

o) LRCs

TODAY: 1) High-Rate LRCs

- 1.1) Multiplicity Codes
  - 1.2) Alternates: Lifted Codes  
Expander Codes
  - 1.3) ~~Alon-Luby~~ Alon-Luby Transform + Mult.
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Part o) LRCs : See notes for Lecture 18

§ 1.1 Multiplicity Codes:

Recall Reed-Muller Codes:

m-variate over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ; deg.  $d \rightarrow q$  ( $d < q$ )

# coefficients ( $m = O(1)$ ;  $q \rightarrow \infty$ ):  $\approx \frac{q^m}{m!} = \frac{n}{m!}$

locality:  $q = n^{1/m}$

locality  $n^\epsilon \Rightarrow \text{Rate} = \frac{1}{(\frac{1}{\epsilon})!} \approx (\epsilon)^{1/\epsilon}$ .

Q: Can we get  $R = \Omega(1)$  with locality  $n^\epsilon$  ( $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ )?

# Multiplicity Codes

Key Idea: Derivatives of polynomial give <sup>extra</sup> information about polynomial;

Information is "local".

Example:

for  $f \in \mathbb{F}_q[x, y]$

$f_x =$  derivative wrt.  $x$

$f_y =$  " "  $y$ .

Let  $d = (2-\epsilon) \cdot q$  ;

- Encoding  $(f) = \langle f(\alpha, \beta), f_x(\alpha, \beta), f_y(\alpha, \beta) \rangle_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{F}_q}$

- Maps  $(\epsilon \rightarrow 0)$  :  $\mathbb{F}_q^{2q^2} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^{3 \cdot q^2}$

(Rate approaching 2/3)

Decoding:

- Note that  $f|_{\substack{x = a_1 z + b_1 \\ y = a_2 z + b_2}} =$  poly of deg  $\leq d = (2-\epsilon) \cdot q$

- $f(\alpha, \beta)|_{\beta = a \cdot \alpha + b}$  gives  $q$  pieces of inf. about  $f|_L$

- Can we compute  $(f|_L)_{(\alpha, \beta)}$  derivative of  $(f|_L)$  wrt  $z$ .



Calculus:  $(f|_L)_z = \sum_{i=1}^q a_i \cdot f_x + a_2 \cdot f_y$

Conclusion: can obtain:  $\langle f|_L^{(L\epsilon)}, (f|_L)_z^{(L\epsilon)} \rangle_{(L\epsilon) | L \in \mathbb{F}_q}$

$\Rightarrow$   $2q$  "info" about  $f|_L$

more than degree  $d = (2-\epsilon)q$ .

$\Rightarrow$  can recover coefficients of  $f|_L$ .

$\Rightarrow$  can compute  $f(\alpha, \beta) \forall (\alpha, \beta) \in L$ .

locality =  $O(q)$ ; But not yet a locally correctable code.

① Need also to compute  $f_x(\alpha, \beta)$ ;  $f_y(\alpha, \beta)$

② ~~How~~ Need to correct  $\sim \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  fraction errors.

②: Hermite decoding Problem:

given  $g, h: \mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$  s.t.  $\exists f \in \mathbb{F}_q[x]$   $\deg f \leq d = (2-\epsilon)q$

$\leq \sum_a | \{ (\alpha, f(\alpha)) \neq (g(\alpha), h(\alpha)) \} | \leq \epsilon \cdot q$

find  $f$  ;

Exercise: Abstract Decoding

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Solving ①: Decode two independent lines passing through

$(\alpha, \beta)$ ; Yields  $(f_{x_1})_2(\alpha, \beta)$ ;  $(f_{x_2})_2(\alpha, \beta)$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 f|_x + a_2 f|_y$$

$$b_1 f|_x + b_2 f|_y$$

Solve linear system to get  $f_x(\alpha, \beta)$   
 $f_y(\alpha, \beta)$ .

Conclusion: Can get locality  $\sqrt{n}$  with Rate  $> \frac{1}{2}$

More derivatives  $\Rightarrow$  ~~Rate~~ Rate  $\rightarrow 1$ .

Clarification:

Hasse derivative: Right definition of derivative over finite fields.

for  $m$ -var. polynomials: let  $X^d$  denote  $x_1^{d_1} \dots x_m^{d_m}$

for  $e = e_1 \dots e_m$ ,  $\partial_e f(x) =$  coefficient of  $Z^e$  in  $f(x+Z) = \sum_{e'} Z^{e'} f_{e'}(x)$



### Hasse derivative Properties:

even over finite fields

① linear, Polynomial ...

②  $\forall e$  s.t  $\sum e_i \leq L$   $f_e(a) = 0 \Rightarrow a$  is a zero of multiplicity  $(L+1)$  of  $f$ .

③  $\partial_{e_1} \partial_{e_2} f \neq \partial_{e_1+e_2} f$

however  $\partial_{e_1+e_2} f(a) = 0 \Rightarrow \partial_{e_1} (\partial_{e_2} f)(a) = 0$ .

④ Otherwise behaves like usual derivatives.



