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- Traditional spectral methods struggle in these situations.


## Model problem

- Consider a function $u$ of the form $u(x)=f(x)+|x|^{1 / 2} g(x)$
- $f$ and $g$ are smooth functions
- We can only sample $u$

- More generally, $u(x)=w_{1}(x) f_{1}(x)+\cdots+w_{p}(x) f_{p}(x)$

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A_{k, 2 j}=T_{j}\left(x_{k, M}\right), \quad A_{k, 2 j+1}=\left|x_{k, M}\right|^{1 / 2} T_{j}\left(x_{k, M}\right), \\
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Adaptivity and frames: Coppé-Huybrechs (in prep.)

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Furthermore, the RHS converges to $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$, with sufficient oversampling $M$.

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- These coefficients, $c_{k}=\left\langle\tilde{\varphi}_{k}, f\right\rangle$, converge too slowly! ROC gives better approximations.

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Theorem (Using techniques in Halko, Martinsson, Tropp 2011)
The computed solution x satisfies,

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\|A \mathbf{x}-b\|_{2} \leq\|A \mathbf{v}-b\|_{2}+\kappa_{r, N} \cdot\left(\sum_{k>r} \sigma_{k}^{2}\right)^{1 / 2} \cdot\|\mathbf{v}\|_{2}, \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{N}
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where $\kappa_{r, N}$ is a random variable such that
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- For weighted sums of trigonometric bases, the number of singular values in $(\varepsilon, 1-\varepsilon)$ is $\mathcal{O}(\log (N))$ (see Adcock-Huybrechs FNA paper and Webb (in prep.)).
- The big- $\mathcal{O}$ depends on $\varepsilon$ and the BV norms of the weights. Precise dependence is an open problem.


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Fast algorithms:

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- Fast randomised linear algebra
- The AZ algorithm
- Implemented in Julia package FrameFun


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- Coefficients and adaptivity don't behave like in ApproxFun/Chebfun

Fast algorithms:

- Plunge region
- Fast randomised linear algebra
- The AZ algorithm
- Implemented in Julia package FrameFun

Several papers in prep.!

