5. Extended Euclidean algorithm and interpolation from erroneous data

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- Tue 15 Jan: 1. Polynomials and integers
- Tue 22 Jan: 2. The fast Fourier transform and fast multiplication
- Tue 29 Jan: 3. Quotient and remainder
- Tue 5 Feb: 4. Batch evaluation and interpolation
- Tue 12 Feb: 5. Extended Euclidean algorithm and interpolation from erroneous data
- *Tue 19 Feb: Exam week no lecture*
- Tue 27 Feb: 6. Identity testing and probabilistically checkable proofs
- *Tue 5 Mar:* Break no lecture
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- Tue 19 Mar: 8. Factoring polynomials over finite fields
- Tue 26 Mar: 9. Factoring integers

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L = Lecture;

hall T5, Tue 12-14

Q = Q & A session; hall T5, Thu 12–14

D = Problem set deadline; Sun 20:00

T = Tutorial (model solutions); hall T6, Mon 16–18

- ► Fast batch evaluation and interpolation of polynomials
- Reduction to fast quotient and remainder
 -divide-and-conquer recursive remaindering along a subproduct tree
- Secret sharing by randomization

Goal: Near-linear-time toolbox for univariate polynomials

- Multiplication
- Division (quotient and remainder)
- Batch evaluation
- ► Interpolation
- Extended Euclidean algorithm (gcd) (this week)
- Interpolation from partly erroneous data (this week)



Chapter 5

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- After this week we have completed our work on the near-linear time toolbox for univariate polynomials
- ► This week is also our first encounter with uncertainty in computation
- This week we learn how to cope with uncertainty in the form of errors in data by using error-correcting codes
- Next week look at errors in computation ...

Fast extended Euclidean algorithm (for polynomials)

(von zur Gathen and Gerhard [11], Section 11.1)



Fast interpolation from partly erroneous data

(Gao [10])

Chapter 5

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Abstract A new algorithm is developed for decoding Reed-Solomon codes. It uses fask Fourier transforms and computes the message symbols directly without explicitly finding error locations or error magnitudes. In the decoding radius (up to half of the minimum distance), the new method is easily adapted for error and ersaure decoding. It can also detect all errors outside the decoding radius. Compared with the Berlekamp-Massey algorithm, discovered in the late 1900's, the new method seems simpler and more natural yet it has a similar time complexity.

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Fast extended Euclidean algorithm (for integers)

(Möller [20])

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1. INTRODUCTION

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Section $\underline{\mathbb{S}}$ describes a GCD algorithm modeled on Schönhage's algorithm for reduction of binary quadratic forms $[\mathbb{S}]$, and in Section $\underline{\mathbb{S}}$, this algorithm is reorganized into half-GCD form, resulting in a novel GCD algorithm. Section $\underline{\mathbb{I}}$ describes the implementation of the different GCD algorithms, their running times, and code complexity.

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- Extended Euclidean algorithm for polynomials recalled and expanded
 - The **quotient sequence**, the **Bézout coefficients**, and the **halting threshold**
- ► Fast extended Euclidean algorithm for polynomials by **divide and conquer**
 - The two polynomial operands **truncated** to a prefix of the highest-degree monomials determine the prefix of the quotient sequence (exercise)
- Coping with errors in data using error-correcting codes
- A family of error-correcting codes (Reed-Solomon codes) based on evaluation-interpolation duality for univariate polynomials
 - ► Key observation: low-degree polynomials have few roots (exercise)
 - ► Fast **encoding** and **decoding** of Reed–Solomon codes via the fast univariate polynomial toolkit and **Gao's** (2003) **decoder**

Extended Euclidean algorithm (for polynomials)

- Let *F* be a field and let $f, g \in F[x]$ with deg $f \ge \deg g \ge 0$
- Traditional extended Euclidean algorithm:

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1. r_0 \leftarrow f, s_0 \leftarrow 1, t_0 \leftarrow 0,
     r_1 \leftarrow g, s_1 \leftarrow 0, t_1 \leftarrow 1
2. i \leftarrow 1.
     while r_i \neq 0 do
              q_i \leftarrow r_{i-1} quo r_i
              r_{i+1} \leftarrow r_{i-1} - q_i r_i
              S_{i+1} \leftarrow S_{i-1} - q_i S_i
              t_{i+1} \leftarrow t_{i-1} - q_i t_i
              i \leftarrow i + 1
3 l \leftarrow i - 1
     return \ell, r_i, s_i, t_i for i = 0, 1, ..., \ell + 1, and q_i for i = 1, 2, ..., \ell
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We want a faster algorithm

Example (over $\mathbb{Z}_2[x]$)

- Let $f = x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_2[x]$ and $g = x^5 + x^4 + 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_2[x]$
- ► We obtain

i	r _i	Si	ti	q_i
0	$x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$	1	0	
1	$x^5 + x^4 + 1$	0	1	1
2	$x^3 + x^2 + x$	1	1	$x^{2} + 1$
3	$x^2 + x + 1$	$x^2 + 1$	<i>x</i> ²	x
4	0	$x^3 + x + 1$	$x^{3} + 1$	

