

# Gabor phase retrieval via semidefinite programming

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# Outline

## Part I:

- abstract phase retrieval – 2 viewpoints
- 1 concrete problem: Gabor phase retrieval
- 3 concepts reappearing in phase retrieval:  
lifting – holomorphicity – connectivity

## Part II:

- quantitative & constructive arguments  $\rightarrow$  reconstruction scheme



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# Introduction

# Abstract phase retrieval – 2 viewpoints

$$g \sim f \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \exists c \in \mathbb{C}, |c| = 1 : g = cf$$

## i) Hilbert space

- $\mathcal{X}$ ...Hilbert space over  $\mathbb{C}$
- $(\phi_\omega)_{\omega \in \Omega} \subseteq \mathcal{X}$

$$m : \mathcal{X} \ni f \mapsto (|\langle f, \phi_\omega \rangle|)_{\omega \in \Omega} \in \mathbb{R}_+^\Omega$$

## ii) Function space

- $\mathcal{X} \subseteq C(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C})$ ...linear space
- $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$

$$m : \mathcal{X} \ni f \mapsto (|f(\omega)|)_{\omega \in \Omega} \in \mathbb{R}_+^\Omega$$

## Task:

Given  $m(f)$ , reconstruct  $f$  (up to  $\sim$ ). Or equivalently, invert

$$m : (\mathcal{X} / \sim) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^\Omega.$$

# Three desirable properties

- **Uniqueness**

Injectivity of  $m : (\mathcal{X} / \sim) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^\Omega$

- **Stability**

(Lipschitz) continuity of  $m^{-1}$

- **Reconstruction**

algorithm

accuracy guarantees

robustness w.r.t. noise

# Lifting

Consider:  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{C}^d$  and  $m(f) = (|\langle f, \varphi_\omega \rangle|)_{\omega \in \Omega}$

$\mathcal{X} \ni g \mapsto \|m(g) - m(f)\|_{\ell^p(\Omega)}$  is not convex!

$$f \in \mathbb{C}^d \xrightarrow{\text{"lift"}} \mathcal{L}(f) := f \otimes \bar{f} = f \cdot f^H \in \mathbb{C}^{d \times d}$$

Idea: Rewrite

$$|\langle f, \varphi_\omega \rangle|^2 = (f^H \cdot \phi_\omega) \cdot (\phi_\omega^H \cdot f) = \dots = \langle \mathcal{L}(f), \mathcal{L}(\phi_\omega) \rangle_F$$

$0 \leq G \in \mathbb{C}^{d \times d} \mapsto \|(\langle G, \mathcal{L}(\varphi_\omega) \rangle_F)_{\omega \in \Omega} - m(f)^2\|_{\ell^p(\Omega)}$  is convex!

# PhaseLift

## Reformulation

find  $G \geq 0$   
s.t.  $\langle G, \mathcal{L}(\varphi_\omega) \rangle_F = m(f)_\omega^2, \omega \in \Omega$   
 $\text{rank}(G) \rightarrow \min$

not convex

correspondence

vs.

## convex Relaxation

find  $G \geq 0$   
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vs.

convex (SDP even)

vs.

?



PhaseLift: Exact and Stable Signal Recovery from Magnitude Measurements via Convex Programming. Candès, E., Strohmer, T. and Voroninski, V. Comm. Pure Appl. Math. (2013)

# Holomorphic phase retrieval

Consider:  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$  and  $\Omega = \mathbb{C}$

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(z) &:= \overline{f(\bar{z})}, & f &\in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}) \\ \mathcal{L}(f) &:= f \otimes f^* \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}^2). \end{aligned}$$

## Lemma (Uniqueness)

Let  $f \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$ . If  $F \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}^2)$  is such that

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C} : F(z, \bar{z}) = |f(z)|^2,$$

then  $F = \mathcal{L}(f)$ .

