

Algebraic Structure in Network Information Theory

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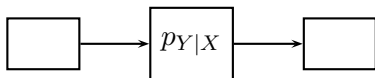
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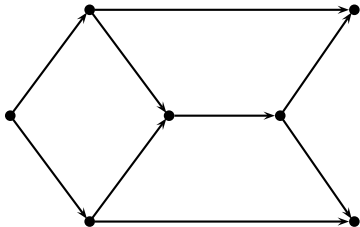
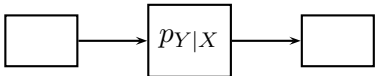
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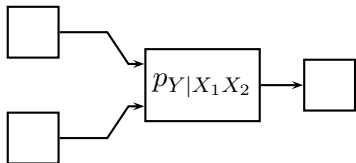
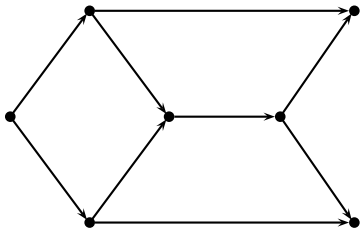
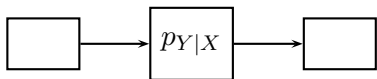
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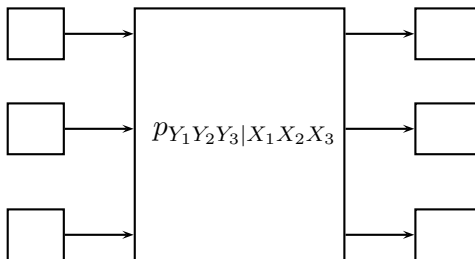
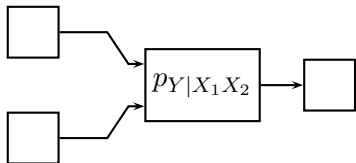
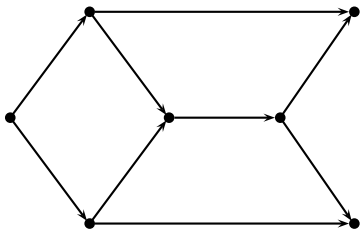
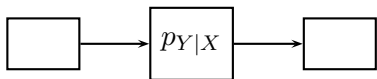
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In the interest of telling a certain story,

- this tutorial does not attempt to provide an authoritative chronological account of the results;
- this tutorial does not claim to be complete (although a certain effort in this direction was made);

What This Tutorial Is Not About

We will *not* address the following very interesting questions (and apologize for a potentially misleading title):

- Complexity of coding schemes
- New families of algebraic codes
- Algebraic coding theory
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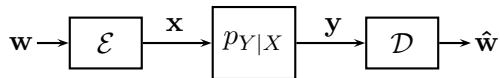
What This Tutorial Is About

- Achievable rates that seem out of reach for “classical” arguments.
- Novel communication strategies where algebraic arguments appear to be of key importance.
- Recipes for how to apply these strategies to networks.
- Elements missing from Information Theory books.

I. Discrete Alphabets

II. AWGN Channels

III. Network Applications



The Usual Suspects:

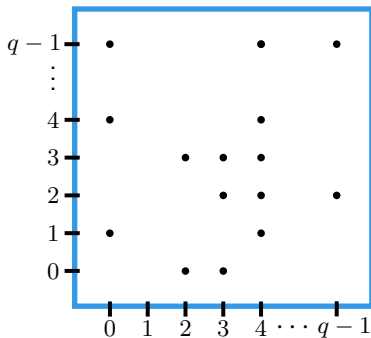
- Message $\mathbf{w} \in \{0, 1\}^k$
- Encoder $\mathcal{E} : \{0, 1\}^k \rightarrow \mathcal{X}^n$
- Input $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}^n$
- Estimate $\hat{\mathbf{w}} \in \{0, 1\}^k$
- Decoder $\mathcal{D} : \mathcal{Y}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^k$
- Output $\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}^n$
- Memoryless Channel $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i|x_i)$
- Rate $R = \frac{k}{n}$.
- (Average) Probability of Error: $\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{w}} \neq \mathbf{w}\} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Assume \mathbf{w} is uniform over $\{0, 1\}^k$.

i.i.d. Random Codes

- Generate 2^{nR} codewords $\mathbf{x} = [X_1 \ X_2 \ \cdots \ X_n]$ independently and **elementwise i.i.d.** according to some distribution p_X

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n p_X(x_i)$$

- Bound the average error probability for a **random codebook**.
- If the average performance over codebooks is good, there must exist at least one good **fixed codebook**.



(Weak) Joint Typicality

- Two sequences \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} are (weakly) jointly typical if

$$\begin{aligned} \left| -\frac{1}{n} \log p(\mathbf{x}) - H(X) \right| &< \epsilon \\ \left| -\frac{1}{n} \log p(\mathbf{y}) - H(Y) \right| &< \epsilon \\ \left| -\frac{1}{n} \log p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) - H(X, Y) \right| &< \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

- For our considerations, weak typicality is convenient as it can also be stated in terms of differential entropies.
- If \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} are i.i.d. sequences, the probability that they are jointly typical goes to 1 as n goes to infinity.

Decoder looks for a codeword that is jointly typical with the received sequence \mathbf{y}

Error Events

1. Transmitted codeword \mathbf{x} is not jointly typical with \mathbf{y} .
 \implies Low probability by the
Weak Law of Large Numbers.
2. Another codeword $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ is jointly typical with \mathbf{y} .



Cuckoo's Egg Lemma

Let $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ be an i.i.d. sequence that is independent from the received sequence \mathbf{y} .

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{y}) \text{ is jointly typical}\right\} \leq 2^{-n(I(X;Y)-3\epsilon)}$$

See **Cover and Thomas**.

- We can upper bound the probability of error via the **union bound**:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{w}} \neq \mathbf{w}\} &\leq \sum_{\tilde{\mathbf{w}} \neq \mathbf{w}} \mathbb{P}\left\{(\mathbf{x}(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}), \mathbf{y}) \text{ is jointly typical.}\right\} \\ &\leq 2^{-n(I(X;Y) - R - 3\epsilon)} \quad \leftarrow \text{Cuckoo's Egg Lemma}\end{aligned}$$

- If $R < I(X;Y)$, then the probability of error can be driven to zero as the blocklength increases.

Theorem (Shannon '48)

The capacity of a point-to-point channel is $C = \max_{p_X} I(X;Y)$.

- Linear Codebook: A **linear map** between messages and codewords (instead of a lookup table).

q -ary Linear Codes

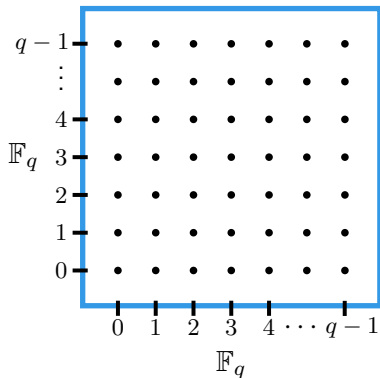
- Represent message \mathbf{w} as a length- k vector over \mathbb{F}_q .
- Codewords \mathbf{x} are length- n vectors over \mathbb{F}_q .
- Encoding process is just a **matrix multiplication**, $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & \cdots & g_{1k} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & \cdots & g_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{n1} & g_{n2} & \cdots & g_{nk} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_k \end{bmatrix}$$

- Recall that, for prime q , operations over \mathbb{F}_q are just mod q operations over the reals.
- Rate $R = \frac{k}{n} \log q$

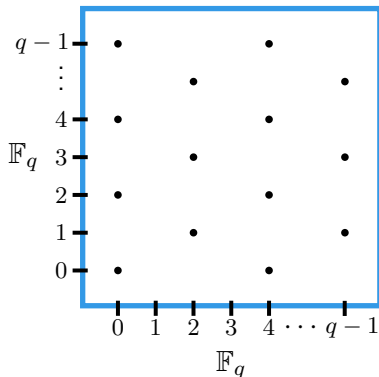
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- Random linear code:** Generate each element g_{ij} of the generator matrix **G** **elementwise i.i.d.** according to a uniform distribution over $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, q-1\}$.
- How are the codewords distributed?



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It is convenient to instead analyze the shifted ensemble $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w} \oplus \mathbf{v}$ where \mathbf{v} is an i.i.d. uniform sequence. (See **Gallager**.)

Shifted Codeword Properties

1. **Marginally uniform over \mathbb{F}_q^n .** For a given message \mathbf{w} , the codeword $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ looks like an i.i.d. uniform sequence.

$$\mathbb{P}\{\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}\} = \frac{1}{q^n} \quad \text{for all } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$$

2. **Pairwise independent.** For $\mathbf{w}_1 \neq \mathbf{w}_2$, codewords $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_2$ are independent.

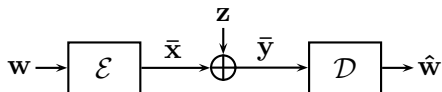
$$\mathbb{P}\{\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_2 = \mathbf{x}_2\} = \frac{1}{q^{2n}} = \mathbb{P}\{\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1\} \mathbb{P}\{\bar{\mathbf{x}}_2 = \mathbf{x}_2\}$$

- Cuckoo's Egg Lemma only requires independence between the true codeword $\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{w})$ and the other codeword $\mathbf{x}(\tilde{\mathbf{w}})$. From the union bound:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{w}} \neq \mathbf{w}\} &\leq \sum_{\tilde{\mathbf{w}} \neq \mathbf{w}} \mathbb{P}\left\{(\mathbf{x}(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}), \mathbf{y}) \text{ is jointly typical.}\right\} \\ &\leq 2^{-n(I(X;Y) - R - 3\epsilon)}\end{aligned}$$

- This is exactly what we get from pairwise independence.
- Thus, there exists a good fixed generator matrix \mathbf{G} and shift \mathbf{v} for any rate $R < I(X; Y)$ where X is uniform.

Removing the Shift



- For a binary symmetric channel (BSC), the output can be written as the modulo sum of the input plus i.i.d. Bernoulli(p) noise,

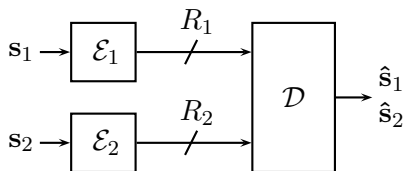
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- Due to this symmetry, the probability of error depends *only* on the realization of the noise vector \mathbf{z} .
 \implies For a BSC, $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}$ is a good code as well.
- We can now assume the **existence of good generator matrices** for channel coding.

- What have we gotten for linearity (so far)?
Simplified encoding. (Decoder is still quite complex.)
- What have we lost?
Can only achieve $R = I(X; Y)$ for **uniform** X instead of $\max_{p_X} I(X; Y)$.
- In fact, this is a fundamental limitation of group codes,
Ahlsweide '71.
- Workarounds: symbol remapping **Gallager '68**, nested linear codes
- Are random linear codes **strictly worse** than random i.i.d. codes?

Slepian-Wolf Problem



- Joint i.i.d. sources $p(\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2) = \prod_{i=1}^m p_{S_1 S_2}(s_{1i}, s_{2i})$
- **Rate Region:** Set of rates (R_1, R_2) such that the encoders can send s_1 and s_2 to the decoder with vanishing **probability of error**

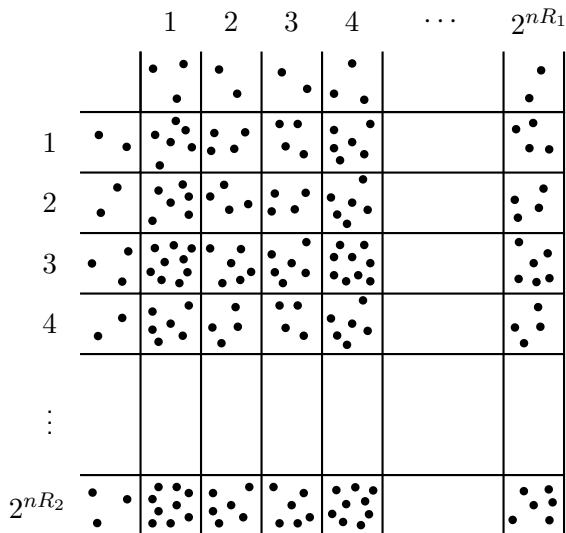
$$\mathbb{P}\{(\hat{s}_1, \hat{s}_2) \neq (s_1, s_2)\} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty$$

- Codebook 1: **Independently** and **uniformly** assign each source sequence \mathbf{s}_1 to a label $\{1, 2, \dots, 2^{mR_1}\}$
- Codebook 2: **Independently** and **uniformly** assign each source sequence \mathbf{s}_2 to a label $\{1, 2, \dots, 2^{mR_2}\}$
- Decoder: Look for jointly typical pair $(\hat{\mathbf{s}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{s}}_2)$ within the received bin. Union bound:

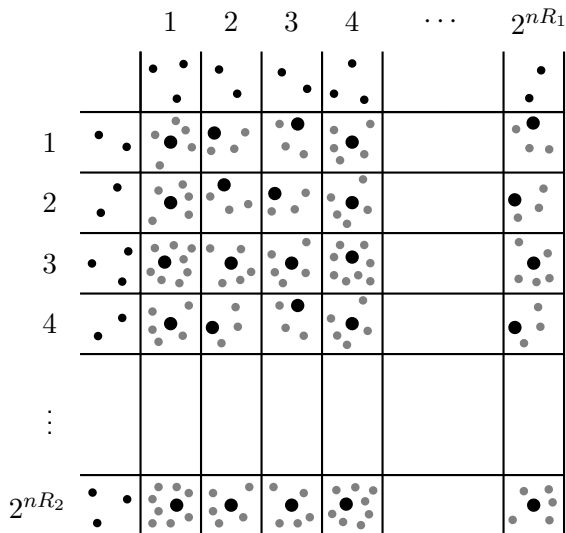
$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{P}\left\{\text{jointly typical } (\hat{\mathbf{s}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{s}}_2) \neq (\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2) \text{ in bin } (\ell_1, \ell_2)\right\} \\ & \leq \sum_{\text{jointly typical } (\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_2)} 2^{-m(R_1 + R_2)} \\ & \leq 2^{m(H(S_1, S_2) + \epsilon)} 2^{-m(R_1 + R_2)} \end{aligned}$$

- Need $R_1 + R_2 > H(S_1, S_2)$.
- Similarly, $R_1 > H(S_1|S_2)$ and $R_2 > H(S_2|S_1)$

Slepian-Wolf Problem: Binning Illustration



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Random Linear Binning

- Assume source symbols take values in \mathbb{F}_q .
- Codebook 1: Generate matrix \mathbf{G}_1 with i.i.d. uniform entries drawn from \mathbb{F}_q . Each sequence \mathbf{s}_1 is binned via matrix multiplication, $\mathbf{w}_1 = \mathbf{G}_1 \mathbf{s}_1$.
- Codebook 2: Generate matrix \mathbf{G}_2 with i.i.d. uniform entries drawn from \mathbb{F}_q . Each sequence \mathbf{s}_2 is binned via matrix multiplication, $\mathbf{w}_2 = \mathbf{G}_2 \mathbf{s}_2$.
- Bin assignments are uniform and pairwise independent (except for $\mathbf{s}_\ell = \mathbf{0}$)
- Can apply the same union bound analysis as random binning.

Slepian-Wolf Rate Region

Slepian-Wolf Theorem

Reliable compression possible if and only if:

$$R_1 \geq H(S_1|S_2) = h_B(p)$$

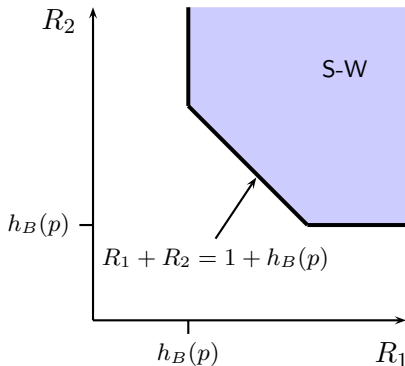
$$R_2 \geq H(S_2|S_1) = h_B(p)$$

$$R_1 + R_2 \geq H(S_1, S_2) = 1 + h_B(p)$$

Random linear binning is as good as random i.i.d. binning!

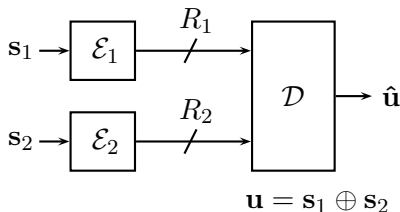
Example: Doubly Symmetric Binary Source

$$S_1 \sim \text{Bern}(1/2) \quad U \sim \text{Bern}(p) \quad S_2 = S_1 \oplus U$$



Körner-Marton Problem

- Binary sources
- s_1 is i.i.d. Bernoulli(1/2)
- s_2 is s_1 corrupted by Bernoulli(p) noise
- Decoder wants the modulo-2 sum .



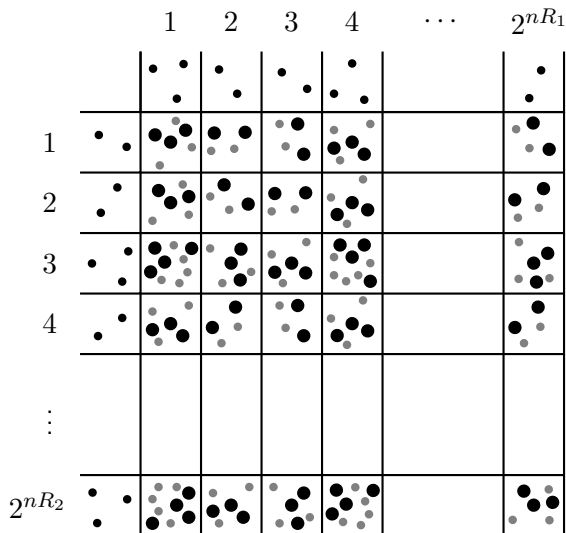
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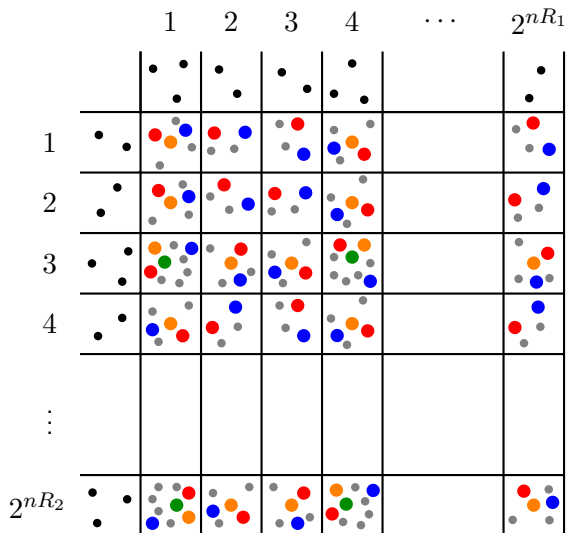
Are any rate savings possible over sending s_1 and s_2 in their entirety?

