

TODAY : GRAPH-THEORETIC CODES - II
(GRAPHICALLY "GENERATED" CODES)

[Note Spielman's Lin-Time Encodable codes already fit this notion... but we'll do different things today]

Three main references:

- ① ALON-BRUCK-NAOR-NAOR-ROTHI '90ish
- ② ALON-LUBY - 95ish
- ③ GURUSWAMI - INDYK - 2002ish

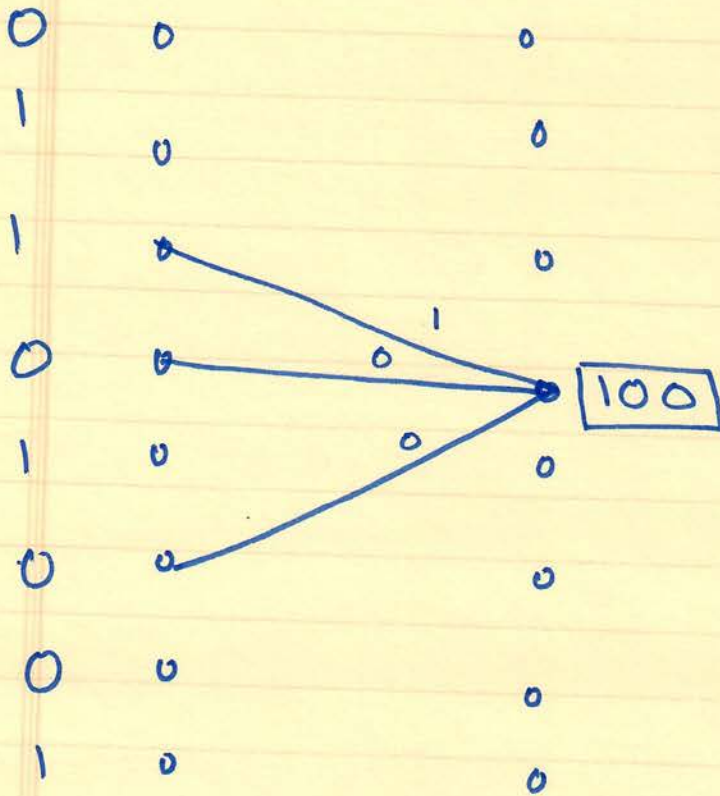
① + ② : EXPLICIT CODES ; GOOD DIST. ^{vs.} RATE.

③ : Efficient algorithms also

ABNNR Construction

Goal: Code over large alphabet of positive high rate & high distance.

Construction : ① Start with Bip. regular expander. (d, d) on n -vertices each.
(Part II)



- ② Message = Assignment to left vertices
- ③ Encoding = Move bits to right vertex & concatenate all bits, ~~on~~ on edges to get symbol on right.

message $\in \Sigma^n$ encoding $\in \left(\underbrace{\Sigma^d}_{\text{new-alphabet}}\right)^n$

- Rate : ~~at~~ ~~is~~ $= \frac{1}{d}$.

- Distance = ? ... Actually terrible; at best d .

Construction Part I : (0) use some ^{decent} code C_0 to map message in Σ^k to word in Σ^n .

Proposition:

if $\delta(C_0) = \delta$ & ^{Graph} ~~code~~ is (α, δ) -expander

then $\delta(C_{\text{final}}) \geq \alpha \cdot d \cdot \delta$ • ~~etc~~

Proof: Obvious!

- So how large can $\alpha \cdot d \cdot \delta$ be?

- Answer $\sim 1 - \frac{1}{d}$

Better to look at expansion from right;
 sets of size $\frac{1}{d}$ expand to $(1-\delta)$ fraction on ~~right~~ left.
 (if $\alpha \geq 1$).

Conclusion: ABNNR achieve distance $1 - \frac{1}{d}$
with rate $\Omega(\frac{1}{d})$

