

# **IMA Lecture 7**

Ronald DeVore

# Last Time

- We showed instance optimality of order  $k$  in  $\ell_2$  with high probability is possible

# Last Time

- We showed instance optimality of order  $k$  in  $\ell_2$  with high probability is possible
- We are fighting for practical decoders that achieve this

# Last Time

- We showed instance optimality of order  $k$  in  $\ell_2$  with high probability is possible
- We are fighting for practical decoders that achieve this
- We introduced the Orthogonal Matching Pursuit (OMP) algorithm for finding an approximation to  $x$  from the information  $y = \Phi x$  and showed that for random families  $\Phi(\omega)$ ,  $\omega \in \Omega$ , then with high probability it recovers  $x$  exactly if this vector is in  $\Sigma_k$

# Computational Complexity of OMP

- Let us analyze the number of computations needed to implement the OMP algorithm

# Computational Complexity of OMP

- Let us analyze the number of computations needed to implement the OMP algorithm
- Suppose after step  $i$ , we have computed  $y^i$ , the residual  $r^i$  and an orthonormal system  $\phi_{j_1}^*, \dots, \phi_{j_i}^*$  (by Gram-Schmidt)

# Computational Complexity of OMP

- Let us analyze the number of computations needed to implement the OMP algorithm
- Suppose after step  $i$ , we have computed  $y^i$ , the residual  $r^i$  and an orthonormal system  $\phi_{j_1}^*, \dots, \phi_{j_i}^*$  (by Gram-Schmidt)
- At the next iteration, we have to compute  $N - i \leq N$  inner products  $\langle r^i, \phi_j \rangle, j \neq j_1, \dots, j_i$

# Computational Complexity of OMP

- Let us analyze the number of computations needed to implement the OMP algorithm
- Suppose after step  $i$ , we have computed  $y^i$ , the residual  $r^i$  and an orthonormal system  $\phi_{j_1}^*, \dots, \phi_{j_i}^*$  (by Gram-Schmidt)
- At the next iteration, we have to compute  $N - i \leq N$  inner products  $\langle r^i, \phi_j \rangle, j \neq j_1, \dots, j_i$
- This takes  $\leq 2Nn$  arithmetic operations



# Computational Complexity of OMP

- Let us analyze the number of computations needed to implement the OMP algorithm
- Suppose after step  $i$ , we have computed  $y^i$ , the residual  $r^i$  and an orthonormal system  $\phi_{j_1}^*, \dots, \phi_{j_i}^*$  (by Gram-Schmidt)
- At the next iteration, we have to compute  $N - i \leq N$  inner products  $\langle r^i, \phi_j \rangle, j \neq j_1, \dots, j_i$
- This takes  $\leq 2Nn$  arithmetic operations
- We have to do a comparison of these inner products

# Computational Complexity of OMP

- Let us analyze the number of computations needed to implement the OMP algorithm
- Suppose after step  $i$ , we have computed  $y^i$ , the residual  $r^i$  and an orthonormal system  $\phi_{j_1}^*, \dots, \phi_{j_i}^*$  (by Gram-Schmidt)
- At the next iteration, we have to compute  $N - i \leq N$  inner products  $\langle r^i, \phi_j \rangle, j \neq j_1, \dots, j_i$
- This takes  $\leq 2Nn$  arithmetic operations
- We have to do a comparison of these inner products
- This can be done with  $N$  comparisons

# OMP Complexity Continued

- We need to update our orthogonalization :

$$\phi_{j_{i+1}}^* := \frac{\phi_{j_{i+1}} - P_{Y_i} \phi_{j_{i+1}}}{\|\phi_{j_{i+1}} - P_{Y_i} \phi_{j_{i+1}}\|_{\ell_2}}, \quad Y_i := \text{span}\{\phi_{j_1}, \dots, \phi_{j_i}\}$$

# OMP Complexity Continued

- We need to update our orthogonalization :

$$\phi_{j_{i+1}}^* := \frac{\phi_{j_{i+1}} - P_{Y_i} \phi_{j_{i+1}}}{\|\phi_{j_{i+1}} - P_{Y_i} \phi_{j_{i+1}}\|_{\ell_2}}, \quad Y_i := \text{span}\{\phi_{j_1}, \dots, \phi_{j_i}\}$$