► In particular $\ell = 3$ and $r_{\ell} = x^2 + x + 1$ is a greatest common divisor of $x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$ and $x^5 + x^4 + 1$

- The sequence q_1, q_2, \ldots, q_ℓ is the **quotient sequence** produced by the algorithm
- The polynomial *r_i* is the **remainder** at iteration *i*
- ► The polynomials *s_i* and *t_i* are the **Bézout coefficients** at iteration *i*
- The Bézout coefficients satisfy $r_i = s_i r_0 + t_i r_1$

- Let *F* be a field and let $f, g \in F[x]$ with $d \ge \deg f \ge \deg g \ge 0$
- ► Desired output: The quotients q₁, q₂,..., q_h and two consecutive rows r_h, s_h, t_h and r_{h+1}, s_{h+1}, t_{h+1} for a choice of h = 1, 2, ..., l
- Using $O(M(d) \log d)$ operations in F

The degree sequences m_i and n_i

- ► It will be convenient to work with the following two sequences
- For $i = 1, 2, ..., \ell + 1$ let

 $m_i = \deg q_i$

where, for convenience, we let $m_{\ell+1} = \infty$

• For $i = 0, 1, ..., \ell + 1$, let

 $n_i = \deg r_i$

recalling that $n_{\ell+1} = \deg 0 = -\infty$

- By assumption, we have deg $r_0 \ge \deg r_1 \ge 0$
- Since we have $r_{i+1} = r_{i-1} q_i r_i$ and deg $r_i > \deg r_{i+1}$ for all $i = 1, 2, ..., \ell$, it follows that

 $n_{i-1} = n_i + m_i$

- Let $f = x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_2[x]$ and $g = x^5 + x^4 + 1 \in \mathbb{Z}_2[x]$
- ► We obtain



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• Given a threshold parameter $k = 0, 1, ..., n_0$ as input, we want the algorithm to halt at iteration h = h(k) determined by

 $m_1+m_2+\ldots+m_h\leq k$

and

 $m_1 + m_2 + \ldots + m_h + m_{h+1} > k$

• In particular, we observe that $0 \le h \le \ell$

• Equivalently, since $n_i = n_{i-1} - m_i$ for $i = 1, 2, ..., \ell + 1$, we have

 $n_h \geq n_0 - k$

and

 $n_{h+1} < n_0 - k$

► That is, the algorithm halts at the unique iteration $h = 0, 1, ..., \ell$ when the degree of r_{h+1} for the first time decreases below $n_0 - k$

► Let

$$f = \varphi_n x^n + \varphi_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \ldots + \varphi_1 x + \varphi_0 \in F[x]$$

with **leading coefficient** $lc f = \varphi_n \neq 0$

• For $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, define the **truncated polynomial**

$$f \upharpoonright k = \varphi_n x^k + \varphi_{n-1} x^{k-1} + \ldots + \varphi_{n-k+1} x + \varphi_{n-k} \in F[x]$$

where we set $\varphi_i = 0$ for i < 0 as necessary

- For k ≥ 0 we have that f ↾ k is a polynomial of degree k whose coefficients are the k + 1 highest coefficients of f
- For k < 0 we have $f \upharpoonright k = 0$
- For all $i = 0, 1, \dots$ we have $(fx^i) \upharpoonright k = f \upharpoonright k$

Example: Truncating a polynomial

• Let us work with the polynomial

$$f = 2 + 9x + 10x^2 + 4x^3 \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$$

• We obtain the truncations

 $f \upharpoonright -2 = 0$ $f \upharpoonright -1 = 0$ $f \upharpoonright 0 = 4$ $f \upharpoonright 1 = 10 + 4x$ $f \upharpoonright 2 = 9 + 10x + 4x^2$ $f \upharpoonright 3 = 2 + 9x + 10x^2 + 4x^3$ $f \upharpoonright 4 = 2x + 9x^2 + 10x^3 + 4x^4$ $f \upharpoonright 5 = 2x^2 + 9x^3 + 10x^4 + 4x^5$

- Let $f, g, \tilde{f}, \tilde{g} \in F[x] \setminus \{0\}$ with deg $f \ge \deg g$ and deg $\tilde{f} \ge \deg \tilde{g}$
- ► For $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, we say that (f, g) and (\tilde{f}, \tilde{g}) coincide up to k and write $(f, g) \equiv_k (\tilde{f}, \tilde{g})$ if

$$f \upharpoonright k = \tilde{f} \upharpoonright k$$
$$g \upharpoonright (k - (\deg f - \deg g)) = \tilde{g} \upharpoonright (k - (\deg \tilde{f} - \deg \tilde{g}))$$

► Remark: If $(f,g) \equiv_k (\tilde{f},\tilde{g})$ and $k \ge \deg f - \deg g$, then $\deg f - \deg g = \deg \tilde{f} - \deg \tilde{g}$

