



## 2. Nonlinear approximation

M-term approximation

replace  $\mathcal{H}_M$  by  $\Sigma_M$  consisting of all  $g$  est that can be expressed as

$$g = \sum_{\Delta \in \Delta} c_\Delta \varphi_\Delta$$

with  $\Delta \subset \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $|\Delta| \leq M$ .

Def. 10.6. Given a function class  $CCL^2(\Omega)$ , a dictionary  $\mathcal{D} = (\varphi_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$   $CCL^2(\Omega)$ ,

we define for  $f \in C$ ,  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\Gamma_{\mathcal{D}}^{\mathcal{P}}(f) = \inf_{\mathcal{I}_M \subseteq \mathcal{I}} \|f - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}_M} c_i \varphi_i\|_{L^2(\mathcal{X})}.$$

The supremal  $n > 0$  s.t.  $\#\mathcal{I}_n = M, (c_i)_{i \in \mathcal{I}_n}$

$$\sup_{f \in C} \Gamma_{n^*}^{\mathcal{D}}(f) \in O(n^{-n}), n \rightarrow \infty$$

will be denoted as  $n^*(C, \mathcal{D})$ .

Q: given the function class  $C$ , we are allowed to vary over  $\mathcal{D}$ , what is the largest  $n^*(C, \mathcal{D})$  we can expect to get?

Take a dense (and countable)  $\mathcal{D}$ .

$M = 1 \Rightarrow$  approx. error  $\epsilon$  can be made arbitrarily small  $\Rightarrow$

$$n^*(C, \mathcal{D}) = \infty$$

$$\epsilon \propto n^{-p} = \frac{1}{n^p}$$

Two issues: 1. would need to search a dictionary that has  $\infty$  many elements

2. would need infinitely many bits to encode  
the optimal dictionary elements

Polynomial depth search:  $\pi(M)$



polynomial

e.g.  $M^3$

Def. 10.7.  $C_D$

$$\sup_{F \in C} \inf_{T_M \subset \{1, 2, \dots, M\}} \# T_M$$

$$||F - \sum_{i \in D_M} c_i q_i||_{L^\infty} \in O(M^{-n}),$$

$n \rightarrow \infty$ .

$\# T_M \geq M, (c_i) \in T_M$

$n^{*}_{eff}(C_D)$  is the largest  $n$  s.t.

Theorem 10.8. Let  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ . The effective (polynomial depth-search) best  $M$ -term approximation rate of the function class  $CCL^{(2r)}$  in the dictionary  $DCL^{(2r)}$  satisfies

$$n^{*\text{eff}(C, D)} \leq n^{*(C)}.$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \text{polynomial} \quad \text{Kolmogorov exponent} \\ \text{depth-search} \end{array}$$

Proof. 1. encoding the indices of the dictionary elements participating in the best  $M$ -term approximation  
no. of bits needed to describe an index in the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, \bar{n}(M)\}$  is given by  $\lceil \log_2 \bar{n}(M) \rceil \leq M^p$   
 $\leq P \lceil \log_2(M) \rceil$

#bits is  $\propto \text{Tr}(W_{f2}(n))$

2. encode the coefficients  $(c_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}_M}$

$\left( \text{Tr}(W_{f2}(n)), n = \varepsilon^{-1} \mu \right)$

$$\left[ \varepsilon^{-1} \mu \text{Tr}(W_{f2}(\varepsilon^{-1} \mu)) \in \Theta(\varepsilon^{-1/(h-\delta)}) \right]$$

$$f_n = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}_M} c_i q_i = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}_M} \widehat{c}_i \widetilde{q}_i$$

G.S. orth.

$$F \subseteq \mathbb{N}$$

$\widehat{q}_i$  ONB for span  $\{q_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}_M}$

$$e = f - \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}_M} \widehat{c}_i \widehat{q}_i = f - \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}_M} c_i q_i$$

$$\left\| \sum_{i \in \mathbb{I}_n} \widehat{c_i} \widehat{\varphi_i} \right\| = \|f - e\| \leq \|f\| + \|e\|$$

exploit that  $\{\widehat{\varphi_i}\}_{i \in \mathbb{I}_n}$  is an OAB

$$\left\| \sum_{i \in \mathbb{I}_n} \widehat{c_i} \widehat{\varphi_i} \right\|^2 = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{I}_n} |\widehat{c_i}|^2$$

Parallelogram

$$\left( \sum_{i \in \mathbb{I}_n} |\widehat{c_i}|^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \underbrace{\sup_{f \in C} \|f\|}_{< \infty} + \underbrace{\|e\|}_{\leq C n^{-n}}$$

$\Rightarrow \widehat{c_i}$  are all bounded

$$|\widehat{c_i}| \leq D < \infty$$

quantize  $\widehat{c_i}$  to integer multiples of  $n^{-(n+1)}$

$$2n^{(p+1)l} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{D} \\ \vdots \\ \text{D} \\ n^{(p+1)l} \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Total no. of qu. levels is  $\propto M^{(p+1)l}$

$$\log_2 M^{(p+1)l} \propto C \log_2(k)$$

$|$   
 $(p+1)l$

$$\# \text{bits} = C M \log_2(k)$$

$$\hat{c}_i = Q(\tilde{c}_i)$$

$$\| f - \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \hat{c}_i \hat{\varphi}_i \| = \| f - \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \hat{c}_i \hat{\varphi}_i + \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{c}_i \tilde{\varphi}_i - \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{c}_i \tilde{\varphi}_i \|$$

$$\| D(E(P)) - f \|$$

$$- \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{c}_i \tilde{\varphi}_i \|$$

$$\leq \left\| f - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}_n} \hat{c}_i \hat{\varphi}_i \right\| + \left\| \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}_n} (\hat{c}_i - c_i) \hat{\varphi}_i \right\|$$

$$\leq C n^{-r}$$

$$= \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}_n} |\hat{c}_i - c_i|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\leq \mu^{-2r+1}$$

$$R \leq \mu$$

$$\mu \cdot \mu^{-2r+1}$$

$$= \mu^{-2r}$$

$$\leq C' n^{-r}$$

$$\leq \tilde{C} n^{-r}$$

establishes achievability part of proof.

$$CH(\log_2(M)) = C\varepsilon^{-1/n} \log_2(\varepsilon^{-1/n}) \in O(\varepsilon^{-1/(n-\delta)})$$

$$\varepsilon = M^{-n} \Rightarrow \gamma = \varepsilon^{-1/n}$$

$$n \leq n^{*\text{eff}}(C, \delta)$$

have constructed an encoder - decoder pair that achieves error behavior  $\gamma - \gamma^{*\text{eff}}(C, \delta) - \dots \delta$

Converse: Could we choose  $n > n^*(C)$

$$L(\varepsilon, C) \in \Theta(\varepsilon^{-1/n})$$

$\Rightarrow n > n^*(C)$  not possible

$$n^{*\text{eff}}(C, \delta) \leq n^*(C).$$

Def. 10.9. If the effective best  $m$ -term approximation rate  
of  $C$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  satisfies

$$p^{*\text{eff}}(C, \mathcal{D}) = p^*(C),$$

then we say that  $C$  is optimally represented by  $\mathcal{D}$ .