

On multiple peaks of Gaussian Processes JW R Eldan & A Zhai

Gaussian process $\{X_i, 1 \leq i \leq n\}$, $\text{var} X_i \leq \sigma^2$, $\mathbb{E} X_i = 0 \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$

Write $R(i, j) = \mathbb{E} X_i X_j$, $M = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i$, $m = \mathbb{E} M$, $\sigma_M^2 = \text{var} M$

Borell-Sudakov-Tsirelson (B.S.T.)

$$P(|M - m| \geq z) \leq 2e^{-z^2/2\sigma^2}, \text{ in particular } \sigma_M^2 \leq \sigma^2$$

Some Examples (a) REM $\sigma^2 = 1$, $\sigma_M^2 \sim \frac{1}{\log n}$

(b) DGFF in 2D

(c) last passage percolation $\sigma^2 \sim \log n$, $\sigma_M^2 \sim 1$

(d) SK spin glass model $\sigma^2 = 2n$, $\sigma_M^2 \sim n^{2/3}$ → prediction

$H_n \in \{-1, 1\}^n$ $X_\tau = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \tau_i \tau_j g_{ij}$ $\tau \in H_n$ where $g_{ij} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(0, 1)$

$\sigma^2 = n$ $\sigma_M^2 \sim n^u$ $0 < u < 1$

Some examples (a) REM $\sigma_m \sim \log n$

(b) DGEF in 2D $\sigma_m^2 \sim \log n$

Question (a) when would " $\sigma_m^2 \ll \sigma^2$ " occur?
(b) Any structure properties when " $\sigma_m^2 \ll \sigma^2$ "

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(i) superconcentration $\sigma_m^2 \ll \sigma^2$ (iii) Chaos

$$X \stackrel{d}{=} \sqrt{1-\varepsilon} X' + \sqrt{\varepsilon} X''$$

$\exists \varepsilon \ll 1$, st $R(I_m, I'_m) \ll \sigma^2$

I_m - maximizer of X I'_m

(ii) Multiple peaks $\exists \delta, \varepsilon \ll 1, l \gg 1$ st w.h.p $\exists A$ with

(a) $|A| \geq l$ (b) $X_i \geq (1-\delta)m \forall i \in A$, (c) $|R(i, j)| \leq \varepsilon \sigma^2 \forall i \neq j \in A$

Chatterjee Results

① $\sigma_m^2 \ll \sigma^2$ for many models including LPP.

② $\sigma_p^2 = \text{var}(\frac{1}{\beta} \log \sum_{i=1}^n e^{\beta X_i}) \ll \sigma^2$ for SK

③ Superconcentration \iff Chaos \implies multiple peak \implies non-negative correlated ρ



D.E.Z 2013 $\forall \epsilon, \delta, \exists C = C(\epsilon, \delta)$ st with prob tending to 1, $\exists A$
 st (a) $|A| \geq e^{c\sigma/\sigma_m^2}$, (b) $X_i \geq (1-\delta)m$ for all $i \in A$ (c) $|R(i,j)| \leq \epsilon \cdot \sigma^2 \forall (i,j) \in A$

