

# CAPACITY BOUNDS FOR DIAMOND NETWORKS WITH AN ORTHOGONAL BROADCAST CHANNEL

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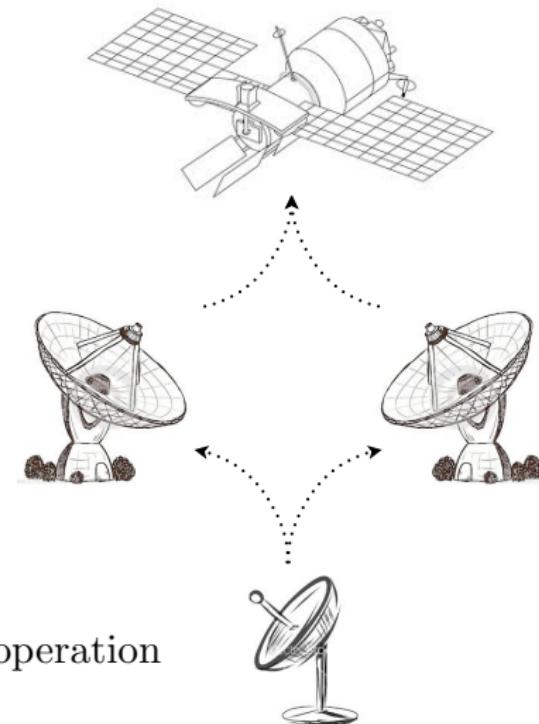
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# MOTIVATION



- ▶ **Challenge:** diversity vs. cooperation

# OUTLINE

THE PROBLEM SETUP

A LOWER BOUND

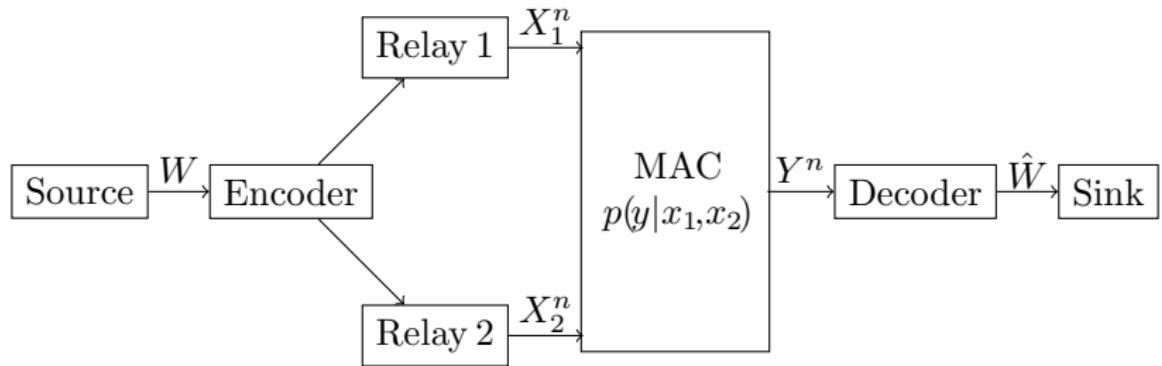
AN UPPER-BOUND

EXAMPLES

The Gaussian MAC

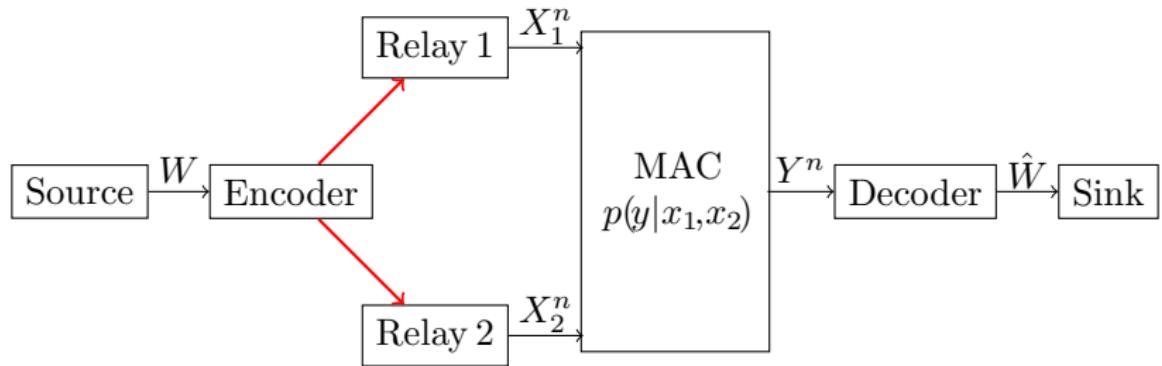
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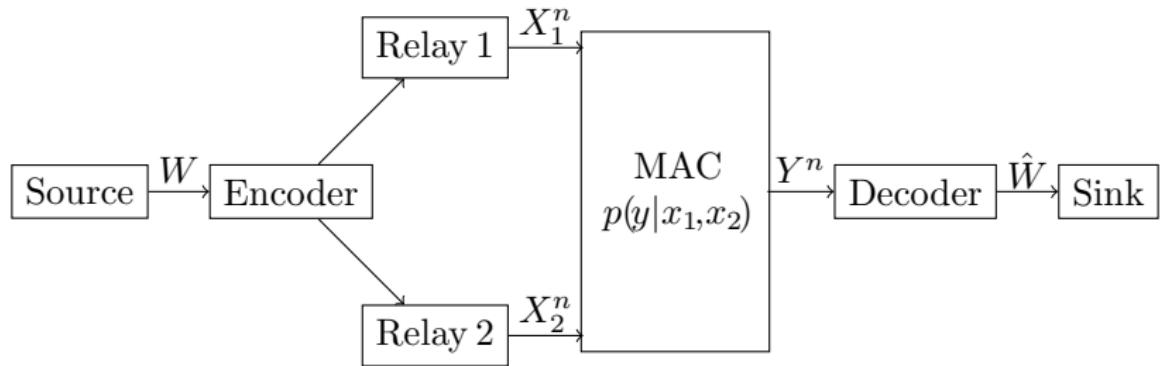
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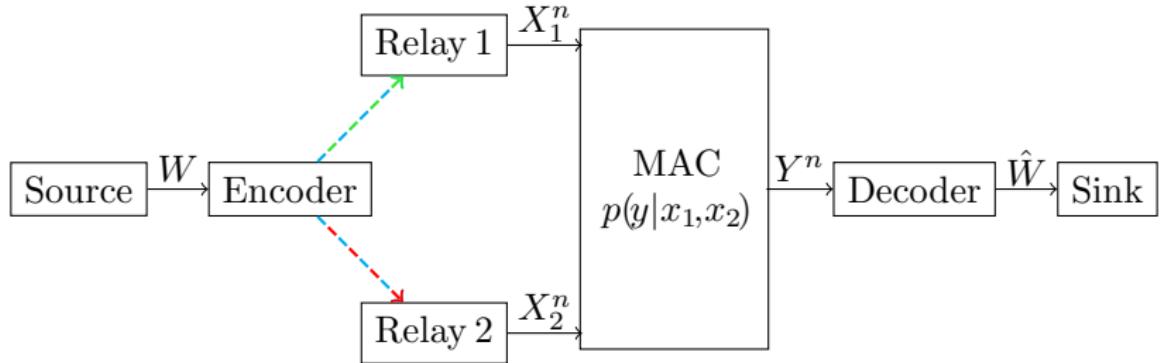
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- ▶ Bit-pipes of capacities  $C_1, C_2$
- ▶ **Goal:** What is the highest rate  $R$  such that  $\Pr(W \neq \hat{W}) \rightarrow 0$ ?

