ON DISTRIBUTED HYPOTHESIS TESTING WITH CONSTANT COMMUNICATION BITS

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Distributed Detection



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Proof An application of the blowing up lemma.



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ERROR EXPONENT ANALYSIS

Sequences with marginal types (Q_X, Q_Y)

• Associated probability:

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$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\left(\hat{P}_{X^{n}},\hat{P}_{Y^{n}}\right)=\left(Q_{X},Q_{Y}\right)\middle|\mathsf{H}=i\right\}\doteq\exp\left(-n\cdot D_{i}^{*}(Q_{X},Q_{Y})\right)$$

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Ingredient Table















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