

Phase retrieval in Infinite Dimensions

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Phase retrieval:

e.g. • measure $|\psi(x)|, |\hat{\psi}(\xi)|$ but want ψ

or

• measure $|\hat{f}(\xi)|$, know that $f(x) \geq 0$; want f

or

• measure Wigner distribution for a wave function ψ
(corresponding to projection operator on $\mathbb{C}\psi$); want ψ
 $\hookrightarrow \langle W(\nu) \Pi \psi, \psi \rangle$

In most cases: measurements also noisy.

Algorithms proposed: typically iterative.

$$\hat{f}_0 = |\hat{f}| \Rightarrow f_0 \Rightarrow f_1(x) = |f(x)| e^{i \text{Arg } f_0(x)}$$

$$\dots \Leftarrow \hat{f}_2 = |\hat{f}| e^{i \text{Arg } \hat{f}_1} \Leftarrow \hat{f}_1$$

or

$$\hat{f}_0 = |\hat{f}| \Rightarrow f_0 \Rightarrow f_1 = \max(f_0, 0)$$

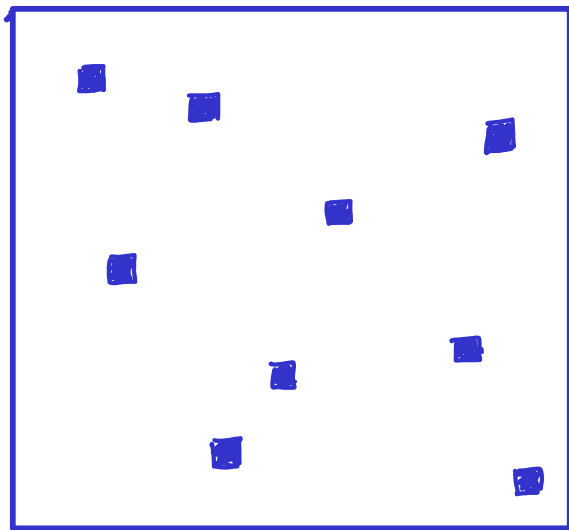
$$f_3 = \max(f_2, 0) \Leftarrow f_2 \Leftarrow \hat{f}_2 = |\hat{f}| e^{i \text{Arg } \hat{f}_1} \Leftarrow \hat{f}_1$$

\Downarrow
 \vdots

often: no proof of convergence.

Candès - Strohmer:

• reconstruction of low-rank matrices from incomplete data.



+ low-rank $\rightarrow M$.

+ algorithms : $\arg\min_T \left[\sum_{(m,n) \in S} |T_{mn} - M_{mn}|^2 + \lambda \text{Tr}|T| \right]$

• Wigner distribution $\rightarrow \Psi$.

Phase retrieval for frames:

- Suppose you have $(\varphi_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$
s.t. $\forall \psi \in \mathcal{H}$:

$$A \|\psi\|^2 \leq \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} |\langle \psi, \varphi_\lambda \rangle|^2 \leq B \|\psi\|^2$$

$A > 0, B < \infty$
indep. of ψ .

then: $\psi = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \langle \psi, \varphi_\lambda \rangle \tilde{\varphi}_\lambda$

stable reconstr. of ψ from $(\langle \psi, \varphi_\lambda \rangle)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$

What if your data are not $(\langle \psi, \varphi_\lambda \rangle)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$

but $(|\langle \psi, \varphi_\lambda \rangle|)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$?

Phase retrieval for frames of coherent states.