Specify the problem

# Gabor phase retrieval

$$T_x f = f(\cdot - x), \quad M_\xi f = e^{2\pi i \xi \cdot} f(\cdot), \quad \pi\left(\begin{smallmatrix} x \\ \xi \end{smallmatrix}\right) = M_\xi \circ T_x$$

## Definition (Short-time Fourier transform)

Let  $\varphi = 2^{\frac{1}{4}} e^{-\pi \cdot^2}$ . The STFT of  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}f(x, \xi) &:= \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) \varphi(t - x) e^{-2\pi i \xi t} dt, & (x, \xi) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \\ &= \mathcal{F}[f(\cdot) \varphi(\cdot - x)](\xi) \\ &= \langle f, \pi\left(\begin{smallmatrix} x \\ \xi \end{smallmatrix}\right) \varphi \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} \end{aligned}$$

$|\mathcal{V}f|^2$  (or  $|\mathcal{V}f|$ ) is called the spectrogram of  $f$ .

From now on:  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{V}(L^2(\mathbb{R}))$ ,  $d = 2$  and  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$

# Bargman relation

## Definition (Fock space)

$$\mathfrak{F} = \left\{ F \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}) : \int_{\mathbb{C}} |F(z)|^2 e^{-\pi|z|^2} dA(z) < \infty \right\}$$

## Lemma

Let  $\eta(x, y) = \exp(-\frac{\pi}{2} |(\begin{smallmatrix} x \\ y \end{smallmatrix})|^2 + \pi ixy)$ . T.f.s.a.e.:

- $V \in \mathcal{X} = \mathcal{V}(L^2(\mathbb{R}))$
- $z = x + iy \mapsto \frac{V(x, -y)}{\eta(x, y)} \in \mathfrak{F}$

in short:

$$\mathcal{X} = \mathfrak{F} \cdot \eta$$

# USP of the gaussian window

## Theorem (Ascensi, Bruna '08)

*Let  $g \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  be a window function. Then the space*

$$\left\{ F(z) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) e^{2\pi i t y} g(t - x) dt, f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) \right\}$$

*is a space of holomorphic functions modulo a multiplicative weight if and only if  $g = \pi(\lambda)\varphi$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .*

## Reconstruction with phase: $\mathcal{V}f|_{\Omega} \rightsquigarrow f$

### Gabor frame expansion (Seip, Wallstén, Lyubarskii, Janssen)

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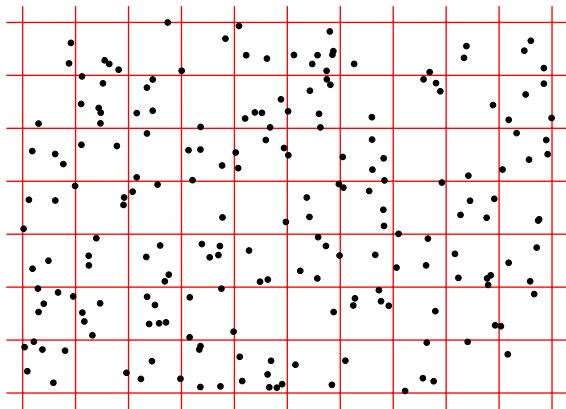
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$\rightsquigarrow$  Break up the task:

$$|\mathcal{V}f|_{\Omega}| \xrightarrow{?} \mathcal{V}f|_{\Lambda} \xrightarrow{\checkmark} f$$

## Reformulated task



$\Lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\mathbb{Z}^2$  .. lattice  
 $\Omega$ .. sampling positions

$$(|\mathcal{V}f|)|_{\Omega} \xrightarrow{?} \mathcal{V}f|_{\Lambda} \text{ (up to a phase factor)}$$

What can we expect?