- $P_{Y_i} f = \sum_{\nu=1}^i \langle f, \phi_{j_\nu}^* \rangle \phi_{j_\nu}^*$

# OMP Complexity Continued

- We need to update our orthogonalization :

$$\phi_{j_{i+1}}^* := \frac{\phi_{j_{i+1}} - P_{Y_i} \phi_{j_{i+1}}}{\|\phi_{j_{i+1}} - P_{Y_i} \phi_{j_{i+1}}\|_{\ell_2}}, \quad Y_i := \text{span}\{\phi_{j_1}, \dots, \phi_{j_i}\}$$

- $P_{Y_i} f = \sum_{\nu=1}^i \langle f, \phi_{j_\nu}^* \rangle \phi_{j_\nu}^*$

- This takes  $\leq 4in \leq 4nN$  operations

# OMP Complexity Continued

- We need to update our orthogonalization :

$$\phi_{j_{i+1}}^* := \frac{\phi_{j_{i+1}} - P_{Y_i} \phi_{j_{i+1}}}{\|\phi_{j_{i+1}} - P_{Y_i} \phi_{j_{i+1}}\|_{\ell_2}}, \quad Y_i := \text{span}\{\phi_{j_1}, \dots, \phi_{j_i}\}$$

- $P_{Y_i} f = \sum_{\nu=1}^i \langle f, \phi_{j_\nu}^* \rangle \phi_{j_\nu}^*$
- This takes  $\leq 4in \leq 4nN$  operations
- To compute  $y - P_{Y_{i+1}} y$  needs again at most  $5nN$  operations

# OMP Complexity Continued

- We need to update our orthogonalization :

$$\phi_{j_{i+1}}^* := \frac{\phi_{j_{i+1}} - P_{Y_i} \phi_{j_{i+1}}}{\|\phi_{j_{i+1}} - P_{Y_i} \phi_{j_{i+1}}\|_{\ell_2}}, \quad Y_i := \text{span}\{\phi_{j_1}, \dots, \phi_{j_i}\}$$

- $P_{Y_i} f = \sum_{\nu=1}^i \langle f, \phi_{j_\nu}^* \rangle \phi_{j_\nu}^*$

- This takes  $\leq 4in \leq 4nN$  operations

- To compute  $y - P_{Y_{i+1}} y$  needs again at most  $5nN$  operations

- Since there are  $k$  steps we have  $O(Nnk)$  operations in total

# Outstanding Problems

- Will OMP give  $\ell_2$  instance optimality of order  $k$  in probability



# Outstanding Problems

- Will OMP give  $\ell_2$  instance optimality of order  $k$  in probability
- Cohen-Dahmen-DeVore

# Outstanding Problems

- Will OMP give  $\ell_2$  instance optimality of order  $k$  in probability
- Cohen-Dahmen-DeVore
- Can we use  $\ell_1$  minimization to obtain  $\ell_2$  instance optimality of order  $k$  in probability?

# Outstanding Problems

- Will OMP give  $\ell_2$  instance optimality of order  $k$  in probability
- Cohen-Dahmen-DeVore
- Can we use  $\ell_1$  minimization to obtain  $\ell_2$  instance optimality of order  $k$  in probability?
- Cohen-Dahmen-DeVore have another algorithm that almost does this

# $\ell_1$ minimization

- $\ell_1$  minimization:  $x^* := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_1}$

# $\ell_1$ minimization

- $\ell_1$  minimization:  $x^* := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_1}$
- $x^* = x - \eta^*$  where  $\eta^* := \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_1}$

# $\ell_1$ minimization

- $\ell_1$  minimization:  $x^* := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_1}$
- $x^* = x - \eta^*$  where  $\eta^* := \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_1}$
- Can be solved by Linear Programming

# $\ell_1$ minimization

- $\ell_1$  minimization:  $x^* := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_1}$
- $x^* = x - \eta^*$  where  $\eta^* := \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_1}$
- Can be solved by Linear Programming
- Let  $T := \text{supp}(x)$

# $\ell_1$ minimization

- $\ell_1$  minimization:  $x^* := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_1}$
- $x^* = x - \eta^*$  where  $\eta^* := \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_1}$
- Can be solved by Linear Programming
- Let  $T := \text{supp}(x)$
- Recall that  $x$  is an  $\ell_1$  minimizer if and only if

$$\left| \sum_{i \in T} \text{sign}(x_i) \eta_i \right| \leq \sum_{i \in T^c} |\eta_i|, \quad \forall \eta \in \mathcal{N}$$



# $\ell_1$ minimization

- $\ell_1$  minimization:  $x^* := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_1}$
- $x^* = x - \eta^*$  where  $\eta^* := \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_1}$
- Can be solved by Linear Programming
- Let  $T := \text{supp}(x)$
- Recall that  $x$  is an  $\ell_1$  minimizer if and only if

$$\left| \sum_{i \in T} \text{sign}(x_i) \eta_i \right| \leq \sum_{i \in T^c} |\eta_i|, \quad \forall \eta \in \mathcal{N}$$

