



An Alternative Decoding Method for Gabidulin Codes in Characteristic Zero

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Compressed Sensing

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x},$$

- $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{C}^m$ (known)
- $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ (known)
- $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^n$ sparse (unknown)
($n \ll m$)

LRMR

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{X}),$$

- $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{C}^p$ (known)
- $\mathcal{A} : \mathbb{C}^{m \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^p$ linear (known)
- $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ low rank (unknown)
($p \ll n \cdot m$)

Hamming Metric Coding Problem

$$\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{e}) = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{e}$$

- $\mathbf{s} \in K^{n-k}$ syndrome (known)
- $\mathbf{H} \in K^{n-k \times n}$ pc matrix (known)
- $\mathbf{c} \in K^n$ codeword (unknown)
- $\mathbf{e} \in K^n$, $\text{wt}_H(\mathbf{e})$ small (unknown)

Rank Metric Coding Problem

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- $\mathbf{c} \in L^n$ codeword (unknown)
- $\mathbf{e} \in L^n$, $\text{wt}_R(\mathbf{e})$ small (unknown)
($L^n \simeq K^{m \times n}$)

L/K Galois extension (i.e. normal and separable), $[L : K] =: m$

Galois group

$$\text{Gal}(L/K) = \{\theta : L \rightarrow L \text{ automorphism s.t. } \theta(x) = x \ \forall x \in K\}$$

Assumption: $\text{Gal}(L/K)$ is cyclic, θ generator

L/K Galois extension, $\theta \in \text{Gal}(L/K)$.

$$L[x; \theta] = \left\{ a = \sum_{i=0}^d a_i x^i : a_i \in L, d \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$$

Addition (+) $a + b = \sum_i (a_i + b_i) x^i$

Multiplication (\cdot) $a \cdot b = \sum_i \left(\sum_{j=0}^i a_j \theta^j(b_{i-j}) \right) x^i$ (non-commutative)

Generalization of Linearized Polynomials

- Isomorphic to linearized polynomials in case $\mathbb{F}_{q^m} / \mathbb{F}_q$, $\theta = \cdot^q$

Evaluation $a(\cdot) := \text{ev}_a : L \rightarrow L, \alpha \mapsto \sum_i a_i \theta^i(\alpha)$

Degree $\deg a = \max\{i : a_i \neq 0\}$ ($\max \emptyset := -\infty$)

Properties

- $(a \cdot b)(\alpha) = a(b(\alpha))$
- $\deg(a \cdot b) = \deg a + \deg b$
- Roots of a are subspace¹ of L
- $a(\cdot) : L \rightarrow L$ is an K -linear map

¹ L is a K -vectorspace of dimension $[L : K]$

Theorem (Augot, Loidreau, Robert)

If $\text{Gal}(L/K)$ is cyclic and θ generator

$$\dim \ker(a) \leq \deg a$$

Annihilator Polynomial

Subspace $\mathcal{U} \subseteq L \Rightarrow \exists$ monic $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{U}} \in L[x; \theta]$ of minimal degree:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{U}}(u) = 0 \quad \forall u \in \mathcal{U}$$

Interpolation Polynomial

$x_1, \dots, x_{\ell} \in L$, linearly independent over K . $y_1, \dots, y_{\ell} \in L$ arbitrary.

Then, $\exists \mathcal{I} \in L[x; \theta]$ of minimal degree:

$$\mathcal{I}(x_i) = y_i \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, \ell$$

Theorem (Augot, Loidreau, Robert)

If $\text{Gal}(L/K)$ is cyclic and θ generator,

$$\deg \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{U}} = \dim \mathcal{U} \quad (\text{in general: } \deg \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{U}} \leq \dim \mathcal{U})$$

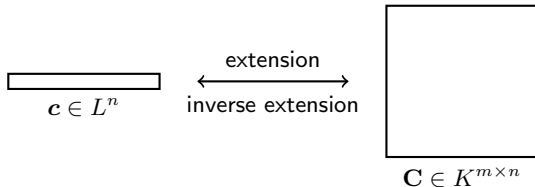
$$\deg \mathcal{I} < \ell \quad (\text{and } \mathcal{I} \text{ is unique})$$

L/K Galois extension, $\theta \in \text{Gal}(L/K)$ generator.

