

Privacy-Preserving Outsourced Media Search Using Secure Sparse Ternary Codes

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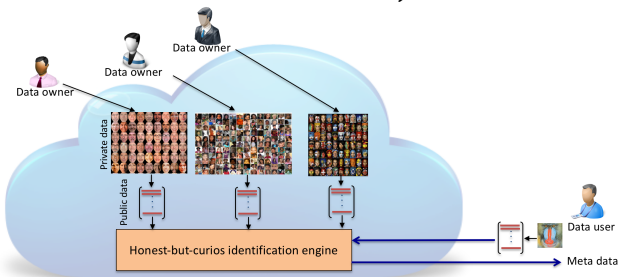
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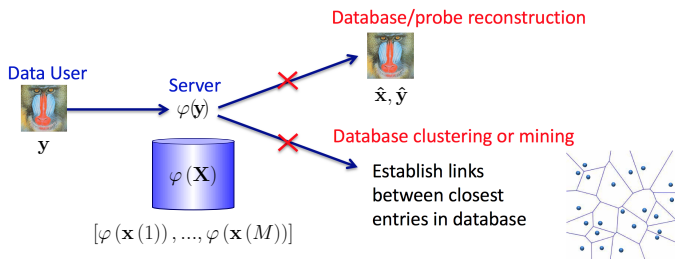
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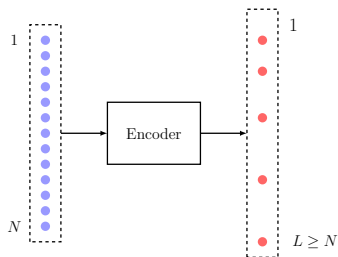
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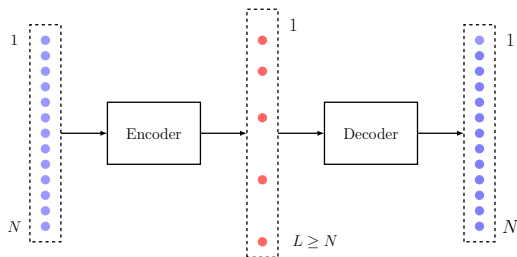
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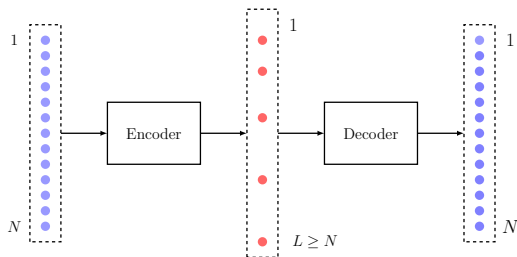
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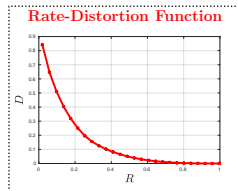
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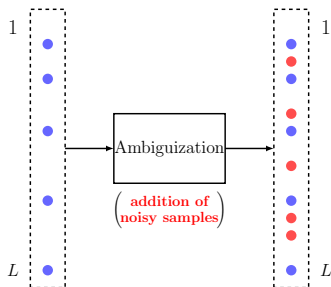
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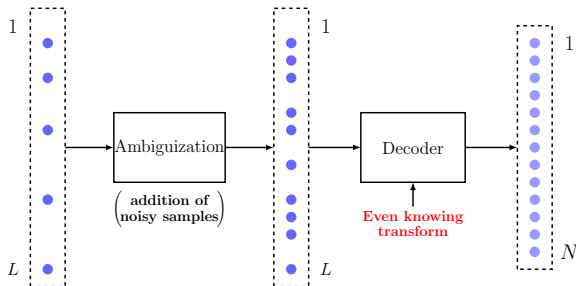
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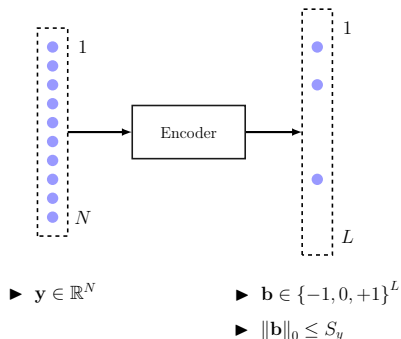
- ▶ Prevent reconstruction from $\mathbf{a}(m) \oplus \mathbf{n}$ and from probe \mathbf{y}
- ▶ Preclude server from discovering the structure of the database \mathcal{A}

