

Lecture 5

Recall

- Hard-sphere model over bdd. meas. $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ w/ fugacity $\lambda > 0$.

Partition funct. $Z_S(\lambda) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \lambda^k \hat{Z}_S(k)$ → uniform over slices

↘ k^{th} slice weighted by λ^k

$$\hat{Z}_S(k) = \frac{1}{k!} \int_S \mathbb{1}_{D(x_1, \dots, x_k)} dx_1 \dots dx_k = \text{vol. size-}k \text{ packings.}$$

↙ event: $d(x_i, x_j) > 2r_d$

• $\hat{Z}_S(0) = 1$

$$P(|X|=k) = \frac{\lambda^k \hat{Z}_S(k)}{Z_S(\lambda)}$$

• $X \sim_{\text{HS}(\lambda)} S \Rightarrow$

- Expected packing density

$$\alpha_S(\lambda) = \frac{\mathbb{E}_{S, \lambda} |X|}{\text{vol}(S)}$$

Thm [Gil-Fernández, Kim, Liu, Pikhurko 21+]

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0, d_0 \text{ s.t. } \forall d > d_0, \forall \lambda \geq (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \delta)^d$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_S(\lambda) \geq (\log \sqrt{2} - \varepsilon) \cdot d \cdot 2^{-d}$$

Prop 1: $\alpha_S(\lambda) = \frac{\lambda}{\text{vol}(S)} (\log Z_S(\lambda))'$

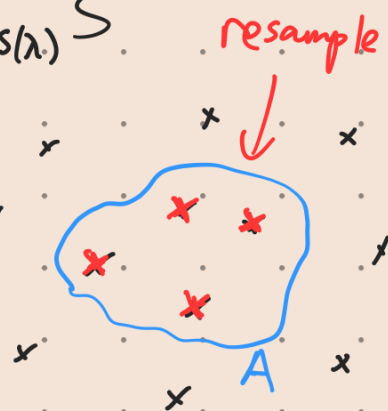
Lemma 2: $\alpha_S(\lambda)$ is monotone increasing wrt λ .

Spatial Markov property:

• Sample $X \sim_{\text{HS}(\lambda)} S$

- \forall meas. A , resample on externally uncovered part of A

\Rightarrow result in the same dist. as X .



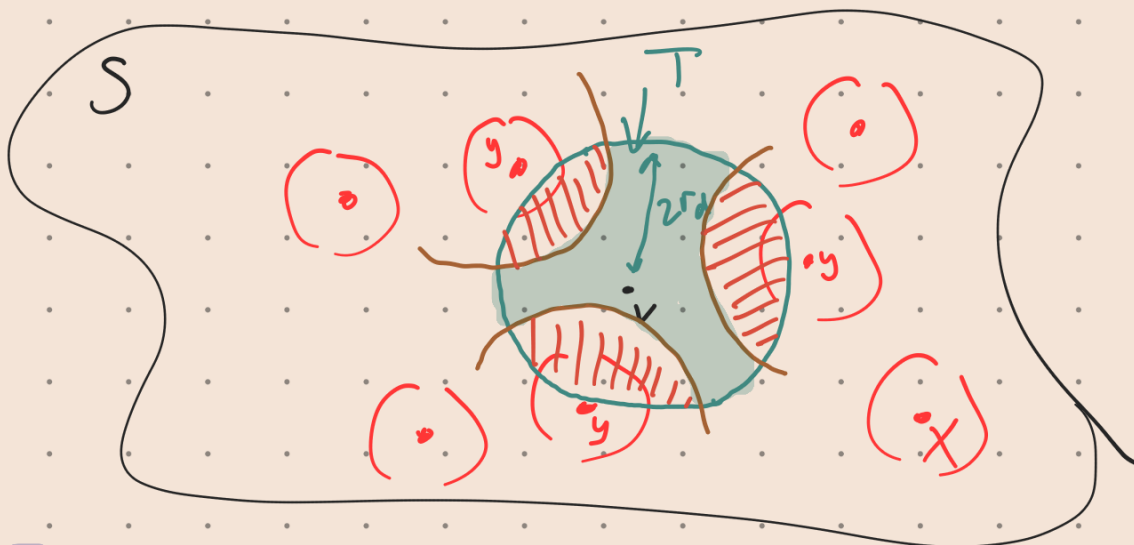
- Expected free volume

$$FV_S = \frac{1}{\text{vol}(S)} \int_S \mathbb{P}(d(x_0, X) > 2r_d) dx_0$$

↑ prob. that a unif random pt can be added

- Externally uncovered part: given a set $X \subseteq S$, a pt v

$$T = T(X, v) = \left\{ x \in B_{2r_d}(v) \cap S : d(x, y) > 2r_d, \forall y \in X \cap B_{2r_d}(v) \right\}$$



