

# Quantum state Tomography



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# Problem statement

State  
Preparation

Quantum  
channel / Gate

Measurement

Density matrix

$$\rho \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_2)$$

$$\rho = \rho *$$

$$tr[\rho] = 1$$

$$\rho \geq 0$$

Measurement operators

$$\sum_j \Pi_j = 1$$

$$p_j = tr[\Pi_j \rho]$$

Likelihood functional

$$LLH = \sum_j n_j \log(p_j)$$

# Methods

- Hedged likelihood estimation
- Semidefinite programming
- Gradient descent
- Pseudo-inverse matrix

# Preprocessing

- Make solution physical

$$\rho_{est} = \rho_{est}^* \text{ (* means hermitian conjugation)}$$

$$\rho_{est} \geq 0$$

$$tr[\rho_{est}] \leq 1$$

- Different matrix norms for error measurement

Hilbert-Schmidt

$$\Delta^{HS}(\rho', \rho) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{Tr}[ (\rho' - \rho)^2 ]^{1/2}$$

Trace-distance

$$\Delta^T(\rho', \rho) = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}[ |\rho' - \rho| ]$$

Infidelity

$$\Delta^{IF}(\rho', \rho) = 1 - \text{Tr} \left[ \sqrt{\sqrt{\rho'} \rho \sqrt{\rho'}} \right]^2$$

# Hedged likelihood estimation with iterative procedure

- Hedged likelihood functional

$$\mathcal{L}_H(\{n_j\}; \rho) = (\det \rho)^\beta \mathcal{L}(\{n_j\}; \rho)$$

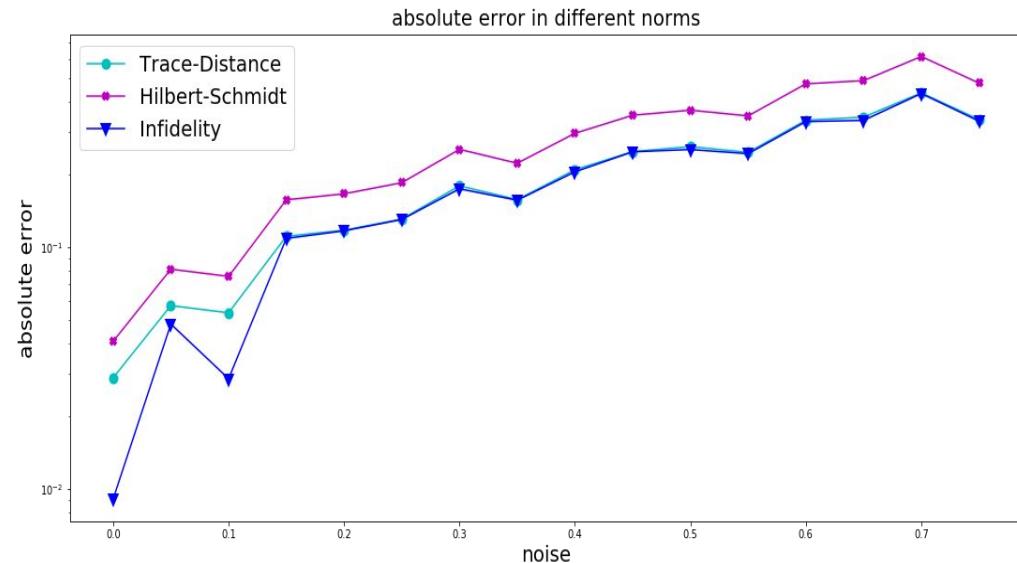
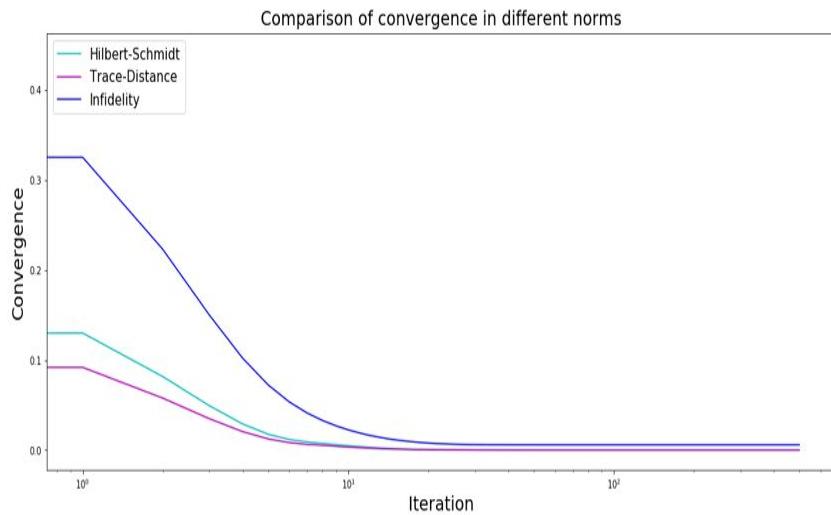
where  $\mathcal{L}(\{n_j\}; \rho) = \prod_j p_j^{n_j}$  and probabilities  $p_j = \text{tr}\{\rho \Pi_j\}$

