Tensor Networks in Algebraic Geometry and Statistics

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What is algebraic geometry?

Study of solutions to systems of polynomial equations

- Multivariate polynomials $f \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, \ldots, x_n]$.
- The zero locus of a set of polynomials \mathcal{F} is a variety $V(\mathcal{F})$.
- Given a set $S \subset \mathbb{C}^n$, the vanishing ideal of S is

$$I(S) = \{ f \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, \ldots, x_n] : f(a) = 0 \ \forall a \in S \}.$$

Such an ideal has a finite generating set. Closure V(I(S)).

• Implicitization: if x = t, $y = t^2$, $y - x^2 = 0$ cuts out the image.

To an algebraic geometer, a tensor network

- appearing in statistics, signal processing, computational complexity, quantum computation, ...
- describes a regular map ϕ from the parameter space (choice of tensors at the nodes) to an ambient space.
- The image of φ is an algebraic variety of representable probability distributions, tensor network states, etc.

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Why are geometers interested?

- Applications (especially tensor networks in statistics and CS) have revived classical viewpoints such as invariant theory.
- Re-climbing the hierarchy of languages and tools (Italian school, Zariski-Serre, Grothendieck) as applied problems are unified and recast in more sophisticated language.
- Applied problems have also revealed gaps in our knowledge of algebraic geometry and driven new theoretical developments
 - Objects which are "large": high-dimensional, many points, but with many symmetries
 - These often stabilize in some sense for large *n*.

Tensor Networks







ML and Statistics

Complexity Theory

Quantum Information







Approximate Dictionary?

Tensor Networks in Physics	Graphical Models in Stats/ML	
MPS	HMM	
TTN	GMM	
PEPS	CRF/MRF	
MERA	?DBM?	
DMRG	??	

In Algebraic Statistics we have been studying the right-hand column

- often determining the ideal / variety / manifold (invariants)
- characteristics of the parameterization map
 - e.g. is it generically injective? Singular locus?
- generally work in complex projective space
 - so pure states are more natural than probabilities
- related optimization, contraction, approximation problems

Algebraic description of MPS

Fix parameter matrices A_1, \ldots, A_d .

$$\Psi = \sum_{i_1,\dots,i_n} \operatorname{tr}(A_{i_1}\cdots A_{i_n}) |i_1 i_2 \cdots i_n \rangle$$

What are the polynomial relations that hold among the coefficients

$$\Psi_{i_1,\ldots i_n} = \mathsf{tr}(A_{i_1}\cdots A_{i_n})?$$

That is, the set of polynomials f in the coefficients such that $f(\Psi_{i_1,...,i_n}) = 0$. Organize these invariants into an ideal.

$$I = \{f : f(\Psi_{i_1,...,i_n}) = 0\}$$

the space of representable states is the variety V(I) cut out by the invariants. See [Bray M- 2006] for some of them.

Possible applications of invariants of TNS?

- Simplify the computation of quantities of interest
 - e.g. Renyi entropy
- Representability and approximation error
 - which states/systems can be represented and which cannot?
 - bounds on approximation error
- Paths of optimization or time evolution on the manifold of representable states

Some of the things we think about

Naïve Bayes / Secant Segre / Tensor Rank

Look at one hiden node in such a network, binary variables





 $\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{15} \\ \text{Segre variety defined by} \\ 2 \times 2 \text{ minors of flattenings} \\ \text{of } 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \text{ tensor} \end{array}$

 $\sigma_2(\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1)$ First secant of Segre variety 3×3 minors of flattenings

Dimension of secant varieties

• Recently [Catalisano, Geramita, Gimigliano 2011] showed $\sigma_k(\mathbb{P}^1)^n$ has the expected dimension

$$\min(kn+k-1,2^n-1)$$

except $\sigma_3(\mathbb{P}^1)^4$ where it is 13 not 14.

- Progress in Palatini 1909, ..., Alexander Hirschowitz 1995, 2000, CGG 2002,03,05, Abo Ottaviani Peterson 2006, Draisma 2008, others.
- Classically studied, revived by applications to statistics, quantum information, and complexity; shift to higher secants, solution.
- So a generic tensor of $(\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n}$ can be written as a sum of $\lceil \frac{2^n}{n+1} \rceil$ decomposable tensors, no fewer.

Representation theory of secant varieties

Raicu (2011) proved the ideal-theoretic GSS [Garcia Stillman Sturmfels 05] conjecture using representation theory of ideal of $\sigma_2(\mathbb{P}^{k_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{P}^{k_n})$ as a $GL_{k_1} \times \cdots \oplus GL_{k_n}$ -module (progress in [Landsberg Manivel 04, Landsberg Weyman 07, Allman Rhodes 08]).



Let's write down the action of the map π_{μ} on the tableaux pictured above



Representation theory

- Which tensor products C^{d₁} ⊗ · · · ⊗ C^{d_n} have finitely many orbits under GL(d₁, C) × · · · × GL(d_n, C)?
- Related to SLOCC-equivalent entanglement classification
- Kac (1980), Parfenov (1998, 2001): up to C² ⊗ C³ ⊗ C⁶, orbit representatives and abutment graph

Case $(2, m, n)$	The number of orbits of $\operatorname{GL}_2 \times \operatorname{GL}_m \times \operatorname{GL}_n$	$\deg f$
(2, 2, 2)	7	4
(2, 2, 3)	9	6
(2, 2, 4)	10	4
$(2,2,n), \ n \ge 5$	10	0
(2, 3, 3)	18	12
(2, 3, 4)	24	12
(2, 3, 5)	26	0
(2, 3, 6)	27	6
$(2,3,n), n \ge 7$	27	0

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Tensor Networks in Algebraic Geometry

Computational Algebraic Geometry

- There are computational tools for algebraic geometry, and many advances mix computational experiments and theory.
- Gröbner basis methods power general purpose software: Singular, Macaulay 2, CoCoA, (Mathematica, Maple)
 - Symbolic term rewriting
- Numerical Algebraic Geometry: Numerical methods for approximating complex solutions of polynomial systems.
 - Homotopy continuation (numerical path following).
 - Can be used to find isolated solutions or points on each positive-dimensional irreducible component.
 - Can scale to thousands of variables for certain problems.

