

A Numerical Algorithm for Zero Counting

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An Adaptive Speedup

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THE PROBLEM

$$\mathcal{H}_d[n] \ni \mathcal{g}$$

DETERMINISTIC
+
NUMERICALLY
STABLE
+
'GOOD' PROBABILISTIC
RUN-TIME (for random \mathcal{g})

$$\# Z_{\mathbb{P}}(\mathcal{g})$$

↑
The ALGORITHM
we want!

Real Homogeneous
Polynomial System
in X_0, \dots, X_n
& with $\deg \mathcal{g}_i = d_i$

projective
zeros of \mathcal{g}

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FIRST MILESTONE OF THE GRID METHOD!!!

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for δ KSS (average / smoothed)

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Gaussian

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for \mathcal{S} wide class of random systems

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For random $\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{H}_d[n]$ as before,

$\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{G}} \text{run-time}(\text{CKMW}, \mathcal{G}) < \infty?$

NO!

Idea!

Make CKMW adaptive,

then complexity should depend on

$$\mathbb{E}_{x \in \mathcal{S}^n} \mathcal{K}(\xi, x)^n$$

which has finite expectation

for a random ξ !

$$\mathcal{K}(\xi, x) = \|\xi\|_w / \sqrt{\|\xi(x)\|^2 + \|\Delta_x \xi^{-1} \Delta^{1/4}\|^2} \quad \Delta = \text{diag}(d_i)$$

Inspiration: (Cucker, Ergür, T.-C.; 2019) while studying PV algorithm

Naive adaptive version fails!

(Eckhardt, 2020) (Han, 2018)

Run-time bound in terms of

$$\mathbb{E}_{x \in S^n} \mathcal{K}(\xi, x)^{2n}$$

which has infinite expectation

for a random ξ !

$$\mathcal{K}(\xi, x) = \|\mathfrak{z}\|_w / \sqrt{\|\mathfrak{z}(x)\|^2 + \|D_x \xi^{-1} \Delta^{\frac{1}{2}}\|^{-2}} \quad \Delta = \text{diag}(d_i)$$

What goes wrong?

The criterion to select zeros!

The CKMW algorithm

1) Refine grid $G \subseteq S^n$ until $d_S(G, S^n)$ 'small'

2) $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Exclude points } x \in G \text{ s.t. } \|g(x)\| / \|g\|_w \text{ 'big'} \\ \text{Include points } x \in G \text{ s.t. } \|g(x)\| / \|g\|_w \text{ 'small'} \end{array} \right.$

3 Post-process the selected points to get
$Z_{IP}(g)$

The CKMW algorithm

- 1) Refine grid $G \subseteq S^n$ until $\underbrace{d_S(G, S^n)}_{=: \delta} \leq \frac{1}{cD^2 \kappa(\mathcal{F})^2}$
- 2 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Exclude points } x \in G \text{ s.t. } \|\mathcal{F}(x)\| / \|\mathcal{F}\|_w \geq \sqrt{D} \delta \\ \text{Include points } x \in G \text{ s.t. } \|\mathcal{F}(x)\| / \|\mathcal{F}\|_w \leq \frac{1}{\tilde{c} D^2 \kappa(\mathcal{F})^2} \end{array} \right.$
- 3 Post-process the selected points to get
$Z_{IP}(\mathcal{F})$

Note quadratic condition in the inclusion criterion!

$$\kappa(\mathcal{F}) := \max_{x \in S^n} \|\mathcal{F}\|_w / \sqrt{\|\mathcal{F}(x)\|^2 + \|\Delta_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \Delta^{1/2}\|^{-2}} \quad \text{condition number}$$

The adaptive CKMW algorithm

NAIVE EDITION

- 1) Refine adaptively $G \subseteq \mathbb{S}^n \times (0, \infty)$ so that
 - 1) $\mathbb{S}^n \subseteq \cup \{B_G(x, r) \mid (x, r) \in G\}$
 - & 2) $\forall (x, r) \in G, r \leq \frac{1}{cD} \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x)^2$
- 2 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Exclude } (x, r) \in G \text{ if } \|\mathcal{F}(x)\| / \|\mathcal{F}\|_w \geq \sqrt{D} \\ \text{Include } (x, r) \in G \text{ if } \|\mathcal{F}(x)\| / \|\mathcal{F}\|_w \leq \frac{1}{\tilde{c}D^2} \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x)^2 \end{array} \right.$
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Still quadratic inclusion criterion!

$$\kappa(\mathcal{F}, x) := \|\mathcal{F}\|_w / \sqrt{\|\mathcal{F}(x)\|^2 + \|\Delta_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \Delta^{1/2}\|^{-2}} \quad \text{local condition number}$$

Where does the square come from?