- HML iterative equations

$$\rho_{k+1} = \frac{[1 + \Delta_k] \rho_k [1 + \Delta_k]}{\text{tr}\{[1 + \Delta_k] \rho_k [1 + \Delta_k]\}}, \quad \beta = \frac{1}{2}, \epsilon = \frac{1}{N}$$

$$\Delta_k = \frac{\epsilon}{2} [\beta(\rho_k^{-1} - D) + N(R_k - 1)]$$

# Convergence and Absolute error for Likelihood method



# Semidefinite Programming, Introduction

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{minimize} & f_0(x) \\ \text{subject to} & f_i(x) \leq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & Ax = b\end{array}$$

- $f_i$  convex, twice continuously differentiable

$$B(x, \mu) = f(x) - \lambda \sum_i \ln(f_i(x))$$

**Barrier function**

$$p_B = x + \frac{1}{\lambda} X^2 (A^* \mu - b)$$

**Newton direction**

**Lagrange Function**

$$L(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = f_0(\boldsymbol{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i f_i(\boldsymbol{x}) + \boldsymbol{\mu}^T (\boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{b}).$$

**The Karush-Kuhn-Tucker conditions**

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} L(\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \nabla f_0(\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \nabla f_i(\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}) + A^T \boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\lambda_i \geq 0, \quad \lambda_i f_i(\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}) = 0, \quad i = \overline{1, m};$$

$$f_i(\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}) \leq 0, \quad A\hat{\boldsymbol{x}} = \boldsymbol{b}.$$

# Semidefinite Programming

We have 2 estimators:

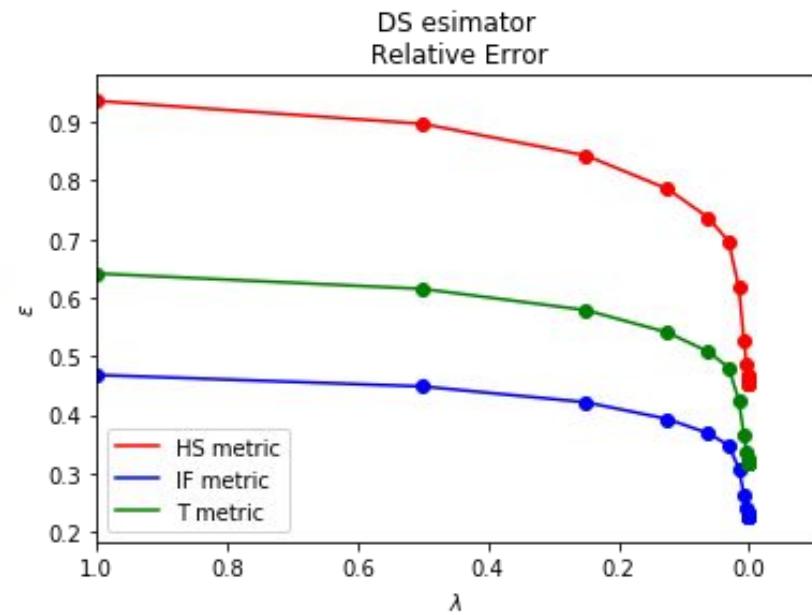
The matrix Dantzig selector

$$\hat{\rho}_{DS} = \arg \min_X \|X\|_{tr}, \text{ s.t. } \|A^*(A(X) - y)\| < \lambda$$