# A LOWER BOUND



- ▶ Rate splitting:  $W = (\textcolor{blue}{W_{12}}, \textcolor{green}{W_1}, \textcolor{red}{W_2})$
- ▶ Superposition Coding:  
 $W_{12}$  encoded in  $\textcolor{blue}{V^n}$ .  
 $\textcolor{green}{X_1^n}$ ,  $\textcolor{red}{X_2^n}$  superposed on  $\textcolor{blue}{V^n}$ .
- ▶ Marton's Coding

## A LOWER BOUND (CONT.)

### THEOREM (LOWER BOUND)

The rate  $R$  is achievable if it satisfies the following condition for some pmf  $p(v, x_1, x_2, y) = p(v, x_1, x_2)p(y|x_1, x_2)$ :

$$R \leq \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} C_1 + C_2 - I(X_1; X_2|V) \\ C_2 + I(X_1; Y|X_2V) \\ C_1 + I(X_2; Y|X_1V) \\ \frac{1}{2}(C_1 + C_2 + I(X_1X_2; Y|V) - I(X_1; X_2|V)) \\ I(X_1X_2; Y) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$V \in \mathcal{V}, |\mathcal{V}| \leq \min\{|\mathcal{X}_1||\mathcal{X}_2| + 2, |\mathcal{Y}| + 4\}$$

