

Learning to Reconstruct From Binary Measurements Alone

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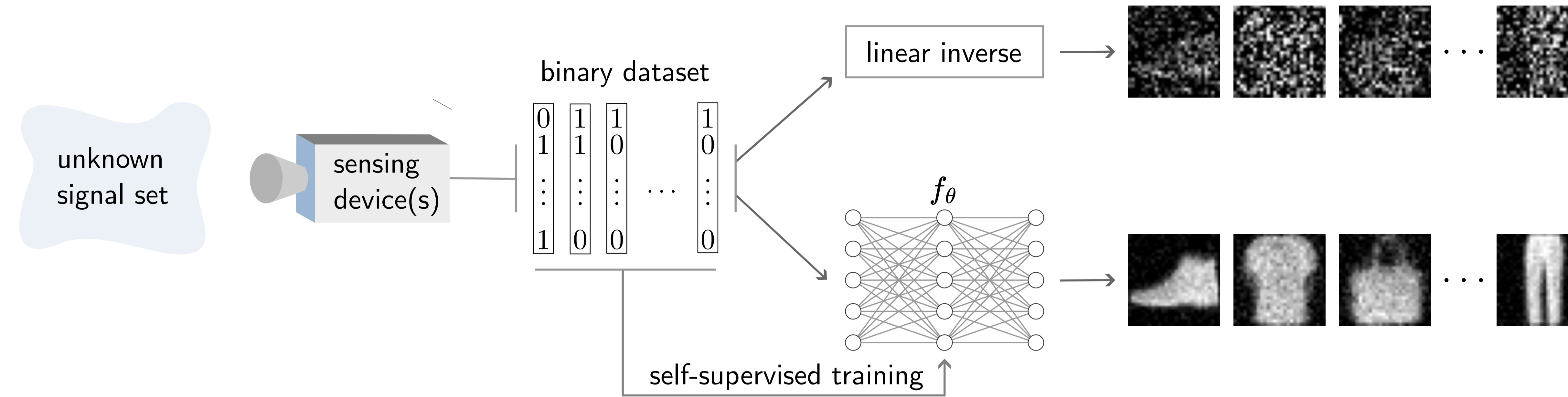
Problem Setup

$$y_i = \text{sign}(A_{g_i} x_i) \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, N$$

where $y_i \in \{-1, 1\}^m$ measurement
 $x_i \in \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ signal
 $A_g \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ forward operator
 $g_i \in \{0, 1, \dots, G\}$

Invariant \mathcal{X} : $A_g = AT_g$ where T_g are translations, rotations, etc.

Applications: 1-bit matrix completion, 1-bit compressed sensing, etc.



Self-Supervised Learning

Goal: learn reconstruction network $\hat{x} = f_\theta(y)$ from $\{y_i\}_{i=1}^N$

Multiple operators:

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N \text{softmargin}(y_i, A_{g_i} f_\theta(y_i, A_{g_i})) + \alpha \sum_{s=1}^G \|\hat{x}_{i,\theta} - f_\theta(A_s \hat{x}_{i,\theta})\|^2 \text{ with } \hat{x}_{i,\theta} = f_\theta(y_i, A_{g_i})$$

Single operator and invariant \mathcal{X} :

