

On the CLT for spectral statistics of Wigner and sample covariance random matrices

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Why random matrices?

Mathematics:

- Statistics
- Combinatorics
- Topology
- Probability
- Functional Analysis
- Integrable systems

Physics:

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 - Quantum Field Theory
 - Condensed Matter
 - Statistical Physics
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In particular, if all entries of M_n are independent Gaussian random variables,

$$W_{jk} \sim N(0, 1 + \delta_{jk}), \quad 1 \leq j \leq k \leq n,$$

then we call M_n the Gaussian Orthogonal Ensemble (GOE).

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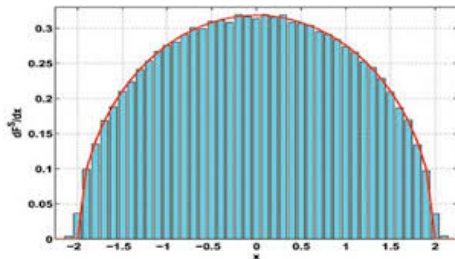
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For any bounded continuous function φ , with probability 1,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^n \varphi(\lambda_{\ell}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi(\lambda) dN_n(\lambda) = \int_{-2w}^{2w} \varphi(\lambda) \rho_{scl}(\lambda) d\lambda,$$

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Marchenko-Pastur distribution

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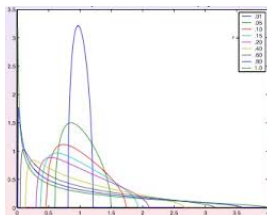
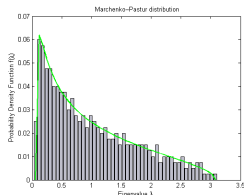
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$$m, n \rightarrow \infty, m/n \rightarrow c \geq 1.$$

Then $N_n(d\lambda) \rightarrow \rho_{MP}(\lambda)d\lambda$ a.s.,

$$\rho_{MP}(\lambda) = \frac{\sqrt{((\lambda - a_-)(a_+ - \lambda))_+}}{2\pi a^2 \lambda},$$

$$a_{\pm} = a^2(\sqrt{c} \pm 1)^2.$$



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So, for smooth functions φ CLT, if any, is valid for the centered linear eigenvalue statistic $\mathcal{N}_n^\circ[\varphi]$ itself without any normalization constant in front.

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Theorem.

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$$V_{GOE}[\varphi] = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-2}^2 \left(\frac{\varphi(\lambda_1) - \varphi(\lambda_2)}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} \right)^2 \frac{(4 - \lambda_1 \lambda_2) d\lambda_1 d\lambda_2}{\sqrt{4 - \lambda_1^2} \sqrt{4 - \lambda_2^2}}.$$

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$$V_{Wig}[\varphi] = V_{GOE}[\varphi] + \frac{\kappa_4}{2\pi^2} \left(\int_{-2}^2 \varphi(\mu) \frac{2 - \mu^2}{\sqrt{4 - \mu^2}} d\mu \right)^2,$$

where $\kappa_4 = \mu_4 - 3$.

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\Rightarrow one could expect that the asymptotic behaviors of $\varphi_{jj}(M_n)$ and $n^{-1} \mathcal{N}_n[\varphi]$ are the same.

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$$V_{m.el.}^W[\varphi] = V_{m.el.}^{GOE}[\varphi] + \kappa_4 \left| \int_{-2}^2 \varphi(\mu) (1 - \mu^2) \rho_{scl}(\mu) d\mu \right|^2.$$

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Ideas of the proof. CLT for GOE.

Theorem.