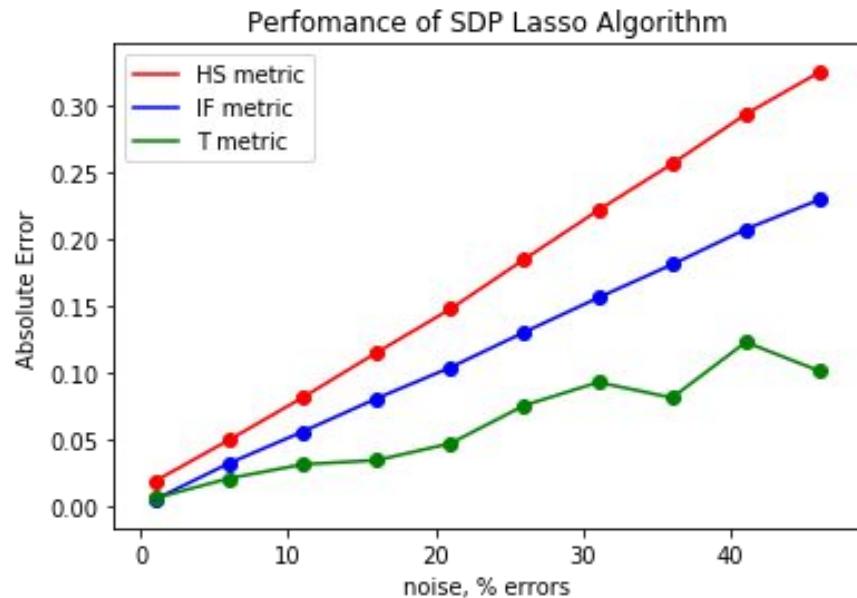
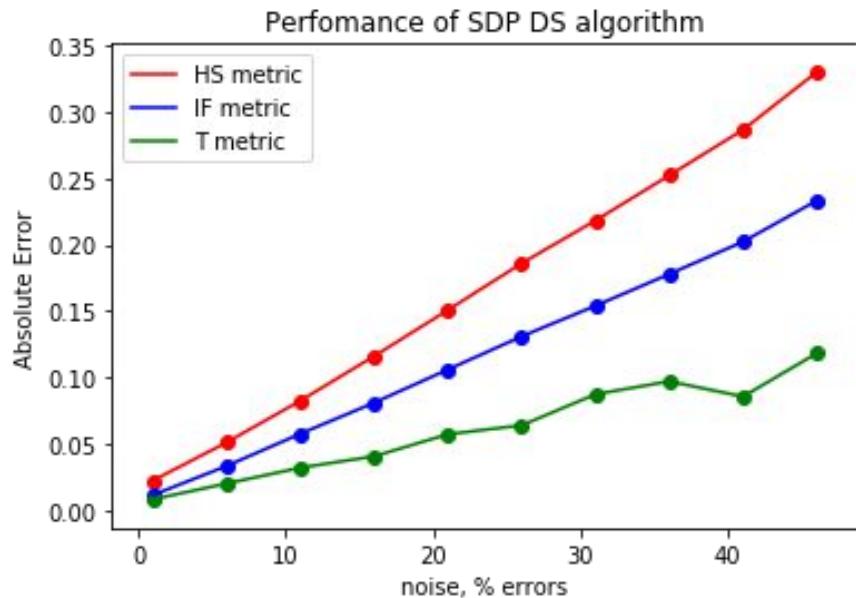
The Lasso matrix:

$$\hat{\rho}_{Lasso} = \arg \min_X \frac{1}{2} \|A(X) - y\|_2^2 + \mu \|X\|_{tr}$$

$$\|X\|_{tr} = \text{Tr}|X|, \text{ where } |X| = \sqrt{X^\dagger X}.$$



# Semidefinite Programming



# Direct Gradient Algorithm

Maximize likelihood functional

$$\delta \log \mathcal{L}(\{n_j\}; \rho) = \sum_j f_j \frac{\delta p_j}{p_j} = \text{tr}\{R\delta\rho\}$$