# Notions of stability

- Given  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  the Lipschitz stability constant  $C_L(f)$  is the infimal  $C > 0$  such that

$$\min_{|\tau|=1} \|g - cf\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} \leq C \| |\mathcal{V}g| - |\mathcal{V}f| \|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)}, \quad g \in L^2(\mathbb{R}).$$

- Given  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  and  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  a domain the local Lipschitz stability constant  $C_L(f, D)$  is the infimal  $C > 0$  such that

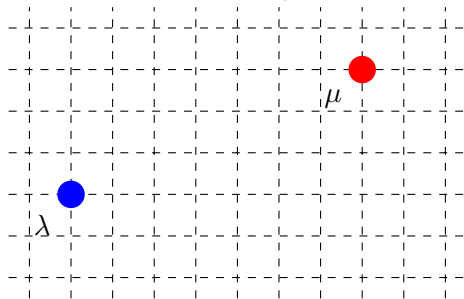
$$\min_{|\tau|=1} \|\mathcal{V}g - \tau \mathcal{V}f\|_{L^2(D)} \leq C \| |\mathcal{V}g| - |\mathcal{V}f| \|_{L^2(D)}, \quad g \in L^2(\mathbb{R}).$$

Remark:  $C_L(f, \mathbb{R}^2) = C_L(f)$ .

# No uniform stability!

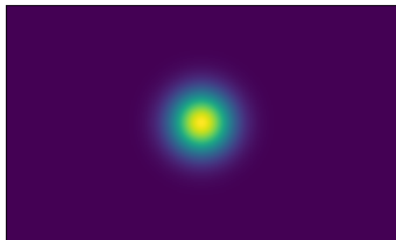
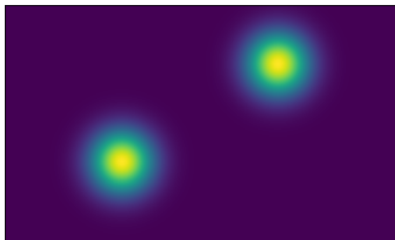
$$\sup_{f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})} C_L(f) = \infty$$

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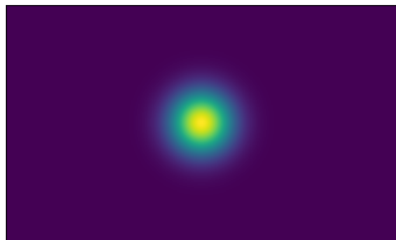
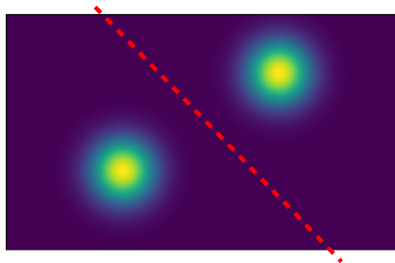


$$\begin{aligned} f &= \pi(\lambda)\varphi + \pi(\mu)\varphi \\ g &= \pi(\lambda)\varphi - \pi(\mu)\varphi \\ \hline \Phi_\lambda(z) &:= \mathcal{V}[\pi(\lambda)\varphi](z) \\ &= e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}|z-\lambda|^2} e^{i\dots} \end{aligned}$$

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## Definition (Cheeger constant)

Let  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  a domain and  $w : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  a continuous weight.

$$h(w, D) := \inf_{\substack{S \subseteq D \text{ open} \\ \partial S \cap D \text{ smooth}}} \frac{\text{cut}(S)}{\min\{\text{vol}(S), \text{vol}(D \setminus S)\}} \quad (\text{Cheeger const.})$$

where  $\text{vol}(S) = \int_S w(x) dx$  and  $\text{cut}(S) = \int_{\partial S \cap D} w(y) d\mathcal{H}^1(y)$ .

# Stability when connected

## Theorem (Grohs, R.(informal) '19)

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$$\min_{|c|=1} \|\mathcal{V}g - c\mathcal{V}f\|_{L^1(D)} \leq (1 + h(|\mathcal{V}f|, D)^{-1}) \| |\mathcal{V}g| - |\mathcal{V}f| \|_{W(D)}.$$

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- ✓ Tells us when phase reconstruction problem is well-posed.
- ✗ Doesn't tell us how to reconstruct in this case.