Example: Coinciding pairs of polynomials

► The pairs

and

$$f = 7 + 2x + x^{2} + x^{3} + 10x^{4} + 7x^{5} + x^{6} + 5x^{7} + 9x^{8} + 5x^{9} + 7x^{10} \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$$

$$g = 3 + 7x + 4x^{2} + 2x^{3} + 2x^{4} + 6x^{5} + 3x^{6} + 2x^{7} + 4x^{8} \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$$

$$\tilde{f} = 1 + 5x + 9x^2 + 5x^3 + 7x^4 \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$$
$$\tilde{g} = 3 + 2x + 4x^2 \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$$

coincide up to 4

• Indeed, we have deg f = 10, deg g = 8, deg $\tilde{f} = 4$, and deg $\tilde{g} = 2$, with $f \upharpoonright 4 = \tilde{f} \upharpoonright 4 = 1 + 5x + 9x^2 + 5x^3 + 7x^4$ $g \upharpoonright 2 = \tilde{g} \upharpoonright 2 = 3 + 2x + 4x^2$

Quotients of coinciding pairs of polynomials

► The following lemma enables us to design a divide-and-conquer extended Euclidean algorithm by truncating the operands to division

Lemma 8 (Sufficiently coinciding pairs of polynomials have identical quotients) Suppose that $(f, g) \equiv_{2k} (\tilde{f}, \tilde{g})$ for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $k \ge \deg f - \deg g \ge 0$. Define $q, r, \tilde{q}, \tilde{r} \in F[x]$ by division with quotients and remainders as follows

$$\begin{split} f &= qg + r, \qquad \deg r < \deg g\,, \\ \tilde{f} &= \tilde{q}\tilde{g} + \tilde{r}, \qquad \deg \tilde{r} < \deg \tilde{g}\,. \end{split}$$

Then, $q = \tilde{q}$ and at least one of the following holds $(g, r) \equiv_{2(k-\deg q)} (\tilde{g}, \tilde{r})$ or r = 0 or $k - \deg q < \deg g - \deg r$.

Proof.

Exercise

Example: Quotient of coinciding pairs of polynomials

► The pairs

$$f = 7 + 2x + x^{2} + x^{3} + 10x^{4} + 7x^{5} + x^{6} + 5x^{7} + 9x^{8} + 5x^{9} + 7x^{10} \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$$

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and

$$\tilde{f} = 1 + 5x + 9x^2 + 5x^3 + 7x^4 \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$$
$$\tilde{g} = 3 + 2x + 4x^2 \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$$

coincide up to 4, with $4 \ge \deg f - \deg g = 2$

Accordingly (by Lemma 8), the quotients agree:

 $f \operatorname{quo} g = 9 + 10x + 10x^{2}$ $\tilde{f} \operatorname{quo} \tilde{g} = 9 + 10x + 10x^{2}$

Quotient sequences of coinciding pairs of polynomials

► Now let us study what happens in the extended Euclidean algorithm if we execute it for two inputs, (r_0, r_1) and $(\tilde{r}_0, \tilde{r}_1)$, with deg $r_0 \ge \deg r_1 \ge 0$ and deg $\tilde{r}_0 \ge \deg \tilde{r}_1 \ge 0$:

$r_0 = q_1 r_1 + r_2,$	$\tilde{r}_0 = \tilde{q}_1 \tilde{r}_1 + \tilde{r}_2$
$r_1 = q_2 r_2 + r_3,$	$\tilde{r}_1 = \tilde{q}_2 \tilde{r}_2 + \tilde{r}_3$
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$r_{i-1}=q_ir_i+r_{i+1},$	$\tilde{r}_{i-1} = \tilde{q}_i \tilde{r}_i + \tilde{r}_{i+1}$
:	:
$r_{\ell-1}=q_\ell r_\ell,$	$\tilde{r}_{\tilde{\ell}-1} = \tilde{q}_{\tilde{\ell}}\tilde{r}_{\tilde{\ell}}$

► In particular, our interest is on the case $(r_0, r_1) \equiv_{2k} (\tilde{r}_0, \tilde{r}_1) \dots$

Quotient sequences of coinciding pairs of polynomials

• We can now study the execution on two *coinciding* inputs (r_0, r_1) and $(\tilde{r}_0, \tilde{r}_1)$ with deg $r_0 \ge \deg r_1 \ge 0$ and deg $\tilde{r}_0 \ge \deg \tilde{r}_1 \ge 0$ as follows

Lemma 9 (Identical quotient sequences up to the halting threshold) Let $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $(r_0, r_1) \equiv_{2k} (\tilde{r}_0, \tilde{r}_1)$. Then, $h(k) = \tilde{h}(k)$ with $q_i = \tilde{q}_i$ for all i = 1, 2, ..., h(k).

Proof sketch.

By induction on *i* and using Lemma 8 for the induction step, the following holds for all $0 \le i \le h(k)$: we have $i \le \tilde{h}(k)$, $q_i = \tilde{q}_i$, and at least one of the following holds: i = h(k) or $(r_i, r_{i+1}) \equiv_{2(k-\sum_{j=1}^{i} m_j)} (\tilde{r}_i, \tilde{r}_{i+1})$.