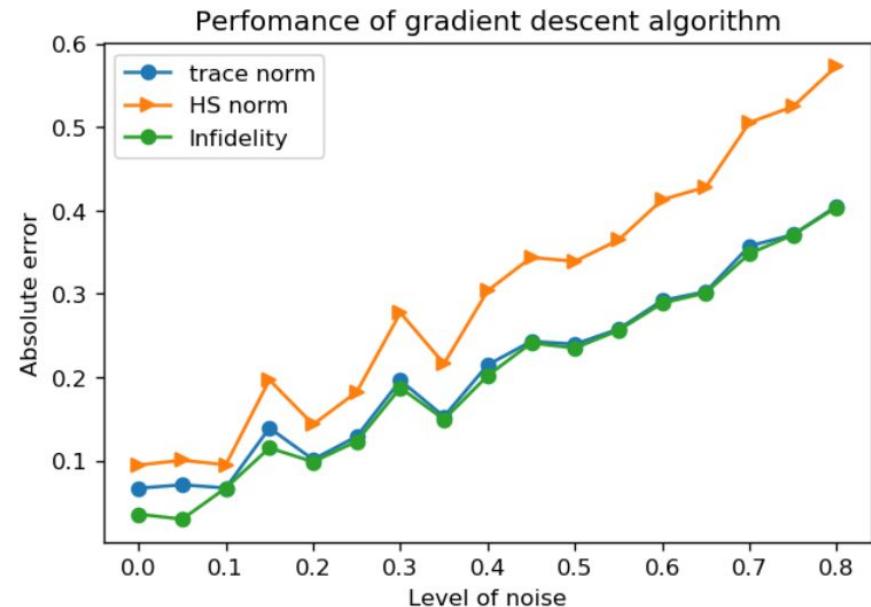
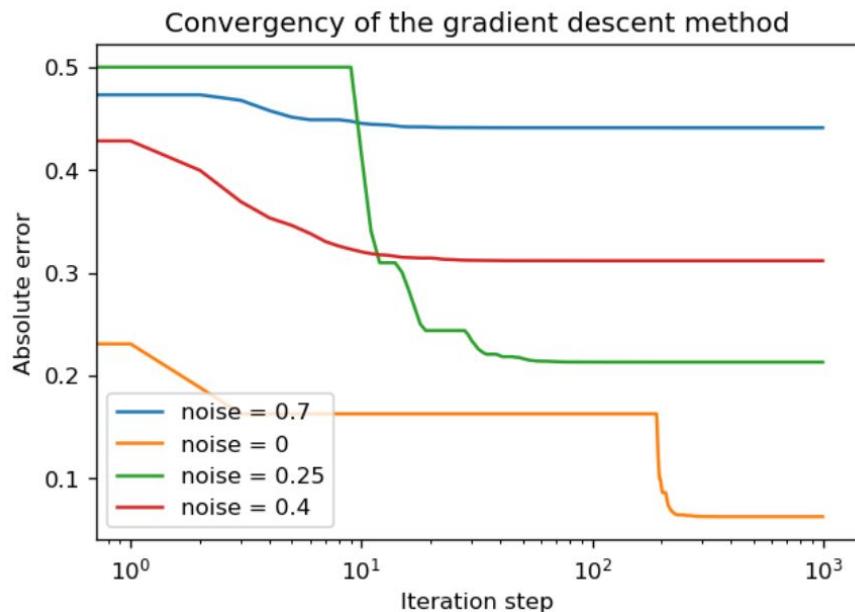
where

$$R = \sum_j \frac{f_j}{p_j} \Pi_j$$

Iterative procedure:

$$\rho_{k+1} = \frac{\left[1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}(R_k - 1)\right] \rho_k \left[1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}(R_k - 1)\right]}{\text{tr}\left\{\left[1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}(R_k - 1)\right] \rho_k \left[1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2}(R_k - 1)\right]\right\}},$$

# Direct Gradient Algorithm



# Pseudo-Inverse Matrix Method

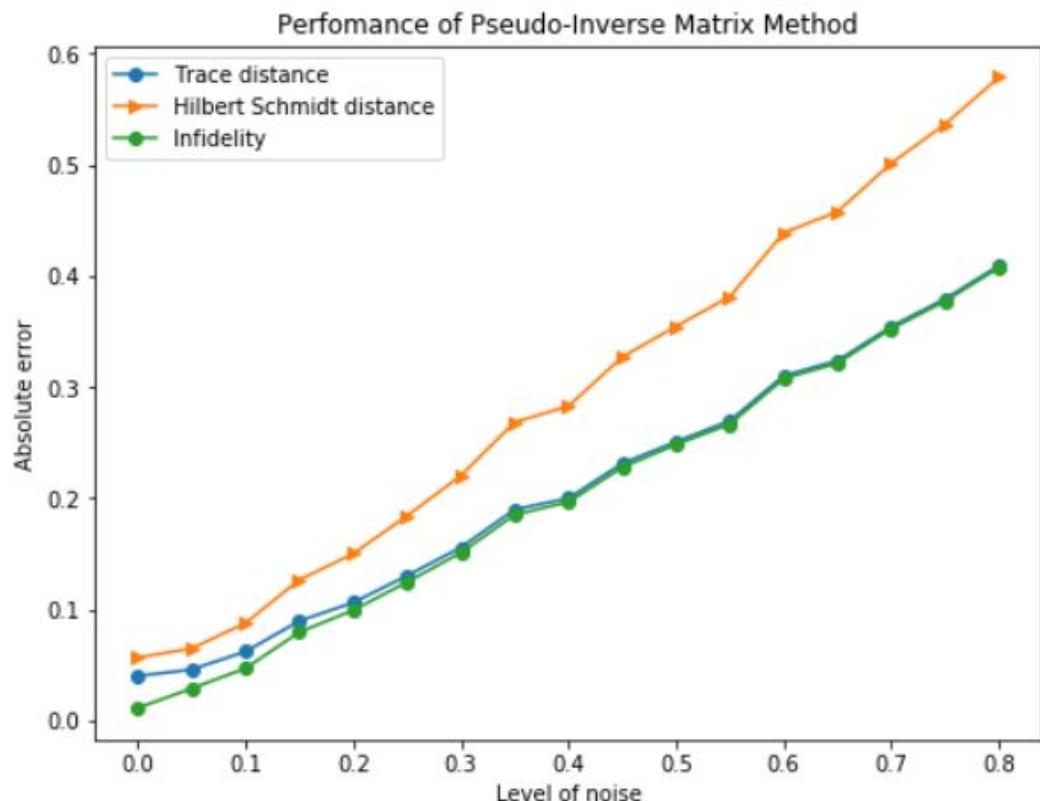
Density matrix and Measurement operator parametrization via Pauli matrices