"Near Singleton over large, ^{but constant} alphabet

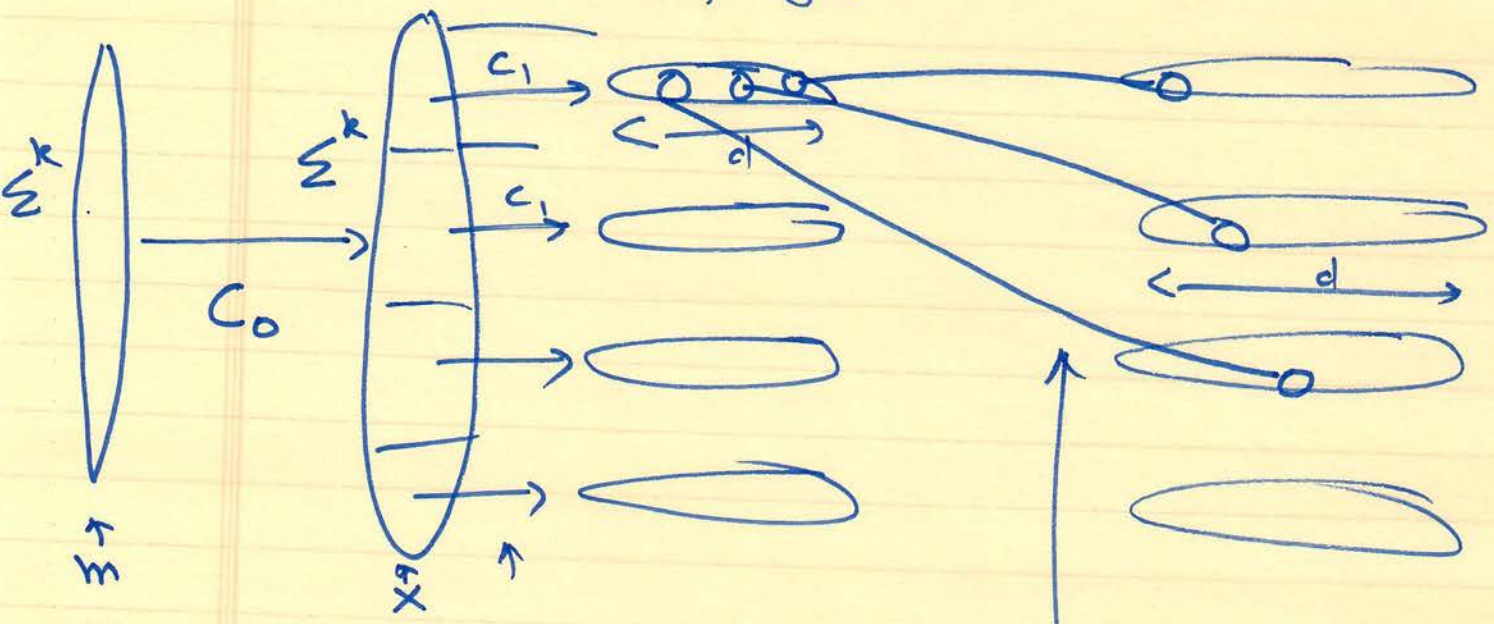


Can we get rate $> \frac{1}{2}$? Alon-Luby !!



3 ingredients: C_0 - big code; C_1 - small code of Rate R_1 , dist. δ .

B. bip. graph.



many applications of C_1
on disjoint blocks
of X

move symbols of Σ
along edges.

Parameters

message space \sum^k
 C_0 : ~~rate~~ $\sum^k \rightarrow \sum^n$ of rate $1-\epsilon$ & distance $\Omega(\epsilon)$
 C_1 : $\sum^e \rightarrow \sum^d \rightarrow$ code of rate $R = \frac{e}{d}$ & dist δ .

B: (α, δ_1) - expander (d, d) -regular.
 won't suffice. on $n/2$ vertices

Output code C_{final} : $\sum^k \rightarrow (\sum^d)^{n/2}$

Rate = $\frac{k \cdot e}{d \cdot n} = \frac{e}{d} \cdot \frac{k}{n} = (1-\epsilon) R$.

Distance $\stackrel{?}{=} \delta_1 = \Omega(\epsilon) =$ distance of C_0

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Expansion insufficient.

Lets assume B random & see what we need.

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- let $S \subseteq \text{Left}$ be vertices that are non-zero
- let $T \subseteq \text{Right}$ be non-zero vertices on right.

① If B is random then for typical $i \in \text{Left}$

$$|\Pi(i) \cap T| \approx \frac{|T|}{|\text{Right}|} \cdot d$$

② For $i \in S$, at least $\delta \cdot d$ coordinates non-zero

$$\Rightarrow |\Pi(i) \cap T| \geq \delta d$$

so if $\frac{|T|}{|\text{Right}|} < \delta \Rightarrow S$ is atypical

$\Rightarrow |S|$ is small.

(δ, ε)-Sampler

Def 1: $\Gamma_\delta(T) \triangleq \{i \in \text{left} \mid |\Gamma(i) \cap T| \geq \delta \cdot d\}$

Def 2: B is (δ, ε)-sampler

if $\forall T \subseteq \text{Right}, |T| \leq (\delta - \epsilon) |\text{Right}|$

$|\Gamma_\delta(T)| < \epsilon \cdot |\text{left}|.$



Theorem: if ① C_0 is codes of Rate $1 - O(\epsilon)$

& Dist. $\epsilon,$

② C_1 is of Rate R & dist. δ
- length $d.$

③ B is (δ, ε)-sampler; d -regular

then C_f is code of Rate $(1 - O(\epsilon)) \cdot R$
& Distance $\delta - \epsilon.$

long!

Over alphabet Σ^d
constant alphabet

Near Singleton!

Algorithms

Flavor:

Assume C_0 is XYZ-Decodable & B is ()-sampler.

Then C_f is $x'y'z'$ -Decodable.

Example: C_0 is linear-time decodable with $\Omega(\epsilon)$ errors.

ϵ B is $(\frac{\delta}{2}, \epsilon')$ -sampler

$\Rightarrow C_f$ is $(\frac{\delta}{2} - \epsilon')$ -error decodable in lin. time.

Proof: Obvious

Example: C_0 is list-recoverable from $R + \epsilon n$ -agreement

ϵ B is (δ, ϵ') -sampler

$\Rightarrow C_f$ is $(\delta - \epsilon')$ -list decodable in poly time

[Guruswami
- Rudra].

Example: C_0 is δ lin. time list-decodable from $\Omega(\epsilon)$ error

& B is (δ, ϵ') -sampler & C_1 is $(1-\epsilon')$ -list decoder

$\Rightarrow C_S$ is ~~(δ, ϵ')~~ -list-decodable in lin. time. $(1-\epsilon'')$ -