# THE CUT-SET BOUND

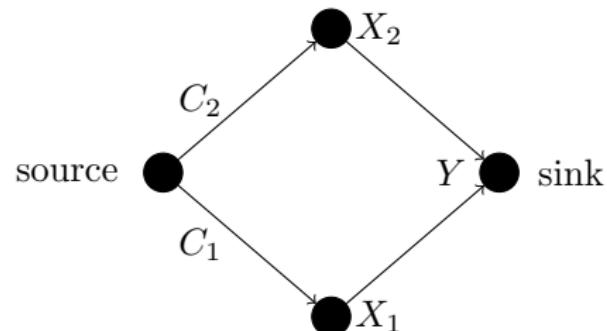
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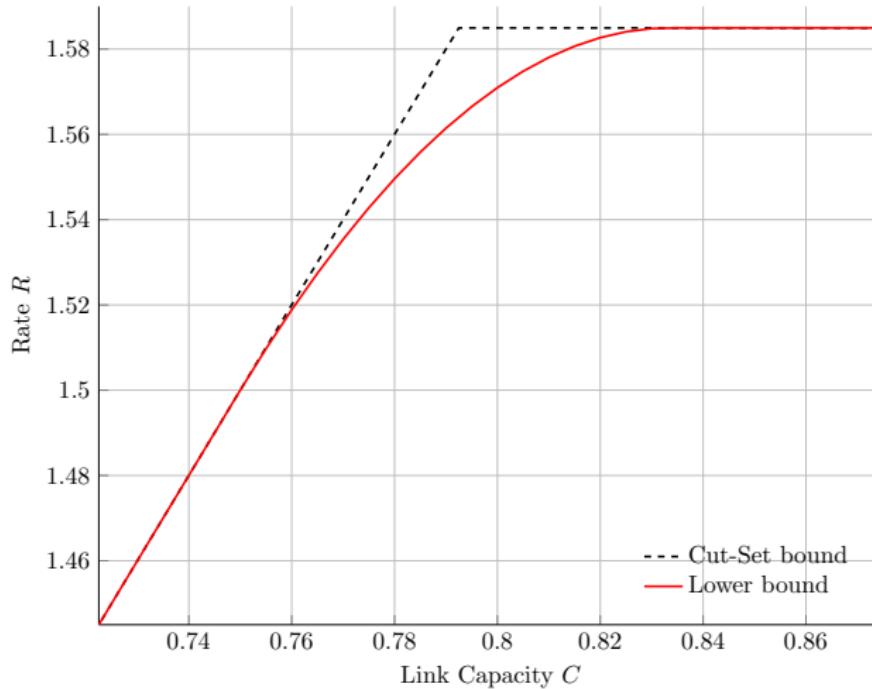
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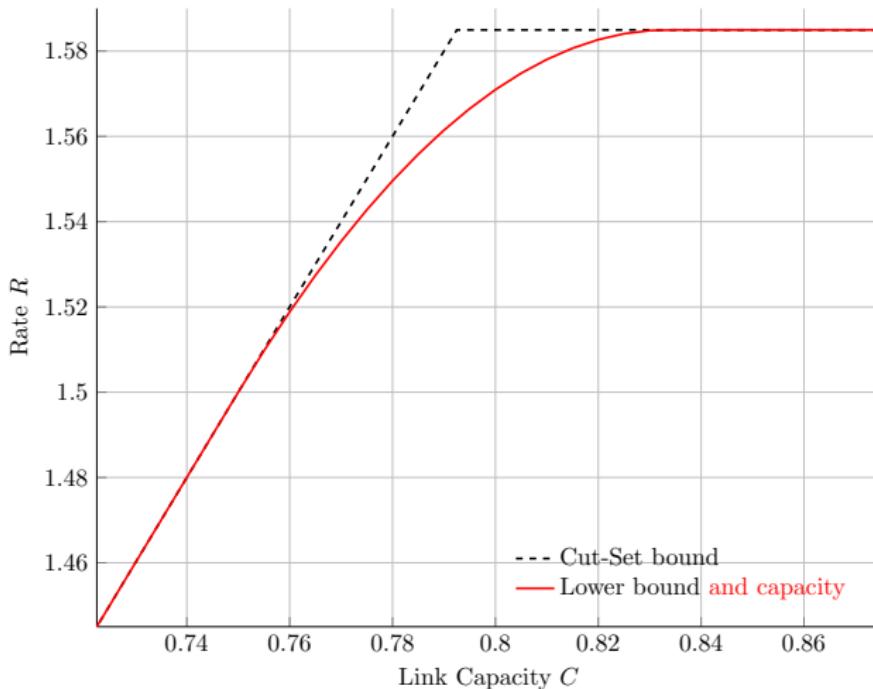
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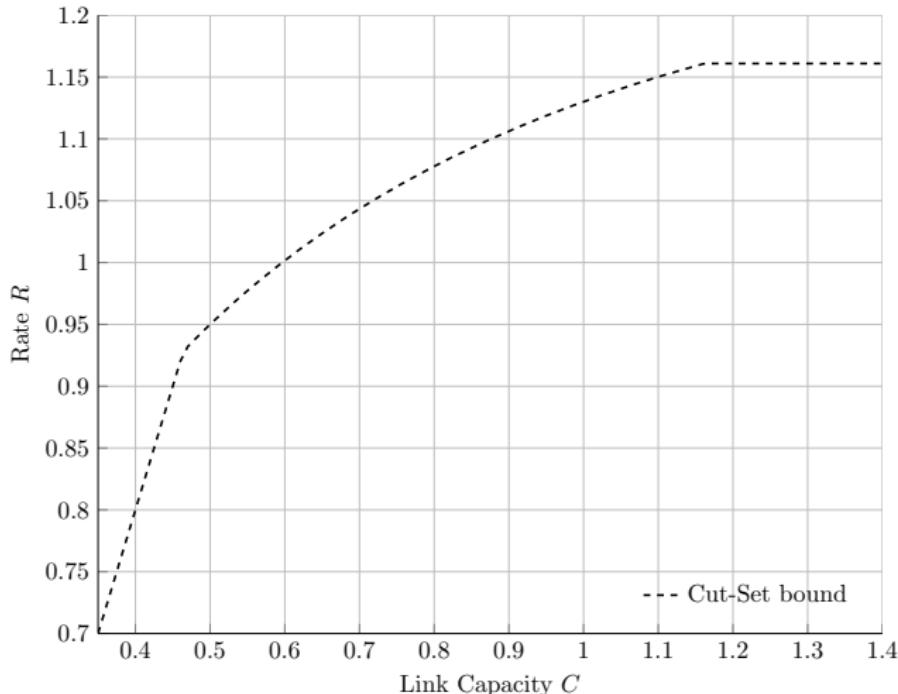
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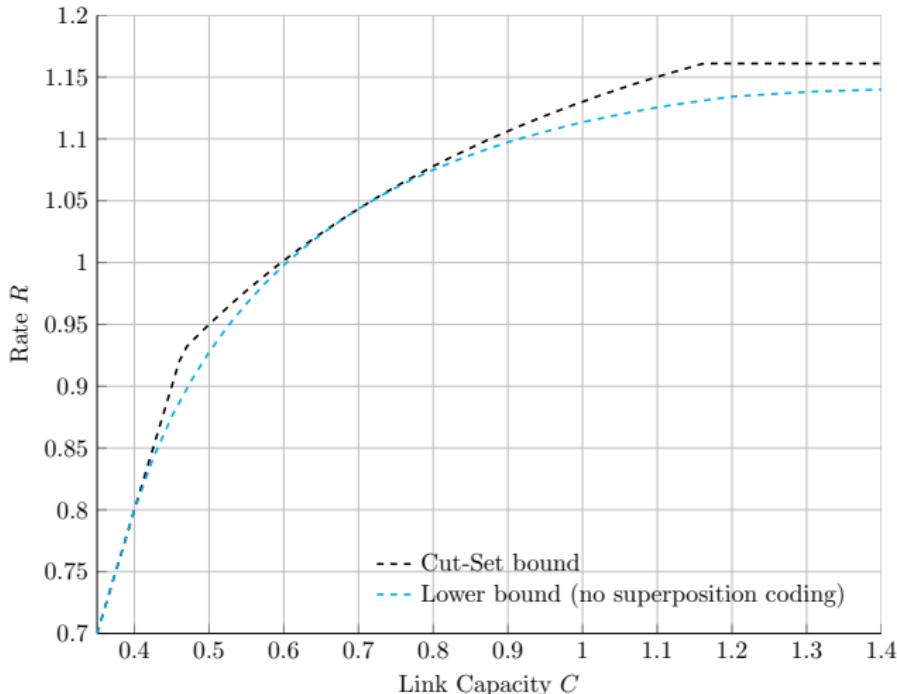
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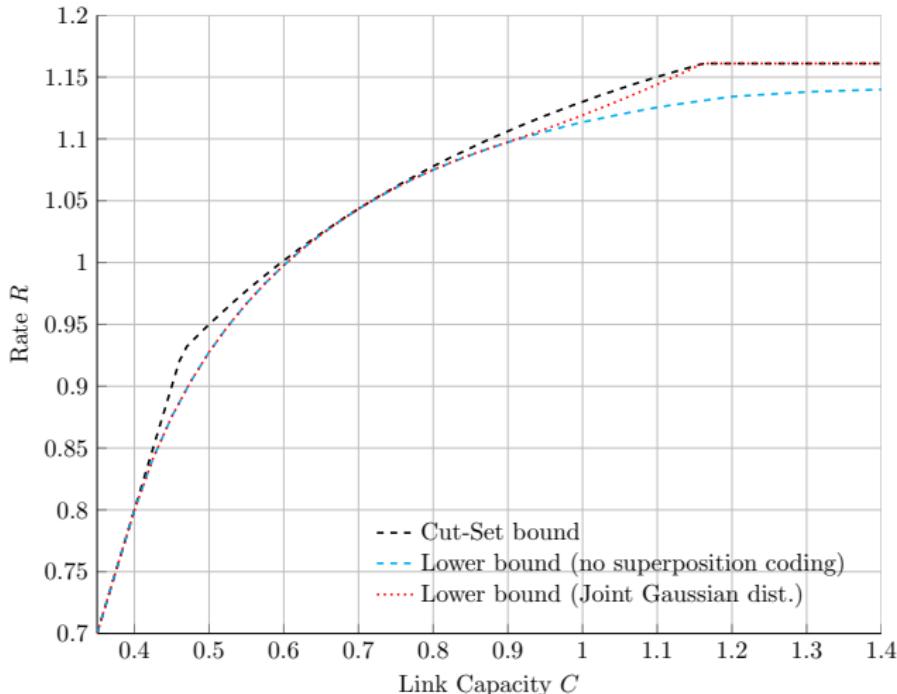
