

On Decoding of Maximum Rank Distance Codes

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Representations of vectors in $\mathbb{F}_{q^m}^n$

- \mathbb{F}_{q^m} : the finite field of q^m elements
- $\mathcal{B} = \{\beta_1, \dots, \beta_m\}$: a basis of \mathbb{F}_{q^m} over \mathbb{F}_q
- 1-to-1 correspondence (vector-matrix):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{F}_{q^m}^n &\rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^{m \times n} \\ (a_1, \dots, a_n) &\mapsto (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_m) \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{n1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1m} & \cdots & a_{nm} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- Another interesting 1-to-1 correspondence (vector-linearized poly.):

$$(a_1, \dots, a_n) \leftrightarrow L(x) = l_0x + l_1x^q + \dots + l_{n-1}x^{q^{n-1}}$$

with $l_i \in \mathbb{F}_{q^m}$ and

$$L(\beta_j) = a_j, \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

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Properties of MRD codes

- a famous family of MRD codes: referenced as Gabidulin codes (Delsarte1978, Gabidulin1985, Roth1991)
- exist for any parameters: n, m, q, k and d
- the dual code of an MRD code is also MRD code
- the rank-distance distributions of an MRD code \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{C}^\perp are **completely determined** by the parameters

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Rank-metric Codes via Linearized Polynomials

From now on, our discussion is restricted to $m = n$

Linearized Polynomial

$$L(x) = l_0x + l_1x^q + \cdots + l_{n-1}x^{q^{n-1}}, \quad l_i \in \mathbb{F}_{q^n}$$

- q -degree: $\deg_q(L(x)) = \max\{i \mid 0 \leq i \leq n : l_i \neq 0\}$.
- Kernel of L : $\text{Ker}(L) = \{x \in \mathbb{F}_{q^n} \mid L(x) = 0\}$.
- Rank of $L(x)$:

$$\text{Rank}(L) = n - \dim_{\mathbb{F}_q}(\text{Ker}(L)) \geq n - \deg_q(L(x))$$

MRD Codes - Gabidulin Codes

Gabidulin Codes [**Gabidulin-1985**]

$$\mathcal{G} = \left\{ (L(\alpha_1), \dots, L(\alpha_n)) : L(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} l_i x^{q^i}, l_i \in \mathbb{F}_{q^n} \right\},$$

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MRD Codes - Generalized Gabidulin Codes

Generalized Gabidulin Codes [Gabidulin-2005]

Let $\gcd(s, n) = 1$. The linear code

$$\mathcal{GG} = \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} l_i x^{q^{si}}, l_i \in \mathbb{F}_{q^n} \right\}, \quad (1)$$

is an MRD code

MRD codes - Twisted Gabidulin (TG) Codes

Lemma ([Sheekey.16])

Let $0 < k < n$ and $l_k \neq 0$. If the linearized polynomial

$$L(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} l_i x^{q^i} + l_k x^{q^k} \text{ has } q^k \text{ roots, then}$$

$$\text{Norm}_{q^n/q}(l_k) = (-1)^{nk} \text{Norm}_{q^n/q}(l_0). \quad (2)$$

- when (2) doesn't hold,

$$\text{Rank}(L) = n - \dim_{\mathbb{F}_q}(\text{Ker}(L)) \geq n - k + 1$$

⇒ We obtain MRD codes if (2) doesn't hold

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Theorem ([Sheekey.16])

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Theorem ([Luradon-Tronbetti-Zhou.18])

Let $\gcd(s, n) = 1$ and $[i] := q^{si}$. The linear code

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Additive Generalized Twisted Gabidulin Code

[Otal and Ozbudak.17]

Let $n, k, s, h \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ satisfying $(s, n) = 1$ and $k < n$.

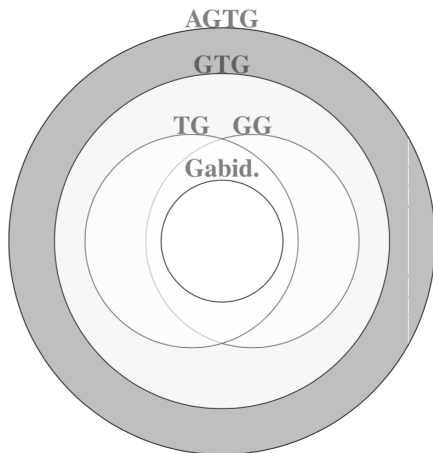
Let $q = q_0^u$ and $\eta \in \mathbb{F}_{q^n}$ such that $\eta \frac{q^{sn}-1}{q^s-1} \neq (-1)^{nku}$. Then