Smale's α -criterion:

$$\alpha(\mathcal{F}, x) := \beta(\mathcal{F}, x) \gamma(\mathcal{F}, x) \leq \alpha_*$$

$$\hookrightarrow \# B_S(x, 1.5\beta(\mathcal{F}, x)) \cap Z_S(\mathcal{F}) = 1$$

& $N_{\mathcal{F}}^u(x) \xrightarrow{\text{quadratically}} \text{zero of } \mathcal{F}$

where $\beta(\mathcal{F}, x) := \|D_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \mathcal{F}(x)\|$ & $\gamma(\mathcal{F}, x) := \sup_{k \geq 2} \|D_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \frac{1}{k!} D_x^k \mathcal{F}\|$

Assume $\sqrt{2} \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x) \|\mathcal{F}(x)\| / \|\mathcal{F}\|_W < 1 \dots$

• Higher Derivative Estimate: $\gamma(\mathcal{F}, x) \leq \frac{1}{2} D^{3/2} \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x)$

• A bad bound for β : $\beta(\mathcal{F}, x) \leq \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x) \|\mathcal{F}(x)\| / \|\mathcal{F}\|_W$

$$N_{\mathcal{F}}(x) := \frac{x - D_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \mathcal{F}(x)}{\|x - D_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \mathcal{F}(x)\|}, \quad N_{\mathcal{F}}^{h+1}(x) = N_{\mathcal{F}}(N_{\mathcal{F}}^h(x))$$

Where does the square come from?

Smale's α -criterion:

$$\alpha(\mathcal{F}, x) := \beta(\mathcal{F}, x) \gamma(\mathcal{F}, x) \leq d_*$$

$$\hookrightarrow \# B_S(x, 1.5\beta(\mathcal{F}, x)) \cap Z_S(\mathcal{F}) = 1$$

$$\& N_{\mathcal{F}}^u(x) \xrightarrow{\text{quadratically}} \text{zero of } \mathcal{F}$$

where $\beta(\mathcal{F}, x) := \|D_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \mathcal{F}(x)\|$ & $\gamma(\mathcal{F}, x) := \sup_{k \geq 2} \|D_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \frac{1}{k!} D_x^k \mathcal{F}\|$

Assume $\sqrt{2} \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x) \|\mathcal{F}(x)\| / \|\mathcal{F}\|_W < 1 \dots$

• Higher Derivative Estimate: $\gamma(\mathcal{F}, x) \leq \frac{1}{2} D^{3/2} \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x)$

• A bad bound for β : $\beta(\mathcal{F}, x) \leq \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x) \|\mathcal{F}(x)\| / \|\mathcal{F}\|_W$

↑ This creates the square!

$$N_{\mathcal{F}}(x) := \frac{x - D_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \mathcal{F}(x)}{\|x - D_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \mathcal{F}(x)\|}, \quad N_{\mathcal{F}}^{h+1}(x) = N_{\mathcal{F}}(N_{\mathcal{F}}^h(x))$$

We should use β directly!

Converse Smale's α -theorem:

$$\gamma(\mathcal{F}, x) \operatorname{dist}_{\mathcal{S}}(x, \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{F})) < 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \alpha(\mathcal{F}, x) \leq \frac{\gamma(\mathcal{F}, x) \operatorname{dist}_{\mathcal{S}}(x, \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{F}))}{1 - \gamma(\mathcal{F}, x) \operatorname{dist}_{\mathcal{S}}(x, \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{F}))}$$

'If x is sufficiently near $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{F})$,
then Smale's α -criterion at x holds'

Corollary. If $\sqrt{2} \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x) \|\mathcal{F}(x)\| / \|\mathcal{F}\|_{\infty} < 1$,

then $\alpha(\mathcal{F}, x) < d_*$

or $B_{\mathcal{S}}(x, c/D^2 \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x)) \cap \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{F}) = \emptyset$

The adaptive CKMW algorithm

NON NAIVE EDITION!!!