Example: Quotient sequences of coinciding pairs

• Let us run the extended Euclidean algorithm for a pair of polynomials in $\mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$:

- <i>i</i> -	q_i	<i>r_i</i>	s _i	t _i
0		$7 + x + 3x^2 + 5x^3 + 9x^4 + 10x^5 + 7x^6$	1	0
1	4	$4 + 10x + 7x^2 + 4x^3 + 7x^4 + 4x^5 + 10x^6$	0	1
2	4 + 2x	$2 + 5x + 8x^2 + 3x^4 + 5x^5$	1	7
3	4 + 10x	$7 + 8x + 9x^2 + 10x^3 + 6x^4$	7 + 9x	6 + 8x
4	2 + 3x	$7 + 2x + 2x^2 + 2x^3$	$6 + 4x + 9x^2$	$5 + 7x + 8x^2$
5	10 + 9x	$4 + 5x + 10x^2$	$6 + 5x + 3x^2 + 6x^3$	$7 + x + 7x^2 + 9x^3$
6	4 + 8x	4 <i>x</i>	$1 + 10x + x^3 + x^4$	$1 + 6x^2 + x^3 + 7x^4$
7	x	4	$2 + x + 2x^3 + 10x^4 + 3x^5$	$3 + 4x + 5x^2 + x^3 + 8x^4 + 10x^5$
8		0	$1 + 8x + 10x^2 + x^3 + 10x^4 + x^5 + 8x^6$	$1 + 8x + 2x^2 + 7x^3 + 6x^4 + 3x^5 + x^6$

• Here is a run on a pair that coincides with the first pair up to length 2k = 4:

- <i>i</i> -	q_i		s _i	t _i
0		$3 + 5x + 9x^2 + 10x^3 + 7x^4$	1	0
1	4	$7 + 4x + 7x^2 + 4x^3 + 10x^4$	0	1
2	4 + 2x	$8 + 3x^2 + 5x^3$	1	7
3	4 + 10x	$8 + 10x + 6x^2$	7 + 9x	6 + 8x
4	6x	9 + x	$6 + 4x + 9x^2$	$5 + 7x + 8x^2$
5	8 + 7 <i>x</i>	8	$7 + 6x + 9x^2 + x^3$	$6 + 2x^2 + 7x^3$
6		0	$5+6x+5x^2+6x^3+4x^4$	$1 + 9x + 3x^2 + 7x^3 + 6x^4$

► Observe that the quotient sequences agree up to total degree deg q₁ + deg q₂ + ... + deg q_{h(k)} ≤ k with h(k) = 3

A divide-and-conquer extended Euclidean algorihtm

- We now use Lemma 9 to design a fast divide-and-conquer version of the extended Euclidean algorihtm
- For a given input (r₀, r₁) ∈ F[x]² with deg r₀ ≥ deg r₁ ≥ 0 and halting parameter k ≥ 0, the key idea is to truncate the input using the "["-operator and build the quotient sequence q₁, q₂,..., q_{h(k)} using two recursive calls with halting parameter at most [k/2] each
- ► That is, the idea essentially to use the first recursive call to recover q₁, q₂, ..., q_{h(⌊k/2⌋)}, then compute (as needed) the next quotient q_{h(⌊k/2⌋)+1} explicitly, and then make a second recursive call (as needed) to recover the rest of the quotient sequence q₁, q₂, ..., q_{h(k)}
- ► With careful implementation, this leads to an algorithm that runs in O(M(k) log k) operations in F
- ► Before describing the algorithm in detail, let us recall some further terminology ...

Invariants of the extended Euclidean algorithm

Recall the matrices

$$R_0 = \begin{bmatrix} s_0 & t_0 \\ s_1 & t_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad Q_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -q_i \end{bmatrix} \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, \ell$$

and $R_i = Q_i Q_{i-1} \cdots Q_1 R_0 \in F[x]^{2 \times 2}$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, \ell$ from the analysis of the traditional extended Euclidean algorithm in Problem Set 1

- We recall that for all $i = 0, 1, ..., \ell$ we have $R_i = \begin{bmatrix} s_i & t_i \\ s_{i+1} & t_{i+1} \end{bmatrix}$ and $R_i \begin{bmatrix} r_0 \\ r_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_i \\ r_{i+1} \end{bmatrix}$
- ► Our algorithm design will be such that on input (r₀, r₁) and k it produces as output (i) the value h(k), (ii) the quotient sequence q₁, q₂, ..., q_{h(k)}, and (iii) the matrix R_{h(k)} ...

Truncating inputs to the extended Euclidean algorithm

- ► Let us write $h(k), q_1, q_2, ..., q_{h(k)}, R_{h(k)} \leftarrow \text{extgcd}(k, r_0, r_1)$ to indicate that the algorithm produces the output $h(k), q_1, q_2, ..., q_{h(k)}, R_{h(k)}$ on input k, r_0, r_1 with deg $r_0 \ge \text{deg } r_1 \ge 0$
- Lemma 9 now implies that we have

$$\operatorname{extgcd}(k, r_0, r_1) = \operatorname{extgcd}(k, r_0 \upharpoonright 2k, r_1 \upharpoonright (2k - (\deg r_0 - \deg r_1)))$$
(30)

- In particular, we can assemble the output recursively so that the input polynomials to each recursive call are truncated in degree to the minimum enabled by (30)
- ► We are now ready for the detailed pseudocode of the algorithm ...

