

Cálculo del Volumen en Dimensión Alta

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El Plan

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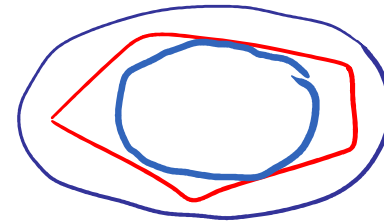
Volumen: Segundo intento: Elipsoides

Ellipsoid #1: John ellipsoid of a convex body K :

E = maximum volume ellipsoid contained in K .

Thm. For any convex body K , the John ellipsoid satisfies

$$E \subseteq K \subseteq nE.$$



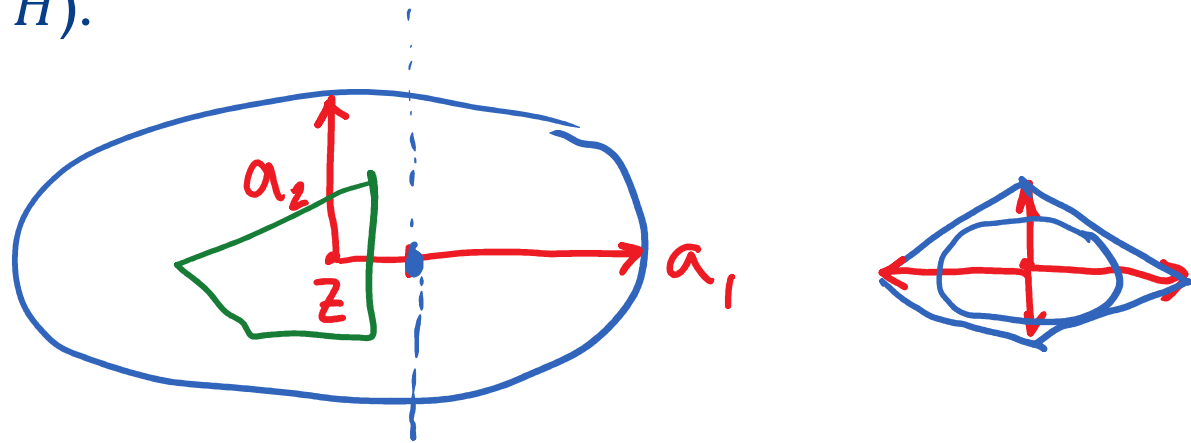
For any centrally-symmetric K , $E \subseteq K \subseteq \sqrt{n}E$.

Exercise 2: Encuentre un ejemplo ajustado.



Elipsoide de John Aproximado

- ▶ Variant of the Ellipsoid algorithm:
 - ▶ suppose current center is z and axes are a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n .
 - ▶ Check if $z \pm \frac{a_i}{n} \in K$. If so, output current ellipsoid.
 - ▶ If not, then intersect E with halfspace H not containing $z + \frac{a_i}{n}$ and continue algorithm (replace E with min volume ellipsoid containing $E \cap H$).



- ▶ Thm. Algorithm outputs E satisfying $E \subseteq K \subseteq n^{1.5} E$.
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Volumen por John elipsoide

- ▶ Using the Ellipsoid algorithm, in polytime

$$E \subseteq K \subseteq n^{1.5} E$$

- ▶ Then

$$\text{vol}(E) \leq \text{vol}(K) \leq n^{1.5n} \text{vol}(E)$$

- ▶ Polytime, exponential approximation

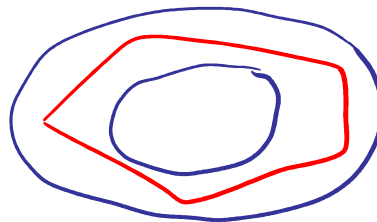


Elipsoide #2: Elipsoide inertial

- ▶ For a convex body K , matrix of inertia:
 - ▶ $M = E_K((x - \bar{x})(x - \bar{x})^T)$
- ▶ Inertial ellipsoid: $E = \{y \in R^n: y^T M^{-1} y \leq 1\}$

Thm (KLS95). $\sqrt{\frac{n+1}{n}} E \subseteq K \subseteq \sqrt{n(n+1)} E$

- ▶ Also a factor n sandwiching, but a *different* ellipsoid.
- ▶ Shown earlier up to constants by Milman-Pajor.



Posición Isotropico

- ▶ For any distribution with bounded second moments, there is an affine transformation to make it isotropic.
- ▶ Applying this to a convex body K :

$$E_K(x) = 0, \quad E_K(xx^T) = I_n.$$

- ▶ Thus K “looks like a ball” up to second moments.
- ▶ How close is it really to a ball?
- ▶ K lies between two balls with radii within a factor of n .



