On the structure of certain non-convex functionals and the Gaussian Z-interference channel

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• This motivates us to consider certain Fenchel dual functional which we conjectured to be optimized by Gaussian.

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• In the following sessions we will show how does this conjecture imply the optimality of Gaussian inputs.

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(although " \geq " always holds under certain regularity conditions). However we can show that the functional $K_1 \mapsto \psi_G(K_1, K_2)$ has such property and this implies the sufficiency of our conjecture.

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GZIC functionals

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since the right hand side is a concave functional in K_1 that upper bounds $\psi_{\rm G}(K_1, K_2)$.

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• Fixing $K_2 \succeq 0$ and $\mathbf{X}_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, K_2)$ we have

$$\mathcal{C}_{K_1}\left[\psi_{\mathrm{G}}(K_1, K_2)\right] \leq \max_{\substack{p(\mathbf{x}_1)p(\mathbf{u}_1|\mathbf{x}_1)\\ \mathrm{E}[\mathbf{X}_1\mathbf{X}_1^T] \leq K_1}} \mathrm{E}_{\mathbf{U}_1}\left[\psi(\mathbf{X}_1|_{\mathbf{U}_1}, \mathbf{X}_2)\right]$$

since the right hand side is a concave functional in K_1 that upper bounds $\psi_{\rm G}(K_1, K_2)$.

• It remains the establish the following:

Proposition 1

Let $K_1 \succeq 0$ and let \mathbf{X}_2 be Gaussian. Then the maximum

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is attained by some zero-mean Gaussian \mathbf{X}_1 and constant random variable \mathbf{U}_1 .

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• Doubling: Take two independent copies $(\mathbf{X}_{11}^*, \mathbf{U}_{11}^*)$, $(\mathbf{X}_{12}^*, \mathbf{U}_{12}^*)$ of the maximizer. Let

$$\mathbf{X}_{11} := \frac{\mathbf{X}_{11}^* + \mathbf{X}_{12}^*}{\sqrt{2}}, \qquad \mathbf{X}_{12} := \frac{\mathbf{X}_{11}^* - \mathbf{X}_{12}^*}{\sqrt{2}}$$

and $U_1 := (U_{11}^*, U_{12}^*)$. For i = 1, 2 let

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