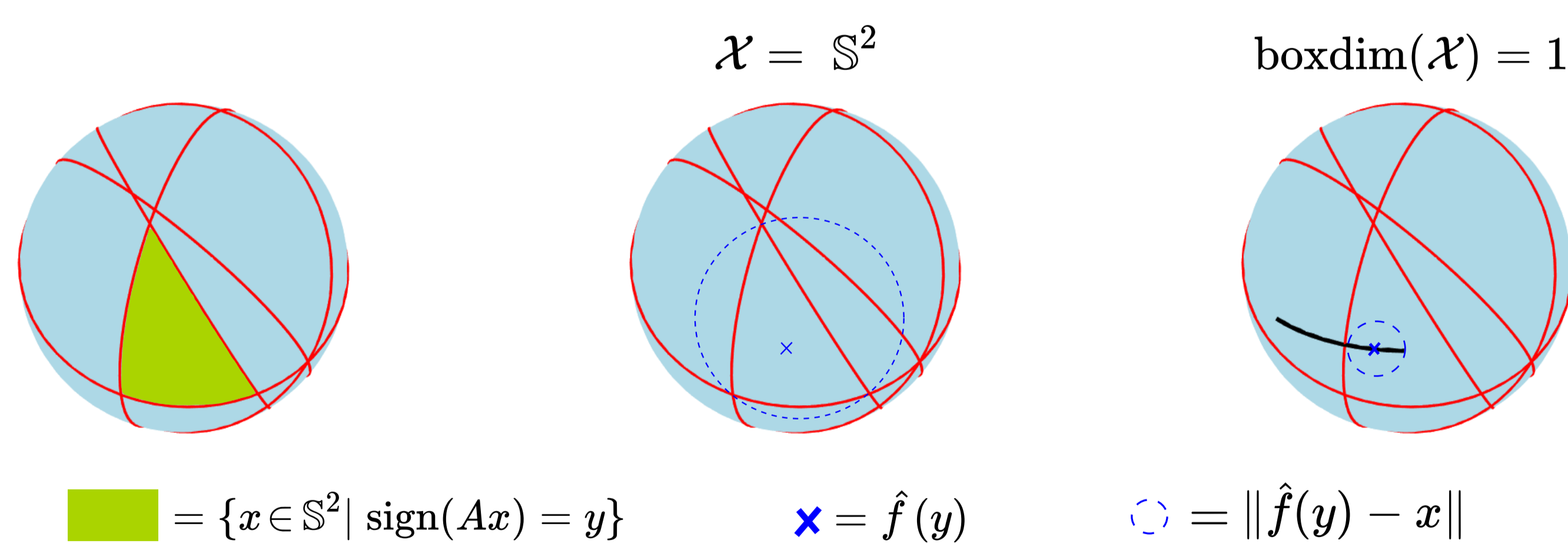
$$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N \text{softmargin}(y_i, A f_\theta(y_i)) + \alpha \sum_{s=1}^G \|T_s \hat{x}_{i,\theta} - f_\theta(AT_s \hat{x}_{i,\theta})\|^2 \text{ with } \hat{x}_{i,\theta} = f_\theta(y_i)$$

Signal Reconstruction

Can we recover a signal from its binary observation with known \mathcal{X} ?

Optimal reconstruction:

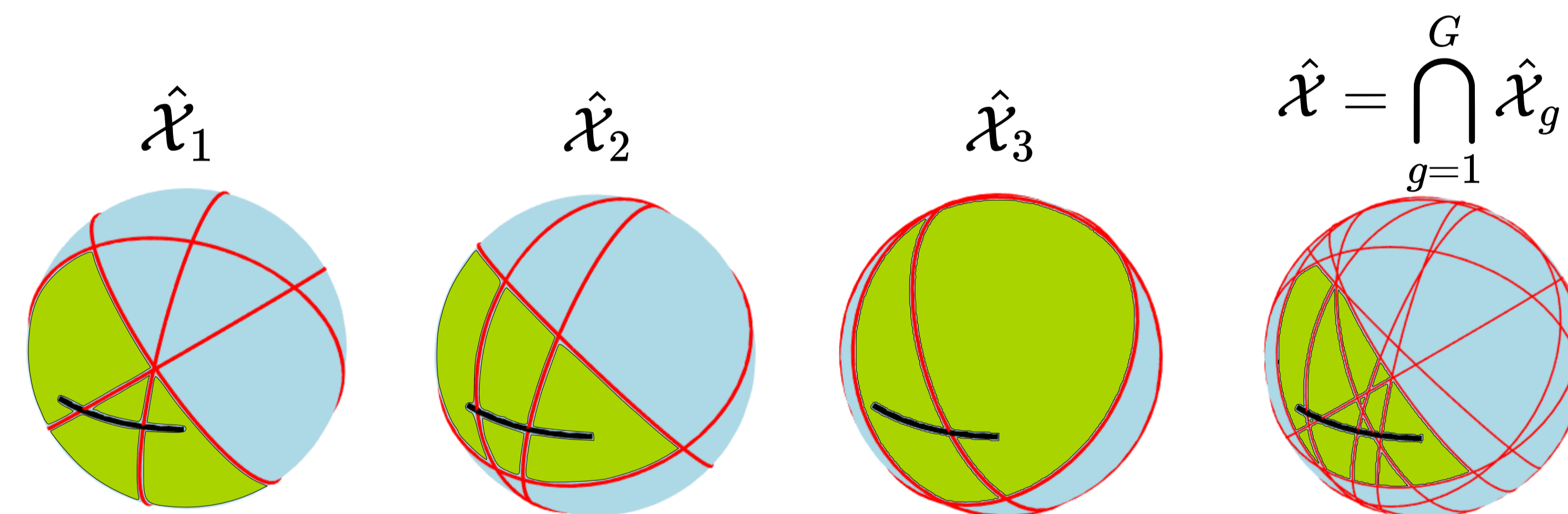
$$\hat{f}(y) = \text{centroid}(\{x : \text{sign}(Ax) = y\} \cap \mathcal{X})$$



