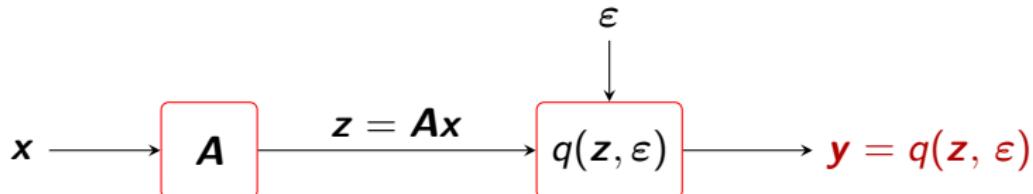


# Bayes-optimal Estimation in Generalized Linear Models

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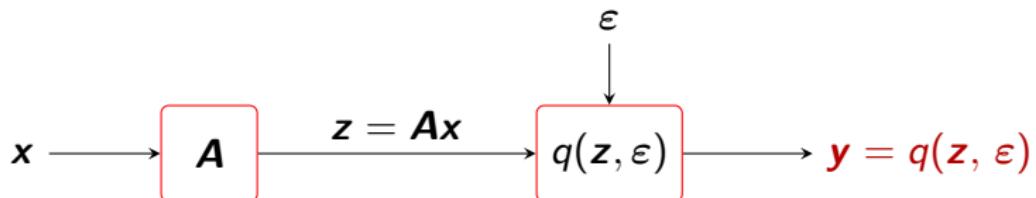
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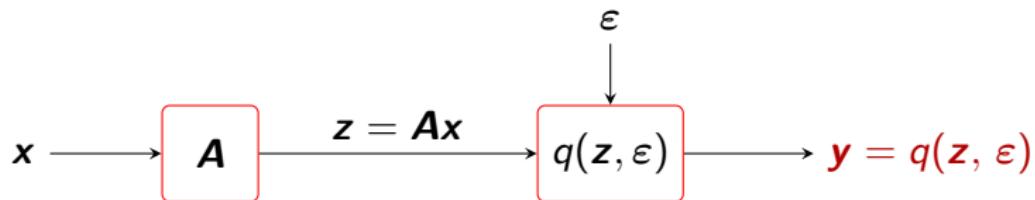
- ▶ Estimate signal  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  from observations  $\mathbf{y} \equiv (y_1, \dots, y_m)$
- ▶ Known sensing matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and output function  $q$

## Examples



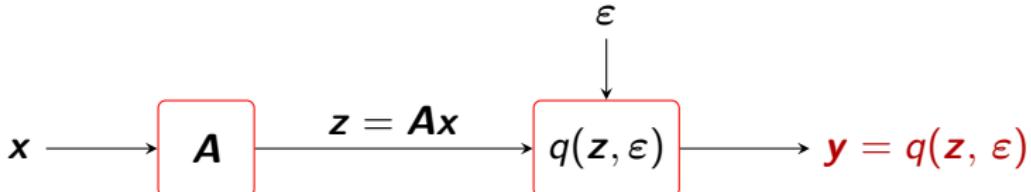
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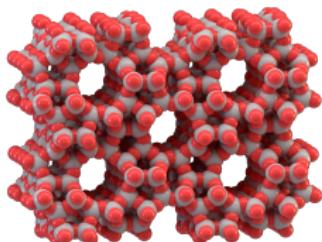


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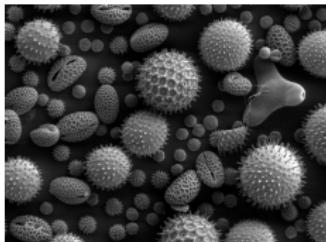
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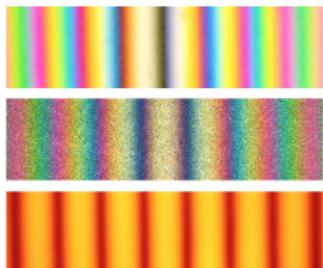
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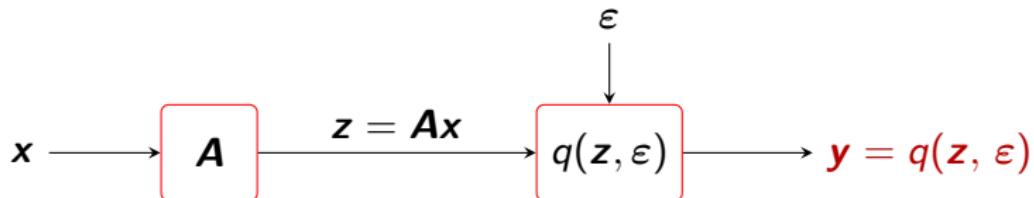
X-ray crystallography



Microscopy



Interferometry

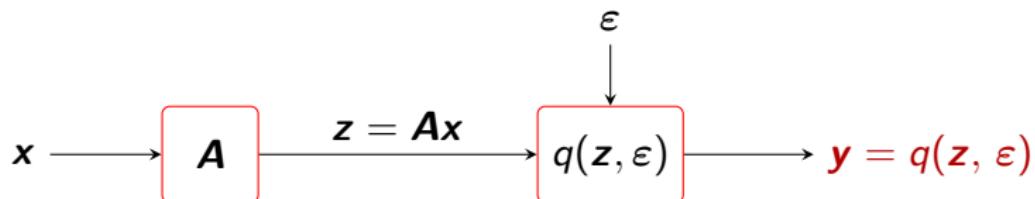


$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} & \mathbf{a}_1 & \\ & \vdots & \\ & \mathbf{a}_m & \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

## High-dimensional regime

$$\frac{m}{n} \rightarrow \delta \text{ as } m, n \rightarrow \infty$$

## Bayesian setting



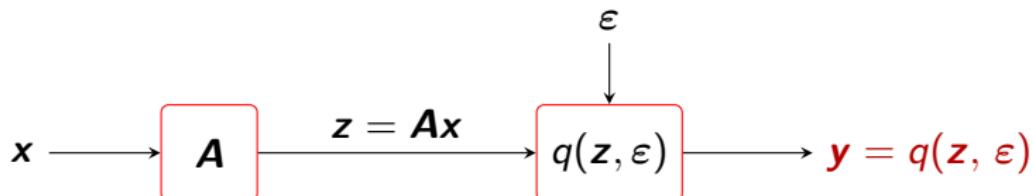
Suppose:

- ▶  $x \sim P_X$  and  $\varepsilon \sim P_\varepsilon$
- ▶  $A$  also generated from known distribution

Bayes-optimal estimator that minimizes MSE:  $\mathbb{E}\{x | A, y\}$

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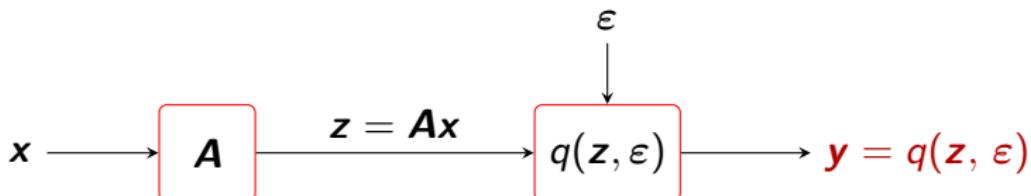
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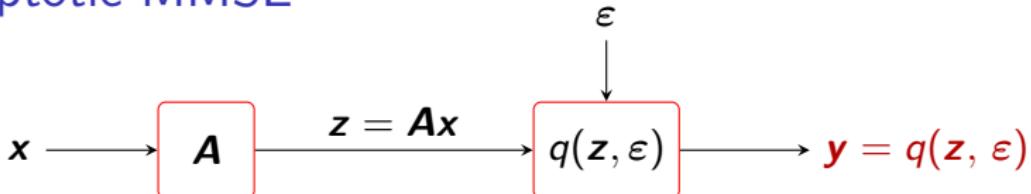
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# Asymptotic MMSE



