

Lecture 21 — April 4th, 2015

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1 Overview

In the last lecture we proved the JohnsonLindenstrauss lemma (J-L lemma) implies the RIP property

In this lecture we will discuss the lower bound on number of rows of a RIP matrices and compare this to the matrix the J-L lemma gives us.

2 Lecture

Lemma 1. *Given $K, N \in \mathbb{N}, K < N$.*

Then $\exists n \geq (\frac{N}{4K})^{K/2}$ subsets $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n \subseteq [N]$ such that

$$\begin{cases} |S_j| = K, \forall j \in [n] \\ |S_i \cap S_j| < \frac{K}{2}, \forall i \neq j \end{cases}$$

Proof: Assume $K < \frac{N}{4}$

Let $C = \{S \subseteq [N] \mid K = |S|\}$

Pick $S_1 \in C$

Let $C_1 \subseteq C : C_1 = \{S \in C \mid \frac{K}{2} \leq |S \cap S_1|\}$ i.e. things that looks like S_1

$$|C_1| = \sum_{s=\lceil K/2 \rceil}^K \binom{K}{s} \binom{N-K}{K-s}$$

$$\leq 2^K \max_{\lceil \frac{K}{2} \rceil \leq s \leq K} \binom{N-K}{K-s}, \text{ by sum of binomial } \leq 2^K$$

$$= 2^K \binom{N-K}{\lceil K/2 \rceil} \text{ because } N-K \text{ is small, so it maximize when } K-s \text{ maximize}$$

We will pick S_2, S_3, \dots, S_n using the following algorithm:

Pick : S_1, C_1, C

$n \leftarrow 1$

While : $|C \setminus \bigcup_{l=1}^n C_l| > 0$

– *Choose :* $S_{n+1} \in C \setminus \bigcup_{l=1}^n C_l$

– *Set :* $C_{n+1} = \{S \in C \setminus \bigcup_{l=1}^n C_l \mid \frac{K}{2} \leq |S \cap S_{n+1}|\}$

– $n \leftarrow n + 1$

Note that by construction: $|S_i \cap S_j| < \frac{K}{2}, \forall i \neq j$

Algorithm stop when

$n \geq \frac{|C|}{\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |C_i|} \geq \frac{\binom{N}{K}}{2^K \binom{N-K}{\lfloor K/2 \rfloor}} \geq \left(\frac{N}{4K}\right)^{\frac{K}{2}}$ by expanding binomial coefficient

□

Theorem 1. Given $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times N}$

Condition for Basis Pursuit (BP), i.e. :

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ with $\|x\|_0 \leq 2K, \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^N$ with $Az = Ax$ then $\|x\|_1 \leq \|z\|_1$

Then

$$m \geq \frac{K}{\ln 9} \ln\left(\frac{N}{4K}\right)$$

Proof: Consider $[x] = x + Ker(A)$

associated with a norm: $\|[x]\| := \inf_{v \in Ker(A)} \|x - v\|_1$

Identify (i.e., note the existence of the bijection) $y \in Ker(A)^\perp$ with $[y]$

This bijection induces a norm in $Ker(A)$: $\|y\|_S = \|[y]\|$

Suppose $\|x\|_0 \leq 2K$

Project x on $Ker(A)^\perp$:

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \prod_{Ker(A)^\perp} x \right\|_S &= \left\| \left[\prod_{Ker(A)^\perp} x \right] \right\| \\ &= \inf_{v \in Ker(A)} \left\| \prod_{Ker(A)^\perp} x - v \right\|_1 \\ &= \inf_{v \in Ker(A)} \|x - v\|_1 \\ &= \|x\|_1 \end{aligned}$$

The last equality is due to Basis Pursuit condition (note that $A(x - v) = A(x)$)

Let S_j be the subsets from lemma 1 :

$$\begin{cases} |S_j| = K, \forall j \in [n] \\ |S_i \cap S_j| < \frac{K}{2}, \forall i \neq j \end{cases}$$

Let y_j be vector in \mathbb{R}^N such that:

$$(y_j)_l = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{K} & \text{if } l \in S_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Note that $\|y_j\|_0 = k$ and $\|y_j\|_1 = 1$

Define $x_j = \prod_{Ker(A)^\perp} y_j$

Note:

$$\|x_j\|_S = \left\| \prod_{Ker(A)^\perp} y_j \right\|_S = \|y_j\|_1 = 1$$

$$\|x_j - x_l\|_S = \|y_j - y_l\|_1 > 1 \text{ since } K \leq \|y_j - y_l\|_0 \leq 2K$$

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{N}{4K}\right)^{\frac{K}{2}} &\leq n \quad \text{by lemma 1} \\
&\leq P_1(\|\cdot\|_S - \text{ball in } \text{Ker}(A)^\perp) \quad \text{since } x_j \text{ can be a packing} \\
&\leq \left(1 + \frac{2}{1}\right)^{\text{rank}(A)} \\
&= 3^m
\end{aligned}$$

Take the log of both side and we are done. □

This theorem give us a lower bound on the number of rows, m , of matrices with RIP and NSP (null space property), which is in order of k . This means our random matrices from J-L lemma are pretty close to optimal as they are also in order of k .