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The combination of the following 2 Lemmas is a generalization of the geometric inequality proved by Liang et al. [LRS15]. In many respects the scheme of the proof is similar.

Lemma A.1. (Geometric inequality for the exact $Star_d$ estimator in the second step)

Let $\hat{g}_1 \dots \hat{g}_d$ be Δ_1 -empirical risk minimizers from the first step of the $Star_d$ procedure, \hat{f} be the exact minimizer from the second step of the $Star_d$ procedure. Then, for $c_{A.1} = \frac{1}{18}$ the following inequality holds:

$$\widehat{\mathbb{E}}(h-Y)^2 - \widehat{\mathbb{E}}(\widetilde{f}-Y)^2 \ge c_{A,1}\,\widehat{\mathbb{E}}(\widetilde{f}-h)^2 - 2\Delta_1. \tag{9}$$

Proof. For any function f,g we denote the empirical ℓ_2 distance to be $\|f\|_n := \left[\widehat{\mathbb{E}} f^2\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$, empirical product to be $\langle f,g\rangle_n := \widehat{\mathbb{E}} [fg]$ and the square of the empirical distance between \mathcal{F} and Y as r_1 . By definition of $Star_d$ estimator for some $\lambda \in [0;1]$ we have:

$$\widetilde{f} = (1 - \lambda)\widehat{q} + \lambda f$$

where \widehat{g} lies in a convex hull of Δ_1 -empirical risk minimizers $\{\widehat{g}_i\}_{i=1}^d$. Denote the balls centered at Y to be $\mathcal{B}_1:=\mathcal{B}(Y,\sqrt{r_1}), \mathcal{B}_1':=\mathcal{B}(Y,\|\widehat{g}-Y\|_n)$ and $\mathcal{B}_2:=\mathcal{B}(Y,\|\widetilde{f}-Y\|_n)$. The corresponding spheres will be called $\mathcal{S}_1,\mathcal{S}_1',\mathcal{S}_2$. We have $\mathcal{B}_2\subseteq\mathcal{B}_1$ and $\mathcal{B}_2\subseteq\mathcal{B}_1'$. Denote by \mathcal{C} the conic hull of \mathcal{B}_2 with origin \widehat{g} and define the spherical cap outside the cone \mathcal{C} to be $\mathcal{S}=\mathcal{S}_1'\setminus\mathcal{C}$.

First, $\widetilde{f} \in \mathcal{B}_2$ and it is a contact point of \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{S}_2 . Indeed, \widetilde{f} is necessarily on a line segment between \widehat{g} and a point outside \mathcal{B}_1 that does not pass through the interior of \mathcal{B}_2 by optimality of \widetilde{f} . Let K be the set of all contact points of \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{S}_2 – potential locations of \widetilde{f} .

Second, for any $h \in \mathcal{F}$, we have $||h - Y||_n \ge \sqrt{r_1}$ i.e. any $h \in \mathcal{F}$ is not in the interior of \mathcal{B}_1 .

Furthermore, let \mathcal{C}' be bounded subset cone \mathcal{C} cut at K. Thus $h \in (int\mathcal{C})^c \cap (\mathcal{B}_1)^c$ or $h \in \mathcal{T}$, where $\mathcal{T} := (int\mathcal{C}') \cap (\mathcal{B}_1)^c$.

For any $h \in \mathcal{F}$ consider the two dimensional plane \mathcal{L} that passes through three points \hat{g}, Y, h , depicted in Figure 2. Observe that the left-hand side of the desired inequality (9) is constant as \widetilde{f} ranges over K. The maximization of $||h - f'||_n^2$ over $f' \in K$ is achieved by $f' \in K \cap \mathcal{L}$. Hence, to prove the desired inequality, we can restrict our attention to the plane \mathcal{L} and f'. Let h_{\perp} be the projection of h onto the shell $L \cap S'_1$. By the geometry of the cone and triangle inequality we have:

$$||f' - \widehat{g}||_n \ge \frac{1}{2} ||\widehat{g} - h_{\perp}||_n \ge \frac{1}{2} (||f' - h_{\perp}||_n - ||f' - \widehat{g}||_n),$$

and, hence, $||f' - \widehat{g}||_n \ge ||f' - h_{\perp}||_n/3$. By the Pythagorean theorem,

$$\|h_{\perp} - Y\|_n^2 - \|f' - Y\|_n^2 = \|\widehat{g} - Y\|_n^2 - \|f' - Y\|_n^2 = \|f' - \widehat{g}\|_n^2 \ge \frac{1}{9} \|f' - h_{\perp}\|_n^2.$$