. canonical coherent states:

$$\langle f, g_{p,q} \rangle \quad g_{p,q}(x) = C e^{-\frac{i}{2}Pq} e^{ipx} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-q)^2}$$

$$\hookrightarrow e^{-\frac{1}{4}(p^2+q^2)}$$

$$F(p+iq)$$

\hookrightarrow entire, of growth limited by condition that $\iint |\langle f, g_{p,q} \rangle|^2 dpdq < \infty$.

$$f = C \iint \langle f, g_{p,q} \rangle g_{p,q} dpdq.$$

$|\langle f, g_{p,q} \rangle|$ completely determines f

even just knowing zero-set of $|\langle f, g_{p,q} \rangle|$ determines f ! (but very unstably)

- $(p, q) = (m, n)$ with $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\Rightarrow \langle f, g_{m,n} \rangle$ do not determine f in stable manner

(in fact: map $l^2(\mathbb{Z}^2) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R})$)

$$\langle \langle f, g_{mn} \rangle \rangle_{m,n \in \mathbb{Z}} \longmapsto f$$

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- $(p, q) = (\frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2})$ with $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$

\Rightarrow very nice reconstruction formula

$$f = \sum_{m,n} \langle f, g_{\frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2}} \rangle g_{\frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2}}$$

what if only $|\langle f, g_{\frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2}} \rangle|$ are given?

Phase retrieval in infinite-dimensional Hilbert spaces

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(Discrete) frames of Hilbert spaces

We fix:

- ▶ a separable Hilbert space \mathcal{H} with $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ and $\| \cdot \|$
- ▶ a discrete index set I
- ▶ a family of functions $\Phi = (\varphi_n)_{n \in I} \subset \mathcal{H}$.

If for $0 < A \leq B < \infty$

$$A\|f\|^2 \leq \sum_{n \in I} |\langle f, \varphi_n \rangle|^2 \leq B\|f\|^2 \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{H},$$

then Φ is a **frame of \mathcal{H}** .

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- ▶ Φ does phase retrieval $\implies \Phi$ has the CP
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Phase retrieval is never uniformly stable when \mathcal{H} is infinite dimensional.

$(\varphi_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ frame.

$$A \|\varphi\|^2 \leq \sum_n |\langle \varphi, \varphi_n \rangle|^2 \leq B \|\varphi\|^2$$

Thm. $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \forall N : \exists k, \exists m > k$ so that

$$\sum_{n=1}^N |\langle \varphi_k, \varphi_n \rangle|^2 + \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} |\langle \varphi_k, \varphi_n \rangle|^2 < \varepsilon.$$

Pf. $V = \text{Span}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_N)$; orthon. basis e_1, \dots, e_L .

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|\mathcal{P}_V \varphi_n\|^2 &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{l=1}^L |\langle \varphi_n, e_l \rangle|^2 \\ &\leq \sum_{l=1}^L B \|e_l\|^2 = BL < \infty \end{aligned}$$

$\exists k$ so that $\|\mathcal{P}_V \varphi_k\|^2 < \varepsilon/2B$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^N |\langle \varphi_k, \varphi_n \rangle|^2 = \sum_{n=1}^N |\langle \mathcal{P}_V \varphi_k, \varphi_n \rangle|^2 \leq B \|\mathcal{P}_V \varphi_k\|^2 < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

$$\sum_n |\langle \varphi_k, \varphi_n \rangle|^2 < \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists m \text{ so that } \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} |\langle \varphi_k, \varphi_n \rangle|^2 < \epsilon/2$$

□

Now, pick $\psi \perp \text{Span}(\varphi_{N+1}, \dots, \varphi_{m-1})$

$$\text{set } f = \varphi_k + \psi, \quad g = \varphi_k - \psi$$

$$\text{for } n : N+1 \rightarrow m: \quad |\langle f, \varphi_n \rangle| = |\langle g, \varphi_n \rangle|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sum_n (|\langle f, \varphi_n \rangle| - |\langle g, \varphi_n \rangle|)^2 \\ = \left(\sum_{n=1}^N + \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \right) (|\langle f, \varphi_n \rangle| - |\langle g, \varphi_n \rangle|)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{use } |z_1 + z_2| - |z_1 - z_2| \leq 2|z_1|$$

$$\leq \left(\sum_{n=1}^N + \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \right) (4 |\langle \varphi_k, \varphi_n \rangle|^2)$$

$$\sum_n (|\langle f, \varphi_n \rangle| - |\langle g, \varphi_n \rangle|)^2 \leq 4\varepsilon$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{but } \|f - \alpha g\|^2 &= \|(1-\alpha)\varphi_k + (1+\alpha)\varphi\|^2 \\ &= |1-\alpha|^2 + |1+\alpha|^2 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$(|\alpha|=1)$$

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Bad news: Stability can deteriorate very fast with increasing dimension.