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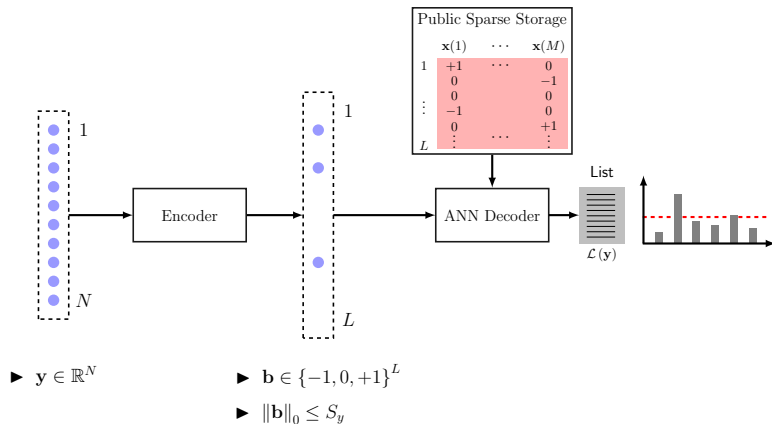
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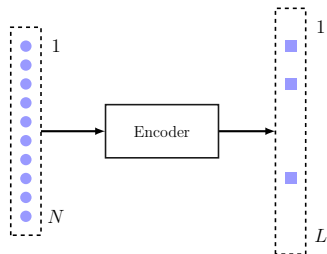
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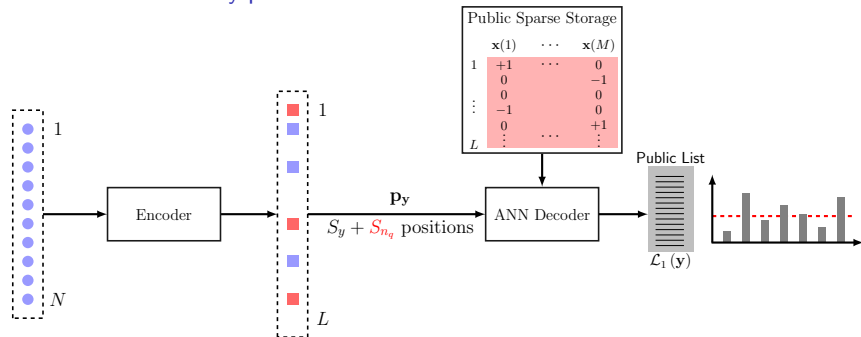
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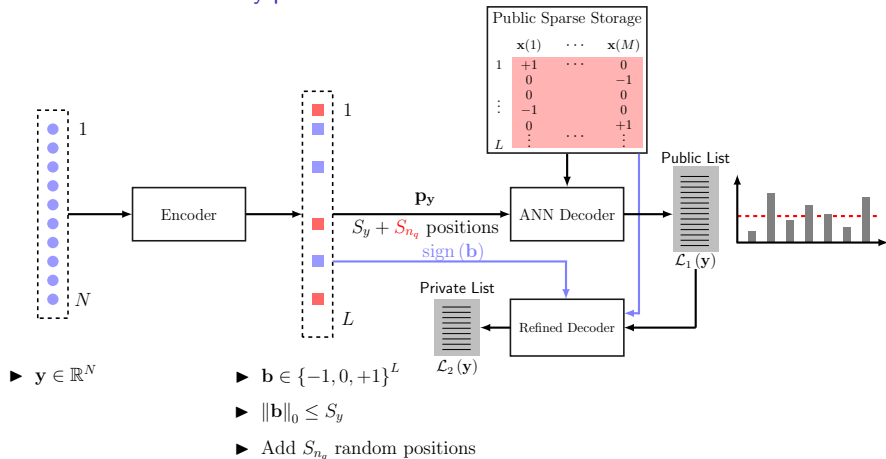
► Add S_{n_q} random positions

