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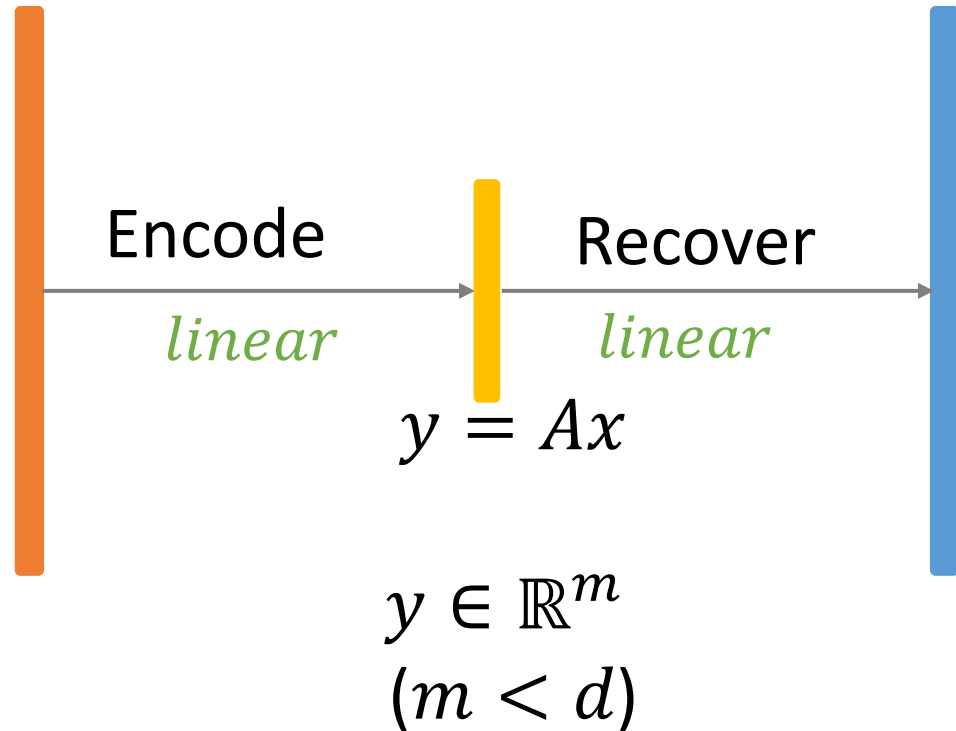
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- eXtreme Multi-label Learning (XML).  
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- Unlike image/video data, there is **no** notion of spatial/time locality.  
No CNN
- Reduce the dimensionality via a **linear** sketching/embedding

Want: Beyond sparsity, learn additional structure

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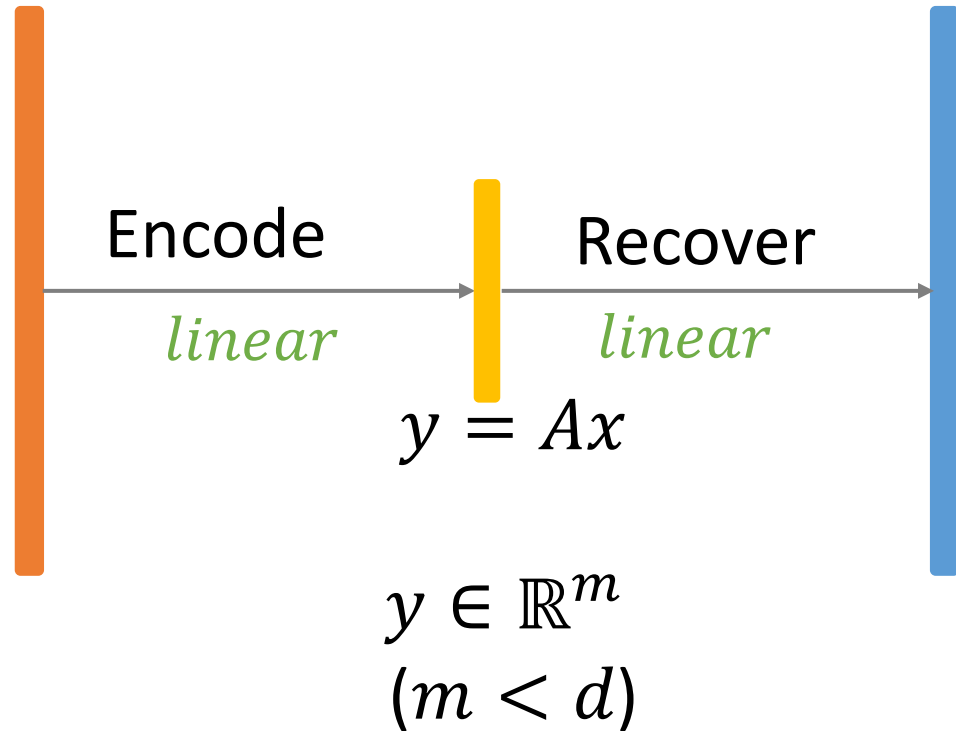