A divide-and-conquer extended Euclidean algorithm I

- ► Let *F* be a field and let $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $r_0, r_1 \in F[x]$ with deg $r_0 \ge \deg r_1$ and $r_0 \ne 0$ be given as input
- 1. If $k < \deg r_0 \deg r_1$ holds, then return with output $h(k) \leftarrow 0$ and $R_{h(k)} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- 2. If k = 0 and deg $r_0 = \deg r_1$ hold, then return with output $h(k) \leftarrow 1$, $q_1 = \frac{|c r_0|}{|c r_1|}$, and $R_{h(k)} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1\\ 1 & -\frac{|c r_0|}{|c r_1|} \end{bmatrix}$
- 3. Set $k_1 \leftarrow \lfloor k/2 \rfloor$
- 4. Make the first recursive call $h_1, q_1^{(1)}, q_2^{(1)}, \dots, q_{h_1}^{(1)}, R^{(1)} \leftarrow \operatorname{extgcd}(k_1, r_0 \upharpoonright 2k_1, r_1 \upharpoonright (2k_1 (\deg r_0 \deg r_1)))$
- 5. Compute the matrix-vector product $\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{r}_{h_1} \\ \tilde{r}_{h_1+1} \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow R^{(1)} \begin{bmatrix} r_0 \upharpoonright 2k \\ r_1 \upharpoonright (2k (\deg r_0 \deg r_1)) \end{bmatrix}$

A divide-and-conquer extended Euclidean algorithm II

- 6. If deg $q_1^{(1)}$ + deg $q_2^{(1)}$ + ... + deg $q_{h_1}^{(1)}$ + deg \tilde{r}_{h_1} deg $\tilde{r}_{h_1+1} > k$ holds, then return with output $h(k) \leftarrow h_1, q_1, q_2, \ldots, q_{h(k)} \leftarrow q_1^{(1)}, q_2^{(1)}, \ldots, q_{h_1}^{(1)}$, and $R_{h(k)} \leftarrow R^{(1)}$
- 7. Compute the quotient $q_{h_1+1} \leftarrow \tilde{r}_{h_1}$ quo \tilde{r}_{h_1+1} and the matrix $Q_{h_1+1} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -q_{h_1+1} \end{bmatrix}$
- 8. Compute the remainder $\tilde{r}_{h_1+2} \leftarrow \tilde{r}_{h_1} q_{h_1+1}\tilde{r}_{h_1+1}$
- 9. Set $k_2 \leftarrow k (\deg q_1^{(1)} + \deg q_2^{(1)} + \ldots + \deg q_{h_1}^{(1)} + \deg q_{h_1+1})$
- 10. Make the second recursive call $h_2, q_1^{(2)}, q_2^{(2)}, \dots, q_{h_2}^{(2)}, R^{(2)} \leftarrow \operatorname{extgcd}(k_2, \tilde{r}_{h_1+1} \upharpoonright 2k_1, \tilde{r}_{h_1+2} \upharpoonright (2k_1 (\operatorname{deg} \tilde{r}_{h_1+1} \operatorname{deg} \tilde{r}_{h_1+2})))$
- 11. Return with output $h(k) \leftarrow h_1 + 1 + h_2$,
 - $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{h(k)} \leftarrow q_1^{(1)}, q_2^{(1)}, \dots, q_{h_1}^{(1)}, q_{h_1+1}, q_1^{(2)}, q_2^{(2)}, \dots, q_{h_2}^{(2)}$, and $R_{h(k)} \leftarrow R^{(2)}Q_{h_1+1}R^{(1)}$

Remarks and analysis

- ► Caveat: In Step 1 we may have deg $r_1 = -\infty$ (that is, $r_1 = 0$) and in Step 6 we may have deg $\tilde{r}_{h_1+1} = -\infty$ (that is, $\tilde{r}_{h_1+1} = 0$)
- After Step 1 it holds that $k \ge \deg r_0 \deg r_1 \ge 0$, after Step 2 it holds that $k \ge 1$ and $\deg r_0 > \deg r_1 \ge 0$; thus, $0 \le k_1 \le k 1$
- ► After Step 5 we have

$$\deg q_1^{(1)} + \deg q_2^{(1)} + \ldots + \deg q_{h_1}^{(1)} \le k_1$$

and, also recalling that $k_1 = \lfloor k/2 \rfloor$,

 $\deg q_1^{(1)} + \deg q_2^{(1)} + \ldots + \deg q_{h_1}^{(1)} + \deg \tilde{r}_{h_1} - \deg \tilde{r}_{h_1+1} \ge k_1 + 1 \ge \lceil k/2 \rceil$

