

March 1

1 min checkin

Please turn ON your camera if you can

REMINDERS

(1) Video topic due by 11:59pm TONIGHT!

→ If your group doesn't submit the form then EVERYONE in the group gets a 0 in the rest of the project.

→ Only 6 groups have submitted by 4pm today 11pm on Tue

(2) HW 2 out by tonight

RECAP

(•) Volume of a Hamming ball:

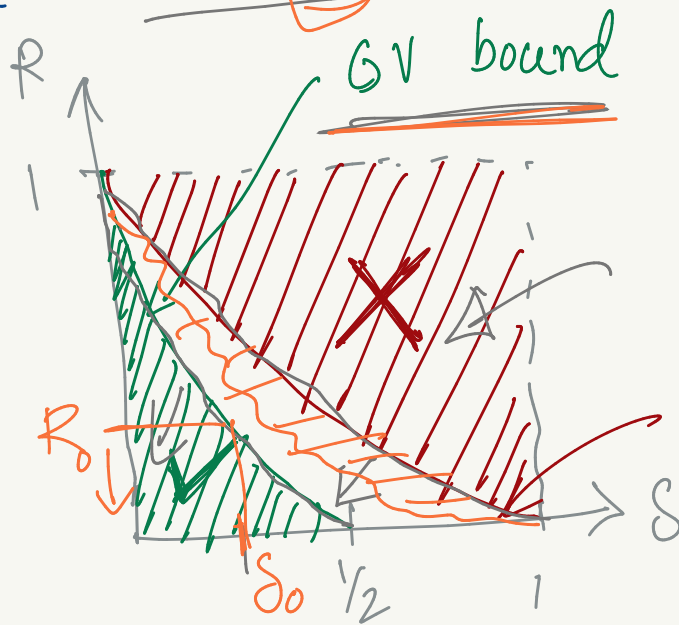
$$\text{Vol}_q(r, n) = |\{ \bar{y} \in [q]^n \mid \Delta(\bar{y}, \bar{x}) \leq r \}|$$

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

(•) GV bound: $R \geq 1 - H_q(\delta) - \epsilon$ (linear)

(•) Hamming bound: $R \leq 1 - H_q(\frac{\delta}{2}) + o(1)$

Big Q: optimal tradeoff b/w R and δ ?



Plan for today

(•) Prove GV bound

→ We'll use probabilistic arguments today!

Gilbert-Varschamov (GV) bound

Thm: Let $q \geq 2$, $0 \leq \delta \leq 1 - \frac{1}{q}$, $0 \leq \epsilon \leq 1 - H_q(\delta)$

$\exists$ a (linear) code with rel. dist. δ

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

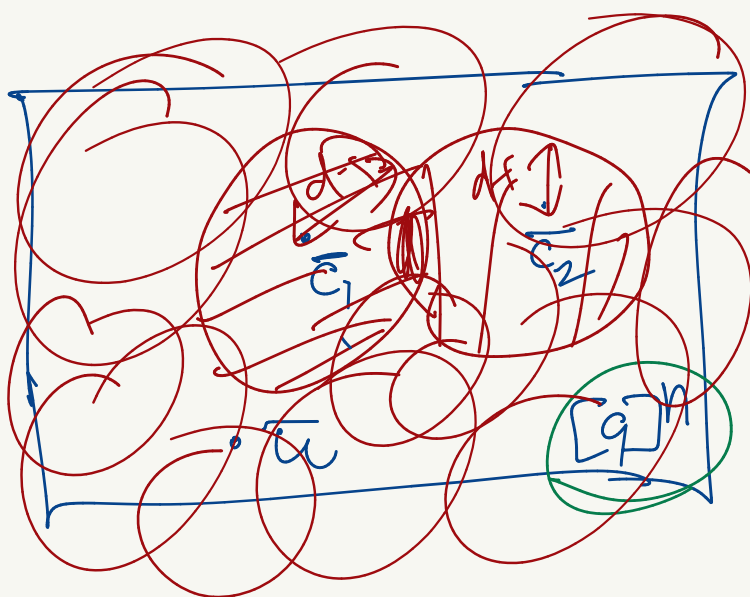
2 proofs: $\rightarrow$ Greedy construction ($\epsilon = 0$) $\rightarrow$ not necessarily a linear code [Gilbert]

$\rightarrow$ Randomized construction (linear codes) [Varschamov]

Q: How would you construct a code with given distance $d = \delta n$? Hint: Greedy algo

Greedy construction

$\uparrow$ not nec. efficient



Algo

(1) $C \leftarrow \emptyset$

(2) While $\bar{u} \in [q]^n$ s.t.

