

REMINDERS:

Feb 28

(1) Video topic due (via G form) by 11:59pm this week

↳ If you miss the deadline, you have a ZERO ON REST of the project

(2) New piazza response time policy

(3) Please ask Q if something doesn't make sense

↳ Things are going to get only more complicated.

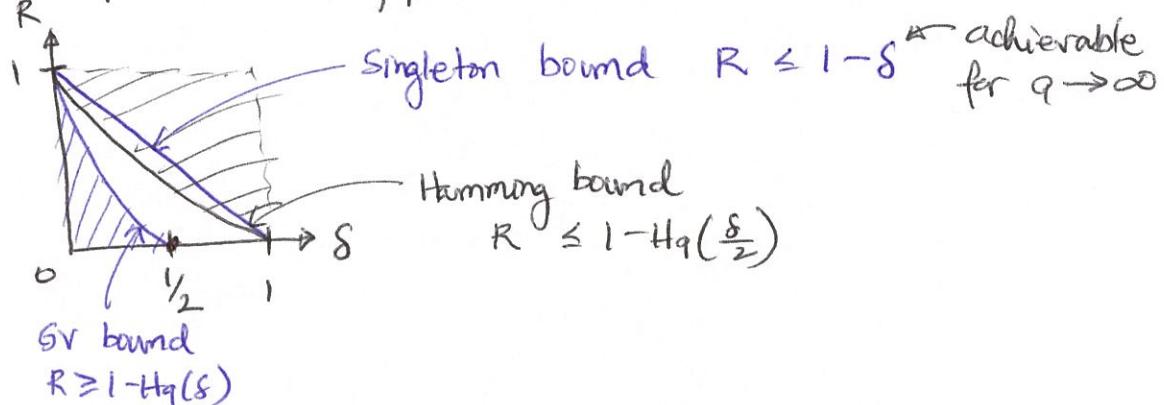
(4) Changes to Yunus' office hours coming soon

(5) HW 1 graded

↳ Please read the  
regrade policy  
AND FOLLOW IT!

RECAP! Big Q → Optimal tradeoff between R & S?

$q=2$



Q2) Can we get  $R > 0, S > 1 - \frac{1}{q}$ ?

Q4) Tighten gap between upper & lower bounds?

Q5) Can we get  $R = 1-S$  with fixed  $q$ ?

PROOF READER for today: Thy

PLAN for today: Plotkin bound. (Answers Q2, Q4, Q5)

PLOTKIN BOUND!  $C \subseteq [q]^n$  be a code of dist d

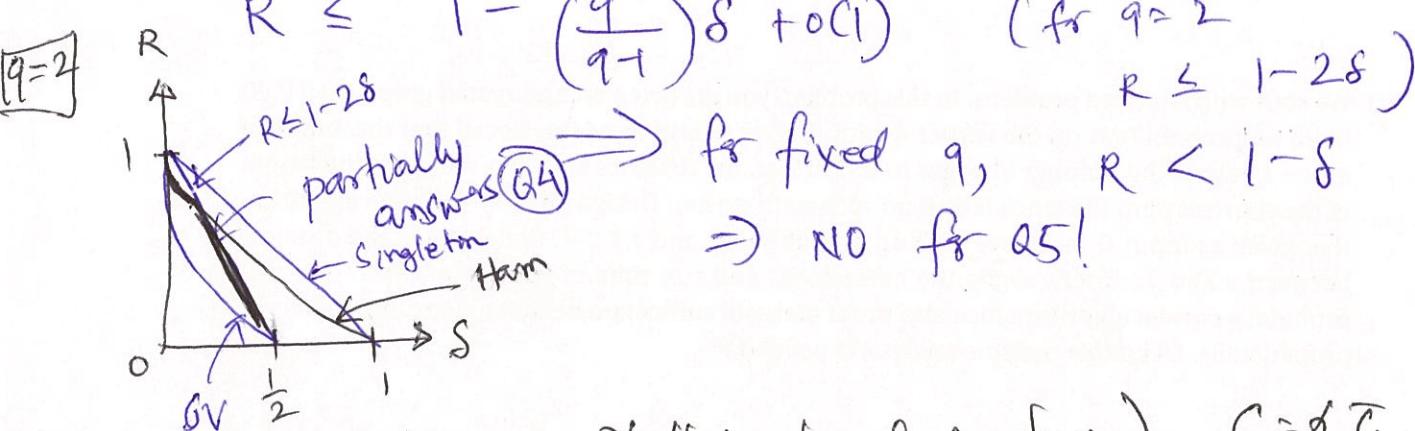
(i) If  $d = (1 - \frac{1}{q})n \Rightarrow |C| \leq 2qn$  (for  $q=2$ ,  $|C| \leq 2n$ )  
↑ tight.

