

ON MULTIVARIATE INTERPOLATION
DECODING OF FOLDED REED-SOLOMON
CODES

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Folded Reed-Solomon Codes

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- $(n, k, n-k+1)$ Reed-Solomon code over field F is
 - ▣ a cyclic code with generator polynomial $(x-\gamma)(x-\gamma^2)\dots(x-\gamma^{n-k})$
 - ▣ a set of vectors $(f(\gamma^0), f(\gamma^1), \dots, f(\gamma^{n-1}))$, $\gamma \in F$, $f(x) \in F[x]$ $\deg f(x) < k$
- m -folded Reed-Solomon code
 - ▣ Consider a block of m adjacent symbols as a single one
 $([f(\gamma^0), f(\gamma^1), \dots, f(\gamma^{m-1})], \dots, [f(\gamma^{im}), f(\gamma^{im+1}), \dots, f(\gamma^{im+m-1})], \dots)$
 - ▣ A non-linear code of length $N=n/m$ over F^m
 - ▣ Application areas
 - Systems with burst noise
 - Concatenated codes
 - ▣ Decoding is easier: just find erroneous blocks, no need to look for a particular symbol within them

List Decoding of Folded RS Codes: the Guruswami-Rudra Algorithm

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□ Problem statement

- Given: $([y_{00}, \dots, y_{0,m-1}], \dots, [y_{N-1,0}, \dots, y_{N-1,m-1}])$ - vector to be decoded
- Goal: find all $f(x)$:
 - $\deg f(x) < k$
 - $f(\gamma^{im+j}) = y_{ij}, j=0..m-1$, at least for τ distinct i

□ Guruswami-Rudra algorithm

- A multivariate generalization of the Guruswami-Sudan algorithm
- Construct a polynomial $W(X, Y_1, \dots, Y_s)$: $W(\gamma^{im+j}, y_{i,j}, y_{i,j+1}, \dots, y_{i,j+s-1}) = 0^r, j=0..m-s, i=0..N-1$
 - $n_0 = N(m-s+1)$ interpolation points
 - If $f(x): f(\gamma^{im+j+l}) = y_{i,j+l}, l=0..s-1 \rightarrow (x - \gamma^{im+j})^r | W(x, f(x), f(\gamma x), \dots, f(\gamma^{s-1}x))$
- $$\left(\prod_{i: \text{not error}} \prod_{j=0}^{m-s} (x - \gamma^{im+j})^r \right) | \underbrace{W(x, f(x), \dots, f(\gamma^{s-1}x))}_{h(x)}$$
 - $\deg h(x) \leq w \deg_{(1,k-1, \dots, k-1)} W(X, Y_1, \dots, Y_s)$
 - $w \deg_{(1,k-1, \dots, k-1)} W(X, Y_1, \dots, Y_s) < \tau(m-s+1)r \rightarrow W(x, f(x), f(\gamma x), \dots, f(\gamma^{s-1}x)) = 0$
- Find all $f(x): W(x, f(x), f(\gamma x), \dots, f(\gamma^{s-1}x)) = 0$

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- $W(X, Y_1, \dots, Y_s) = \sum_{j_1=0}^{\rho} \dots \sum_{j_s=0}^{\rho} w_{j_1, \dots, j_s}(X) Y_1^{j_1} \dots Y_s^{j_s}$: $\text{wdeg}_{(1, k-1, \dots, k-1)} W(X, Y_1, \dots, Y_s) < D$ exists if the number of interpolation constraints is less than the number of coefficients

$$V(\rho, D, s, k) = \sum_{j=0}^{\rho} (D - j(k-1)) \binom{j+s-1}{s-1} =$$

$$\left(D - (k-1)\rho \frac{s}{s+1} \right) \binom{\rho+s}{s} > n \frac{m-s+1}{m} \binom{r+s}{s+1}, \quad \rho = \lfloor \frac{D-1}{k-1} \rfloor.$$