- Assuming that $\tilde{r}_{h_{1}+1} \neq 0$, we have deg $q_{h_{1}+1} = \deg \tilde{r}_{h_{1}} \deg \tilde{r}_{h_{1}+1}$
- Thus, $k_2 \leq \lfloor k/2 \rfloor \leq k-1$
- ► The algorithm runs in $T(k) \le T(k_1) + T(k_2) + O(M(k)) \le 2T(\lfloor k/2 \rfloor) + O(M(k))$ operations in *F*; that is, $T(k) = O(M(k) \log k)$ operations in *F*

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- ► Let *F* be a field
- A **root** of a polynomial $f \in F[x]$ is an element $\xi \in F$ with $f(\xi) = 0$

Theorem 10 (Number of roots)

A nonzero polynomial $f \in F[x]$ of degree at most d has at most d distinct roots.

Proof.

Exercise

Two distinct polynomials mostly disagree

- ► Let *F* be a field
- Let $\Xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_e) \in F^e$ be a vector of *e* distinct elements of *F*
- Associate with $f \in F[x]$ the vector of evaluations

 $f(\Xi) = (f(\xi_1), f(\xi_2), \dots, f(\xi_e)) \in F^e$

Lemma 11 (Bounded agreement of low-degree polynomials) Let $f_0, f_1 \in F[x]$ be distinct polynomials of degree at most d. Then, $f_0(\Xi)$ and $f_1(\Xi)$ agree in at most d coordinates.

Proof.

The difference $f_0 - f_1 \neq 0$ is a polynomial of degree at most d and thus has at most d distinct roots

Reconstructibility from partly erroneous data

- Let $f \in F[x]$ be a polynomial of degree at most d
- ► Let $e \ge d + 1$ and let $\Xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, ..., \xi_e) \in F^e$ consist of distinct elements

Lemma 12 (Unique reconstructibility)

Suppose that the vectors $\Gamma \in F^e$ and $f(\Xi)$ disagree in at most (e - d - 1)/2 coordinates. Then, Γ uniquely identifies f

Proof.

Let $f_0, f_1 \in F[x]$ be two polynomials of degree at most d such that $f_0(\Xi)$ and $f_1(\Xi)$ each disagree with Γ in at most (e - d - 1)/2 coordinates. In total there are e coordinates, so $f_0(\Xi)$ and $f_1(\Xi)$ and Γ must thus all agree in at least e - 2(e - d - 1)/2 = d + 1 coordinates. By Lemma 11 thus $f_0 = f_1$.

(Furthermore, we can, very inefficiently, recover f from Γ by considering in turn each vector $\tilde{\Gamma} \in F^e$ that disagrees with Γ in at most (e - d - 1)/2 coordinates: for each such $\tilde{\Gamma}$, interpolate f from $f(\Xi) = \tilde{\Gamma}$, and stop when f has degree at most d.)

- Suppose we want to protect a sequence Φ = (φ₀, φ₁, ..., φ_d) ∈ F^{d+1} of elements of a field F against errors
- We may represent Φ as a polynomial $f = \varphi_0 + \varphi_1 x + \ldots + \varphi_d x^d \in F[x]$ of degree at most d
- ► Let $e \ge d + 1$ and let $\Xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, ..., \xi_e) \in F^e$ consist of distinct elements
- Let us use $\Psi = f(\Xi) \in F^e$ as the encoded representation of Φ
- That is, $\hat{\Psi}$ may have up to $\lfloor (e d 1)/2 \rfloor$ errors and we can still recover Φ
- Encoding can be done in near-linear-time by fast batch evaluation ...
- ... but how efficiently can we decode in the presence of errors?

- Let us work with e = 8, d = 3, $F = \mathbb{Z}_{11}$, and the evaluation points $\Xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_e) = (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}^e$
- Suppose we want to protect the data vector $\Phi = (5, 3, 1, 9) \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}^{d+1}$
- We view Φ as the degree-at-most-*d* polynomial $f = 5 + 3x + x^2 + 9x^3 \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$
- The encoded representation of Φ is

 $\Psi = f(\Xi) = (f(\xi_1), f(\xi_2), \dots, f(\xi_e)) = (5, 7, 10, 2, 4, 4, 1, 5) \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}^e$

Gao's (2003) decoder for Reed-Solomon codes

- Let $f \in F[x]$ be a polynomial of degree at most d
- ► Let $e \ge d + 1$ and let $\Xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, ..., \xi_e) \in F^e$ consist of distinct elements
- Suppose that the vectors Γ ∈ F^e and f(Ξ) disagree in at most (e − d − 1)/2 coordinates. Then, Γ uniquely identifies f (Lemma 12)
- Moreover, given Ξ, Γ, d as input, f can be computed in O(M(e) log e) operations in F (Gao [10])

