

Conjugate Phase Retrieval in the Paley-Wiener Space

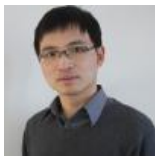
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is injective, where ϕ_n are linear functionals on \mathcal{H} .

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Conjugate Phase Retrieval

Suppose the signal space \mathcal{H} has the property that if $f \in \mathcal{H}$, then $\bar{f} \in \mathcal{H}$ (e.g. \mathbb{C}^d or the Paley-Wiener space). We formulate a weaker variation:

Problem (Conjugate Phase Retrieval–Evans & Lai [EL17])

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Definition

For $\beta > 0$, we denote

$$PW_\beta = \{f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) \mid \hat{f}(\xi) = 0 \text{ a.e. } |\xi| > \beta\}.$$

Definition

If $f \in PW_\beta$, then

$$f^\sharp(z) = \overline{f(\bar{z})} \in PW_\beta$$

Note that for real z , $f^\sharp = \bar{f}$. From here on, our equivalence relation is on PW_β :

$$f \sim g \text{ if } f = \alpha g, \text{ or } f = \alpha g^\sharp \text{ for some } |\alpha| = 1.$$

The Problem with Phase Retrieval in the PW_β

Goal

Design a sampling regime $\{\phi_n\}$ on PW_β that:

- 1 does conjugate phase retrieval;*
- 2 admits a numerical reconstruction method.*

Preferably, the sampling regime occurs on the real axis.

Problem

If $f \in PW_\beta$, $|f(x)|$ does not determine $f(x)$ up to unimodular scalar, or conjugation either (here, $x \in \mathbb{R}$).

If \hat{f} is supported in an interval smaller than 2β , \hat{f} can be shifted to remain in $(-\beta, \beta)$, which modulates $f(x)$.

Phase Retrieval: A Short History

- 1 Optics: Gerchberg-Saxton [GS72], Fienup [Fie78], Rosenblatt [Ros84], Levi-Stark [LS84]
- 2 Inverse Spectral Theory [KS92, KST95]
- 3 Frames: Balan et. al. [BCE06, BBCE09] Bandeira et. al. [BCMN14]
- 4 Reconstructions: Alternating projections; Wirtinger Flow; PhaseLift; PhaseMax; AltMinPhase; Kaczmarz; etc

Phase Retrieval: A Short History (cont'd)

- 1 Paley-Wiener space: Thakur [Tha11], Pohl-Yang-Boche [PYB14].
 - 1 [Tha11] considers the case of real phase retrieval in PW_π . The reconstruction occurs off of the real axis, where there are no zeros of the function.
 - 2 [PYB14] considers the case of (complex) phase retrieval in PW_π by designing a sampling scheme that occurs off of the real axis. In particular, the sampling scheme as presented in [PYB14] takes the form

$$\phi_n(f) = \sum_j c_{j,n} f(z_n - b_{j,n}) \quad (1)$$

for complex scalars $c_{j,n}$, z_n , $b_{j,n}$. Sampling schemes such as this are referred to as *structured modulations* in [PYB14] because the authors there consider the reconstruction in the Fourier domain, where the shifts become modulations.

Conjugate Phase Retrieval: A Short History

Proposition (McDonald [McD04])

Suppose $f, g \in PW_\beta$.

- 1 If $b < \beta/\pi$, and for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $|f(x)| = |g(x)|$ and $|f(x+b) - f(x)| = |g(x+b) - g(x)|$, then $f \sim g$.
- 2 If for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $|f(x)| = |g(x)|$ and $|f'(x)| = |g'(x)|$, then $f \sim g$.

Proposition (Evans-Lai [EL17])

If $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is written as $[\vec{v}_1 \quad \vec{v}_2 \quad \vec{v}_3] = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \end{bmatrix}$ then $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$ does conjugate phase retrieval in \mathbb{C}^2 if and only if

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a_1^2 & 2a_1a_2 & a_2^2 \\ b_1^2 & 2b_1b_2 & b_2^2 \\ c_1^2 & 2c_1c_2 & c_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \neq 0. \quad (2)$$

Conjugate Phase Retrieval in \mathbb{C}^d

- 1 CPR is weaker than PR: there exist vectors in \mathbb{C}^d that do CPR but not PR.
- 2 Q: Can CPR be done with $3d$ vectors?
- 3 No proven reconstruction method exists for Conjugate Phase Retrieval in \mathbb{C}^d .
- 4 We will use Gerchberg-Saxton for reconstruction. We show experimentally that it works well.
- 5 Q: Can CPR be made robust to noise?

