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A Dirty Model for Multiple Sparse Regression

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Multiple regression:

$$\mathbf{y}_{n\times 1}^{(k)} = \mathbf{X}_{n\times p}^{(k)} \bar{\theta}^{k}_{p\times 1} + \mathbf{w}^{k}, k = 1, 2, \dots, r \text{ and } p >> n$$

- Response variables share some common structure
- Each task depends on features specific to itself along with some common features
- Past work: considers ℓ_1/ℓ_q (q>1), ℓ_1/ℓ_∞ norm regularization
- Can one estimate statistical models where the data may not fall cleanly into any one structural class?

- Approach used: Superposition of
 - Block-sparse parameter matrix (B)
 - Sparse parameter matrix (S)
 - An estimator $(\hat{\mathbf{B}}, \hat{\mathbf{S}})$ successfully recovers the true support if

$$Support(\hat{\mathbf{B}} + \hat{\mathbf{S}}) = Support(\theta)$$

- Key result:
 - Performs better than LASSO or ℓ_1/ℓ_∞

Strong Secrecy From Channel Resolvability

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- Physical layer security
 - Reliability
 - Secrecy
- Approach used: relate coding mechanism for serecy to channel resolvability
- Channel resolvability¹
 - No. of random bits per input sample required to achieve arbitrarily accurate approx. of output statistics

¹T. Han and S. Verdu, Approximation theory of output statistics, TIT₌1993

- Coding mechanism: all messages induce same distribution for the eavesdropper's observation
- Mathematical tools
 - Information-spectrum methods²
 - Variational distance: useful for secrecy metrics
- Helped to establish results for generic channels and for stronger secrecy metrics

²T. S. Han, Information-Spectrum Methods in Information Theory, Springer-Verlag, 2002.

FemtoCaching: Wireless Content Delivery Through Distributed Caching Helpers

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- To meet high demand of data (in particular video): heterogeneous architecture
 - Shrink the cell size and bring the content closer to the user
- Drawback: Need of high-speed backhaul
- To overcome this
 - Helpers with low rate backhaul
 - High storage capacity cache
- Problem considered: How to allocate files to helpers so that expected downloading time is minimized for given
 - Given file popularity distribution
 - Helper's storage capacity
 - Network topology



- WN is defined by a bipartite graph
- Two types of caching considered
 - Uncoded caching
 - Coded caching
- Uncoded caching: NP-hard
 - Greedy strategy is proposed
- Coded caching: convex
 - Encoding technique: Fountain codes

 Toward the Performance Versus Feedback Tradeoff for the Two-User MISO Broadcast Channel

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- System model: 2-user MISO BC (M ≥ 2)
- Performance of the system
 - Timeliness of CSI
 - Precison of CSI
- Explores the tradeoff between performance and CSIT timeliness and accuracy
- Derives the DOF region
 - Tight for large range of CSIT quality

- Proposed scheme
 - Zero-forcing
 - Superposition coding
 - Interference compressioin
 - Broadcasting
- Helps to answer question like
 - What CSIT feedback precision should be provided, and when?
 - What current-CSIT and delayed-CSIT qualities suffice to achieve a certain performance?
 - Etc.....