- ► Let $\Xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, ..., \xi_e) \in F^e$ consisting of distinct elements, $\Gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, ..., \gamma_e) \in F^e$, and $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ with $d + 1 \leq e$ be given as input
- Gao's algorithm [10] proceeds as follows:
 - 1. Using a subproduct tree, construct the polynomial $g_0 = \prod_{i=1}^{e} (x \xi_i)$
 - 2. Interpolate the unique polynomial $g_1 \in F[x]$ of degree at most e 1 that satisfies $g_1(\xi_i) = \gamma_i$ for all i = 1, 2, ..., e
 - 3. Apply the extended Euclidean algorithm to g_0 and g_1 to produce the consecutive remainders g_h , g_{h+1} with deg $g_h \ge D$, and deg $g_{h+1} < D$ for D = (e + d + 1)/2. Let s_{h+1} , $t_{h+1} \in F[x]$ be the associated Bézout coefficients with $g_{h+1} = s_{h+1}g_0 + t_{h+1}g_1$
 - 4. Divide g_{h+1} by t_{h+1} to obtain the quotient $f_1 \in F[x]$ and the remainder $r \in F[x]$ with $g_{h+1} = t_{h+1}f_1 + r$ and deg $r < \deg t_{h+1}$
 - 5. Output f_1 as the result of interpolation if both deg $f_1 \le d$ and r = 0; otherwise assert decoding failure
- It is immediate that the algorithm runs in $O(M(e) \log e)$ operations in F

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- Suppose we have the vector $\Gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, ..., \gamma_e) = (5, 7, 1, 2, 9, 4, 1, 5) \in \mathbb{Z}_{11}^e$
- ► First, we construct the polynomial

$$g_0 = \prod_{i=1}^{e} (x - \xi_i) = 9x + 2x^3 + 4x^4 + 9x^5 + 3x^6 + 5x^7 + x^8$$

Then, we interpolate the polynomial

 $g_1 = 5 + 7x + 5x^2 + 2x^3 + 10x^4 + 9x^5 + 6x^6 + 7x^7$ that satisfies $g_1(\xi_i) = y_i$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, e$

Example: Decoding II

- ► Next we apply the extended Euclidean algorithm to g₀ and g₁ to produce the consecutive remainders g_h, g_{h+1} with deg g_h ≥ D, and deg g_{h+1} < D for D = (e + d + 1)/2 = 6 ...</p>
- ► For convenience, we display the entire output of the extended Euclidean algorithm (but omitting the first Bézout coefficient sequence):

- i -	- qi	gi	t_i
0		$9x + 2x^3 + 4x^4 + 9x^5 + 3x^6 + 5x^7 + x^8$	0
1	8 + 8 <i>x</i>	$5 + 7x + 5x^2 + 2x^3 + 10x^4 + 9x^5 + 6x^6 + 7x^7$	1
2	7 + 10 <i>x</i>	$4 + x + 3x^2 + x^3 + 7x^4 + 4x^6$	3 + 3x
3	3 + 3x	$10 + 4x + 7x^2 + 9x^3 + 6x^4 + 5x^5$	$2 + 4x + 3x^2$
4	6 + 10 <i>x</i>	$7 + 3x + 3x^2 + 8x^3 + 6x^4$	$8 + 7x + x^2 + 2x^3$
5	10 + 9 <i>x</i>	$1 + 4x + 3x^2 + 8x^3$	$9 + 3x + 4x^2 + 2x^4$
6	4 + 10x	$8+9x+3x^2$	$6 + 6x + 10x^3 + 2x^4 + 4x^5$
7	5 + 4x	2 + 9x	$7 + 7x + 10x^2 + 4x^3 + 4x^4 + 8x^5 + 4x^6$
8	10 + <i>x</i>	9	$4 + 9x + 10x^2 + 5x^3 + 10x^4 + 3x^5 + 3x^6 + 6x^7$
9		0	$x + 10x^3 + 9x^4 + x^5 + 4x^6 + 3x^7 + 5x^8$

 (In a fast implementation we would of course use the divide-and-conquer extended Euclidean algoritm and would not produce the entire sequence of remainders g_i)

Example: Decoding III

From the extended Euclidean algorithm we obtain that h = 2 with

$$g_{h+1} = 10 + 4x + 7x^2 + 9x^3 + 6x^4 + 5x^5$$

$$t_{h+1} = 2 + 4x + 3x^2$$

• Dividing g_{h+1} by t_{h+1} we obtain the quotient

$$f_1 = 5 + 3x + x^2 + 9x^3$$

and the remainder r = 0

- In particular, the decoding is successful, and the reconstructed data vector is
 (5, 3, 1, 9) ∈ Z^{d+1}₁₁
- Re-encoding the reconstructed vector as appropriate, we can also observe that the vector Γ has two errors, namely f(ξ₃) = 10 ≠ γ₃ = 2 and f(ξ₅) = 4 ≠ γ₅ = 9

