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# Lecture 20: Approximate Message Passing

State evolution:  $\forall n \times n$   $\Psi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(\underbrace{x_t^i}_{\substack{\text{t-th iterate} \\ \text{of AMP}}}, \underbrace{X^i}_{\text{signal}}) = \mathbb{E}_{\substack{x \sim \{\pm 1\} \\ g \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)}} \left[ \Psi(\mu_t x + \sigma_t g, x) \right]$$

$$\mu_t = \sqrt{\lambda} \sigma_t^2, \quad \sigma_t^2 = \gamma_t / \lambda, \quad \gamma_{t+1} = \lambda (1 - \text{mse}(\gamma_t))$$

Lemma 1:  $\text{MSE}_{\text{AMP}}(t; \lambda) = 1 - \frac{\gamma_{t+1}^2}{\lambda^2}$ .

Pf:

$$\text{MSE}_{\text{AMP}}(t; \lambda, n) = \frac{1}{n^2} \mathbb{E} \left[ \left\| XX^T - \hat{x}^t (\hat{x}^t)^T \right\|_F^2 \right]$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{\mathbb{E}[\|X\|_2^4]}{n^2}}_{\text{I}} - 2 \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\mathbb{E}[\langle \hat{x}^t, X \rangle^2]}{n^2}}_{\text{I}} + \underbrace{\frac{\mathbb{E}[\|X^t\|_2^4]}{n^2}}_{\text{II}}$$

for  $\text{I}$ , we can use state evolution.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i (\hat{x}^t)_i = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i f_t(x_i^t)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{X, \xi} \left[ X f_t(\mu_t X + \sigma_t \xi) \right]$$

$$= \mu_{t+1} / \sqrt{\lambda} \quad (\text{by defn of } \mu_{t+1})$$

$$= \gamma_{t+1} / \lambda,$$

So  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \mathbb{E}[\langle \hat{x}^t, X \rangle^2] = \frac{\gamma_{t+1}^2}{\lambda^2}$

Similar calculation for  $\textcircled{\text{II}}$ :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{x}_{t+1}^i)^2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f_t (x_{t+1}^i)^2$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left[ \mathbb{E} \left[ (x_{t+1})^2 \mid \mu_t, \sigma_t \right] \right]$$

$$= \sigma_{t+1}^2 \quad (\text{by defn of } \sigma_{t+1}^2)$$

$$= \delta_{t+1} / \lambda,$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \mathbb{E} \left[ \|\hat{x}^t\|_2^4 \right] = \frac{\delta_{t+1}^2}{\lambda^2}. \quad \square$$

Lemma 2:  $\text{MMSE}(\lambda) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{MSE}_{\text{AMP}}(t; \lambda)$

Pf: We will use the following:

Fact (I-MMSE relation):

$$\frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{d}{d\lambda} \mathbb{I} \left( X X^T; \gamma(\lambda) \right) = \frac{1}{4} \text{MMSE}(\lambda, n)$$

Mutual information  
between signal and  
observation

Note

When  $\lambda=0$ , no information about signal present

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \mathcal{I}(XX^T; Y(0)) = 0$$

When  $\lambda=\infty$ , there is full information about signal

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \mathcal{I}(XX^T; Y(\lambda)) = \lg 2, \quad \text{so}$$

$$\lg 2 = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left( \mathcal{I}(XX^T; Y(\lambda)) - \mathcal{I}(XX^T; Y(0)) \right)$$

(I-MSE)

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\infty} \text{MMSE}(\lambda, n) d\lambda$$

(Bayes optimality)

$$\leq \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\infty} \text{MSE}_{\text{AMP}}(t; \lambda, n) d\lambda$$

(dominated convergence thm).

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma_0(\lambda)^2}{\lambda^2} \right) d\lambda$$

If can show

$$\frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma_0(\lambda)^2}{\lambda^2} \right) d\lambda = \lg 2,$$

then  $\leq$  above is an equality, so AMP is

Bayes-optimal as desired.

(we will show this is the antiderivative of  $\text{MSE}_{\text{AMP}}$  w.r.t.  $\lambda$ )

Define  $\Psi(\gamma, \lambda) \triangleq \frac{\lambda}{4} + \frac{\gamma^2}{4\lambda} - \frac{\gamma}{2} + \mathcal{I}(\gamma),$

where  $\mathcal{I}(\gamma) \triangleq \mathcal{I}(X; \sqrt{\gamma}X + \bar{z})$ .

Note that by design,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \Psi(\gamma, \lambda) = \frac{1}{4} \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma^2}{\lambda^2} \right)$$

(I-MMSE  
for  
scalar  
denoising  
problem)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma} \Psi(\gamma, \lambda) = \frac{\gamma}{2\lambda} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \text{mmse}(\gamma)$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \gamma = \gamma_*(\lambda).$$

$$\text{so} \quad \underline{\underline{\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \Psi(\gamma_*(\lambda), \lambda) = \frac{1}{4} \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma_*(\lambda)^2}{\lambda^2} \right)}}$$

Furthermore,  $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \Psi(\gamma_*(\lambda), \lambda) = 0$  as

$\gamma_*(\lambda) \leq \lambda \rightarrow 0$  and  $\mathcal{I}(\gamma_*(\lambda)) \rightarrow 0$ , so

$$\frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma_*(\lambda)^2}{\lambda^2} \right) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \Psi(\gamma_*(\lambda), \lambda)$$