Let $\widehat{M}_n = n^{-1/2} \widehat{W}_n$ be the GOE,

$$\widehat{W}_{jk} \sim N(0, 1 + \delta_{jk}), \quad j \leq k, \quad \text{are independent.}$$

Let $\mathcal{N}_n[\varphi]$ be the linear eigenvalue statistic corresponding to a bounded test function φ with bounded derivative. Then $\mathcal{N}_n^\circ[\varphi]$ converges in distribution to the Gaussian random variable with zero mean and variance

$$V_{GOE}[\varphi] = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-2}^2 \left(\frac{\varphi(\lambda_1) - \varphi(\lambda_2)}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} \right)^2 \frac{(4 - \lambda_1 \lambda_2) d\lambda_1 d\lambda_2}{\sqrt{4 - \lambda_1^2} \sqrt{4 - \lambda_2^2}}.$$

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Proposition

Let $\xi = \{\xi_\ell\}_{\ell=1}^p$ be independent Gaussian random variables of zero mean, and $\Phi : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a differentiable function with polynomially bounded partial derivatives Φ'_ℓ , $\ell = 1, \dots, p$. Then we have

$$\mathbf{E}\{\xi_\ell \Phi(\xi)\} = \mathbf{E}\{\xi_\ell^2\} \mathbf{E}\{\Phi'_\ell(\xi)\}, \quad \ell = 1, \dots, p,$$

and

$$\mathbf{Var}\{\Phi(\xi)\} \leq \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{E}\{\xi_\ell^2\} \mathbf{E}\{|\Phi'_\ell(\xi)|^2\}.$$

The first formula is a version of the integration by parts. The second is a version of the Poincaré inequality.

Ideas of the proof. CLT for Wigner Matrices, $\mu_4 = 3$.

Theorem (AL, Pastur'09). Let $M_n = n^{-1/2}W_n$ be a Wigner matrix:

- $W_{jk} = W_{kj} \in \mathbb{R}$,
- W_{jk} , $j \leq k$, are independent,
- $\mathbf{E}\{W_{jk}\} = 0$, $\mathbf{E}\{W_{jk}^2\} = (1 + \delta_{jk})$,
- the fifth absolute moments of matrix entries are uniformly bounded, the third and the fourth moments, $\mu_{3,4} = \mathbf{E}\{W_{jk}^{3,4}\}$, do not depend on j, k, n when $j \neq k$.
- $\mathbf{E}\{W_{jk}^4\} = 3$, $j \neq k$.

Suppose also that

$$\varphi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \int (1 + |t|^5) |F[\varphi](t)| dt < \infty.$$

Then $\mathcal{N}_n^\circ[\varphi]$ converges in distribution to the Gaussian random variable with zero mean and variance $V_{GOE}[\varphi]$.

Ideas of the proof. An interpolation trick.

Proposition.(Khoruzhenko, Khorunzhy, Pastur, 1995)

If $\mathbf{E}\{|\xi|^{p+2}\} < \infty$ and $\Phi \in C^{p+1}$ with bounded partial derivatives, then

$$\mathbf{E}\{\xi\Phi(\xi)\} = \sum_{\ell=0}^p \frac{\kappa_{\ell+1}}{\ell!} \mathbf{E}\{\Phi^{(\ell)}(\xi)\} + \varepsilon_p,$$

$$|\varepsilon_p| \leq C_p \mathbf{E}\{|\xi|^{p+2}\} \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |\Phi^{(p+1)}(t)|.$$

An interpolation matrix: $M(s) = s^{1/2}M + (1-s)^{1/2}\widehat{M}$, $0 \leq s \leq 1$.

Here M and \widehat{M} are independent Wigner and GOE matrices with equal moments up to the fourth order.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}\{e^{ix \operatorname{Tr} \varphi(M)^\circ}\} - \mathbf{E}\{e^{ix \operatorname{Tr} \varphi(\widehat{M})^\circ}\} &= \int_0^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \mathbf{E}\{e^{ix \operatorname{Tr} \varphi(M(s))^\circ}\} ds \\ &= \frac{ix}{2} \int_0^1 \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{ns}} \sum_{j,k=1}^n \mathbf{E}\{\Phi(M(s))W_{jk}\} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{n(1-s)}} \sum_{j,k=1}^n \mathbf{E}\{\Phi(M(s))\widehat{W}_{jk}\} \right\} ds \\ &= O(n^{-1/2}). \end{aligned}$$

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Thank you!