

Recap:  
Defn: The Gelfand m-width of a subset  $K$  of a normed space  $X$

$$d^*(K, X) = \inf_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+} \sup_{x \in K \cap \lambda N(X)} \|x\|$$

Defn: The compression m-width of a subset  $K$  of a normed space  $X$  is

$$E^*(K, X) = \inf_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{x \in K} \min_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+} \frac{\|x\|}{\|\lambda x\|}$$

A: reconstruction maps, matching

A: contradiction

Thm 10.5 For  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\exists$  const.  $c_1, c_2 > 0$

dep. only on  $p$  &  $c$ .

$$c_1 \min\left\{1, \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{c_2})}{m}\right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq d^*(K^*, X^*) \leq c_2 \min\left\{1, \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{c_1})}{m}\right\}^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Matching upper and lower bounds.

Cor 10.5 For  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , the compression width satisfies, for some const.  $C, C' > 0$ ,

$$c_1 \min\left\{1, \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{c_2})}{m}\right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq E^*(K^*, X^*) \leq c_2 \min\left\{1, \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{c_1})}{m}\right\}^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

(See the proof in the next class)

Prop 10.7 Let  $1 < p \leq 2$ . Suppose  $\exists A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\|x - Ax^*\|_p < \frac{C}{\sqrt{p}} \|x\|_p.$$

Then, for some const.  $c_1, c_2 > 0$  dep. only on  $p$ ,

$$m \geq c_1 \ln\left(\frac{m}{c_2}\right), \text{ provided } x \neq 0.$$

(Can't hold in the linear case.)

Cor 10.8 If the zeta RIC of  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  satisfies

$$z_{2,2} < 0.1446 \text{ (say)}, \text{ then necessarily}$$

$$m \geq c_1 \ln\left(\frac{m}{c_2}\right)$$

for some const.  $c_1, c_2$  dep. only on  $A$ .

What remains is to prove Thm 10.5.

For  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\exists$  const.  $c_1, c_2 > 0$  dep.

only on  $p$  &  $c$ .

$$c_1 \min\left\{1, \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{c_2})}{m}\right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq d^*(K^*, X^*) \leq c_2 \min\left\{1, \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{c_1})}{m}\right\}^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

Upper bound:

Simply use Thm 6.2: If the  $z^*$  RIC of  $A$

satisfies  $z_{2,2} < 0.1446$ , the zeta  $z^*$  of  $A$

$$\min_{y \in \mathbb{R}^m} \|Ay\|_p \text{ s.t. } y \neq 0,$$

satisfies  $\|x - Ax^*\|_p < \frac{C}{\sqrt{p}} \|x\|_p$ .

This  $\Rightarrow$

$$\left[ E^*(K^*, X^*) \leq \frac{C}{\sqrt{p}} \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{c_2})}{\sqrt{m}} \right]$$

The last inequality follows from Thm 9.2 ( $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ )

and if  $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$  & it has all nonnegative entries and  $m \geq c_1 \ln\left(\frac{m}{c_2}\right)$

$m \geq 2C \delta^* \ln\left(\frac{m}{C \delta^*}\right)$  is equivalent to

(see Lemma C.6)  $\Delta$  is of the order  $\frac{m}{\ln(\frac{m}{C \delta^*})}$ .

Then, using the proof of Cor 10.6,

$$d^*(K^*, X^*) \leq E^*(K^*, X^*) \leq C \left\{ \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{C \delta^*})}{m} \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Now, using  $\ln(y) \leq y - 1$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^+$  in the defn.

of the Gelfand m-width,

$$d^*(K^*, X^*) \leq d^*(X^*, X^*) = 1.$$

Thus, we have,

$$d^*(K^*, X^*) \leq c_1 \min\left\{1, \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{c_2})}{m}\right\}^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

See text for a detailed, alternative, self-contained proof.

Lower bound: Want to show

Thm 10.10 There is a const.  $c > 0$ , s.t., for

$$1 < p \leq 2 \text{ and } m \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$d^*(K^*, X^*) \geq c \min\left\{1, \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{c})}{m}\right\}^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

The proof relies on two results.

Lemma 10.12 Given integer  $a < N$ ,  $\exists$

$$\left[ n \geq \left\lfloor \frac{N}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}} \right\rfloor \right] \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

subsets  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n$  of  $[N]$  s.t. each  $S_i$

has cardinality  $a$  and

$$|S_i \cap S_j| \leq \frac{1}{a} \quad \forall i \neq j. \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Proof: WLOG assume  $a \leq \frac{N}{2}$ , else  $a + 1$  is sufficient.

Let  $\mathcal{B} =$  family of subsets of  $[N]$  with cardinality  $a$ .

Draw  $S_1 \in \mathcal{B}$ .

Select  $A_1 = \{z \in \mathbb{R}^a : |S_1 \cap z| \geq \frac{1}{a}\}$

We have  $|A_1| = \frac{N}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}} = \frac{\left\lfloor \frac{N}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}} \right\rfloor}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}}$

$$< 2^{\frac{1}{p-1}} \min_{\{z \in \mathbb{R}^a : |S_1 \cap z| \geq \frac{1}{a}\}} (N-a)$$

$$= 2^{\frac{1}{p-1}} \left\lfloor \frac{N-a}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}} \right\rfloor$$

Any  $z \in \mathcal{B} \setminus A_1$  satisfies  $(N-a) \leq \frac{1}{a}$ .

Draw  $S_2 \in \mathcal{B} \setminus A_1$  provided  $|A_1 \cap A_2| \neq 0$ .

