Signal Recovery with Generative Priors

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Examples of inverse problems



 $-A(x_0)$

How can generative models used in inverse problems?

1. Train generative model to output signal class:



2. Directly optimize over range of generative model via empirical risk:



Bora, Jalal, Dimakis, Price 2017



$$G(z)) - A(x_0) \Big\|^2$$

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Inspiration: Recovery Theory for Compressed Sensing with Sparse Priors

Fix k-sparse vector $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ be a random gaussian matrix with $m = \Omega(k \log n)$.

min s.t.

Theorem (Candes, Romberg, Tao. 2004. Donoho, 2004.) The global minimizer of (L1) is x_0 with high probability.

$$\|x\|_1$$
$$Ax = Ax_0$$

(L1)

Compressed Sensing with Generative Models





Bora, Jalal, Dimakis, Price 2017

$$G(z) - Ax_0 \Big\|^2$$

Geometric picture of signal recovery with a low-dimensional generative prior



Expansive Gaussian Model for Generative Priors

- Let: $G: \mathbb{R}^k \to \mathbb{R}^n$ Given: $W_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times n_{i-1}}, A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, y := AG(z_0) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ Find: x_0
- **Expansivity**: Let $n_i > cn_{i-1} \log n_{i-1}$
- **Gaussianicity**: Let W_i and A have iid Gaussian entries.
- **Biasless**: No bias terms in G.

 $G(z) = \operatorname{relu}(W_d \dots \operatorname{relu}(W_2 \operatorname{relu}(W_1 z)) \dots)$

Compressive sensing with random generative prior has a provably convergent subgradient descent algorithm

Theorem (Huang, Heckel, Hand, Voroninski) Let $d \ge 2$. If

1. *G* is gaussian and sufficiently expansive,

2. $m = \Omega(kd \log(\prod_{i=1}^{d} n_i)),$

3. measurements have sufficiently small noise then w.h.p. a subgradient descent with a twist converges to within the noise level of z_0 .







Deterministic Condition used in Recovery Proofs

A matrix $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$ satisfies the Weight Distribution Condition with constant ϵ if for all $x, y \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$,

$$\left\|\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{w_i \cdot x > 0} \mathbf{1}_{w_i \cdot y > 0} \cdot w_i w_i^T - Q_{x,y}\right\| \le \epsilon, \text{ with } Q_{x,y} = \frac{\pi - \theta}{2\pi} I + \frac{\sin \theta}{2\pi} M_{\hat{x} \leftrightarrow \hat{y}}.$$

Here, w_i^T is the *i*th row of W; $M_{\hat{x}\leftrightarrow\hat{y}}\in\mathbb{R}^{k\times k}$ is the matrix such that $\hat{x}\mapsto\hat{y}$, $\hat{y} \mapsto \hat{x}$, and $\hat{z} \mapsto 0$ for all $z \in (\{x, y\})^{\perp}$; $\theta = \angle (x, y)$.

all $\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2, \mathbf{z}_3, \mathbf{z}_4 \in \mathbb{R}^k$, it holds that

$$\langle \mathbf{A}(G(\mathbf{z}_1) - G(\mathbf{z}_2)), \mathbf{A}(G(\mathbf{z}_3) - G(\mathbf{z}_4)) \rangle - \langle G(\mathbf{z}_1) - G(\mathbf{z}_2), G(\mathbf{z}_3) - G(\mathbf{z}_4) \rangle | \leq \epsilon \|G(\mathbf{z}_1) - G(\mathbf{z}_2)\|_2 \|G(\mathbf{z}_3) - G(\mathbf{z}_4)\|_2.$$
(23)

$$\langle G(\mathbf{z}_{1}) - G(\mathbf{z}_{2}) \rangle, \mathbf{A}(G(\mathbf{z}_{3}) - G(\mathbf{z}_{4})) \rangle - \langle G(\mathbf{z}_{1}) - G(\mathbf{z}_{2}), G(\mathbf{z}_{3}) - G(\mathbf{z}_{4}) \rangle | \leq \epsilon \|G(\mathbf{z}_{1}) - G(\mathbf{z}_{2})\|_{2} \|G(\mathbf{z}_{3}) - G(\mathbf{z}_{4})\|_{2}.$$
(23)

signals) with respect to the range of G.

Definition 3 (Range Restricted Isometry Condition (RRIC) [52]). A matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ satisfies the Range Restricted Isometry Condition with respect to G with constant ϵ if, for

This condition states that A acts like an isometry when acting on pairs of secant directions (i.e., differences of two

Theorem (Huang, Hand, Heckel, Voroninski, 2017)

Assume that 1. the WDC and RRIC hold with $\epsilon \leq C/\operatorname{poly}(d)$, 2. the measurement noise is sufficiently small. Then a subgradient algorithm with a twist converges to within the noise level of z_0 .