### Defn: Multiplicity Codes

Mult  $(m, d, q, s)$

usual                      new: multiplicity

• Encode polynomials  $f$  by evaluating  $\left\{ \langle f_e(a) \mid \text{wt}(e) \leq s \rangle \right\}_a$

Parameters

•  $d = (1-s)s \cdot q \Rightarrow \text{distance} = s$

Alphabet =  $\mathbb{F}_q^{\binom{m+s}{s}}$  ;

Dimension =  $\binom{m+d}{m}$  ;  $n = q^m$

Locality =  $\text{poly}(s) \cdot q = O(q) = \Theta(n^{1/m})$

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$$\text{Rate} = \frac{\binom{m+d}{m}}{\binom{m+s}{m} \cdot q^m} \approx \frac{d^m \cdot m!}{m! \cdot s^m \cdot q^m} \approx \left(\frac{d}{sq}\right)^m$$

$\uparrow$   
 $s \gg m$   
 $s \approx m^2$

locality ~~is~~ :  $n^\epsilon$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  [By letting  $m = \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ ]

Rate =  $1 - \epsilon T$  by letting  $s = \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} d &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right) \cdot sq \approx \left(1 - \epsilon\right) sq \\ &= (1 - \epsilon T) sq \end{aligned}$$

so relative dist  $\approx \epsilon T$ .

Conclusion: Can get arbitrarily ~~good~~ <sup>small</sup>  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $T > 0$   
 & have locality  $n^\epsilon$  & Rate  $1 - T$ .  
 [Pay price in distance].

Can we get  $\epsilon = o(1)$ ? ... Wait.



### Other Codes

Reed-Solomon

Lifted Codes: ~~Given~~  $L(m, d, q)$  [Guo, Kopparty, s.]

-  $L(m, d, q) = \{ f: \mathbb{F}_q^m \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^L \mid \forall \text{ lines } \ell \text{ deg}(f|_\ell) \leq d \}$

- if  $d < q(1 - \frac{1}{p})$  &  $q = p^t$  for prime  $p$ ;

then  $L(m, d, q) = RM(m, d, q)$

else NOT;

Furthermore ask we fix  $m, p$  & let  $t \rightarrow \infty$   
&  $d \rightarrow q$

Rate  $\rightarrow 1$ .

- local decoding? Same as RM codes

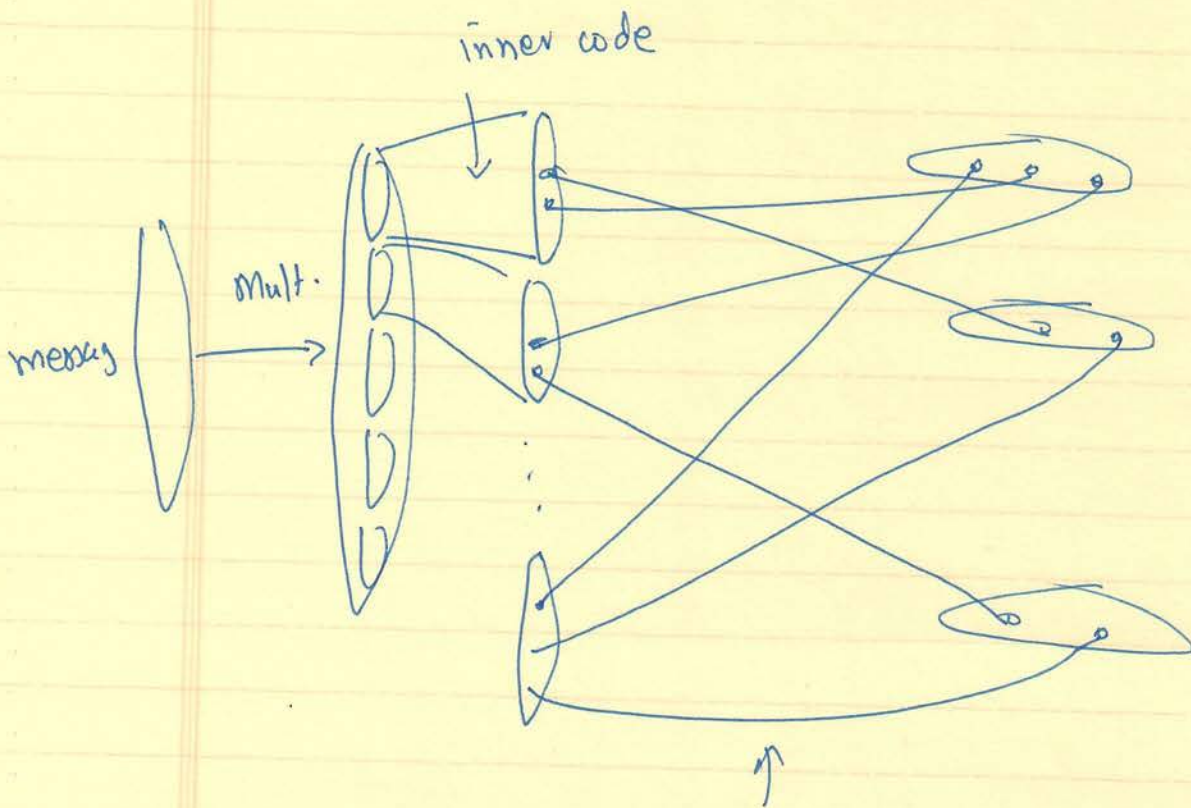
Expander (Tanner Codes) : [Hemenway, Ostromsky, Woollers]

Expander codes where inner codes are (weak) LCCs.

$n^{o(1)}$  locality with  $R = 1 - \delta - \epsilon$  ...

Key Idea: - Use Multiplicity codes of  $n^{o(1)}$  locality with distance  $= o(1)$ . [Rate  $= 1 - o(1)$ ]

- Use Alon-Luby Transform to improve distance!



Alon-Luby Transform.

Both steps local.

Achieves:  $R = 1 - \delta - \epsilon$

Corrects:  $\frac{\delta}{2}$  fraction errors locally !!