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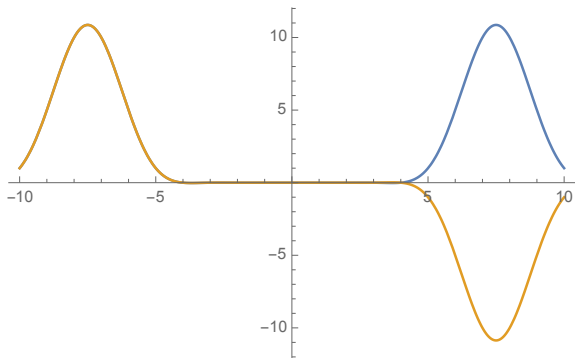
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There exist $f_m, g_m \in V_{2m}$ such that with $C > 0$ (m -independent):

$$d_{\mathcal{H}}(f_m, g_m) > C(m+1)^{-1} 2^{3m} \|\mathcal{A}_{\Phi}(f_m) - \mathcal{A}_{\Phi}(g_m)\| \text{ for all } m \in \mathbb{N}.$$

The proof is constructive.



f_m, g_m for $m = 5$.

In practice: when attempting to reconstruct

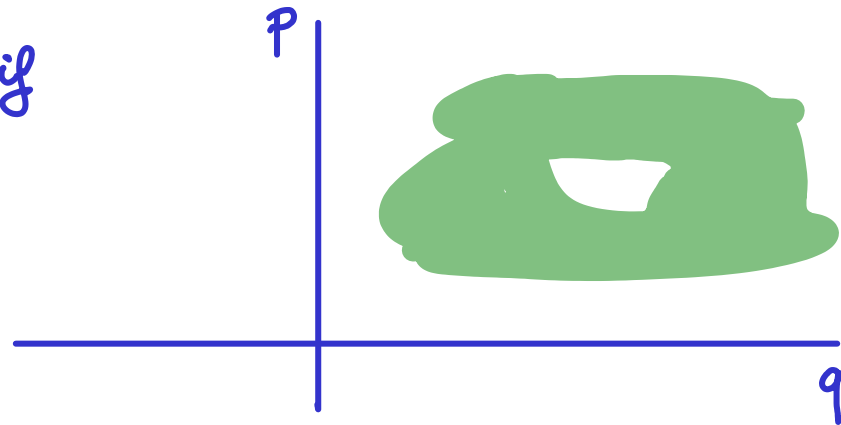
f from

$$|\langle f, g_{m\alpha, n\beta} \rangle|$$

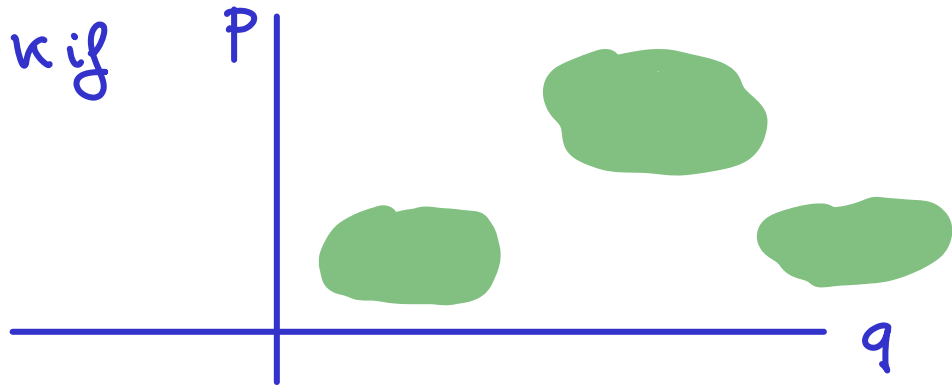
$$e^{2\pi i m \alpha t} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(t-n\beta)^2}$$

$$\alpha\beta < 1/4$$

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