We can now extend this claim to h. Indeed, due to the geometry of the projection $h \to h_{\perp}$ and the fact that $h \in (int\mathcal{C})^c \cap (int\mathcal{B}_1)^c$ or $h \in \mathcal{T}$ there are 2 possibilities:

405 a) $h \in (\mathcal{B}'_1)^c$. Then $\langle h_{\perp} - Y, h_{\perp} - h \rangle_n \leq 0$;

b) $h \in \mathcal{B}'_1$. Then, since $h \in (\mathcal{B}_1)^c$, we have

$$\langle h_{\perp} - Y, h_{\perp} - h \rangle_n \le (\|h - Y\| + \|h - h_{\perp}\|)\|h - h_{\perp}\| \le \|h_{\perp} - Y\|_n^2 - \|h - Y\|_n^2 \le \Delta_1.$$

In both cases, the following inequality is true

$$||h - Y||_n^2 - ||f' - Y||_n^2 = ||h_{\perp} - h||_n^2 - 2\langle h_{\perp} - Y, h_{\perp} - h\rangle_n + (||h_{\perp} - Y||_n^2 - ||f' - Y||_n^2)$$

$$\geq ||h_{\perp} - h||_n^2 - 2\Delta_1 + \frac{1}{9}||f' - Y||_n^2 \geq \frac{1}{18}||f' - h||_n^2 - 2\Delta_1.$$

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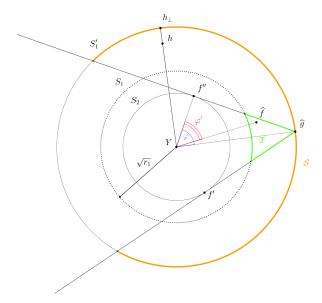


Figure 2: The cut surface \mathcal{L}

Lemma A.2 (Geometric Inequality for Δ -empirical minimizers). Let $\hat{g}_1 \dots \hat{g}_d$ be Δ_1 -empirical risk minimizers from the first step of the $Star_d$ procedure, and \widehat{f} be the Δ_2 -empirical risk minimizer from the second step of the $Star_d$ procedure. Then, for any $h \in \mathcal{F}$ and $c_{A.2} = \frac{1}{36}$ the following inequality 409 410 411

$$\widehat{\mathbb{E}}(h-Y)^2 - \widehat{\mathbb{E}}(\widehat{f}-Y)^2 \ge c_{A.2}\widehat{E}(\widehat{f}-h)^2 - 2(1+c_{A.2})[\Delta_1 + \Delta_2].$$

Proof. Since Lemma A.1 was actually proven for any $f \in K$, let f'' be the closest point to \widehat{f} from K.

For this f'' the inequality (9) holds. Similarly to Lemma A.1, there are 2 options: either $\hat{f} \in (int\mathcal{C})^c$, 413

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a) Let $\widehat{f} \in (int\mathcal{C})^c$, then $\langle \widehat{f} - f'', f'' - Y \rangle \geq 0$. Since \widehat{f} is Δ_2 -empirical risk minimizer, we have $\|\widehat{f} - f''\|_n^2 + 2\langle \widehat{f} - f'', f'' - Y \rangle + \|f'' - Y\|_n^2 = \|\widehat{f} - Y\|_n^2 \leq \|f'' - Y\|_n^2 + \Delta_2$. It means, that $\|\widehat{f} - f''\|_n^2 \leq \Delta_2$.

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$$\|\widehat{\widehat{f}} - f''\|_n^2 + 2\langle \widehat{f} - f'', f'' - Y \rangle + \|f'' - Y\|_n^2 = \|\widehat{f} - Y\|_n^2 \le \|f'' - Y\|_n^2 + \Delta_2$$
. It means, that

b) Let $\hat{f} \in \mathcal{T}$, then by the cosine theorem (as depicted on Figure 2, \mathcal{L} is the two dimensional plane which passes through $\widehat{f}, \widehat{g}, Y$):

$$\|\widehat{f} - f''\|_n^2 = \|f'' - Y\|_n^2 + \|\widehat{f} - Y\|_n^2 - 2\|f'' - Y\|_n\|\widehat{f} - Y\|_n\cos(\varphi').$$