- The fraction of correctable errors $\theta = (N - \tau) / N$: $\theta < 1 - \sqrt[s+1]{\left(\frac{mR}{m-s+1}\right)^s \prod_{j=1}^s \left(1 + \frac{j}{r}\right)}$
 - $N = n/m, R = k/n, s \leq m$
- For large m and r : $\theta < 1 - R \frac{s}{s+1}$
- For small m the $\frac{m}{m-s+1}$ factor severely degrades the error correction capability

Wu List Decoding Algorithm for RS Codes

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Analytic Continuation of the Berlekamp-Massey Algorithm

- Let $r(x)=c(x)+e(x)$
- Syndrome of the received sequence:
 $S_i=r(\gamma^i), i=1..n-k$
- BM algorithm constructs the shortest LFSR:

$$\Lambda_1 S_{i+w-1} + \Lambda_2 S_{i+w-2} + \dots + \Lambda_w S_i = -S_{i+w}, i = 0..w-1$$

- If the number of errors $w \leq (n-k)/2$, the connection polynomial $\Lambda(x)$ is the locator polynomial

$$\Lambda(x) = \prod_{l=1}^w (1 - X_l x) = \sum_{i=0}^w \Lambda_i x^i$$

- Otherwise, additional syndromes are needed to find the true ELP. We require unknown syndrome components $S_{n-k+1}, S_{n-k+2}, \dots$

$$\Lambda^*(x) = a(x)\Lambda(x) + b(x)x^w B(x)$$

Decoding Based on Groebner bases

- $r_i=f(\gamma^i)+e_i, i=0..n-1$
- Find $f(x)$ such that:
 - $f(\gamma^i)=r_i$ if the i -th symbol is not corrupted
 - $f(\gamma^i)=0$ if the i -th symbol is corrupted
- $y = \sigma(x)y - \sigma(x)f(x)$
- $Q(\gamma^i, r_i) = 0$
- All such $Q(x, y)$ are in the module $M_{11} = [\phi(x), y - T(x)] \subset F[x] \times F[x]$

$$\phi(x) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (x - \gamma^i) \quad T(\gamma^i) = r_i$$
- Let $q_{00}(x) + yq_{10}(x), q_{01}(x) + yq_{11}(x)$ be a Groebner basis of this module
 - $Q(x, y) = a(x)(q_{00}(x) + yq_{10}(x)) + b(x)(q_{01}(x) + yq_{11}(x))$
 - $$\sigma(x) = a(x)q_{10}(x) + b(x)q_{11}(x)$$

Smaller complexity compared to the Guruswami-Sudan algorithm

The number of roots of $\Lambda^*(x)$ and $\sigma(x)$ must be equal to their degree and number of errors

A Multivariate Generalization of the Wu Algorithm

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- Folded RS codes: the error polynomial $\sigma(x)$ must have t blocks of roots γ^{mi+j} , $j=0..m-1$
- Given: $q_{10}(x), q_{11}(x)$
- Find $a(x), b(x)$: $\sigma(\gamma^{mi+j}) = a(\gamma^{mi+j})q_{10}(\gamma^{mi+j}) + b(\gamma^{mi+j})q_{11}(\gamma^{mi+j}) = 0, j = 0..m-1$
 - ▣ for t distinct i
 - ▣ $\deg \sigma(x) \leq tm$
 - ▣ $\deg a(x) \leq d_1 = tm+k-1-\deg q_{10}(x)$;
 - ▣ $\deg b(x) \leq d_2 = tm-\deg q_{11}(x)$
- An observation:
$$\forall \theta \in F : a(\gamma^{mi+j})\theta q_{10}(\gamma^{mi+j}) + b(\gamma^{mi+j})\theta q_{11}(\gamma^{mi+j}) = 0, j = 0..m-1$$