Gerchberg-Saxton for Reconstruction

Given A that does conjugate phase retrieval, $|A^T \vec{v}|$, reconstruct $\vec{w} \in [\vec{v}]$.

1 Choose phases $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$;

2 Apply $(A^T)^\dagger$ to

$$(\lambda_1 |\langle \vec{v}, \vec{v}_1 \rangle|, \dots, \lambda_n |\langle \vec{v}, \vec{v}_n \rangle|)^T$$

to obtain estimate \vec{w} ;

3 Replace \vec{w} with $(A^T)^\dagger$ applied to

$$\left(\frac{\langle \vec{w}, \vec{v}_1 \rangle}{|\langle \vec{w}, \vec{v}_1 \rangle|} |\langle \vec{v}, \vec{v}_1 \rangle|, \dots, \frac{\langle \vec{w}, \vec{v}_n \rangle}{|\langle \vec{w}, \vec{v}_n \rangle|} |\langle \vec{v}, \vec{v}_n \rangle| \right)^T ;$$

4 Repeat step 3.

Observed behavior:

- 1 the alternating projections method converges (Levi-Stark)
- 2 the method may not converge to a solution (i.e. Traps)
- 3 Traps/Tunnels were observed in numerical simulations (reconstruction failed; however, reseeding succeeds)
- 4 for the 3×6 matrix A used in the PW example, reconstruction error was $< 10^{-4}$ after 400 iterations for approximately 80% of instances (performed 1000 random examples)

A Corollary of McDonald's Theorem

Lemma

If $f \in PW_\beta$, then: $f' \in PW_\beta$; $ff^\# \in PW_{2\beta}$; $f'(f')^\# \in PW_{2\beta}$.

Theorem

Suppose $\{t_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ is a set of sampling for $PW_{2\beta}$. Then the mapping

$$A : PW_\beta / \sim \rightarrow \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}) \oplus \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}) : f \mapsto (|f(t_n)|, |f(t_n + b) - f(t_n)|)_n$$

is one-to-one whenever $b < \frac{\beta}{\pi}$.

Similarly, the mapping

$$\tilde{A} : PW_\beta / \sim \rightarrow \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}) \oplus \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}) : f \mapsto (|f(t_n)|, |f'(t_n)|)_n$$

is one-to-one.

Fundamental Question: How to invert these mappings?

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- 1 We can reconstruct $|f(x)|^2$ and $|f(x + b) - f(x)|^2$ (or $|f'(x)|^2$) easily.
- 2 McDonald's Theorem guarantees injectivity of the mappings using Weierstrass factorizations of functions of finite order.
- 3 Reconstruction from McDonald's Theorem requires knowledge of the zeros of f .
- 4 Inversion is unstable: observed by Mallat-Waldspurger [MW15], proven by Cahill-Casazza-Daubechies [CCD16].

We propose a sampling and reconstruction method following Pohl-Yang-Boche [PYB14] using “structured convolutions”.

Theorem (Lai, Littmann & W.)

The following sampling scheme does conjugate phase retrieval on PW_π :

$$\{|\alpha_m * f(t_n)| : m = 0, 1, \dots, M-1; n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

where

$$\alpha_m * f = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \overline{a_{km}} f(\cdot - b_k) \quad (3)$$

provided:

- 1 $A = (a_{km})$ be a $K \times M$ matrix which does conjugate phase retrieval on \mathbb{C}^K
- 2 $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \subset \mathbb{R}$ is a set of sampling for the space $PW_{2\pi}$
- 3 $\{b_j\}_{j=0}^{K-1} \subset \mathbb{R}$ be such that the group $\mathbb{Z}(\{b_0, b_1, \dots, b_{K-1}\})$ has finite upper Beurling density and lower Beurling density greater than one.

Reconstruction via Structured Convolutions

For $f \in PW_\pi$ we sample

$$\{|\alpha_m * f(t_n)| : m = 0, 1, \dots, M - 1; n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \quad (4)$$

where $\{t_n\}$ and α_m satisfy the hypotheses of Theorem 3. Choose $b_j = j/B$ for some integer B .

Reconstruction Algorithm

- 1 From the samples in Equation (4), reconstruct the functions

$$|\alpha_m * f(x)|^2, \quad m = 0, 1, \dots, M - 1,$$

using the Shannon sampling theorem.

- 2 Choose β at random[†].