Definition

$g_1, \dots, g_n \in L$, linearly independent over K , $k \leq n \leq m = [L : K]$

$$\mathcal{C}_G[n, k] = \{ \mathbf{c} = [f(g_1), \dots, f(g_n)] : f \in L[x; \theta] \wedge \deg f < k \} \subseteq L^n$$



Rank Metric: $\text{wt}_R(\mathbf{c}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{C})$, $d_R(\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{C}_1 - \mathbf{C}_2)$

Theorem (Augot, Loidreau, Robert)

Minimum rank distance $d = \min_{\mathbf{c}_1 \neq \mathbf{c}_2} d_R(\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2) = n - k + 1$ (MRD)

Decoding: Augot, Loidreau, Robert (2013): $O(n^3)$
 Muelich, Puchinger, Mödinger, Bossert (2016): $O(n^2)$

Error Model

- $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{e} \in L^n$, with $\text{wt}_R(\mathbf{e}) =: \tau$

Some Polynomials

- $\Lambda := \mathcal{A}_{\langle e_1, \dots, e_n \rangle}$ (**unknown** error span polynomial)
- \hat{r} interpolation polynomial with $\hat{r}(g_i) = r_i \forall i$ (**known**)

*Key Equation** (Müelich, Puchinger, Mödinger, Bossert)

$$\Lambda \hat{r} \equiv \Lambda f \pmod{\mathcal{A}_{\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle}}$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} (\Lambda \cdot (\hat{r} - f))(g_i) &= \Lambda(\hat{r}(g_i) - f(g_i)) \\ &= \Lambda(r_i - c_i) = \Lambda(e_i) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\Lambda \cdot (\hat{r} - f) \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathcal{A}_{\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle}}$ □

* characteristic zero equivalent to Gao's key equation for finite field Gabidulin codes (Wachter-Zeh)

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Linear Shift Register (LSR) Synthesis Problem

Given $\hat{r}, \mathcal{A}_{\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle}$, find non-zero $(\lambda, \omega) \in L[x; \theta]^2$ with $\deg \lambda$ minimal and

$$\lambda \hat{r} \equiv \omega \pmod{\mathcal{A}_{\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle}}$$

$$\deg \lambda + k > \deg \omega$$

Theorem (Müelich, Puchinger, Mödinger, Bossert)

If $\tau = \text{wt}_{\mathbb{R}}(e) < \frac{d}{2}$, the LSR has a solution (λ, ω) and for some $\alpha \in L$,

$$(\lambda, \omega) = \alpha(\Lambda, \Lambda f)$$

Assumption that θ is generator of $\text{Gal}(L/K)$ necessary!

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Row reduction ($\boxed{\cdot}$ is leading position = rightmost pos. of max. degree in row)

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} x^k & \boxed{\hat{r}} \\ \hline 0 & \boxed{\mathcal{A}_{\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle}} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[\text{operations}]{\text{row}} \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \boxed{m_{11} \cdot x^k} & m_{12} \\ \hline m_{21} \cdot x^k & \boxed{m_{22}} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{(*)} (\lambda, \omega) = (m_{11}, m_{12})$$

- Similar to the Extended Euclidean Algorithm (EEA)
- Advantage: Coefficient size reduction in intermediate computations

(*) Puchinger, Nielsen, Li, Sidorenko

Algorithm: Decode Gabidulin Codes

Input: $r = c + e$

Output: f s.t. $c = [f(g_1), \dots, f(g_n)]$ or “decoding failure”.

- 1 Calculate \hat{r} and $\mathcal{A}_{\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle}$
 - 2 $(\lambda, \omega) \leftarrow$ Solve LSR with input \hat{r} , $\mathcal{A}_{\langle g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle}$ using row reduction
 - 3 $(\Lambda, \Omega) \leftarrow \alpha^{-1}(\lambda, \omega)$
 - 4 $(\chi, \varrho) \leftarrow$ Right-divide Ω by Λ
 - 5 **if** $\varrho = 0$ **then return** χ
 - 6 **else return** “decoding failure”
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- If $\text{wt}_R(e) < \frac{d}{2}$, the algorithm finds f
- Complexity/coefficient size growth tradeoff:

	Fast	“Normal”	Small growth
Operations in L	$O(n^{1.69})$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^3)$
Row Reduction	EEA [1] or D&Q [2]	P-NLS [3]	Fraction-free [4]

[1] Wachter-Zeh 2013

[2] Puchinger, Muelich, Mödinger, Bossert 2016

[3] Puchinger, Nielsen, Li, Sidorenko 2015

[4] Beckermann, Cheng, Labahn 2006

Thank you for your attention!