

# Reminders

- Wikipedia entry due by midnight, next Monday
  - Inline reference support does not work
    - Can still use refs, just follow Wikipedia style
- Am still waiting on some lecture notes

# Sudan's list decoding algo

- Given  $(\alpha_i, y_i)$   $1 \leq i \leq n$
- Interpolation Step
  - Compute non zero  $Q(X, Y)$ 
    - $(1, k-1)$  weighted degree  $D = (2kn)^{1/2}$
    - $Q(\alpha_i, y_i) = 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$
- Factorization Step
  - Compute all factors  $Y - P(X)$  of  $Q(X, Y)$ 
    - $P(X)$  needs to be of deg at most  $k-1$
    - $P(\alpha_i) = y_i$  for at least  $t$  values of  $i$

Corrects  
 $1 - \sqrt{2R}$   
frac. of  
errors

# Guruswami-Sudan Improvement

Generalization

- Given  $(\alpha_i, y_i) \ 1 \leq i \leq n$

$1 - \sqrt{R}$  frac. of errors

- Interpolation Step

– Compute non zero  $Q(X, Y)$

Have multiplicity  $r \geq 1$  for each  $i$

•  $(1, k-1)$  weighted degree  $D = (2kn)^{1/2}$

$D$  changes

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- Factorization Step

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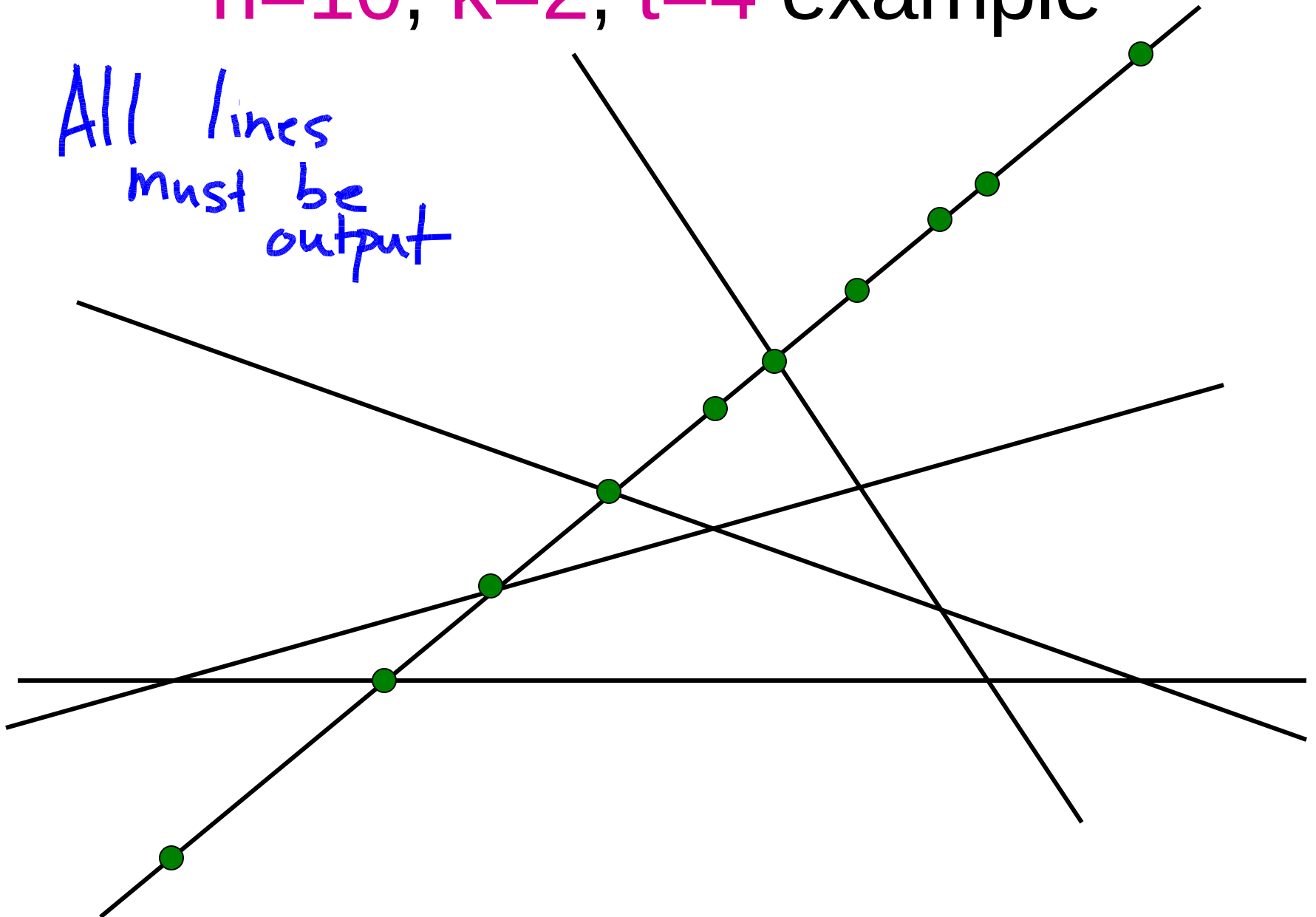
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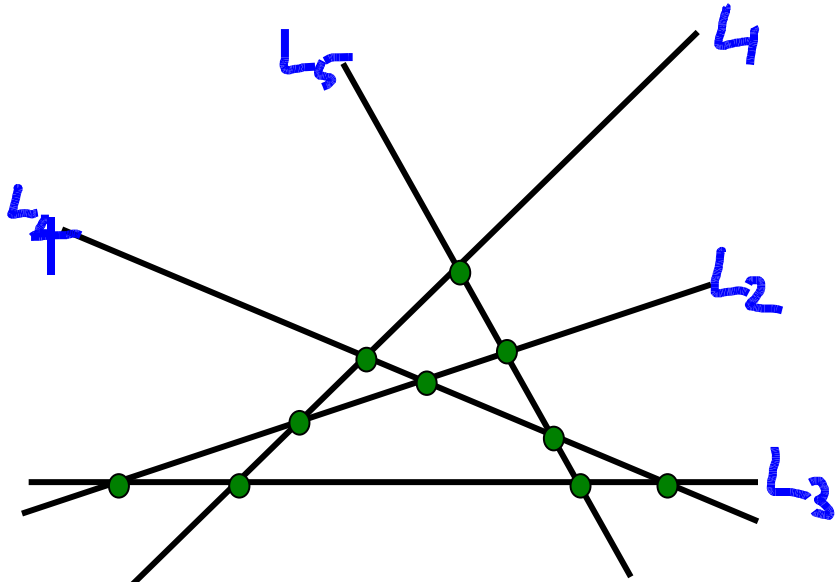
same as Sudan