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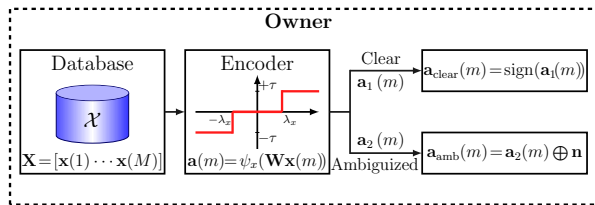
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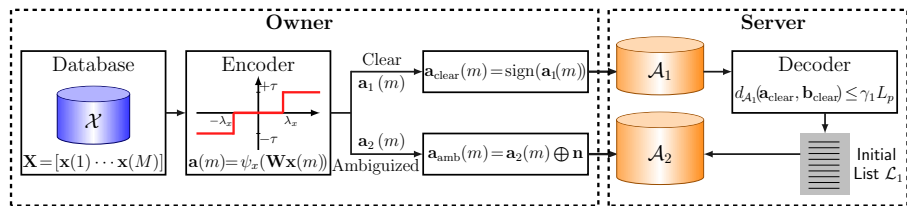


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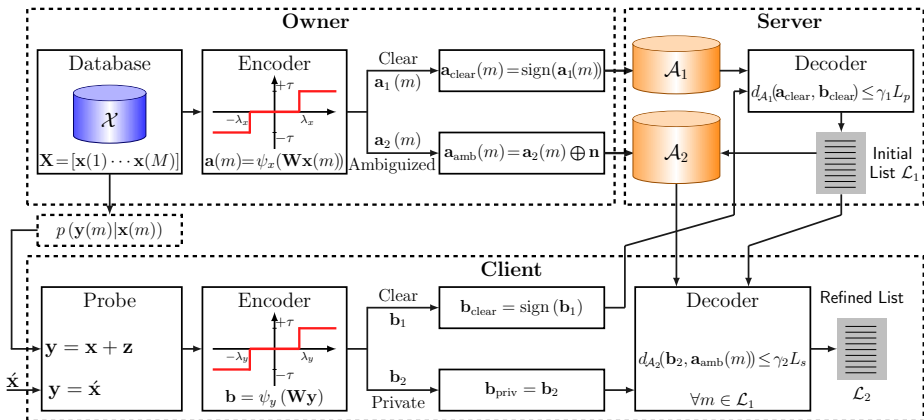
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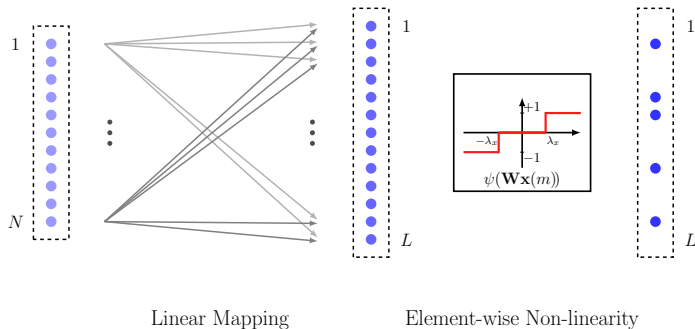
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A Schematic Idea



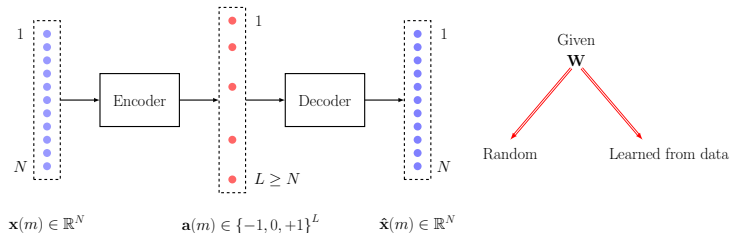
$$\mathbf{x}(m) \in \mathbb{R}^N \xrightarrow{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}(m) \in \mathbb{R}^L \xrightarrow{\psi(\cdot)} \mathbf{a}(m) \in \{-1, 0, +1\}^L$$

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General Problem Formulation



Encoder:

$$\hat{\mathbf{a}}(m) = \psi(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}(m))$$

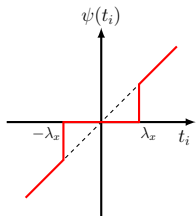
Decoder:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}(m) = \tau \odot \mathbf{W}^\dagger \hat{\mathbf{a}}(m)$$

Encoder: as a projection problem (for a fixed \mathbf{W})

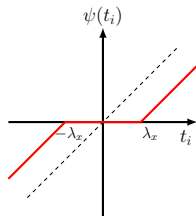
$$\hat{\mathbf{a}}(m) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{a}(m) \in \mathcal{A}^L} \|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}(m) - \mathbf{a}(m)\|_2^2 + \beta \Omega(\mathbf{a}(m)), \forall m \in [M]$$