- ▶ For iid Gaussian  $\mathbf{A}$  with  $A_{ij} \sim N(0, \frac{1}{n})$
- ▶ Signal  $x$  iid  $\sim P_X$  and noise  $\varepsilon$  iid  $\sim P_\varepsilon$

[Barbier et al. '19]: Formula for asymptotic MMSE in terms of a scalar **potential function**  $U(x; \delta)$

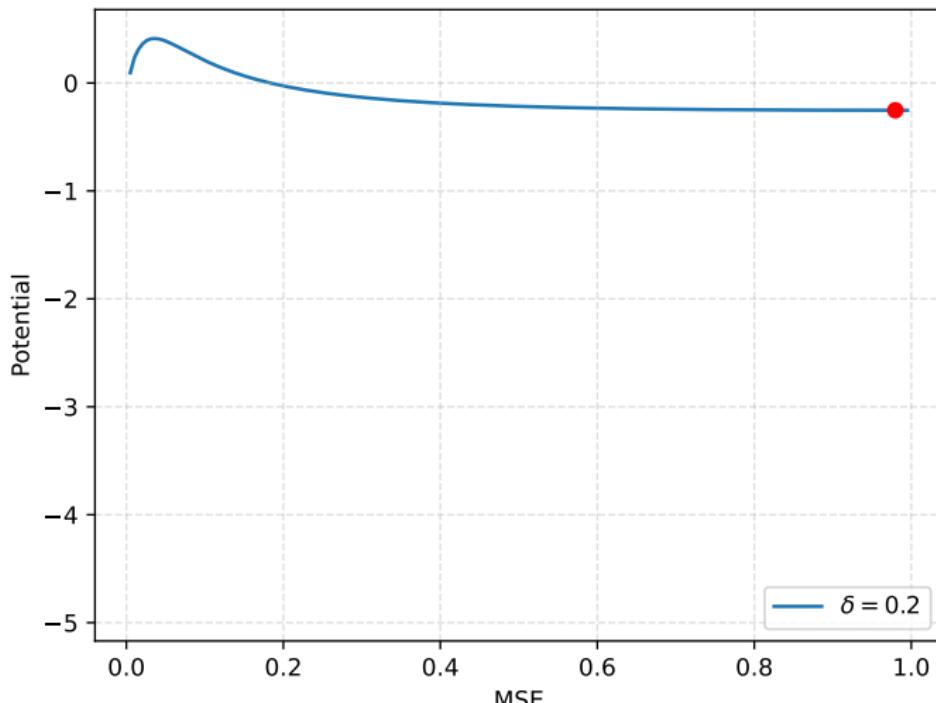
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{MMSE}_n = \arg \min_{x \in [0, \text{Var}(X)]} U(x; \delta)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} I(\mathbf{X}; \mathbf{Y}) = \min_{x \in [0, \text{Var}(X)]} a U(x; \delta) + b$$

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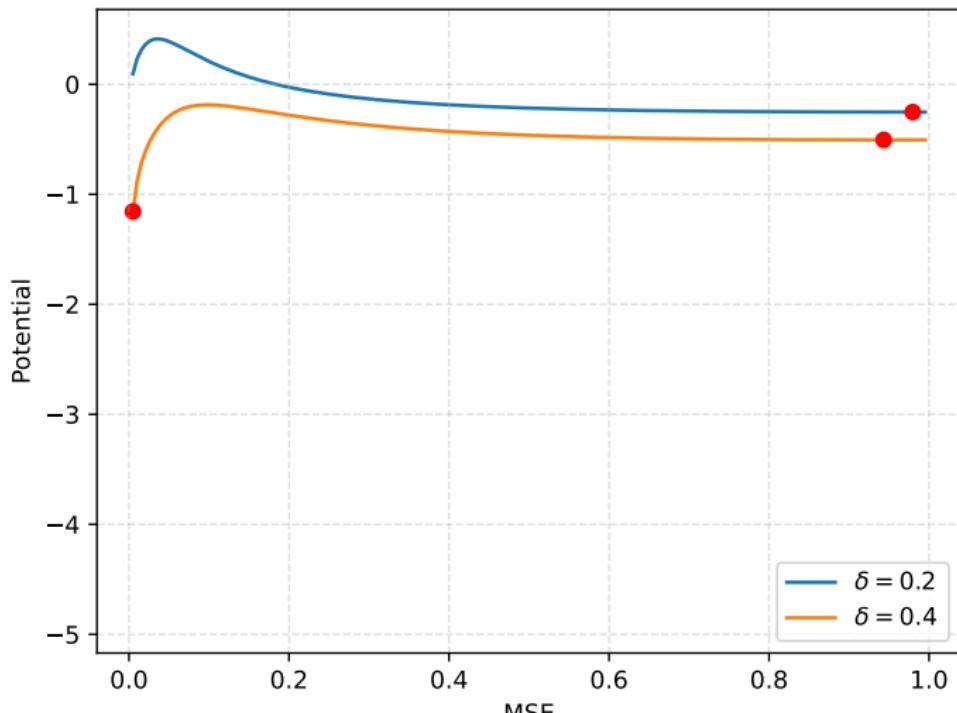
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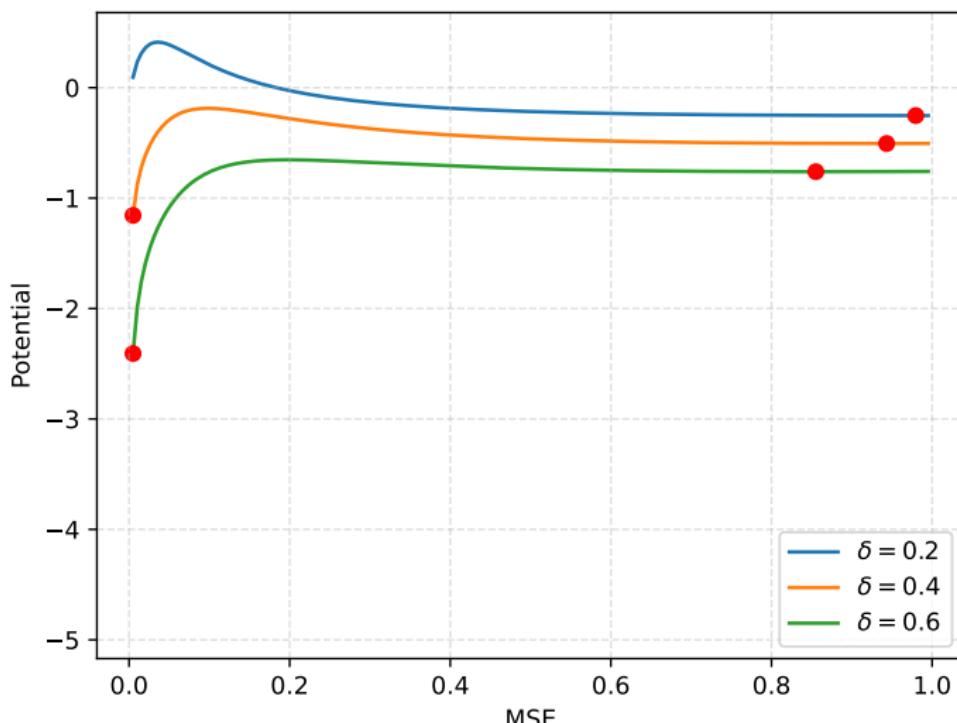
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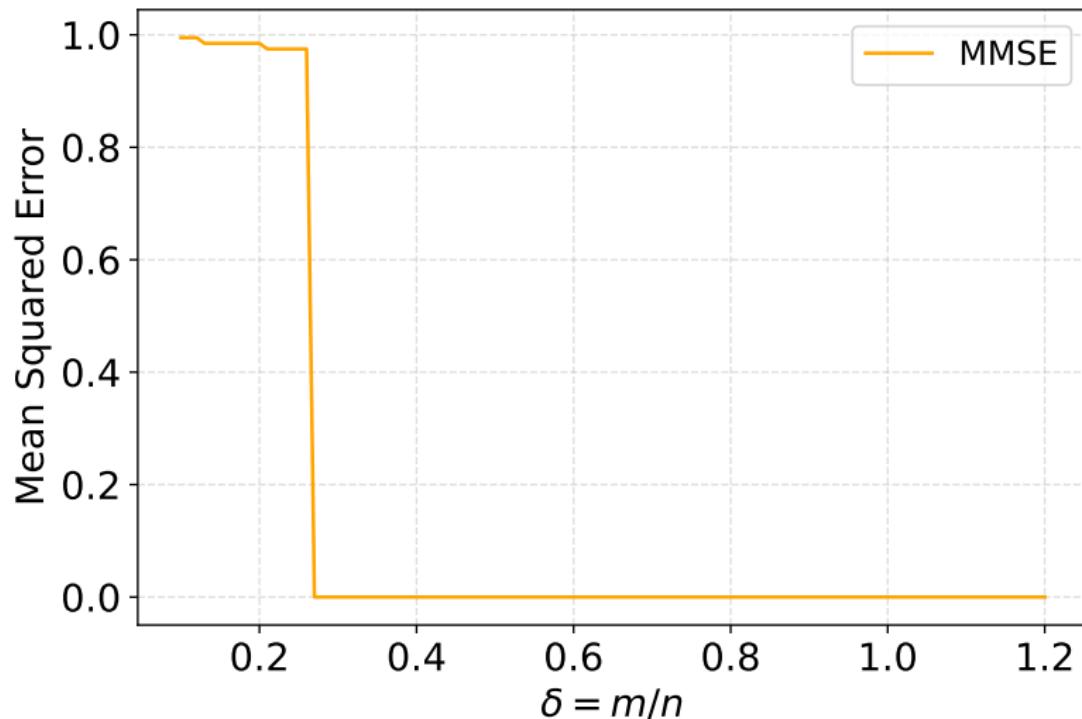
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## MMSE: Phase retrieval