Model Identification

Can we identify the signal set \mathcal{X} from $\{\text{sign}(A_g \mathcal{X})\}_{g=1}^G$?

$$\text{Estimation of signal set from } g\text{-th operator: } \hat{\mathcal{X}}_g = \{v \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1} : \exists x_g \in \mathcal{X}, \text{sign}(A_g v) = \text{sign}(A_g x_g)\}$$



Identification error: $\min\{\delta \geq 0 : \hat{\mathcal{X}} \subseteq \mathcal{X}_\delta\}$ where $\mathcal{X}_\delta = \{v \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1} : \inf_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \|x - v\| < \delta\}$

Theorem (lower bound): for any $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \Rightarrow \delta > \frac{2}{3} \frac{n}{mG}$

Theorems: for $A_g \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I_{m \times n})$ and $\text{boxdim}(\mathcal{X}) = k$ with high probability
 (upper bound) (sample complexity)

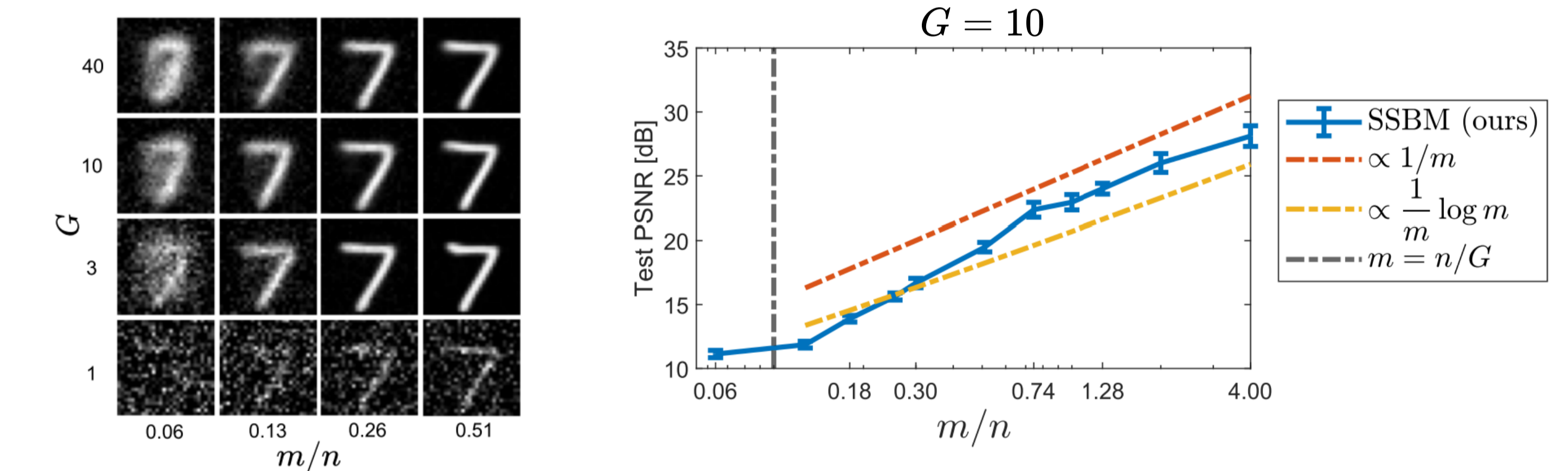
$$\delta \lesssim \frac{k + n/G}{m} \log \frac{nm}{k + n/G} \quad N \lesssim G \left(\frac{m\sqrt{n}}{k} \right)^k$$