- $\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{L \times N}$, $\mathbf{x}(m) \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $\mathbf{a}(m) \in \mathbb{R}^L$
- Closed-form solution for: $\Omega(\cdot) = \|\cdot\|_0$ and $\Omega(\cdot) = \|\cdot\|_1$



Hard-thresholding operator

$$\Omega(\cdot) = \|\cdot\|_0$$



Soft-thresholding operator

$$\Omega(\cdot) = \|\cdot\|_1$$

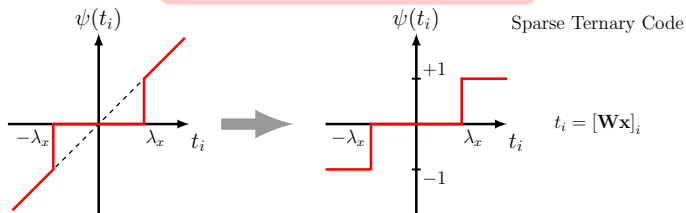
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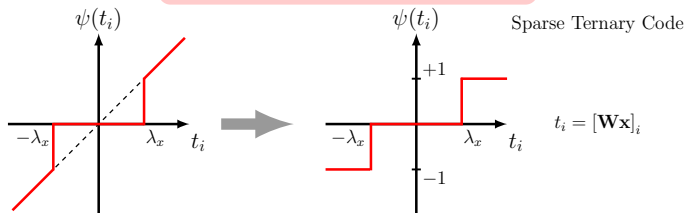
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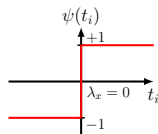
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Remark:

Binary hashing (like LSH) is the special case of our $\psi(\cdot)$ for $\lambda_x = 0$.



Learning Sparsifying Transform

General Formulation: joint learning

$$(\hat{\mathbf{W}}, \hat{\mathbf{A}}) = \arg \min_{(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{A})} \|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{A}\|_F^2 + \beta_W \Omega_W(\mathbf{W}) + \beta_A \Omega_A(\mathbf{A})$$

► **Sparse Coding Step** (Fixed \mathbf{W}):



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► **Transform Update Step** (Fixed \mathbf{A}):

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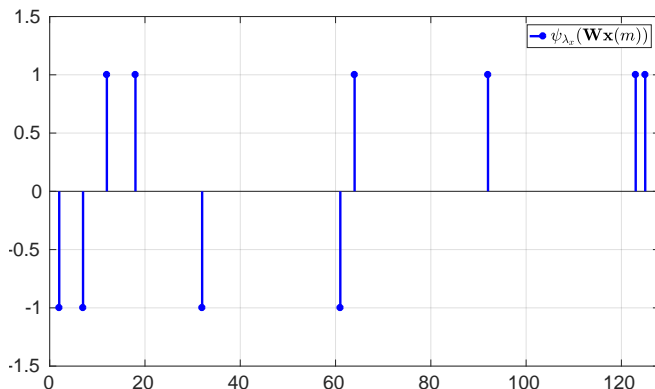
Linear Regression :
(with quadratic regularizer)

$$\hat{\mathbf{W}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}^T (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T + \beta_W \mathbf{I}_N)^{-1}$$

Ambiguization Scheme

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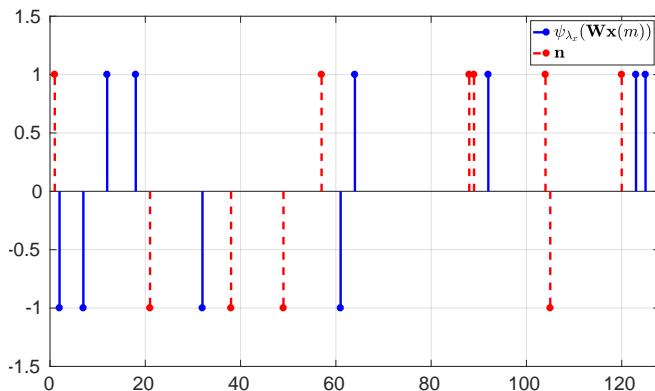
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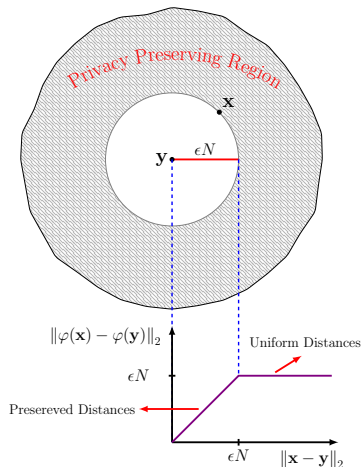
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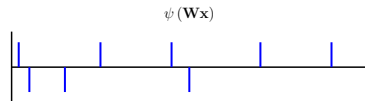
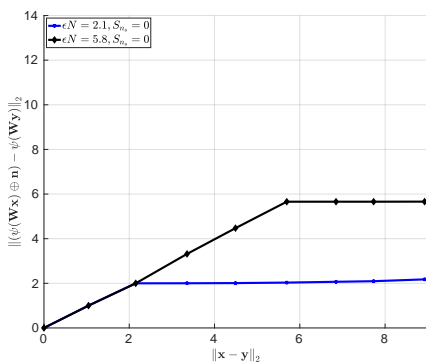
Desired property of mapping scheme