(ii) If  $d > (1 - \frac{1}{q})n \Rightarrow |C| \leq \frac{qd}{qd - (q-1)n} \leq qd$   
 $= qd > (q-1)n$

for fixed  $q$ ,  $\dim(C)$  is  $O(\log_q 2qn) = O(\log n) \Rightarrow R(C) = 0$

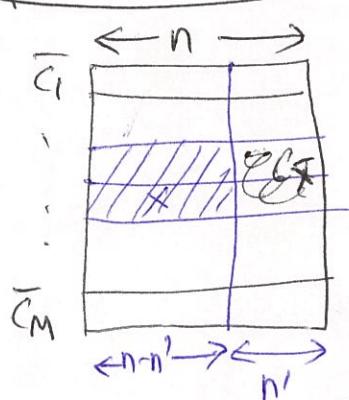
Reminder: Hadamard code has  $\dim \log_2 n$  & dist  $\frac{n}{2}$   
⇒ NO to Q2

COR: Any  $q$ -ary code of relative dist  $\delta$  and rate  $R$ ,



for fixed  $q$ ,  $R \leq 1 - \delta$   
 $\Rightarrow$  NO for Q5!

If of Corollary: (Assume Plotkin bound is free)  $C = \{C_1, \dots, C_M\}$



$$n' = \left\lfloor \frac{qd}{q-1} \right\rfloor - 1 \quad d = \delta n.$$

$$\text{And } \bar{x} \in [q]^{n-n'}$$

$$C_{\bar{x}} = \{ (c_{n-n'+1}, \dots, c_n) \mid (c_1, \dots, c_n) \in C, (c_1, \dots, c_{n-n'}) = \bar{x} \}$$

$C_{\bar{x}}$  has dist  $d$  (as  $C$  has dist  $\geq d$ )

Block length of  $C_{\bar{x}}$  is  $n' < \frac{qd}{q-1}$

$$= qd > n'(q-1)$$

$\Rightarrow$  By (ii) of Plotkin bound,  $|C_{\bar{x}}| \leq qd$ .

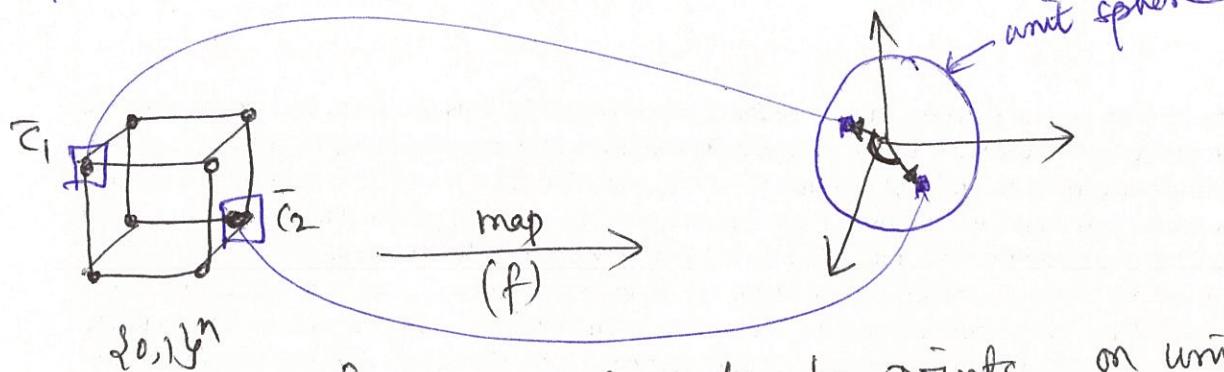
$$q^{Rn} = M = \sum_{\bar{x} \in [q]^{n-n'}} |C_{\bar{x}}| \leq \sum_{\bar{x} \in [q]^{n-n'}} qd = q^{n-n'} \cdot \underbrace{qd}_{q^{\circ(n)}}$$

