# Large Random Matrices and Applications to Statistical Signal Processing 

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Figure: The semi-circular distribution (in red) with density $x \mapsto \frac{\sqrt{4-x^{2}}}{2 \pi}$

Wigner's theorem (1948)
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Figure: Marčenko-Pastur's distribution (in red)

## Marčenko-Pastur's theorem (1967)

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Figure: The circular law (in red)

Theorem: The Circular Law (Ginibre, Girko, Bai, Tao \& Vu, etc.)
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## Current trends

- Statistics in large dimension (Bai, Bickel \& Levina, Ledoit and Wolf, etc.)
- Pure mathematics: universality questions, operator algebra (Tao, Vu, Erdös, Guionnet, etc.)
- Social networks, communication networks
- Neuroscience (non-hermitian models - G. Wainrib)


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## Examples

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- Also, Folkmar Bornemann (TU München) has developed fast matlab code


## Tracy-Widom curve



Figure: Tracy-Widom density

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Marchenko-Pastur and Tracy-Widom Distributions


Figure: Fluctuations of the largest eigenvalue $\lambda_{\max }\left(\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{n}\right)$ under $H_{0}$

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## MIMO channel

## MIMO = Multiple Input Multiple Output

It is a channel with multiple antennas at the emission and reception


- The received signal writes: $\overrightarrow{\mathrm{y}}=\mathbf{H} \overrightarrow{\mathrm{x}}+\overrightarrow{\mathrm{v}}$ where
$\triangleright \overrightarrow{\mathrm{x}}$ is the signal that is sent,
$\triangleright \overrightarrow{\mathrm{v}}$ is an additive gaussian white noise with variance $\sigma^{2}$,
$\triangleright \mathrm{H}$ is the random gain matrix. Its distribution is associated to the features of the channel.
$\triangleright \vec{y}$ is the received signal.


## Features of the Gain matrix $\mathbf{H}$

- The entry $[\mathbf{H}]_{i j}$ represents the gain between emitting antenna $j$ and receiving antenna $i$.
- The gain matrix $\mathbf{H}$ is random.
- The distribuon of $\mathbf{H}$ depends on the nature of the channel:
$\triangleright$ Absence of correlation between antennas

$$
\mathbf{H}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \mathbf{X} \quad[\mathbf{X}]_{i j} \text { à entrées i.i.d., variance } \theta^{2}
$$

$\triangleright$ Correlation between emitting antennas $\left(\tilde{\mathrm{D}}^{1 / 2}\right)$ and receiving antennas $\left(\mathrm{D}^{1 / 2}\right)$

$$
\mathbf{H}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \mathbf{D}^{1 / 2} \mathbf{X} \tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{1 / 2} \quad \text { (Rayleigh channel) }
$$

$\triangleright$ Existence of a line-of-sight component (matrix A deterministic) + correlations

$$
\mathbf{H}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \mathbf{D}^{1 / 2} \mathbf{X} \tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{1 / 2}+\mathbf{A} \quad \text { (Rice channel) }
$$

## Performances

- Shannon's mutual information (per antenna)

$$
\mathcal{I}=\frac{1}{N} \log \operatorname{det}\left(\mathbf{I}+\frac{\mathbf{H H}^{*}}{\sigma^{2}}\right)=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \log \left(1+\frac{\lambda_{i}\left(\mathbf{H H}^{*}\right)}{\sigma^{2}}\right)
$$

$\Rightarrow$ depends on the spectrum of matrix $\mathbf{H H}^{*}$.

- Ergodic Mutual Information:

$$
\mathcal{I}^{\mathrm{e}}=\mathbb{E} \mathcal{I}
$$

- Ergodic capacity:

$$
\sup _{\mathbf{Q} \geq 0, \frac{1}{K} \operatorname{tr} \mathbf{Q} \leq 1} \mathbb{E} \log \operatorname{det}\left(I+\frac{\mathbf{H Q H}^{*}}{\sigma^{2}}\right)
$$

$\triangleright$ Regime of interest:
$\{\#$ emitting antennas $\} \propto\{\#$ receiving antennas $\}$

## Questions

$\triangleright$ Behaviour of the empirical measure of the eigenvalues:

$$
L_{N}=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \delta_{\lambda_{i}\left(\mathbf{H H}^{*}\right)}
$$

$\triangleright$ Explicit expression for the logdet:

$$
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$\triangleright$ Fluctuations?
$\triangleright$ Ergodic capacity $\Rightarrow$ Optimisation?

- Asymptotic regime: $N \propto K$. Formally

$$
N, K \rightarrow \infty, \quad \frac{N}{K} \rightarrow c \in(0, \infty)
$$

It's the asymptotic regime of large random matrices.

## Empirical measure: the white case

## Channel $\mathbf{H}$ with i.i.d. entries

- Marčenko-Pastur Stieltjes transform $g(z)=\int \frac{\mu_{\mathrm{MP}}(d \lambda)}{\lambda-z}$ satisfies:

$$
z c \theta^{2} g^{2}(z)+\left(z+(c-1) \theta^{2}\right) g(z)+1=0 .
$$

- Convergence of the mutual information:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{I} \quad \frac{1}{N} \log \operatorname{det}\left(I+\frac{\mathbf{H H}^{*}}{\sigma^{2}}\right)=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \log \left(1+\frac{\lambda_{i}\left(\mathbf{H H}^{*}\right)}{\sigma^{2}}\right) \\
& \longrightarrow \quad \mathcal{I}_{\text {approx }} \triangleq \int \log \left(1+\frac{x}{\sigma^{2}}\right) \mu_{\mathrm{MP}}(d x) \\
&=\int_{\sigma^{2}}^{\infty}\left(\frac{1}{w}-g(-w)\right) d w
\end{aligned}
$$