- Sending s_1 and s_2 with random binning requires $R_1 + R_2 > 1 + h_B(p)$?
- What happens if we use rates such that $R_1 + R_2 < 1 + h_B(p)$?
- There will be exponentially many pairs (s_1, s_2) in each bin!
- This would be fine if all pairs in a bin have the same sum, $s_1 + s_2$. But this probability goes to zero exponentially fast!

Körner-Marton Problem: Random Binning Illustration



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Linear Binning

- Use the same random matrix \mathbf{G} for linear binning at each encoder:

$$\mathbf{w}_1 = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}_1 \quad \mathbf{w}_2 = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}_2$$

- Idea from **Körner-Martón '79**: Decoder **adds up** the bins.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2 &= \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}_1 \oplus \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}_2 \\ &= \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{s}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2) \\ &= \mathbf{G}\mathbf{u}\end{aligned}$$

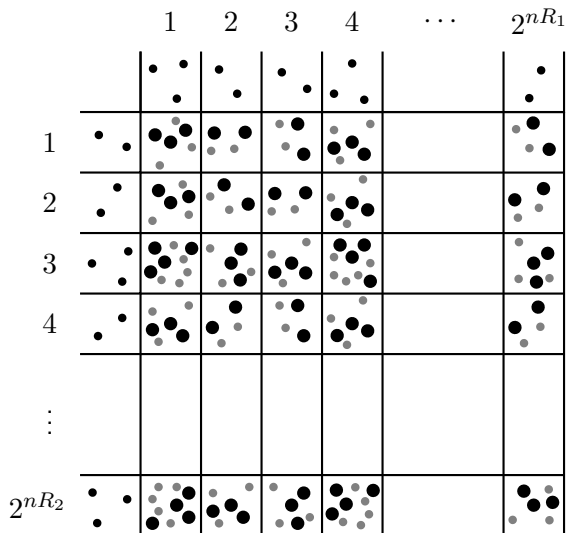
- \mathbf{G} is good for compressing \mathbf{u} if $R > H(U) = h_B(p)$.

Körner-Martón Theorem

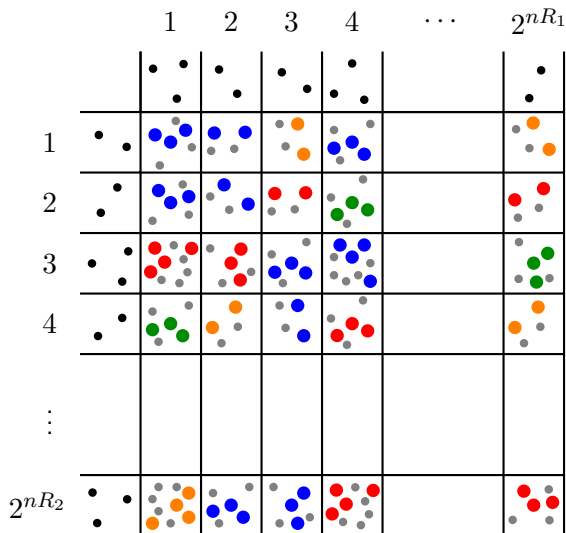
Reliable compression of the sum is possible if and only if:

$$R_1 \geq h_B(p) \quad R_2 \geq h_B(p) .$$

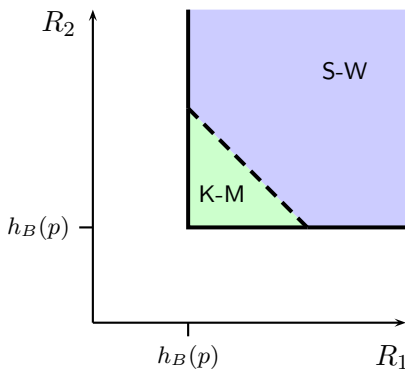
Körner-Marton Problem: Linear Binning Illustration



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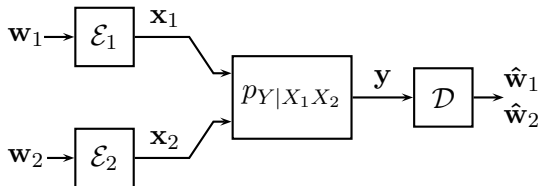


Körner-Marton Rate Region



Linear codes can **improve performance!**

(for distributed computation of dependent sources)



- **Rate Region:** Set of rates (R_1, R_2) such that the encoders can send \mathbf{w}_1 and \mathbf{w}_2 to the decoder with vanishing **probability of error**

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Multiple-Access Channels

- Cuckoo's egg lemma applies to all three error events.
- For example, event that only $\hat{\mathbf{w}}_1$ is wrong:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{w}}_1 \neq \mathbf{w}_1, \hat{\mathbf{w}}_2 = \mathbf{w}_2\} &\leq \sum_{\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_1 \neq \mathbf{w}_1} \mathbb{P}\left\{(\mathbf{x}_1(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_1), \mathbf{x}_2(\mathbf{w}_2), \mathbf{y}) \text{ jointly typical}\right\} \\ &\leq 2^{-n(I(X_1; Y|X_2) - R_1 - 3\epsilon)}\end{aligned}$$

Rate Region (Ahlsvede, Liao)

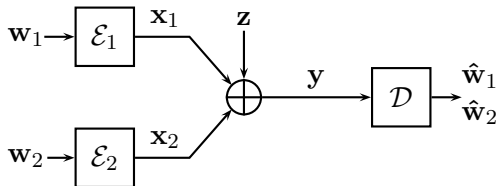
Convex closure of all (R_1, R_2) satisfying

$$\begin{aligned}R_1 &< I(X_1; Y|X_2) \\ R_2 &< I(X_2; Y|X_1) \\ R_1 + R_2 &< I(X_1, X_2; Y)\end{aligned}$$

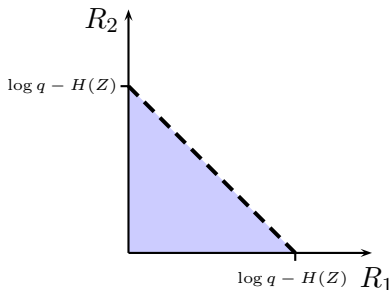
for some $p(x_1)p(x_2)$.

Finite-Field Multiple-Access Channels

- Linear codes can achieve any rate available for **uniform** $p(x_1), p(x_2)$.
- For finite field MACs, can achieve the whole capacity region.



- Receiver observes noisy modulo sum of codewords $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_1 \oplus \mathbf{x}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z}$



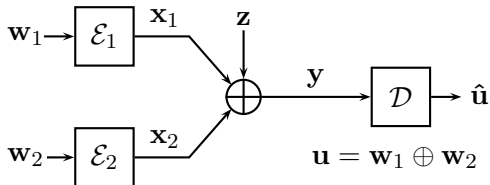
Finite Field MAC Rate Region

All rates (R_1, R_2) satisfying

$$R_1 + R_2 \leq \log q - H(Z)$$

Computation over Finite Field Multiple-Access Channels

- Independent msgs
 $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2 \in \mathbb{F}_q^k$.
- Want the sum $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2$
with vanishing prob. of error
 $\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{u}} \neq \mathbf{u}\} \rightarrow 0$

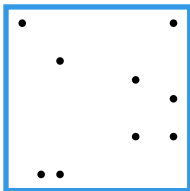
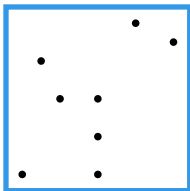


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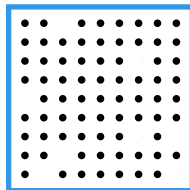
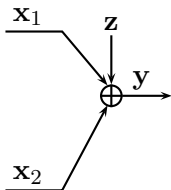
- Generate 2^{nR_1} i.i.d. uniform codewords for user 1.
- Generate 2^{nR_2} i.i.d. uniform codewords for user 2.
- With **high probability**, (nearly) all sums of codewords are distinct.
- This is ideal for multiple-access but not for computation.
- Need $R_1 + R_2 \leq \log q - H(Z)$

Random i.i.d. codes are not good for computation

2^{nR_1} codewords



2^{nR_2} codewords



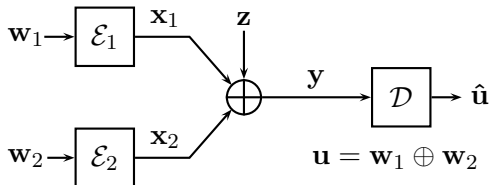
$2^{n(R_1+R_2)}$ modulo sums of codewords

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$$\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{u}} \neq \mathbf{u}\} \rightarrow 0$$



Random Linear Coding

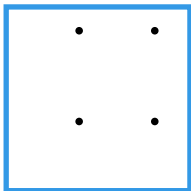
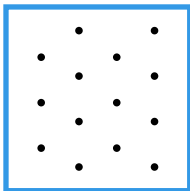
- Same linear code at both transmitters $\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_1$, $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_2$.
- Sums of codewords are themselves codewords:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{x}_1 \oplus \mathbf{x}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z} \\ &= \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z} \\ &= \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2) \oplus \mathbf{z} \\ &= \mathbf{G}\mathbf{u} \oplus \mathbf{z}\end{aligned}$$

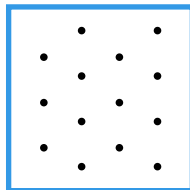
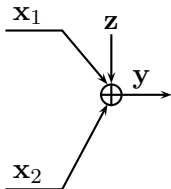
- Need $\max(R_1, R_2) \leq \log q - H(Z)$

Random linear codes are good for computation

2^{nR_1} codewords

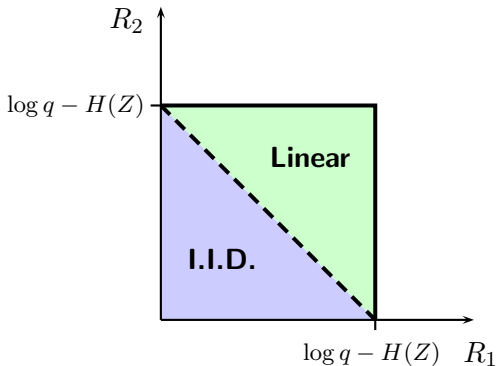


2^{nR_2} codewords



$2^{n \max(R_1, R_2)}$ modulo sums of codewords

Computation over Finite Field Multiple-Access Channels



- **I.I.D. Random Coding:** $R_1 + R_2 \leq \log q - H(Z)$
- **Random Linear Coding:** $\max(R_1, R_2) \leq \log q - H(Z)$
- Linear codes double the sum rate *without any dependency*.
- Is this useful for *sending messages* (no computation)?

Two-Way Relay Channel



Has w_1

Wants w_2



Relay

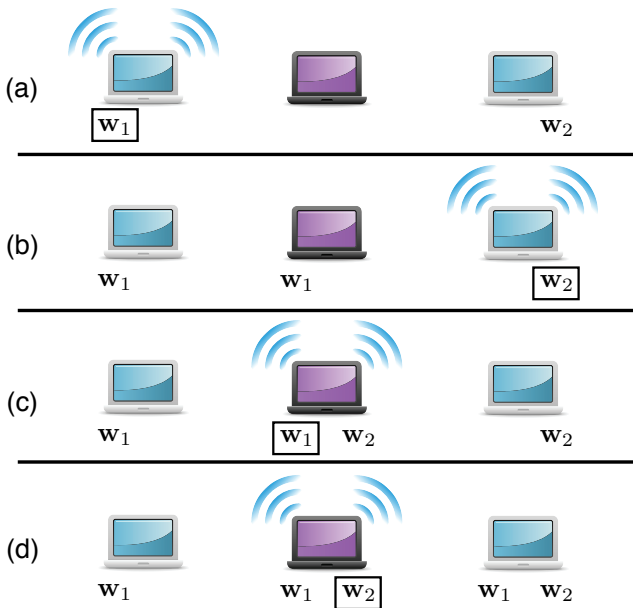


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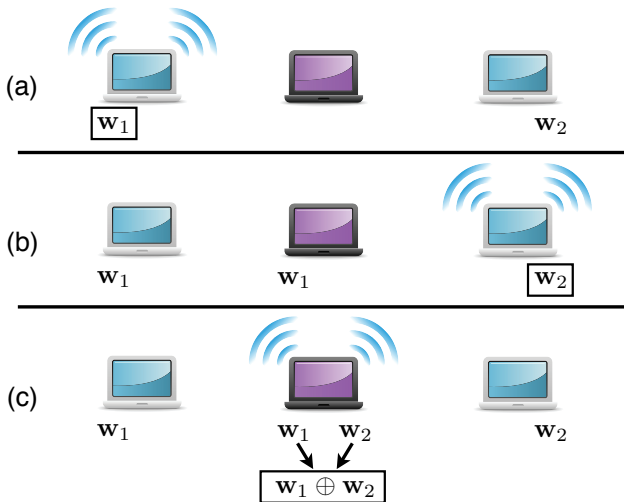
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- Elegant example proposed by **Wu-Chou-Kung '04**.
- Closely related to butterfly network from **Ahlsvede-Cai-Li-Yeung '00**.

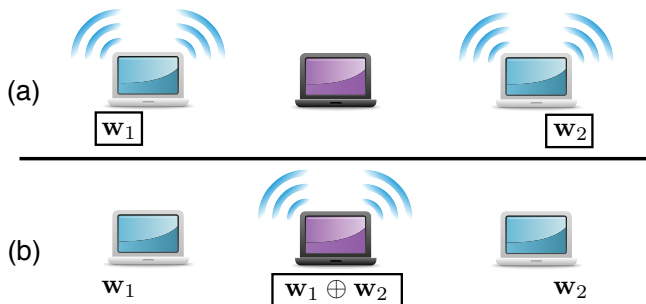
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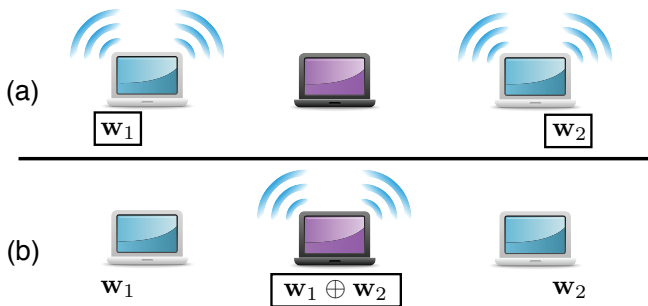
Two-Way Relay Channel – Network Coding



Two-Way Relay Channel – Physical-Layer Network Coding



Two-Way Relay Channel – Physical-Layer Network Coding



- Physical-layer network coding: exploiting the wireless medium for network coding. Independently and concurrently proposed by **Zhang-Liew-Lam '06**, **Popovski-Yomo '06**, **Nazer-Gastpar '06**.
- Sometimes referred to as Analog Network Coding **Katti-Gollakota-Katabi '08**.
- Some recent surveys **Liew-Zhang-Lu '11**, **Nazer-Gastpar '11**.

q-ary Two-Way Relay Channel



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Wants w_2



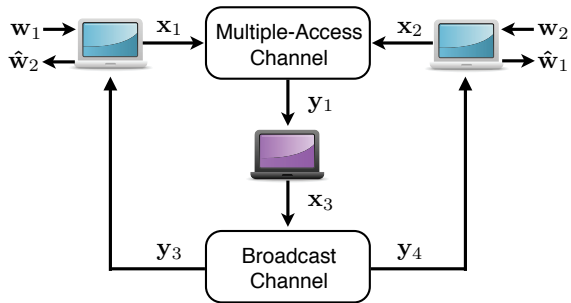
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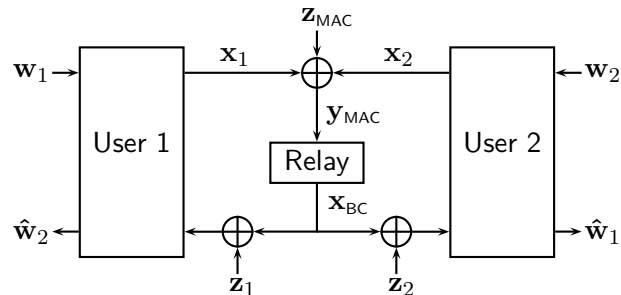
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q-ary Two-Way Relay Channel



q -ary Two-Way Relay Channel



- i.i.d. noise sequences with entropy $H(Z)$.
- Rates R_1 and R_2 .

- Upper Bound:

$$\max(R_1, R_2) \leq \log q - H(Z)$$

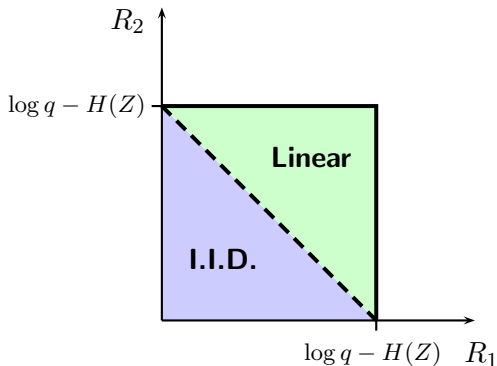
- **Random i.i.d.:** Relay decodes $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2$ and transmits $\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2$.

$$R_1 + R_2 \leq \log q - H(Z)$$

- **Random linear:** Relay decodes and retransmits $\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2$

$$\max(R_1, R_2) \leq \log q - H(Z)$$

q -ary Two-Way Relay Channel



- **I.I.D. Random Coding:** $R_1 + R_2 \leq \log q - H(Z)$
- **Random Linear Coding:** $\max(R_1, R_2) \leq \log q - H(Z)$
- Linear codes can double the sum rate *for exchanging messages*.

Generalizing Linear Codes...