$n=10, k=2, t=4$  example

All lines  
must be  
output



$n=10, k=2, t=4$  example



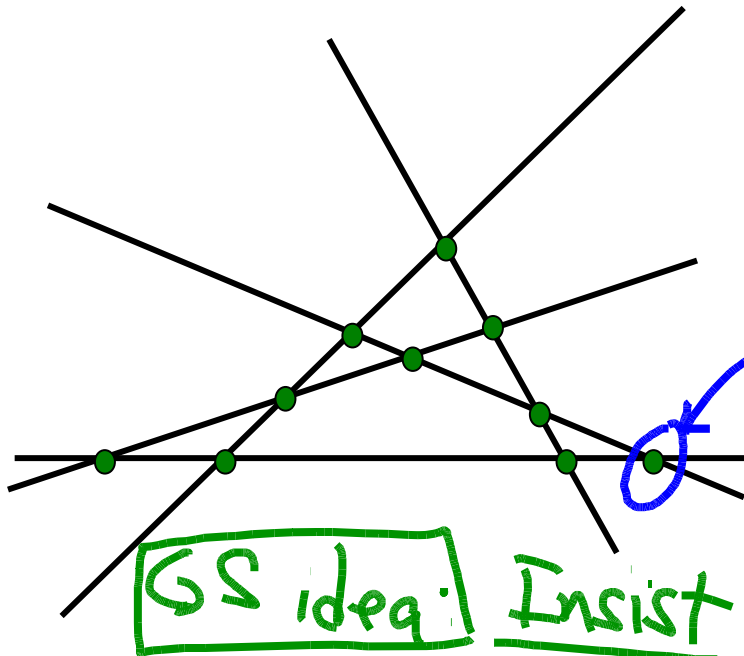
$$Q^*(x, y) = \prod_{i=1}^5 L_i(x, y)$$

→ All  $L_i(x, y) \ 1 \leq i \leq 5$   
should be factors of  
 $Q(x, y)$

⇒  $\deg(Q) \geq 5$   
but  $L_i(x, y)$  intersects  
 $Q(x, y)$  in 4 positions!

