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Given action set  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $|\mathcal{X}| = n$ ,  $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

Adversary chooses  $y_{t,i} \in [-1, 1]$   $\forall i = 1, \dots, n, \forall t \in [T]$

for  $t = 1, 2, \dots, T$

Player chooses  $I_t \in [n]$ , plays  $x_{I_t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$

Adversary reveals  $y_{t, I_t}$

( $y_{t,i}$  is loss of  $i$ th arm)

$$\text{Regret} = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \sum_{t=1}^T y_{t, I_t} - y_{t, i}$$

### Stochastic Linear Bandits

$\exists \theta_* \in \mathbb{R}^d$  s.t.  $\forall t, i \in [n]$

$$y_{t,i} = \langle x_i, \theta_* \rangle + z_t$$

where  $E[z_t] = 0$ .

### Adversarial Linear Bandits

$\forall t$  we have

$$y_{t,i} = \langle x_i, z_t \rangle.$$

**EXP3( $\gamma$ ): Exponential Weights for Exploration Exploitation****Input:** Time horizon  $T$ ,  $n$  arms,  $\eta > 0$ ,  $\gamma \in [0, 1]$ ,  $\lambda \in \Delta_n$ .**Initialize:** Player sets  $p_1 = (1/n, \dots, 1/n) \in \Delta_n$ . Adversary chooses  $\{y_t\}_{t=1}^T \subset [-1, 1]^n$ .**for:**  $t = 1, \dots, T$ Player draws  $I_t \sim q_t := (1-\gamma)p_t + \gamma\lambda$  and suffers (and observes) loss  $\ell(I_t, y_t) = y_{t, I_t}$ Player computes  $\hat{y}_{t,i}$  where  $\mathbb{E}[\hat{y}_{t,i} | p_t] = y_{t,i}$ 

Update iterates:

$$\tilde{p}_{t+1,i} = \exp(-\eta \sum_{s=1}^t \hat{y}_{s,i}) \quad p_{t,i} = \tilde{p}_{t+1,i} / \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{p}_{t+1,j}$$

for MAB

$$\hat{y}_{t,i} = \frac{\mathbb{1}\{I_t=i\} y_{t,i}}{q_{t,i}}$$

**Proposition 7** (EXP3( $\gamma$ )). The regret of EXP3( $\gamma$ ) algorithm satisfies

$$\max_{i \in [n]} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{t=1}^T y_{t, I_t} - y_{t,i} \right] \leq \frac{\log(n)}{\eta} + 2\gamma T + \frac{1}{\eta} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n q_{t,i} \phi(-\eta \hat{y}_{t,i}) \right]$$

where  $\phi(x) = e^x - 1 - x \leq x^2$  for  $|x| \leq 1$ .

At time  $t$ , player chooses  $I_t \sim q_t$  and plays  $x_{I_t} \in \mathcal{X}$   
and observes  $y_{t, I_t} = x_{I_t}^\top z_t$

Define  $\hat{z}_t := Q_t^{-1} x_{I_t} y_{t, I_t}$  where  $Q_t := \sum_{i=1}^n q_{t,i} x_i x_i^\top$

$$\hat{y}_{t,i} = x_i^\top \hat{z}_t = x_i^\top Q_t^{-1} x_{I_t} y_{t, I_t}$$

Note  $\mathbb{E}[\hat{y}_{t,i} | q_t] = \mathbb{E}[x_i^\top Q_t^{-1} x_{I_t} y_{t, I_t} | q_t]$

$$= \mathbb{E}[x_i^\top Q_t^{-1} x_{I_t} x_{I_t}^\top z_t | q_t]$$

$$= x_i^\top Q_t^{-1} Q_t z_t = x_i^\top z_t = y_{t,i}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[x_{I_t} x_{I_t}^T] = \sum_{i=1}^n P(I_t=i) x_i x_i^T = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_{t,i} x_i x_i^T = Q_t$$

Choose mixing distribution  $\lambda = \lambda^*$  (G-optimal design)

$$\lambda^* = \underset{\lambda \in \Delta_x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \max_{j=1, \dots, n} \|x_j\|_{(\sum \lambda_i x_i x_i^T)^{-1}}^2 \quad \text{Value achieved at } d.$$

Need to show  $|\hat{y}_{\epsilon, i}| \leq 1$ .