- If  $\mathcal{N}$  has the following null space property: there is a  $\gamma < 1$  with  $\|\eta_T\|_{\ell_1} \leq \gamma \|\eta_{T^c}\|_{\ell_1}$ ,  $\forall \eta \in \mathcal{N}$ ,  $\#(T) \leq k$

# $\ell_1$ minimization

- $\ell_1$  minimization:  $x^* := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_1}$
- $x^* = x - \eta^*$  where  $\eta^* := \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_1}$
- Can be solved by Linear Programming
- Let  $T := \text{supp}(x)$
- Recall that  $x$  is an  $\ell_1$  minimizer if and only if

$$\left| \sum_{i \in T} \text{sign}(x_i) \eta_i \right| \leq \sum_{i \in T^c} |\eta_i|, \quad \forall \eta \in \mathcal{N}$$

- If  $\mathcal{N}$  has the following null space property: there is a  $\gamma < 1$  with  $\|\eta_T\|_{\ell_1} \leq \gamma \|\eta_{T^c}\|_{\ell_1}$ ,  $\forall \eta \in \mathcal{N}$ ,  $\#(T) \leq k$
- then all  $x \in \Sigma_k$  have unique  $\ell_1$  minimizers equal to  $x$

# Other Possible Decoders

- We seek other possible decoding algorithms which may be faster

# Other Possible Decoders

- We seek other possible decoding algorithms which may be faster
- Here we add in the knowledge of our Compressed Sensing setting - the RIP property for  $\Phi$

# Other Possible Decoders

- We seek other possible decoding algorithms which may be faster
- Here we add in the knowledge of our Compressed Sensing setting - the RIP property for  $\Phi$
- We have also discussed the least squares problem

$$\bar{x} := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_2} = \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_2}$$

# Other Possible Decoders

- We seek other possible decoding algorithms which may be faster
- Here we add in the knowledge of our Compressed Sensing setting - the RIP property for  $\Phi$
- We have also discussed the least squares problem

$$\bar{x} := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_2} = \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_2}$$

- We know this does not work well

# Other Possible Decoders

- We seek other possible decoding algorithms which may be faster
- Here we add in the knowledge of our Compressed Sensing setting - the RIP property for  $\Phi$
- We have also discussed the least squares problem

$$\bar{x} := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_2} = \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_2}$$

- We know this does not work well
- However it is easy to compute

$$\bar{x} = \Phi^t [\Phi \Phi^t]^{-1} \Phi x = \Phi^t [\Phi \Phi^t]^{-1} y$$

# Other Possible Decoders

- We seek other possible decoding algorithms which may be faster
- Here we add in the knowledge of our Compressed Sensing setting - the RIP property for  $\Phi$
- We have also discussed the least squares problem

$$\bar{x} := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\operatorname{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_2} = \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\operatorname{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_2}$$

- We know this does not work well
- However it is easy to compute
$$\bar{x} = \Phi^t [\Phi \Phi^t]^{-1} \Phi x = \Phi^t [\Phi \Phi^t]^{-1} y$$
- $O(Nn^2)$  arithmetic operations



# Weighted Least Squares

- Consider weighted  $\ell_2$  minimization.

# Weighted Least Squares

- Consider weighted  $\ell_2$  minimization.
- Let  $w_j > 0, j = 1, \dots, N$  be a positive weight

# Weighted Least Squares

- Consider weighted  $\ell_2$  minimization.
- Let  $w_j > 0, j = 1, \dots, N$  be a positive weight
- $\|u\|_{\ell_2(w)} := \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j^2 \right]^{1/2}$

# Weighted Least Squares

- Consider weighted  $\ell_2$  minimization.
- Let  $w_j > 0, j = 1, \dots, N$  be a positive weight
- $\|u\|_{\ell_2(w)} := \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j^2 \right]^{1/2}$
- $\langle u, v \rangle_w := \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j v_j$

# Weighted Least Squares

- Consider weighted  $\ell_2$  minimization.
- Let  $w_j > 0, j = 1, \dots, N$  be a positive weight
- $\|u\|_{\ell_2(w)} := \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j^2 \right]^{1/2}$
- $\langle u, v \rangle_w := \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j v_j$
- Define  $x(w) := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_2(w)}$