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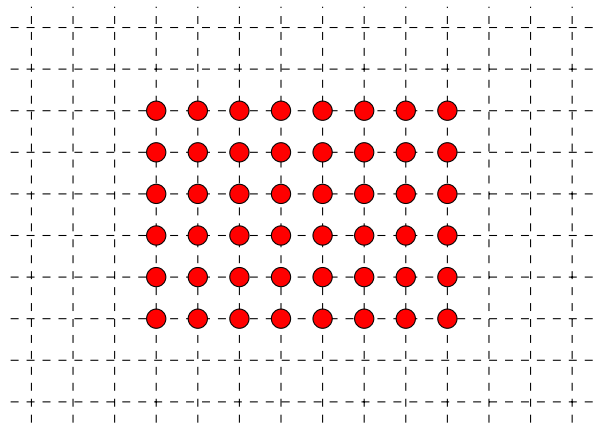
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For  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{V}(\text{shift-inv. space})$ :



Grohs, P., Liehr, L. Stable Gabor Phase Retrieval in Gaussian Shift-Invariant Spaces via Biorthogonality. *Constr Approx* 59, 61–111 (2024).

# Reduction to finite dimension



$$\Lambda \subseteq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\mathbb{Z}^2 \text{ finite}$$

$$x = (\mathcal{V}f(\lambda))_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \in \mathbb{C}^\Lambda$$

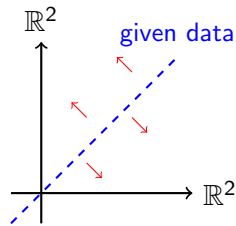
$$xx^H = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{V}f|_\Lambda) \in \mathbb{C}^{\Lambda \times \Lambda}$$

## Estimator for the tensor (step one)

# The estimator $\mathcal{E}$ : an extension problem

What?  $\mathcal{E} : \mathbb{R}_+^\Omega \rightarrow C(\mathbb{R}^4, \mathbb{C})$  s.t.

$$\mathcal{E}(|\mathcal{V}f|_\Omega) \approx \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{V}f) = \mathcal{V}f \otimes \overline{\mathcal{V}f}.$$



How? Recall:  $\mathcal{V}f \otimes \overline{\mathcal{V}f} = \sum_{\lambda, \lambda' \in \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\mathbb{Z}^2} c_\lambda \overline{c_{\lambda'}} \cdot \Phi_\lambda \otimes \overline{\Phi_{\lambda'}}.$

$\leadsto$  Ansatz:  $\Psi_C = \sum_{\lambda, \lambda' \in \Gamma} C_{\lambda, \lambda'} \cdot \Phi_\lambda \otimes \overline{\Phi_{\lambda'}}$ ,  $(\Gamma \subseteq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\mathbb{Z}^2, C \in \mathbb{C}^{\Gamma \times \Gamma}).$

$$\text{find } C \geq 0 : \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega : \quad |\Psi_C(\omega, \omega) - |\mathcal{V}f(\omega)|^2| \leq \epsilon$$

convex domain

convex constraint

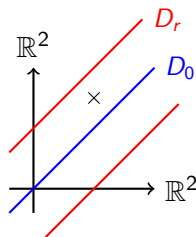
# Why/to what extent is $\mathcal{E}$ accurate? [Asspt: $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^2$ ]

$$E := \Psi_C - \mathcal{V}f \otimes \overline{\mathcal{V}f}, \quad D_r := \{(z, z') : |z - z'| = r\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4.$$

Lemma (Quant. uniqueness principle(QUP))

Let  $(z, z') \in \mathbb{R}^4$  and  $r = 2|z - z'|$ . Then,

$$|E(z, z')| \leq \sqrt{\|E\|_{L^\infty(D_0)} \cdot \|E\|_{L^\infty(D_r)} \cdot e^{\frac{\pi}{2}|z-z'|^2}}.$$



Lemma (Controll error on  $D_r$ )

$$\|E\|_{L^\infty(D_r)} \leq \|\mathcal{V}f\|_{L^\infty}^2 + \|C\|_\infty.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \| \text{diag}(C) \|_\infty \rightarrow \min \\ & \text{s.t. } \sup_{\omega \in \Omega} |\Psi_C(\omega, \omega) - |\mathcal{V}f(\omega)|^2| \leq \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