Theorem: $A \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I_{m \times n})$ and $\text{boxdim}(\mathcal{X}) = k$

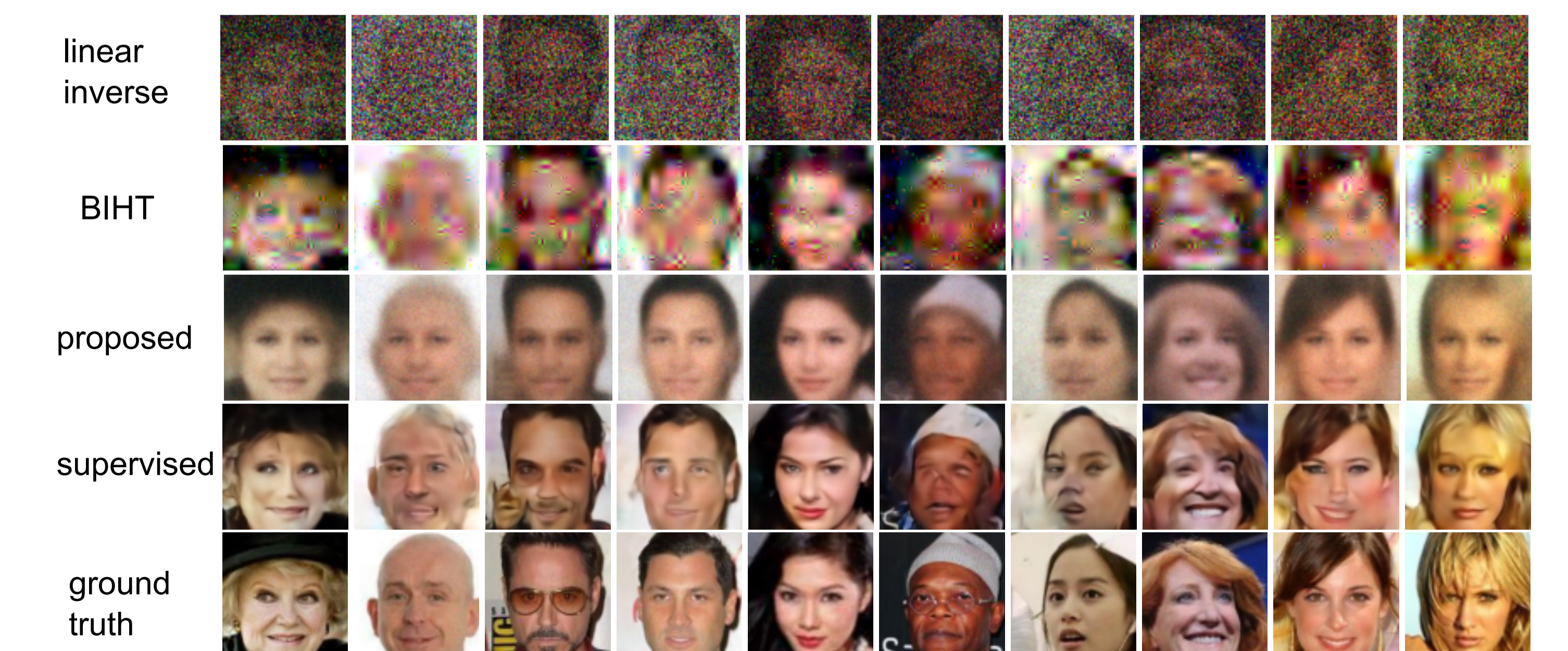
$$\|\hat{f}(y) - x\| \lesssim \frac{k}{m} \log \frac{nm}{k} \text{ with high probability.}$$

Experiments

MNIST dataset:



CelebA dataset: $G = 10, m = 0.2n$



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