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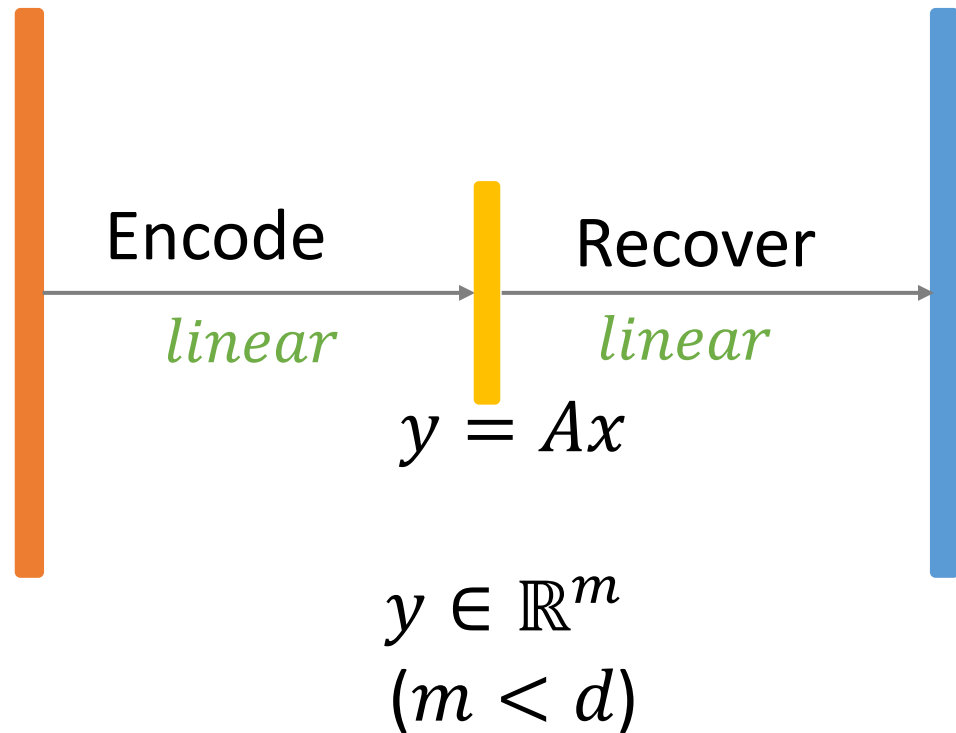


