
Algorithms for Big Data (X)

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The **Frobenius norm** of a matrix $A = (a_{ij})_{1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n}$ is

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Then our algorithm outputs $A'B'$ where

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$$\mathbf{Var}[X_k] = \sum_{\ell=1}^n \frac{\alpha_{\ell i}^2 b_{\ell j}^2}{c^2 p_\ell} - \frac{1}{c^2} (AB)_{ij}^2.$$

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We compute that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} [\|AB - A'B'\|_{\mathbb{F}}^2] &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{E} [(AB - A'B')_{ij}^2] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{Var} [(A'B')_{ij}] \\ &= \frac{1}{c} \left(\sum_{\ell=1}^n \frac{1}{p_{\ell}} \|\mathbf{a}_{\ell}\|^2 \|\mathbf{b}_{\ell}\|^2 - \|AB\|_{\mathbb{F}}^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

If we choose $p_\ell \sim \|\mathbf{a}_\ell\| \|\mathbf{b}_\ell\|$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} \left[\|\mathbf{AB} - \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{B}'\|_{\mathbb{F}}^2 \right] &= \frac{1}{c} \left(\left(\sum_{\ell=1}^n \|\mathbf{a}_\ell\| \|\mathbf{b}_\ell\| \right)^2 - \|\mathbf{AB}\|_{\mathbb{F}}^2 \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{c} \left(\sum_{\ell=1}^n \|\mathbf{a}_\ell\| \|\mathbf{b}_\ell\| \right)^2 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{c} \|\mathbf{A}\|_{\mathbb{F}}^2 \|\mathbf{B}\|_{\mathbb{F}}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by Chebyshev's inequality,

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We can choose $c = O\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \log\left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right)\right)$ to achieve $1 - \delta$ probability of correctness.

Graph Spectrum