But $\cos(\varphi') \ge \cos(\varphi) = \frac{\|f'' - Y\|_n}{\|\widehat{g} - Y\|_n}$ and $\|\widehat{f} - Y\|_n^2 \ge r_1$. Then we have:

$$\|\widehat{f} - f''\|_{n}^{2} \leq \Delta_{2} + 2\|f'' - Y\|_{n}^{2} \left(1 - \frac{\|\widehat{f} - Y\|_{n}}{\|\widehat{g} - Y\|_{n}}\right)$$

$$\leq \Delta_{2} + 2\frac{\|f'' - Y\|_{n}^{2}}{\|\widehat{g} - Y\|_{n}} \left(\frac{\|\widehat{g} - Y\|_{n}^{2} - \|\widehat{f} - Y\|_{n}^{2}}{\|\widehat{g} - Y\|_{n} + \|\widehat{f} - Y\|_{n}}\right) \leq \Delta_{1} + \Delta_{2}.$$

Lemma A.1 states:

$$||h - Y||_n^2 \ge ||f'' - Y||_n^2 + c_{A.1}||f'' - h||_n^2 - 2\Delta_1.$$

By using triangle inequality and convexity of a quadratic function, we can get following bound

$$\frac{c_{A.1}}{2}\|\widehat{f} - h\|_n^2 \le c_{A.1}\left(\|\widehat{f} - f''\|_n^2 + \|f'' - h\|_n^2\right) \le c_{A.1}[\Delta_2 + \Delta_1] + c_{A.1}\|f'' - h\|_n^2.$$

Combining everything together, we get the required result for the constant $c_{A,2} = \frac{c_{A,1}}{2} = \frac{1}{36}$:

$$\widehat{\mathbb{E}}(h-Y)^2 - \widehat{\mathbb{E}}(\widehat{f}-Y)^2 \ge c_{A.2} \cdot \widehat{\mathbb{E}}(\widehat{f}-h)^2 - 2(1+c_{A.2})[\Delta_1 + \Delta_2].$$

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For convenience, we introduce a Δ -excess risk

$$\mathcal{E}_{\Delta}(\widehat{g}) := \mathbb{E}(\widehat{g} - Y)^2 - \inf_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \mathbb{E}(f - Y)^2 - 2(1 + c_{A.2})[\Delta_1 + \Delta_2],$$

then the following 2 statements are direct consequences of the corresponding statements from the

- article [LRS15]. The only difference is that in our case the geometric inequality has terms on the
- right side with minimization errors Δ_1, Δ_2 . Also our definition of the set \mathcal{H} is different, but all that
- was needed from it was the property that \widehat{f} lies in $\mathcal{H}+f^*$. For brevity, we will not repeat the proofs,
- but only indicate the numbers of the corresponding results in the titles of the assertions. We will also
- proceed for statements whose proofs we slightly modify or use without changes.

Corollary A.3 (Corollary 3). *Conditioned on the data* $\{(X_i, Y_i) : 1 \le i \le n\}$, we have deterministic upper bound for the $Star_d$ estimator:

$$\mathcal{E}_{\Delta}(\widehat{f}) \leq (\widehat{\mathbb{E}} - \mathbb{E})[2(f^* - Y)(f^* - \widehat{f})] + \mathbb{E}(f^* - \widehat{f})^2 - (1 + c_{A.2}) \cdot \widehat{\mathbb{E}}(f^* - \widehat{f})^2.$$

Theorem A.4 (Theorem 4). The following expectation bound on excess loss of the Star_d estimator holds:

$$\mathbb{E}\,\mathcal{E}_{\Delta}(\widehat{f}) \leq (2F' + F(2 + c_{A.2})/2) \cdot \mathbb{E}_{\sigma} \sup_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 2\sigma_i h(\mathbf{X}_i) - c_{A.4} h(\mathbf{X}_i)^2 \right\},\,$$

where $\sigma_1, \ldots \sigma_n$ are independent Rademacher random variables, $c_{A.4} = \min \left\{ \frac{c_{A.2}}{4F'}, \frac{c_{A.2}}{4F(2+c_{A.2})} \right\}$,

428 $F = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} |f|_{\infty}$ and $F' = \sup_{\mathcal{F}} |Y - f|_{\infty}$ almost surely.

