

## 1 Overview

In the last lecture we talked about:

- Decoupling
- Rademacher Chaos Lemma (Statement only, no Proof)

In this lecture we will:

- Give a Proof of the Rademacher Chaos Lemma

## 2 Proof of Rademacher Chaos Lemma

The following is a proof of Rademacher Chaos stated in Lemma 2 of Lecture 22. Recall that  $B$  is symmetric & has 0's on the diagonal,  $\vec{\psi}$  is Bernoulli, and  $\vec{\psi}'$  is an independent copy of  $\vec{\psi}$ .

*Proof:* Decoupling (Lemma 1 in Lecture 22) gives us

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( \theta \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \right) \right] &\leq \mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 4\theta \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi}' \right) \right] \\
 &= \mathbb{E}_{\vec{\psi}} \mathbb{E}_{\vec{\psi}'} \left[ \exp \left( 4\theta \sum_{k=1}^N \vec{\psi}' \left( \vec{\psi}_j B_{jk} \right) \right) \right] && \text{By Lemma 2, Lect. 13} \\
 &\leq E_{\vec{\psi}} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{(4\theta)^2}{2} \sum_{k=1}^N \left( \sum_{j=1}^N \vec{\psi}_j B_{jk} \right)^2 \right) \right] && \text{By Def. of Subgaussian RV Params}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Aside:**

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{k=1}^N \left( \sum_{j=1}^N \vec{\psi}_j B_{jk} \right)^2 &= \|B^* \vec{\psi}\|^2 && B\text{'s symmetry} \implies B_{jk} = (B^*)_{kj} \\
&= \langle B^* \vec{\psi}, B^* \vec{\psi} \rangle \\
&= \langle \vec{\psi}, B B^* \vec{\psi} \rangle \\
&= \vec{\psi}^* B^2 \vec{\psi}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we now have,

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( \theta \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \right) \right] \leq \mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 8\theta^2 \vec{\psi}^* B^2 \vec{\psi} \right) \right] \quad (1)$$

Then we can estimate the RHS of Equation 1.

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 8\theta^2 \vec{\psi}^* B^2 \vec{\psi} \right) \right] = \exp \left[ 8\theta^2 \text{tr}(B^2) \right] \mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 8\theta^2 \left( \vec{\psi}^* (B^2 - \text{diag}(B^2)) \vec{\psi} \right) \right) \right]$$

We then repeat the previous argument to get:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 8\theta^2 \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \right) \right] &\leq \exp \left[ 8\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{F}}^2 \right] \mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 32\theta^2 \vec{\psi}^* B^2 \vec{\psi} \right) \right] && \text{By Decoupling Lemma} \\
&\leq \exp \left[ 8\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{F}}^2 \right] \mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 512\theta^4 \vec{\psi}^* B^4 \vec{\psi} \right) \right] && \text{Lecture 22 Subgaussian argument}
\end{aligned}$$

**Aside:**

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{\psi}^* B^4 \vec{\psi} &= (|B| \vec{\psi})^* B^2 (|B| \vec{\psi}) \\
&\leq \|B\|^2 \vec{\psi}^* B^2 \vec{\psi}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $|B| = V \begin{pmatrix} |\lambda_1| & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & |\lambda_N| \end{pmatrix} V^*$  and  $B = V \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_N \end{pmatrix} V^*$  with  $\lambda_i$  as the eigenvalues and  $V$  are eigenvectors.

Therefore, Equation 1 yields

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 8\theta^2 \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \right) \right] &\leq \exp \left[ 8\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{F}}^2 \right] \mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 512\theta^4 \|B\|_{\text{op}}^2 \vec{\psi}^* B^2 \vec{\psi} \right) \right] \\
&= \exp \left[ 8\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{F}}^2 \right] \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( \exp \left( 8\theta^2 \vec{\psi}^* B^2 \vec{\psi} \right) \right)^{64\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{op}}^2} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

If  $\theta$  is chosen such that  $64\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{op}}^2 < 1$ , then Jensen's Inequality gives us

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 8\theta^2 \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \right) \right] \leq \exp \left[ 8\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{F}}^2 \right] \mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 8\theta^2 \vec{\psi}^* B^2 \vec{\psi} \right) \right]^{64\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{op}}^2}$$

Which can be rearranged with algebra to get

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( 8\theta^2 \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \right) \right] \leq \exp \left( \frac{8\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{F}}^2}{1 - 64\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{op}}^2} \right) \quad \text{when } 64\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{op}}^2 < 1$$

By Equation 1, we now see

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( \theta \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \right) \right] \leq \exp \left( \frac{8\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{F}}^2}{1 - 64\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{op}}^2} \right)$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P} \left[ \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \geq t \right] &= \mathbb{P} \left[ \exp \left( \theta \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \right) \geq \exp(\theta t) \right] \\ &\leq \exp(-\theta t) \mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( \theta \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \right) \right] \\ &\leq \exp \left( -\theta t + \frac{8\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{F}}^2}{1 - 64\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{op}}^2} \right) \\ &\leq \exp \left( -\theta t + \frac{32\theta^2 \|B\|_{\text{F}}^2}{3} \right) \quad \text{using } \theta \leq \frac{1}{16\|B\|_{\text{op}}} \end{aligned}$$

To get the statement in the proof we optimize over  $\theta$  subject to  $\theta < \frac{1}{16\|B\|_{\text{op}}}$ . This only gives us half of the statement (as the original statement had  $\mathbb{P} \left[ \left| \vec{\psi}^* B \vec{\psi} \right| \geq t \right]$ ) so we repeat the argument for  $-B$ .  $\square$