# Weighted Least Squares

- Consider weighted  $\ell_2$  minimization.
- Let  $w_j > 0, j = 1, \dots, N$  be a positive weight
- $\|u\|_{\ell_2(w)} := \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j^2 \right]^{1/2}$
- $\langle u, v \rangle_w := \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j v_j$
- Define  $x(w) := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_2(w)}$
- $x(w) = x - \eta(w)$  where  $\eta(w) := \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_2(w)}$

# Weighted Least Squares

- Consider weighted  $\ell_2$  minimization.
- Let  $w_j > 0, j = 1, \dots, N$  be a positive weight
- $\|u\|_{\ell_2(w)} := \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j^2 \right]^{1/2}$
- $\langle u, v \rangle_w := \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j v_j$
- Define  $x(w) := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_2(w)}$
- $x(w) = x - \eta(w)$  where  $\eta(w) := \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_2(w)}$
- Note that this solution is characterized by the orthogonality conditions  $\langle x(w), \eta \rangle_w = 0, \quad \eta \in \mathcal{N}$

# Weighted Least Squares

- Consider weighted  $\ell_2$  minimization.
- Let  $w_j > 0, j = 1, \dots, N$  be a positive weight
- $\|u\|_{\ell_2(w)} := \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j^2 \right]^{1/2}$
- $\langle u, v \rangle_w := \sum_{j=1}^N w_j u_j v_j$
- Define  $x(w) := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \|z\|_{\ell_2(w)}$
- $x(w) = x - \eta(w)$  where  $\eta(w) := \underset{\eta \in \mathcal{N}}{\text{Argmin}} \|x - \eta\|_{\ell_2(w)}$
- Note that this solution is characterized by the orthogonality conditions  $\langle x(w), \eta \rangle_w = 0, \quad \eta \in \mathcal{N}$
- We can again solve for  $x(w)$  in  $O(Nn^2)$  operations



# Connections

- Suppose  $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^N$  is the  $\ell_1$  minimizer from  $\mathcal{F}(y)$  and  $T = \text{supp}(x^*)$

# Connections

- Suppose  $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^N$  is the  $\ell_1$  minimizer from  $\mathcal{F}(y)$  and  $T = \text{supp}(x^*)$
- If  $w_j = |x_j^*|^{-1}$ ,  $j \in T$  then

$$x(w) = x^*$$

# Connections

- Suppose  $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^N$  is the  $\ell_1$  minimizer from  $\mathcal{F}(y)$  and  $T = \text{supp}(x^*)$
- If  $w_j = |x_j^*|^{-1}$ ,  $j \in T$  then

$$x(w) = x^*$$

- If  $x^*$  has full support then  $\ell_1$  minimization means that  $(\text{sign}(x_i))_{i=1}^N$  is orthogonal to  $\mathcal{N}$

# Connections

- Suppose  $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^N$  is the  $\ell_1$  minimizer from  $\mathcal{F}(y)$  and  $T = \text{supp}(x^*)$
- If  $w_j = |x_j^*|^{-1}$ ,  $j \in T$  then

$$x(w) = x^*$$

- If  $x^*$  has full support then  $\ell_1$  minimization means that  $(\text{sign}(x_i))_{i=1}^N$  is orthogonal to  $\mathcal{N}$
- For least squares we have  $w_i x_i^* = \text{sign}(x_i^*)$  and so  $x^*$  satisfies the weighted  $\ell_2$  orthogonality conditions.

# Connections

- Suppose  $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^N$  is the  $\ell_1$  minimizer from  $\mathcal{F}(y)$  and  $T = \text{supp}(x^*)$
- If  $w_j = |x_j^*|^{-1}$ ,  $j \in T$  then

$$x(w) = x^*$$

- If  $x^*$  has full support then  $\ell_1$  minimization means that  $(\text{sign}(x_i))_{i=1}^N$  is orthogonal to  $\mathcal{N}$
- For least squares we have  $w_i x_i^* = \text{sign}(x_i^*)$  and so  $x^*$  satisfies the weighted  $\ell_2$  orthogonality conditions.
- Unique minimizer for these problems shows  $x(w) = x^*$

# Iterative Weighted Least Squares

- We would like to iteratively choose weights with the result convergence to the  $\ell_1$  minimizer

# Iterative Weighted Least Squares

- We would like to iteratively choose weights with the result convergence to the  $\ell_1$  minimizer
- In the process, we want to always deal with strictly convex problems and strictly positive weights

# Iterative Weighted Least Squares

- We would like to iteratively choose weights with the result convergence to the  $\ell_1$  minimizer
- In the process, we want to always deal with strictly convex problems and strictly positive weights
- To do this we introduce the following functional