Volumen por aproximación elipsoidal

- ▶ The Inertial ellipsoid can be approximated to within any constant factor (we'll see how)
- ▶ Therefore:

$$E \subseteq K \subseteq 2n E \Rightarrow \text{vol}(E) \leq \text{vol}(K) \leq (2n)^n \text{vol}(E).$$

- ▶ Polytime algorithm, $O(n)^n$ approximation
- ▶ Can we do better?



Elipsoide #3: Elipsoide de Milman

- ▶ For two compact sets A, B ,
- ▶ $N(A, B) = \# \text{translates of } A \text{ needed to cover } B$.

Thm (Milman). For any convex body K , there is an ellipsoid E s.t.,
$$N(K, E), N(E, K) \leq 2^{O(n)}$$

- ▶ Many important consequences in convex geometry.

Thm (Dadush-V.). Deterministic complexity of computing a Milman ellipsoid is $2^{O(n)}$.

- ▶ $2^{O(n)}$ time, $2^{O(n)}$ approximation.
- ▶ Can we do better?!



Complejidad de Volumen

Thm [E86, BF87]. For any deterministic algorithm that uses at most n^a membership calls to the oracle for a convex body K and computes two numbers A and B such that $A \leq \text{vol}(K) \leq B$, there is some convex body for which the ratio B/A is at least

$$\left(\frac{cn}{a \log n} \right)^{\frac{n}{2}}$$

where c is an absolute constant.

Thm [DF88]. Computing the volume of an explicit polytope $Ax \leq b$ is #P-hard, even for a totally unimodular matrix A and rational b .



Estimación determinista

Thm [BF]. For deterministic algorithms:

oracle calls

approximation factor

$$n^a$$

$$\left(\frac{cn}{a \log n}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)^n$$

$$(1 + \epsilon)^n$$

Thm [Dadush-V.13].

Approximation factor of $(1 + \epsilon)^n$ in time $\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)^{O(n)} \text{poly}(n)$.



Un Limite Inferior

- ▶ [Elekes]
- ▶ Membership oracle answers “YES” for points in unit ball, “No” for points outside.
- ▶ After m queries, volume of K is between volume of convex hull and volume of unit ball.
- ▶ Lemma. $vol(conv\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}) \leq \frac{m}{2^n} \cdot vol(B^n)$
- ▶ Need exponentially many queries!



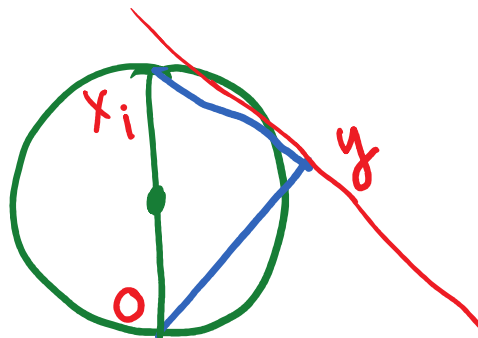
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Lemma. $\text{vol}(\text{conv}\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}) \leq \frac{m}{2^n} \cdot \text{vol}(B^n)$

Proof. Let $B_i = \text{ball of radius } \frac{\|x_i\|}{2} \text{ around } \frac{x_i}{2}$.

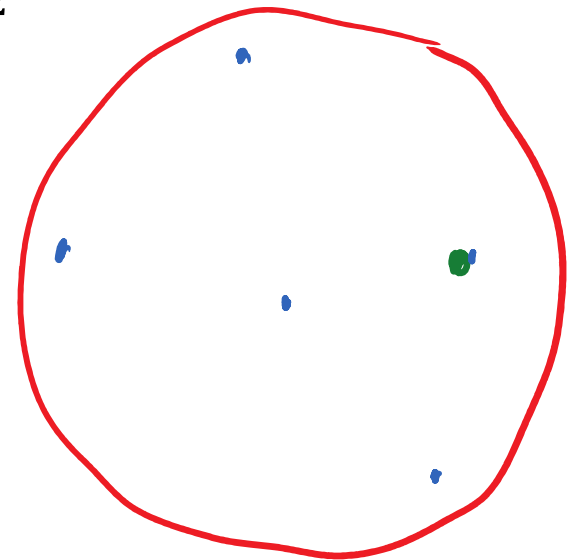
Claim 1. $\sum_i \text{vol}(B_i) \leq m \cdot \frac{\text{vol}(B^n)}{2^n}$.

