

Approximate Ultrametricity with Applications to Spin Glasses

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Introduction

- Know ultrametricity for limiting Dobrush-Sudakov measure (Asymptotic Gibbs Measure) [Panchenko '13]
- Gives pure state decomposition and Ruelle Probability Cascade picture

Question

Is there a sense in which one can see a 'pure state' decomposition arising at large finite N ?

Approximate Ultrametricity occurs

Theorem

Let $\{\mu_N\}$ be a sequence of random probability measures supported on the unit ball of ℓ_2 . Suppose that this sequence satisfies the Approximate Ghirlanda-Guerra Identities and that for some ζ ,

$$\zeta_N = \mathbb{E} \mu_N^{\otimes 2}((\sigma^1, \sigma^2)_{\ell_2} \in \cdot) \rightarrow \zeta.$$

Then this sequence is **regularly approximately ultrametric with respect to ζ** .

Translation

Include $\{-1, +1\}^N \hookrightarrow \ell_2$ by

$$(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_N) \mapsto \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\sigma_1, \dots, \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\sigma_N, 0, \dots \right)$$

Key:

$$\text{Gibbs measure } G_N \iff \mu_N$$

$$\text{overlap } R_{12} \iff (\sigma^1, \sigma^2)_{\ell_2}$$

$$\text{overlap distribution} \iff \zeta_N$$

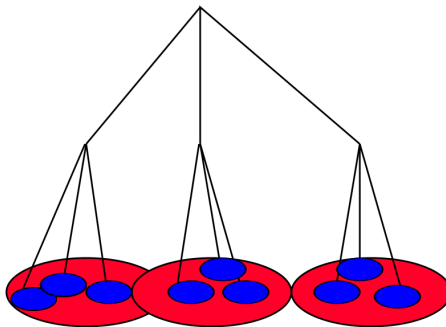
$$\text{limiting overlap distribution} \iff \zeta$$

What do we mean by Approximately Ultrametric?

- Has a “pure state”-like decomposition \implies there is a collection of hierarchically arranged “balls” that almost exhaust μ
- Need to abstract properties of balls in ultrametric measure spaces
- Focus two properties:
 - 1 measure theoretic: Hierarchical Exhaustion
 - 2 geometric: Hierarchical Clustering

Hierarchical Exhaustion

- In ultrametric measure spaces balls form hierarchical partition
- In “almost” ultrametric measure spaces form hierarchical “almost” partition



Hierarchical Exhaustion

Definition

$\{C_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \tau_r}$ is an (ϵ, δ) -**hierarchical exhaustion** of μ if:

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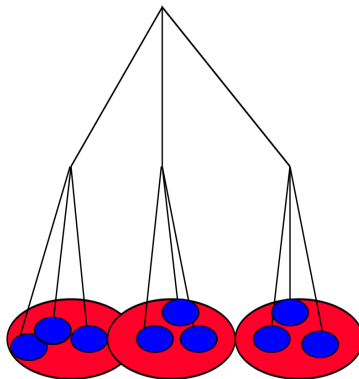
$$\sum_{\alpha, \beta \in \tau, \alpha \neq \beta} \mu(C_\alpha \cap C_\beta) \leq \delta.$$

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$$\sum_{|\alpha|=k} \mu(C_\alpha) \geq 1 - \epsilon$$

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$$\mu(C_\alpha) - \sum_{\beta \in \text{child}(\alpha)} \mu(C_\beta) \in [0, \epsilon].$$



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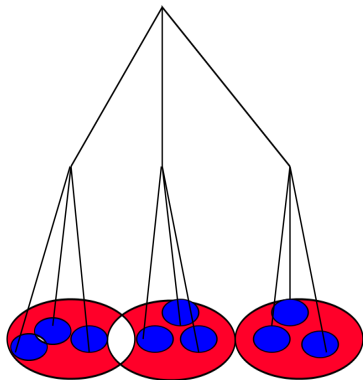
$$C_\alpha \cap C_\beta = \begin{cases} C_\alpha & \text{if } \beta \succ \alpha \\ \emptyset & \text{if } \beta \approx \alpha. \end{cases}$$