Select  $A_2 = \{z \in \mathbb{R}^a : |S_2 \cap z| \geq \frac{1}{a}\}$

By the same argument as before,

$$|A_2| \leq 2^{\frac{1}{p-1}} \left\lfloor \frac{N-a}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}} \right\rfloor$$

Observe that any  $z \in \mathcal{B} \setminus (A_1 \cup A_2)$  satisfies

$$|S_1 \cap z| < \frac{1}{a}, \quad |S_2 \cap z| < \frac{1}{a}.$$

Repeat the procedure to select  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n$  until

$\mathcal{B} \setminus (A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_{n-1}) = \emptyset$ .

Thus,  $|S_1 \cap S_2| \leq \frac{1}{a} \neq \frac{1}{a^2}$  is satisfied by construction.

However,  $n \geq \frac{1}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}} > \frac{(N-a)}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}}$

$$> \frac{N(a-1)}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}(a-1)(a-2)(a-3)\dots(a-\lceil \frac{N}{a} \rceil + 1)}.$$

$\geq \frac{N(a-1)}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}(a-1)(a-2)(a-3)\dots(a-\lceil \frac{N}{a} \rceil + 1)}$

(Replace  $(a-1)^p \geq (a-1)$ ,  $(a-2)^p \geq (a-2)$ , ...,  $(a-\lceil \frac{N}{a} \rceil + 1)^p \geq (a-\lceil \frac{N}{a} \rceil + 1)$ )

$$\geq \frac{N}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}} \left( \frac{N}{a} \right)^{p-1}} = \left( \frac{N}{a} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

$\geq \frac{N}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}} \left( \frac{N}{a} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = \left( \frac{N}{a} \right)^{\frac{2}{p}}$

which shows that (1) is fulfilled, completing the proof.  $\square$

The second result we need to show:

Thm 10.11 Given  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , if every  $z \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$\|Ax\|_p \leq \max\{1, \|A\|_p\} \|x\|_p$ , then

$$\|Ax\|_p \leq \max\left\{1, \frac{\ln(\frac{m}{c})}{m}\right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \|x\|_p$$

where  $c_1 = \frac{1}{a^{\frac{1}{p-1}}}$  and  $c_2 = a$ .

Proof: Consider the generalization

$$X = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^m : \|x\|_p = 1\}$$

which is mixed with  $\mathbb{R}^n$  under the metric  $\|x\|_p$ .

$$\|Ax\|_p \leq \inf_{x \in X} \|x - Ax\|_p$$

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Given a linear operator  $A \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ . Then, by the assumption  
 $\forall x \in N(A) \text{ satisfies } Ax = Ax$ . Hence, by the assumption  
of the lemma  
 $\|Ax\|_1 = \|x\|_1$   
Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  be the sets introduced in Lemma 4.12,  
and define sequence vector  $x^1, \dots, x^n \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with  
unit L1 norm  

$$x_k = \begin{cases} \frac{x_j}{k} & \text{if } k \leq n \\ 0 & \text{if } k > n \end{cases}$$
for  $1 \leq j \leq n$   

$$\|x^1 - x^2\|_1 = \|(x^1 - x^2)\|_1 = \|x^1\|_1$$
since  $\|x^1 - x^2\|_1 \geq 1$   
Hence,  $\|x^1 - x^2\|_1 = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{k} & \text{if } k \leq n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$   
where  $S_1, S_2 \in \{(S, t)\} \times \{\mathbb{R}^n\}$   

$$\frac{1}{k} \geq S_2$$
  

$$1 \geq S_2$$
  
Hence,  $\|x^1 - Ax^1\|_1 \geq 1 - \frac{1}{k} \geq 1 - \frac{1}{n}$   
Thus,  $\{x^1, \dots, x^n\}$  is a 1-separated  
subset of the unit sphere  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .  
From [Prop. 4.5] it appears, this  $\Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$   
Thus, from  $\frac{1}{k} \geq S_2$ , we get  $\frac{1}{k} \geq S_2 \geq \frac{1}{n}$   

$$\left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^n \leq 1^n$$
  

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \leq \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^n \leq 1$$
  

$$\Rightarrow n \geq \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^n} \ln\left(\frac{n}{k}\right), \text{ which is}$$
  
the desired inequality.  $\square$

$X = \{(x) \in \mathcal{N}(A) : x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$

is a closed, 1-separable subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Prop. 4.5  $\Rightarrow n \geq \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^n}$ .

Let  $T$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  a real number.  
Let  $B = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|x\|_1 \leq t\}$   
Then, the packing and covering is well-defined.

$\forall t > 0$ ,  
 $\mathcal{P}(B, 1/t) \leq P(B, 1/t) \leq \left(\frac{1}{t}\right)^n$ .

def  $\mathcal{P}(T, t)$  is defined as the packing number of  $T$  with radius  $t$ .

For  $t > 0$ , the covering #  $\mathcal{N}(T, t)$  is the smallest integer  $M$  s.t.  $T$  can be covered with balls  $B(x_i, t) \ni \{x \in T : d(x, x_i) \leq t\}$ ,  
 $x_i \in T$ ,  $i \in [M]$ , i.e.,  

$$T \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^M B(x_i, t)$$

The set of pts.  $\{x_1, \dots, x_M\}$  is called a  $t$ -covering.

The packing #  $\mathcal{P}(T, t)$  is defined for  $t > 0$ , as the maximal integer  $P$  s.t. there are pts  $x_i \in T$ ,  $i \in [P]$   
which are  $t$ -separated, i.e.,  $d(x_i, x_j) \geq t$  for all  $i, j \in [P], i \neq j$ .