Claim 2. $\text{conv}\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\} \subset \bigcup_i B_i$.



$y \notin B_i \Rightarrow \angle 0yx_i$ is acute, i.e., 0 and x_i are on the same side of orthogonal hyperplane through y .

Hence, $y \notin \text{conv}\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$.



Volumen/Integración *Aleatoria*

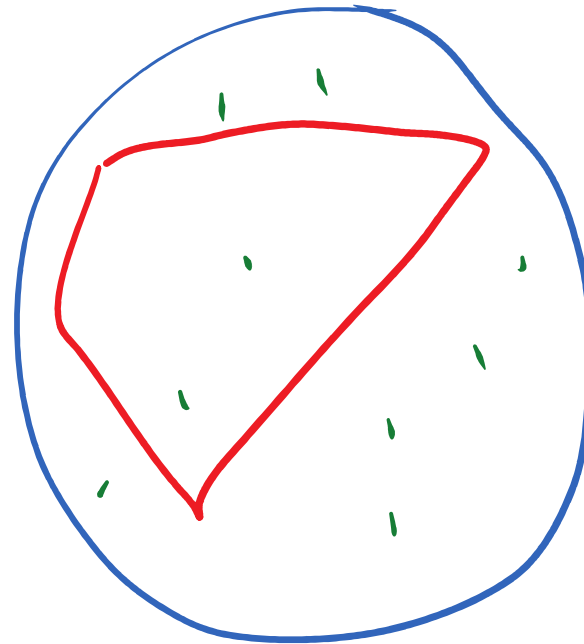
[DFK89]. Polytime **randomized** algorithm that estimates volume to within relative error $(1 + \epsilon)$ with probability at least $1 - \delta$ in time $\text{poly}(n, \frac{1}{\epsilon}, \log(\frac{1}{\delta}))$.

[Applegate-K91]. Polytime randomized algorithm to estimate integral of any (Lipshitz) logconcave function.



Volumen: Tercer intento: Muestreo

- ▶ Pick random samples from ball/cube containing K .
- ▶ Compute fraction c of sample in K .
- ▶ Output $c \cdot \text{vol}(\text{outer ball})$.



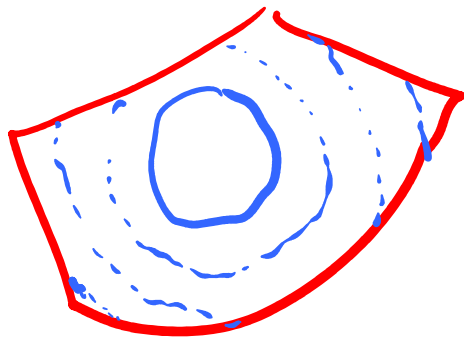
- ▶ Need too many samples!



Volumen por Muestreo [DFK89]

$$B \subseteq K \subseteq RB.$$

Let $K_i = K \cap 2^{i/n}B$, $i = 0, 1, \dots, m = n \log R$.



$$\text{vol}(K) = \text{vol}(B) \cdot \frac{\text{vol}(K_1)}{\text{vol}(K_0)} \frac{\text{vol}(K_2)}{\text{vol}(K_1)} \cdots \frac{\text{vol}(K_m)}{\text{vol}(K_{m-1})}.$$

Estimate each ratio with random samples.
(Markov Chain Monte-Carlo method)



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Claim. $\text{vol}(K_{i+1}) \leq 2 \cdot \text{vol}(K_i)$.

$$K_{i+1} \subseteq 2^{1/n} (K \cap 2^{i/n} B) = 2^{1/n} K_i$$



Varianza de la estimación [DF91]

$$K_i = K \cap 2^{i/n} B, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, m = n \log R.$$

$$\text{vol}(K) = \text{vol}(B) \cdot \frac{\text{vol}(K_1)}{\text{vol}(K_0)} \frac{\text{vol}(K_2)}{\text{vol}(K_1)} \cdots \frac{\text{vol}(K_m)}{\text{vol}(K_{m-1})}$$

$$\frac{\text{Var}(Y_1 Y_2 \dots Y_m)}{E(Y_1 Y_2 \dots Y_m)^2} = \prod_i \frac{E(Y_i^2)}{E(Y_i)^2} - 1 = \prod_i \left(1 + \frac{\text{Var}(Y_i)}{E(Y_i)^2} \right) - 1$$