Distance preservation in the desired radius



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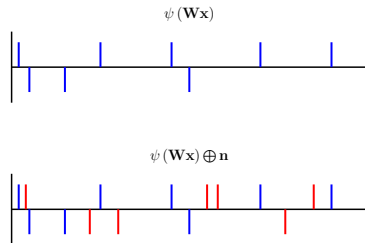
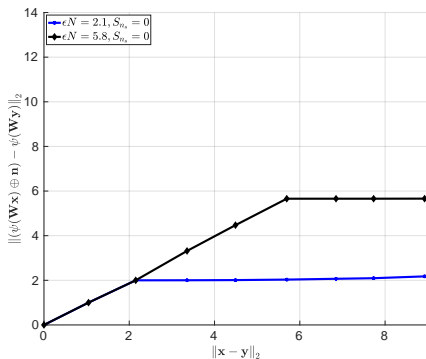
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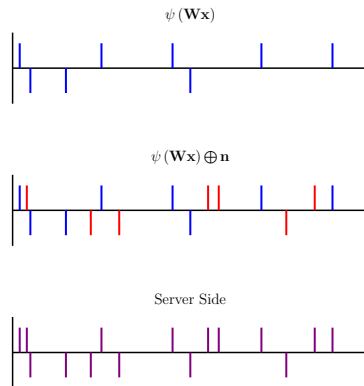
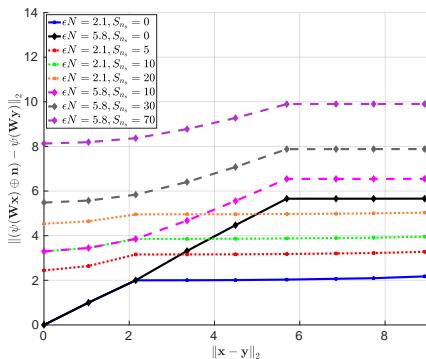
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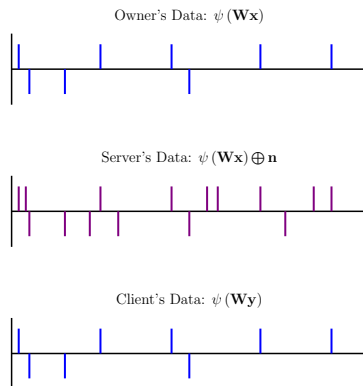
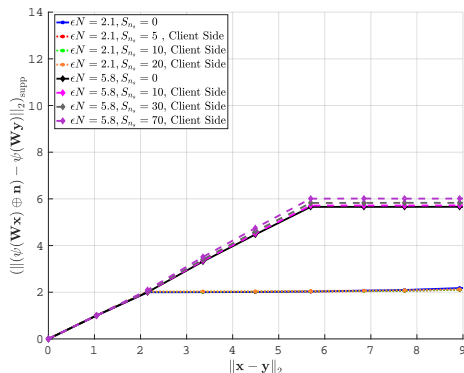
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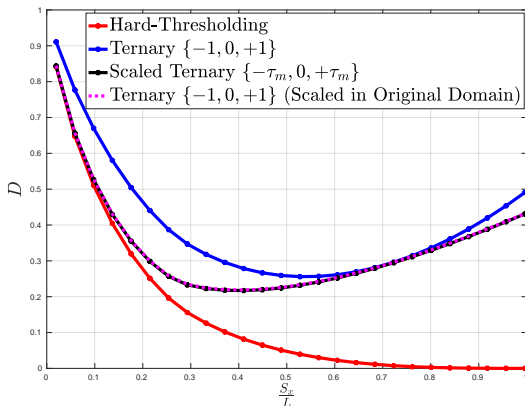