Theorem A.5 (Theorem 7). Assume the lower isometry bound in Definition 3.2 holds with $\eta_{lib} = c_{A.2}/4$ and some $\delta_{lib} < 1$ and \mathcal{H} is the set defined in 7. Let $\xi_i = Y_i - f^*(X_i)$. Define

$$A := \sup_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{\mathbb{E} h^4}{(\mathbb{E} h^2)^2} \text{ and } B := \sup_{X,Y} \mathbb{E} \xi^4.$$

Then there exist two absolute constants $c'_{A.5}$, $c_{A.5} > 0$ (which only depend on $c_{A.2}$), such that

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\mathcal{E}_{\Delta}(\widehat{f}) > 4u\right) \leq 4\delta_{lib} + 4\mathbb{P}\left(\sup_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma_{i} \xi_{i} h(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - c_{A.5}^{\tilde{\epsilon}} h(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} > u\right)$$

for any

$$u > \frac{32\sqrt{AB}}{c'_{A.5}} \frac{1}{n}$$

429 as long as $n>\frac{16(1-c'_{A.5})^2A}{c'_{A.5}^2} \lor n_0(\mathcal{H},\delta_{lib},c_{A.2}/4)$.

Lemma A.6 (Lemma 15). The offset Rademacher complexity for \mathcal{H} is bounded as:

$$\mathbb{E}_{\sigma} \sup_{\mathcal{H}} \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 2\sigma_{i} \xi_{i} h(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - Ch(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} \right\} \leq K(C)\varepsilon + M(C) \cdot \frac{\log \mathcal{N}_{2}(\mathcal{H}, \varepsilon)}{n}$$

and with probability at least $1 - \delta$

$$\sup_{\mathcal{H}} \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 2\sigma_{i} \xi_{i} h(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - Ch(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} \right\} \leq K(C) \varepsilon + M(C) \cdot \frac{\log \mathcal{N}_{2}(\mathcal{H}, \varepsilon) + \log \frac{1}{\delta}}{n},$$

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$$K(C) := 2\left(\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi^2/n} + C\right), \quad M(C) := \sup_{h \in \mathcal{H} \setminus \{0\}} 4 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} h(\mathbf{X}_i)^2 \xi_i^2}{C \sum_{i=1}^{n} h(\mathbf{X}_i)^2}.$$
 (10)

Proof. Let $N_2(\mathcal{H},\varepsilon)$ be the ε -net of the \mathcal{H} of size at most $\mathcal{N}_2(\mathcal{H},\varepsilon)$ and v[h] be the closest point from

this net for function $h \in \mathcal{H}$, i.e. $\|h - v[h]\|_2 \le \varepsilon$. By using the inequality $v[h]_i^2 \le 2(h_i^2 + (v[h]_i - v[h]_i))$

434 $h_i)^2$, we can get next upper bound:

$$\begin{split} \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 2\sigma_{i} \xi_{i} h(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - Ch(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} \right\} \\ & \leq \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 2\sigma_{i} \xi_{i} (h(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - v[h](\mathbf{X}_{i})) + C\Big(v[h]^{2}(\mathbf{X}_{i})/2 - h^{2}(\mathbf{X}_{i})\Big) \right\} \\ & + \frac{1}{n} \sup_{v \in N_{2}(\mathcal{H}, \varepsilon)} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} 2\sigma_{i} \xi_{i} v(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - \frac{C}{2} v(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} \right\} \\ & \leq 2\varepsilon \left(\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i}^{2}/n} + C \right) + \frac{1}{n} \sup_{v \in N_{2}(\mathcal{H}, \varepsilon)} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} 2\sigma_{i} \xi_{i} v(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - \frac{C}{2} v(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} \right\}. \end{split}$$

The right summarand is supremum over set of cardinality not more than $\mathcal{N}_2(\mathcal{H},\varepsilon)$. By using Lemma

436 A.11, we acquire the expected estimates.

We have now obtained, using the offset Rademacher complexity technique, the upper bound on excess

risk in terms of the coverage size of the set \mathcal{H} . To get the desired result, we need to obtain an upper

bound on the size of the cover \mathcal{H} in terms of the size of the cover \mathcal{F} .

