

# Generalized iterated-sums signatures



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# ISS as feature map

Feature extraction takes a data point  $x \in \mathfrak{X}$  and maps it to  $\phi(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathfrak{F}$  in *feature space*.

If  $\mathfrak{X}$  consists of sequences (time series) in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , (Bonnier–Oberhauser–Toth, 2020) propose to define another feature map  $\Phi: \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}(\mathfrak{F})$  by

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{0 \leq j < N}^{\rightarrow} (1 + \phi(\mathbf{x}_j))$$

Depending on the properties of  $\phi$  we get different properties of  $\Phi$ .

One common choice is the *polynomial augmentation*

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{x}^{\otimes n}.$$

The iterated-sums signature (Diehl–Ebrahimi-Fard–T., 2020) is a map from sequence space  $\mathfrak{X}$  to a tensor space  $\mathbb{T}(V)$ , with  $V = \mathbb{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

It admits the following factorization (can be taken as def.):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x}) &= \prod_{0 \leq j < N}^{\rightarrow} \left( 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{x}_j^{\otimes n} \right) \\ &= \prod_{0 \leq j < N}^{\rightarrow} (1 - \mathbf{x}_j)^{-1} \\ &= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{Sig}^n(\mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\text{Sig}^n(\mathbf{x}) := \sum_{0 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_n < N} \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_n=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{x}_{i_1}^{\otimes k_1} \dots \mathbf{x}_{i_n}^{\otimes k_n}.$$

# Quasi-shuffle algebra

Assume we fix a basis  $\{e_1, \dots, e_d\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Expanding each term we find

$$\text{Sig}^n(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}_n} M^I(\mathbf{x}) e_I.$$

Here:

- The set  $\mathcal{I}$  consists of  $n$ -tuples of multi-indices on  $\{1, \dots, d\}$ ,

- For  $I = (I_1, \dots, I_n) \in \mathcal{I}_n$ ,

$$e_I = (e_{I_1^1} \hat{\otimes} \dots \hat{\otimes} e_{I_1^{k_1}}) \dots (e_{I_n^1} \hat{\otimes} \dots \hat{\otimes} e_{I_n^{k_n}}),$$

- For  $I \in \mathcal{I}_n$ ,

$$M^I(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{0 \leq j_1 < \dots < j_n < N} \mathbf{x}_{j_1}^{I_1^1} \dots \mathbf{x}_{j_1}^{I_1^{k_1}} \dots \mathbf{x}_{j_n}^{I_n^1} \dots \mathbf{x}_{j_n}^{I_n^{k_n}}.$$

Shorthand:

$$e_I \hat{\otimes} e_J \sim [IJ], \quad I, J \in \mathcal{I}_1$$

$$e_I e_J \sim IJ, \quad I \in \mathcal{I}_n, J \in \mathcal{I}_m$$

$$e_I \sim [i_1^1 \dots i_1^{k_1}] \dots [i_n \dots i_n^{k_n}], \quad I \in \mathcal{I}_n$$

$$M^I(\mathbf{x}) \sim \langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x}), e_I \rangle.$$

Definition (Quasi-shuffle (stuffle, sticky shuffle, ...) product)

For  $I \in \mathcal{I}_n, J \in \mathcal{I}_m$  and  $a, b \in \mathcal{I}_1$ ,

$$Ia * Jb := (I * Jb)a + (Ia * J)b + (I * J)[ab].$$

Example

$$i_1 [i_2^1 i_2^2] * j_1 = i_1 [i_2^1 i_2^2] j_1 + i_1 j_1 [i_2^1 i_2^2] + j_1 i_1 [i_2^1 i_2^2] + [i_1 j_1] [i_2^1 i_2^2] + i_1 [i_2^1 i_2^2 j_1].$$

## Theorem (Diehl–Ebrahimi-Fard–T., 2020)

*The iterated sums-signature satisfies the following properties:*

- *Chen's identity:*

$$\text{Sig}(\mathbf{x})_{n,m} \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x})_{m,l} = \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x})_{n,l},$$

- *quasi-shuffle identity:*

$$\langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x}), I \rangle \langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x}), J \rangle = \langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x}), I * J \rangle.$$

## Theorem (Bonnier–Oberhauser–Toth, 2020)

*The iterated-sums signature is a universal map. That is, under some compactness assumptions, every functional  $\mathcal{F} : \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  can be approximated by a linear function of the iterated-sums signature.*