Can we achieve this with efficient estimators?



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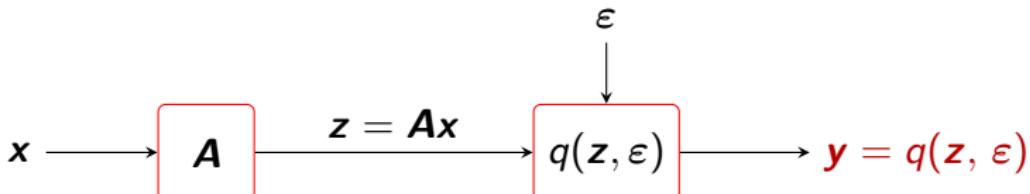
But not well-equipped to exploit specific structural info about signal, e.g., known prior

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# Approximate Message Passing



Estimator based on **AMP**

- ▶ Can be tailored to take advantage of prior info about signal
- ▶ Rigorous performance characterization via **state evolution**  
Allows us to precisely compute asymptotic MSE

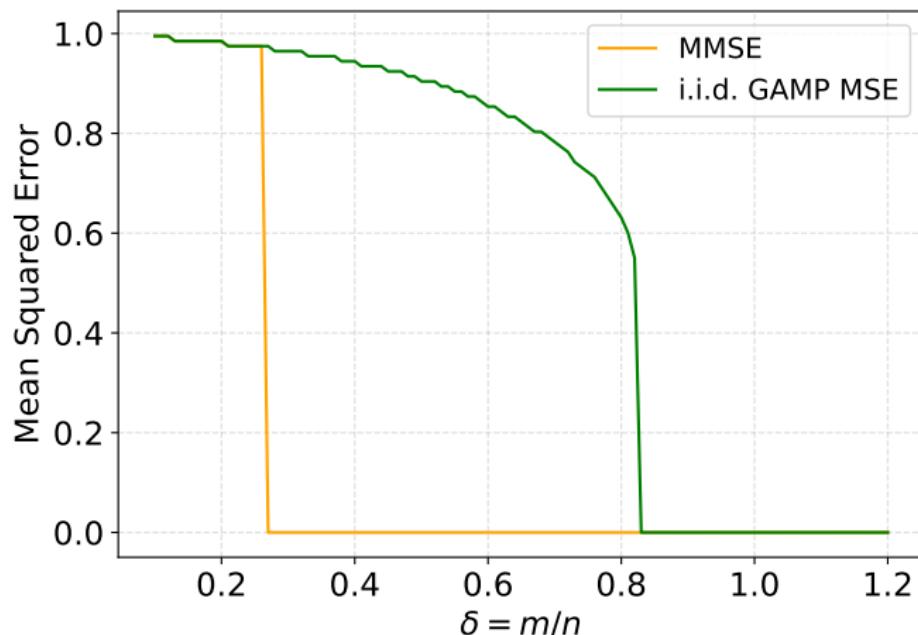
**GAMP [Rangan '11]**: for GLMs with i.i.d. Gaussian  $\mathbf{A}$

- Conjectured to be optimal among poly-time estimators

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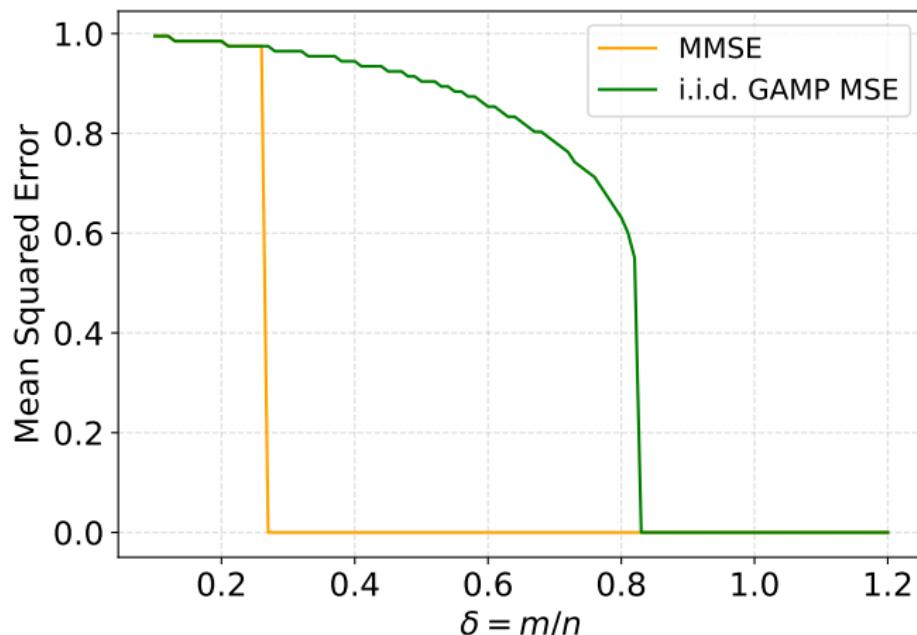
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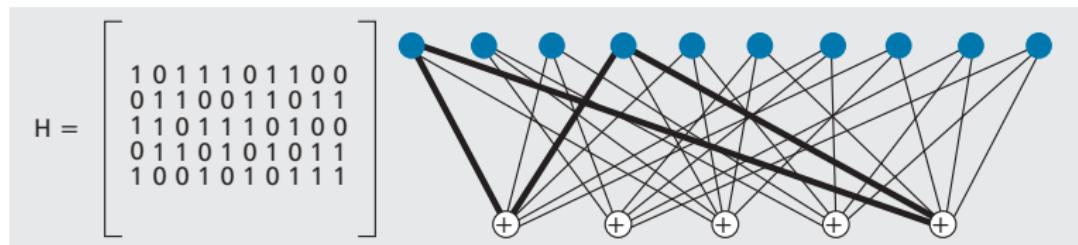