# Iterative Weighted Least Squares

- We would like to iteratively choose weights with the result convergence to the  $\ell_1$  minimizer
- In the process, we want to always deal with strictly convex problems and strictly positive weights
- To do this we introduce the following functional

- $$\mathcal{J}(z, w, \epsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 w_j + \sum_{j=1}^N (\epsilon^2 w_j + w_j^{-1}) \right].$$

# Iterative Weighted Least Squares

- We would like to iteratively choose weights with the result convergence to the  $\ell_1$  minimizer
- In the process, we want to always deal with strictly convex problems and strictly positive weights
- To do this we introduce the following functional

- $$\mathcal{J}(z, w, \epsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 w_j + \sum_{j=1}^N (\epsilon^2 w_j + w_j^{-1}) \right].$$

- We will now describe a recursive algorithm

# Iterative Weighted Least Squares

- We would like to iteratively choose weights with the result convergence to the  $\ell_1$  minimizer
- In the process, we want to always deal with strictly convex problems and strictly positive weights
- To do this we introduce the following functional

- $$\mathcal{J}(z, w, \epsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 w_j + \sum_{j=1}^N (\epsilon^2 w_j + w_j^{-1}) \right].$$

- We will now describe a recursive algorithm
- If  $z \in \mathbb{R}^N$  we let  $r(z)_K$  as its  $K$ -th largest entry (in absolute value)

# The Algorithm

- $$\mathcal{J}(z, w, \epsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 w_j + \sum_{j=1}^N (\epsilon^2 w_j + w_j^{-1}) \right].$$

# The Algorithm

- $\mathcal{J}(z, w, \epsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 w_j + \sum_{j=1}^N (\epsilon^2 w_j + w_j^{-1}) \right]$ .
- Initialize:  $w^0 := (1, \dots, 1)$ ,  $\epsilon_0 := 1$

# The Algorithm

- $\mathcal{J}(z, w, \epsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 w_j + \sum_{j=1}^N (\epsilon^2 w_j + w_j^{-1}) \right]$ .
- Initialize:  $w^0 := (1, \dots, 1)$ ,  $\epsilon_0 := 1$
- $x^{m+1} := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \mathcal{J}(z, w^m, \epsilon_m)$ ,  $m = 0, 1, \dots$

# The Algorithm

- $\mathcal{J}(z, w, \epsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 w_j + \sum_{j=1}^N (\epsilon^2 w_j + w_j^{-1}) \right].$
- **Initialize:**  $w^0 := (1, \dots, 1), \quad \epsilon_0 := 1$
- $x^{m+1} := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \mathcal{J}(z, w^m, \epsilon_m), \quad m = 0, 1, \dots$
- $\epsilon_{m+1} := \min\left(\epsilon_m, \frac{r(x^{m+1})_K}{N}\right),$

# The Algorithm

- $\mathcal{J}(z, w, \epsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 w_j + \sum_{j=1}^N (\epsilon^2 w_j + w_j^{-1}) \right]$ .
- Initialize:  $w^0 := (1, \dots, 1)$ ,  $\epsilon_0 := 1$
- $x^{m+1} := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \mathcal{J}(z, w^m, \epsilon_m)$ ,  $m = 0, 1, \dots$
- $\epsilon_{m+1} := \min\left(\epsilon_m, \frac{r(x^{m+1})_K}{N}\right)$ ,
- $K$  is a fixed integer to be described



# The Algorithm

- $\mathcal{J}(z, w, \epsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 w_j + \sum_{j=1}^N (\epsilon^2 w_j + w_j^{-1}) \right].$
- Initialize:  $w^0 := (1, \dots, 1), \quad \epsilon_0 := 1$
- $x^{m+1} := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \mathcal{J}(z, w^m, \epsilon_m), \quad m = 0, 1, \dots$
- $\epsilon_{m+1} := \min\left(\epsilon_m, \frac{r(x^{m+1})_K}{N}\right),$
- $K$  is a fixed integer to be described
- $w^{m+1} := \underset{w > 0}{\text{Argmin}} \mathcal{J}(x^{m+1}, w, \epsilon_{m+1})$