By assumption  $|y_{\epsilon, i}| = |\langle x_i, z_t \rangle| \leq 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{y}_{\epsilon, i}| &= |z x_i^T \hat{z}_+| \\ &= |z x_i^T Q_t^{-1} x_{I_t} y_{\epsilon, I_t}| \\ &\leq |z x_i^T Q_t^{-1} x_{I_t}| \cdot |y_{\epsilon, I_t}| \\ &\leq z \max_{j=1, \dots, n} \|x_j\|_{Q_t^{-1}}^2 \\ &\leq \frac{z}{\gamma} \max_{j=1, \dots, n} \|x_j\|_{(\sum_i \lambda_i^* x_i x_i^T)^{-1}}^2 \\ &= \frac{z d}{\gamma} \end{aligned}$$

To make  $\leq 1$  set  $z = \frac{\gamma}{d}$

Cauchy-schwartz says  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad \langle x, y \rangle \leq \|x\|_2 \cdot \|y\|_2$

Note

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_i^T Q_t^{-1} x_{I_t} &= x_i^T Q_t^{-1/2} Q_t^{-1/2} x_{I_t} = \langle Q_t^{-1/2} x_i, Q_t^{-1/2} x_{I_t} \rangle \\
 &\leq \|Q_t^{-1/2} x_i\|_2 \cdot \|Q_t^{-1/2} x_{I_t}\|_2 \\
 &= \|x_i\|_{Q_t^{-1}} \cdot \|x_{I_t}\|_{Q_t^{-1}} \\
 &\leq \max_{j=1, \dots, n} \|x_j\|_{Q_t^{-1}}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Recall:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_t &= \sum_{i=1}^n q_{t,i} x_i x_i^T \\
 &= (1-\gamma) \sum_{i=1}^n p_{t,i} x_i x_i^T + \gamma \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^* x_i x_i^T
 \end{aligned}$$

For any PSD matrices  $A, B$  and vector  $x$  we have  $x^T (A+B)^{-1} x \leq x^T A^{-1} x$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \|x_j\|_{Q_t^{-1}}^2 &= x_j^T Q_t^{-1} x_j \\
 &\leq x_j^T \left( \gamma \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^* x_i x_i^T \right) x_j
 \end{aligned}$$

w/  $\gamma = \frac{\gamma}{2}$

Now that we have  $|z \hat{y}_{t,i}| \leq 1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Regret} &\leq \frac{\log(n)}{\frac{\gamma}{2}} + 2\gamma T + \frac{1}{\frac{\gamma}{2}} \sum_{t=1}^T \underbrace{\mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n q_{t,i} (z \hat{y}_{t,i})^2 \right]}_{\leq p^2} \\
 &\leq \frac{\log(n)}{\frac{\gamma}{2}} + 2\gamma T + 2T p^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\hookrightarrow = \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_i q_{t,i} \tau^2 \hat{y}_{t,i}^2 \right]$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \hat{y}_{t,i}^2 \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( x_i^T Q_t^{-1} x_{I_t} y_{t,I_t} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$\leq \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( x_i^T Q_t^{-1} x_{I_t} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left[ x_i^T Q_t^{-1} x_{I_t} x_{I_t}^T Q_t^{-1} x_i \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}(ABC) \\ = \text{Tr}(CAB) \\ = \text{Tr}(BCA) \end{aligned} = x_i^T Q_t^{-1} x_i$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_i q_{t,i} \tau^2 \hat{y}_{t,i}^2 \right] \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \tau^2 q_{t,i} x_i^T Q_t^{-1} x_i$$

$$= \tau^2 \sum_{i=1}^n q_{t,i} \text{Tr} \left( x_i x_i^T Q_t^{-1} \right)$$

$$= \tau^2 \text{Tr} \left( \underbrace{\sum_i q_{t,i} x_i x_i^T}_{Q_t} Q_t^{-1} \right)$$

$$= \tau^2 \text{Tr}(\mathbf{I}) = \tau^2 \mathbf{1} \quad \updownarrow$$

$$\text{Regret} \leq \frac{\log(n)}{\gamma} + 2\gamma T + \frac{1}{\gamma} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n z_{t,i} (z \hat{y}_{t,i})^2 \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{\log(n)}{\gamma} + 2\gamma T + 3Td$$

Chose  
 $\gamma = \frac{\gamma}{d}$

$$= \frac{d \log(n)}{\gamma} + 2\gamma T + \gamma T$$

$$\leq \frac{d \log(n)}{\gamma} + 3\gamma T$$

$$\leq 2 \sqrt{3 d T \log(n)}$$



$$\gamma = \sqrt{\frac{d \log(n)}{3T}}$$