

# Entropy Under Additive Bernoulli and Spherical Noises

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In fact, from Stirling's approximation

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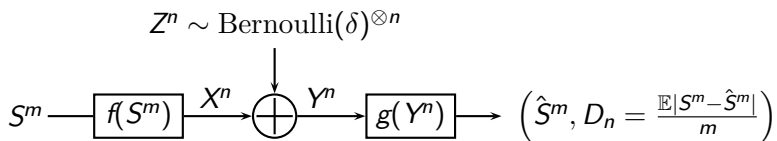
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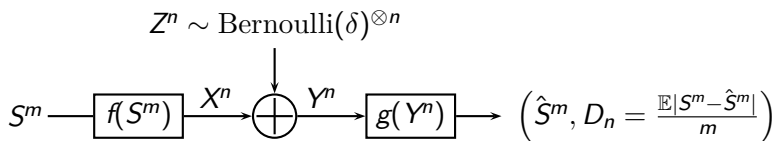
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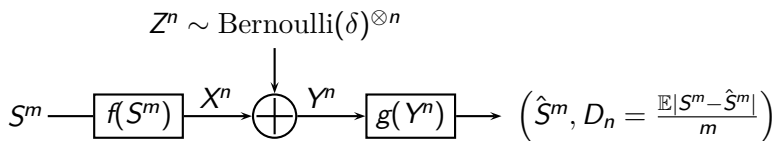


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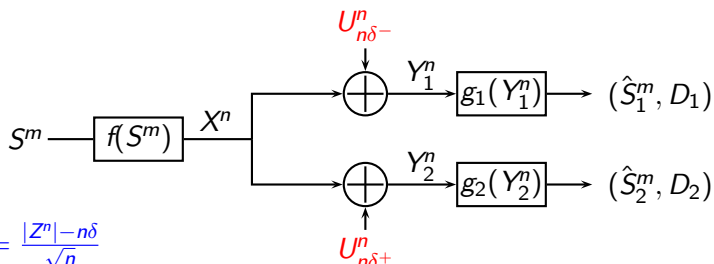


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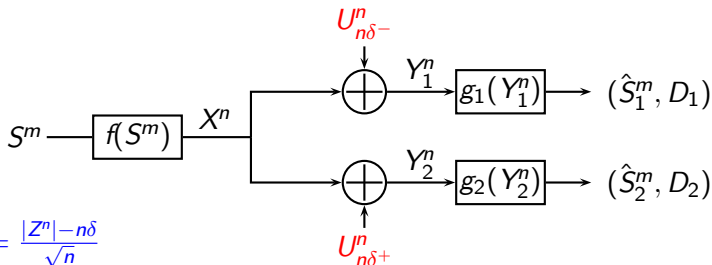
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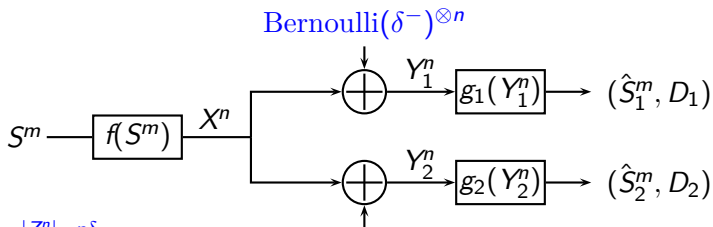
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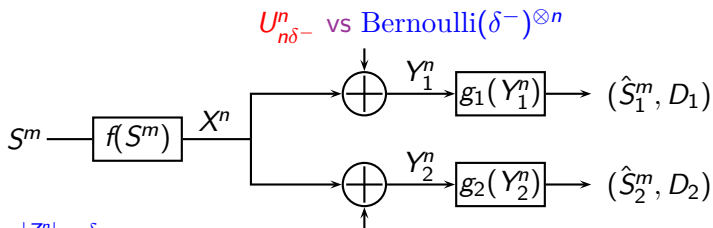
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**But how accurate is the approximation of spherical noise with Bernoulli noise?**

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The case  $X^n = 0^n$  is non-representative:  
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Follows from combining the two previous results  
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Wyner and Ziv's MGL gives

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Thus, MGL and the spherical MGL only differ by an  $O(\log n)$  additive term

# Some snippets of the proofs

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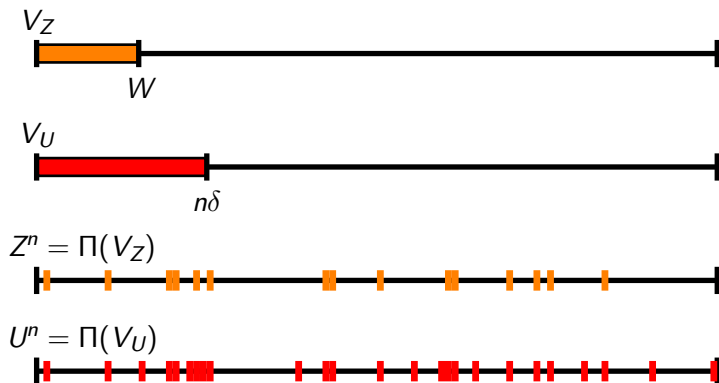
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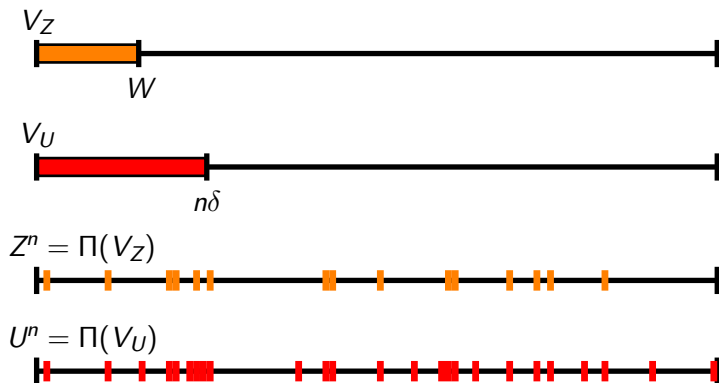
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### lemma

For any  $0 < \delta < 1/2$  we have that

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where

$$c_2(\delta) = 4 \log \left( \frac{1}{\delta} \right) \sqrt{\frac{h(\delta)(1-\delta)}{\delta}}$$



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Now, just use the fact that  $A_m$  is concentrated around  $\delta$

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## Theorem (Spherical MGL)

For any  $0 < \delta < 1/2$  and any RV  $X^n$  on  $\{0, 1\}^n$ , we have that

$$H(X^n + U^n) \geq nh \left( \delta * h^{-1} \left( \frac{H(X^n)}{n} \right) \right) - 8 \frac{1 - \delta}{\delta} \log n.$$

## Conclusions

- The difference between  $H(X^n + Z^n)$  and  $H(X^n + U^n)$  was studied
- $\sup_{X^n} H(X^n + U^n) - H(X^n + Z^n) = c_1(\delta)\sqrt{n}$
- $\sup_{X^n} H(X^n + Z^n) - H(X^n + U^n) \in [\frac{1}{2} \log n + c_3(\delta), c_2(\delta)\sqrt{n}]$
- $H(X^n + U^n) \geq \text{MGL}(H(X^n)) - c_4(\delta) \log n$
- The channels  $x^n \mapsto x^n + U^n$  and  $x^n \mapsto x^n + Z^n$  are not ordered in “less noisy” sense
- We currently don't know if  $x^n \mapsto x^n + U^n$  is “more capable” than  $x^n \mapsto x^n + Z^n$