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2. Use the Lap mech to measure **q**(**A**) + noise.

3. Update guess about distribution **D**, using MW.



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