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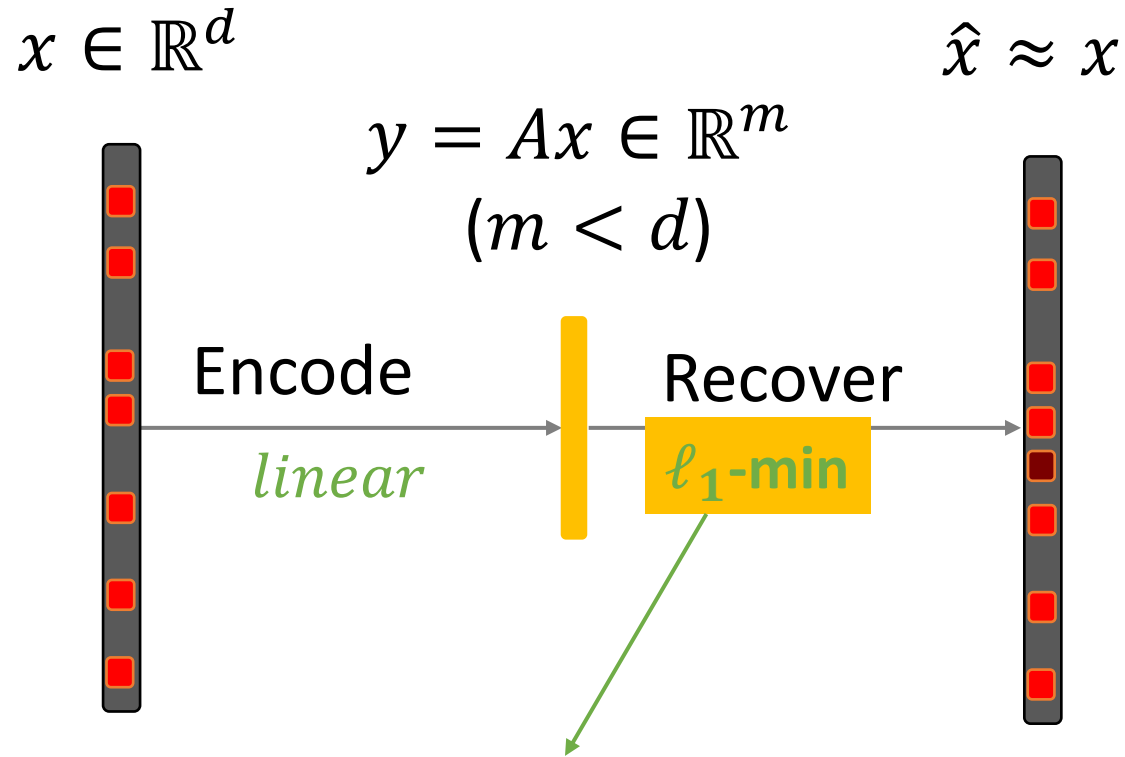
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- **But if  $x$  is sparse we can do better**



# Compressed Sensing (Donoho; Candès et al.; ...)



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- If we ask Linear compression,
- Recovery by convex opt
  - $\ell_1$ -min, Lasso,...
- **Near-perfect recovery for sparse vectors.**
- **Provably for Gaussian random A.**

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$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

1. If our vectors are  
sparse + additional unknown structure  
(e.g. one-hot encoded features,  
text+features, XML, etc)

Measurement matrix

for compression,

2. Can we **LEARN** a measurement matrix  $A$

convex opt

,...