Lemma A.7. For any scale $\varepsilon > 0$, the covering number of $\mathcal{F} \subseteq V(L+1) \cdot \mathcal{B}_2$ (where \mathcal{B}_2 is a sphere of radius one in space with norm $\|\cdot\|_n$) and that of \mathcal{H} are bounded in the sense:

$$\log \mathcal{N}_2(\mathcal{F}, \varepsilon) \leq \log \mathcal{N}_2(\mathcal{H}, \varepsilon) \leq (d+2) \left[\log \mathcal{N}_2 \left(\mathcal{F}, \frac{\varepsilon}{3(d+1)} \right) + \log \frac{6(d+1)V(L+1)}{\varepsilon} \right].$$

Proof. If we define as $N(\mathcal{F}, \varepsilon)$ the ε -net cardinality no more then $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}, \varepsilon)$, then the following is true: $N(\mathcal{F}_1, \varepsilon_1) + N(\mathcal{F}_1, \varepsilon_2)$ is $(\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2)$ -net for $\mathcal{F}_1 + \mathcal{F}_2$. Hence, $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}_1 + \mathcal{F}_2, \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2) \leq \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}_1, \varepsilon_1) \cdot \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}_2, \varepsilon_2)$. With this we can obtain the following upper bound

$$\mathcal{N}_2(\mathcal{H},\varepsilon) \leq \mathcal{N}_2(\mathcal{F} + Hull_d,\varepsilon) \leq \mathcal{N}_2\left(\mathcal{F},\frac{\varepsilon}{3}\right) \cdot \mathcal{N}_2\left(Hull_d,\frac{2\varepsilon}{3}\right).$$

But since $Hull_d$ is the sum of d+1 functions from \mathcal{F} with coefficients in [-1;1], by the inequality (3), we can cover this with a net of size no more than

$$\left[\mathcal{N}_2 \left(\mathcal{F}, \frac{\varepsilon}{3(d+1)} \right) \cdot \frac{6(d+1)V(L+1)}{\varepsilon} \right]^{d+1}.$$

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Note that to obtain the required orders, we only need coverage with $\varepsilon = 1/n$.

Corollary A.8. Let \mathcal{H} defined in 7 for $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}(L, \mathbf{p}, s)$, then for V defined in 5 holds

$$\log \mathcal{N}_2\left(\mathcal{H}, \frac{1}{n}\right) \le c_{A.8} d s \log \left(VL \, n \, d\right),$$

where $c_{A,8}$ is a some indepedent constant.

443 *Proof.* By lemma A.7 and inequality 4, we have

$$\log \mathcal{N}_2(\mathcal{H}, 1/n) \le (d+2) \left[\log \mathcal{N}_2 \left(\mathcal{F}(L, \mathbf{p}, s), \frac{1}{3n(d+1)} \right) + \log 6n(d+1)V(L+1) \right]$$

$$\le (d+2) \left[(s+1) \log \left(2V^2(L+1)(3n(d+1)) \right) + \log \left(6n(d+1)V(L+1) \right) \right].$$

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We are now fully prepared to prove the two main results.

Theorem A.9. Let \widehat{f} be a $Star_d$ estimator and \mathcal{H} be the set defined in 7 for $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}(L, \mathbf{p}, s)$. The following expectation bound on excess loss holds:

$$\mathbb{E}\,\mathcal{E}_{\Delta}(\hat{f}) \leq 2(F' + V(L+1)) \cdot \left[\frac{K(C)}{n} + M(C) \cdot \frac{c_{A.8}d \, s \log (VL \, n \, d)}{n} \right],$$

where K(C), M(C) defined in (10) for constants

$$C = \min \left\{ \frac{c_{A.2}}{4F'}, \frac{c_{A.2}}{4V(L+1)(2+c_{A.2})} \right\}, \ F' = \sup_{\mathcal{F}} |Y - f|_{\infty}.$$

Proof. By using Theorem A.4 and inequality 3 we have

$$\mathbb{E}\,\mathcal{E}_{\Delta}(\hat{f}) \leq (2F' + V(L+1)(2+c_{A,2})/2) \cdot \mathbb{E}_{\sigma} \sup_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 2\sigma_i h(\mathbf{X}_i) - Ch(\mathbf{X}_i)^2 \right\},\,$$

where $C=\min\Big\{rac{c_{A,2}}{4F'},rac{c_{A,2}}{4V(L+1)(2+c_{A,2})}\Big\},$ $F'=\sup_{\mathcal{F}}|Y-f|_{\infty}$ almost surely.