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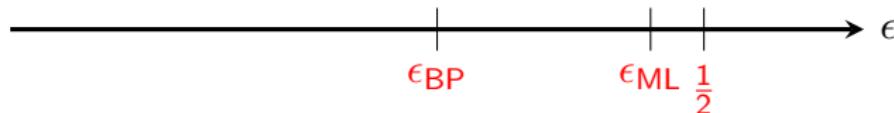


## Parallel with coding theory

Consider a rate  $R = \frac{1}{2}$  **regular** LDPC code. E.g.,



Used over channel with erasure probability  $\epsilon$



$\epsilon_{\text{BP}}$ : Threshold with belief propagation decoding

$\epsilon_{\text{ML}}$ : Threshold with optimal (ML) decoding

Figure from Costello et al. *Spatially coupled sparse codes on graphs: theory and practice*, 2014

## Closing the gap: Can make $\epsilon_{\text{BP}}$ approach $\epsilon_{\text{ML}}$ with spatially coupled code [Kudekar et al. '14]

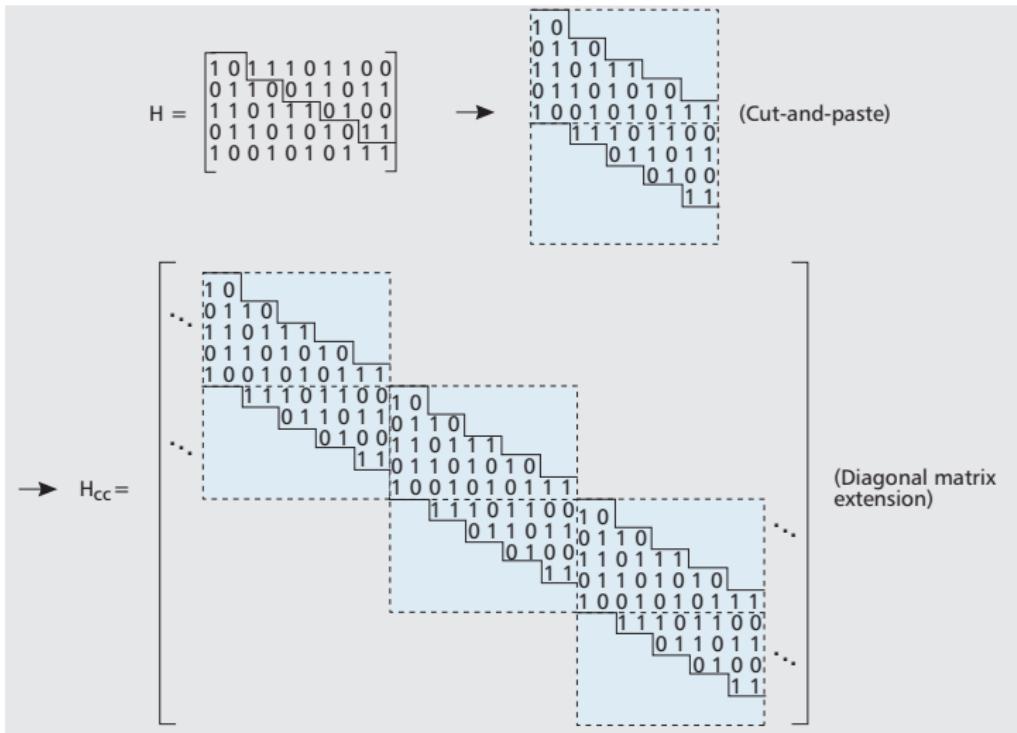


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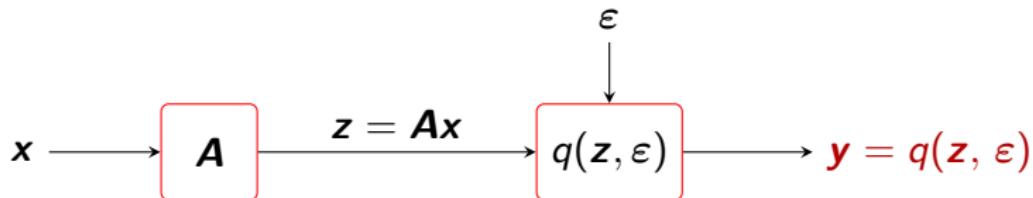
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Compressed sensing: [Kudekar, Pfister '10], [Donoho, Javanmard, Montanari '13] ...

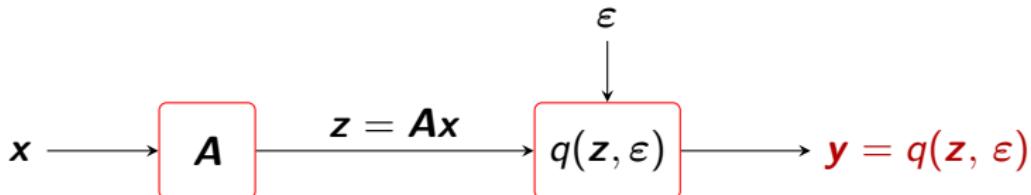
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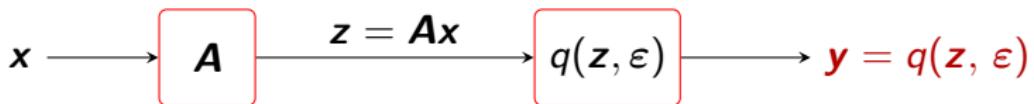
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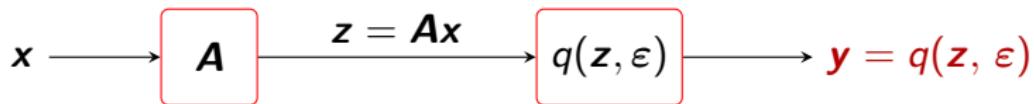


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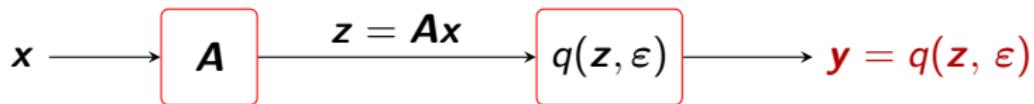
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- ▶ State evolution depends on  $g_{\text{in}}$  and  $g_{\text{out}}$
- ▶ Analogous to density evolution for LDPC codes

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$$g_{\text{in}}^*(X(t)) = \mathbb{E}[X \mid \mu(t)X + W(t) = X(t)]$$

$g_{\text{in}}^*(\mathbf{x}(t))$  is the MMSE estimate of  $\mathbf{x}$  given  $\mathbf{x}(t)$