3. Make it work well for  
convex opt decoder

**recovery for sparse**

**for Gaussian random  $A$ .**

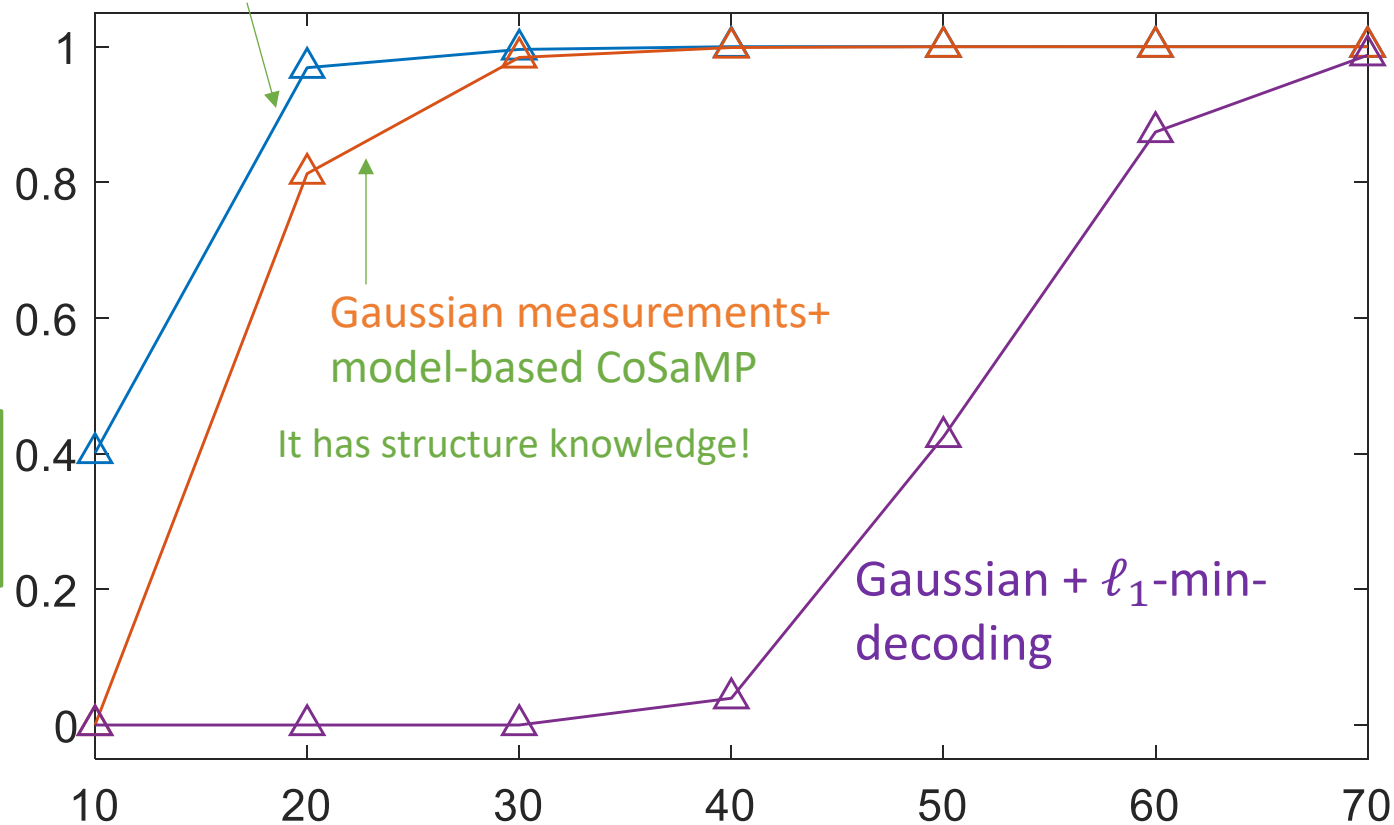
# Comparisons of the recovery performance

Learned measurements +  $\ell_1$ -min decoding

[our method]