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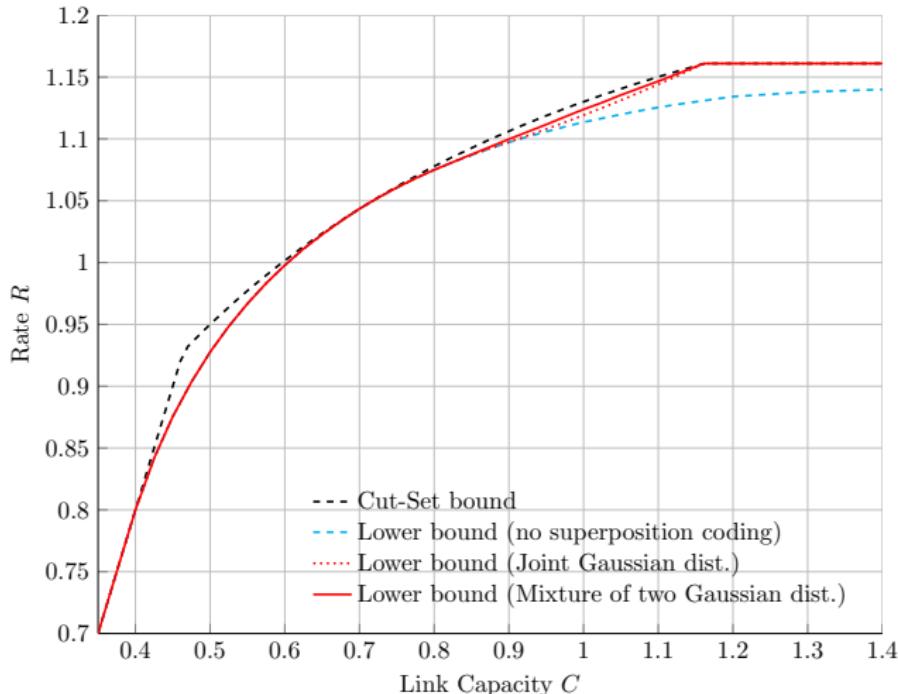
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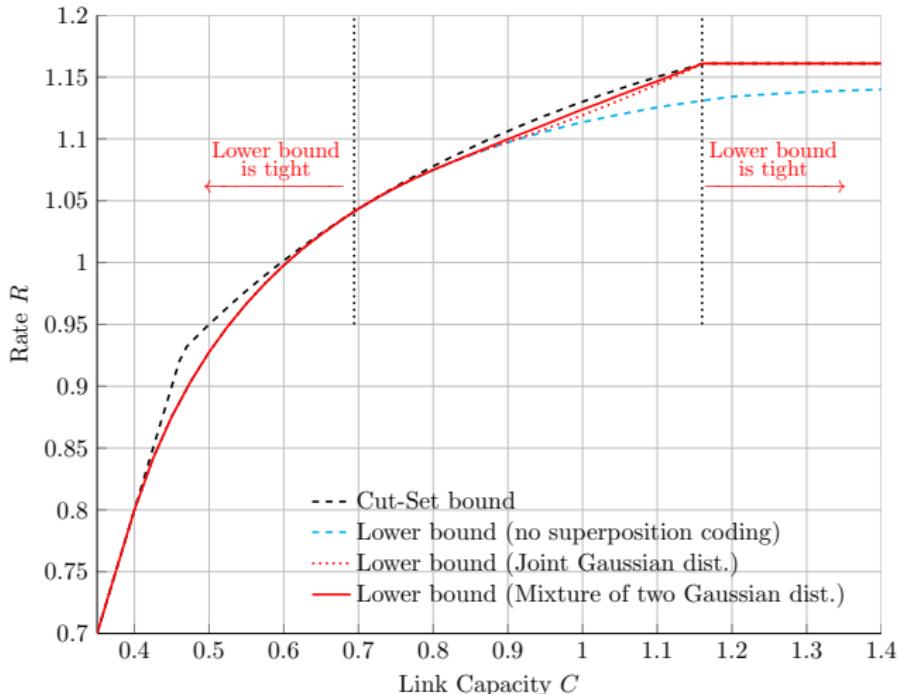
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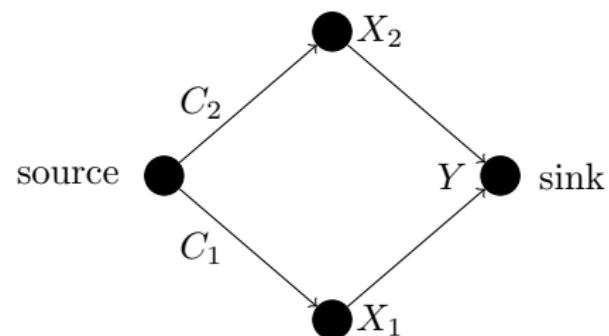
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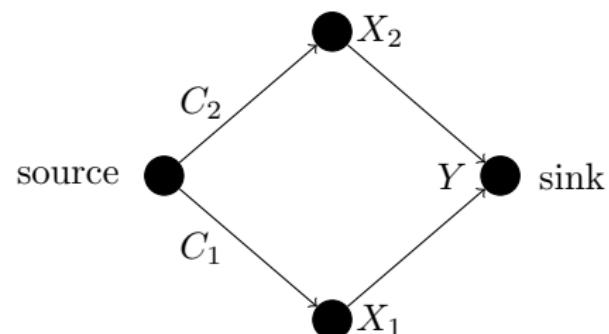
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**Max-Min-Max  
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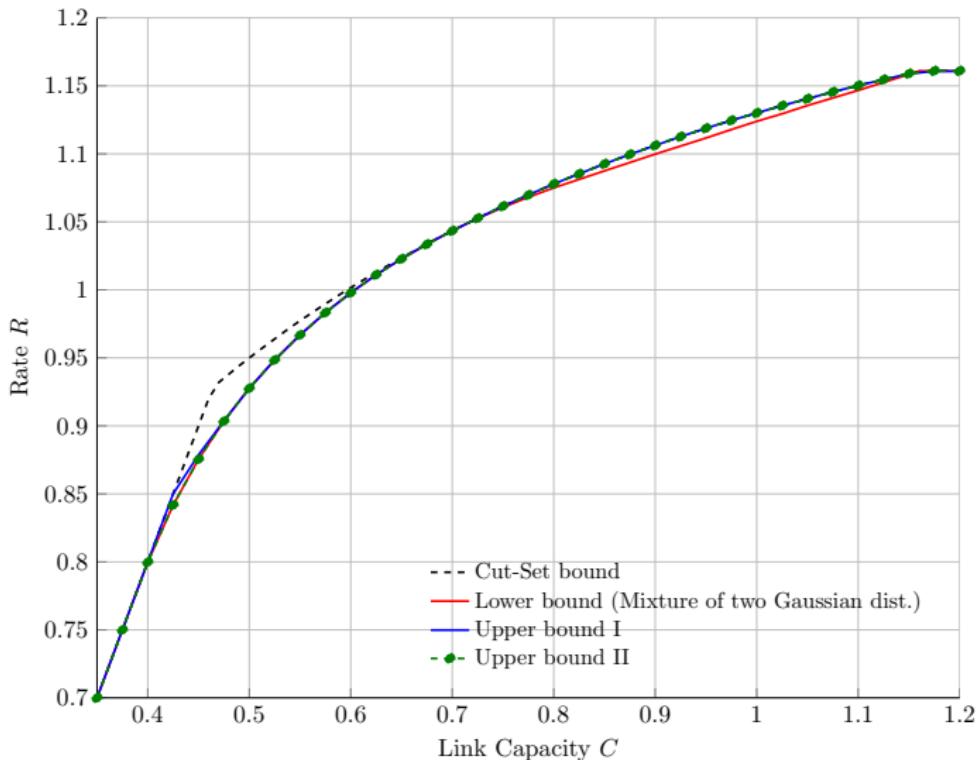