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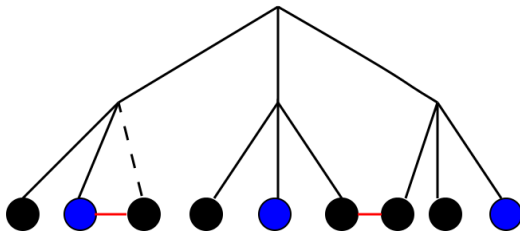
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Hierarchical Clustering

- In ultrametric measure space: points in the same R -ball of should be R -close, in different R -balls should be R -far
- In “almost” ultrametric measure space: probability of points in same R -ball being $(R + \epsilon)$ -far or points in different R -balls being $(R - \epsilon)$ -close is small



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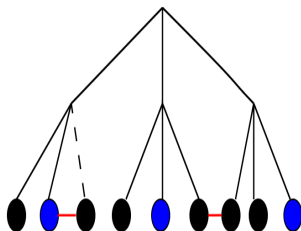
$\{C_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \tau_r}$ is an (ϵ, δ) -**hierarchical clustering** for μ with respect to $\{q_k\}_{k=1}^r$ if:

- ① same cluster \implies close:

$$\mu(\sigma^1, \sigma^2 \in C_\alpha : (\sigma^1, \sigma^2)_{\ell_2} \leq q_{|\alpha|} - \epsilon) \leq \delta$$

- ② cousins \implies uniformly far apart:
 $\alpha \approx \beta$ with same parent

$$\mu(\sigma^1 \in C_\alpha, \sigma^2 \in C_\beta : (\sigma^1, \sigma^2)_{\ell_2} \geq q_{|\alpha|} + \epsilon) \leq \delta$$



What radii are allowed?

Definition

Let ζ be a probability measure on the interval $[0, 1]$. A finite increasing sequence of points $\{q_k\}_{k=1}^r$ on the interval $(0, 1)$ is said to be ζ -**admissible** if:

- 1 They are all continuity points:

$$\zeta(\{q_k\}) = 0.$$

- 2 There is mass between them:

$$\zeta[q_k, q_{k+1}] > 0.$$

- 3 There is some but not all of the ζ -mass lies between 0 and q_1 , and q_r and 1:

$$0 < \zeta[0, q_1] < 1 \text{ and } 0 < \zeta[q_r, 1] < 1$$

Recap

Three properties:

- 1 A measure theoretic property: hierarchical exhaustion
- 2 A geometric property: hierarchical clustering
- 3 allowed radii

Together will make Approximate Ultrametricity.

Approximate Ultrametricity

Definition (Approximately ultrametric)

$\{\mu_N\}_{N=1}^{\infty}$ is **approximately ultrametric** with respect to ζ if for every r and every ζ -admissible sequence, $\{q_k\}_{k=1}^r$, there is a sequence of finite rooted trees of depth r , $\{\tau_{N,r}\}$, and sequences a_N , b_N , and ϵ_N all tending to 0 such that with probability tending to one, there are sets $\{C_{\alpha,N}\}_{\alpha \in \tau_{N,r}}$ that are $(\epsilon_N, 0)$ -hierarchically exhausting and (a_N, b_N) -clustering.

It is **regularly** approximately ultrametric if there is a sequence $m_N \rightarrow \infty$ such that $\tau_{N,r}$ can be taken to be the m_N -regular tree of depth r .

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Laws of cluster weights

Fix $\{q_k\}_{k=1}^r$ ζ -admissible, $C_{\alpha,N}$ corresponding clusters, set

$$\tilde{Y}_{\alpha,N} = \begin{cases} C_{\alpha,N} & \text{for } \alpha \in \mathcal{T}_{N,r} \\ \emptyset & \mathcal{A}_r \setminus \mathcal{T}_{N,r} \end{cases}$$

Let $(Y_{\alpha,N})_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_r}$ be $(\mu_N(\tilde{Y}_{\alpha,N}))_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_r}$ arranged in standard order.