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## Proposition

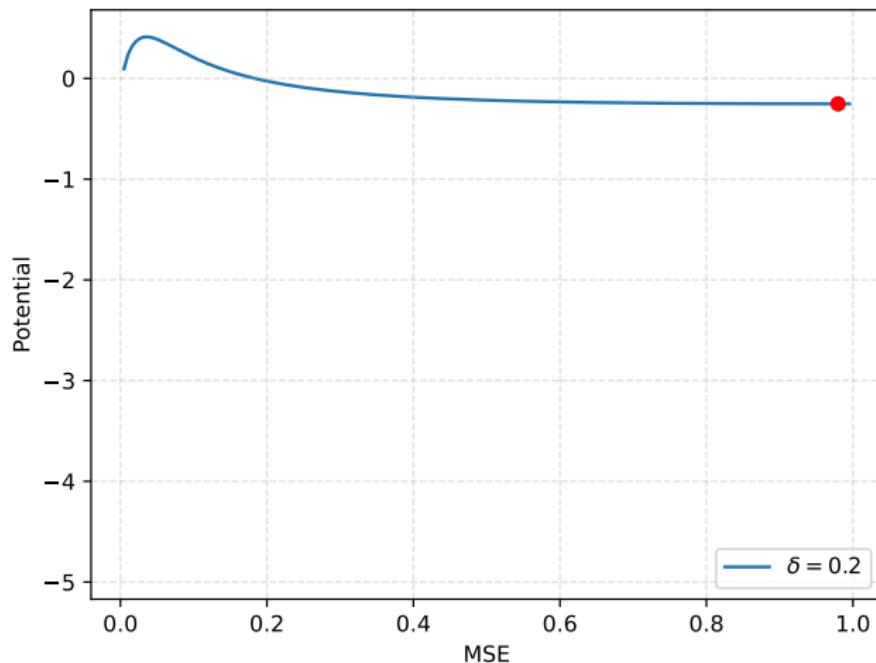
$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \| \mathbf{x} - \bar{g}_{\text{in}}^*(\mathbf{x}(t); t) \|^2 \\ &= \max \left\{ x \in [0, \text{Var}(X)] : \frac{\partial U(x; \delta)}{\partial x} = 0 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

MSE of Bayes GAMP given by **largest** stationary point of  $U(x; \delta)$

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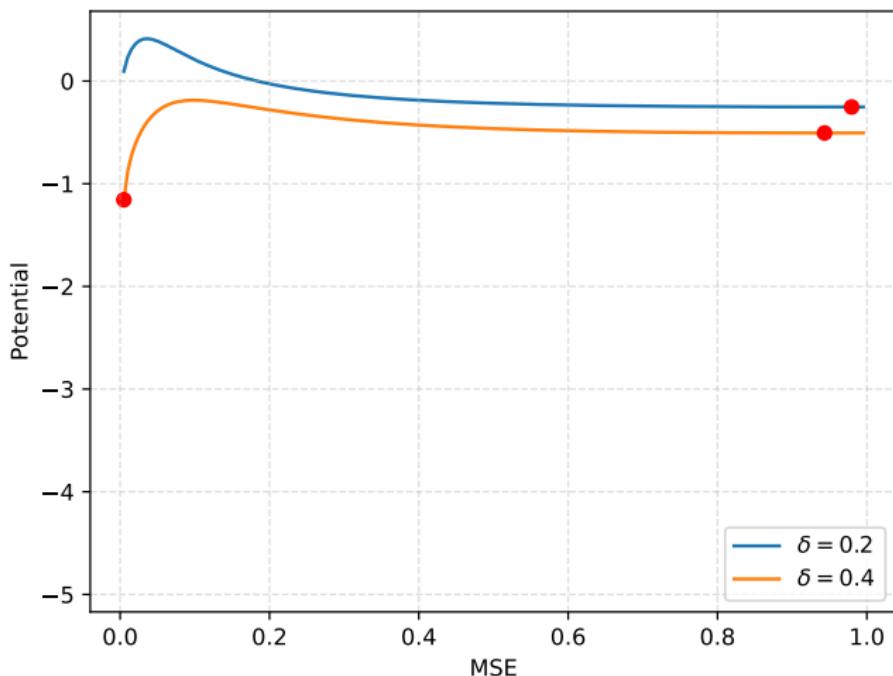
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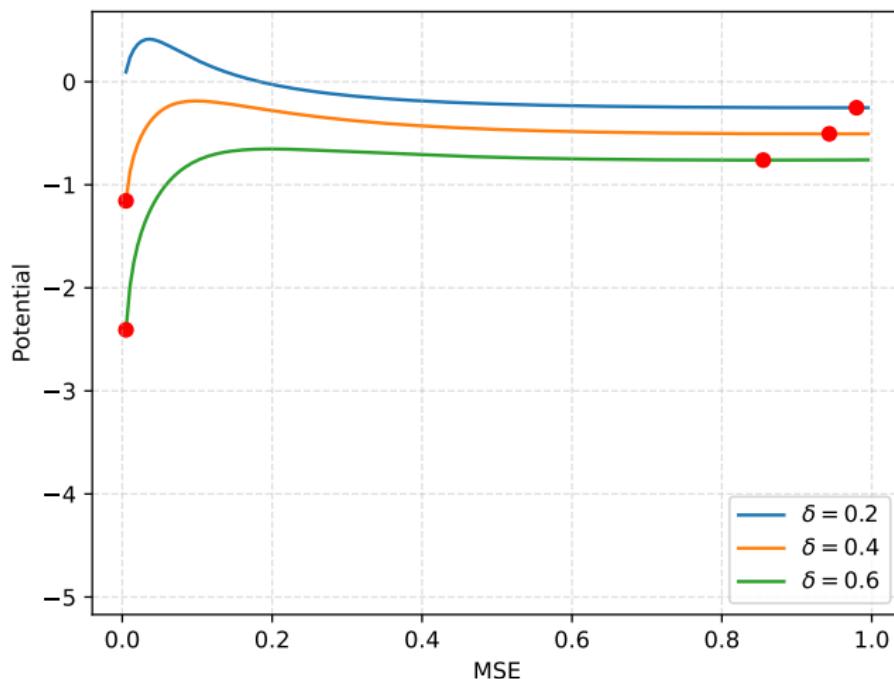
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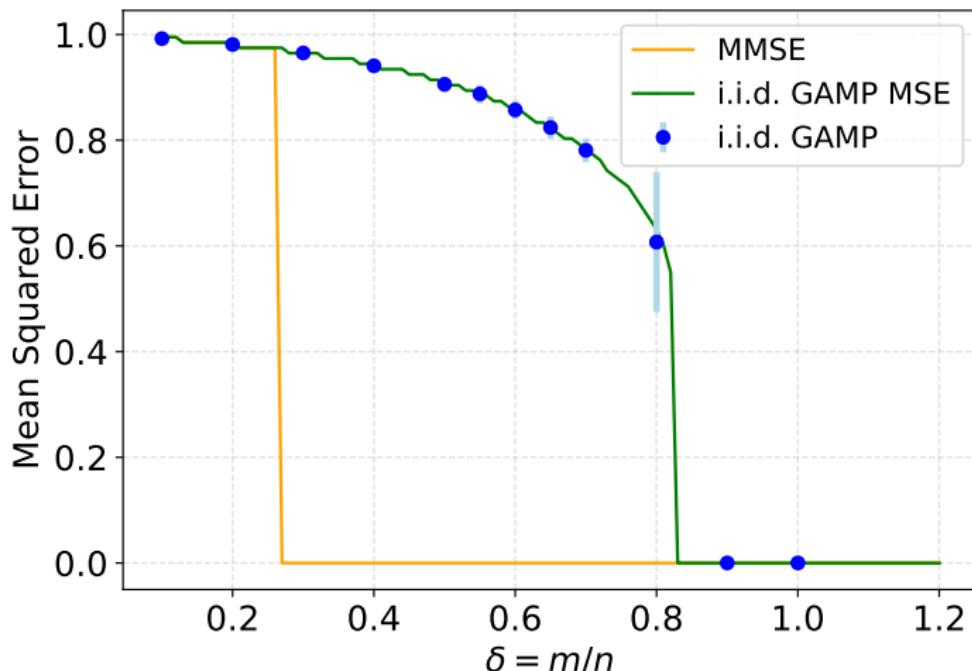
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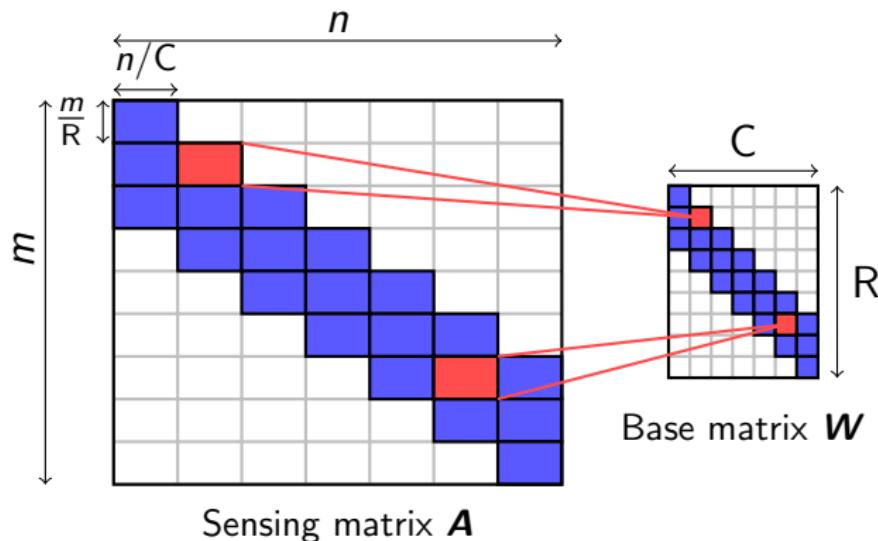
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## Spatially coupled sensing matrix