## QUP – where does it come from?

$$M_f(y) := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |f(x + iy)|.$$

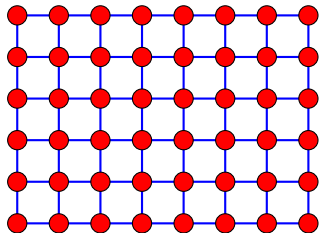
### Lemma (Hadamard's three line theorem)

Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{x + iy : x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in (0, 1)\}$ . Suppose that  $f \in \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{S}) \cup C_b(\bar{\mathcal{S}})$ . Then it holds that

$$M_f(t) \leq M_f(0)^{1-t} M_f(1)^t, \quad t \in (0, 1).$$

# Graph viewpoint

$\mathcal{E}$  allows us to estimate  $\mathcal{V}f(z)\overline{\mathcal{V}f(z')}$  if  $|z - z'| \leq r$  (say  $r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ ).



def  $G = G^{f, \Lambda, r} = (V, E, \alpha)$  by

- $V = \Lambda$  (vertices)
- $e = (\lambda, \lambda') \in E \Leftrightarrow |\lambda - \lambda'| \leq r$  (edges)
- $\alpha(\lambda) = |\mathcal{V}f(\lambda)|^2$  (weights)

$$L(\lambda, \lambda') = \begin{cases} \sum_{\mu \sim \lambda} \alpha(\mu), & \lambda' = \lambda \\ -\sqrt{\alpha(\lambda)\alpha(\lambda')}, & \lambda \sim \lambda' \\ 0, & \text{otw.} \end{cases} \quad (\text{Laplacian})$$

# Properties of the Laplacian

## Lemma

- $L \geq 0$  with eigenvalues  $0 = \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_{|\Lambda|}$
- $\lambda_2 > 0$  if and only if  $G$  is connected (i.t.s. of vertex weighted graphs)
- let  $\tilde{L}$  be def. by

$$\tilde{L}(\lambda, \lambda') = \begin{cases} \sum_{\mu \sim \lambda} |\mathcal{V}f(\mu)|^2 & \lambda' = \lambda \\ -\mathcal{V}f(\lambda)\overline{\mathcal{V}f(\lambda')}, & |\lambda - \lambda'| \leq r \\ 0, & \text{otw.} \end{cases}$$

then,  $L$  and  $\tilde{L}$  are similar and  $x = \mathcal{V}f|_{\Lambda} \in \ker(\tilde{L})$

spectral gap measures "connectivity of  $|\mathcal{V}f|$  on  $\Lambda$ "

$$\deg(u) := \sum_{v \sim u} \alpha_v, \quad (u \in V)$$

$$\text{vol}(S) := \sum_{v \in S} \alpha_v, \quad \text{cut}(S) := \sum_{v \in S} \sum_{\substack{u \in V \setminus S \\ u \sim v}} \alpha_u \alpha_v, \quad (S \subseteq V)$$

$$h_G := \min_{S \subseteq V} \frac{\text{cut}(S)}{\min\{\text{vol}(S), \text{vol}(V \setminus S)\}} \dots (\text{Cheeger const.})$$

### Lemma (Cheeger-type result)

Let  $G = (V, E, \alpha)$  be a vertex-weighted graph. It holds that

$$\frac{h_G^2}{2 \max_{v \in V} \deg(v)} \leq \lambda_2 \leq 2h_G.$$

## Matrix completion / null space extraction (step two)

# Why do we benefit from a spectral gap?

step two: assemble  $\tilde{L}$  and extract eigenvector  $v_1$  corresponding to smallest eigenvalue

- in the disconnected case:  $\geq 2$ -dim null space!
- if  $\lambda_2 \approx 0$ : small noise ( $L + \nu$ ) can lead to ambiguities
- if  $\lambda_2 \gg \lambda_1 = 0$ :  $\tilde{L} \mapsto \text{span } v_1$  is robust w.r.t. perturbations