- *Observation:* For linear codes, the codeword statistics are **uniform**. This follows straightforwardly from the fact that the sum of any two codewords is again a codeword.
- *Question:* Can we retain some algebraic structure *and* have **non-uniform** codeword statistics?
- Idea: **Nested Linear Codes** (see, for instance, **Conway and Sloane '92, Forney '89, Zamir-Shamai-Erez '02 ...**):

- Consider a linear code \mathcal{C}_c of rate $1 - k/n$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & \cdots & g_{1,n-k} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & \cdots & g_{2,n-k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{n1} & g_{n2} & \cdots & g_{n,n-k} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_{n-k} \end{bmatrix}$$

with parity check matrix \mathbf{H}_c .

- For every binary sequence \mathbf{u} of length k , define its coset as

$$\mathcal{C}_c(\mathbf{u}) = \{\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{H}_c \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u}\}$$

- The *coset leader* is the one sequence in $\mathcal{C}_c(\mathbf{u})$ that has the *smallest* Hamming weight.

Nested Linear Codes

- For any sequence \mathbf{x} we write $\mathbf{x} \bmod \mathcal{C}_c$ to denote the coset leader corresponding to $\mathbf{H}_c \mathbf{x}$.
- **Observation:** This satisfies all the usual properties of the modulo operation, such as

$$(\mathbf{x} \oplus \mathbf{y}) \bmod \mathcal{C}_c = (\mathbf{x} \bmod \mathcal{C}_c \oplus \mathbf{y} \bmod \mathcal{C}_c) \bmod \mathcal{C}_c$$

Theorem

There exists a binary linear code of rate $1 - k/n$ such that all 2^k coset leaders satisfy $w_{\text{Hamming}} \leq m$, where

$$k/n \geq H_b(m/n) - \epsilon$$

Note: Such a code is thus a good *covering* code.

Next step: *Decimate* coset leaders: retain only those belonging to a (“fine”) code.

That way, we end up with a code of $2^{k-k'}$ codewords satisfying two properties:

- 1 Noise protection just like the fine code
- 2 The sum of any two codewords, modulo “the coarse code,” is again a codeword

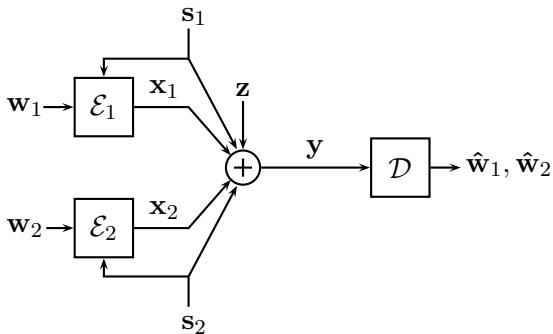
On the BSC with crossover probability p , this code achieves a rate

$$R = H_b(m/n) - H_b(p).$$

Note that this is *not* the capacity of this channel.

Distributed Dirty Paper Coding (Binary case)

Philosof-Zamir '09, Philosof-Zamir-Erez '09:



Without *input constraints*, the problem is trivial.

But now, consider

$$w_H(\mathbf{x}_1) \leq m \quad \text{and} \quad w_H(\mathbf{x}_2) \leq m.$$

Distributed Dirty Paper Coding

- Choose codewords \mathbf{t}_1 and \mathbf{t}_2 . Transmit

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = (\mathbf{t}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_1) \bmod \mathcal{C}_c \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{x}_2 = (\mathbf{t}_2 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2) \bmod \mathcal{C}_c$$

- Choose coarse code to satisfy Hamming input constraints. Receive:

$$\mathbf{y} = [(\mathbf{x}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_1) \bmod \mathcal{C}_c] \oplus [(\mathbf{x}_2 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2) \bmod \mathcal{C}_c] \oplus \mathbf{s}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z}$$

- The key step is the following pre-processing step at the decoder:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y} \bmod \mathcal{C}_c &= (\mathbf{x}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_1 \oplus \mathbf{x}_2 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2 \oplus \mathbf{s}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z}) \bmod \mathcal{C}_c \\ &= (\mathbf{x}_1 \oplus \mathbf{x}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z}) \bmod \mathcal{C}_c \end{aligned}$$

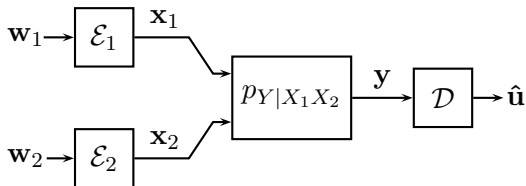
- Last step: show that the noise is essentially unchanged by the modulo operation.
- Can show that this achieves the **capacity** (see **Philosof-Zamir-Erez '09.**)

Beyond Linear

Independent msgs $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2$.

Want the sum $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2$
with vanishing prob. of error

$$\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{u}} \neq \mathbf{u}\} \rightarrow 0$$



Achievable Strategy (Nazer-Gastpar '08)

Use the same linear code, $\max(R_1, R_2) \leq I(X_1 \oplus X_2; Y)$ (for binary, uniform inputs)

- **General Functions:** $U_i = f(W_{1i}, W_{2i})$
- Some achievable strategies, very hard in general (functional compression is a special case)
- For network communication, don't really care what functions in the middle, only care about msgs

I. Discrete Alphabets

II. AWGN Channels

III. Network Applications

Nested lattice results in this section are almost entirely drawn from:

- U. Erez and R. Zamir, *Achieving $\frac{1}{2} \log(1 + \text{SNR})$ on the AWGN channel with lattice encoding and decoding*, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, vol. 50, pp. 2293-2314, October 2004.
- U. Erez, S. Litsyn, and R. Zamir, *Lattices which are good for (almost) everything*, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, vol. 51, pp. 3401-3416, October 2005.
- R. Zamir, *Lattices are everywhere*, in Proceedings of the 4th Annual Workshop on Information Theory and its Applications, La Jolla, CA, February 2009.

Gaussian MMSE Estimation

- **Signal** X is a scalar Gaussian r.v. with mean 0 and variance P .
- **Noise** Z is an independent scalar Gaussian r.v. with mean 0 and variance N .
- Estimate X from noisy observation $Y = X + Z$.
- Mean-squared error: $\mathbb{E}[(Y - X)^2] = \mathbb{E}[Z^2] = N$.
- Minimum mean-squared error (MMSE):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[(\alpha Y - X)^2] &= \mathbb{E}[(\alpha X + \alpha Z - X)^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\alpha^2 Z^2 + (1 - \alpha)^2 X^2] && \text{Part of error due to } X \\ &= \alpha^2 N + (1 - \alpha)^2 P\end{aligned}$$

- Optimal $\alpha = \frac{P}{N + P}$ yields $\mathbb{E}[(\alpha Y - X)^2] = \frac{PN}{N + P}$.

Point-to-Point AWGN Channels

- Codewords must satisfy **power constraint**:

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \leq nP .$$

- i.i.d. Gaussian noise with variance N :

$$\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, N\mathbf{I}) .$$

- Shannon '48**: Channel capacity:

$$C = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P}{N} \right)$$

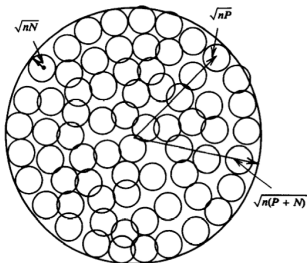
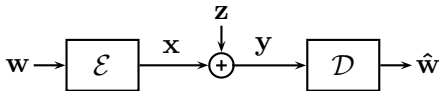


Figure 10.2. Sphere packing for the Gaussian channel.

(Cover and Thomas,
Elements of Information Theory)

- In high dimensions, noise starts to look spherical.

Lattices

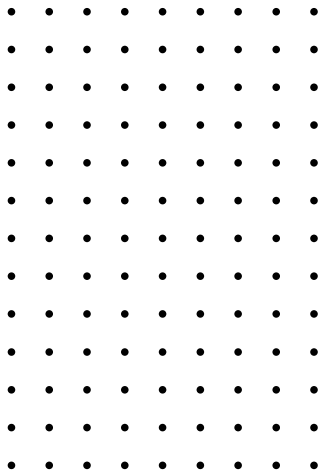
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\mathbb{Z}^n is a simple lattice.

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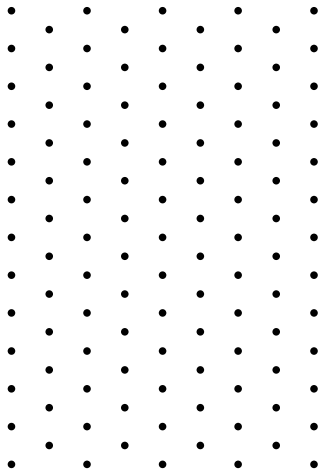
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Voronoi Regions

- Nearest neighbor quantizer:

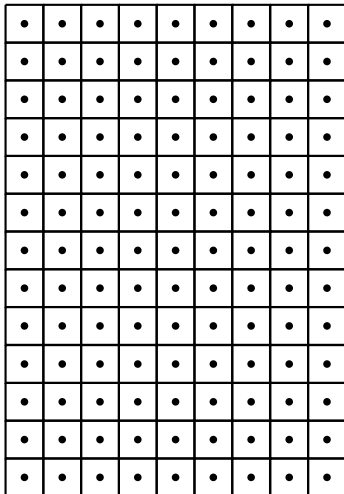
$$Q_{\Lambda}(\mathbf{x}) = \arg \min_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \|\mathbf{x} - \lambda\|_2$$

- The Voronoi region of a lattice point is the set of all points that quantize to that lattice point.

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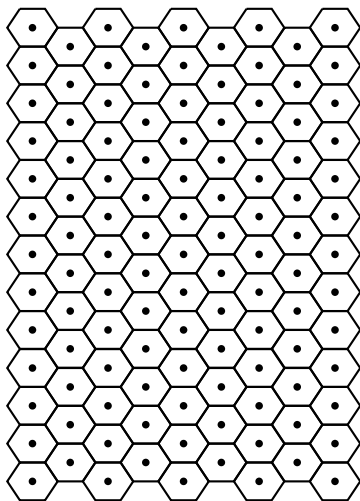
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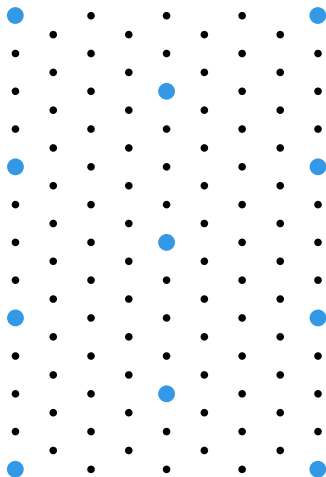
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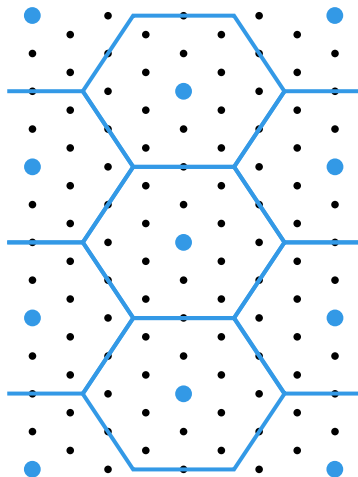
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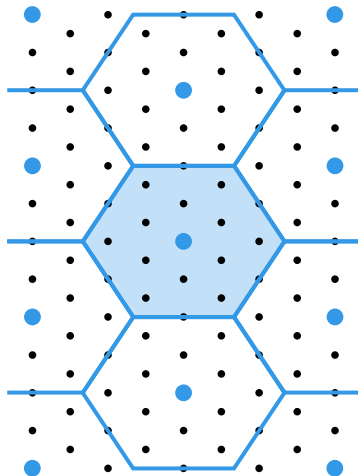
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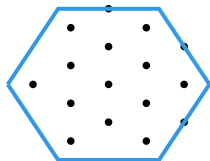
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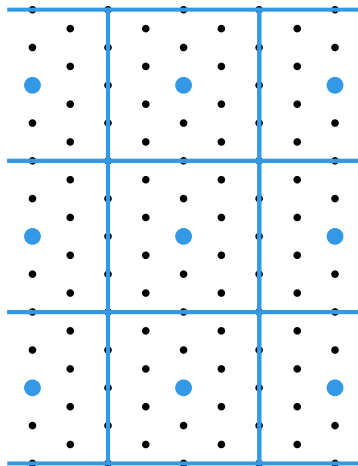
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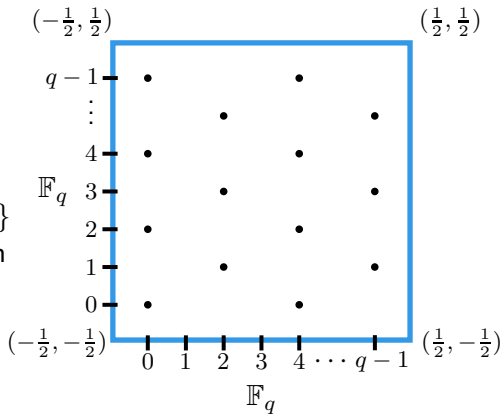
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Nested Lattice Codes from q -ary Linear Codes

- Choose an $n \times k$ generator matrix $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{F}_q^{n \times k}$ for q -ary code.
- Integers serve as coarse lattice, $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}^n$.
- Map elements $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, q-1\}$ to equally spaced points between $-1/2$ and $1/2$.
- Place codewords $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}$ into the fundamental Voronoi region $\mathcal{V} = [-1/2, 1/2)^n$



Modulo Operation

- Modulo operation with respect to lattice Λ is just the residual quantization error,

$$[\mathbf{x}] \bmod \Lambda = \mathbf{x} - Q_{\Lambda}(\mathbf{x}) .$$

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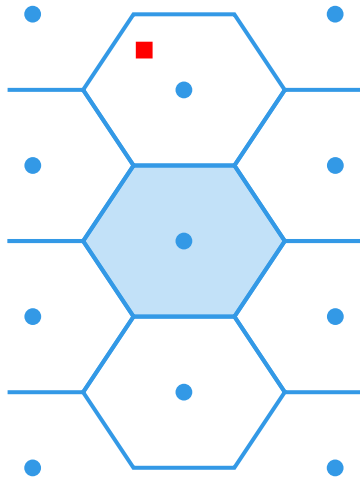
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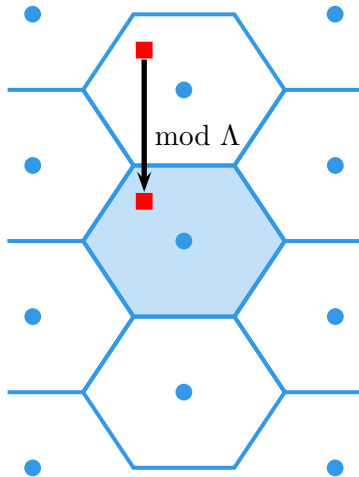
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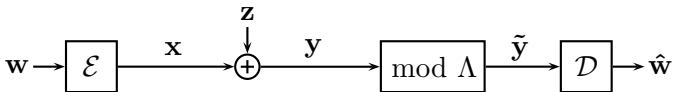
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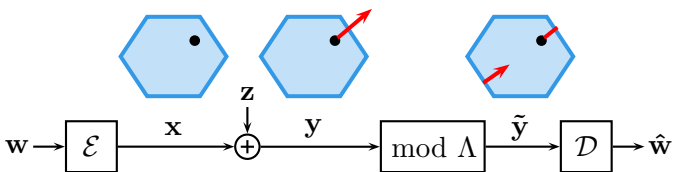
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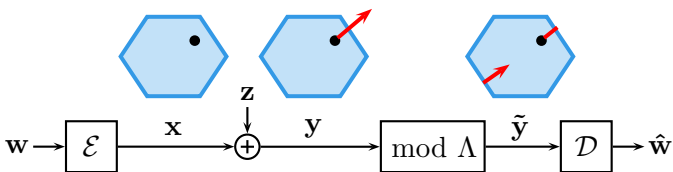
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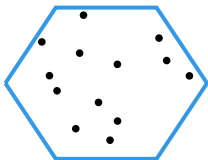
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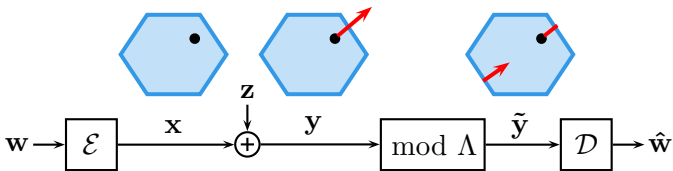


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Using random i.i.d. code drawn over \mathcal{V} :
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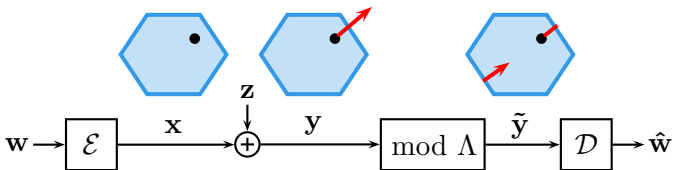


mod Λ AWGN Channel Capacity



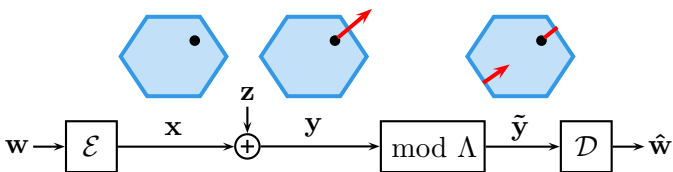
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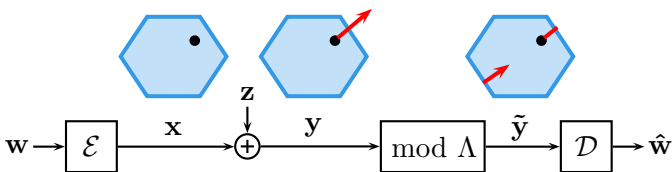
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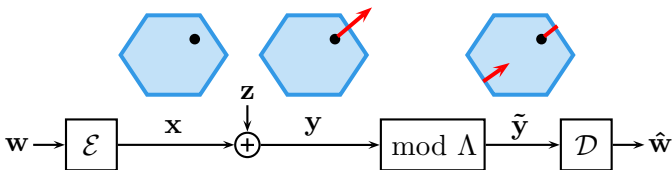
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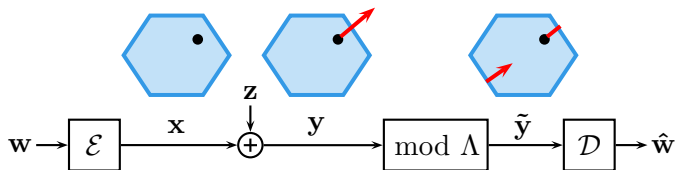
- Channel output entropy is equal to the logarithm of the Voronoi region volume if it is uniform over \mathcal{V} :

$$h(\tilde{\mathbf{y}}) = \log(\text{Vol}(\mathcal{V})) \quad \text{if } \tilde{\mathbf{y}} \sim \text{Unif}(\mathcal{V})$$

- $\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = [\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{z}] \bmod \Lambda$ is uniform over \mathcal{V} if \mathbf{x} is uniform over \mathcal{V} .
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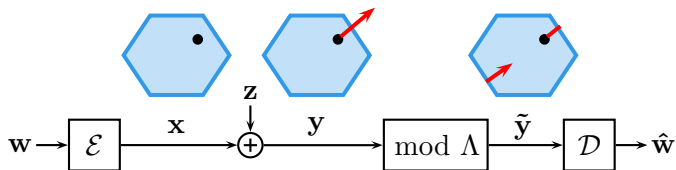
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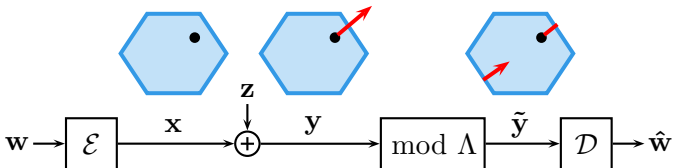


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Normalized Second Moment: $G(\Lambda) = \frac{\sigma_{\Lambda}^2}{(\text{Vol}(\mathcal{V}))^{2/n}}$

$$\implies \frac{1}{n} \log(\text{Vol}(\mathcal{V})) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{\sigma_{\Lambda}^2}{G(\Lambda)} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{G(\Lambda)} \right)$$

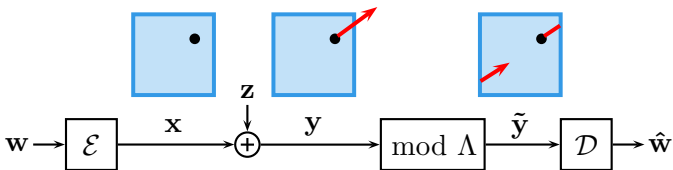
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What is $G(\Lambda)$?

