# High-Dimensional Linear Regression and Phase Retrieval without Sparsity: Lattices and Integer Relation Approach

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#### Focus:

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- Algorithm motivated from random subset-sum problem in cryptography; and based on LLL lattice basis reduction algorithm.

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## This Work

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- Algorithmic connection to subset-sum and integer relation detection problems; and to lattices.

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- Let  $Y = |\langle X, \beta^* \rangle| \in \mathbb{R}$  with:
  - $X \in \mathbb{Z}_+^p$  with iid entries over a large support, or  $X \in \mathbb{R}^p$  with iid continuous entries
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Then, there exists an algorithm recovering  $\beta^*$  whp,  $poly(p, R, \cdot)$  time.

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#### Theorem (Gamarnik & K., 2019)

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Then, there exists an algorithm, which takes  $(\theta^*, \mathbf{X})$  as input and recovers  $\xi_{ij}$  whp in  $\operatorname{poly}(p, N)$  time, provided  $N \ge (1/8 + \epsilon)p^4$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$ .

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