$$A_{jk} \sim N(0, W_{rc}) \text{ for } j \in \text{block r and } k \in \text{block c}$$

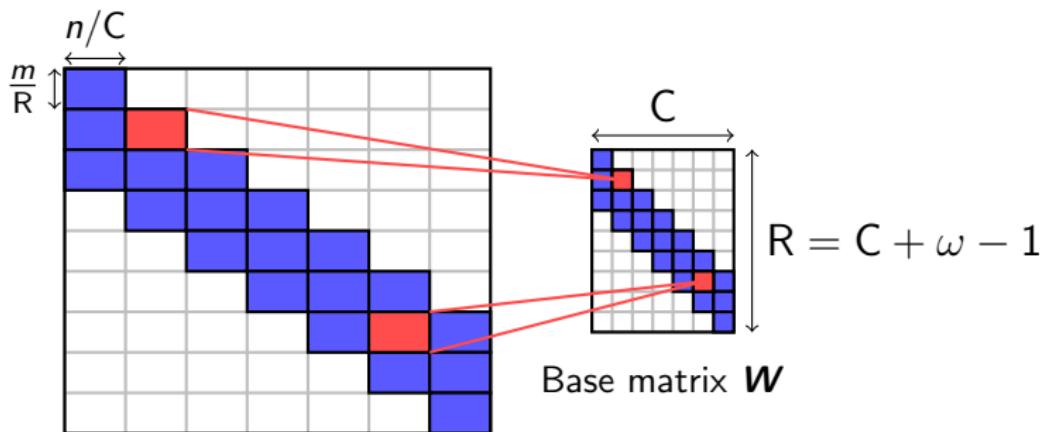
$W_{rc}$  chosen so that each column of  $\mathbf{A}$  has  $\mathbb{E}[\text{squared-norm}] = 1$

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[Donoho, Javanmard, Montanari '13] [Barbier and Krzakala '17] [Liang, Ma and Ping '17] [Hsieh, Rush, V '21] ...

## High-level idea

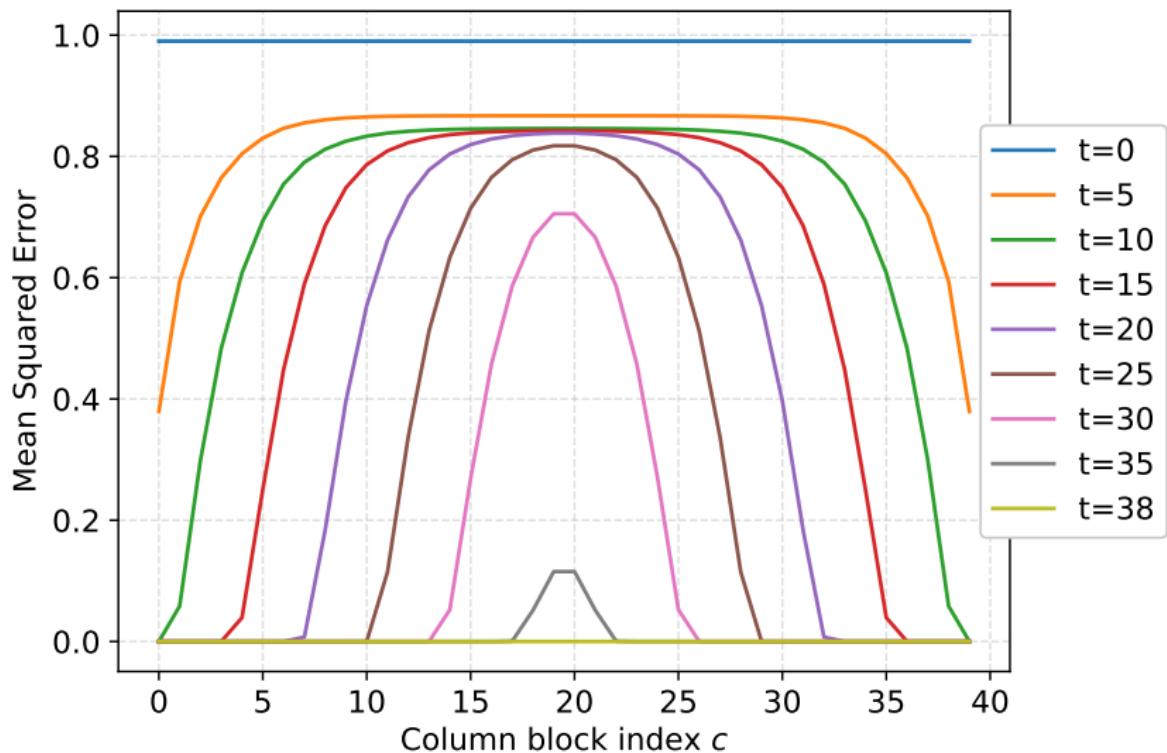
$$x \rightarrow \boxed{A} \xrightarrow{z = Ax} \boxed{q(z, \varepsilon)} \rightarrow \boxed{y = q(z, \varepsilon)}$$



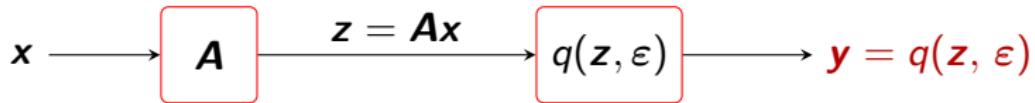
Each little block an iid sensing matrix that multiplies a section of  $x$   
First and last sections have observations with less interference  $\Rightarrow$   
Can be recovered more easily  $\Rightarrow$  helps recover adjacent sections