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is an $\text{GF}(q_0)$ -linear (but maybe not \mathbb{F}_q -linear) MRD code with

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Relations of these MRD codes



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Encoding and Decoding of Linear Codes

Traditional encoding: $m \mapsto mG$, where G is the generator matrix

Rank Syndrome Decoding Problem

Given a parity-check matrix H over \mathbb{F}_{q^n} and a vector s , find an error vector e with $\text{Rank}(e) \leq t$ such that

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Encoding:

$$(f_0, \dots, f_{k-1}) \mapsto (f(a_1), \dots, f(a_n)) = (f_0, \dots, f_{k-1}) \cdot G$$

where G is the submatrix formed by the first k rows of

$$\mathcal{M} = \left(\alpha_{i+1}^{[j]} \right)_{n \times n} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_1^{[1]} & \cdots & \alpha_1^{[n-1]} \\ \alpha_2 & \alpha_2^{[1]} & \cdots & \alpha_2^{[n-1]} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \alpha_n & \alpha_n^{[1]} & \cdots & \alpha_n^{[n-1]} \end{pmatrix}^T$$

The parity-check matrix $H = \left(h_{ij} \right)_{(n-k) \times n}$ has the same form as \mathcal{M}

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Suppose $\Lambda(x) = \sum_{i=0}^t \Lambda_i x^{q^i}$ vanishes at E_1, \dots, E_t , i.e.,

$$\Lambda(x) = \prod_{(a_1, \dots, a_t) \in \mathbb{F}_q^t} \left(x - \sum_{i=1}^t a_i E_i \right) = \sum_{i=0}^t \Lambda_i x^{q^i}$$

Then it implies **the key equation**

$$\Lambda(x) \circ S(x) \pmod{x^{q^{n-k}}} \equiv F(x)$$

where $S(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-k-1} s_i x^{q^i}$ and $F(x)$ has q -degree $< t$

Steps of decoding Gabidulin codes:

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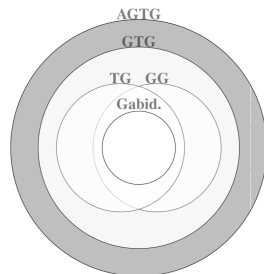
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Recall of the new MRD codes



The general AGTG codes:

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Encoding of New MRD codes

For all the previous MRD codes, denote $\tilde{f} = (f_0, \dots, f_{k-1}, \eta f_0^{q^h}, 0, \dots, 0)$.

Then the **encoding process** is given as:

$$(f_0, \dots, f_{k-1}) \mapsto f(a_1), \dots, f(a_n) = \tilde{f} \cdot \mathcal{M} \quad (4)$$

where \mathcal{M} is the *Moore matrix* associated to $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$:

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Decoding of New MRD codes

Challenge

The parity-check matrix H of new MRD codes cannot be properly given :-)

Alternative: interpolation-based decoding

- Assume $g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} g_i x^{[i]}$ satisfy $g(a_i) = e_i$
- find e is **equivalent to** finding g_0, g_1, \dots, g_{n-1}
- Note that

$$r = c + e = (\tilde{f} + g) \cdot \mathcal{M}$$

It is equivalent to

$$\hat{r} = r \cdot (\mathcal{M})^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} f_0 & + & g_0 \\ \vdots & & \\ f_{k-1} & + & g_{k-1} \\ \eta f_0^{q_0^{uh}} & + & g_k \\ 0 & + & g_{k+1} \\ \vdots & & \\ 0 & + & g_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (5)$$

where $\hat{r} = (\hat{r}_0, \dots, \hat{r}_{n-1}) = r \cdot (\mathcal{M})^{-1}$ is known

Then,

- $(g_{k+1}, \dots, g_{n-1}) = (\hat{r}_{k+1}, \dots, \hat{r}_{n-1})$
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Reconstructing $g(x)$

For $g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} g_i x^{[i]}$, define the Dickson matrix

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Property of the Dickson Matrix

Any $t \times t$ submatrix of G from consecutive rows and columns is non-singular

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should have **unique** solution, since any error vector e with $\text{Rank}(e) = t = \frac{n-k}{2}$ can be **uniquely** decoded.

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