By using Lemma A.6 and corollary A.8 we get desired result

$$\mathbb{E}_{\sigma} \sup_{\mathcal{H}} \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 2\sigma_{i} \xi_{i} h(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - Ch(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} \right\} \leq \frac{K(C)}{n} + M(C) \cdot \frac{c_{A.8} d s \log \left(V L n d\right)}{n}.$$

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Theorem A.10. Let \hat{f} be a $Star_d$ estimator and let \mathcal{H} be the set defined in 7 for $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}(L, \boldsymbol{p}, s)$. Assume for \mathcal{H} the lower isometry bound in Definition 3.2 holds with $\eta_{lib} = c_{A.2}/4$ and some $\delta_{lib} < 1$. Let $\xi_i = Y_i - f^*(\boldsymbol{X}_i)$. Define

$$A := \sup_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{\mathbb{E} h^4}{(\mathbb{E} h^2)^2} \text{ and } B := \sup_{X,Y} \mathbb{E} \xi^4.$$

Then there exist 3 absolute constants $c'_{A,10}$, $c_{A,10}$, $c_{A,10} > 0$ (that only depend on $c_{A,2}$), such that

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\mathcal{E}_{\Delta}(\widehat{f}) > 4D\right) \le 4(\delta_{lib} + \delta)$$

as long as $n > \frac{16(1-c'_{A.10})^2 A}{c'^2_{A.10}} \vee n_0(\mathcal{H}, \delta_{lib}, c_{A.10}/4)$, where

$$K := \left(\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi^2/n} + 2c\tilde{A}_{10} \right), \ M := \sup_{h \in \mathcal{H} \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} h(\mathbf{X}_i)^2 \xi_i^2}{c\tilde{A}_{10} \sum_{i=1}^{n} h(\mathbf{X}_i)^2},$$

$$D := \max\left(\frac{K}{n} + M \cdot \frac{c_{A.8}ds\log\left(VLnd\right) + \log\frac{1}{\delta}}{n}, \frac{32\sqrt{AB}}{c'_{A.10}}\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

448 and $c_{A.8}$ is some independent constant.

Proof. By using Theorem A.5 for any $u > \frac{32\sqrt{AB}}{c_{A.5}'} \frac{1}{n}$ we have

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\mathcal{E}_{\Delta}(\widehat{f}) > 4u\right) \le 4\delta_{lib} + 4\mathbb{P}\left(\sup_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma_{i} \xi_{i} h(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - c\tilde{A}.5h(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} > u\right)$$

as long as $n > \frac{16(1-c'_{A.5})^2 A}{c'^2_{A.5}} \vee n_0(\mathcal{H}, \delta_{lib}, c_{A.2}/4).$

450 By using Lemmas A.6 and A.8 we have with probability no more than δ for any C > 0:

$$\sup_{\mathcal{H}} \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma_{i} \xi_{i} h(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - \frac{C}{2} h(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} \right\} \geq \frac{K(C)}{2} \varepsilon + \frac{M(C)}{2} \cdot \frac{\log \mathcal{N}_{2}(\mathcal{H}, \varepsilon) + \log \frac{1}{\delta}}{n}$$

where K(C), M(C) defined in (10). Combining this inequality for $C=2c_{\tilde{A}.10}=2c_{\tilde{A}.5}$ and $c'_{A.10}=c'_{A.5}$, $c_{A.10}=c_{A.2}$ we get the required result.

Lemma A.11 (Lemma 9). Let $V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a finite set, |V| = N. Then, for any C > 0:

$$\mathbb{E}_{\sigma} \max_{v \in V} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma_{i} \xi_{i} v(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - Cv(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} \right] \leq M \frac{\log N}{n}.$$

For any $\delta > 0$:

$$\mathbb{P}_{\sigma}\left(\max_{v \in V} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma_{i} \xi_{i} v(\mathbf{X}_{i}) - C v(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2}\right] > M \frac{\log N + \log \frac{1}{\delta}}{n}\right) \leq \delta,$$

where

$$M := \sup_{v \in V \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} v(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2} \xi_{i}^{2}}{2C \sum_{i=1}^{n} v(\mathbf{X}_{i})^{2}}.$$

B Result Tables

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Here we additionally present tables with the results of numerical experiments. Particularly for runs with a small number of epochs. It can be observed that the SnapStar algorithm is quite good with a strong budget constraint. The results also include relatively large run for the FASHION MNIST dataset. At the moment, ClassicStar (new warm-up) takes 10-11th place in the leaderboard⁵ for this dataset. Full versions of the following tables can be found in the repository ⁶.