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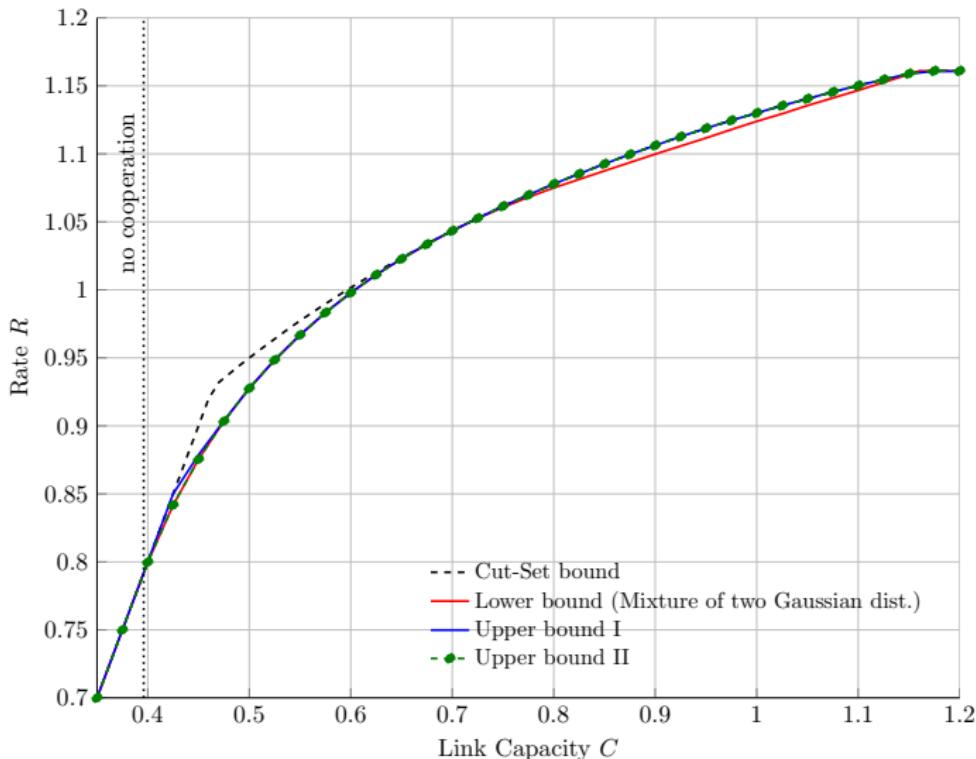
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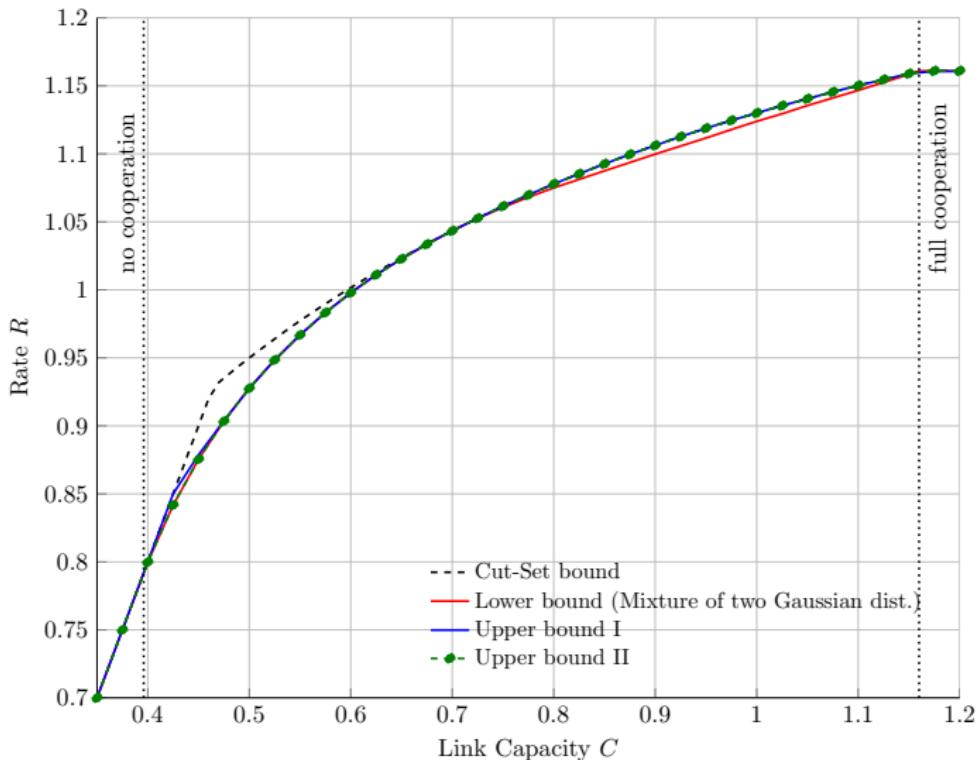
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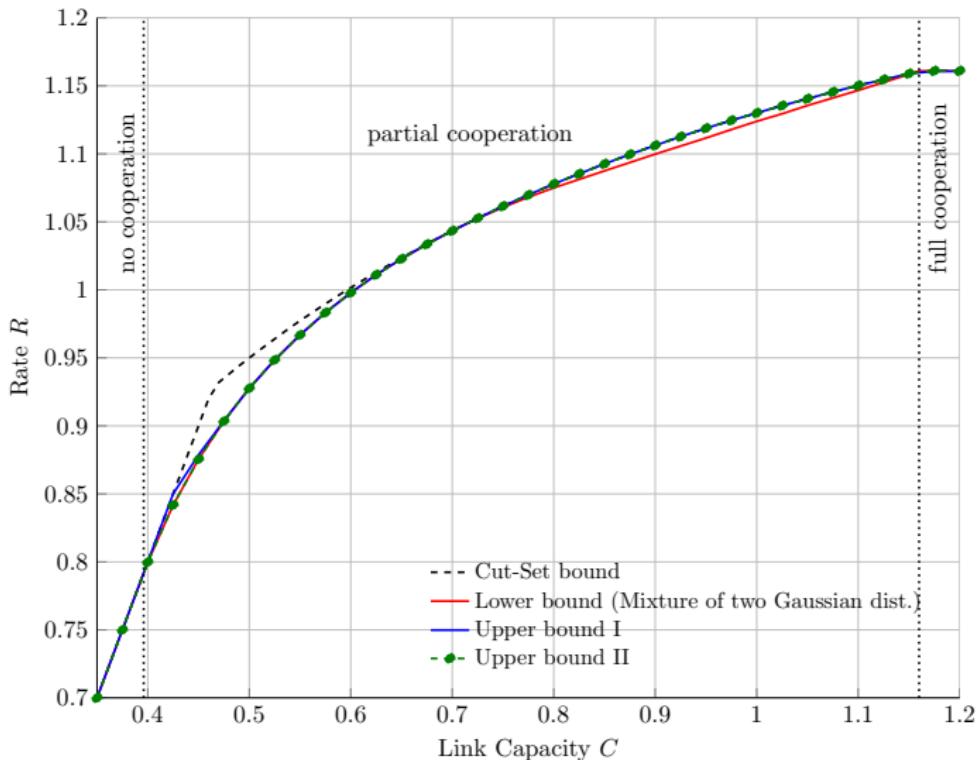
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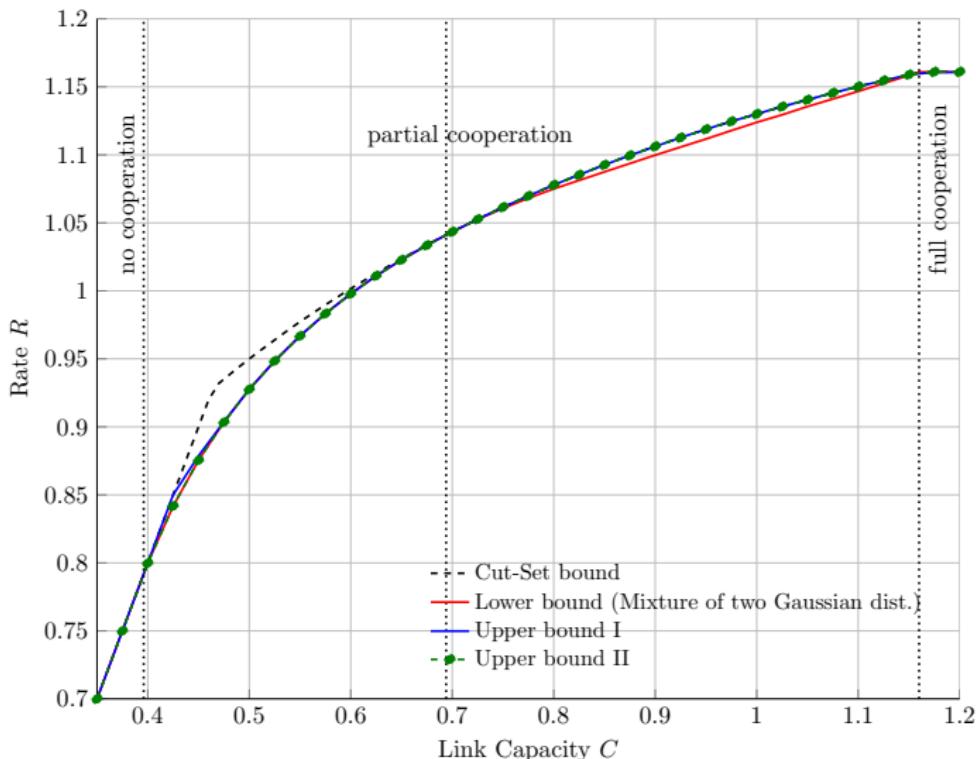
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# ON THE CAPACITY OF THE GAUSSIAN MAC