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- Construct a partially homogenized polynomial

$$W(X, Y_1, Z_1, \dots, Y_s, Z_s) = \sum_{j_1=0}^{\rho} \dots \sum_{j_s=0}^{\rho} w_{j_1, \dots, j_s}(X) Y_1^{j_1} Z_1^{\rho-j_1} \dots Y_s^{j_s} Z_s^{\rho-j_s},$$

such that

$$\forall \theta \in F, l = 0..m-s, i = 0..n/m-1:$$

$$W(\gamma^{im+l}, \theta q_{11}(\gamma^{im+l}), -\theta q_{10}(\gamma^{im+l}), \dots, \theta q_{11}(\gamma^{im+l+s-1}), -\theta q_{10}(\gamma^{im+l+s-1})) = 0^r$$

$$W(x_0, y_1, z_1, \dots, y_s, z_s) = 0^r \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial^{i_0+i_1+\dots+i_s} \sum_{j_1=0}^{\rho} \dots \sum_{j_s=0}^{\rho} w_{[j_1], \dots, [j_s]}(x) u_1^{j_1} \dots u_s^{j_s}}{\partial x^{i_0} \partial u_1^{i_1} \dots \partial u_s^{i_s}} \Bigg|_{x=x_0, u_1=\hat{u}_1, \dots, u_s=\hat{u}_s} = 0$$

$$i_0+i_1+\dots+i_s < r$$

- $z_i \neq 0$: $[j_i] = j_i; \hat{u}_i = \frac{y_i}{z_i}$
- $z_i = 0$: $[j_i] = \rho - j_i; \hat{u}_i = \frac{z_i}{y_i}$

Hasse derivatives must be used

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$\forall \theta \in F, j = 0..m-s, i = 0..n/m-1:$

$$W(\gamma^{im+j}, \theta q_{11}(\gamma^{im+j}), -\theta q_{10}(\gamma^{im+j}), \dots, \theta q_{11}(\gamma^{im+j+s-1}), -\theta q_{10}(\gamma^{im+j+s-1})) = 0^r$$

- For each l , s.t. $a(x), b(x): q_{10}(\gamma^{im+l+j})a^{(im+l+j)} + q_{11}(\gamma^{im+l+j})b^{(im+l+j)} = 0,$
 $0 \leq l \leq s-1$

$$(X - \gamma^{im+j})^r \mid W(X, a(X), b(X), a(\gamma X), b(\gamma X), \dots, a(\gamma^{s-1} X), b(\gamma^{s-1} X))$$



$$\left(\prod_{\substack{i: \\ i\text{-th symbol} \\ \text{is corrupted}}} \prod_{j=0}^{m-s} (X - \gamma^{im+j})^r \right) \mid W(X, a(X), b(X), a(\gamma X), b(\gamma X), \dots, a(\gamma^{s-1} X), b(\gamma^{s-1} X))$$

- If $w\text{deg}_{(1, d_1, d_2, \dots, d_1, d_2)} W(X, Y_1, Z_1, \dots, Y_s, Z_s) < D = t(m-s+1)r$, then
 $W(X, a(X), b(X), a(\gamma X), b(\gamma X), \dots, a(\gamma^{s-1} X), b(\gamma^{s-1} X)) = 0$
 - ▣ $\text{deg } a(X) \leq d_1,$
 - ▣ $\text{deg } b(X) \leq d_2$

Selecting the Parameters

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- The coefficients of $W(X, Y_1, Z_1, \dots, Y_s, Z_s)$ are given by a system of linear equations:

$$W(x_0, y_1, z_1, \dots, y_s, z_s) = 0^r \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial^{i_0+i_1+\dots+i_s} \sum_{j_1=0}^{\rho} \dots \sum_{j_s=0}^{\rho} w_{[j_1], \dots, [j_s]}(x) u_1^{j_1} \dots u_s^{j_s}}{\partial x^{i_0} \partial u_1^{i_1} \dots \partial u_s^{i_s}} \Bigg|_{x=x_0, u_1=\hat{u}_1, \dots, u_s=\hat{u}_s} = 0$$