Theorem

Let (Y_{α}) be distributed like the weights of a Ruelle Probability Cascade with parameters $\zeta_k = \zeta[q_k, q_{k+1}]$. Then

$$(Y_{\alpha,N}) \xrightarrow{(d)} (Y_{\alpha})$$

Applications

- Provides “pure state” decomposition of hypercube at low temperature and **finite** N for:
 - Generic mixed p -spin models [Auffinger-Chen '13],
 - REM, GREM [Bovier-Kurkova '04]
- Provides new sense of convergence of REM and GREM to Ruelle Probability Cascade
- Resolves Orthogonal Structures conjecture

Orthogonal Structures

Theorem (Orthogonal Structures Conjecture)

For a generic mixed p -spin glass model, if $\zeta(\{0\}) > 0$ then the Gibbs measures G_N admit an **Orthogonal Structure**.

Definition

A spin glass model on the hypercube admits an **Orthogonal Structure** if there is a sequence $(a_k)_{k \geq 0}$ such that for any $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ and ϵ positive, there is an N_0 such that for $N \geq N_0$, with probability at least $3/4$, there is a random collection of sets $\{A_{k,N}\}_{k \leq k_0} \subset \Sigma_N$ such that

- $G_N(A_{k,N}) \geq a_k$
- $\forall k \neq l : \left\langle |R_{12}| \mathbb{1}_{\sigma^1 \in A_{k,N}, \sigma^2 \in A_{l,N}} \right\rangle < \epsilon$

Relation to what is known

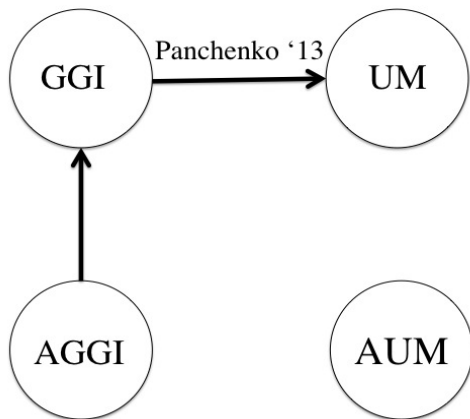
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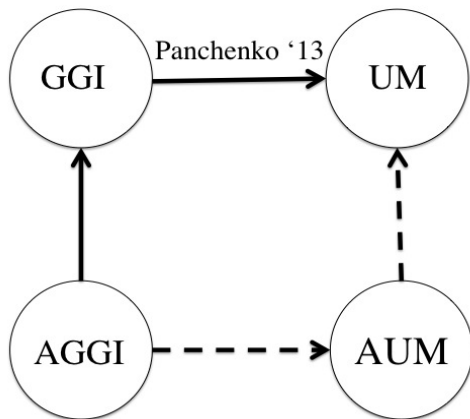
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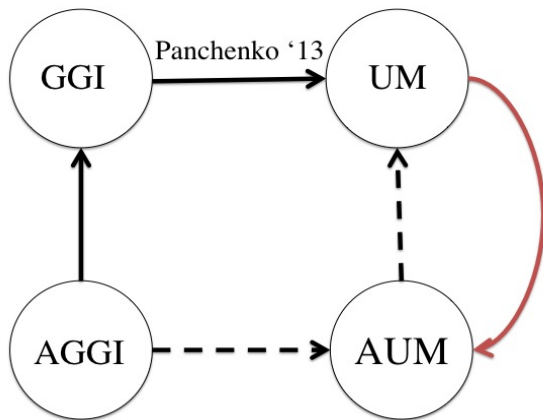
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Consequences of Ghirlanda-Guerra Identities

Key consequences of Ghirlanda-Guerra Identities we use:

- 1 Determines structure of limiting Dobrush-Sudakov measure:
 - Support is ultrametric
 - Weights of pure states are "Ruelle Probability Cascade"-like
- 2 Convergence of $\zeta_N \implies$ convergence of overlap array.

