

Reed-Solomon codes

$$\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in GF_2 = \mathbb{F}_q \quad q = 2^s$$

$$i \neq j \Rightarrow \alpha_i \neq \alpha_j \quad k \rightarrow n$$

$$m \in \mathbb{F}_q^k$$

$$\parallel$$

$$(m_0, \dots, m_{k-1})$$

$$p_m(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} m_i x^i$$

$$C(m) = \langle p_m(\alpha_1), p_m(\alpha_2), \dots, p_m(\alpha_n) \rangle$$

$$[n, k, n-k+1]_q$$



Berlekamp-Walsh (1986)

$(r_1, r_2, r_3, \dots, r_n)$  received word  
 ... error locating polynomial  $E(x)$

$$\text{if } r_i \neq p_m(\alpha_i) \Rightarrow E(\alpha_i) = 0$$

$$d_e = \text{degree } E(x)$$

$$\text{idealy } \frac{n-k+1-1}{2} = \frac{n-k}{2}$$

$$d_e \leq \frac{n-k-1}{2}$$

$$\forall i \quad (r_i - p(\alpha_i)) E(\alpha_i) = 0$$

$$(*) \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} \text{+} \\ \text{+} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} r_i \\ \text{+} \end{matrix} E(\alpha_i) = p(\alpha_i) \cdot E(\alpha_i) \quad \forall i=1, \dots, n$$

$$Q(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\leq k-1} c'_i x^i \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\leq \frac{n-k-1}{2}} c_i x^i \quad c'_i, c_i$$

$$Q(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-k-1} c_i' x^i$$

$$E(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-k-1} c_i x^i$$

$c_i', c_i$   
unknown

linear system of equations

$n$  vars ...  $n$  eq's

$$2 + \frac{n+k-3}{2} + \frac{n-k-1}{2} = n$$

# vars

$\exists$  non-zero solution  $E(x)$

allowing # errors  $\leq \frac{n-k-1}{2}$

non-zero

$\rightarrow Q(x), E(x) \neq 0$

outputs:  $\frac{Q(x)}{E(x)} = p(x)$

- $Q(x)$  is not divisible by  $E(x) \rightarrow$  FAIL [too many errors]

- check  $O(\langle r_1, \dots, r_n \rangle, \langle p(x_1), \dots, p(x_n) \rangle)$   
 $\geq \frac{n-k-1}{2}$  then FAIL

running time  $O(n^3)$   
 FFT  $O(n \log^2 n)$

Claim: Let  $(Q(x), E(x)) \neq (Q'(x), E'(x))$

be two solutions to the lin. system where  $E(x), E'(x) \neq 0$ .

then  $\frac{Q(x)}{E(x)} = \frac{Q'(x)}{E'(x)}$

$R_1$

$R_1$

$R_2$

Pf:

$$Q'(x) \cdot E(x)$$

$E'(x)$

$$Q(x) \cdot E'(x)$$

$$\frac{n-k-1}{2} \quad \frac{n+k-3}{2}$$

dy E      dy Q

$\rightarrow$  dy ~~A~~  $R_1, R_2 \leq n-1$

agree on  $n$  points

$$\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$$

$\Downarrow$   
must be the same polynomial

$\Rightarrow \forall i=1, \dots, n$

$$R_1(\alpha_i) = R_2(\alpha_i)$$

$$\forall i: \begin{aligned} r_i E(\alpha_i) &= Q(\alpha_i) \\ r_i E'(\alpha_i) &= Q'(\alpha_i) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow r_i \underbrace{E'(\alpha_i)}_{R_2(\alpha_i)} Q(\alpha_i) = r_i \underbrace{E(\alpha_i)}_{R_1(\alpha_i)} Q'(\alpha_i)$$

$$r_i \neq 0 \Rightarrow R_1(\alpha_i) = R_2(\alpha_i)$$

$$r_i = 0 \Rightarrow Q(\alpha_i) = 0 \quad Q'(\alpha_i)$$

$$R_1(\alpha_i) = R_2(\alpha_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{Q'(x) \cdot E(x)} \equiv \underline{Q(x) \cdot E'(x)}$$

decompose  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  into irreducible polynomials, they must be the same (up to their permutation)  $\Rightarrow \frac{Q(x)}{E(x)} = \frac{Q'(x)}{E'(x)}$  ☐

• Reed-Solomon Codes

$$|\mathbb{F}| \geq n$$

• Reed-Muller Codes

smaller field  $\mathbb{F}$

multivariate polynomials

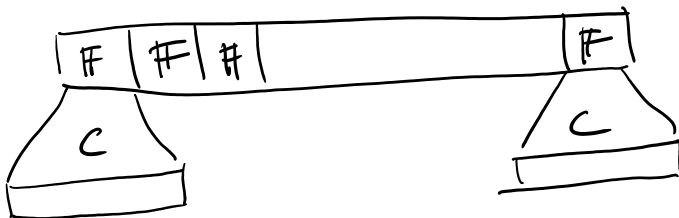
$$p(x) \approx p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_t)$$

$$\underline{\underline{2^s = 2}}$$

RS  $\rightarrow$  binary

$$[n, k, D]_2$$

"concatenation of codes"