| Name | d | MSE | MAE | R^2 | TRAIN MSE | TIME (sec) |
|----------------------------|---|--------------|-------|-------|-----------|------------|
| Snap Star (shot warm-up) | 5 | 10.881±0.575 | 2.229 | 0.869 | 1.976 | 7.8 |
| Snap Star (new warm-up) | 5 | 11.285±0.650 | 2.283 | 0.864 | 2.656 | 6.6 |
| Snap Ensemble | 5 | 11.862±0.616 | 2.306 | 0.858 | 2.629 | 6.6 |
| Ensemble | 5 | 12.568±0.878 | 2.399 | 0.849 | 4.220 | 6.8 |
| Classic Star (no warm-up) | 5 | 11.365±0.410 | 2.278 | 0.864 | 2.978 | 7.2 |
| Classic Star (new warm-up) | 5 | 12.157±0.822 | 2.353 | 0.854 | 3.320 | 6.2 |
| Big NN | 5 | 12.068±0.860 | 2.411 | 0.855 | 3.644 | 4.0 |
| Snap Star (shot warm-up) | 4 | 11.276±0.582 | 2.269 | 0.865 | 2.329 | 6.2 |
| Snap Star (new warm-up) | 4 | 11.598±0.729 | 2.292 | 0.861 | 2.739 | 5.0 |
| Snap Ensemble | 4 | 11.819±0.341 | 2.316 | 0.858 | 2.819 | 5.0 |
| Ensemble | 4 | 12.059±0.614 | 2.365 | 0.855 | 3.732 | 5.0 |
| Classic Star (no warm-up) | 4 | 11.608±0.722 | 2.286 | 0.861 | 3.198 | 6.2 |
| Classic Star (new warm-up) | 4 | 11.890±0.966 | 2.319 | 0.857 | 3.093 | 5.2 |
| Big NN | 4 | 12.556±0.904 | 2.383 | 0.849 | 3.746 | 4.0 |

Table 4: BOSTON HOUSE PRICING. Part of results at 30 epochs, p = 0.1, lr = 0.01

| Name | d | MSE | MAE | R2 | TRAIN MSE | TIME (sec) |
|----------------------------|---|------------------|------|-------|-----------|------------|
| Snap Star (shot warm-up) | 5 | 76.31 ± 0.17 | 5.97 | 0.362 | 70.64 | 733 |
| Snap Star (new warm-up) | 5 | 76.21 ± 0.10 | 5.99 | 0.363 | 71.34 | 667 |
| Snap Ensemble | 5 | 76.42 ± 0.11 | 6.02 | 0.361 | 70.03 | 543 |
| Ensemble | 5 | 76.34 ± 0.07 | 6.05 | 0.361 | 72.05 | 711 |
| Classic Star (no warm-up) | 5 | 76.57 ± 0.15 | 6.07 | 0.36 | 73.62 | 783 |
| Classic Star (new warm-up) | 5 | 76.06 ± 0.10 | 6.00 | 0.364 | 72.59 | 807 |
| Big NN | 5 | 77.04 ± 0.21 | 6.02 | 0.356 | 75.62 | 436 |
| Snap Star (shot warm-up) | 4 | 76.30 ± 0.12 | 5.99 | 0.362 | 71.04 | 632 |
| Snap Star (new warm-up) | 4 | 76.14 ± 0.11 | 6.01 | 0.363 | 71.78 | 565 |
| Snap Ensemble | 4 | 76.46 ± 0.12 | 6.02 | 0.360 | 70.37 | 452 |
| Ensemble | 4 | 76.40 ± 0.08 | 6.05 | 0.361 | 72.08 | 593 |
| Classic Star (no warm-up) | 4 | 76.51 ± 0.04 | 6.04 | 0.36 | 73.76 | 652 |
| Classic Star (new warm-up) | 4 | 76.01 ± 0.10 | 6.01 | 0.364 | 72.69 | 676 |
| Big NN | 4 | 77.06 ± 0.18 | 6.03 | 0.355 | 75.63 | 375 |
| Snap Star (shot warm-up) | 3 | 76.39 ± 0.32 | 5.98 | 0.361 | 71.62 | 530 |
| Snap Star (new warm-up) | 3 | 76.10 ± 0.07 | 6.00 | 0.363 | 72.38 | 463 |
| Snap Ensemble | 3 | 76.53 ± 0.14 | 6.02 | 0.360 | 70.77 | 362 |
| Ensemble | 3 | 76.43 ± 0.09 | 6.05 | 0.361 | 72.12 | 473 |
| Classic Star (no warm-up) | 3 | 76.51 ± 0.12 | 6.04 | 0.360 | 74.00 | 522 |
| Classic Star (new warm-up) | 3 | 76.16 ± 0.13 | 6.01 | 0.363 | 72.81 | 546 |
| Big NN | 3 | 76.80 ± 0.23 | 6.03 | 0.358 | 75.60 | 315 |