⇒ By Sudan's idea cannot  
prove that  $L_i(x, y)$  are factors  
of any  $Q(x, y)$  of deg 5.

$n=10, k=2, t=4$  example



$Q^*$  = product of the 5 lines.

Any special property of  $Q^*$ ?

$Q^*$  passes thru all pts twice

Can't guarantee this with a degree bound

GS idea: Insist on  $Q(X, Y)$  passing thru  $(x_i, y_i)$  twice  $\forall i$   
 $+ \deg(Q) \leq 5$

Each  $L_i$  intersects  $Q(X, Y)$   $2 \times 4 = 8$  times  
 $> \deg(Q)$

Saving of  $\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow 1 - \sqrt{2k} \rightarrow 1 - \sqrt{k}$   
**GS algorithm**

Saving (will see)  
 $Q_r(x, Y) \uparrow \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}$

- Given  $(\alpha_i, y_i) \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$

$r=1 \Rightarrow$  Sudan

- Interpolation Step

– Compute non zero  $Q(X, Y)$

$Q_1(x, Y)$  for  $r=1$

# constr

•  $(1, k-1)$  weighted degree  $D = \binom{k+r}{k} / 2$

$Q_r(x, Y)$

$\uparrow r$  •  $Q(\alpha_i, y_i) = 0$  with multiplicity  $r$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$

$= (Q_1(x, Y))^r$

- Factorization Step

deg  $\uparrow r$

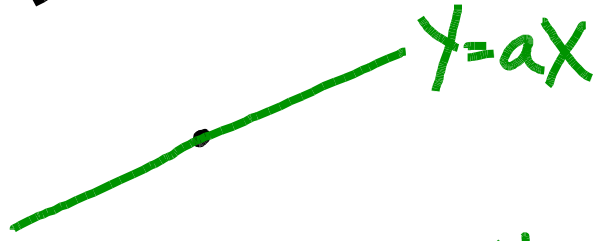
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# Definition of Multiplicity

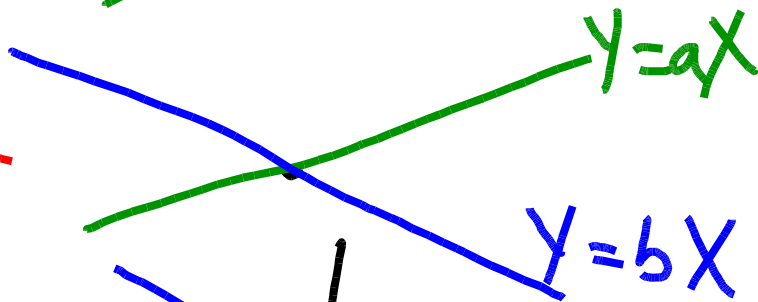
at  $(0,0)$

$r=1$



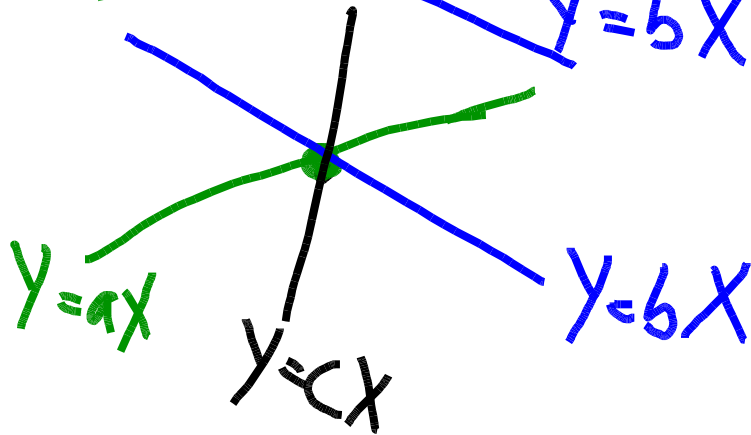
$y - ax \rightarrow$  no term of deg 0

$r=2$



$(y - ax)(y - bx) \rightarrow$  no monomial of deg  $\leq 1$

$r=3$



$(y - ax)(y - bx)(y - cx) \text{ deg} \leq 2$  no



Def 1:  $Q(X, Y)$  has mult.  $r$  at  $(0, 0)$  if  
it has no monomial of  $\deg \leq r-1$

Def 2:  $Q(X, Y)$  has mult  $r$  at  $(\alpha, \beta)$  if  
 $Q_{\alpha, \beta}(X, Y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} Q(\alpha+X, \beta+Y)$  has no mon.  
of  $\deg \leq r-1$

Lemma 1: In step 1, we have  $n \binom{r+1}{2}$  constraints.