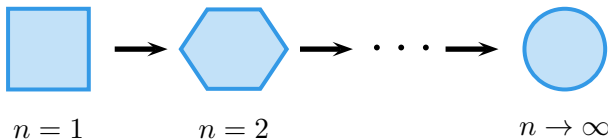


- The normalized second moment $G(\Lambda)$ is a dimensionless quantity that captures the **shaping gain**.
- Integer lattice is not so bad, $G(\mathbb{Z}^n) = 1/12$.
- Capacity under $\text{mod } \mathbb{Z}^n$ is at least

$$\begin{aligned} C &\geq \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{2\pi e}{12} \right) \\ &\approx \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N} \right) - 0.255 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem (Zamir-Feder-Polytyrev '94)

There exists a sequence of lattices $\Lambda^{(n)}$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G(\Lambda^{(n)}) = \frac{1}{2\pi e}$.



- Best possible normalized second moment is that of a sphere.
- Using a sequence $\Lambda^{(n)}$ with an asymptotically good $G(\Lambda^{(N)})$ allows to approach

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{2\pi e}{2\pi e} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Can actually get this with a linear code tiled over \mathbb{Z}^n (see, for instance, **Erez-Litsyn-Zamir '05.**)
- Many works looking at this from different perspectives.
- We will just assume existence.

Recall the two key properties of random linear codes \mathbf{G} from earlier:

Codeword Properties

1. **Marginally uniform over \mathbb{F}_q^n .** For a given message $\mathbf{w} \neq \mathbf{0}$, the codeword $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}$ looks like an i.i.d. uniform sequence.

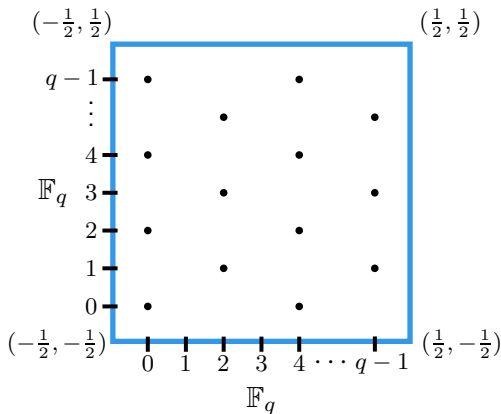
$$\mathbb{P}\{\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}\} = \frac{1}{q^n} \quad \text{for all } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$$

2. **Pairwise independent.** For $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2 \neq \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{w}_1 \neq \mathbf{w}_2$, codewords $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2$ are independent.

$$\mathbb{P}\{\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_2\} = \frac{1}{q^{2n}} = \mathbb{P}\{\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1\}\mathbb{P}\{\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_2\}$$

Linear Codes for mod Λ Channels

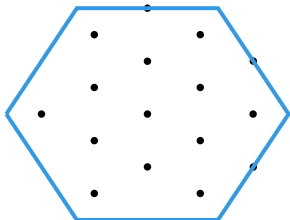
- Instead of an “inner” random codes, we can use a q -ary linear code.
- This is exactly a nested lattice.
- Each codeword has a **uniform marginal distribution** over the grid.
- Rate loss due to finite constellation which goes to 0 as $q \rightarrow \infty$.
- Codewords are **pairwise independent** so we can apply the union bound.



$$\mathbf{x} = [\gamma \mathbf{G} \mathbf{w}] \bmod \mathbb{Z}^n$$

Linear Codes for $\bmod \Lambda$ Channels

- General coarse lattice $\Lambda = \mathbf{B}\mathbb{Z}^n$.
- First, apply generator matrix for linear code $\mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}$. Then scale down by γ and tile over \mathbb{Z}^n .
- Multiply by \mathbf{B} and apply $\bmod \Lambda$ to get codebook.
- As q gets large, each codeword's **marginal distribution** looks uniform over \mathcal{V} .
- Codewords are **pairwise independent** so we can apply the union bound.



$$\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{B}\gamma\mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}] \bmod \Lambda$$

- **Erez-Zamir '04:** Prior to taking mod Λ , scale by α .

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbf{y}} &= [\alpha \mathbf{y}] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= [\alpha \mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{z}] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= [\underbrace{\mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{z} - (1 - \alpha)\mathbf{x}}_{\text{Effective Noise}}] \bmod \Lambda\end{aligned}$$

- For now, ignore that the effective noise is not independent of the codeword. Effective noise variance $N_{\text{EFFEC}} = \alpha^2 N + (1 - \alpha)^2 P$.
- Optimal choice of α is the MMSE coefficient $\alpha_{\text{MMSE}} = \frac{P}{N + P}$.

$$N_{\text{EFFEC}} = \alpha_{\text{MMSE}}^2 N + (1 - \alpha_{\text{MMSE}})^2 P = \frac{PN}{N + P}$$

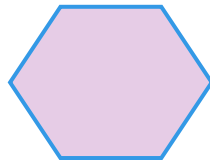
$$C = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N_{\text{EFFEC}}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P}{N} \right)$$

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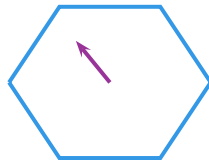


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Decoding – Remove Dither First

- Transmitter sends **dithered** codeword $\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{d}] \bmod \Lambda$.
- After scaling the channel output \mathbf{y} by α , the decoder subtracts the **dither** \mathbf{d} .

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- **Effective noise** is now independent from the codeword \mathbf{t} .
- By the probabilistic method, (at least) one good fixed **dither** exists. No common randomness necessary.

Summary

- Linear code embedded in the integer lattice:

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- Linear code embedded in a good shaping lattice, MMSE scaling:

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Theorem (Erez-Zamir '04)

Nested lattice codes can achieve the AWGN capacity.

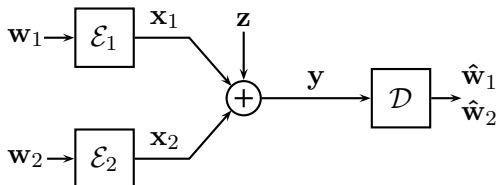
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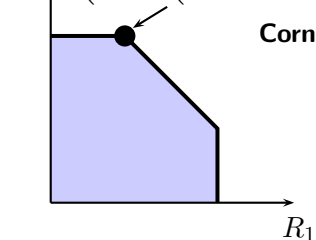
Power constraints P_1, P_2 . Noise variance N .

Successive Cancellation

$$R_2 \leq \left(\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P_1}{N + P_2} \right), \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P_2}{N} \right) \right)$$

Corner Point

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2. Subtract \mathbf{x}_1 from \mathbf{y} .
3. Decode \mathbf{x}_2 .

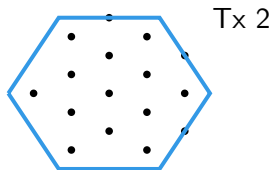
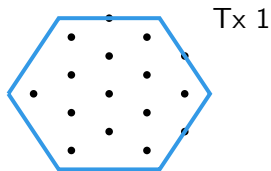


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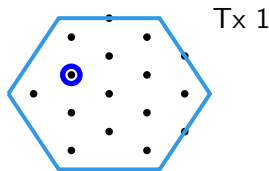
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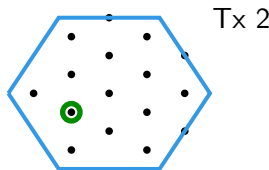
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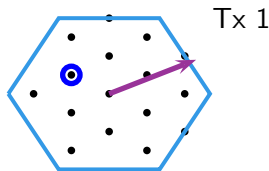


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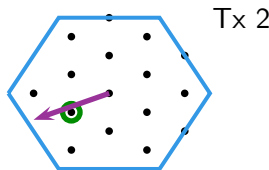
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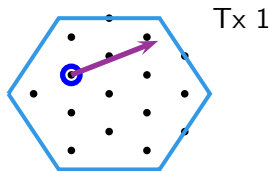
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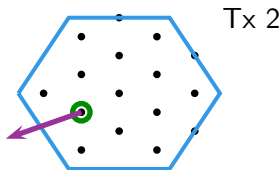
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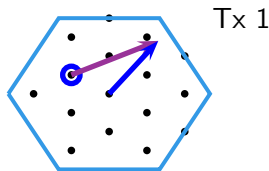
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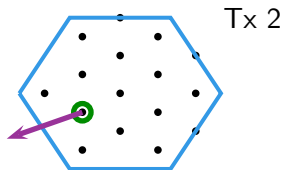
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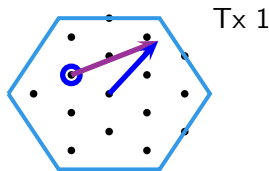
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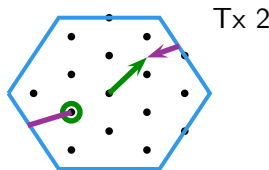
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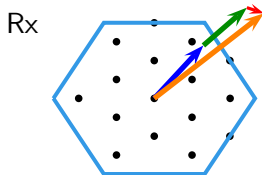
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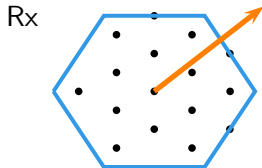
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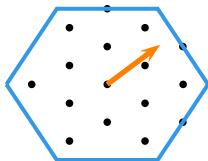
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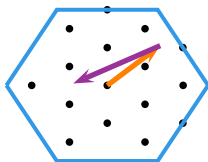
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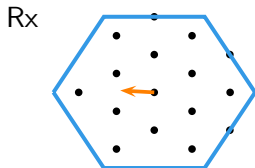


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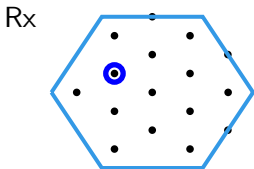


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$$\begin{aligned} & [\alpha \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{d}_1] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= [\alpha(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2 + \mathbf{z}) - \mathbf{d}_1] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= [\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{d}_1 + \alpha \mathbf{z} + \alpha \mathbf{x}_2 - (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{x}_1] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= \left[[\mathbf{t}_1 + \mathbf{d}_1] \bmod \Lambda - \mathbf{d}_1 + \alpha \mathbf{z} + \alpha \mathbf{x}_2 - (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{x}_1 \right] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= [\mathbf{t}_1 + \underbrace{\alpha \mathbf{z} + \alpha \mathbf{x}_2 - (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{x}_1}_{\text{Effective Noise}}] \end{aligned}$$

Lattice Achievability “Recipe” – Multiple-Access Corner Point

- **Effective noise** after scaling is $N_{\text{EFFEC}} = \alpha^2(N + P_2) + (1 - \alpha)^2 P_1$.
- Minimized by setting α to be the **MMSE coefficient**:

$$\alpha_{\text{MMSE}} = \frac{P_1}{N + P_1 + P_2}$$

- Plugging in, we get

$$N_{\text{EFFEC}} = \frac{(N + P_2)P_1}{N + P_1 + P_2}$$

- Resulting rate is

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P_1}{N_{\text{EFFEC}}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P_1}{N + P_2} \right)$$

- To obtain different rates for \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 , use nested linear codes \mathbf{G}_1 and \mathbf{G}_2 inside Voronoi region \mathcal{V} .

AWGN Two-Way Relay Channel – Symmetric Rates



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Wants w_2



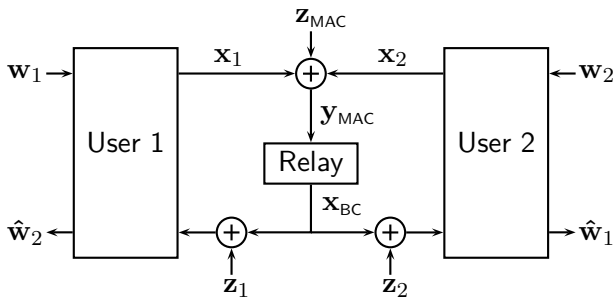
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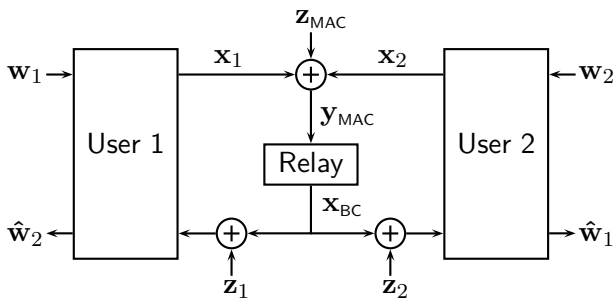
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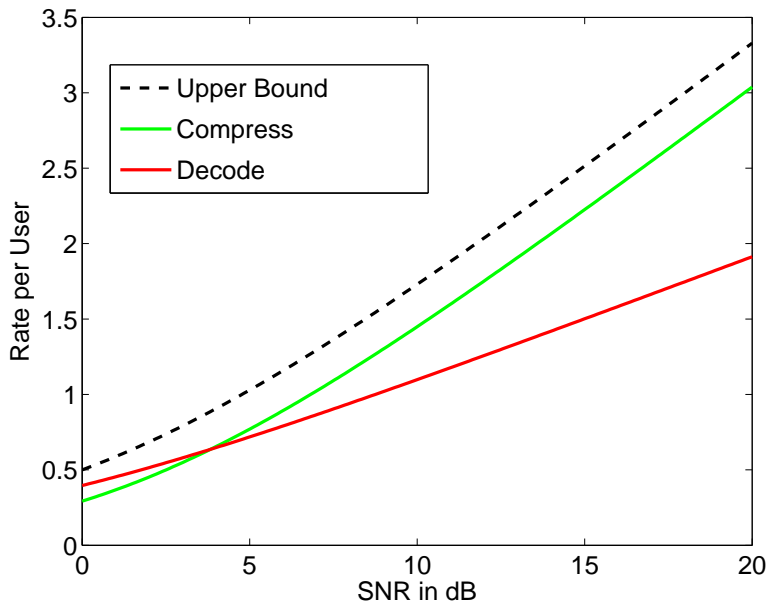
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$$R = \frac{1}{4} \log \left(1 + \frac{2P}{N} \right)$$

- **Compress-and-Forward:** Relay transmits quantized \mathbf{y} .

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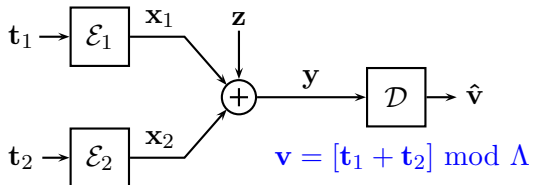
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$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{t}_1$$

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Decoder **recovers modulo sum**.

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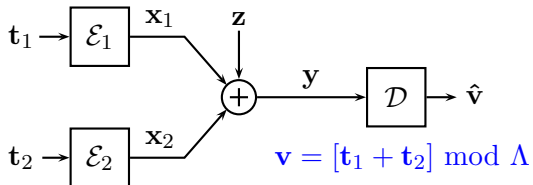
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Decoding the Sum of Lattice Codewords – MMSE Scaling

- Effective noise after scaling is $N_{\text{EFFEC}} = (1 - \alpha)^2 2P + \alpha^2 N$.
- Minimized by setting α to be the **MMSE coefficient**:

$$\alpha_{\text{MMSE}} = \frac{2P}{N + 2P}$$

- Plugging in, we get

$$N_{\text{EFFEC}} = \frac{2NP}{N + 2P}$$

- Resulting rate is

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N_{\text{EFFEC}}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{P}{N} \right)$$

- Getting the full “one plus” term is an open challenge. Does not seem possible with nested lattices.

- Map messages to lattice points

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- Mapping between finite field messages and lattice codewords **preserves linearity**:

$$\phi^{-1}\left([\mathbf{t}_1 + \mathbf{t}_2] \bmod \Lambda\right) = \mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2$$

- This means that after decoding a $\bmod \Lambda$ equation of lattice points we can immediately recover the finite field equation of the messages. See **Nazer-Gastpar '11** for more details.

Finite Field Computation over a Gaussian MAC

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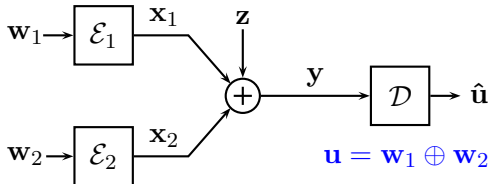
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$$\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2 = \phi^{-1}\left([\mathbf{t}_1 + \mathbf{t}_2] \bmod \Lambda\right).$$

- Achievable rate $R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{P}{N} \right)$.