Fraction of exactly recovered points

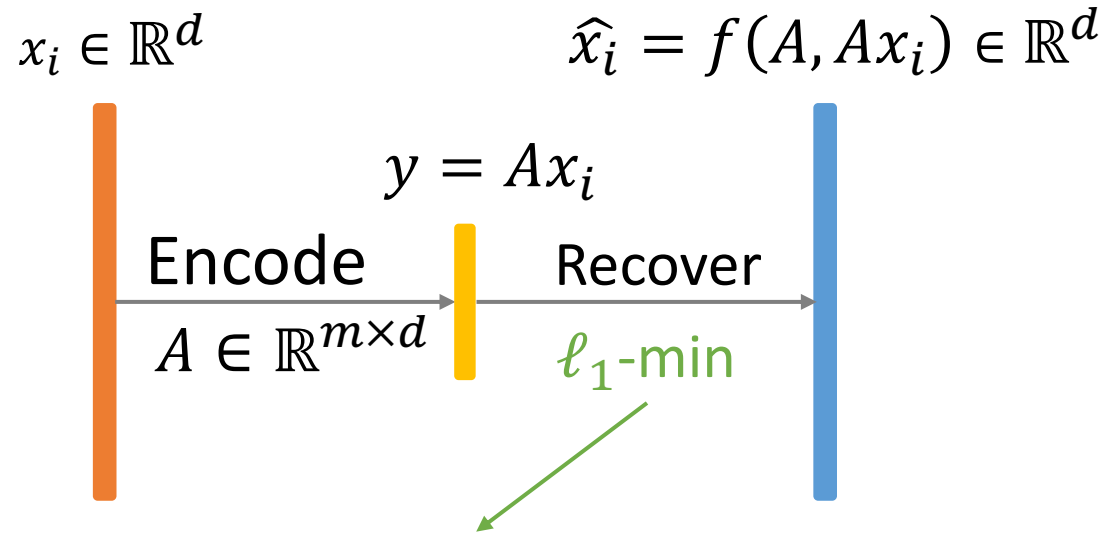
Exact recovery:  
 $\|x - \hat{x}\|_2 \leq 10^{-10}$



Number of measurements ( $m$ )