Idea:

- Experiment
 - $X \sim_{\text{HS}(\lambda)} S$
 - Sample unif pt $v \sim S$
- bound $\alpha_S(\lambda)$ in two ways
 - Use free vol (if $v \in X$)
 - resample on T

① Lem 3 (i) $\alpha_S(\lambda) = \lambda \cdot FV_S$

(ii) $\alpha_S(\lambda) = \lambda \cdot \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{Z_T(\lambda)} \right]$

(iii) $\alpha_S(\lambda) \geq \lambda \cdot \mathbb{E}_{X, v} \left(e^{-\lambda \cdot \text{vol}(T)} \right)$

pf: (ii) $\alpha_S(\lambda) = \lambda \cdot FV_S$

$$= \lambda \cdot \frac{1}{\text{vol}(S)} \int_S \mathbb{P}(d(v, X) > 2r_d) dv = \lambda \cdot \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{1}_{\{T \cap X = \emptyset\}} \right]$$

$$= \lambda \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{Z_T(\lambda)} \right]$$

(ii) Recall $Z_S(\lambda) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \lambda^k \hat{Z}_S(k) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \int_{S^k} \mathbb{1}_{D(x_1, \dots, x_k)} dx_1 \dots dx_k$

$$\leq \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \text{vol}(S)^k = e^{\lambda \cdot \text{vol}(S)}$$

By (ii), $\alpha_S(\lambda) = \lambda \cdot \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{Z_T(\lambda)} \right] \stackrel{(iii)}{\geq} \lambda \cdot \mathbb{E}_{x,v} e^{-\lambda \cdot \text{vol}(T)}$ ▣

② Lem 4: $\alpha_S(\lambda) \geq 2^{-d} \cdot \mathbb{E} [\alpha_T(\lambda) \cdot \text{vol}(T)]$

Pf.: $\alpha_S(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\text{vol}(S)} \cdot \mathbb{E} |X|$

$$\geq 2^{-d} \cdot \mathbb{E} |X \cap B_{2r_d}(v)|$$



as $\text{vol}(S \cap B_{2r_d}(v)) \leq 2^d \quad \forall v \in S$

Spatial Markov $\xrightarrow{\text{J}}$ $2^{-d} \cdot \mathbb{E} [\alpha_T(\lambda) \cdot \text{vol}(T)]$

So we have, writing $t = \text{vol}(T)$

$$\alpha_S(\lambda) \geq \max \left\{ \lambda \cdot \mathbb{E}_{x,v} (e^{-\lambda t}), \quad 2^{-d} \mathbb{E} (\alpha_T(\lambda) \cdot t) \right\}$$

↑
large when
t small

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large when
t big

For the 2nd bound, we use the following

Lem 5: $\forall \beta > 0, \exists k_0$ s.t. $\forall k \geq k_0, \forall \lambda, t, d > 0$,
if meas. $T \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ is of vol. t and $k \in \mathbb{N}: k_0 \leq k \leq \lambda t$

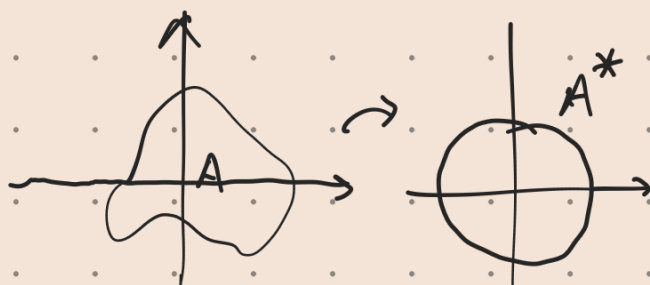
$$\Rightarrow \alpha_T(\lambda) \cdot \text{vol}(T) \geq (1 - \beta) P_k \cdot k, \quad \text{where}$$

$$P_i = \mathbb{P}(\text{unit indep } i \text{ pts in } T \text{ are at pairwise dist.} \\ \geq 2r_d)$$

For the 1st bound

Def: A meas. set, symmetric rearrangement

$$A^* = B_{\text{vol}(A)^{1/d} \cdot r_d}(0)$$

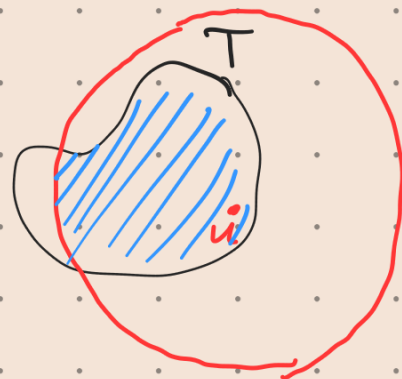


For meas. $T \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$,

define $f(T) = \int_T \text{vol}(B_{2r_d}(u) \cap T) du$

Lem 6: \forall bdd meas. $T \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$f(T) \leq f(T^*)$$



• By Riesz's rearrangement inequality.