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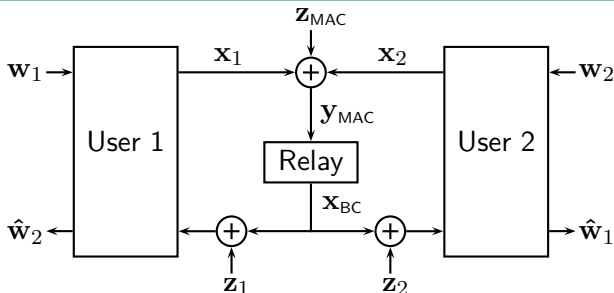
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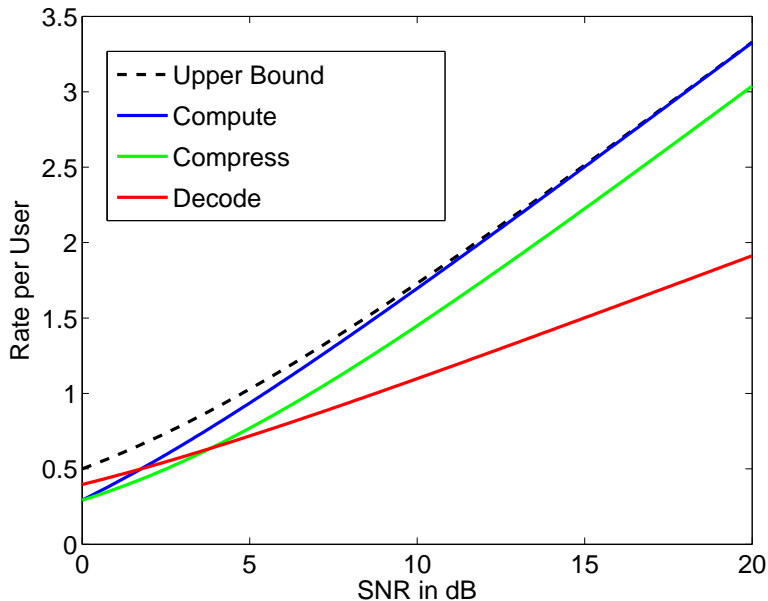
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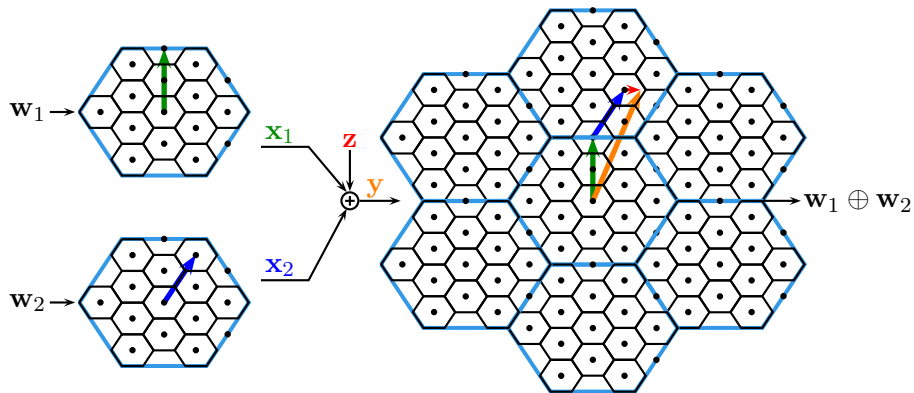
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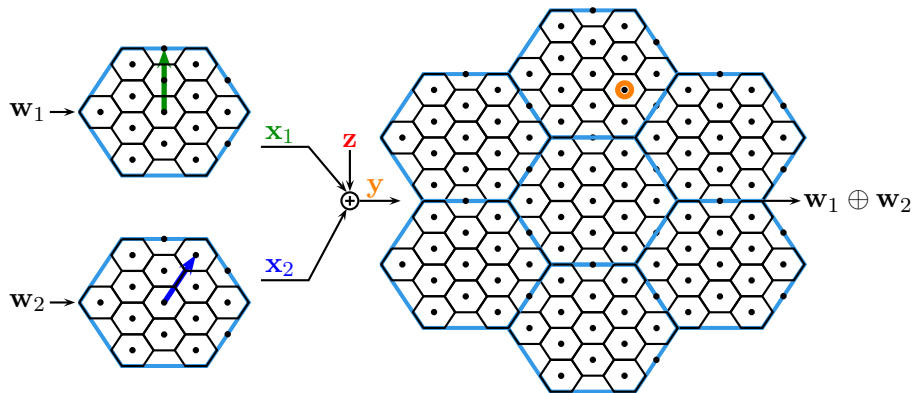
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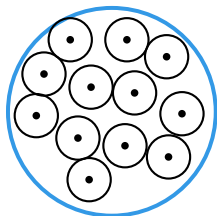
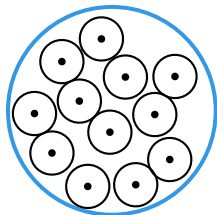
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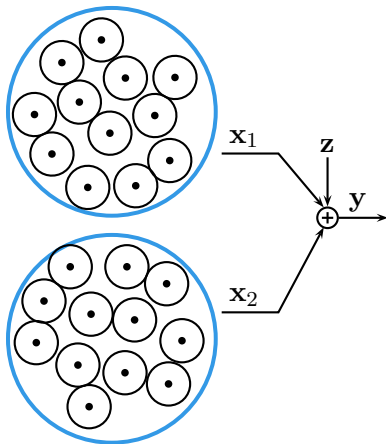
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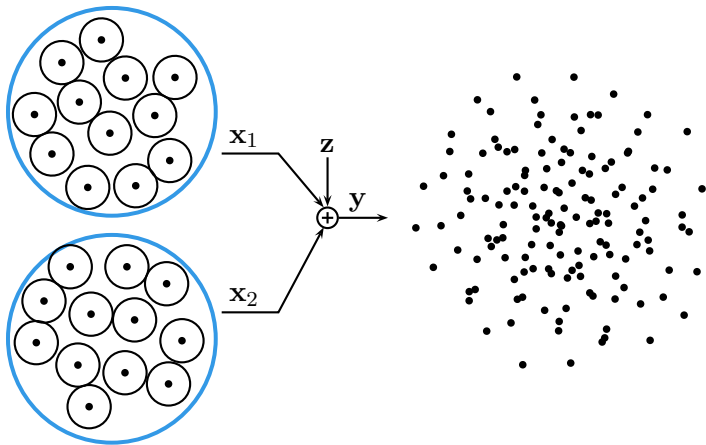
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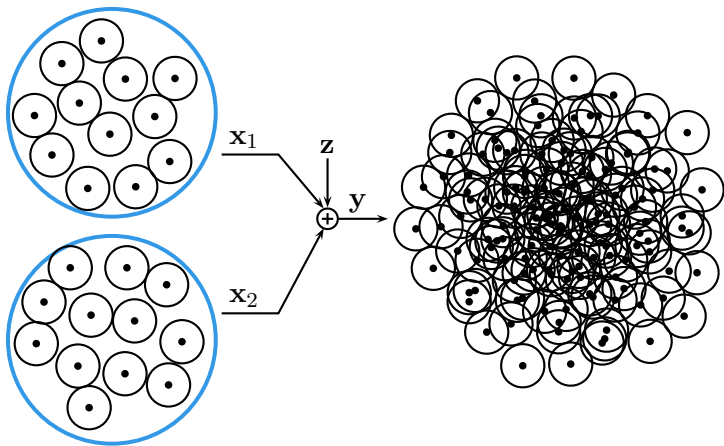
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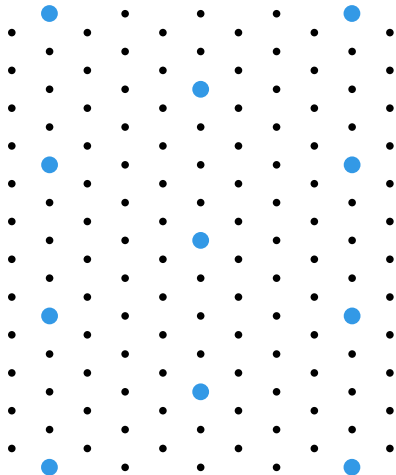


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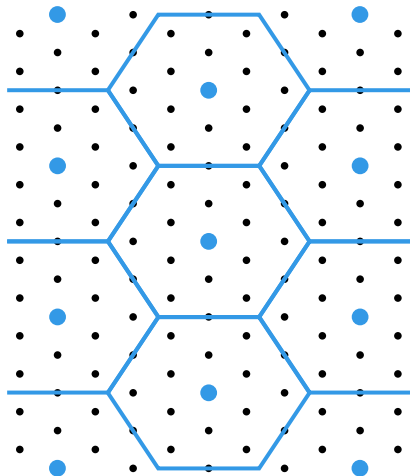
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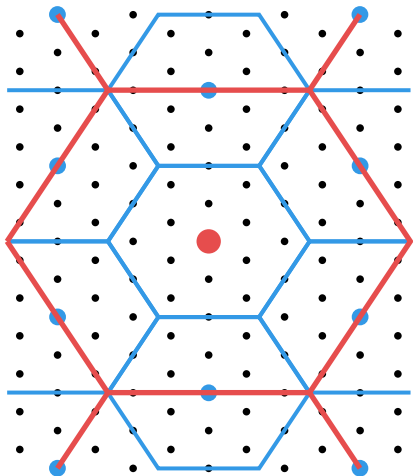
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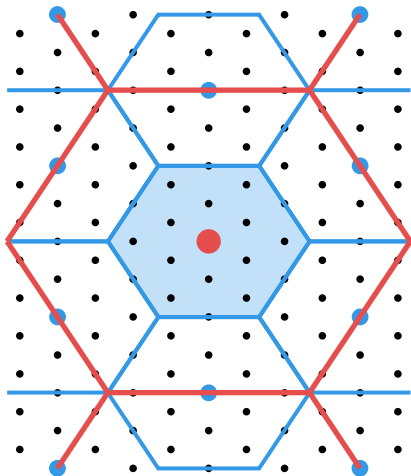
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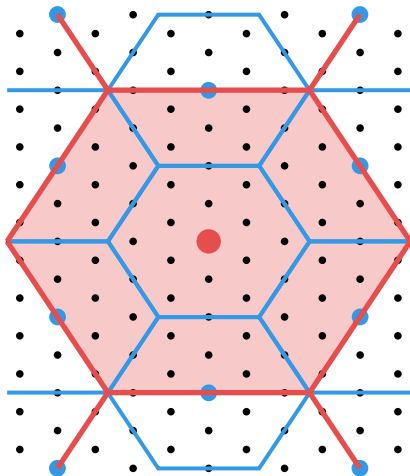
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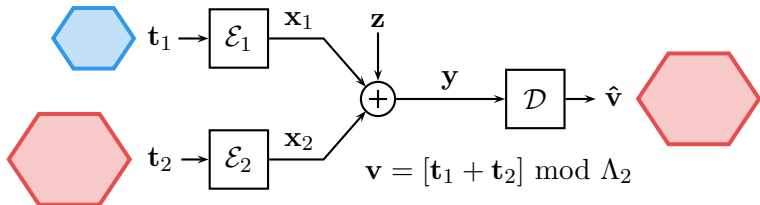


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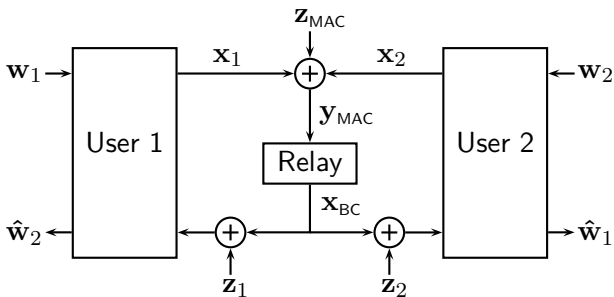


- Encoder 1 sends $\mathbf{x}_1 = [\mathbf{t}_1 + \mathbf{d}_1] \bmod \Lambda_1$. Coarse lattice Λ_1 has second moment P_1 .
- Encoder 2 sends $\mathbf{x}_2 = [\mathbf{t}_2 + \mathbf{d}_2] \bmod \Lambda_2$. Coarse lattice Λ_2 has second moment $P_2 > P_1$.
- Decoder performs MMSE scaling, remove dithers, recovers $\bmod \Lambda_2$ sum.

$$R_1 = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P_1}{P_1 + P_2} + \frac{P_1}{N} \right)$$

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AWGN Two-Way Relay Channel



- User powers P_1, P_2 .
- MAC noise variance N_{MAC} .
- Relay power P_{BC} .
- Broadcast noise variances N_1, N_2 .

Theorem (Nam-Chung-Lee '10)

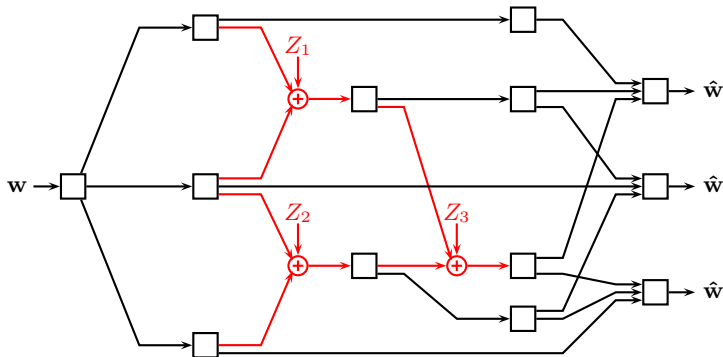
Capacity region is within 1/2 bit of:

$$R_1 \leq \min \left(\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P_1}{P_1 + P_2} + \frac{P_1}{N_{MAC}} \right), \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P_{BC}}{N_2} \right) \right)$$

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Moreover, "constant gap" goes to zero as powers increase.

Multiple-Access Networks



- Multicast demands
- Multi-access interference
- No broadcast constraints

- **Compute-and-forward** is well-suited for multicasting over multiple-access networks.
- Equal transmitter powers: **Nazer-Gastpar '07**.
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II. AWGN Channels

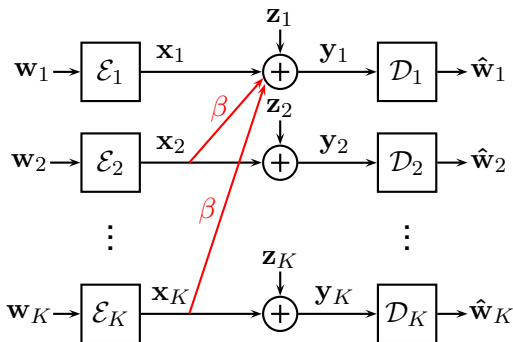
III. Network Applications

Many-to-One Interference Channel – Symmetric Very Strong Case

- Equal rates R .
- Only receiver 1 sees interference:

$$\mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1 + \beta \sum_{\ell=2}^K \mathbf{x}_\ell + \mathbf{z}_1$$

- How big does β have to be to achieve $R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P}{N} \right)$? (i.e. “very strong” case)



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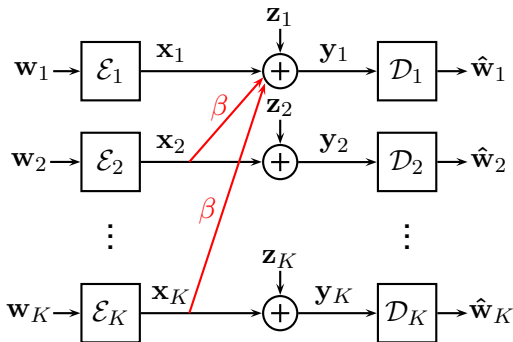
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Transmit dithered codewords:

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- **Effective noise variance** $N_{\text{EFFEC}} = \beta^{-2}(P + N)$.
- Can decode $\bmod \Lambda$ sum of lattice points at rate $R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{\beta^2 P}{P+N} \right)$.
- Setting equal to “**very strong**” condition $R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P}{N} \right)$ we get

$$\beta^2 = \frac{(P + N)^2}{PN}$$

- How can we recover \mathbf{w}_1 ?
- We need to first subtract the **real sum** of the codewords. So far, we only have the modulo-sum.

Successive Cancellation of Sums

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- Finally, get back the real sum

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Successive Cancellation of Sums

- We now have the sum of interfering codewords and can cancel them out:

$$\mathbf{y}_1 - \beta \sum_{\ell=2}^K \mathbf{x}_\ell = \mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{z}_1$$

- Can apply standard MMSE lattice decoding to recover lattice point \mathbf{t}_1 and then map back to \mathbf{w}_1 .
- Overall, **structured coding** permits

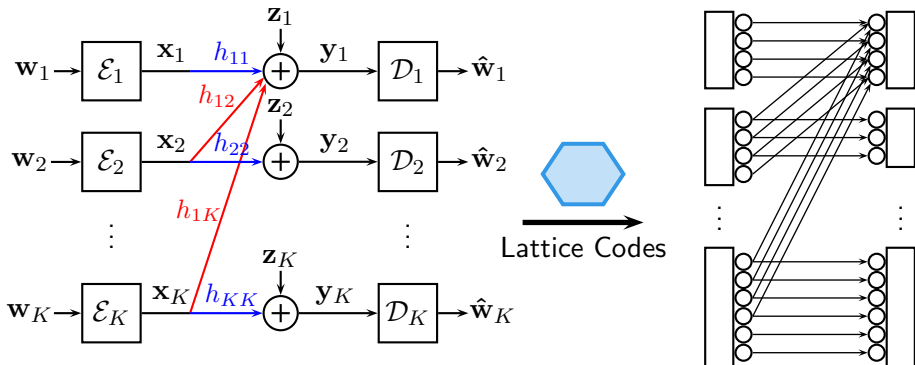
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- Compare to decoding interfering codewords **in their entirety**:

$$\beta^2 \geq \frac{\left(\left(1 + \frac{P}{N}\right)^{K-1} - 1 \right) (N + P)}{(K - 1)P}$$

- Originally shown in **Sridharan-Jafarian-Vishwanath-Jafar '08** using spherical shaping region. Nested lattice scheme from **Nazer '11**.

