

Feb 23

REMINDERS!

- (*) HW 1 due by 11:59pm tonight
 - (→) Read piazza posts for clarifications
- (*) Video topic (submit via Google form) by 11:59pm NEXT Wed
 - (→) Not submitting this means ZERO ON REST of the project.
- (*) HW 2 out next Wed

RECAP:

$$q \geq 2$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 1$$

- (*) q-ary entropy fn: $H_q(x) = x \log_q(q-x) - x \log_q x - (1-x) \log_q(1-x)$

NOTE (not covered on Mon)

$$q^{H_q(x)} = \frac{q^{\log_q(q-x)^x}}{q^{\log_q x^x} \cdot q^{\log_q (1-x)^{1-x}}} = \frac{(q-1)^x}{x^x \cdot (1-x)^{1-x}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1-x)} \cdot \left(\frac{(q-1)(1-x)}{x} \right)^x \quad (*)$$

- (*) Volume of a Hamming ball: $\text{Vol}_q(r, n) = \sum_{i=0}^r \binom{n}{i} (q-1)^i$

- (*) PROPOSITION: $q \geq 2, 0 \leq p \leq 1 - \frac{1}{q}$

$$(i) \text{Vol}_q(pn, n) \leq q^{H_q(p)n}$$

$$(ii) \text{Vol}_q(pn, n) \geq q^{H_q(p)n - o(n)}$$

- (*) Big Goal: Optimal tradeoff b/w R & δ
 - Hamming code $R=1, \delta=0$
 - Hadamard code $R=0, \delta=\frac{1}{2}$
- Q: $R > 0, \delta > 0$?

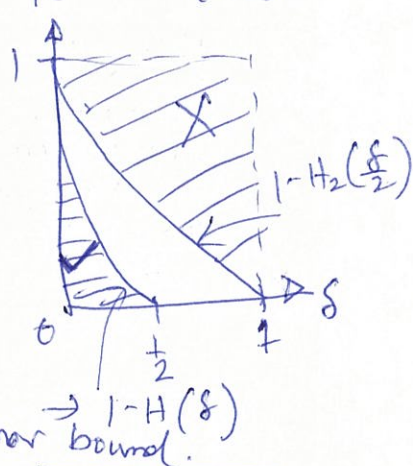
Volunteer for proof reading today? John

PLAN for today: (i) Prove PROPOSITION (i)
 (ii) Gilbert-Varshamov bound ($\Rightarrow R > 0, \delta > 0$)

(Recall) Hamming bound:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R = \frac{k}{n} &\leq \frac{1 - \log_q \text{Vol}_q \left(\left\lfloor \frac{d-1}{2} \right\rfloor, n \right)}{n} \approx \frac{1 - \log_q q^{H_q(\frac{\delta}{2})n - o(n)}}{n} \\
 &\leq 1 - \frac{\log_q q^{H_q(\frac{\delta}{2})n - o(n)}}{n} \\
 &= 1 - \frac{H_q(\frac{\delta}{2})n - o(n)}{n} \\
 &= 1 - H_q\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right) + o(1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d &= 2n \\
 \delta &\leq 1 - \frac{1}{q} \\
 \text{Vol}_q\left(\frac{\delta n}{2}, n\right) & \\
 [q=2]
 \end{aligned}$$



Prob (1) Show $\text{Vol}_q(p^n, n) \leq q^{H_q(p)n}$

$\equiv 1 \geq \text{Vol}_q(p^n, n) \cdot q^{-H_q(p)n}$

$q \geq 2$
 $0 \leq p \leq 1 - \frac{1}{q}$

Binomial expansion theorem $\rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= (p + (1-p))^n \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} p^i (1-p)^{n-i} \\
 &\geq \sum_{i=0}^{pn} \binom{n}{i} p^i (1-p)^{n-i} \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{pn} \binom{n}{i} (q-1)^i \left(\frac{p}{q-1}\right)^i (1-p)^{n-i} \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{pn} \binom{n}{i} (q-1)^i \cdot \left(\frac{p}{(q-1)(1-p)}\right)^i (1-p)^n \\
 &\geq \sum_{i=0}^{pn} \binom{n}{i} (q-1)^i \underbrace{\left(\frac{p}{(q-1)(1-p)}\right)^i}_{\leq 1} (1-p)^n \\
 &= q^{-H_q(p)n} \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{pn} \binom{n}{i} (q-1)^i \stackrel{\text{from (*)}}{=} q^{-H_q(p)n} \cdot \text{Vol}_q(p^n, n)
 \end{aligned}$$

Assume pn is an integer

Claim: $p \leq 1 - \frac{1}{q} \Leftrightarrow \frac{p}{(q-1)(1-p)} \leq 1$

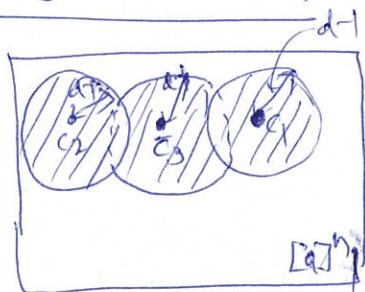
Gilbert-Varshamov bound (GV bound)

Thm: Let $q \geq 2$. For every $0 \leq \delta \leq 1 - \frac{1}{q}$, $0 \leq \epsilon \leq 1 - H_q(\delta)$,
 $\exists$ a (linear) code with relative distance δ , and

$$R \geq 1 - H_q(\delta) - \epsilon$$

2 proofs $\rightarrow$ Greedy construction ($\epsilon=0$) $\rightarrow$ not necessarily linear (Gilbert)
 $\rightarrow$ Randomized construction ($\epsilon>0$) $\rightarrow$ linear code (Varshamov)

Greedy construction



$$d = \delta n, \quad C \subseteq [q]^n$$

Algo: (1) $C \leftarrow \emptyset$

(2) While $\exists \bar{u} \in [q]^n$ s.t. $\Delta(\bar{u}, \bar{c}) \geq d$
 for all $\bar{c} \in C$

Add $\bar{u}$ to C

(3) return C

Claim 1: Algo terminates. [Time $q^{O(n)}$]

Claim 2: The code C that is output has distance $\geq d$.

PROP: $|C| \geq q^{n(1-H_q(\delta))} \quad (\Rightarrow R \geq 1 - H_q(\delta))$

Pf: $\bigcup_{\bar{c} \in C} B(\bar{c}, d-1) = [q]^n$ (as Algo has terminated)

$$\left| \bigcup_{\bar{c} \in C} B(\bar{c}, d-1) \right| = q^n \quad \left| \bigcup_{i=1}^m A_i \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^m |A_i|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow q^n &\leq \sum_{\bar{c} \in C} |B(\bar{c}, d-1)| \\ &= \sum_{\bar{c} \in C} \text{Vol}_q(d-1, n) = |C| \cdot \text{Vol}_q(d-1, n) \\ &\leq |C| \cdot \text{Vol}_q(d, n) \\ &= |C| \cdot \text{Vol}_q(\delta n, n) \quad [\delta \leq 1 - \frac{1}{q}] \\ &\leq |C| \cdot q^{H_q(\delta) \cdot n} \\ \Rightarrow |C| &\geq \frac{q^n}{q^{H_q(\delta) \cdot n}} = q^{n(1-H_q(\delta))} \quad \square \end{aligned}$$