## Algorithm and results

# Reconstruction algorithm

**Parameters:**  $\varepsilon, \varepsilon', r > 0$  and  $\Lambda, \Gamma \subseteq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\mathbb{Z}^2$  finite

**Input:**  $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^\Omega$

- ① Find  $C_*$  the solution of

$$\min_{0 \leq C \in \mathbb{C}^{\Gamma \times \Gamma}} \|\text{diag}(C)\|_\infty \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|\Psi_C - \sigma\|_{\ell^\infty(\Omega)} \leq \varepsilon.$$

- ② Find  $0 \leq Y \in \mathbb{C}^{\Lambda \times \Lambda}$  which satisfies the constraints

$$\forall (\lambda, \lambda') \in \Lambda^2, |\lambda - \lambda'| \leq r: \quad |Y_{\lambda, \lambda'} - \Psi_C(\lambda, \lambda')| \leq \varepsilon'.$$

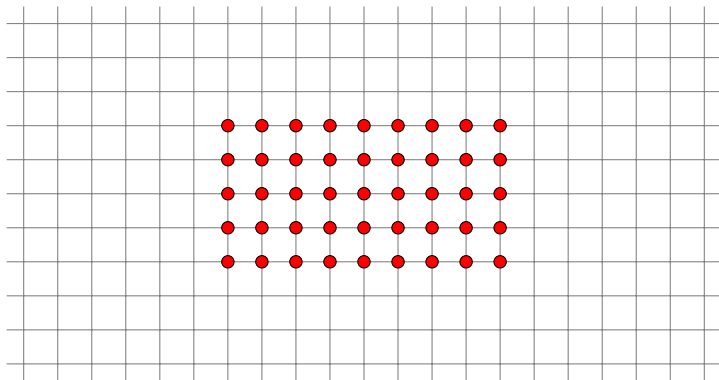
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$$f_* := \sqrt{\text{tr}(Y)} \cdot \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} v_\lambda \cdot \pi(\lambda) \psi.$$

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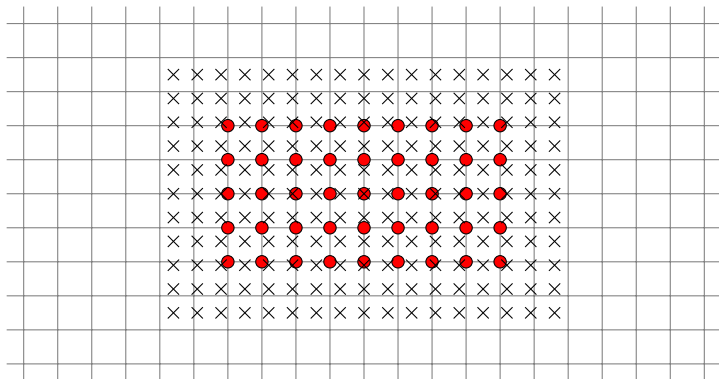
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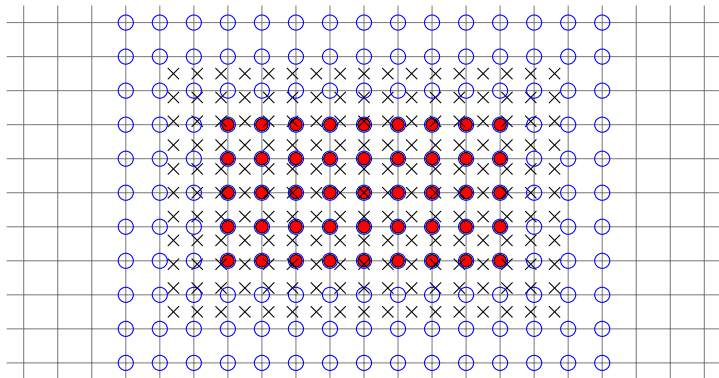
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# Parameter configuration II