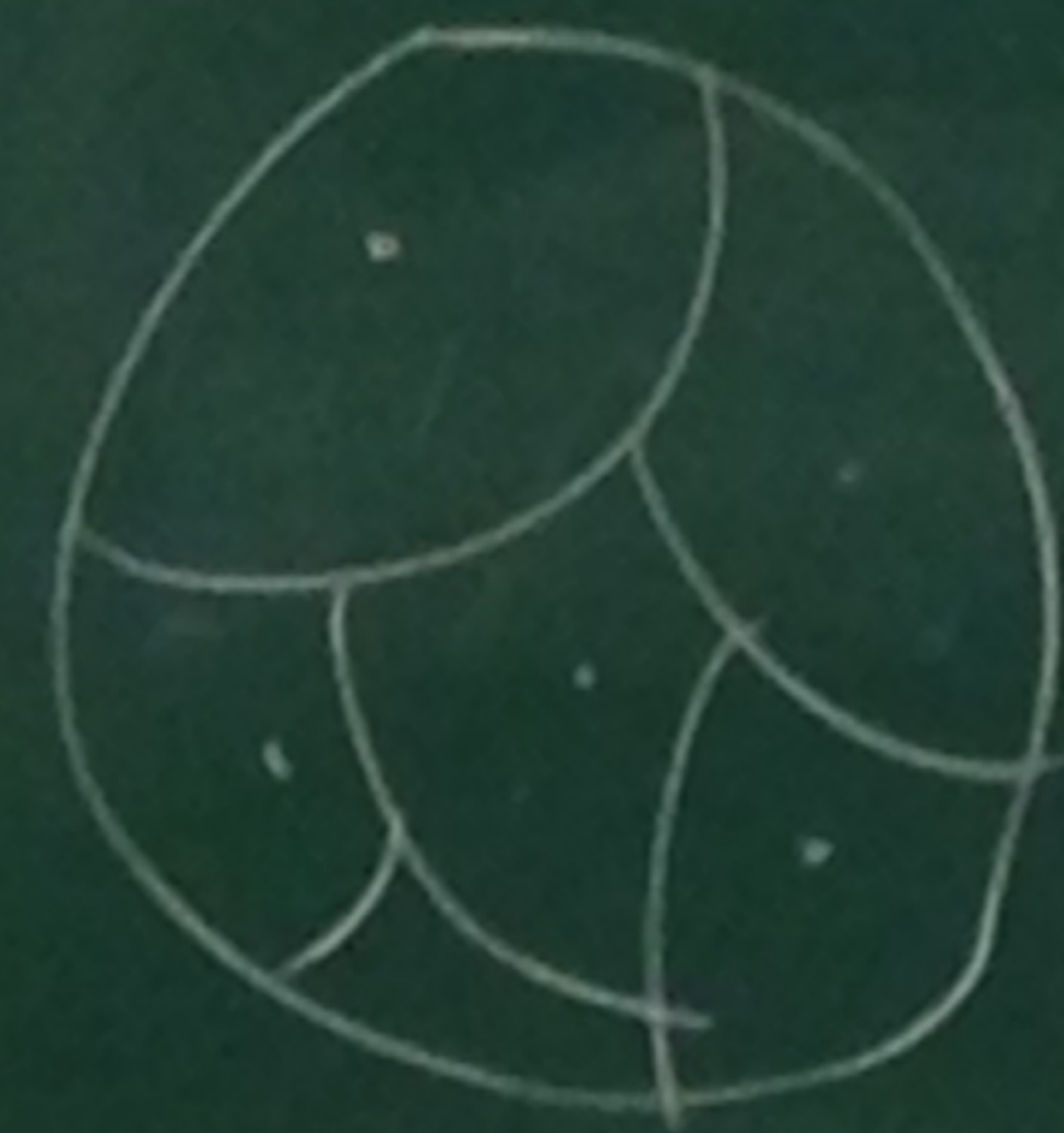
Step 1 if $\sigma_m^2 \ll \sigma^2$, does there exist A st $|A| \geq e^{c\sigma/\sigma_m^2} = K$

and $|R(i,j)| \leq \epsilon \sigma^2$

Pf ^{Assume} $\sigma = 1$ Suppose # of centers is $\leq K$

$[n] = \bigcup_{i=1}^k B_i$ where $\exists i^*$ st

$\forall j \in B_i, |R(j, i^*)| > \epsilon$



Represent $X_i = \langle v_i, y \rangle$
 For $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, let i_y be $\operatorname{argmax} \langle v_i, y \rangle$ and let i_y^* be st $i_y \in B_{i_y^*}$

Represent $X_i = \langle V_i, y \rangle$
For $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, let v_y be $\operatorname{argmax} \langle V_i, y \rangle$ and let \tilde{v}_y be st $v_y \in B_{\tilde{v}_y}^*$

Def map $f: y \rightarrow y + \eta V_{v_y}$ where $\eta = \frac{1}{10\sqrt{\log K}}$

Step take $\alpha = 1 - \delta$, and $A_\alpha = \{i: X_i \geq \alpha m\}$

Consider an independent copy X' but restricted to A_α

wish to argue $\operatorname{var} \sup_{i \in A_\alpha} X_i \approx \sigma_m^2$ quenched on A_α

$$\tilde{X} = \sqrt{1-t} X + \sqrt{t} X' \quad \text{for some } t$$

need to show $\tilde{I}_m \in A_\alpha$ for some suitable t