Many-to-One Interference Channel – Approximate Capacity

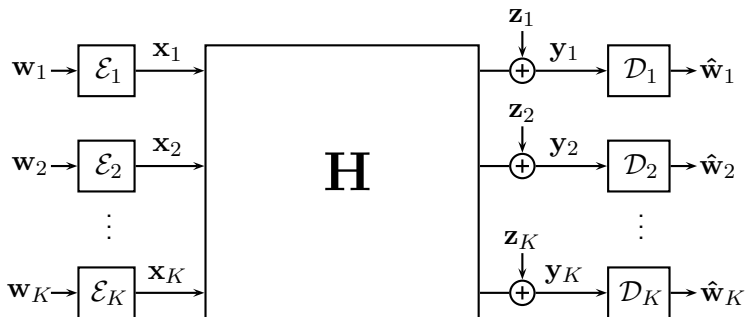


- **Deterministic model** by **Avestimehr-Diggavi-Tse '11** shows how to decompose by signal scale.

Theorem (Bresler-Parekh-Tse '10)

Lattices codes combined with the deterministic model can approach the capacity region to within $(3K + 3)(1 + \log(K + 1))$ bits per user.

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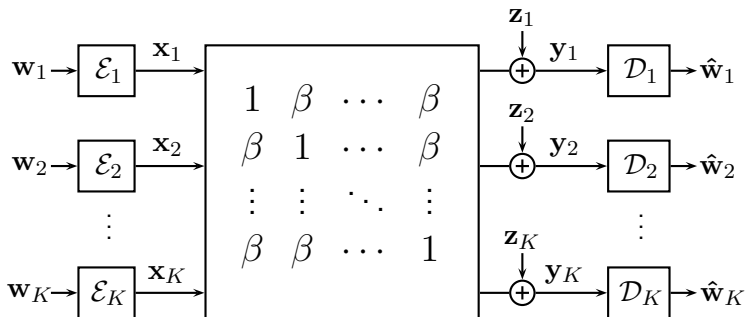


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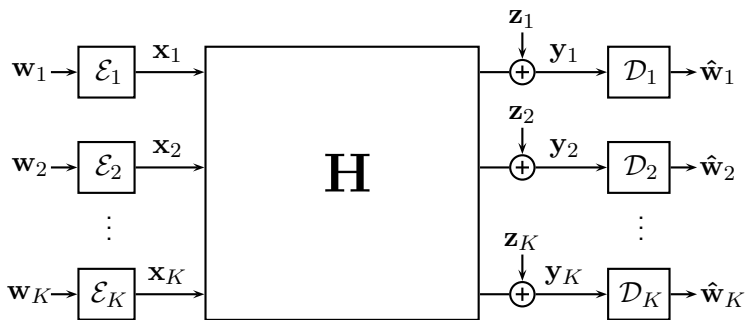


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Interference Channel



- Not clear how to map to a **deterministic model** using lattices.
- “Real” interference alignment scheme of **Motahari et al. '08** uses a lattice structure to get $K/2$ DoF (up to a set of measure one)
- Some special cases at finite SNR: **Jafarian-Viswanath '09,'10**, **Ordentlich-Erez '11**
- Much more known for time-varying channels: **Cadambe-Jafar '08**, **Nazer et al. '11**, much more

Summary

- So far we have seen that lattices are very effective for scenarios where there is a **single interference bottleneck**.
- Also effective for multiple bottlenecks but less is known.
- We have so far assumed that the **fading coefficients** are known at the transmitters.
- In general, transmitters may not have access to **channel state information**.

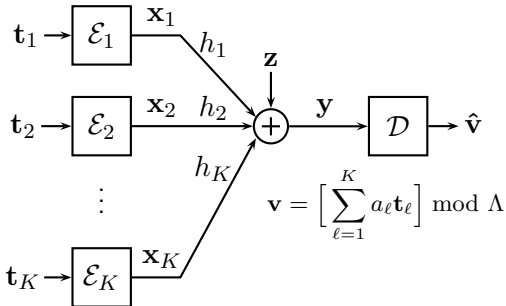
Computation over Fading Channels

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$$\mathbf{v} = \left[\sum_{\ell=1}^K a_\ell \mathbf{t}_\ell \right] \bmod \Lambda$$

- Receiver can use its knowledge of the channel gains to match the equation coefficients a_ℓ to the channel coefficients h_ℓ .

- **Distributive Law** also holds for integer combinations. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[a[\mathbf{x}_1] \bmod \Lambda + b[\mathbf{x}_2] \bmod \Lambda \right] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= \left[a\left(\mathbf{x}_1 - Q_\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_1)\right) + b\left(\mathbf{x}_2 - Q_\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_2)\right) \right] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= \left[a\mathbf{x}_1 + b\mathbf{x}_2 - aQ_\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_1) - bQ_\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_2) \right] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= [a\mathbf{x}_1 + b\mathbf{x}_2] \bmod \Lambda \end{aligned}$$

- Last step follows since $aQ_\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_1)$ and $bQ_\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_2)$ are elements of the lattice Λ .

Computation over Fading Channels

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$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\mathbf{y} - \sum_{\ell=1}^K a_\ell \mathbf{d}_\ell \right] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= \left[\sum_{\ell=1}^K h_\ell \mathbf{x}_\ell + \mathbf{z} - \sum_{\ell=1}^K a_\ell \mathbf{d}_\ell \right] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= \left[\sum_{\ell=1}^K a_\ell (\mathbf{x}_\ell - \mathbf{d}_\ell) + \sum_{\ell=1}^K (h_\ell - a_\ell) \mathbf{x}_\ell + \mathbf{z} \right] \bmod \Lambda \\ &= \left[\left[\sum_{\ell=1}^K a_\ell \mathbf{t}_\ell \right] \bmod \Lambda + \underbrace{\sum_{\ell=1}^K (h_\ell - a_\ell) \mathbf{x}_\ell + \mathbf{z}}_{\text{Effective Noise}} \right] \bmod \Lambda \quad \text{Distributive Law} \end{aligned}$$

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- Can do better with **MMSE scaling**.

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$$= \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{N + P\|\mathbf{h}\|^2}{N\|\mathbf{a}\|^2 + P(\|\mathbf{h}\|^2\|\mathbf{a}\|^2 - (\mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{a})^2)} \right)$$

- See **Nazer-Gastpar '11** for more details.

Computation over Fading Channels – Special Cases

- The rate expression simplifies in some special cases.

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{N + P\|\mathbf{h}\|^2}{N\|\mathbf{a}\|^2 + P(\|\mathbf{h}\|^2\|\mathbf{a}\|^2 - (\mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{a})^2)} \right)$$

- Integer channels: $\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{a}$.

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{a}\|^2} + \frac{P}{N} \right)$$

- Recovering a single message: Set $\mathbf{a} = \delta_m$, the m^{th} unit vector.

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{h_m^2 P}{N + P \sum_{\ell \neq m} h_\ell^2} \right)$$

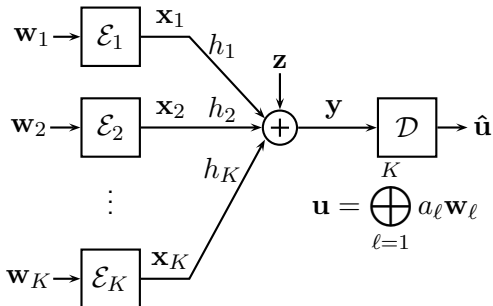
Finite Field Computation over Fading Channels

Transmitters **do not know** channel realization.

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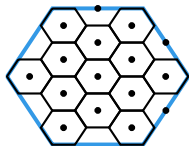
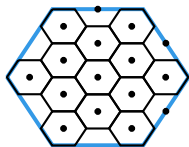


- Recall that mapping $\mathbf{t}_\ell = \phi(\mathbf{w}_\ell)$ between messages and lattice points **preserves linearity**.

$$\phi^{-1}\left(\left[\sum_{\ell=1}^K a_\ell \mathbf{t}_\ell\right] \bmod \Lambda\right) = \left[\sum_{\ell=1}^K a_\ell \mathbf{w}_\ell\right] \bmod q = \bigoplus_{\ell=1}^K a_\ell \mathbf{w}_\ell$$

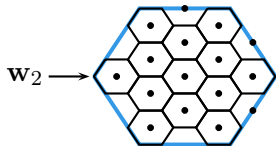
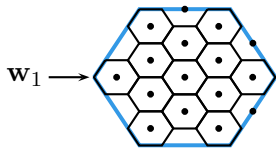
- Digital interface that fits well with **network coding**.

All users pick the **same nested lattice code**:

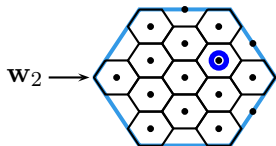
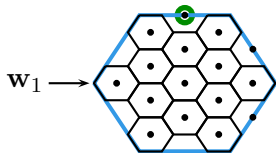


Computation Coding

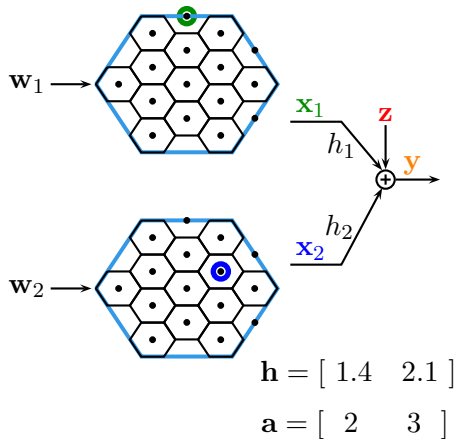
Choose messages over field $\mathbf{w}_\ell \in \mathbb{F}_q^k$:



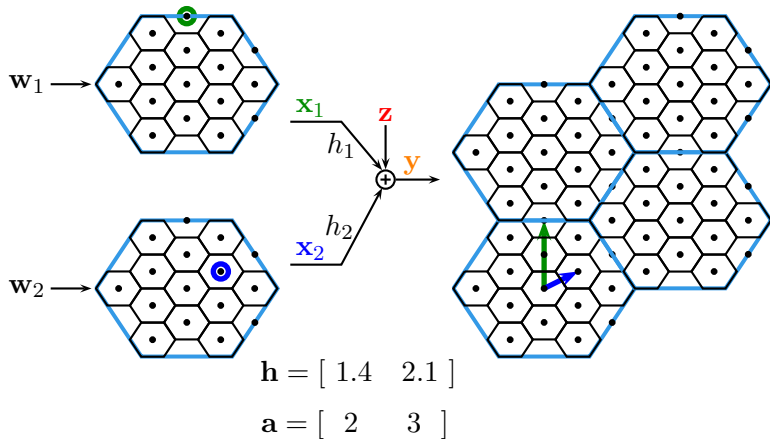
Map \mathbf{w}_ℓ to lattice point $\mathbf{t}_\ell = \phi(\mathbf{w}_\ell)$:



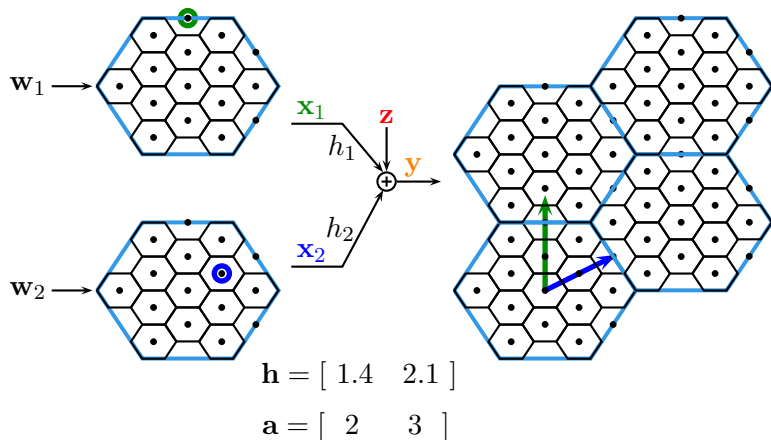
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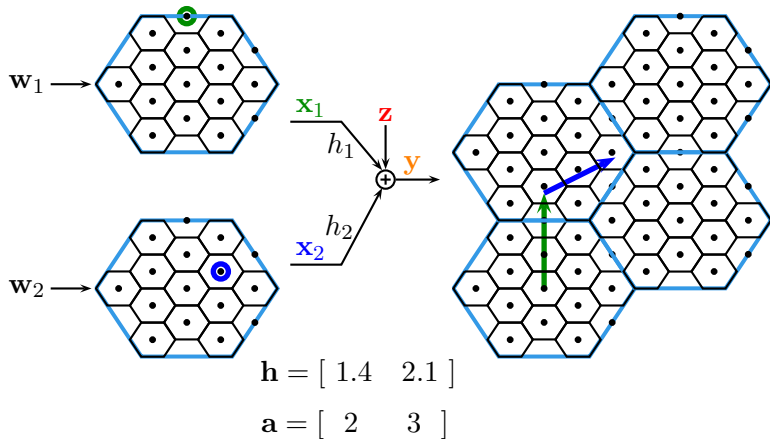
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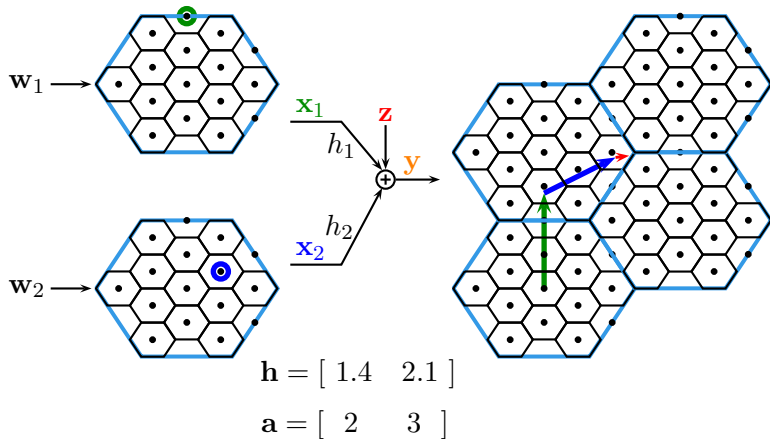
Lattice codewords are scaled by channel coefficients:



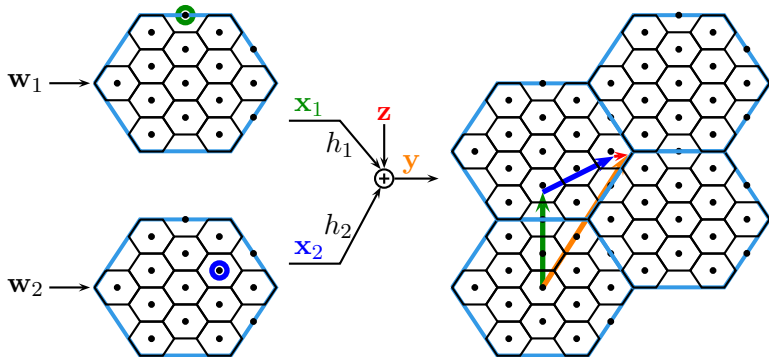
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Extra noise penalty for non-integer channel coefficients:

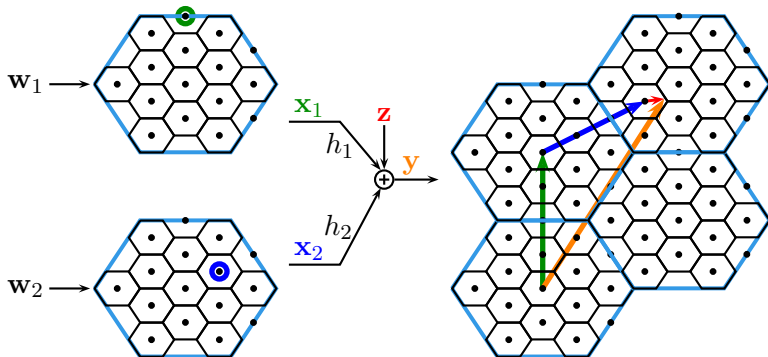


$$\mathbf{h} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.4 & 2.1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Effective noise: } N + P\|\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{a}\|^2$$

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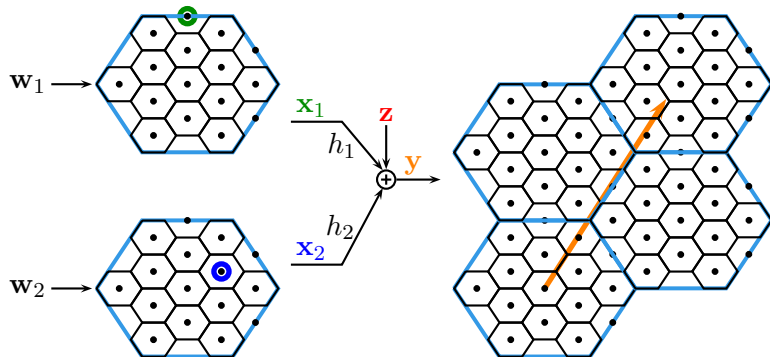


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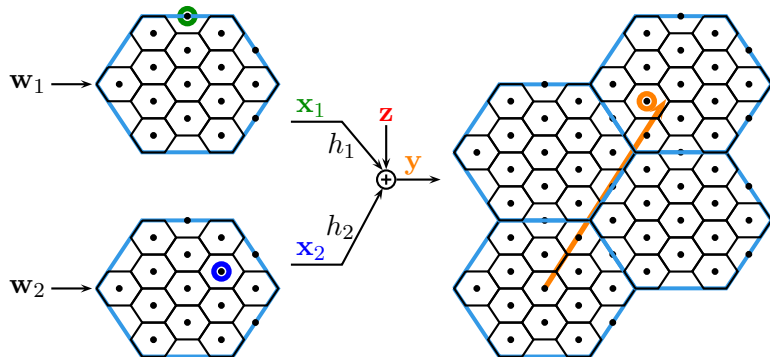


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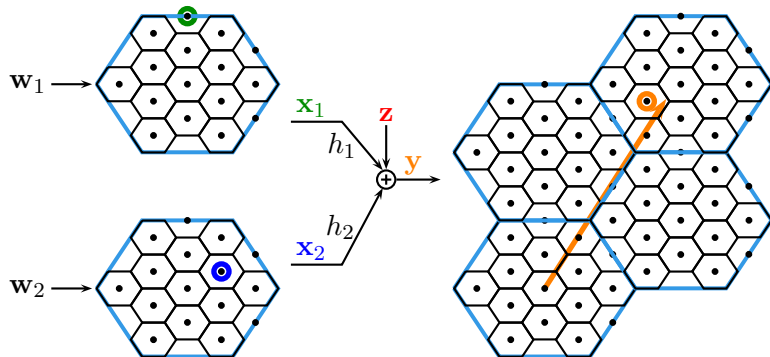