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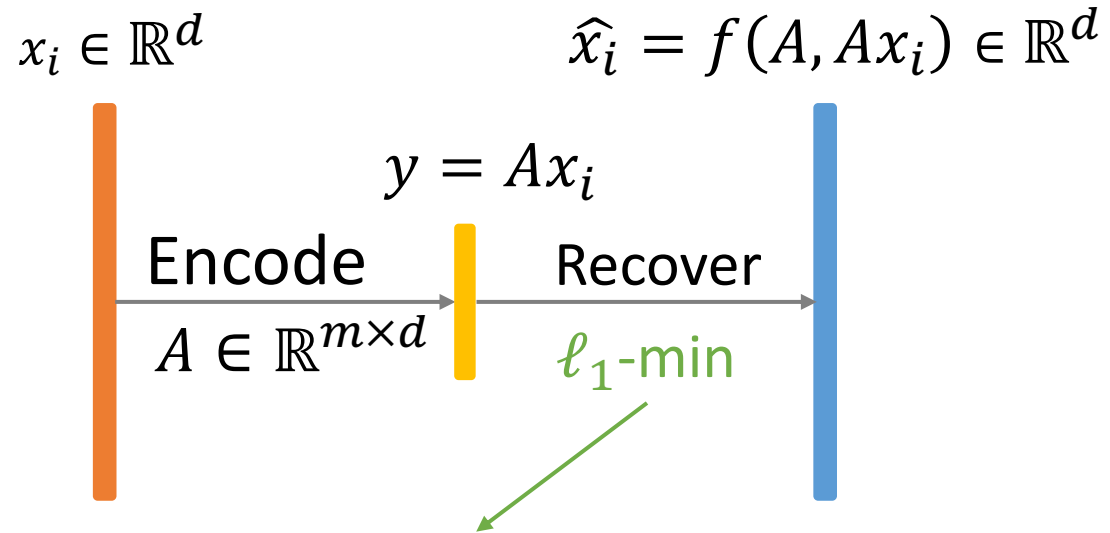
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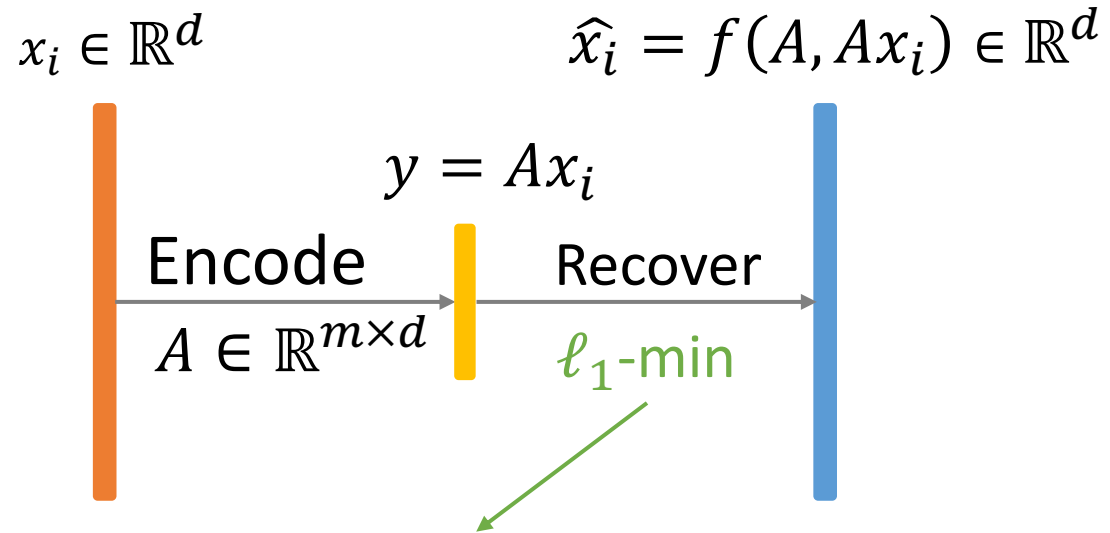