- Explicit formula for the limit:

$$
\mathcal{I}_{\text {approx }}=-\log \sigma^{2} g\left(-\sigma^{2}\right)+\frac{1}{c} \log \left(\frac{1+c \theta^{2} g\left(-\sigma^{2}\right)}{\sigma^{2}}\right)-\frac{\theta^{2} g\left(-\sigma^{2}\right)}{1+c \theta^{2} g\left(-\sigma^{2}\right)}
$$

- Important results:

1. $\mathbb{E} \log \operatorname{det}\left(I+\frac{\mathbf{H H}^{*}}{\sigma^{2}}\right) \propto \min (N, K)$
2. Speed of convergence [for Gaussian entries]: $\mathcal{I}^{\mathrm{e}}-\mathcal{I}_{\text {approx }}=\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N^{2}}\right)$

## Rice channel

The gain matrix writes in this case:

$$
\mathbf{H}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \mathbf{D}^{1 / 2} \mathbf{X} \tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{1 / 2}+\mathbf{A}
$$

- We have again $\mathcal{I}^{\mathrm{e}}-\mathcal{I}_{\text {approx }}^{\mathrm{e}} \rightarrow 0$ where

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}_{\text {approx }}^{\mathrm{e}}=\frac{1}{N} \log \operatorname{det}\left[\mathbf{I}+\tilde{\delta} \mathbf{D}+\frac{\mathbf{1}}{\sigma^{2}} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{I}+\right. & \left.\delta \tilde{\mathbf{D}})^{-\mathbf{1}} \mathbf{A}^{*}\right] \\
& +\frac{1}{N} \log \operatorname{det}(\mathbf{I}+\delta \tilde{\mathbf{D}})-\frac{\sigma^{2} n}{N} \delta \tilde{\delta}
\end{aligned}
$$

and $\left(\delta_{n}, \tilde{\delta}_{n}\right)$ unique solutions of the system:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\delta & =\frac{1}{n} \operatorname{tr}\left[\mathbf{D}\left(-z(\mathbf{I}+\tilde{\delta} \mathbf{D})+\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{I}+\delta \tilde{\mathbf{D}})^{-\mathbf{1}} \mathbf{A}^{*}\right)^{-1}\right] \\
\tilde{\delta} & =\frac{1}{n} \operatorname{tr}\left[\tilde{\mathbf{D}}\left(-z(\mathbf{I}+\delta \tilde{\mathbf{D}})+\mathbf{A}^{*}(\mathbf{I}+\tilde{\delta} \mathbf{D})^{-\mathbf{1}} \mathbf{A}\right)^{-1}\right]
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- moreover, $\mathcal{I}-\mathcal{I}_{\text {approx }}=\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N^{2}}\right)$ for Gaussian entries


## Ergodic capacity and precoding

MIMO channel with precoding
$\triangleright$ The channel becomes $\mathrm{HQ}^{1 / 2}$, mutual information becomes

$$
\mathcal{I}^{\mathrm{e}}(\mathbf{Q})=\frac{1}{N} \mathbb{E} \log \operatorname{det}\left(\mathbf{I}_{N}+\frac{\mathbf{H Q H}^{*}}{\sigma^{2}}\right)
$$

$\triangleright$ We can still compute a "large random matrix" approximation

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}_{\text {approx }}^{\mathrm{e}}= & \mathcal{I}_{\text {approx }}^{\mathrm{e}}(\mathbf{Q}) \\
= & \frac{1}{N} \log \operatorname{det}\left[\mathbf{I}+\tilde{\delta} \mathbf{D}+\frac{\mathbf{1}}{\sigma^{\mathbf{2}}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Q}^{\mathbf{1 / 2}}(\mathbf{I}+\delta \tilde{\mathbf{D}} \mathbf{Q})^{-\mathbf{1}} \mathbf{Q}^{\mathbf{1 / 2}} \mathbf{A}^{*}\right] \\
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\end{aligned}
$$

## Ergodic capacity

The ergodic capacity is obtained by optimizing the mutual information with respect to linear precoders $Q^{1 / 2}$ with finite energy:

$$
C=\sup _{\mathbf{Q} \geq 0 ; \frac{1}{K} \operatorname{Tr} \mathbf{Q} \leq 1} \frac{1}{K} \mathbb{E} \log \operatorname{det}\left(\mathbf{I}_{N}+\frac{\mathbf{H Q H}^{*}}{\sigma^{2}}\right)
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## Approximating problem

Consider the following approximating problem:

$$
C_{\text {approx }}=\sup _{\mathbf{Q} \geq 0 ; \frac{1}{K} \operatorname{Tr} \mathbf{Q} \leq 1} \mathcal{I}_{\text {approx }}^{\mathrm{e}}(\mathbf{Q})
$$

## Results

1. We have $C-C_{\text {approx }} \rightarrow 0$
2. $\mathbf{Q}^{*}=\arg \max \mathcal{I}^{\mathbf{e}}(\mathbf{Q})$ close to $\mathbf{Q}_{\text {approx }}^{*}=\arg \max \mathcal{I}_{\text {approx }}^{\mathbf{e}}(\mathbf{Q})$
3. Exists an iterative algorithm (i.e. quick) to compute $C_{\text {approx }}$ and $\mathbf{Q}^{*}{ }_{\text {approx }}$

## Simulations

- The iterative algorithm outperforms Paulraj \& Vu algorithm with respect to the complexity (average time per iterations - in $s$ ):

|  | $N=n=2$ | $N=n=4$ | $N=n=8$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Paulraj-Vu | 0.75 | 8.2 | 138 |
| iterative algo. | $10^{-2}$ | $3.10^{-2}$ | $7.10^{-2}$ |



Figure : Comparing with Vu \& Paulraj algorithm