## Definition

Let  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ . We say that  $T, S, R, r, s, \varepsilon, \varepsilon' > 0$  are *well-calibrated* if

$$\varepsilon \leq \left[ \frac{e^{-\frac{17\pi}{32}r^2}}{1.33 \times 10^5} \times \min \left\{ \frac{\|\mathcal{V}f\|_{\ell^2(\Lambda)}^2}{|\Lambda|^2}, \frac{\lambda_2(f, \Lambda, r)}{192r^2} \right\} \right]^2,$$

$$\varepsilon' = (3.1 \times 10^4) \sqrt{\varepsilon} e^{\frac{17\pi}{32}r^2},$$

$$s \leq \frac{0.3}{\sqrt{\ln\left(\frac{2}{3\varepsilon}\right)}},$$

$$R \geq \max \left\{ 2.1 + 0.9 \sqrt{\ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)}, \frac{r + s^{-1}}{2} \right\}$$

## Main result (step one and two)

### Theorem (Jaming, R. '23)

Let  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $\|\mathcal{V}f\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)} \leq 1$ . Suppose that  $T, S, R, r, s, \varepsilon, \varepsilon'$  are well calibrated. Let  $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^\Omega$  be such that

$$\forall \omega \in \Omega : \quad |\sigma_\omega - |\mathcal{V}f(\omega)|^2| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Then it holds that both CPs (step one and two) are feasible. Moreover, the top eigenvector  $v \in \mathbb{C}^\Lambda$  of  $Y$  satisfies that

$$\min_{|c|=1} \left| \sqrt{\text{tr}(Y)} v - c \cdot \mathcal{V}f|_\Lambda \right| \leq C e^{0.84r^2} \cdot \left( 1 + r \sqrt{\frac{|\mathcal{V}f|_\Lambda|^2}{\lambda_2(f, \Lambda, r)}} \right) \cdot \sqrt[4]{\varepsilon}.$$

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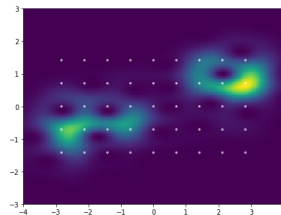
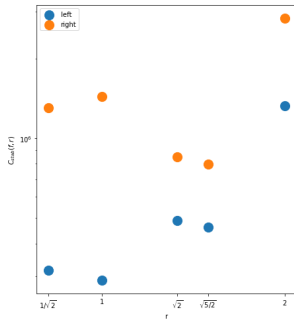
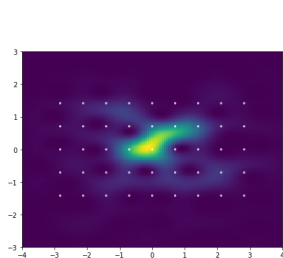
$$\forall \omega \in \Omega : \quad |\sigma_\omega - |\mathcal{V}f(\omega)|^2| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Then it holds that both CPs (step one and two) are feasible. Moreover, the top eigenvector  $v \in \mathbb{C}^\Lambda$  of  $Y$  satisfies that

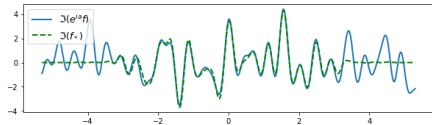
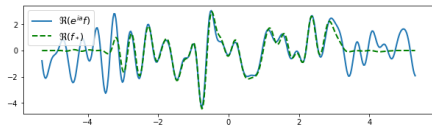
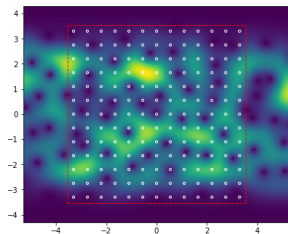
$$\min_{|c|=1} \left| \sqrt{\text{tr}(Y)} v - c \cdot \mathcal{V}_f|_\Lambda \right| \leq C e^{0.84r^2} \cdot \left( 1 + r^2 \frac{|\mathcal{V}f|_\Lambda|}{h_G} \right) \cdot \sqrt[4]{\varepsilon}.$$