# Finer structure of quasi-shuffle

The quasi-shuffle product can be split:  $I * J = I \succ J + J \succ I + I \bullet J$  where

$$I \succ J a = (I * J) a, \quad I a \bullet J b = (I * J)[ab].$$

## Proposition

*The triple  $(T(S(\mathbb{R}^d)), \succ, \bullet)$  is a CTD algebra:*

$$\begin{aligned} I \succ (J \succ K) &= (I * J) \succ K, \\ (I \succ J) \bullet K &= I \succ (J \bullet K), \\ (I \bullet J) \bullet K &= I \bullet (J \bullet K). \end{aligned}$$

*In fact, it is the free CTD algebra (Loday, 2007).*

## Theorem (Diehl–Ebrahimi-Fard–T., 2021)

*The iterated-sums signature is the unique CTD morphism such that  $i \mapsto (\mathbf{x}_k^i : 0 \leq k < N)$ . In particular*

$$\langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x}), I \succ J \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} \langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x})_{0,i}, I \rangle \langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x})_{j,j+1}, J \rangle.$$

# Transformations of the first kind

We apply a “formal diffeomorphism”  $f \in t\mathbb{R}[[t]]$  on top of the polynomial extension  $\phi_P: \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

Let  $f(t) = \sum_{n \geq 0} c_n t^n$  with  $c_0 = 0, c_1 = 1$ . Induces a map on the tensor algebra by

$$F(S) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n S^n.$$

Let  $\Psi_f^*: \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}(\mathbb{S}(\mathbb{R}^d))$  by  $\Psi_f^* := F \circ \phi_P$ . The resulting signature is

$$\text{Sig}^f(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{0 \leq j < N}^{\rightarrow} \left( 1 + F \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{x}_j^{\otimes n} \right) \right)$$

**Running example:**  $f_2(t) = t + \frac{1}{2}t^2$  (in general  $f_p(t) = t + \frac{1}{2}t^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{p!}t^p$  as in Kiraly–Oberhauser, 2019).

$$\text{Sig}^{f_p}(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{0 \leq j < N}^{\rightarrow} \sum_{k=0}^p \frac{1}{k!} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{x}_j^{\otimes n} \right)^k.$$

# Transformations of the first kind

A simple case:

$$\langle \text{Sig}^{f_2}(\mathbf{x}), i_1 \rangle = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \mathbf{x}_j^{i_1}$$

$$\langle \text{Sig}^{f_2}(\mathbf{x}), i_1 i_2 \rangle = \sum_{0 \leq j_1 < j_2 < N} \mathbf{x}_{j_1}^{i_1} \mathbf{x}_{j_2}^{i_2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \mathbf{x}_j^{i_1} \mathbf{x}_j^{i_2}.$$

Therefore,

$$\langle \text{Sig}^{f_2}(\mathbf{x}), i_1 \rangle \langle \text{Sig}^{f_2}(\mathbf{x}), i_2 \rangle = \langle \text{Sig}^{f_2}(\mathbf{x}), i_1 i_2 + i_2 i_1 \rangle.$$

However, it can be checked that this fails for the product

$$\langle \text{Sig}^{f_2}(\mathbf{x}), i_1 \rangle \langle \text{Sig}^{f_2}(\mathbf{x}), i_2 i_3 \rangle$$

(Hoffman–Ihara, 2017) introduce a map induced by a formal diffeomorphism by performing contractions. For  $I = (I_1, \dots, I_n) \in \mathcal{I}_n$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}(n)$  define

$$\alpha[I] = [I_1 \cdots I_{\alpha_1}] [I_{\alpha_1+1} \cdots I_{\alpha_1+\alpha_2}] \cdots [I_{\alpha_1+\cdots+\alpha_{k-1}+1} \cdots I_n].$$

and let

$$\Psi_f(I) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{C}(n)} c_{\alpha_1} \cdots c_{\alpha_k} \alpha[I].$$