$\Delta(\bar{u}, \bar{c}) \geq d \quad \forall \bar{c} \in C$

Add $\bar{u}$ to C

(3) Return C $\leftarrow$ need not be linear

Claim 1: Algo terminates [loop (2) runs at most q^n time]

Claim 2: C returned by Algo has dist $\geq d$ (by construction or algo def.)

Proposition: $|C| \geq q^{n(1-H_q(\epsilon))}$

$$k = \dim(C) \geq n(1-H_q(\epsilon))$$

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

pf: As the algo terminates

$$\bigcup_{\bar{c} \in C} B(\bar{c}, d-1) = [q]^n$$

(if not then $\exists$ a $\bar{u}$ that you can add to C)

$$\Rightarrow \left| \bigcup_{\bar{c} \in C} B(\bar{c}, d-1) \right| = q^n$$

$$\leq \sum_{\bar{c} \in C} |B(\bar{c}, d-1)|$$

$$\Rightarrow q^n \leq \sum_{\bar{c} \in C} |B(\bar{c}, d-1)|$$

$$\Rightarrow q^n \leq |C| \cdot q^{H_q(\epsilon)n} = \sum_{\bar{c} \in C} \text{Vol}_q(d-1, n)$$

$$\Rightarrow |C| \geq \frac{q^n}{q^{H_q(\epsilon)n}} \leq \sum_{\bar{c} \in C} \text{Vol}_q(d, n)$$

$$= q^{n(1-H_q(\epsilon))} = |C| \cdot \text{Vol}_q(\epsilon n, n) \leq |C| \cdot q^{H_q(\epsilon)n}$$

$$\left| \bigcup_{i=1}^m A_i \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^m |A_i|$$

Varshamov's construction

$\forall \epsilon \geq 0$

Linear codes with rel. dist $\geq \delta$, $R \geq 1 - H_q(\delta) - \epsilon$

$\epsilon > 0$

Probabilistic method

$\Pr$ [a random linear code of rate $\geq 1 - H_q(\delta) - \epsilon$ has rel dist $\geq \delta$] > 0

over distr. of random linear codes

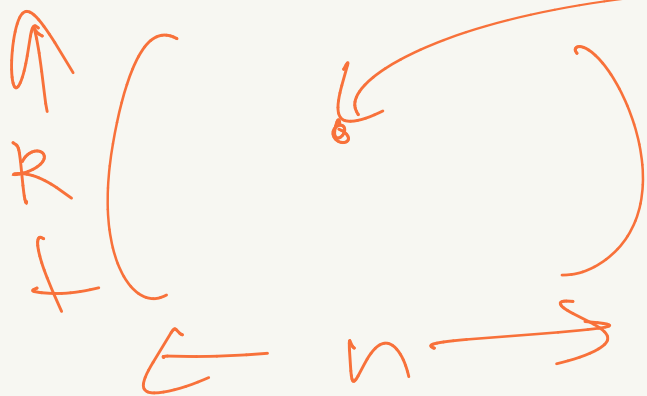
$\Rightarrow \exists$ a

$$R = \lfloor (1 - H_q(\delta) - \epsilon)n \rfloor$$

What family of random linear codes

Pick any $G \in \mathbb{F}_q^{k \times n}$

uniformly at random



pick each entry independently uniformly at random for $\mathbb{F}_q$

$\Rightarrow$ for each $G \in \mathbb{F}_q^{k \times n}$ gives a linear code on SV based.

$\Pr [\text{a random linear code of rate } \geq 1 - H_2(\delta) - \epsilon \text{ has rel dist } \geq \delta] > 0$

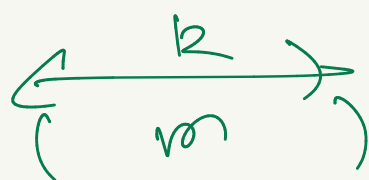
new goal

$\equiv \Pr [\text{a random linear code of rate } 1 - H_2(\delta) - \epsilon \text{ and dim } k \text{ has rel. dist } < \delta] < 1.$

Probability Lemma

read Sec 3.1, 3.2

Lemma 1: Let $\bar{m} \in \mathbb{F}_q^k$ is non-zero. Let $G \in \mathbb{F}_q^{k \times n}$ is picked uniformly at random



$$\begin{pmatrix} G \end{pmatrix}_{\substack{\uparrow k \\ \leftarrow n}} = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow n \\ \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$$

$\bar{m}G \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$ is also uniformly random.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \bar{0} \cdot G \\ \vdots \\ \bar{0} \cdot G \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \bar{0}$$

w.p. 1

Lemma 2: (Union Bound)

$$\Pr \left[\bigvee_{i=1}^m E_i \right] \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \Pr [E_i]$$