- The number of equations must exceed the number of terms V in the polynomial $i_0+i_1+\dots+i_s < r$

$$W(X, Y_1, Z_1, \dots, Y_s, Z_s) = \sum_{j_1=0}^{\rho} \dots \sum_{j_s=0}^{\rho} w_{j_1, \dots, j_s}(X) Y_1^{j_1} Z_1^{\rho-j_1} \dots Y_s^{j_s} Z_s^{\rho-j_s}$$

- Number of terms with $(1, d_1, d_2, \dots, d_1, d_2)$ -weighted degree less than $D = t(m-s+1)r$

$$V = \sum_{j_1=0}^{\rho} \dots \sum_{j_s=0}^{\rho} \binom{D - \sum_{l=1}^s (d_1 j_l + d_2 (\rho - j_l))}{D - \frac{d_1 + d_2}{2} \rho s} = \binom{D - \frac{d_1 + d_2}{2} \rho s}{D - \frac{d_1 + d_2}{2} \rho s} (\rho + 1)^s = \binom{t(m-s+1)r - \frac{2tm+k-1-n}{2} \rho s}{t(m-s+1)r - \frac{2tm+k-1-n}{2} \rho s} (\rho + 1)^s$$

- $d_1 = tm+k-1-\text{deg } q_{00}(x), d_2 = tm-\text{deg } q_{11}(x), \text{deg } q_{00}(x) + \text{deg } q_{11}(x) = n$

$$\left(r(m-s+1)t - \frac{2tm+k-1-n}{2} \rho s \right) (\rho + 1)^s > \frac{n}{m} \frac{m-s+1}{(s+1)!} \prod_{j=0}^s (r+j)$$

The Error Correction Capability

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$$R < 1 - 2\theta + 2 \frac{m-s+1}{m} \left(\frac{(s+1)!}{(s+1)^{s+1}} \theta^{s+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}$$

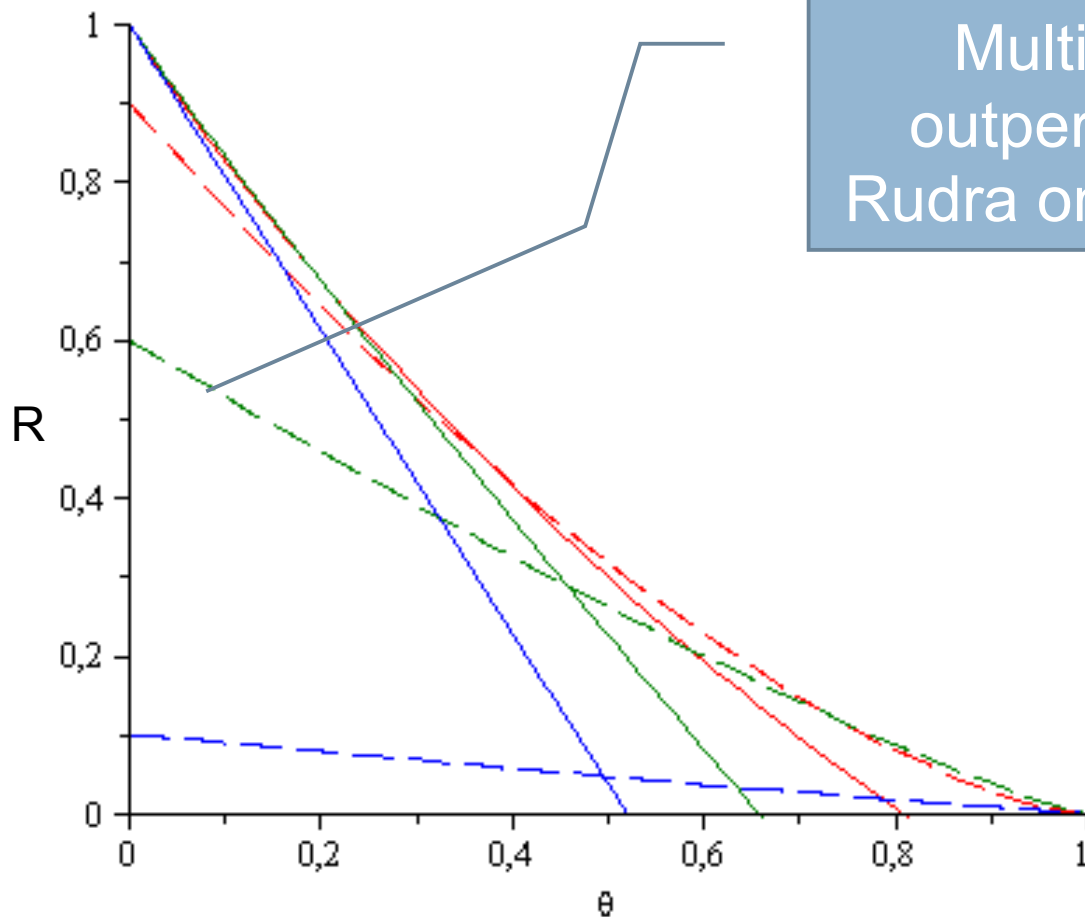
- Root multiplicity $r \rightarrow \infty$
- $R = (k-1)/n$
- $\theta = tm/n$ – the fraction of correctable errors
- Always better than the classical decoding ($R < 1 - 2\theta$)
- The Guruswami-Rudra algorithm