Lemma 2:  $P(x)$  of  $\deg < k-1$  &  $P(d_i) = y_i$  for  $t > \frac{D}{r}$  positions

then  $Y - P(X) \mid Q(X, Y)$

By Lemma 1 done if  $\# \text{coeff} \geq \frac{D^2}{2(k-1)} > \frac{n r(r+1)}{2} \Leftarrow D = \sqrt{r(r+1)nk}$

Lemma 2  $\Rightarrow t > \frac{D}{r} > \sqrt{\frac{1+t}{r}nk} \gg \sqrt{nk}$  by picking  $r = 2nk$

Pf of Lemma 1 [  $n \binom{r+1}{2}$  constraints on coeff of  $Q(X, Y)$  ]

$$Q(X, Y) = \sum_{0 \leq i+j \leq r} q_{ij} X^i Y^j$$

$\binom{r+1}{2}$  constraints for each  $(d_i, y_i)$

$$Q_{d_i, y_i}(X, Y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} Q(X+d_i, Y+y_i) = \sum_{i,j} q'_{ij} X^i Y^j$$

$q'_{ij}$  is linear comb of  $q_{ij}$ 's

by defn

$Q_{d_i, y_i}(X, Y)$  has no term  $X^i Y^j$  s.t.  $i+j \leq r-1 \Rightarrow q'_{ij} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \# \text{constraints} &= \left| \{ (i, j) \mid i+j \leq r-1 \} \right| \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} (r-j-1+1) = \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} (r-j) = \sum_{j=1}^r j = \binom{r+1}{2} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

linear constraint on  $q_{ij}$ 's.

Lemma 2 If  $P(\alpha_i) = y_i$  for  $> \frac{D}{r}$  i/s  $\Rightarrow Y - P(X)$  is a factor

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \deg(R) \leq (k+1) \deg \text{ of } Q \leq D \\ \text{but } \# \text{ roots of } R = t \cdot r > \frac{D}{r}, r=D \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow R(X) \equiv 0$

Lemma 3:  $P(\alpha_i) = y_i \Rightarrow (X - \alpha_i)^r$  divides  $R(X)$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha_i \text{ is a root} \\ \text{of } R \text{ with} \\ \text{multiplicity } r \end{array} \right.$

$$R(X) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} Q(X, P(X))$$

Pf of Lemma 3  $r=1 \rightarrow$  "obvious"

$$(*) R_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} R(X + \alpha_i)$$

$$R_{\alpha_i, y_i}(0) \stackrel{=0}{=} 0 \Leftrightarrow R(\alpha_i) = 0 \text{ or } X \mid R_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X) \Leftrightarrow (X - \alpha_i) \mid R(X)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{show } X^r \mid R_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X)$$

$$\underbrace{X^r | R_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X)} \left. \right\} P_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} P(X + \alpha_i) - y_i$$

$$P(\alpha_i) = y_i \Rightarrow P_{\alpha_i, y_i}(0) = 0 \Rightarrow P_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X) = X \cdot g(X)$$

Claim:  $R_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X) = Q_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X) \cdot P_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X)$

$$\Rightarrow R_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X) = \sum_{i \geq 0} q'_{i,j} X^{i+j} \underbrace{\left( P_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X) \right)^j}_{X^j g(X)^j}$$

