The ε-Capacity Region of AWGN Multiple Access Channels with Feedback

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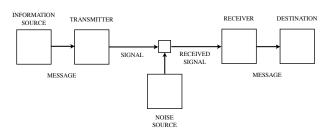
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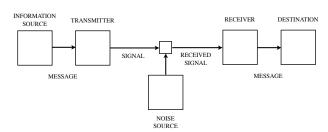




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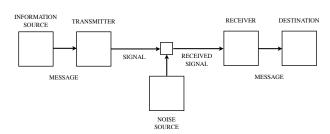
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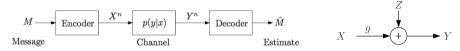
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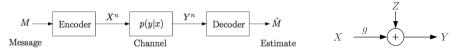






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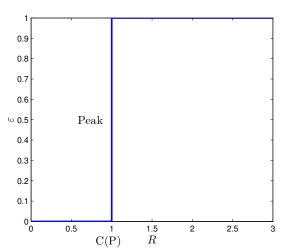
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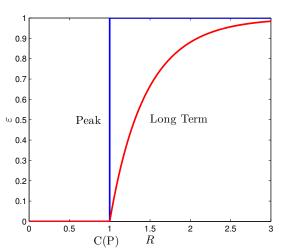
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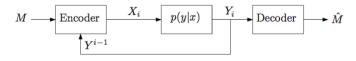
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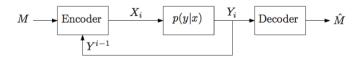
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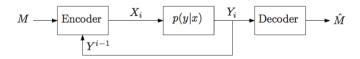
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- Suggests that the fixed-error results can also be drastically improved



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This is a great improvement over without feedback where the second-order term is [Yang-Caire-Durisi-Polyanskiy (2015)]

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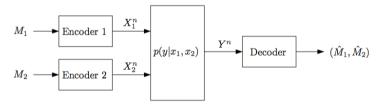
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■ Exploit connection between binary hypothesis testing and channel coding with feedback under peak-power constraint [Polyanskiy-Poor-Verdú (2011)] [Fong-T. (2015)]

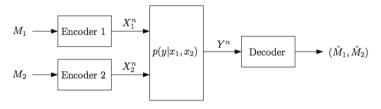
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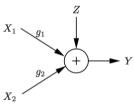


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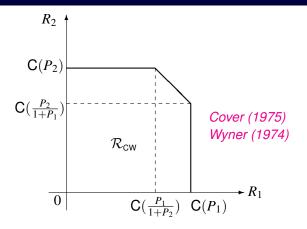


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Again assume $g_1 = g_2 = 1$.

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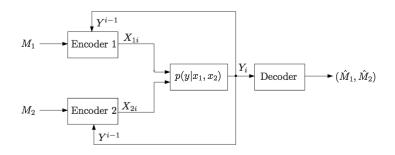


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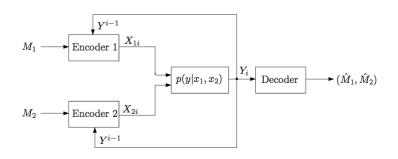
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Consider Gaussian version with expected long-term power constraints

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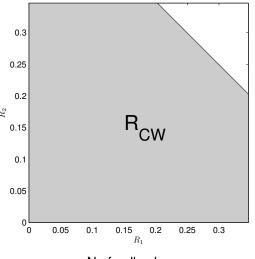
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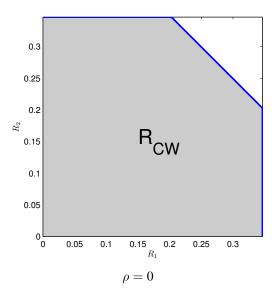
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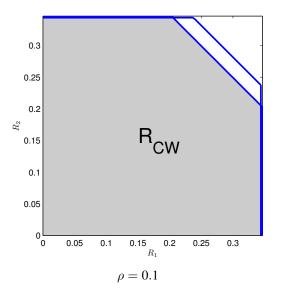
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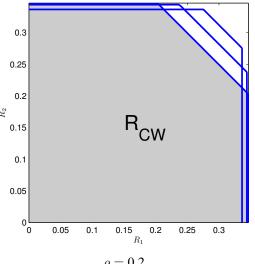
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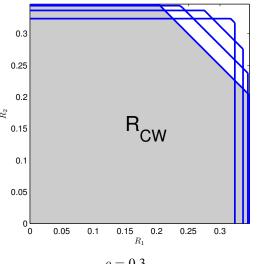
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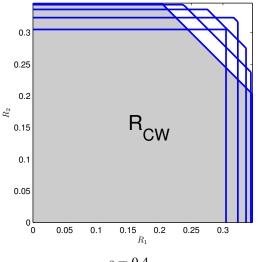




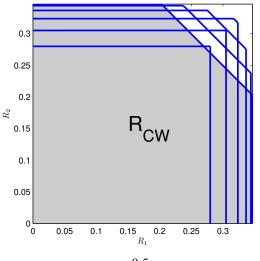




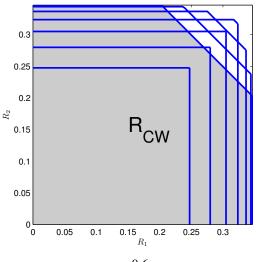
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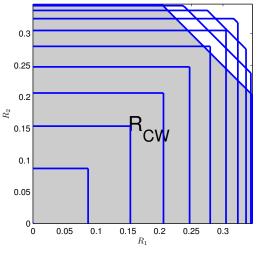


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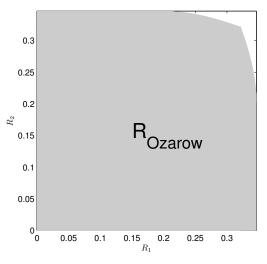


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