By Lemma 4, with probability 1,

$$f\left(\frac{n}{B} - b_j - \beta\right) \neq 0 \text{ for all } j = 0, \dots, K - 1, n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Reconstruction Algorithm (Continued)

- 3 Calculate the following samples using Step 1:

$$|\alpha_m * f(\frac{n}{B} - \beta)|^2, \quad m = 0, 1, \dots, M - 1, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

- 4 Use the fact that the matrix A does conjugate phase retrieval to calculate for each $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ the vector

$$\vec{F}_n := \lambda(\frac{n}{B} - \beta) \begin{pmatrix} f(\frac{n}{B} - b_0 - \beta) \\ \vdots \\ f(\frac{n}{B} - b_{K-1} - \beta) \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

up to the unknown phase $\lambda(\frac{n}{B} - \beta)$ and unknown conjugation.

Reconstruction Algorithm (Continued)

- 5 For adjacent vectors \vec{F}_n and \vec{F}_{n+1} , choose the conjugations and phase factors so that the entries that appear in both vectors agree. This can be done, since by Lemma 5, the choice of β makes these choices unique (with probability 1).
- 6 We now obtain the samples

$$\{\lambda f\left(\frac{n}{B} - \beta\right) : n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \text{ or } \overline{\{\lambda f\left(\frac{n}{B} - \beta\right) : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}}$$

up to unknown unimodular scalar λ , depending on whether our choice for conjugation was correct. Using these samples, we reconstruct $\lambda f(x - \beta)$ (if our choice of conjugation was correct) or $\lambda f^\sharp(x - \beta)$ (if our choice of conjugation was incorrect).

An Example

- 1 $f \in PW_\pi$, generated with 20 random complex valued coefficients ($f(n)$), and $f(0) = 0$
- 2 we choose $b_0 = 0$, $b_1 = 1/2$, $b_2 = 1$, and the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- 3 we sample $\alpha_m * f$ at $\frac{\mathbb{Z}}{2}$
- 4 we select $\beta \in (0, 1)$ at random, then reconstruct for $n \in [-20, 20]$:

$$|\alpha_m * f(\frac{n}{2} - \beta)|^2$$

An Example (Continued)

- 5 Apply alternating projections (the Gerchberg-Saxton method) to

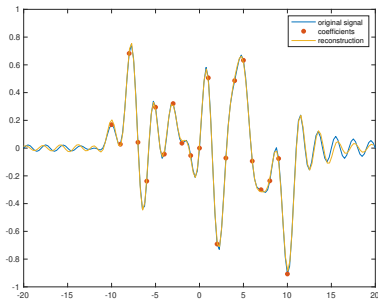
$$\left| \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} f\left(\frac{n+1}{2} - \beta\right) \\ f\left(\frac{n}{2} - \beta\right) \\ f\left(\frac{n-1}{2} - \beta\right) \end{pmatrix}, \vec{a}_m \right\rangle \right| \quad m = 1, \dots, 6$$

- 6 for n we obtain, up to unknown conjugation and phase λ_n :

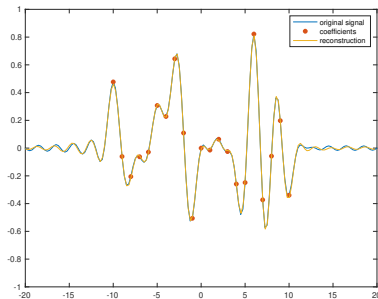
$$\vec{F}_n = \lambda_n \begin{pmatrix} f\left(\frac{n+1}{2} - \beta\right) \\ f\left(\frac{n}{2} - \beta\right) \\ f\left(\frac{n-1}{2} - \beta\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

- 7 choose conjugation and phase so that \vec{F}_{n+1} is consistent with \vec{F}_n .
- 8 Reconstruct f from the consistent samples $f\left(\frac{n}{2} - \beta\right)$.