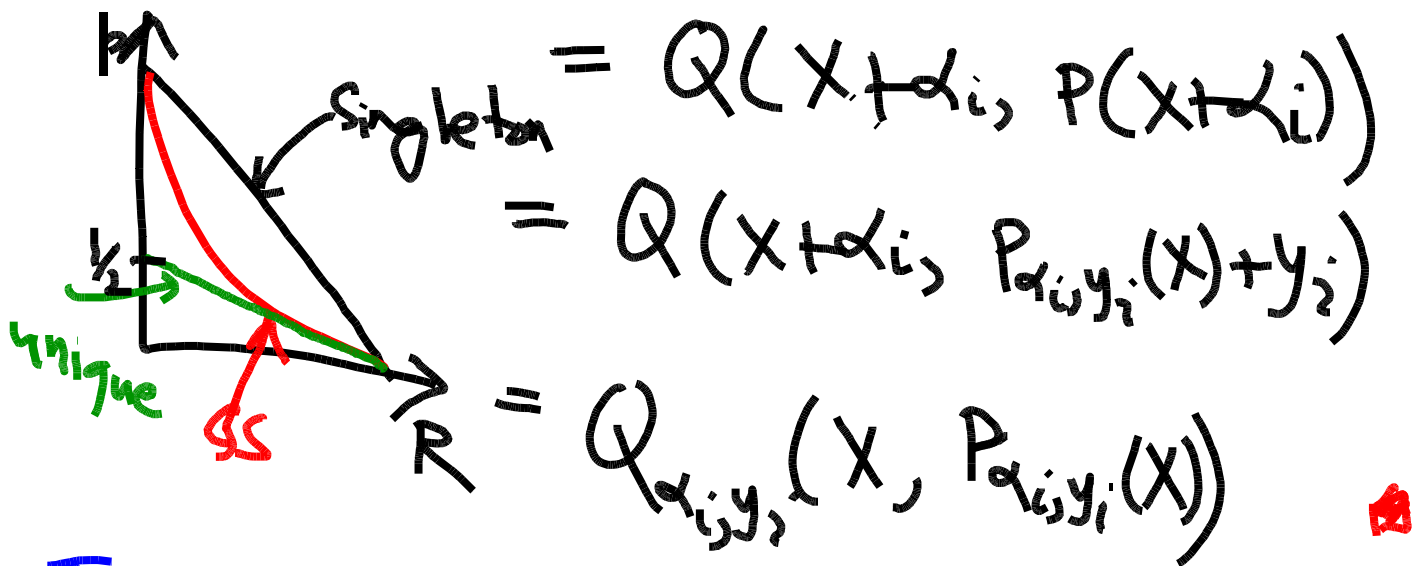
$$= \sum_{i \geq 0} q'_{i,j} X^{i+j} g(X)^j$$

By defn of mult,  
 $q'_{i,j} = 0$  if  $i+j \leq r-1$

$\neq 0$  if  $i+j \geq r$   
 $\Rightarrow$  every term has  $X^r$  in it

Pf of Claim:

$$R_{\alpha_i, y_i}(X) = R(X + \alpha_i)$$



def

$P_{\alpha_i, y_i}$

$R$

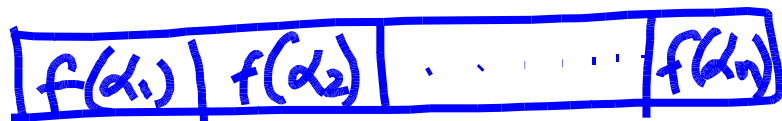
$P_{\alpha_i, y_i}$

$Q_{\alpha_i, y_i}$

THM: RS codes can be list decoded upto  $1/\sqrt{R}$  frac. of errors in poly time.

# Folded RS

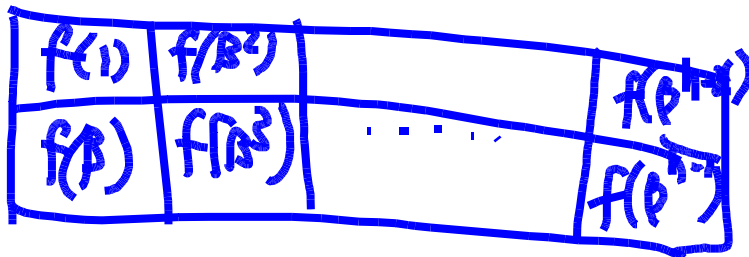
$f(x)$



$\alpha_i = \beta^{i-1}$



one symbol / folding parameter  $s=2$



$\beta$  is generator of  $\mathbb{F}_q \setminus \{0\}$

$\mathbb{F}_q^* = \{1, \beta, \beta^2, \dots, \beta^{q-2}\}$

$n = q - 1$

$K = \frac{k}{s}$

$N = \frac{n}{s}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{K}{N} = \frac{k/n}{s}$

folding with  $s$ :

$(f(1), f(\beta), \dots)$

$s/n \downarrow$

$f(1)$	
$f(\beta)$	...
$f(\beta^{n-1})$	

RS:  $\mathbb{F}_q^k \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^n$ , FRS<sup>(s)</sup>:  $\mathbb{F}_q^k \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_{q^s}^{n/s}$