# The Algorithm

- $\mathcal{J}(z, w, \epsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 w_j + \sum_{j=1}^N (\epsilon^2 w_j + w_j^{-1}) \right]$ .
- Initialize:  $w^0 := (1, \dots, 1)$ ,  $\epsilon_0 := 1$
- $x^{m+1} := \underset{z \in \mathcal{F}(y)}{\text{Argmin}} \mathcal{J}(z, w^m, \epsilon_m)$ ,  $m = 0, 1, \dots$
- $\epsilon_{m+1} := \min\left(\epsilon_m, \frac{r(x^{m+1})_K}{N}\right)$ ,
- $K$  is a fixed integer to be described
- $w^{m+1} := \underset{w > 0}{\text{Argmin}} \mathcal{J}(x^{m+1}, w, \epsilon_{m+1})$
- $w_j^{m+1} = [(x_j^{m+1})^2 + \epsilon_{m+1}^2]^{-1/2}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, N$

# Daubechies-DeVore-Fornasier-Gunturk

- These authors prove several results on the convergence of the above algorithm

# Daubechies-DeVore-Fornasier-Gunturk

- These authors prove several results on the convergence of the above algorithm
- The main result we prove is the following theorem

## Theorem

Let  $k \geq 1$  and define  $K = k + 6$ . We assume that  $\Phi$  satisfies the Null Space Property for  $\ell_1$  of order  $3K$  for  $\gamma \leq 1/2$ . Let  $x^*$  be the unique minimum  $\ell_1$  minimizer from  $\mathcal{F}(y)$ . Then, for each  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the Algorithm converges and its limit  $\bar{x}$  satisfies

$$\|x^* - \bar{x}\|_{\ell_1} \leq C_1 \sigma_k(x^*)_{\ell_1}, \quad C_1 := \frac{5(1 + \gamma)}{1 - \gamma}.$$

In particular if  $x^*$  is  $k$ -sparse then  $x^m$  converges to  $x^*$ .

# Exponential Convergence

- A second theorem shows that the algorithm converges exponentially if  $x^* \in \Sigma_k$  and the starting point is close enough

**Theorem** For a given  $0 < \rho < 1$ , assume  $\Phi$  satisfies NSP of order  $3K$  with constant  $\gamma$  such that

$\mu := \frac{\gamma}{1-\rho} \left(1 + \frac{1}{K-k}\right) < 1$ . Let  $m_0$  be such that

$$\|x^{m_0} - x^*\|_{\ell_1} \leq R^* := \rho \min_{i \in T} |x_i| = \rho r(x)_k.$$

Then for all  $m \geq m_0$ , we have

$$\|x^{m+1} - x^*\|_{\ell_1} \leq \mu \|x^m - x^*\|_{\ell_1}$$

Consequently  $x^m$  converges to  $x^*$  exponentially.

# Exponential Convergence

- A second theorem shows that the algorithm converges exponentially if  $x^* \in \Sigma_k$  and the starting point is close enough

**Theorem** For a given  $0 < \rho < 1$ , assume  $\Phi$  satisfies NSP of order  $3K$  with constant  $\gamma$  such that

$\mu := \frac{\gamma}{1-\rho} \left(1 + \frac{1}{K-k}\right) < 1$ . Let  $m_0$  be such that

$$\|x^{m_0} - x^*\|_{\ell_1} \leq R^* := \rho \min_{i \in T} |x_i| = \rho r(x)_k.$$

Then for all  $m \geq m_0$ , we have

$$\|x^{m+1} - x^*\|_{\ell_1} \leq \mu \|x^m - x^*\|_{\ell_1}$$

Consequently  $x^m$  converges to  $x^*$  exponentially.

# Exponential Convergence 2

- It is an interesting question whether the algorithm actually converges exponentially to  $x^* \in \Sigma_k$  from the get go

# Exponential Convergence 2

- It is an interesting question whether the algorithm actually converges exponentially to  $x^* \in \Sigma_k$  from the get go
- This is observed in practice but only proved for one or two supported vectors

**Theorem** Assume  $\Phi$  satisfies NSP of order  $3K$  with constant  $\gamma$  sufficiently small. Then for any vector  $x^*$  which has support  $k = 1, 2$  there is an absolute constant  $C_0$  and a  $\rho < 1$  such that

$$\|x^m - x^*\|_{\ell_1} \leq C_0 \rho^m \|x\|_{\ell_1}, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$



# Exponential Convergence 2

- It is an interesting question whether the algorithm actually converges exponentially to  $x^* \in \Sigma_k$  from the get go
- This is observed in practice but only proved for one or two supported vectors

**Theorem** Assume  $\Phi$  satisfies NSP of order  $3K$  with constant  $\gamma$  sufficiently small. Then for any vector  $x^*$  which has support  $k = 1, 2$  there is an absolute constant  $C_0$  and a  $\rho < 1$  such that

$$\|x^m - x^*\|_{\ell_1} \leq C_0 \rho^m \|x\|_{\ell_1}, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