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Compute sum of lattice points modulo the coarse lattice:

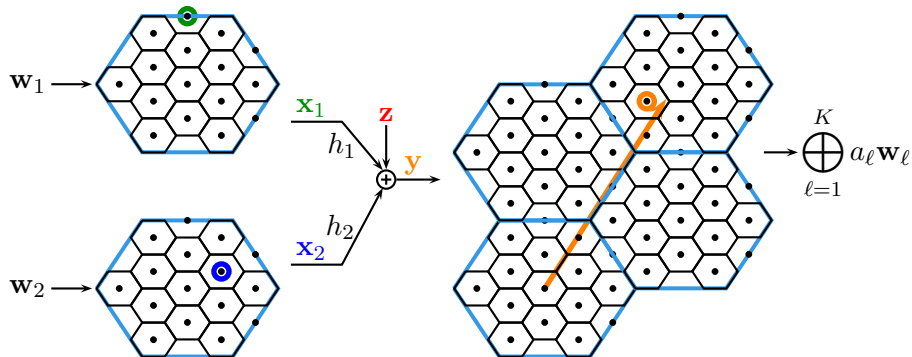


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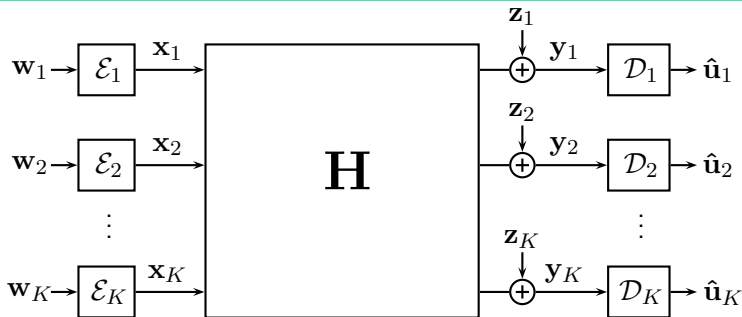


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Computation over Fading Channels – Multiple Receivers



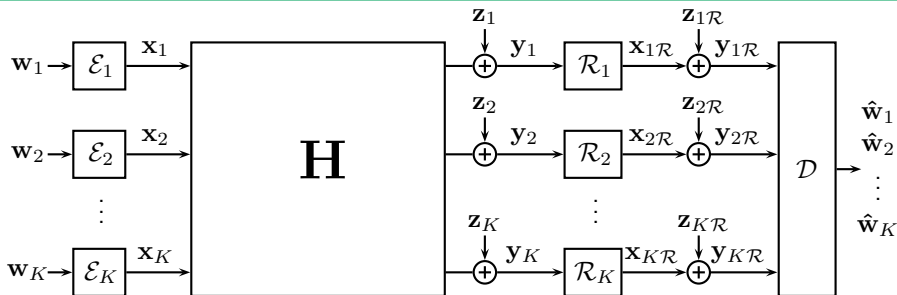
- Equal rates R . **No channel state information** (CSI) at transmitters.
- Receivers use their CSI to select coefficients, **decode linear equation**

$$\mathbf{u}_k = \bigoplus_{\ell=1}^K a_{k\ell} \mathbf{w}_\ell$$

- Reliable decoding possible if

$$R < \min_{k: a_{k\ell} \neq 0} \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{N + P \|\mathbf{h}_k\|^2}{N \|\mathbf{a}_k\|^2 + P(\|\mathbf{h}_k\|^2 \|\mathbf{a}_k\|^2 - (\mathbf{h}_k^T \mathbf{a}_k)^2)} \right)$$

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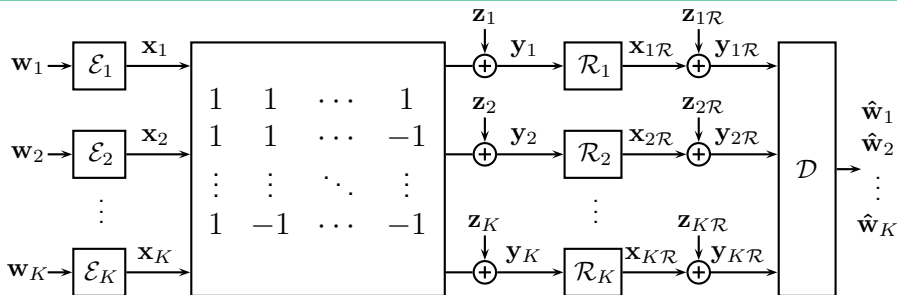
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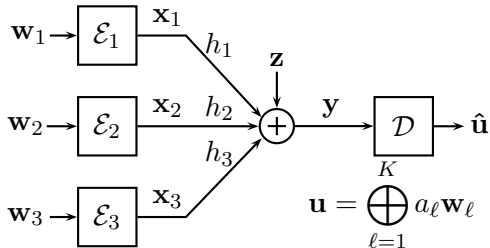
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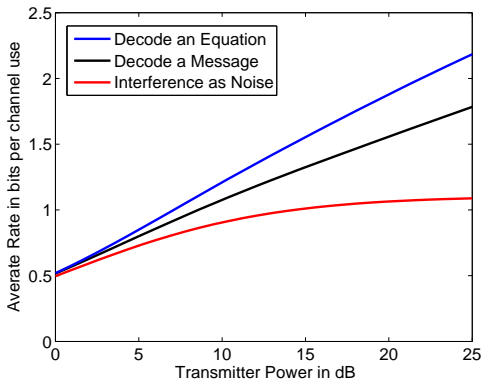
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Computation over Fading Channels – No CSIT



Relay either decodes some
linear function of messages
or an individual message.

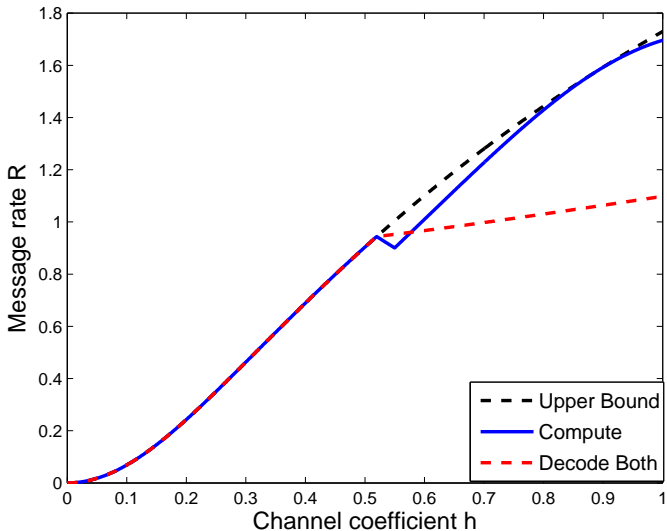
- Three transmitters that do not know the fading coefficients.
- Average rate plotted for i.i.d. Gaussian fading.



Computation over Fading Channels – No CSIT

- Receiver observes $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_1 + h\mathbf{x}_2 + \mathbf{z}$.
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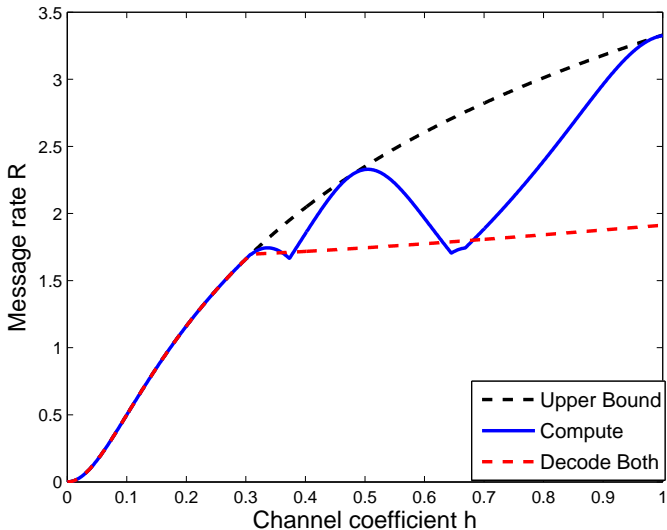
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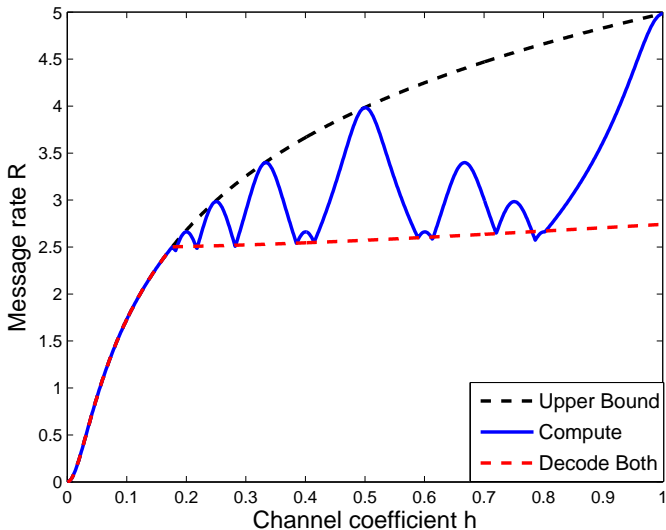
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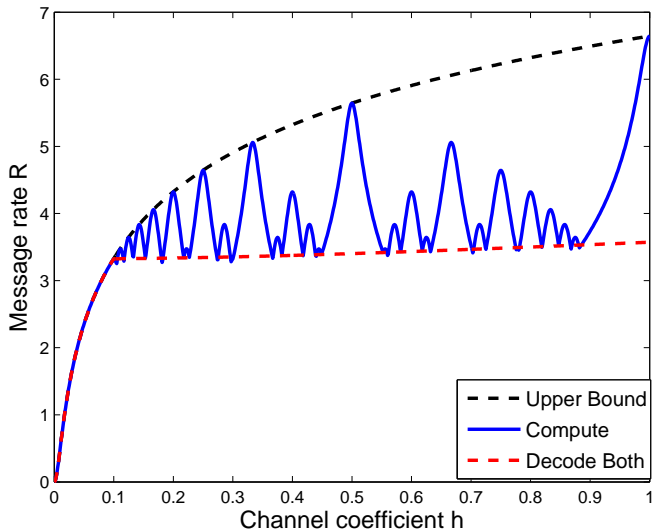
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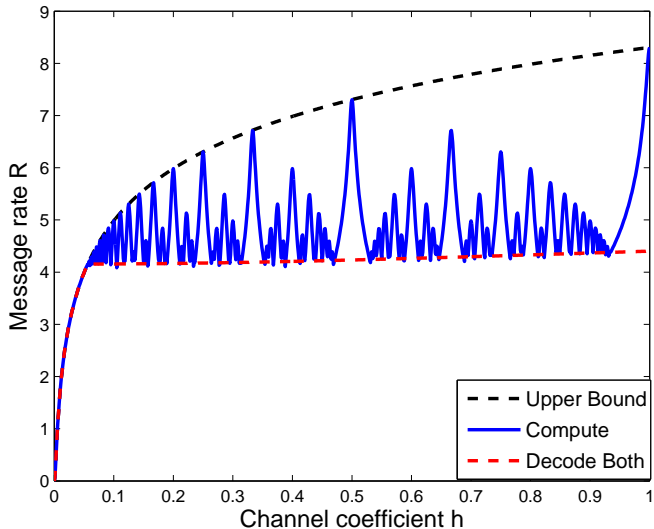
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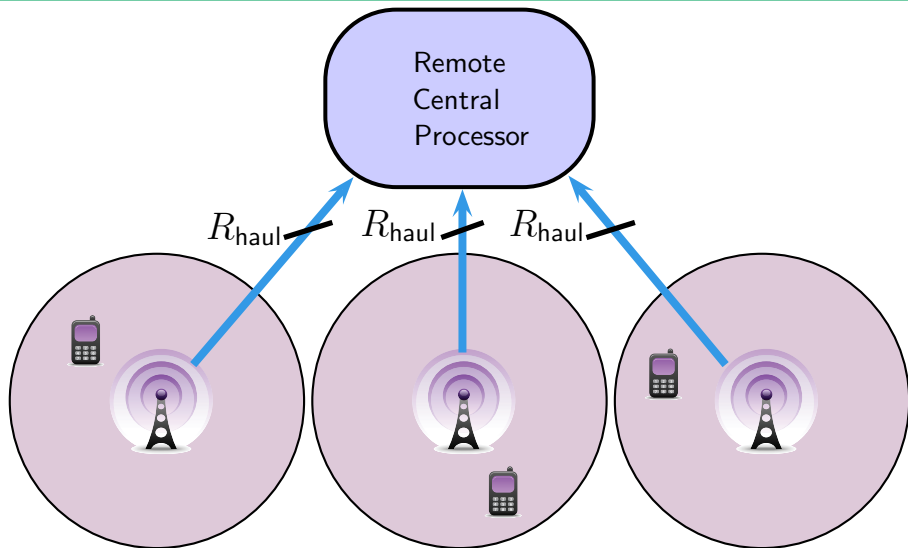
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50dB

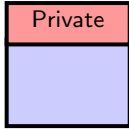


Rate-Constrained Cellular Backhaul

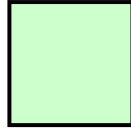


- Well-studied cellular model: **Wyner '94, Shamai-Wyner '97, Sanderovich et al. '09**

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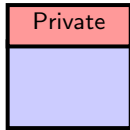


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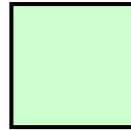


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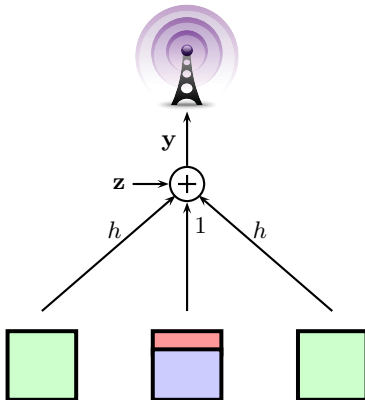
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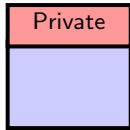
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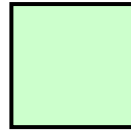
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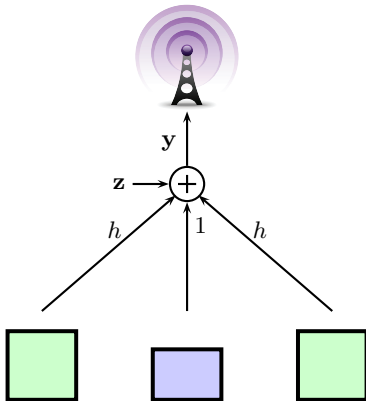
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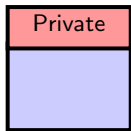
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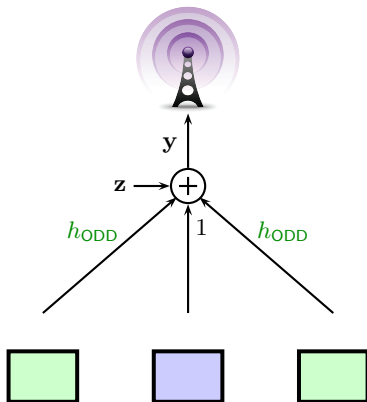
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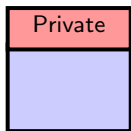
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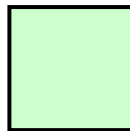
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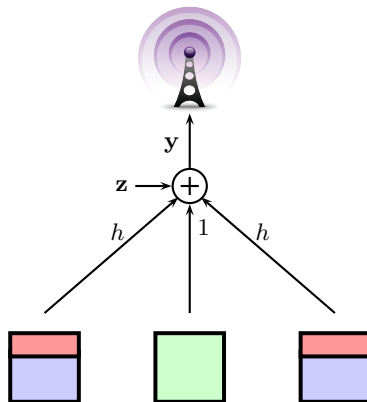
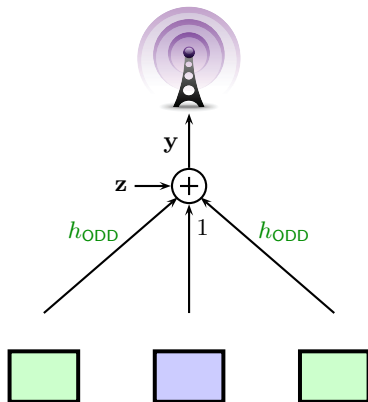
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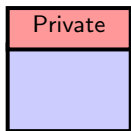
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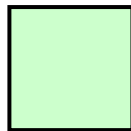
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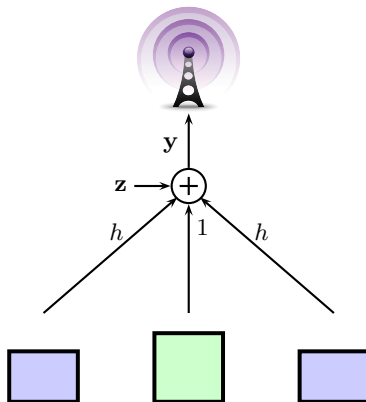
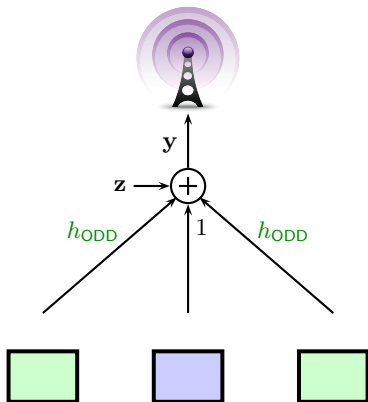
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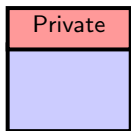
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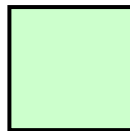
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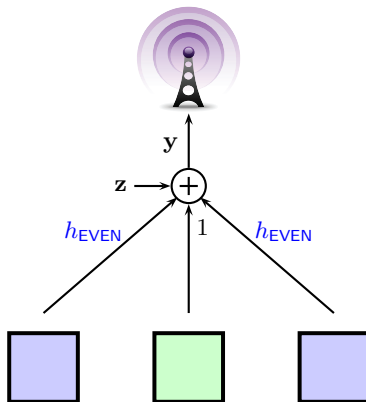
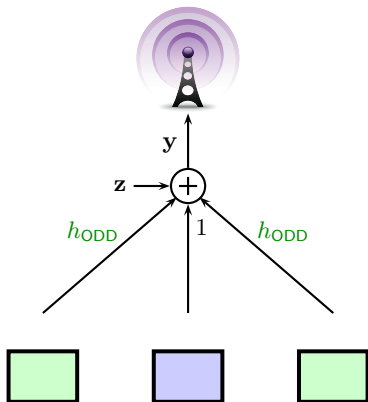
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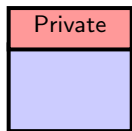
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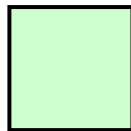
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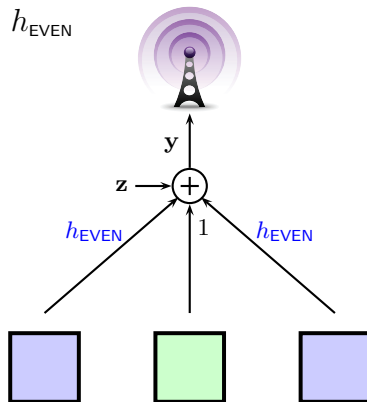
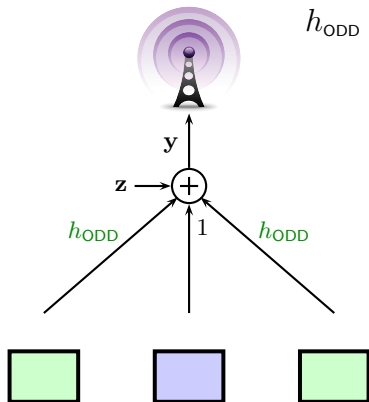