Graphs of the Reconstruction



Real part



Imaginary part

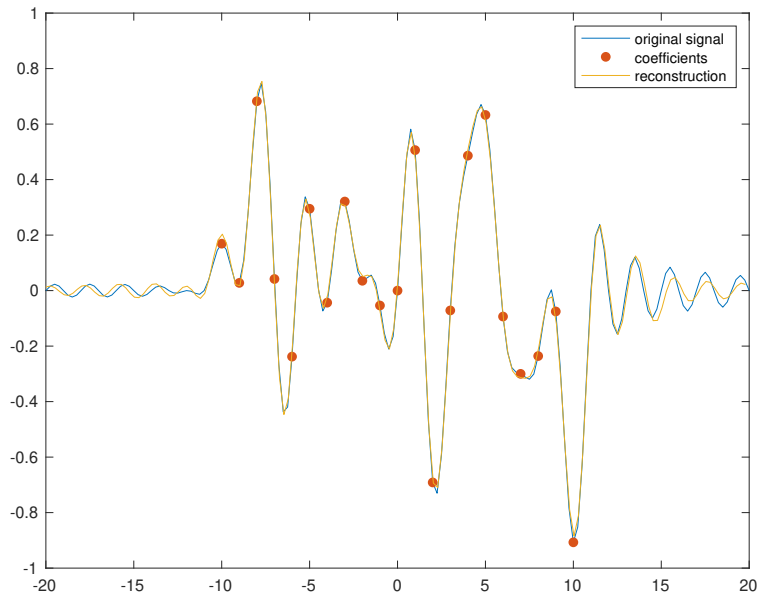
Reconstruction error: (f -original signal; r -reconstructed signal; Fröbenius norm)

$$\|f \otimes f - r \otimes r\| / \|f \otimes f\| = 0.026$$

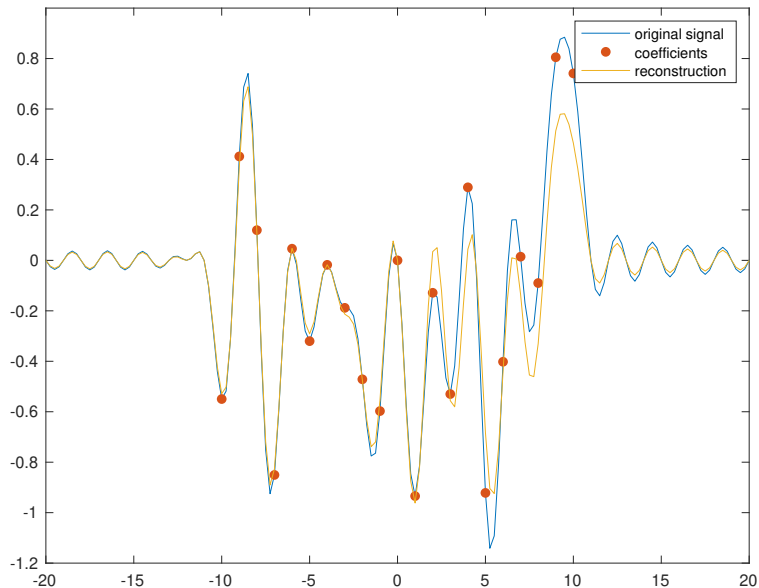
$\beta = 0.2119$ (chosen using the MATLAB command `rand`).

Choice of β affected the reconstruction error.

Reconstruction (Magnified)



Failed Reconstruction



Sample Complexity

The “McDonald Corollary” samples 2 convoluted copies of f at twice the Nyquist rate. Thus, the sample complexity is 4 times the Nyquist rate.

Our example with a numerical reconstruction samples 3 convoluted copies of the signal f at twice the Nyquist rate. Thus, the sample complexity is 6 times the Nyquist rate.

However, for *generic* signals, we can reduce the sample complexity to 3 times the Nyquist rate:

Reconstruction Algorithm

- 1 Sample $|f(n)|$, $|f(n+1) - f(n-1)|$, and $|f(n+1) - f(n)|$ at \mathbb{Z} ;
- 2 reconstruct $\{f(n+1), f(n), f(n-1)\}$ up to phase and conjugation from

$$\{|f(n+1)|, |f(n)|, |f(n-1)|, |f(n+1) - f(n-1)|, |f(n+1) - f(n)|, |f(n) - f(n-1)|\}; \quad (6)$$

- 3 If $\mathcal{Z}(f) \cap \mathbb{Z} = \emptyset$, the samples can be made consistent.

Several Lemmas

Lemma

The set of all $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f\left(\frac{n}{B} - b_j - \beta\right) = 0,$$

for some $j = 0, \dots, K - 1$ and for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ is countable.

Lemma

Suppose g is an entire function. For fixed $\{b_0, \dots, b_{K-1}\} \subset \mathbb{R}$, the set of $x \in \mathbb{R}$ for which the vectors

$$\begin{pmatrix} g(x - b_0) \\ g(x - b_1) \\ \vdots \\ g(x - b_{K-1}) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \overline{g(x - b_0)} \\ \overline{g(x - b_1)} \\ \vdots \\ \overline{g(x - b_{K-1})} \end{pmatrix}$$

are colinear is either all of \mathbb{R} or at most countable.

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