$\gamma^*(\lambda) \rightarrow \lambda$  as  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ , so

$$\frac{\lambda}{4} + \frac{\gamma^*(\lambda)^2}{4\lambda} - \frac{\gamma^*(\lambda)}{2} \rightarrow 0.$$

Furthermore,  $I(\gamma^0(\lambda)) \rightarrow \log 2$ , so  
 the proof is complete.  $\square$

### Proof of I-MMSE relation:

Let us consider a more general setting where  $X$  is some random vector in  $\mathbb{R}^N$ , and we observe  $Y = \sqrt{\lambda} X + g$  for  $g \sim N(0, I)$ .

$$\text{MMSE}(\lambda) \triangleq \mathbb{E}[\|X - \mathbb{E}(X|Y)\|^2] \quad (\text{unnormalized}).$$

Mutual information

$$I(X; Y) \triangleq \text{KL} \left( \underbrace{P_{X,Y}}_{\text{Joint dist. of } X, Y} \parallel \underbrace{P_X \otimes P_Y}_{\text{product of marg. dist.'s}} \right)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{X,Y} \left[ \log \frac{dP_{X,Y}}{dP_X \otimes P_Y}(X, Y) \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{X,Y} \left[ \log \left\{ \frac{\exp(-\frac{1}{2} \|Y - \sqrt{\lambda} X\|^2)}{\int dP_X(x) \exp(-\frac{1}{2} \|Y - \sqrt{\lambda} x\|^2)} \right\} \right]$$

$$= - \mathbb{E}_{X, Y} \lg \int dP_X(x) \exp(\sqrt{\lambda} \langle X, Y \rangle - \sqrt{\lambda} \langle X, Y \rangle - \frac{\lambda}{2} \|x\|^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|X\|^2)$$

partition function  
for Gibbs measure  $\mu = P_X[X \cdot | Y]$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{2} \mathbb{E} \|X\|^2 - \mathbb{E}_{X, Y} \lg \int dP_X(x) \exp(\sqrt{\lambda} \langle X, Y \rangle - \frac{\lambda}{2} \|x\|^2)$$

$\equiv F(\lambda)$  (free energy)

$$\text{w.t.s } \frac{d}{d\lambda} F(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbb{E} \|X\|^2 - \text{MMSE}(\lambda))$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} \| \mathbb{E}[X | Y] \|^2$$

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} F(\lambda) = \mathbb{E}_{X, Y} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mu} \left[ \underbrace{\langle x, X \rangle}_{\mathbb{E} \| \mathbb{E}[X | Y] \|^2} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\lambda}} \langle x, Y \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \|x\|^2 \right]$$

$$\mathbb{E}_X \mathbb{E}_Y \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mu} \left[ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\lambda}} \langle x, Y \rangle \right]$$

(Gaussian  
int. by  
parts)

$$= \mathbb{E}_X \mathbb{E}_Y \text{div}_x \left\{ \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mu} \left[ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\lambda}} x \right] \right\}$$

Note, for any  $i \in (N)$ ,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial g_i} \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu} [x_i] = \sqrt{\lambda} \left( \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu} [x_i^2] - \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu} [x_i]^2 \right)$$

(see  
prop.  
below)

$$\text{So } \mathbb{E}_{X, g} \operatorname{div}_g \left\{ \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu} \left( \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\lambda}} x \right) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{X, g} \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu} \|x\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{X, g} \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu} \|x\|^2}_{= \mathbb{E} \| \mathbb{E}(X|Y) \|^2}$$

So

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} F(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} \| \mathbb{E}(X|Y) \|^2 \quad \text{as}$$

desired

Prop: For  $\mu = \Pr[X = \cdot | Y]$ ,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial g_i} \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu} [x_i] = \sqrt{\lambda} \left( \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu} [x_i^2] - \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu} [x_i]^2 \right)$$

$f'$

Pf: Note

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mu} (x_i) &= \frac{\int e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|x\|^2 + \sqrt{\lambda} \langle x, Y \rangle} x_i dx}{\int e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|x\|^2 + \sqrt{\lambda} \langle x, Y \rangle} dx} \\ &= \frac{\int e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|x\|^2 + \langle x, X \rangle + \sqrt{\lambda} \langle x, g \rangle} x_i dx}{\int e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|x\|^2 + \langle x, X \rangle + \sqrt{\lambda} \langle x, g \rangle} dx}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \frac{\partial}{\partial g_i} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mu} (x_i) &= \frac{\sqrt{\lambda} \int e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|x\|^2 + \langle x, X \rangle + \sqrt{\lambda} \langle x, g \rangle} x_i^2 dx}{\int e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|x\|^2 + \langle x, X \rangle + \sqrt{\lambda} \langle x, g \rangle} dx} \\ &\quad - \frac{\sqrt{\lambda} \left( \int e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|x\|^2 + \langle x, X \rangle + \sqrt{\lambda} \langle x, g \rangle} x_i dx \right)^2}{\left( \int e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|x\|^2 + \langle x, X \rangle + \sqrt{\lambda} \langle x, g \rangle} dx \right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sqrt{\lambda} \left( \mathbb{E}_{\mu} (x_i^2) - \mathbb{E}_{\mu} (x_i)^2 \right). \quad \square$$