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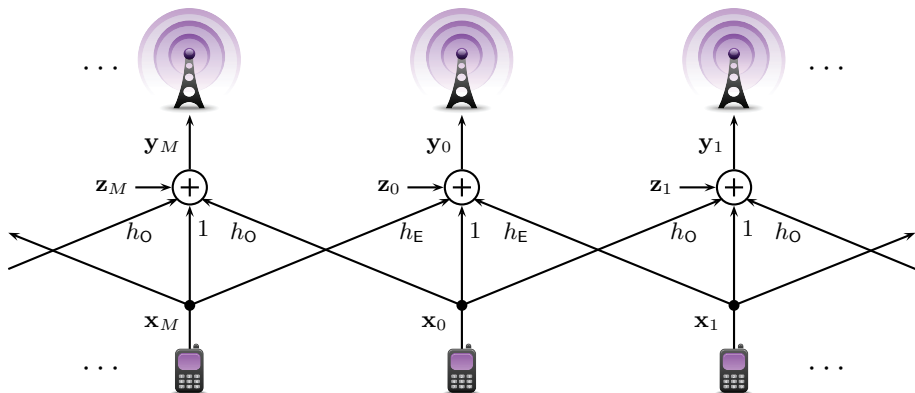


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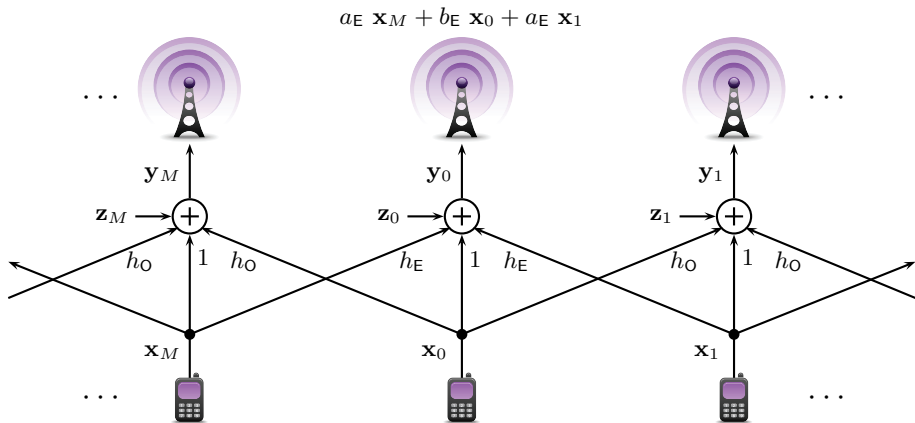


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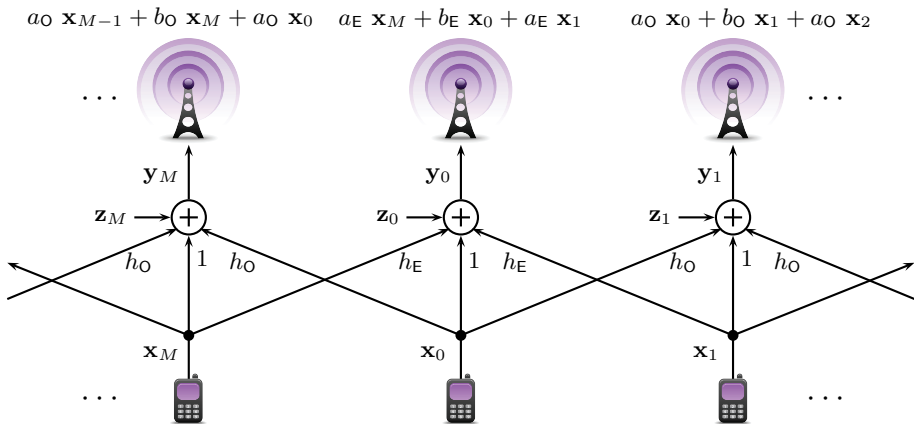
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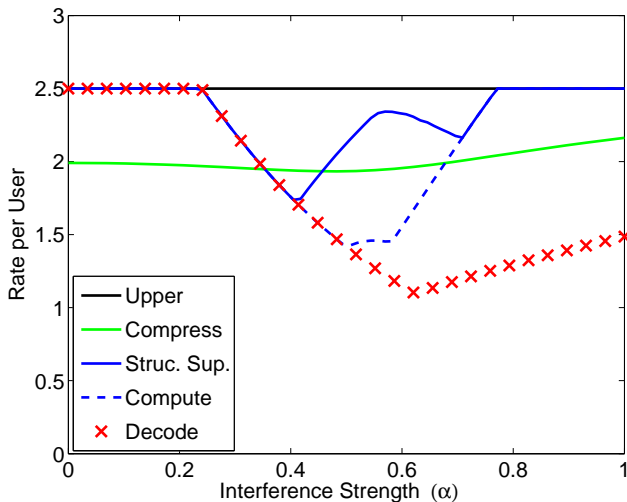
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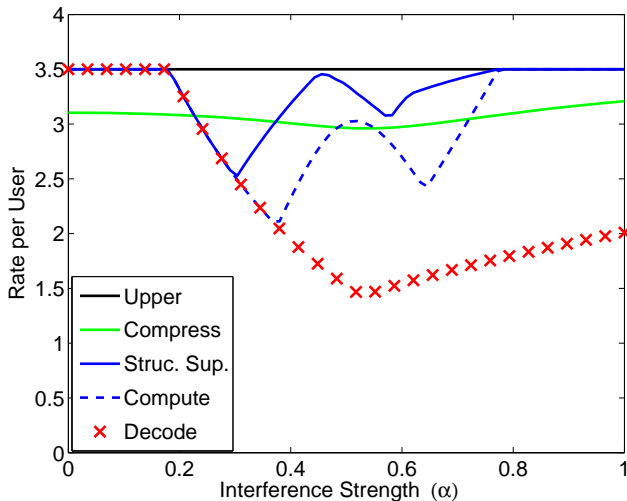
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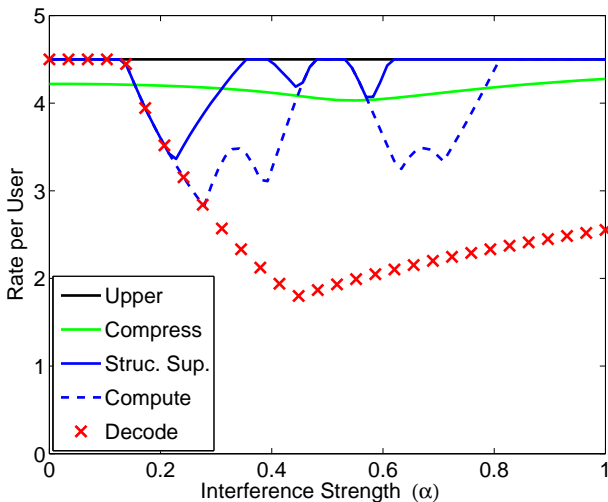
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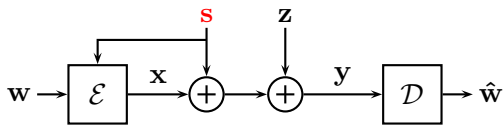
- Choose equation coefficients to maximize rate:

$$R_{\text{COMP}} = \max_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}^K} \max_{\alpha} \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{\alpha^2 N + P \|\alpha \mathbf{h} - \mathbf{a}\|^2} \right)$$

- Equivalently $\min_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}^K} \min_{\alpha} \alpha^2 N + P \|\alpha \mathbf{h} - \mathbf{a}\|^2$.
- Closely connected to **Diophantine approximation**, i.e. approximating irrationals with rationals.
- Niesen-Whiting '11** shows that $\text{DoF} = \lim_{P \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R_{\text{COMP}}}{\frac{1}{2} \log(1 + P)} \leq 2$
- Also shows that by combining compute-and-forward with **interference alignment** can get DoF to K .

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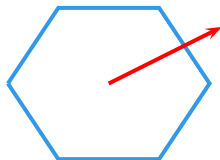
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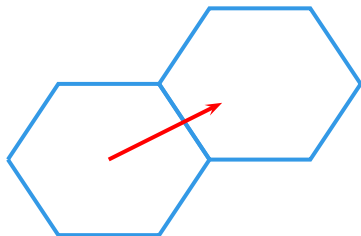
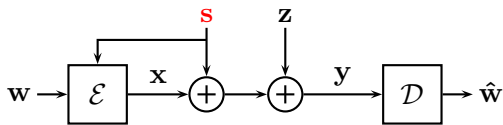
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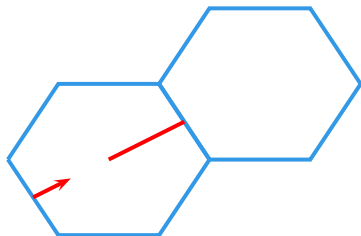
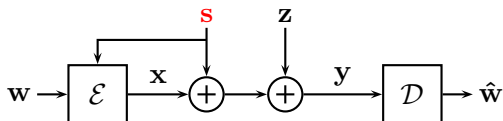
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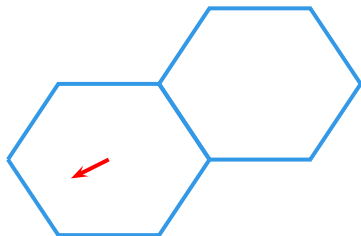
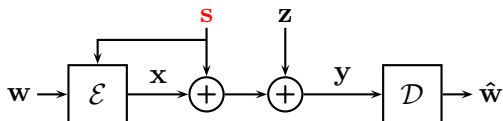
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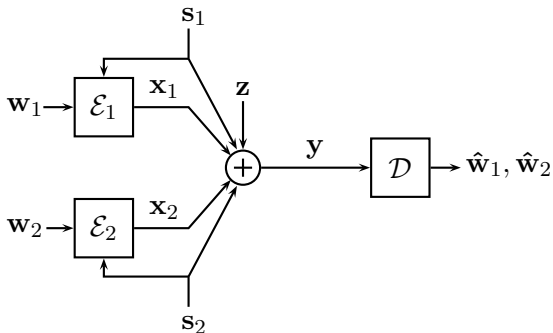
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Dirty Gaussian Multiple-Access Channel



Philosof-Zamir-Erez-Khisti '11:

- Encoder 1 knows interference s_1 .
- Encoder 2 knows interference s_2 .
- Need to **cancel out interference** in a **distributed** fashion.
- Assume i.i.d. Gaussian interference with very large variance P_S . Random i.i.d. methods yield rate that goes to 0 as P_S goes to infinity.

Dirty Gaussian Multiple-Access Channel

Subtract (part of) the **interference signals** ahead of time:

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = [\mathbf{t}_1 - \alpha \mathbf{s}_1 + \mathbf{d}_1] \bmod \Lambda$$

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Decoder removes dithers:

$$[\alpha \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{d}_2] \bmod \Lambda$$

$$= [\alpha(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2 + \mathbf{s}_1 + \mathbf{s}_2 + \mathbf{z}) - \mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{d}_2] \bmod \Lambda$$

$$= [\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2 + \alpha(\mathbf{s}_1 + \mathbf{s}_2) - (1 - \alpha)(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2) + \alpha \mathbf{z}] - \mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{d}_2] \bmod \Lambda$$

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Select $\alpha = 2P/(2P + N)$ to obtain

$$R_1 + R_2 \leq \left[\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{P}{N} \right) \right]^+$$

- **He-Yener '09:** Lattice codes are useful for physical-layer secrecy.

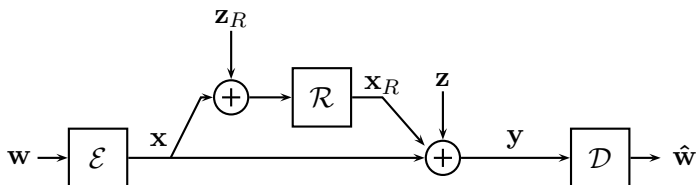
- Random i.i.d. codes achieve 0 secure-degrees-of-freedom.
- Basic result: Random lattice codes achieve positive secure-degrees-of-freedom.

Two-Way Relay Channel



Interference Channel





What can we prove with lattice codes for the AWGN relay channel?

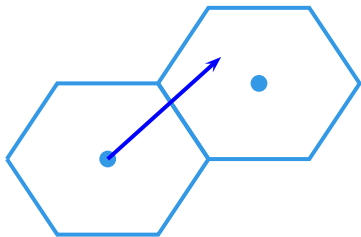
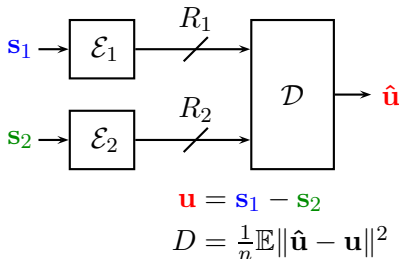
- The full **decode-and-forward** rate can be achieved.
See **Song-Devroye '10, Nockleby-Aazhang '11.**
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- Decoder wants the **difference**.
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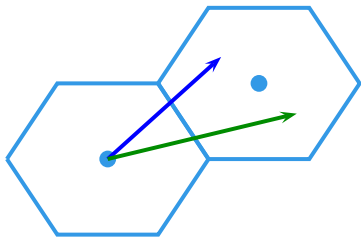
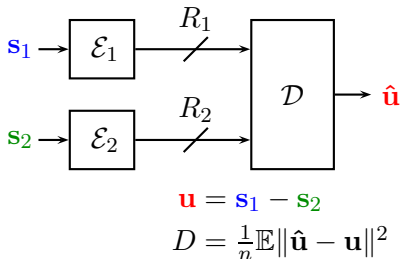


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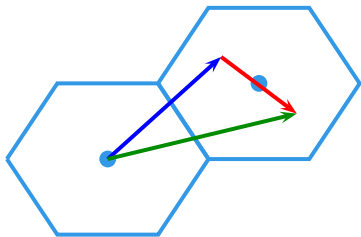
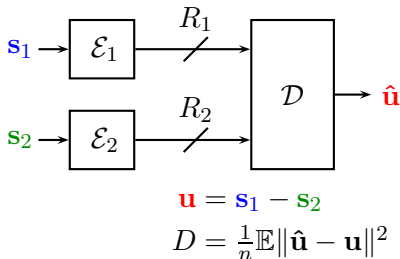


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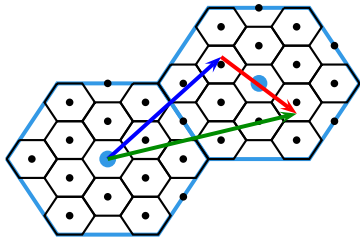
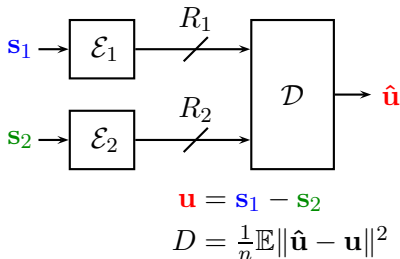
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- Only need to send:

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Three-User Gaussian Distributed Source Coding

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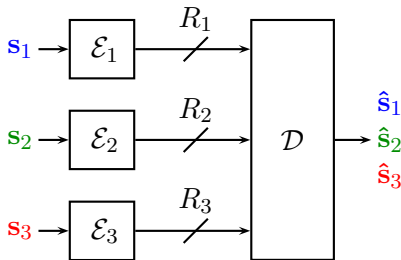
- Third source is the **difference**:

$$\mathbf{s}_3 = \mathbf{s}_1 - \mathbf{s}_2$$

- Structured codes make new rate points accessible in distributed Gaussian source coding.

- Example: Set $R_1 = 0$ and $R_2 = 0$.

- See **Tavildar-Wagner-Viswanath '10, Krithivasan-Pradhan '09, Maddah-Ali-Tse '10.**



$$D_1 = \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E} \|\hat{\mathbf{s}}_1 - \mathbf{s}_1\|^2$$

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- **Feng-Silva-Kschischang '10** develop practical nested lattice codes that work quite well for blocklengths as small as 100.
- **Hern and Narayanan '10** develop multi-level codes to use fields of size 2^k .
- **Ordentlich and Erez '10** propose mapping by set partitioning to go from binary codewords to higher order constellations.
- Further emerging work includes **Osmane and Belfiore '11**

Concluding Remarks

- Codes with algebraic structure lead to the highest known achievable rates for some communication scenarios of great interest.
- This applies to *source coding*, *channel coding*, and also *joint source-channel coding*.
- We have discussed a set of tools to apply and analyze *random linear* and *random lattice* codes to communication network scenarios.
- However, there is currently no general unified theory of how to generally use algebraic structure in the context of network information theory.

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