## Example

$$(2, 1)[i_1 i_2 i_3] = [i_1 i_2] i_3.$$

## Theorem (Diehl–Ebrahimi-Fard–T., 2021)

*The twisted quasi-shuffle*

$$I *_f J := \Psi_f^{-1}(\Psi_f(I) * \Psi_f(J))$$

*is associative. Moreover, it is also a CTD algebra.*



## Theorem (Diehl–Ebrahimi-Fard–T., 2021)

Let  $f$  be a formal diffeomorphism. The generalized iterated-sums signature satisfies

$$\langle \text{Sig}^f(\mathbf{x}), I \rangle = \langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x}), \Psi_f(I) \rangle,$$

that is,

$$\text{Sig}^f(\mathbf{x}) = \Psi_f^*(\text{Sig}(\mathbf{x})).$$

In particular,  $\text{Sig}^f(\mathbf{x})$  satisfies the twisted quasi-shuffle identity

$$\langle \text{Sig}^f(\mathbf{x}), I \rangle \langle \text{Sig}^f(\mathbf{x}), J \rangle = \langle \text{Sig}^f(\mathbf{x}), I *_f J \rangle.$$

One can check that, since  $f_2^{-1}(t) = \sqrt{2t+1} - 1 = t - t^2/2 + t^3/2 - 5t^4/8 + \dots$  (and  $\Psi_f^{-1} = \Psi_{f^{-1}}$ ):

$$\langle \text{Sig}^{f_2}(\mathbf{x}), i_1 \rangle \langle \text{Sig}^{f_2}(\mathbf{x}), i_2 i_3 \rangle = \left\langle \text{Sig}^{f_2}(\mathbf{x}), i_1 i_2 i_3 + i_2 i_1 i_3 + i_2 i_3 i_1 + \frac{1}{2} [i_1 i_2 i_3] \right\rangle$$

The map  $\Psi_f$  with  $f(t) = e^t - 1$  is known as Hoffman's exponential, and the associated twisted quasi-shuffle is simply the shuffle product.

# Transformations of the second kind

Now we only observe a polynomially transformed path: for  $P: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^e$  we consider  $\mathbf{y} := (P(\mathbf{x}_0), \dots, P(\mathbf{x}_{N-1}))$ .

## Example

$P: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $P(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{y}), \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_1 \rangle &= \sum_{0 \leq j_1 < j_2 < N} \left( (\mathbf{x}_{j_1}^1)^2 + (\mathbf{x}_{j_1}^2)^2 \right) \left( (\mathbf{x}_{j_2}^1)^2 + (\mathbf{x}_{j_2}^2)^2 \right) \\ &= \langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x}), [11][11] + [11][22] + [22][11] + [22][22] \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $P = (p_1, \dots, p_e)$ , with

$$p_j(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{N}^d} p_{j;\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}}.$$

This induces a map  $p_\diamond: \mathbb{R}^e \rightarrow \text{T}(\text{S}(\mathbb{R}^d))$  by

$$p_\diamond(\mathbf{e}_j) = \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{N}^d} p_{j;\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{e}_1^{\hat{\otimes} v_1} \hat{\otimes} \dots \hat{\otimes} \mathbf{e}_d^{v_d}.$$

It extends uniquely to a map  $\Phi^P: \text{T}(\text{S}(\mathbb{R}^e)) \rightarrow \text{T}(\text{S}(\mathbb{R}^d))$ .

# Transformations of the second kind

## Theorem (Diehl–Ebrahimi-Fard–T., 2021)

Let  $P: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^e$  be a polynomial transformation, and consider the transformed time series  $\mathbf{y} = (P(\mathbf{x}_0), \dots, P(\mathbf{x}_{N-1}))$ .  
The identity

$$\langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{y}), I \rangle = \langle \text{Sig}(\mathbf{x}), \Phi^P(I) \rangle$$

holds.

In the previous example:  $p_\diamond(e_1) = e_1 \hat{\otimes} e_1 + e_2 \hat{\otimes} e_2 \sim [11] + [22]$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi^P(e_1 e_1) &= p_\diamond(e_1) p_\diamond(e_1) \\ &= ([11] + [22])([11] + [22]) \\ &= [11][11] + [11][22] + [22][11] + [22][22]. \end{aligned}$$

## Theorem (Diehl–Ebrahimi-Fard–T., 2021)

The following “Schur-Weyl” duality holds: for any polynomial map  $P$  and invertible series  $f$ ,

$$\Phi^P \circ \Psi_f = \Psi_f \circ \Phi^P.$$

Thanks for your attention!