## THEOREM

*For a symmetric Gaussian diamond network, the upper bound meets the lower bound for all  $C$  such that  $C \geq \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + 4P)$ , or*

$$C \leq \frac{1}{4} \log \frac{1 + 2P(1 + \rho^{(2)})}{1 - (\rho^{(2)})^2}$$

*where*

$$\rho^{(2)} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{4P^2}} - \frac{1}{2P}$$

# THE OPTIMAL CHOICE OF $N$

- ▶  $U = Y + Z_{\textcolor{red}{N}}$  (motivated by [Ozarow'80, KangLiu'11])
- ▶  $(X_1, X_2)$  an optimal jointly Gaussian input for the lower bound

$$\begin{bmatrix} P & \lambda^*P \\ \lambda^*P & P \end{bmatrix}.$$

- ▶  $\textcolor{red}{N} = \left( P \left( \frac{1}{\lambda^*} - \lambda^* \right) - 1 \right)^+$
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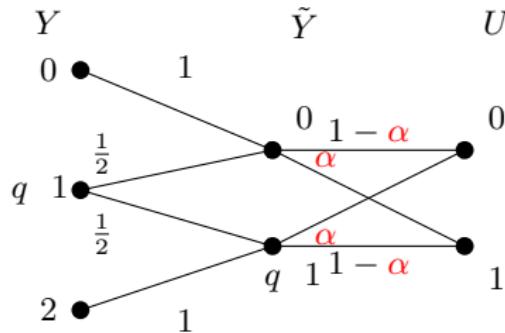