Strategy for Theorem 1

- Picture should arise for heaviest balls
- Potential difficulties with looking at heaviest balls
- Instead work with randomly chosen balls
- Low temperature \implies will not sample “dust”
- Sample enough balls to get all information needed

Ball sampling procedure

- Draw $(\sigma^\alpha)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_r}$ iid from μ_N
- Pick $\{B_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_r}$ by

$$B_\alpha(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \bigcap_{\beta \prec \alpha} B(\sigma^\beta, q_{|\beta|}).$$

- look at

$$\mathbf{V}^N = (V_\alpha^N) = (\mu_N B_\alpha)$$

Lemma

Let \mathbf{V} be generated the same way from μ , the limiting Dvobysch-Sudakov Measure

$$\mathbf{V}^N \xrightarrow{(d)} \mathbf{V}$$

Hierarchical Exhaustion

Lemma

For every ϵ positive, r and ζ -admissible sequence $\{q_k\}_{k=1}^r$,

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(\exists \tau_{N,r} : \exists(\epsilon, 0) \text{ - exhaustion of } \mu_N) = 1.$$

Proof.

- μ is ultrametric $\implies \mu$ has $(\epsilon, 0)$ -hierarchical exhaustions for some τ .
- Weak convergence to conclude τ works for large *but finite* N
- Key Point: $\exists \tau$ for \mathbf{V}^N is an open condition.



Hierarchical Clustering and Approximate Ultrametricity

Theorem

For $\{\mu_N\}$ as above is regularly approximately ultrametric w.r.t. ζ

Proof.

- Show (a, b) -hierarchical clustering
 - Encode distance control in functions of replica f and g
 - Use ultrametricity of limit to show f and g are uniformly small
- Choose errors in exhaustion and clustering to vanish in N and degree $m_N \rightarrow \infty$



Convergence of Leaves to Poisson-Dirichlet

Let (v_n^N) be the weights of the leaves rearranged in decreasing order.

Theorem

The weights (v_n^N) converge in distribution to $PD(\zeta[q_r, 1])$ as elements of the space of mass-partitions.

- Talagrand's identities for PD: Recursion relation for moments via Ghirlanda-Guerra

Convergence of weights to Ruelle Probability Cascade

- Hierarchical analogue of space of mass-partitions: space of cascades of depth r

$$\mathcal{C}_r = \{(w_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_r} \in [0, 1]^{\mathcal{A}_r} : w_{\alpha_1} \geq w_{\alpha_2} \geq \dots \geq 0;$$

$$\sum_{|\alpha|=k} w_\alpha \leq 1, \forall k \in [r];$$

$$w_\alpha \geq \sum_{\beta \in \text{child}(\alpha)} w_\beta\}$$

- Problem: obvious analogues of Talagrand's Identities does not seem to come from GGIs
- Work around: **ROSt encoding**

ROSt Encoding argument

$$\mathbf{v}^N - \frac{?}{-} \gg \mathbf{v}$$

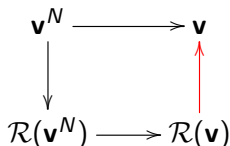
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- Encode \mathbf{v}^N in ROSt
- convergence of $\mathbf{v}^N \iff$ convergence of ROSt

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{v}^N & \overset{?}{\dashrightarrow} & \mathbf{v} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v}^N) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v}) \end{array}$$

ROSt Encoding argument

- Encode \mathbf{v}_N in ROSt
- convergence of $\mathbf{v}^N \iff$ convergence of ROSt
- Uniqueness of Dovbysh-Sudakov measure gives correspondence $\mathbf{v} \rightarrow \text{ROSt}$



Correspondence is not continuous

Convergence of ROST

Theorem

The sequence \mathbf{v}^N converges to the weights of a Ruelle Probability Cascade.

Proof.

- Key Observation: $\mathbf{v}^{N_k} \xrightarrow{(d)} \mathbf{v}$ gives $\mathbb{E} \langle f(R^n) \rangle_{\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v}^{N_k})} \rightarrow \mathbb{E} \langle f(R^n) \rangle_{\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v})}$
- Careful application of convergence of leaves circumvents issues caused by compactness
- $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v}^N) \xrightarrow{(d)} RPC$
- Uniqueness of Dovbysh-Sudakov + Subsequence principle



Recap

- Introduced approximate ultrametricity to capture existence of “pure state”-like decomposition
- Showed approximate ultrametricity occurs in large class of models
- Characterized the laws of the weights of the “pure states”

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- Prune \mathcal{A}_r into shape of τ : $(\sigma^\alpha)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_r} \mapsto (\sigma^{\tau^i})_{i=1}^N$
- $(\mu B_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \tau}$ has correct properties is an open condition $\implies \exists \tau$ is an open condition
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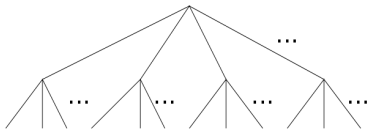


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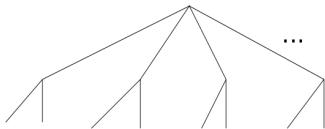


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Proof.