# On the choice of $r$

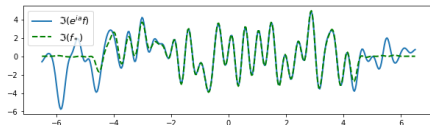
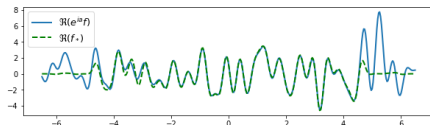
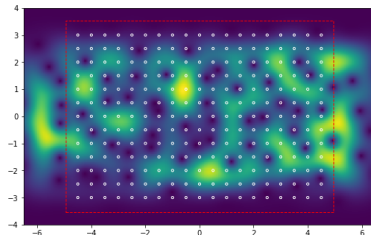
$$\text{minimize } r \mapsto \frac{e^{0.84r^2} r}{\sqrt{\lambda_2(f, \Lambda, r)}}$$



# Numerical experiments



| $ \Omega $ | $\nu$ | $ \Lambda $ | $ \Gamma $ | $r$   | $\varepsilon$ | $\varepsilon'$ | $\infty$ -error | time(s) |
|------------|-------|-------------|------------|-------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|---------|
| 169        | 0.03  | 81          | 121        | 1.414 | 0.05          | 0.08           | 0.513           | 233.0   |



| $ \Omega $ | $\nu$ | $ \Lambda $ | $ \Gamma $ | $r$ | $\varepsilon$ | $\varepsilon'$ | $\infty$ -error | time(s) |
|------------|-------|-------------|------------|-----|---------------|----------------|-----------------|---------|
| 247        | 0.02  | 117         | 165        | 1   | 0.1           | 0.25           | 1.089           | 905.0   |

## Questions and open problems

# Is there a more appropriate notion of similarity?

Can we replace  $\min_{|\tau|=1} \|g - \tau f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}$  by a different metric  $d(f, g)$  such that

$$d(f, g) \leq C \| |\mathcal{V}f| - |\mathcal{V}g| \|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)}, \quad f, g \in \mathcal{C} \subseteq L^2(\mathbb{R})$$

for a finite  $C > 0$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  a reasonably large subclass?

$\mathcal{C} = \{\text{set of probability distributions on } \mathbb{R} \text{ with gaussian decay}\},$

$$f = c_1(\phi + \Re\{M_k\phi\}), \quad g = c_2(\phi - \Re\{M_k\phi\})$$

( $c_1, c_2 > 0$  normalization constants,  $k \gg 0$  large)

Then  $\min_{|\tau|=1} \|g - \tau f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} \asymp 1$  while

$$W_1(f, g) \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

# Quantitative uniqueness principle beyond holomorphic functions

## Definition (Quantitative uniqueness principle)

Let  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be a function space and  $\Delta = \{(z, z), z \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$  the diagonal.

We say that  $\mathcal{X}$  satisfies a QUP if there exist

- $K : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ ,
- $\mu : \mathbb{R}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ ,
- $\beta > 0$ ,

such that

$$\|\mathcal{L}f - \mathcal{L}g\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^{2d}, \mu)} \leq K(f, g) \|\mathcal{L}f - \mathcal{L}g\|_{L^2(\Delta)}^\beta, \quad f, g \in \mathcal{X}.$$

→ Find function spaces  $\mathcal{X}$  which satisfy a QUP.

# Concentration implies stability?

- one can show:  $\exists f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) : C_L(f) = \infty$ , e.g., the function

$$f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-2} \varphi(\cdot - 2^k).$$

- Poincaré inequalities as intermediate object

$$C_L(f) \leq C_P(|\mathcal{V}f|^2) \leq h(|\mathcal{V}f|^2)^{-1}$$

- exponential concentration of  $\mu$  is necessary for  $C_P(\mu) < \infty$  (Gromov, Milman '83)

## Conjecture

If  $\mathcal{V}f(z) \cdot e^{\varepsilon|z|}$  is bounded for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then  $C_L(f) < \infty$ .

Thank you!



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