Table 5: MILLIION SONG. Part of results at 10 epochs

⁵https://paperswithcode.com/sota/image-classification-on-fashion-mnist

⁶A link on a GitHub repository will be provided in the final version.

| Name | d | accuracy | entropy | TIME (sec) |
|----------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Snap Star (shot warm-up) | 3 | 0.900±0.002 | 0.284±0.008 | 340.333 |
| Snap Star (new warm-up) | 3 | 0.898 ± 0.002 | 0.285±0.008 | 313.0 |
| Snap Ensemble | 3 | 0.897 ± 0.003 | 0.290 ± 0.009 | 272.667 |
| Ensemble | 3 | 0.887±0.001 | 0.310 ± 0.005 | 272.667 |
| Classic Star (no warm-up) | 3 | 0.893 ± 0.002 | 0.298±0.007 | 339.667 |
| Classic Star (new warm-up) | 3 | 0.893 ± 0.002 | 0.297±0.007 | 285.667 |
| Big NN | 3 | 0.890 ± 0.010 | 0.299±0.022 | 214.333 |
| Snap Star (shot warm-up) | 2 | 0.894±0.007 | 0.294±0.020 | 248.667 |
| Snap Star (new warm-up) | 2 | 0.892 ± 0.001 | 0.294±0.006 | 230.333 |
| Snap Ensemble | 2 | 0.891±0.006 | 0.302 ± 0.021 | 203.667 |
| Ensemble | 2 | 0.886 ± 0.004 | 0.313 ± 0.008 | 203.0 |
| Classic Star (no warm-up) | 2 | 0.889 ± 0.003 | 0.304 ± 0.009 | 249.0 |
| Classic Star (new warm-up) | 2 | 0.889 ± 0.004 | 0.303 ± 0.008 | 203.667 |
| Big NN | 2 | 0.892 ± 0.003 | 0.304 ± 0.007 | 165.333 |
| Snap Star (shot warm-up) | 1 | 0.891±0.002 | 0.299±0.006 | 159.0 |
| Snap Star (new warm-up) | 1 | 0.885 ± 0.001 | 0.318 ± 0.008 | 149.333 |
| Snap Ensemble | 1 | 0.889 ± 0.001 | 0.304 ± 0.007 | 136.0 |
| Ensemble | 1 | 0.886 ± 0.005 | 0.314 ± 0.011 | 136.333 |
| Classic Star (no warm-up) | 1 | 0.888 ± 0.002 | 0.311±0.001 | 158.0 |
| Classic Star (new warm-up) | 1 | 0.891 ± 0.002 | 0.302 ± 0.005 | 122.333 |
| Big NN | 1 | 0.886±0.002 | 0.315±0.005 | 117.333 |

Table 6: FASHION MNIST. Part of results at 5 epochs, lr=0.001

| Name | d | accuracy | entropy | TIME (sec) |
|----------------------------|------|----------|---------|------------|
| Snap Star (shot warm-up) | 5 | 0.898 | 1.152 | 2588.0 |
| Snap Star (new warm-up) | 5 | 0.898 | 1.136 | 2369.0 |
| Snap Ensemble | 5 | 0.902 | 0.330 | 2036.0 |
| Ensemble | 5 | 0.918 | 0.229 | 2052.0 |
| Classic Star (no warm-up) | 5 | 0.922 | 0.229 | 2589.0 |
| Classic Star (new warm-up) | 5 | 0.923 | 0.228 | 2239.0 |
| Big NN | 5 | 0.910 | 0.481 | 1560.0 |
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Table 7: FASHION MNIST. All of results at 25 epochs, lr = 0.001