- Given errors, find τ as above m -regular and before time M
- Show hierarchical clustering
 - Encode uniform distance control:

$$f_{|\alpha|,\epsilon}^N(\sigma^\alpha) = \mu_N^{\otimes 2}(\sigma^1, \sigma^2 \in C_{\alpha,N} : R_{12} \leq q_{|\alpha|} - \epsilon)$$

$$g_{\alpha,\beta,\epsilon}^N(\sigma) = \mu_N^{\otimes 2}(\sigma^1 \in C_{\alpha,N}, \sigma^2 \in C_{\beta,N} : R_{12} \geq q_{|\alpha \wedge \beta|+1} + \epsilon)$$

- show f and g are uniformly small w.h.p.
- Chose all of the errors in the above to vanish in N and $m_N \rightarrow \infty$
- Play with indices to make everything happen simultaneously



- Fix $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{C}_r$ and $\{q_k\}_{k=1}^r$
- Place dust in dustbin ∂ :

$$v_{\partial} = 1 - \sum_{|\alpha|=r} v_{\alpha}.$$

- As with Ruelle Probability Cascades

$$h_{\alpha} = \begin{cases} \sum_{\beta \preceq \alpha} (q_{|\alpha|} - q_{|\alpha|-1})^{\frac{1}{2}} e_{\beta} & \alpha \in \partial \mathcal{A}_r \\ h_{\partial} = q_r^{\frac{1}{2}} e_{\partial} & \alpha = \partial \end{cases}$$

- ROSt encoding

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v}, \{q_k\}; \{h_{\alpha}\}) = v_{\alpha}$$

Convergence of ROST

Lemma

Fix $\{q_k\}$. Let \mathbf{v} be a limit point of the sequence \mathbf{v}^N augmented by v_∂ and let $\mathbf{v}^{N_k} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}$. It follows that

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v}^{N_k}) \xrightarrow{\text{(samp)}} \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v})$$

Proof.

- use PD convergence to conclude the dustbins converge
- use Skorokhod Representation + Scheffé's lemma to conclude $\mathbb{E} \langle f \rangle_{\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v}^N)} \rightarrow \mathbb{E} \langle f \rangle_{\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v})}$



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Lemma

The ROST corresponding to $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{v}^N)$ converges in law to an RPC.

Proof.

- Convergence of \mathcal{R} is equivalent to convergence of R^n for each n
- R^n only takes on finitely many values \implies suffices to compute all of these probabilities
- To calculate $\langle R^n = Q^n \rangle$, encode Q^n in a tree $\tau(Q)$ of depth $r + 1$
- Key Idea: Draw replica indexed by the leaves of $\tau(Q)$, indicator function that they land in clusters which obey metric induced by τ is well-approximated by $R_{ij} \in [q_{k(ij)}, q_{k(ij)+1}]$



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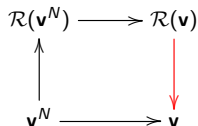
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Dotsenko-Franz-Mézard Conjecture

Conjecture (Dotsenko-Franz-Mézard)

Suppose Z_N is the partition function for mixed p -spin glass Hamiltonian at $h = 0$, then for all a negative

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{aN} \log \mathbb{E} Z_N^a = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{E} \log Z_N$$

Theorem (Dotsenko-Franz-Mézard for generic models)

This holds for generic mixed p -spin glass Hamiltonian such that $\zeta_{\{0\}} > 0$, at low temperature

Proof.

- Existence of Orthogonal Structure \implies Dotsenko-Franz-Mézard [Talagrand '07]