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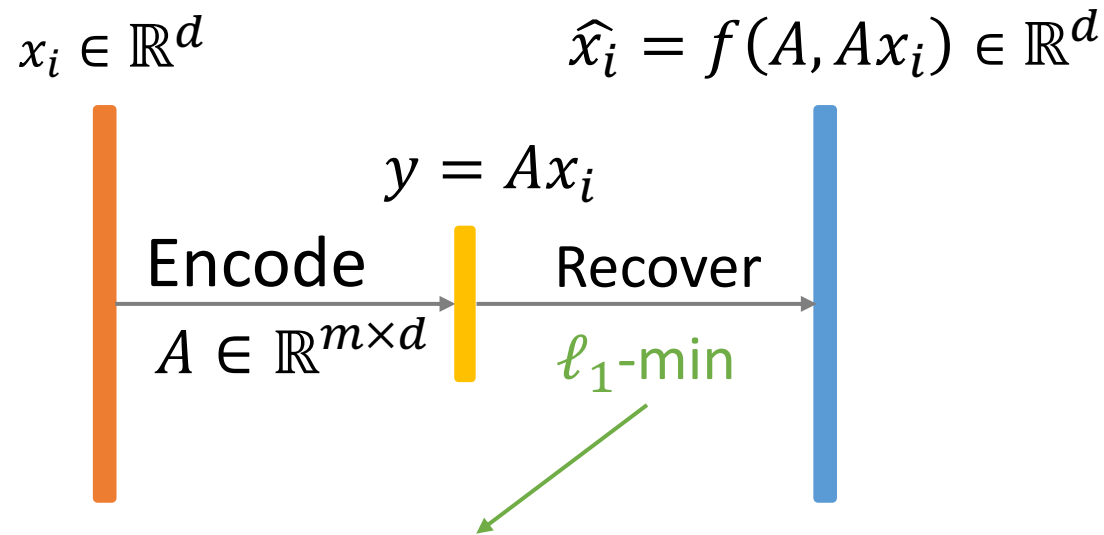
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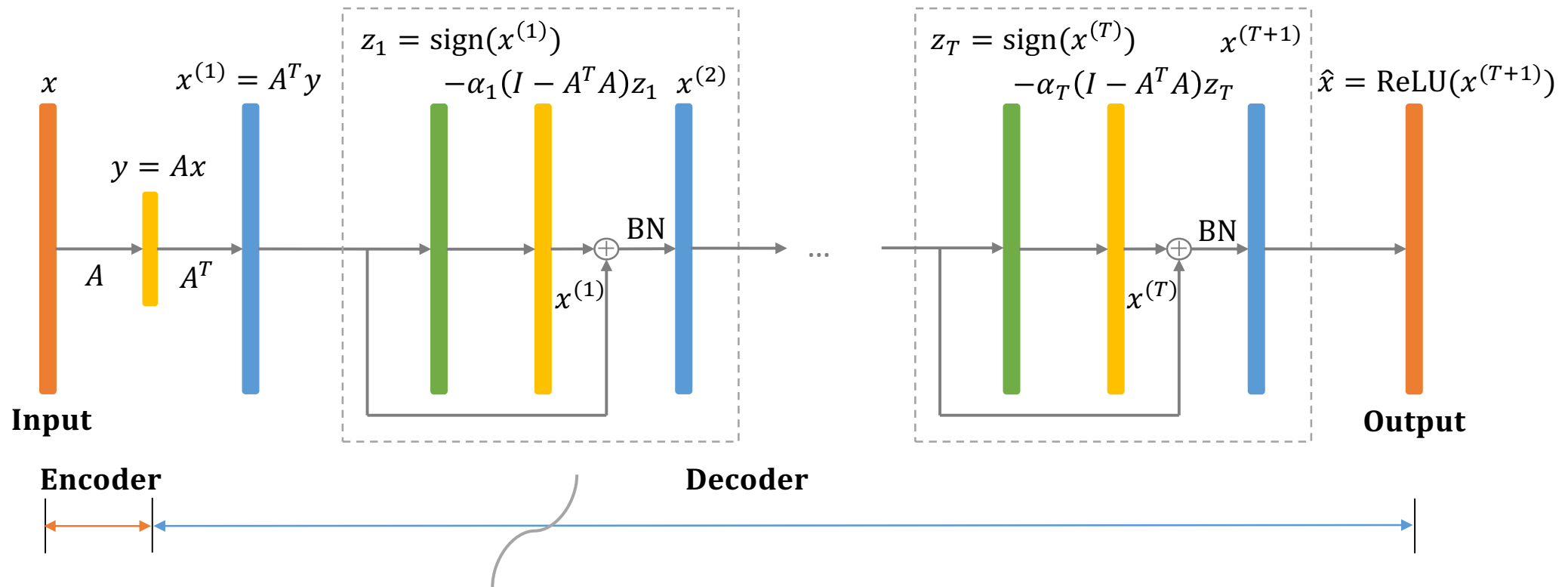
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Key idea:

Replace  $f(A, y)$  by a few steps of  
projected subgradient

# $\ell_1$ -AE: a novel autoencoder architecture



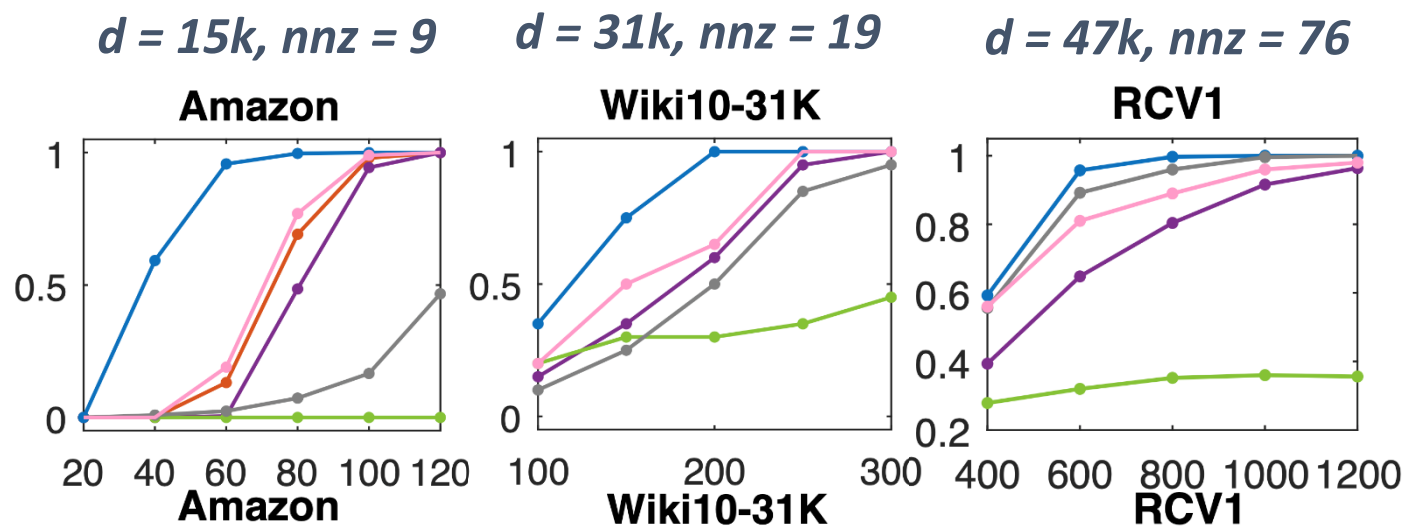
One step of projected subgradient

$$x^{(t+1)} = x^{(t)} - \alpha_t(I - A^T A)\text{sign}(x^{(t)})$$

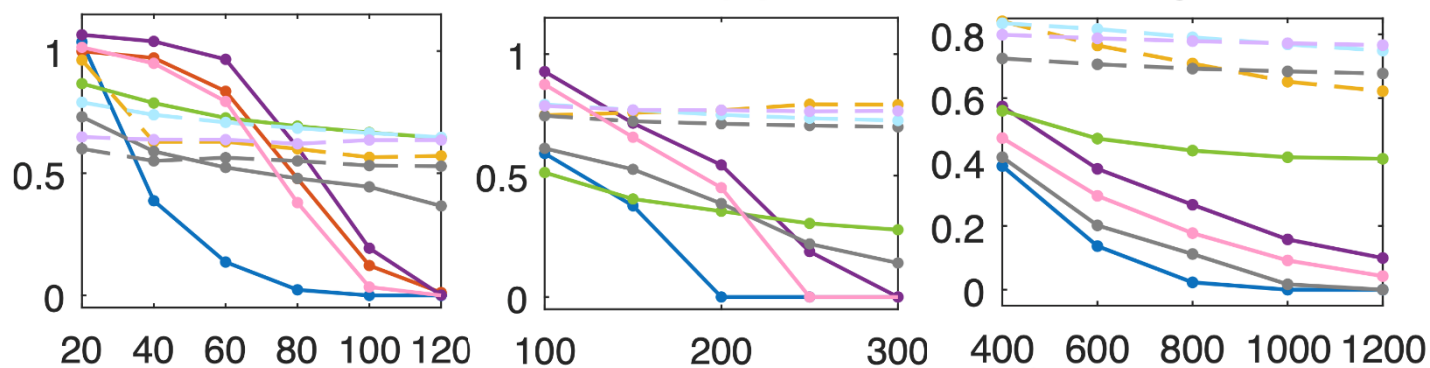


# Real sparse datasets

Fraction of exactly recovered test points



Test RMSE



Number of measurements ( $m$ )

- PCA
- I1-AE
- I1-AE + I1-min [Our method]
- Gauss + I1-min
- Gauss + model-based CoSaMP
- 2-layer AE
- 2-layer AE + I1-min
- PCA + I1-min
- LBCS + I1-min
- 4-layer AE

Our method performs the best!

# Summary

- **Key idea:** We learn a compressed sensing measurement matrix by **unrolling** the projected subgradient of  $\ell_1$ -min decoder
- Implemented as an autoencoder  $\ell_1$ -AE
- Compared 12 algorithms over 6 datasets (3 synthetic and 3 real)
- Our method created **perfect** reconstruction with **1.1-3X fewer** measurements compared to previous state-of-the-art methods
- Applied to Extreme multilabel classification, our method outperforms SLEEC (Bhatia et al., 2015)

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