# Proofs of these Results

- The proofs of these results are interesting in how they utilize RIP in the form of the Null Space Property

# Proofs of these Results

- The proofs of these results are interesting in how they utilize RIP in the form of the Null Space Property
- We shall begin with the proof of the convergence of the algorithm

# Proofs of these Results

- The proofs of these results are interesting in how they utilize RIP in the form of the Null Space Property
- We shall begin with the proof of the convergence of the algorithm
- Before embarking on the proof we want to bring out a certain geometric result on  $\ell_1$  minimization which we shall utilize

# Proofs of these Results

- The proofs of these results are interesting in how they utilize RIP in the form of the Null Space Property
- We shall begin with the proof of the convergence of the algorithm
- Before embarking on the proof we want to bring out a certain geometric result on  $\ell_1$  minimization which we shall utilize
- As a preliminary we consider the operation of rearrangements

# Proofs of these Results

- The proofs of these results are interesting in how they utilize RIP in the form of the Null Space Property
- We shall begin with the proof of the convergence of the algorithm
- Before embarking on the proof we want to bring out a certain geometric result on  $\ell_1$  minimization which we shall utilize
- As a preliminary we consider the operation of rearrangements
- We define  $r(z)$  as the rearrangement of the sequence  $|z_j|$  into decreasing order. In other words  $r(z)_j$  is the  $j$ -th largest of the  $|z_\nu|$

# Rearrangements

- Rearrangement is a Lipschitz map on  $\|\cdot\|_{l_\infty}$

# Rearrangements

- Rearrangement is a Lipschitz map on  $\|\cdot\|_{l_\infty}$
- More precisely  $\|r(z) - r(z')\|_{l_\infty} \leq \|z - z'\|_{l_\infty}$



# Rearrangements

- Rearrangement is a Lipschitz map on  $\|\cdot\|_{\ell_\infty}$
- More precisely  $\|r(z) - r(z')\|_{\ell_\infty} \leq \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty}$
- Moreover, for any  $j$ , we have

$$|\sigma_j(z)_{\ell_1} - \sigma_j(z')_{\ell_1}| \leq \|z - z'\|_{\ell_1}$$

# Rearrangements

- Rearrangement is a Lipschitz map on  $\|\cdot\|_{\ell_\infty}$
- More precisely  $\|r(z) - r(z')\|_{\ell_\infty} \leq \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty}$
- Moreover, for any  $j$ , we have

$$|\sigma_j(z)_{\ell_1} - \sigma_j(z')_{\ell_1}| \leq \|z - z'\|_{\ell_1}$$

- For any  $J > j$ , we have

$$(J - j)r(z)_J \leq \|z - z'\|_{\ell_1} + \sigma_j(z')_{\ell_1}$$

# Proof of Rearrangement Lemma

- Given  $z, z'$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ , let  $\Lambda$  be a set corresponding to the  $j - 1$  largest entries in  $z'$

# Proof of Rearrangement Lemma

- Given  $z, z'$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ , let  $\Lambda$  be a set corresponding to the  $j - 1$  largest entries in  $z'$



$$r(z)_j \leq \max_{i \in \Lambda^c} |z_i| \leq \max_{i \in \Lambda^c} |z'_i| + \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty} \leq r(z')_j + \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty}$$

# Proof of Rearrangement Lemma

- Given  $z, z'$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ , let  $\Lambda$  be a set corresponding to the  $j - 1$  largest entries in  $z'$



$$r(z)_j \leq \max_{i \in \Lambda^c} |z_i| \leq \max_{i \in \Lambda^c} |z'_i| + \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty} \leq r(z')_j + \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty}$$

- Reverse the roles of  $z$  and  $z'$

# Proof of Rearrangement Lemma

- Given  $z, z'$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ , let  $\Lambda$  be a set corresponding to the  $j - 1$  largest entries in  $z'$

- $$r(z)_j \leq \max_{i \in \Lambda^c} |z_i| \leq \max_{i \in \Lambda^c} |z'_i| + \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty} \leq r(z')_j + \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty}$$

- Reverse the roles of  $z$  and  $z'$
- Next we approximate  $z$  by the  $j$ -term approximation  $u$  of  $z'$  in  $\ell_1$

$$\sigma_j(z)_{\ell_1} \leq \|z - u\|_{\ell_1} \leq \|z - z'\|_{\ell_1} + \sigma_j(z')_{\ell_1},$$