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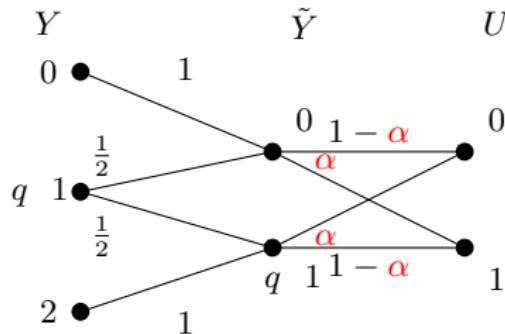
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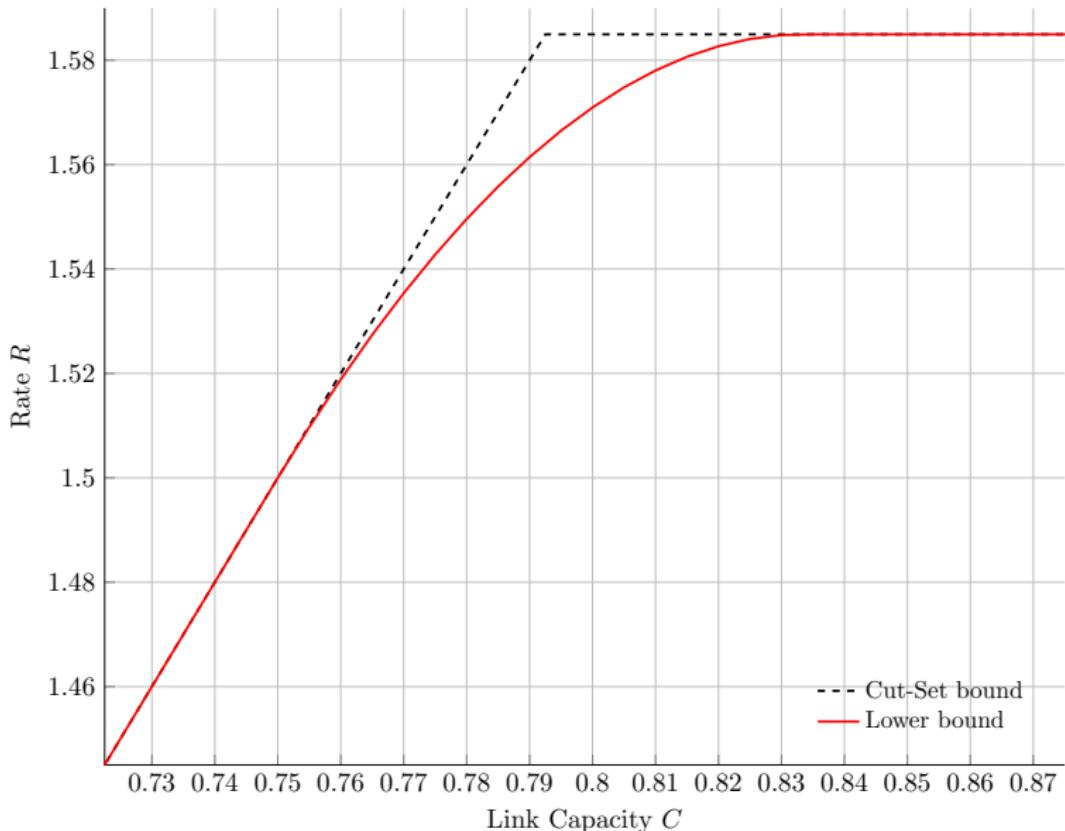
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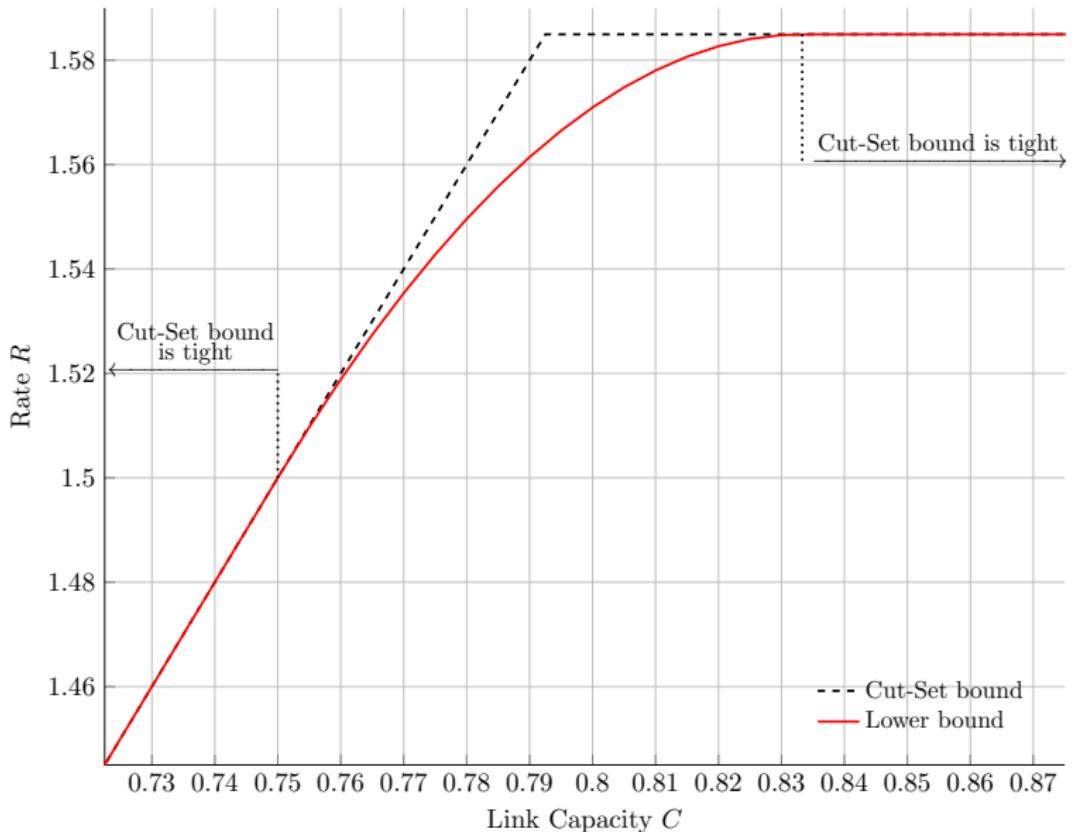
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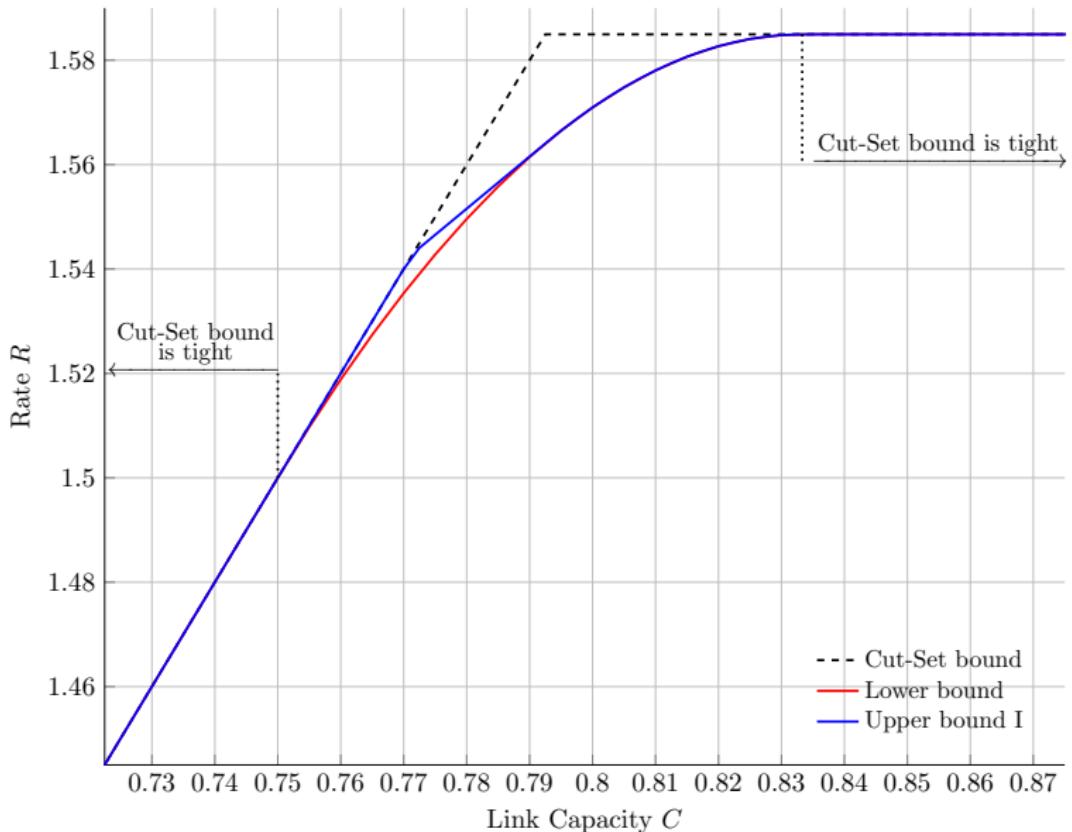
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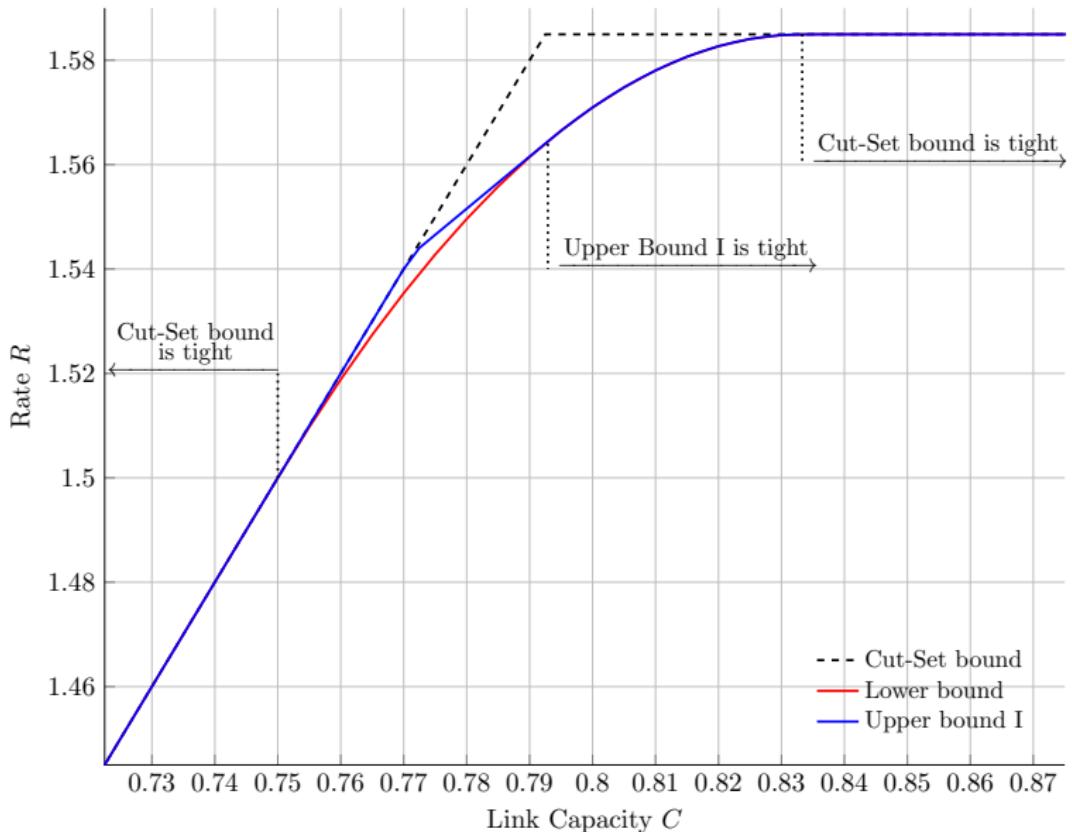
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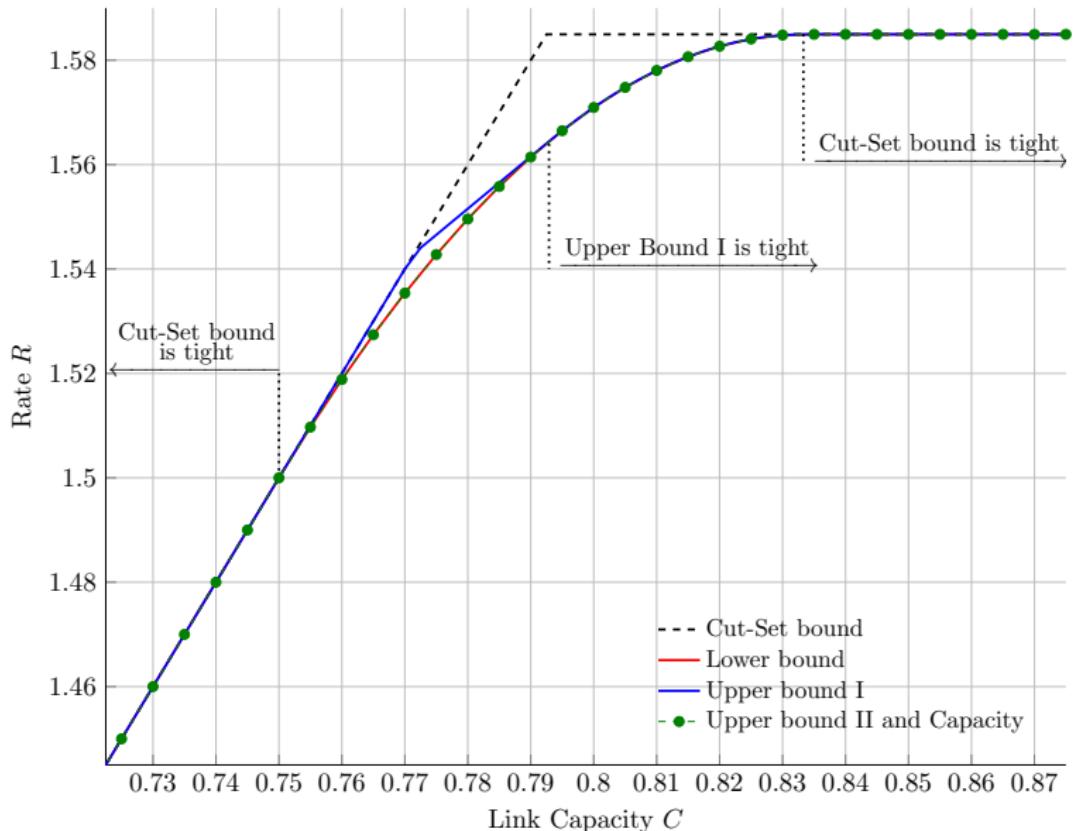
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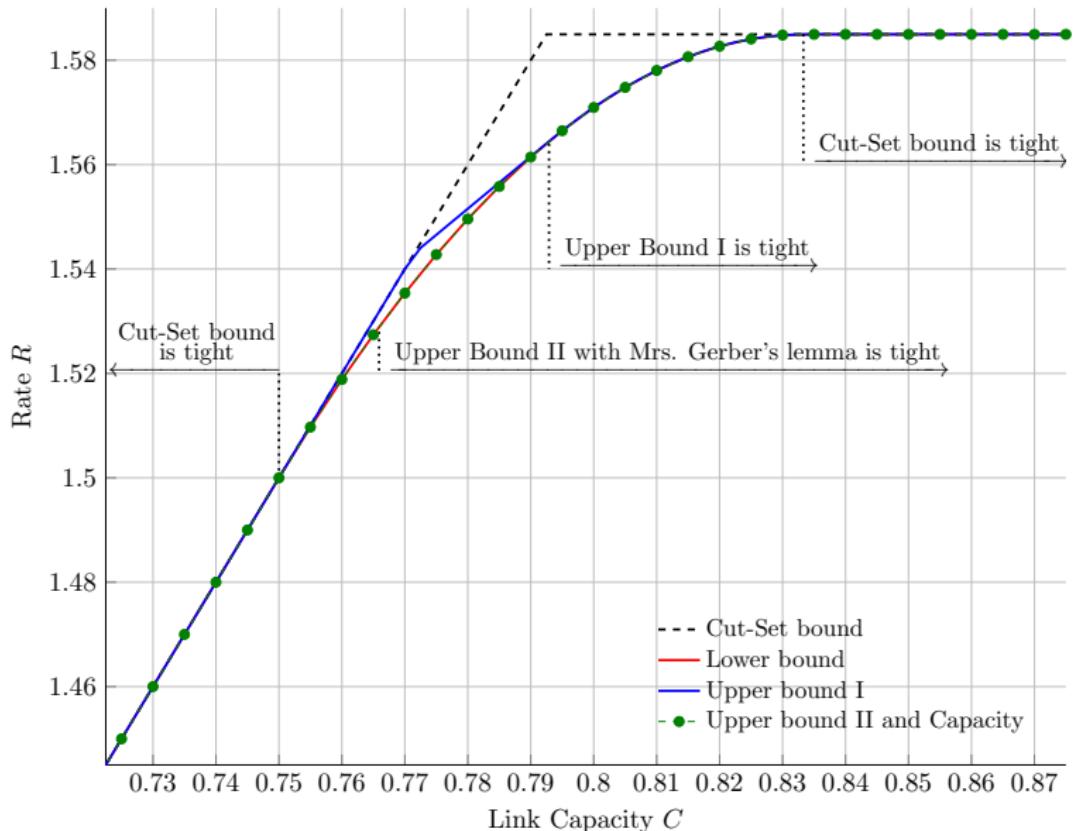
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# THE BINARY ADDER MAC: UPPER BOUND