Identifiability: uniqueness of parameter estimates

- A parameterization of a set of probability distributions is identifiable if it is injective.
- A parameterization of a set of probability distributions is generically identifiable if it is injective except on a proper algebraic subvariety of parameter space.
- Identifiability questions can be answered with algebraic geometry (e.g. many recent results in phylogenetics)
- A weaker question: What conditions guarantee generic identifiability up to known symmetries?
- A still weaker question: is the dimension of the space of representable distributions (states) equal to the expected dimension (number of parameters)? Or are parameters wasted?

Graphical model on a bipartite graph



Unnormalized potential is built from node and edge parameters

$$\psi(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) = \exp(\mathbf{h}^\top W \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{b}^\top \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{c}^\top \mathbf{h}).$$

The probability distribution on the binary random variables is

$$p(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{Z} \psi(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}), \qquad Z = \sum_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}} \psi(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}).$$

Restricted Boltzmann machines



Unnormalized fully-observed potential is

$$\psi(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) = \exp(\mathbf{h}^{\top} W \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{b}^{\top} \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{c}^{\top} \mathbf{h}).$$

The probability distribution on the visible random variables is

$$p(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{Z} \cdot \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \{0,1\}^k} \psi(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}), \qquad Z = \sum_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}} \psi(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}).$$

Restricted Boltzmann machines



- The *restricted Boltzmann machine* (RBM) is the undirected graphical model for binary random variables thus specified.
- Denote by M_n^k the set of joint distributions as $b \in \mathbb{R}^n, c \in \mathbb{R}^k, W \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$ vary.
- M_n^k is a subset of the probability simplex Δ_{2^n-1} .

Hadamard Products of Varieties

Given two projective varieties X and Y in \mathbb{P}^m , their *Hadamard* product X * Y is the closure of the image of

$$X \times Y \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^m$$
, $(x, y) \mapsto (x_0y_0 : x_1y_1 : \ldots : x_my_m)$.

We also define Hadamard powers $X^{[k]} = X * X^{[k-1]}$.

If M is a subset of the simplex Δ_{m-1} then $M^{[k]}$ is also defined by componentwise multiplication followed by rescaling so that the coordinates sum to one. This is compatible with taking Zariski closure: $\overline{M^{[k]}} = \overline{M}^{[k]}$

Lemma

RBM variety and RBM model factor as

$$V_n^k = (V_n^1)^{[k]}$$
 and $M_n^k = (M_n^1)^{[k]}$.

RBM as Hadamard product of naïve Bayes



Representational power of RBMs

Conjecture

The restricted Boltzmann machine has the expected dimension: M_n^k is a semialgebraic set of dimension $\min\{nk + n + k, 2^n - 1\}$ in Δ_{2^n-1} .

We can show many special cases and the following general result:

Theorem (Cueto M- Sturmfels)

The restricted Boltzmann machine has the expected dimension

- nk + n + k when $k < 2^{n \lceil \log_2(n+1) \rceil}$
- $\min\{nk + n + k, 2^n 1\}$ when $k = 2^{n \lceil \log_2(n+1) \rceil}$ and
- $2^n 1$ when $k \geq 2^{n \lfloor \log_2(n+1) \rfloor}$.
- Covers most cases of restricted Boltzmann machines in practice, as those generally satisfy k ≤ 2^{n-⌈log₂(n+1)⌉}.
- Proof uses tropical geometry, coding theory

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Computational complexity and efficient contraction

Secant varieties in algebraic complexity theory

A multilinear operator $T: U \otimes V \rightarrow W$ is a tensor



The tensor rank min $\{r : T = \sum_{i=1}^{r} u_i \otimes v_i \otimes w_i\}$ of

$$A^* B B^* C$$

$$\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \\ e_B \downarrow \qquad M : (A^* \otimes B) \times (B^* \otimes C) \rightarrow A^* \otimes C$$
gives the exponent of matrix multiplication.

Satisfiability and #CSP problems

Given a problem P in conjunctive normal form:

- a collection of Boolean variables $x_1 \dots x_m$
- subject to clauses c₁...c_p (all must hold, each true or false),
 e.g. OR(i) = 1 if i ∈ {001, 010, 100, 011, 101, 110, 111}

Does there exist a satisfying assignment to the variables?

- Counting the **number** of satisfying assignments is computing a partition function, #P-complete in general.
- In [Landsberg, M-, Norine 2012] and [M- 2010], geometric interpretation and geometrically-motivated generalization of the holographic circuits of Valiant 04.
- Generates new families of efficiently contractable tensor networks
- Beyond noninteracting fermionic linear optics

Binary Variables and NAE clauses



As a tensor, a Boolean predicate is the formal sum of the rows of its truth table as bitstrings.

$$\mathit{OR}_3 = (\ket{0} + \ket{1})^{\otimes 3} - \ket{000}$$

Pfaffian circuit/kernel counting example



of satisfying assignments =

(all possible assignments, all restrictions) = $\alpha\beta\sqrt{\det(x+y)}$ 4096-dimensional space (\mathbb{C}^2)^{$\otimes 12$} 12 × 12 matrix

Efficient contraction with Pfaffian circuits



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