# Proof of Rearrangement Lemma

- Given  $z, z'$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ , let  $\Lambda$  be a set corresponding to the  $j - 1$  largest entries in  $z'$

- $$r(z)_j \leq \max_{i \in \Lambda^c} |z_i| \leq \max_{i \in \Lambda^c} |z'_i| + \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty} \leq r(z')_j + \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty}$$

- Reverse the roles of  $z$  and  $z'$
- Next we approximate  $z$  by the  $j$ -term approximation  $u$  of  $z'$  in  $\ell_1$

$$\sigma_j(z)_{\ell_1} \leq \|z - u\|_{\ell_1} \leq \|z - z'\|_{\ell_1} + \sigma_j(z')_{\ell_1},$$

- Again reverse roles of  $z, z'$

# Proof of Rearrangement Lemma

- Given  $z, z'$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ , let  $\Lambda$  be a set corresponding to the  $j - 1$  largest entries in  $z'$

- $$r(z)_j \leq \max_{i \in \Lambda^c} |z_i| \leq \max_{i \in \Lambda^c} |z'_i| + \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty} \leq r(z')_j + \|z - z'\|_{\ell_\infty}$$

- Reverse the roles of  $z$  and  $z'$
- Next we approximate  $z$  by the  $j$ -term approximation  $u$  of  $z'$  in  $\ell_1$

$$\sigma_j(z)_{\ell_1} \leq \|z - u\|_{\ell_1} \leq \|z - z'\|_{\ell_1} + \sigma_j(z')_{\ell_1},$$

- Again reverse roles of  $z, z'$
- $(J - j)r(z)_J \leq \sigma_j(z)_{\ell_1}$



# A Geometric Property

- Assume that NSP holds for some  $k$  and  $\gamma < 1$

# A Geometric Property

- Assume that NSP holds for some  $k$  and  $\gamma < 1$
- For any  $z, z' \in \mathcal{F}(y)$

$$\|z' - z\|_{\ell_1} \leq \frac{1 + \gamma}{1 - \gamma} (\|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} + 2\sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1}).$$

# Proof of Geometric Property

- $T$  the set of indices of the  $k$  largest entries in  $z$

$$\begin{aligned}\|(z' - z)_{T^c}\|_{\ell_1} &\leq \|z'_{T^c}\|_{\ell_1} + \|z_{T^c}\|_{\ell_1} \\ &= \|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z'_T\|_{\ell_1} + \sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1} \\ &= \|z\|_{\ell_1} + \|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} - \|z'_T\|_{\ell_1} + \sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1} \\ &\leq \|z_T\|_{\ell_1} - \|z'_T\|_{\ell_1} + \|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} + 2\sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1} \\ &\leq \|(z' - z)_T\|_{\ell_1} + \|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} + 2\sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1}\end{aligned}$$

# Proof of Geometric Property

- $T$  the set of indices of the  $k$  largest entries in  $z$

$$\begin{aligned}\|(z' - z)_{T^c}\|_{\ell_1} &\leq \|z'_{T^c}\|_{\ell_1} + \|z_{T^c}\|_{\ell_1} \\ &= \|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z'_T\|_{\ell_1} + \sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1} \\ &= \|z\|_{\ell_1} + \|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} - \|z'_T\|_{\ell_1} + \sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1} \\ &\leq \|z_T\|_{\ell_1} - \|z'_T\|_{\ell_1} + \|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} + 2\sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1} \\ &\leq \|(z' - z)_T\|_{\ell_1} + \|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} + 2\sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1}\end{aligned}$$

- Using NSP  $\|(z' - z)_T\|_{\ell_1}$

$$\leq \gamma \|(z' - z)_{T^c}\|_{\ell_1} \leq \gamma (\|(z' - z)_T\|_{\ell_1} + \|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} + 2\sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1})$$

# Proof Continued

- In other words,

$$\|(z' - z)_T\|_{\ell_1} \leq \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma} (\|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} + 2\sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1}).$$

# Proof Continued

- In other words,

$$\|(z' - z)_T\|_{\ell_1} \leq \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma} (\|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} + 2\sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1}).$$

- Finally

$$\begin{aligned} \|z' - z\|_{\ell_1} &= \|(z' - z)_{T^c}\|_{\ell_1} + \|(z' - z)_T\|_{\ell_1} \\ &\leq \frac{1 + \gamma}{1 - \gamma} (\|z'\|_{\ell_1} - \|z\|_{\ell_1} + 2\sigma_k(z)_{\ell_1}), \end{aligned}$$