The same for
 $s=1$

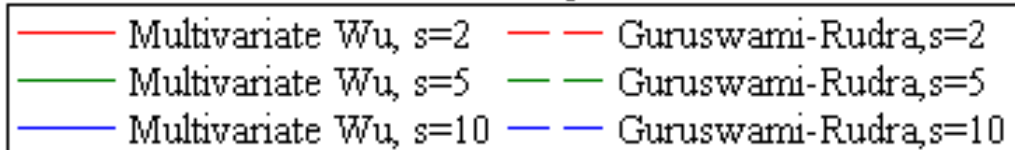
$$R < \frac{m-s+1}{m} (1-\theta)^{\frac{s+1}{s}}$$

Comparison of Algorithms (m=10)

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Multivariate Wu algorithm outperforms the Guruswami-Rudra one in the high-rate region



$$R_{Wu} < 1 - 2\theta + 2 \frac{m-s+1}{m} \left(\frac{(s+1)!}{(s+1)^{s+1}} \theta^{s+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}$$

$$R_{GR} < \frac{m-s+1}{m} (1-\theta)^{\frac{s+1}{s}}$$

Comparison of algorithms($s=2, n=255$)

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θ	t	m	Guruswami-Rudra				Multivariate Wu			
			R_{opt}	k	r	ρ	R_{opt}	k	r	ρ
0.1	25	1	0.81	208	46	13	0.81	208	5	51
	8	3	0.57	147	19	20	0.82	212	7	18
	5	5	0.68	175	18	19	0.82	211	6	15
0.3	76	1	0.49	125	23	33	0.49	125	9	32
	25	3	0.39	100	12	14	0.50	131	33	43
	15	5	0.47	120	15	18	0.52	136	33	43
0.5	127	1	0.25	64	26	52	0.25	64	25	51
	42	3	0.24	61	22	31	0.22	59	42	42
	25	5	0.28	73	14	20	0.27	72	3421	3455
0.8	204	1	0.04	11	41	209	0.04	11	165	206
	68	3	0.059	16	61	138	-0.15	-	-	-
	40	5	0.071	19	6	14	-0.06	-	-	-

Conclusions

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- Multivariate Wu algorithm corrects higher fraction of errors than the Guruswami-Rudra algorithm in the high rate region
- The performance of both algorithms could be improved if more interpolation points could be obtained (eliminate $(m-s+1)/m$ factor)