## Decoding wave

Spatially coupled matrix with  $C = 40$ ,  $\omega = 6$



## Spatially coupled GAMP

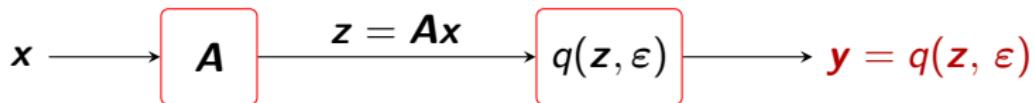


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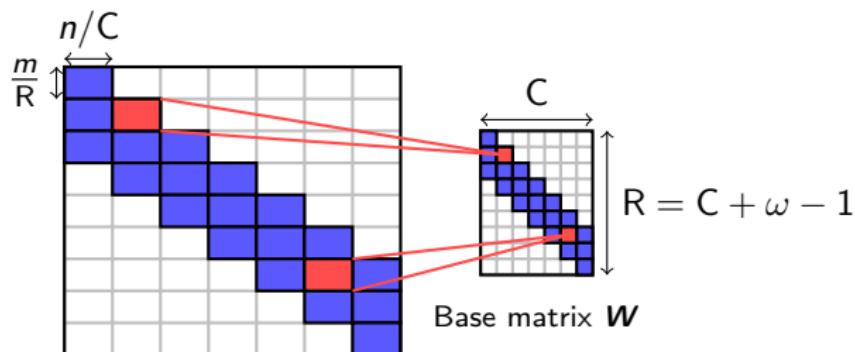


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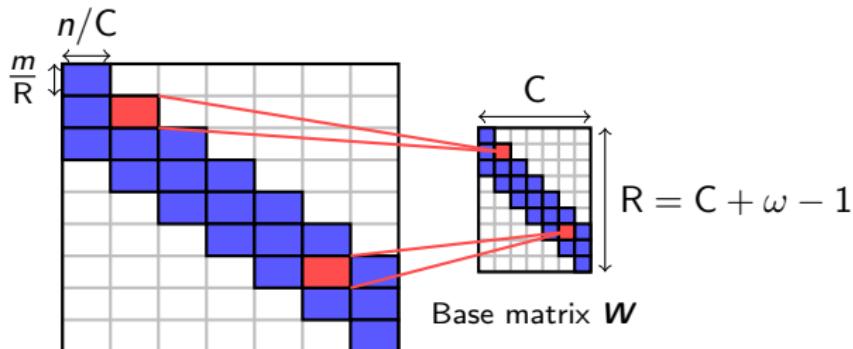
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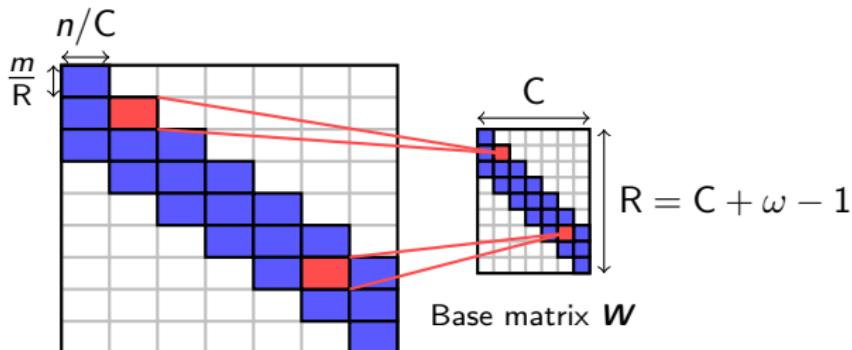
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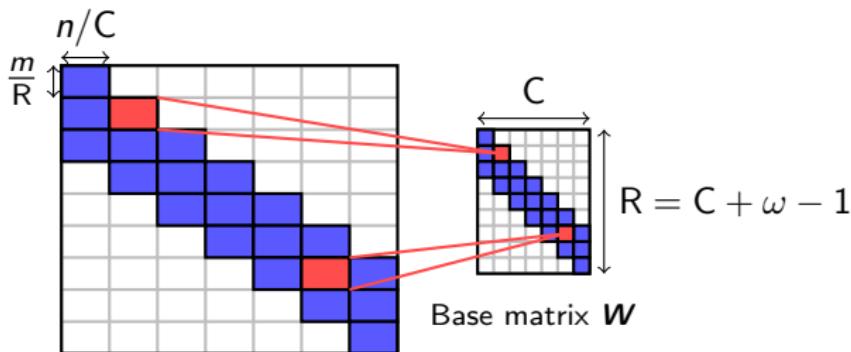
[Yedla, Jian, Nguyen, Pfister '14]: *A simple proof of Maxwell saturation for coupled scalar recursions*



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Here  $\delta_{\text{in}} = \delta \frac{C}{R}$  is the inner sampling ratio.



**Corollary (Bayes optimality of SC-GAMP):** Fix  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then for  $\omega > \omega_0$ , sufficiently large  $C$  and  $t > t_0$  we have:

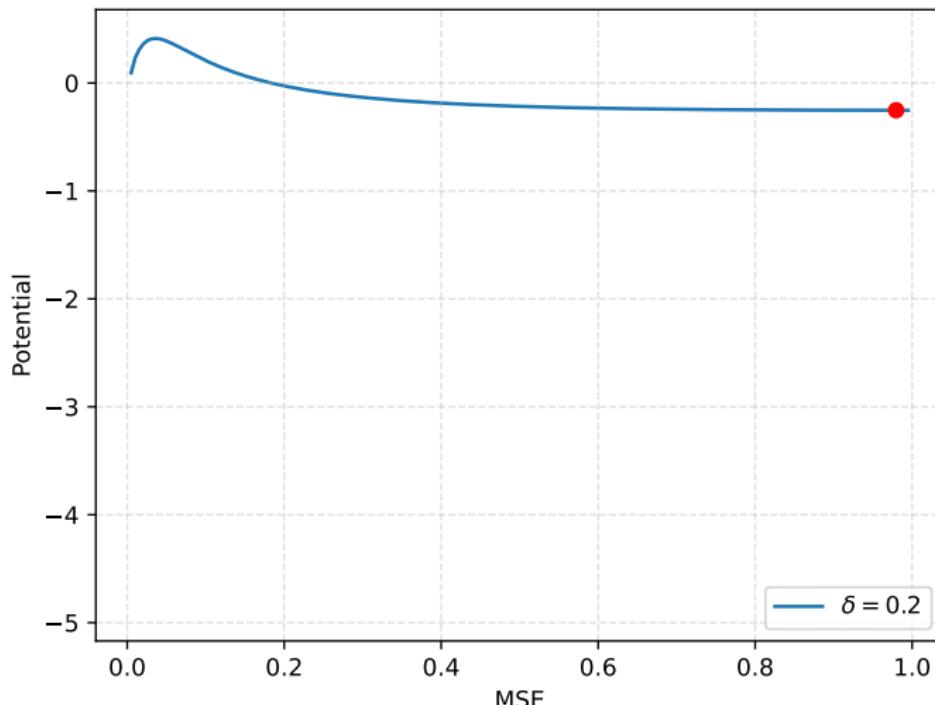
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Analogous to threshold saturation in SC-LDPC codes