- 1) Refine adaptively $G \subseteq \mathbb{S}^n \times (0, \infty)$ so that
 - 1) $\mathbb{S}^n \subseteq \cup \{B_G(x, r) \mid (x, r) \in G\}$
 - & 2) $\forall (x, r) \in G, r \leq 1/c_D \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x)$
- 2 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Exclude } (x, r) \in G \text{ if } \|\mathcal{F}(x)\| / \|\mathcal{F}\|_w \geq \sqrt{D} \vee \\ \text{Include } (x, r) \in G \text{ if } \beta(\mathcal{F}, x) \leq 1/c_D^2 \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x) \end{array} \right.$
- 3 Post-process the selected points to get
 $\#Z_{IP}(\mathcal{F})$

Using β gives the desired $\mathbb{E}_{x \in \mathbb{S}^n} \kappa(\mathcal{F}, x)^n$ bound!

$\kappa(\mathcal{F}, x) := \|\mathcal{F}\|_w / \sqrt{\|\mathcal{F}(x)\|^2 + \|\Delta_x \mathcal{F}^{-1} \Delta^{1/2}\|^{-2}}$ local condition number

Some extra tricks

$$\chi(\mathcal{G}, x) := \frac{\|\mathcal{G}\|_w}{\sqrt{\|\mathcal{G}(x)\|^2 + \|D_x \mathcal{G}^{-1} \Delta^{1/2}\|^{-2}}$$

Change of norm

$$\hookrightarrow C(\mathcal{G}, x) := \frac{\|\mathcal{G}\|_\infty}{\max\{\|\Delta^{-1} \mathcal{G}(x)\|_\infty, \|D_x \mathcal{G}^{-1} \Delta^2\|_{\infty, 2}^{-1}\}}$$

where $\Delta := \text{diag}(d_i)$

Extra normalization

Row-normalization

$$\hat{\mathcal{G}} := (\mathcal{G}_i / \|\mathcal{G}_i\|_\infty)_i$$

PROBABILISTIC MODEL

$\mathcal{Z} \in \mathcal{H}_d[n]$ dobro random system

$$\mathcal{Z}_i = \sum_{\alpha} \sqrt{\binom{d_i}{\alpha}} c_{i,\alpha} X^{\alpha}$$

with $c_{i,\alpha}$ independent,
centered

i.e. $\mathbb{E} c_{i,\alpha} = 0$

subgaussian with $\text{cte.} \leq K$;

i.e. $\mathbb{E} |c_{i,\alpha}|^e \leq K^e e^{e/2}$ for $e \geq 1$

anticoucentration $\text{cte.} \leq \rho$;

i.e. $\mathbb{P}(|c_{i,\alpha} - t| \leq \varepsilon) \leq 2\rho \varepsilon$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}$

We also
have a smoothed
version!

It generalizes KSS random systems where $c_{i,\alpha} \sim N(0,1)$

MAIN THEOREM

There is a DETERMINISTIC,
NUMERICALLY STABLE

algorithm \rightarrow a CKMW that given $g \in \mathcal{H}_d(n)$
computes $\#Z_P(g)$ and such that

$$\mathbb{E}_g \text{run-time}(\text{a CKMW}, g) \leq 2^{O(n \log n)} D^N + 2^{O(n \log n)^{2.5}} \mathcal{D}^{(N+\mathcal{D})}$$

for g dobro random (with bounded parameters)
'GOOD' PROBABILISTIC RUN-TIME

where $D := \max_i d_i$ $\mathcal{D} := \prod_i d_i$

$N := \sum_i \binom{n+d_i}{n} = \#$ of zero & non-zero coeff. of g

+ PARALLELIZABLE

FUTURE WORK

Homology computation

of semialgebraic sets

We can produce
correct adaptive
samples!

Post-processing
step has to be improved!

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