$$= q^{n-n'+o(n)} \leq q^{n - \frac{qd}{q-1} + 2 + o(n)}$$

$$n' \geq \frac{qd}{q-1} - 2 \rightarrow = q^{n - \frac{q\delta n}{q-1} + o(n)}$$

$$\Rightarrow Rn \leq n - \frac{q\delta n}{q-1} + o(n) \Rightarrow R \leq 1 - \left( \frac{q}{q-1} \right) \delta + o(1)$$

# (\*) Proof overview of Plotkin bound



Mapping lemma:  $f$  maps  $\mathbb{C}$  to points on unit sphere  
s.t. if  $\Delta(c_1, \bar{c}_2) \geq (1 - \frac{1}{q})n$   $\Rightarrow$  corresponding points on the sphere are at an obtuse angle.

Geometric lemma: Cannot have too many points on the sphere such that all pairs are at an obtuse angle.

$$\bar{u}, \bar{w} \in \mathbb{R}^N \quad \langle \bar{u}, \bar{w} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N u_i w_i \quad \|u\| = \sqrt{\langle \bar{u}, \bar{u} \rangle} \\ \bar{u} \text{ is unit if } \|u\| = 1 \quad = \sqrt{u_1^2 + \dots + u_N^2}$$

Geometric lemma: Let  $\bar{u}_1, \dots, \bar{u}_m \in \mathbb{R}^N$  be non-zero vectors

- (1) If  $\langle \bar{u}_i, \bar{u}_j \rangle \leq 0 \Rightarrow m \leq 2N$
- (2) Let  $\|u_i\| = 1$  for all  $i$ . If  $\langle \bar{u}_i, \bar{u}_j \rangle \leq -\varepsilon < 0$   $\forall i \neq j \Rightarrow m \leq 1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$

Mapping lemma:  $C \subseteq [q]^n$ ,  $\exists f: C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{q^n}$  s.t.

- (i)  $\forall \bar{c} \in C$ ,  $\|f(\bar{c})\| = 1$
- (ii)  $\forall \bar{c}_1 \neq \bar{c}_2 \in C$ ,  $\langle f(\bar{c}_1), f(\bar{c}_2) \rangle = 1 - \left(\frac{q-1}{q-1}\right)^{\Delta(\bar{c}_1, \bar{c}_2)} \frac{d}{n}$

Proof of Plotkin bound:  $C = \{\bar{c}_1, \dots, \bar{c}_M\}$

By mapping lemma  $\forall \bar{c}_1 \neq \bar{c}_2 \in C$ ,  $\langle f(\bar{c}_1), f(\bar{c}_2) \rangle$   
As  $C$  has <sup>distinct</sup> elements  $\leq 1 - \left(\frac{q-1}{q-1}\right)^{\frac{d}{n}}$

Case 1:  $d = (1 - \frac{1}{q})n = \frac{(q-1)}{q}n$   $\Rightarrow \forall i \neq j$ ,  $\langle f(\bar{c}_i), f(\bar{c}_j) \rangle \leq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{n} = \frac{q-1}{q} \Leftrightarrow 1 - \left(\frac{q-1}{q-1}\right)^{\frac{d}{n}} = 0$   $\xrightarrow{\text{Geo lemma}} M \leq 2qn$