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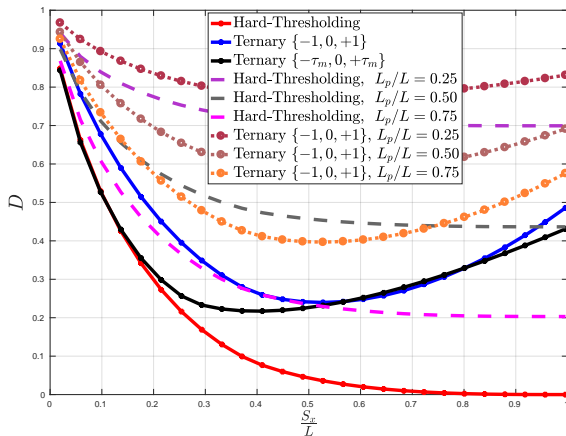
Reconstruction: Authorized User ▶ $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{W}^\dagger \mathbf{a}$

\mathbf{x} : i.i.d. Gaussian, with each sample $X_n \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$, $\frac{N}{L} = 1$

S_x : Sparsity Level



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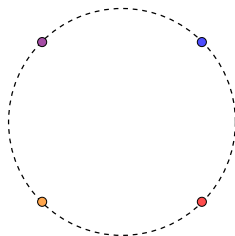
L : Length of Total Sparse Code

L_p : Length of Public Sparse Code

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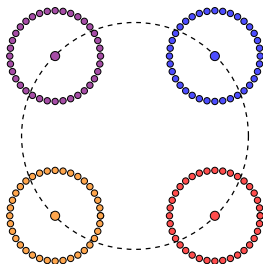
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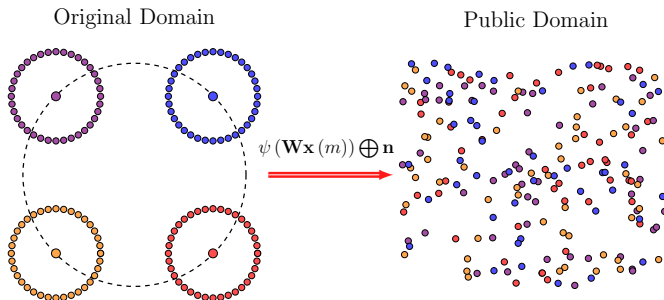
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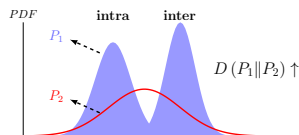
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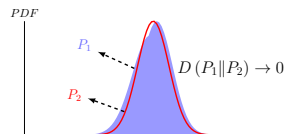
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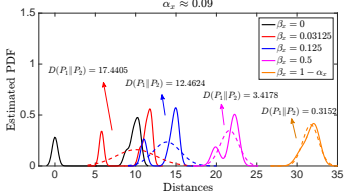
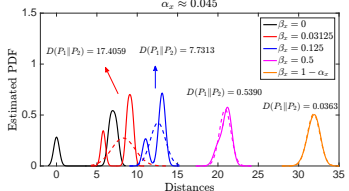
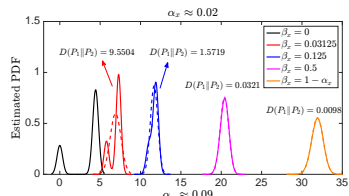
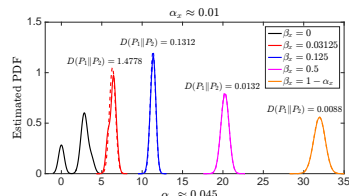
Clear distinguishability based on inter&intra-distances



Not distinguishable

Clustering: How much ambiguity should be added to have indistinguishability for the server?

Evaluation of Our Scheme: $\alpha_x = \frac{S_x}{L}$, $\beta_x = \frac{S_{n_s}}{L}$, S_{n_s} : # of noise components for the server



Conclusions:

- Preserve distances up to the desired radius
- Ensure the reconstruction of data for authorized users
- Preclude the curious server to cluster or reconstruct the samples in the database
- Public decoding scheme

