^{*}}^{*}}\|_{1} + 3\lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}^{c}}\|_{1}$$

$$\leq 5\lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}} - \beta_{S_{*}}^{*}\|_{1} + 4\lambda \|\beta^{*}\|_{1} + 4\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\beta^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n} + 3\lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}^{c}}\|_{1} \leq 5\lambda \|\hat{\beta}_{S_{*}} - \beta_{S_{*}}^{*}\|_{1} + 4\frac{\|\mathbf{X}\beta^{*} - \mathbf{f}^{0}\|_{2}^{2}}{n}$$

**Definition 0.9** (Compatibility condition for general sets). We say that the compatibility condition holds for the set S, if for some constant  $\phi(S) > 0$ , and for all  $\beta$ , with  $\|\beta_{S^c}\|_1 \leq 3 \|\beta_S\|_1$ , one has

$$\|\beta_S\|_1^2 \le (\beta^T \hat{\Sigma}\beta) |S|/\phi^2(S)$$

# Chapter 1 Introduction

# Chapter 2

Classical theory of Linear Regression

# Chapter 3

# Theory for LASSO in high dimensions

#### 3.1 A section