Weight Distribution Condition holds w.h.p. if a matrix is sufficiently expansive

Lemma: Fix ϵ . Let $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$ have i.i.d. $\mathcal{N}(0, 1/n)$ entries. If $n > ck \log k$, then with probability at least $1 - 8ne^{-\gamma k}$, we have for all $x, y \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} 1_{w_i \cdot x > 0} 1_{w_i \cdot y > 0} \cdot w_i w_i^T - \mathbb{E}[\cdots] \bigg\| \le \epsilon$$

The constants depend polynomially on ϵ .

Range Restricted Isometry Condition holds w.h.p. if a matrix is sufficiently expansive

Lemma (Baraniuk et al. 2008) $T \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ of dimension 2k < m. With probability at least $1-(c_1/\epsilon)^{2k}e^{-\gamma_1\epsilon m}$,

To establish RRIC:

Apply lemma to all subspaces given by ReLU patterns

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ have iid $\mathcal{N}(0, 1/m)$ entries. Fix ϵ . Fix a subspace

 $|\langle Ax, Ay \rangle - \langle x, y \rangle| \le \epsilon ||x||_2 ||y||_2, \quad \forall x, y \in T$

 $||W_{+,x}^t A^t A W_{+,y} - W_{+,x}^t W_{+,y}|| \le \epsilon \ \forall x, y \text{ whp if } m \gtrsim k \log n$

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Compressive Phase Retrieval with Generative Models





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$$\left| \mathcal{F}(z) \right| - \left| A x_0 \right| \right|^2$$

Compressive Phrase Retrieval on MNIST











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Wirtinger Flow (200 m)



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Deep phase retrieval can outperform sparse phase retrieval in the low measurement regime



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Compressive phase retrieval from generic measurements is possible at optimal sample complexity

1. # measurements = $\Omega(k)$, up to log factors

- 2. network layers are sufficiently expansive
- 3. A and weights of G have i.i.d. Gaussian entries

Theorem (Hand, Leong, Voroninski)



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The objective function has a strict descent direction in latent space outside of two small neighborhoods of the minimizer and a negative multiple thereof, with high probability.



Sparsity appears to fail in Compressive Phase Retrieval



Open problem: there is no known efficient algorithm to recover s-sparse x_0 from O(s) generic measurements

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Rate-optimal denoising with deep neural networks

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Article No Statistical-Computational Gap in Spiked Matrix Models with Generative Network Priors[†]

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	Let:	G
	Let:	y_{\star}
	Given:	G.
	Given:	No wi
	Estimate:	y_{\star}
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where

Cocola, Hand, Voroninski 2021. Improved in Cocola 2022.



SPIKED WIGNER MATRIX RECOVERY WITH A DEEP GENERATIVE PRIOR

: $\mathbb{R}^k \to \mathbb{R}^n$ generative network. $= G(x_{\star})$ for some unknown $x_{\star} \in \mathbb{R}^{k}$.

oisy matrix $B = y_{\star} y_{\star}^{T} + \sigma \mathcal{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, ith \mathcal{H} from a Gaussian Orthogonal Ensemble.

roposes to find the latent code \hat{x} that minimizes the reconstruction error

$$\tilde{x} = \arg\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^x} f_{\text{spiked}}(x) := \frac{1}{2} \|M - G(x)G(x)^T\|_F^2,$$
$$y_{\star} \approx G(\tilde{x}),$$

• in the spiked Wishart model $M = B^T B / N - \sigma^2 I_n$; • in the spiked Wigner model M = B.



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Invertibility of Convolutional Generative Networks from Partial Measurements

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Figure 2: Illustration of a single transposed convolution operation. $f_{i,j}$ stands for i^{th} filter kernel for the j^{th} input channel. z and x denote the input and output signals, respectively. (a) The standard transposed convolution represented as linear multiplication. (b) With proper row and column permutations, the permuted weight matrix has a repeating block structure.



Weakening Expansivity Assumption

 $n_i ≥ n_{i-1} \log n_{i-1} \operatorname{poly}(d)$ $n_i ≥ n_{i-1} \operatorname{poly}(d)$ $n_i ≥ 5^i k \operatorname{poly}(d)$ $n_i ≥ k \operatorname{poly}(d)$

Hand and Vorninski, 2019 Daskalakis et al., 2020 Joshi et al., 2021 Cocola, 2022

Signal Recovery Under Generative Priors

- There is a recovery theory for generative priors for multiple inverse problems
- Generative priors may outperform sparsity priors for a variety of problems
- Generative priors could provide tighter representations of natural images
- Generative priors can be optimally exploited for some nonlinear problems

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