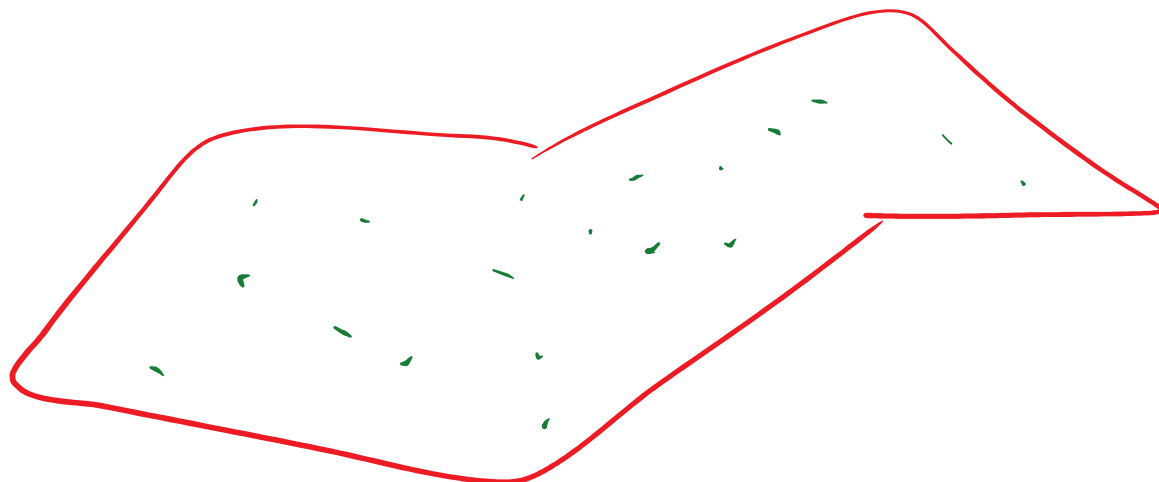
- ▶ $\frac{\text{Var}(Y_i)}{E(Y_i)^2} \leq \frac{c}{k}$ using k samples in each phase.
- ▶ So $k = \frac{m}{\epsilon^2}$ samples in each phase suffice.
- ▶ Total number of samples $= m \cdot \frac{m}{\epsilon^2} = O^*(n^2)$.
- ▶ But, how to sample?



Muestreo

Input: function $f: R^n \rightarrow R_+$ specified by an oracle,
point x with $f(x) > 0$, error parameter ε .

Output: A point y from a distribution within distance ε
of distribution with density proportional to f .



Aplicaciones

Given a **blackbox for sampling logconcave densities**, we get efficient algorithms for:

- ▶ Rounding
- ▶ Convex Optimization
- ▶ Volume Computation/Integration
- ▶ some Learning problems



Redondear por Muestreo

1. Sample m random points from K ;
2. Compute sample mean and sample covariance matrix
 - ▶ $z = E(x) \quad A = E((x - z)(x - z)^T).$
3. Output $B = A^{-\frac{1}{2}}.$

$B(K-z)$ is nearly isotropic.

Thm. $C(\epsilon).n$ random points suffice to get $E \left(\|A - I\|_2 \right) \leq \epsilon.$

[Adamczak et al; improving on Bourgain, Rudelson]

I.e., for any unit vector v , $1 - \epsilon \leq E \left((v^T x)^2 \right) \leq 1 + \epsilon.$



Complejidad de Muestreo

Thm. [KLS97] For a convex body, the ball walk with an M -warm start reaches a nearly independent, nearly random point in $\text{poly}(n, R, M)$ steps.

$$M = \sup \frac{Q_0(S)}{Q(S)} \quad \text{or} \quad M = E_{Q_0} \left(\frac{Q_0(x)}{Q(x)} \right)$$

Thm. [LV03]. Same holds for arbitrary logconcave density functions. Complexity is $O^*(M^2 n^2 R^2)$.

- ▶ Isotropic transformation makes $R=O(\sqrt{n})$; M can be kept at $O(1)$.

KLS'97 volume algorithm: $n \times n \times n^3 = n^5$



Progreso en el Cálculo del Volumen

	Power	New aspects
Dyer-Frieze-Kannan 89	23	everything
Lovász-Simonovits 90	16	localization
Applegate-K 90	10	logconcave integration
L 90	10	ball walk
DF 91	8	error analysis
LS 93	7	multiple improvements
KLS 97	5	speedy walk, isotropy
LV 03,04	4	annealing, wt. isoper.
LV 06	4	integration, local analysis
Cousins-V. 13, 15	3	Gaussian cooling