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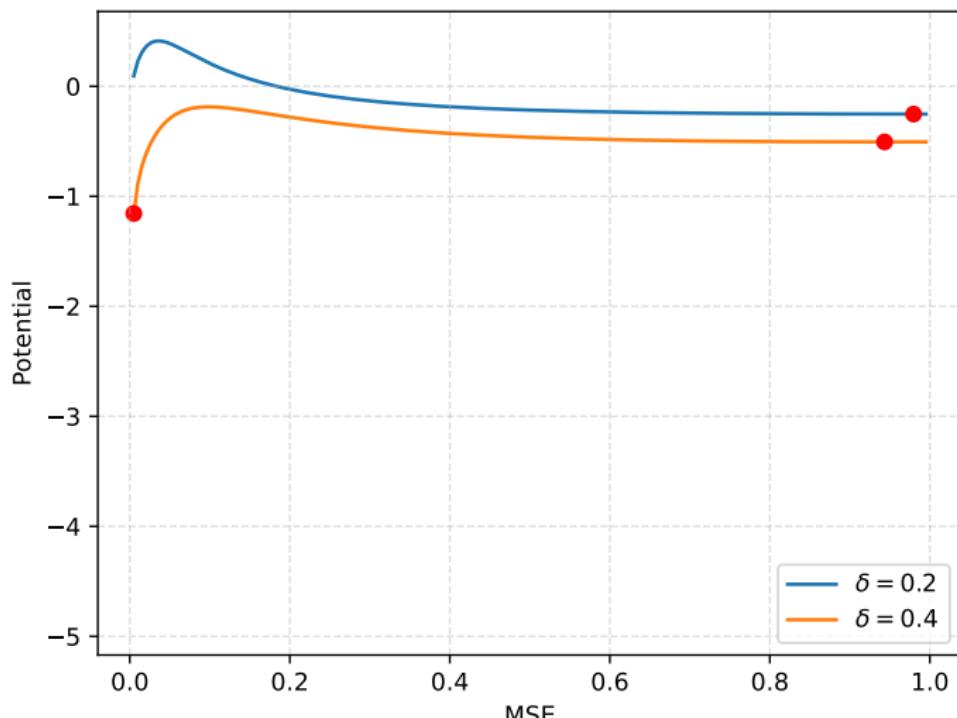
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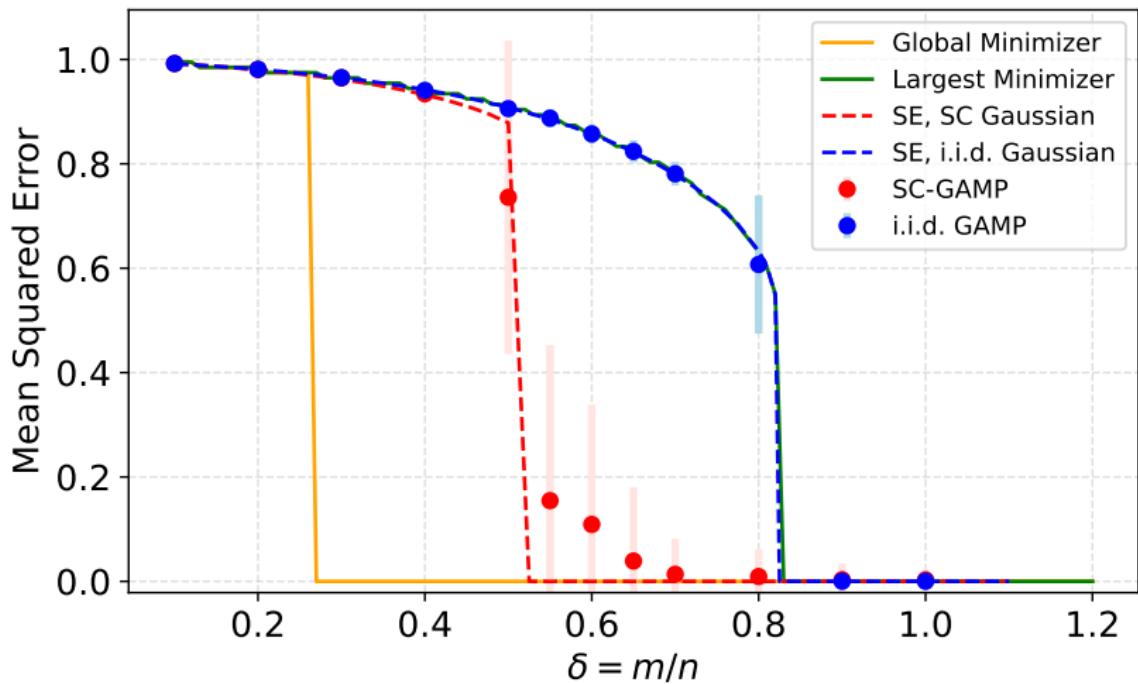
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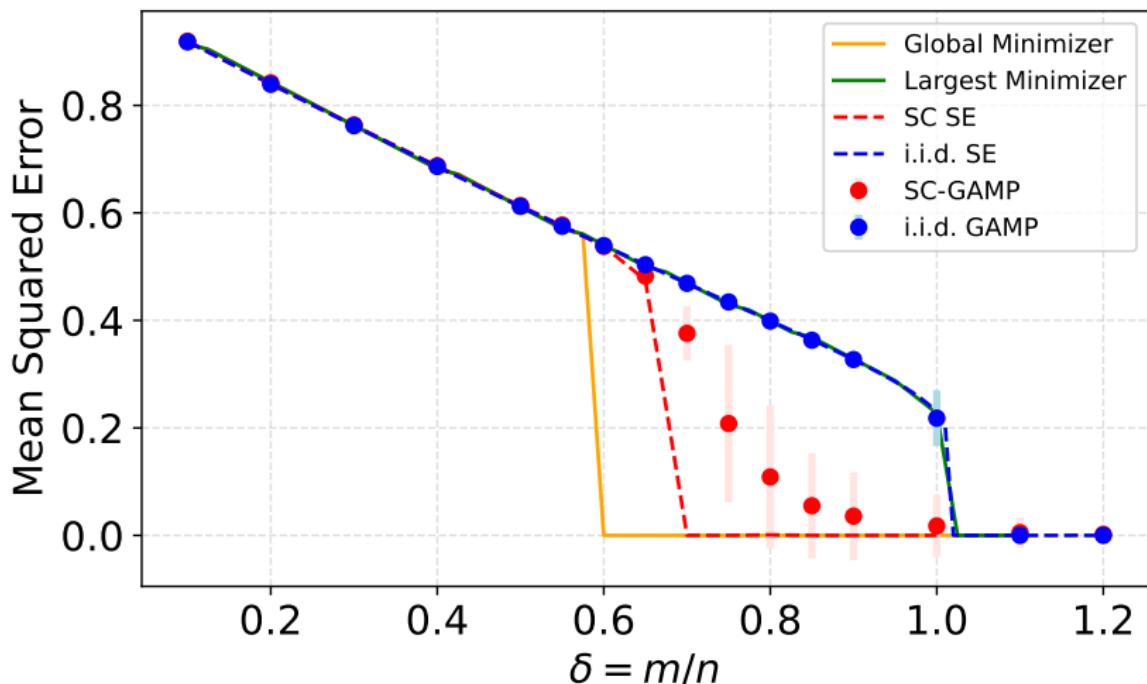
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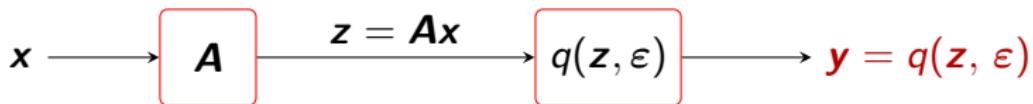


## ReLU model

$$\mathbf{y} = \max(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}, 0)$$

Prior  $P_X(-b) = P_X(b) = 0.25$ ,  $P_X(0) = 0.5$





Performance of optimal estimator with iid Gaussian design achieved by *spatially coupled design with message passing estimator*

## Future directions

Spatial coupling with *structured* random matrices

- E.g., Fourier, DCT, Hadamard based matrices
- Enables faster AMP-like algorithms

Spatial coupling for variants of group testing