$$C = [l, s, d]_2$$

$$l = \Theta(s)$$

$$d = \Theta(s)$$

$$\rightarrow [nl, ks, dD]_2$$

binary

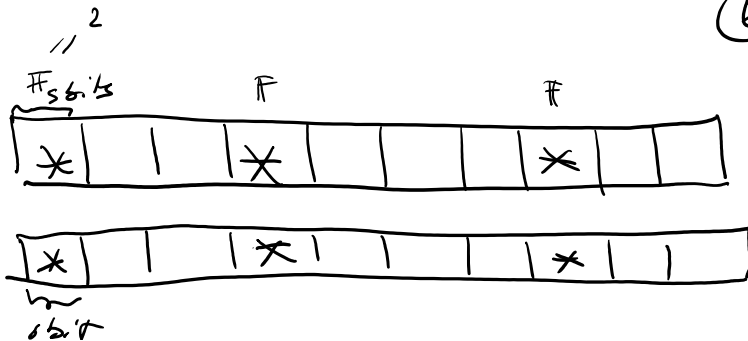
(can choose C

so that the resulting code is linear.)

(Exe)

Decoding

?



D

$$\underline{\underline{D < \# \text{ digits} < Ds}}$$

$$|F| \geq n$$

$$n = 2^s = 2$$

$$s \geq \lg n \Rightarrow [nl, ks, n-k+1]_2$$

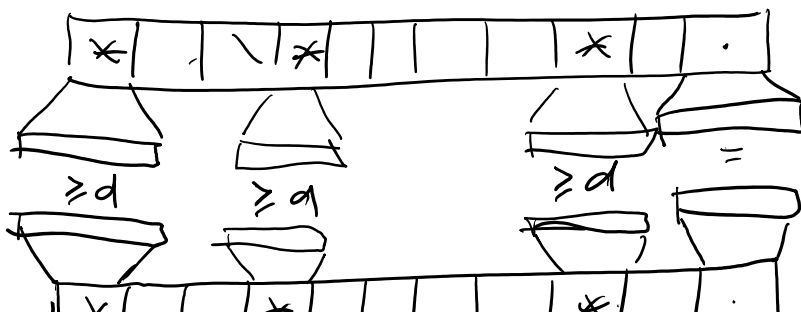
$$n = 2k$$

$$\text{rate } \frac{1}{2}$$

$$n \lg n \approx \frac{D}{2}$$

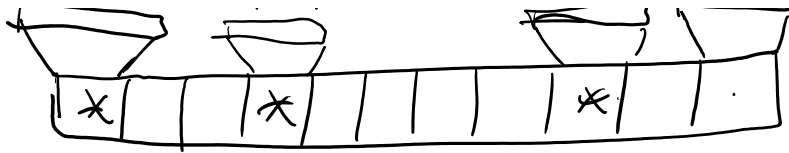
$$\frac{D}{N} \rightarrow 0$$

$n \rightarrow \infty$



D

D 1



$D \cdot d$

$$C = [l, s, d]_2$$

$$[nl, ks, Dd]_2$$

$$\left[ \underbrace{2}_{2l} \underbrace{ks}_{k} \underbrace{, ks}_{s}, \underbrace{, ks}_{s}, \underbrace{, ks}_{ks} \right]_2$$

$$l = \theta(s) = \gamma s$$

$$d = \theta(s) = \varepsilon s$$

$$n = 2k$$

$$D = k$$

code with  
constant rate

& constant  
relative min. distance

### Decoding concatenated codes?

- decode each "symbol" from  $C$
- decode  $R_s$  code

Q1: how many errors does this correct?

can decode  $\approx \frac{D \cdot d}{4}$  errors

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} D/2 \\ \parallel \\ n-k \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\frac{n-k}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}$$

$$\leq \frac{D}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{2}$$

Could hope:  $\frac{D \cdot d - 1}{2} \approx \frac{D \cdot d}{2}$

Alg. Forney ( $\approx 60$ 's) ... decodes  $\approx \frac{D \cdot d}{2}$  errors.

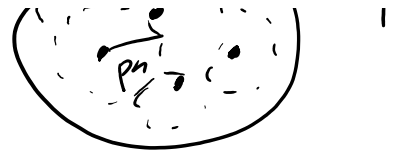
$$C = [\gamma s, s, \varepsilon s]_2$$

$$[n, [1 - H(p)]n, pn]_2$$

(Gilbert's) - code exists



- linear code  $[n, (1-H(p))n, pn]_2 \dots \mathcal{C}$   
(Varshamov) ... pick a random generating matrix for  $\mathcal{C}$ .



Claim: Let  ~~$n, k, d$~~   $d$  &  $n, k$  satisfy

$$2^k \leq \frac{2^n}{\text{Vol}(n, d-1)}$$

Then with high probability a random  $k \times n$  matrix  $G$  generates  $[n, k, d]_2$  code.

$$\text{Vol}(n, d) \approx 2^{\binom{n}{d}}$$

$$d = pn$$

Pf:  $\forall x \in \{0, 1\}^k$   
 $x \neq 0$

for fixed  $x$

$$\Pr[\Delta_{\text{Ham}}(xG) \leq d] =$$

$G$  picked at random  $y \dots$  uniform random over  $\{0, 1\}^n$

$$\approx \frac{\text{Vol}(n, d-1)}{2^n}$$

$$\Pr_G[\exists x \in \{0, 1\}^k \setminus \{0^n\} \text{ s.t. } \Delta_{\text{Ham}}(xG) < d]$$

$$\leq (2^k - 1) \cdot \frac{\text{Vol}(n, d-1)}{2^n} < 1.$$

[ ,  $2^{10}$  , ... ]

$\square$