$$\rho = \frac{I + \sum_k (a_k \cdot \sigma_k)}{2}$$

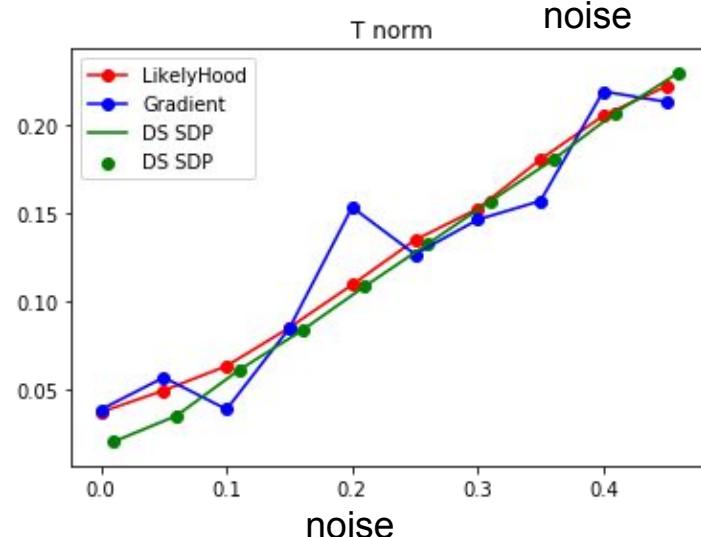
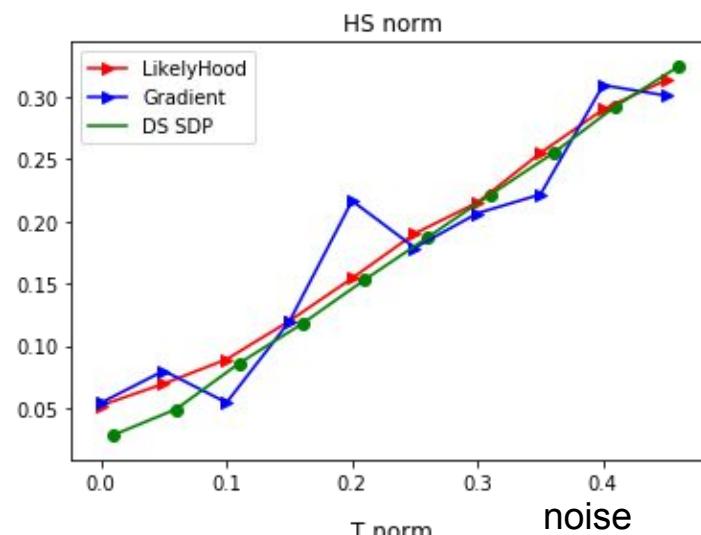
$$E_j = s_0 I + \sum_k s_{k,j} \sigma_k$$

$$p_j^{(i)} = (\mathbf{s}_j^{(i)})^T \mathbf{a}$$

$$\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{a}$$



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# Conclusion

## Pseudo-Inverse Matrix

- + easy to implement
- unphysical solution

## Direct Gradient

- slow convergence
- unphysical solution

## SDP method:

- + fast convergence
- + physical solution

## Hedged Likelihood:

- + fast convergence
- + solve zero-probabilities problem
- unphysical solution

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