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$$\begin{aligned} R &\leq 2C - h_2 \left( \alpha \star \left( \frac{q}{2} + (1-q)h_2^{-1} \left( \min \left( 1, \frac{(R-h_2(q))^+}{1-q} \right) \right) \right) \right) \\ &\quad - (1-q)h_2(\alpha) - q + 2h_2 \left( \alpha \star \frac{q}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

# CAPACITY OF THE BINARY ADDER MAC

## THEOREM

The capacity of diamond networks with binary adder MACs is

$$\max_{0 \leq p \leq \frac{1}{2}} \min \begin{cases} C_1 + C_2 - 1 + h_2(p) \\ C_1 + h_2(p) \\ C_2 + h_2(p) \\ h_2(p) + 1 - p. \end{cases}$$

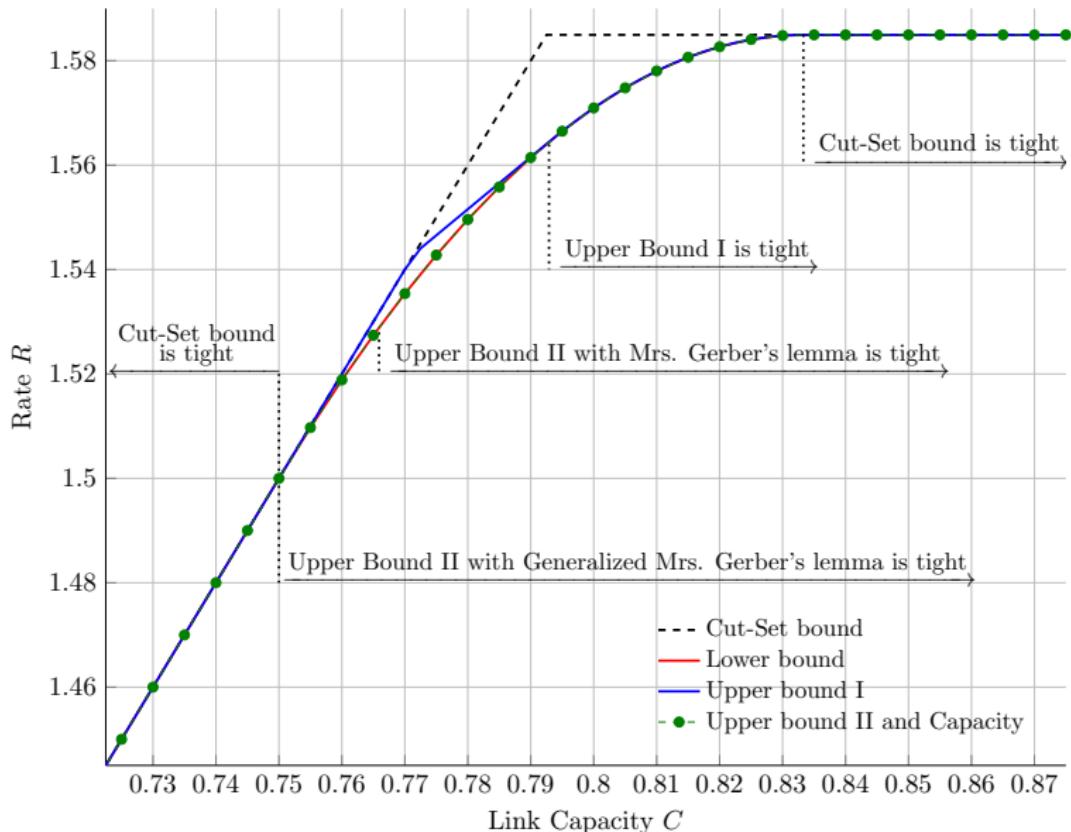
## THE OPTIMAL CHOICE OF $\alpha$

- ▶ Let  $(X_1, X_2)$  be an optimizing doubly symmetric binary pmf with parameter  $p^*$  for the lower bound
- ▶  $\alpha$  is such that

$$\alpha(1 - \alpha) = \left( \frac{p^*}{2(1 - p^*)} \right)^2$$

and it makes the following Markov chain  $X_1 - U - X_2$ .

# CAPACITY OF THE BINARY ADDER MAC



## SUMMARY AND WORK IN PROGRESS

- ▶ Lower and Upper bounds on the capacity of a class of diamond networks
- ▶ A new upper bound which is in the form of a max-min problem
- ▶ Gaussian MACs:
  - ▶ improved previous lower and upper bounds
  - ▶ characterized the capacity for interesting ranges of bit-pipe capacities.
- ▶ Binary adder MAC: fully characterized the capacity
- ▶ Work in progress: the general class of 2-relay diamond networks, n-relay diamond networks with orthogonal BC components