# Uniformity of Eigenvalues of Some Random Matrices 

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probability, to the semi-circular law:

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| $\mathbb{U}(N)$ | $\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e^{i j(x-y)}$ | $[0,2 \pi)$ |
| Complex Ginibre | $\frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \frac{(z \bar{W})^{j}}{j!} e^{-\frac{\left(\|z\|^{2}+\left\|\| \|^{2}\right)\right.}{2}}$ | $\{\|z\|=1\}$ |

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Theorem (Hough/Krishnapur/Peres/Virág)
Let $K: \wedge \times \wedge \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be the kernel of a determinantal point process, and suppose the corresponding integral operator is self-adjoint, nonnegative, and locally trace-class.
For $D \subseteq \Lambda$, let $\mathcal{N}_{D}$ denote the number of particles of the point process in $D$. Then

$$
\mathcal{N}_{D} \stackrel{d}{=} \sum_{k} \xi_{k},
$$

where $\left\{\xi_{k}\right\}$ is a collection of independent Bernoulli random variables.

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Since $\mathcal{N}_{D}$ is a sum of i.i.d. Bernoullis, Bernstein's inequality applies:

$$
\mathbb{P}\left[\left|\mathcal{N}_{D}-\mathbb{E} \mathcal{N}_{D}\right|>t\right] \leq 2 \exp \left(-\min \left\{\frac{t^{2}}{4 \sigma_{D}^{2}}, \frac{t}{2}\right\}\right)
$$

where $\sigma_{D}^{2}=\operatorname{Var} \mathcal{N}_{D}$.

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\mathbb{P}\left[\lambda_{k}-\gamma_{k} \geq \frac{u}{N}\right]=\mathbb{P}\left[\mathcal{N}_{\gamma_{k}+\frac{u}{N}}<k\right]
$$

but

$$
\mathbb{E}\left[\mathcal{N}_{\gamma_{k}+\frac{u}{N}}\right] \approx k+C u
$$

and (for a large range of $t$ ) $\mathcal{N}_{t}$ concentrates around its mean.

Proposition (Dallaporta)
Fix $\eta \in\left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right]$, and suppose that $\eta N \leq k \leq(1-\eta) N$. There exist constants $C, c, c^{\prime}, \delta$ (all depending on $\eta$ ) such that for $c \leq u \leq c^{\prime} N$,

$$
\mathbb{P}\left[\left|\lambda_{k}-\gamma_{k}\right| \geq \frac{u}{N}\right] \leq 4 \exp \left[-\frac{C^{2} u^{2}}{2 c \delta \log (N)+C u}\right] .
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In particular, Dallaporta's estimate for the concentration of $\lambda_{k}$ about $\gamma_{k}$ gives that

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$$

If $U \sim \operatorname{Haar}(\mathbb{U}(N))$ and $\mathcal{N}_{\theta}^{(m)}$ is the number of eigenvalues $e^{i \phi_{k}}$ of $U^{m}$ with $0 \leq \phi_{k} \leq \theta$, then

$$
\mathcal{N}_{\theta}^{(m)} \stackrel{d}{=} \mathcal{N}_{1, \theta}+\cdots+\mathcal{N}_{m, \theta},
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where the $\mathcal{N}_{k, \theta}$ are the counting functions for $m$ independent random matrices from $\mathbb{U}\left(\left\lceil\frac{N-k}{m}\right\rceil\right)$.

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- $\lfloor\sqrt{n}|w|\rfloor<\lfloor\sqrt{n}|z|\rfloor$; or
- $\lfloor\sqrt{n}|w|\rfloor=\lfloor\sqrt{n}|z|\rfloor$ and $\arg w<\arg z$; or

- $\lfloor\sqrt{n}|w|\rfloor=\lfloor\sqrt{n}|z|\rfloor, \arg w=\arg z$, and $|w| \geq|z|$.


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$$

that is, $\left\{X_{f}\right\}$ is a sub-Gaussian process with respect to

$$
d_{N}(f, g):=\frac{\|f-g\|_{B L}}{\sqrt{N}}
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This is not that big a deal: approximating Lipschitz functions by piecewise affine functions and using volumetric estimates in the resulting finite-dimensional normed space of approximating functions does the job.

## Almost sure rates without a priori concentration of distance

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Concentration in an ensemble of normal matrices of individual eigenvalues

Good estimates for $\mathbb{E} W_{p}\left(\mu_{M}, \mu\right)$ from d.p.p. structure

## The best of our worlds: $\mathbb{U}(N)$ and friends, GUE

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Thank you.