Lem 7: T meas. in \mathbb{R}^d of vol. $t \in [2^{d/2}, 2^d]$

Let $u \sim T$ a unit random pt in T ,

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}_u [\text{vol}(B_{2r_d}(u) \cap T)] \leq 2 \cdot 2^d (1-t)^{-2/d} r_d^{d/2}$$

Pf. : $\mathbb{E}_u [\text{vol}(B_{2r_d}(u) \cap T)] = \frac{f(T)}{\text{vol}(T)}$

By Lemma 6, may assume T is a ball of radius

$$\rho = t^{1/d} \cdot r_d, \quad T = B_\rho(0)$$

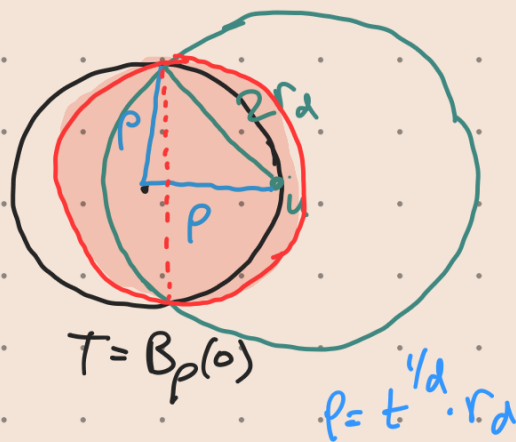
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \dots &= \frac{1}{t} \int_T \left(\int_T \mathbb{1}_{\{d(u,v) \leq 2r_d\}} dv \right) du \\ &= \frac{2}{t} \int_T \int_T \mathbb{1}_{\{d(u,v) \leq 2r_d\}} \cdot \mathbb{1}_{\{\|v\| \leq \|u\|\}} dv du \\ &= 2 \cdot \max_{u \in B_d(0)} \int_T \mathbb{1}_{\{d(u,v) \leq 2r_d\}} \cdot \mathbb{1}_{\{\|v\| \leq \|u\|\}} dv \end{aligned}$$

May assume $\rho \geq \sqrt{2} r_d$,

o.w. $t \leq 2^{d/2}$

radius of the red ball

$$= 2 \sqrt{1-t^{-2/d}} \cdot r_d$$



$$\leq \max \left\{ 2^{d/2} \cdot 2 \cdot \max_{\sqrt{2} \leq x \leq t^{1/d}} \left(2 \sqrt{1-x^{-2}} \right)^d \right\}$$

$$= 2 \cdot \left(2 \sqrt{1-t^{-2/d}} \right)^d \quad \square$$

Pf (Main thm) Given $\varepsilon > 0$, choose $\beta \gg \delta > 0$.

Let $d \rightarrow \infty$.

• $\alpha_S(\lambda)$ is non-decreasing in λ , enough to consider $\lambda = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \delta)^d$.

• Let S be a large ball in \mathbb{R}^d ,

NTS: $\alpha_S(\lambda) \geq (\log \sqrt{2} - \varepsilon) \cdot d \cdot 2^{-d}$ 😊

Experiment $\begin{cases} X \sim \text{fsc}(X) S \\ v \sim S \end{cases} \Rightarrow T = T(X, v)$

• Define $k = (\log \sqrt{2} - \varepsilon/2) \cdot d$.

For $X \in S$, let

$$L = L(X) = \{u \in S : t(X, u) \leq k/\lambda\}$$

• Using ① $\forall v \in L, \lambda \cdot t(X, v) \leq k$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_S(\lambda) \geq \lambda \cdot \mathbb{E}_X \mathbb{E}_v e^{-\lambda t(X, v)}$$

$$\text{vol}(S) \cdot \alpha_S(\lambda) \geq \lambda \mathbb{E}_X \left[\int_{v \in S} e^{-\lambda t(X, v)} dv \right]$$

$$\geq \lambda \mathbb{E}_X \left[\int_{v \in L} e^{-\lambda t(X, v)} dv \right]$$

Calculation

$$\dots \geq e^{\varepsilon d/3} \cdot 2^{-d} \cdot \mathbb{E}_X [\text{vol}(L)].$$

• \Rightarrow May assume $\mathbb{E}_X[\text{vol}(L)] \leq \text{vol}(S) \cdot e^{-\epsilon d/4}$

• a.w.  holds.

• Markov's ineq.

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}_X(\text{vol}(L) \geq \text{vol}(S) \cdot e^{-\epsilon d/6}) \leq e^{-\epsilon d/12}$$

That is, for a typical outcome X ,

t is relatively large.