- ► First, suppose that the algorithm does not assert failure
- Then, $f_1 = g_{h+1}/t_{h+1}$ has degree at most *d*
- Since $t_{h+1}f_1 = g_{h+1} = s_{h+1}g_0 + t_{h+1}g_1$, we have $s_{h+1}g_0 = t_{h+1}(f_1 g_1)$ and hence for all i = 1, 2, ..., e we have $t_{h+1}(\xi_i) = 0$ or $f_1(\xi_i) = g_1(\xi_i) = \gamma_i$
- Since g_{h+1} is the first remainder with deg g_{h+1} < D and deg g₀ = e, by the structure of the Bézout coefficients we have deg t_{h+1} ≤ e − D = (e − d − 1)/2
- Indeed, from the definition of Bézout coefficients we have deg s_{h+1}, deg t_{h+1} ≤ ∑^h_{i=1} deg q_i = deg g₀ - deg g_h ≤ e - D since deg g_i + deg q_i = deg g_{i-1} and deg g_h ≥ D
- ► Since t_{h+1} has at most deg t_{h+1} roots, we have $f_1(\xi_i) \neq \gamma_i$ for at most (e d 1)/2 coordinates i = 1, 2, ..., e
- Thus, f_1 is a valid output for input Ξ , Γ , d

- Next, let f ∈ F[x] be a polynomial of degree at most d, let Ξ = (ξ₁, ξ₂,..., ξ_e) ∈ F^e consist of distinct elements, and let Γ = (γ₁, γ₂,..., γ_e) ∈ F^e be a vector that disagrees with f(Ξ) in at most (e − d − 1)/2 coordinates for d + 1 ≤ e
- By Lemma 12, we know that Γ uniquely determines f
- We show that Gao's algorithm outputs $f_1 = f$ on input Ξ, Γ, d
- Let $B = \{i \in \{1, 2, \dots, e\} : f(\xi_i) \neq \gamma_i\}$ be the set of "bad" coordinates
- That is, *B* is the set of coordinates where Γ and $f(\Xi)$ disagree
- By assumption we have $|B| \le (e d 1)/2$
- ► To understand the operation of the algorithm, let us split the polynomials g₀ and g₁ into parts based on B and G = {1, 2, ..., e} \ B (the "bad" and "good" coordinates)

Toward this end, let

$$q = \prod_{i \in G} (x - \xi_i) \in F[x], \qquad r_0 = \prod_{i \in B} (x - \xi_i) \in F[x]$$

- It is immediate that $g_0 = qr_0$
- ► Let $r_1 \in F[x]$ be the unique polynomial of degree at most (e d 1)/2 1 with $r_1(\xi_i) = q(\xi_i)^{-1}(\gamma_i f(\xi_i)) \neq 0$ for all $i \in B$
- Thus, we have $g_1 = qr_1 + f$
- We have that $gcd(r_0, r_1) = 1$ since no root of r_0 is a root of r_1 and r_0 factors into a product of degree 1 polynomials
- ► The following lemma will imply that the algorithm outputs f₁ = f; we postpone the proof and give it as Lemma 13

Correctness IV

- ► **Gao's Lemma.** (Lemma 13 below) Let $c, d, D \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and let $q, r_0, r_1, f_0, f_1 \in F[x]$ with $gcd(r_0, r_1) = 1$, deg $q \geq D \geq c + d + 1$, and deg $r_i \leq c$, deg $f_i \leq d$ for i = 0, 1. Run the extended Euclidean algorithm on input $g_0 = qr_0 + f_0$ and $g_1 = qr_1 + f_1$ to obtain the remainders g_h and $g_{h+1} = s_{h+1}g_0 + t_{h+1}g_1$ for $s_{h+1}, t_{h+1} \in F[x]$ with deg $g_h \geq D$ and deg $g_{h+1} < D$. Then, $s_{h+1} = -\alpha r_1$ and $t_{h+1} = \alpha r_0$ for some $\alpha \in F \setminus \{0\}$
- ► Take $f_0 = 0$, $f_1 = f$, c = |B| in the lemma and recall that we have D = (e + d + 1)/2
- ► Thus, $c \le (e d 1)/2$, deg $q = |G| = e |B| \ge D \ge c + d + 1$, and the lemma applies to the polynomials $g_0 = qr_0$ and $g_1 = qr_1 + f$ constructed in the algorithm
- Let $g_{h+1}, s_{h+1}, t_{h+1}$ be the output of the lemma (also constructed by the algorithm)
- Because $f_0 = 0$ and $f_1 = f$, we have $g_{h+1} = -\alpha r_1 q r_0 + \alpha r_0 (q r_1 + f) = t_{h+1} f$
- ► In particular, the algorithm outputs $f_1 = f = g_{h+1}/t_{h+1}$ □

Recall the matrices

$$R_0 = \begin{bmatrix} s_0 & t_0 \\ s_1 & t_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad Q_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -q_i \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, \ell$$

and $R_i = Q_i Q_{i-1} \cdots Q_1 R_0 \in F[x]^{2 \times 2}$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, \ell$ from the analysis of the traditional extended Euclidean algorithm in Problem Set 1

• We recall that for all
$$i = 0, 1, \dots, \ell$$
 we have $R_i = \begin{vmatrix} s_i & t_i \\ s_{i+1} & t_{i+1} \end{vmatrix}$ and $R_i \begin{vmatrix} r_0 \\ r_1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} r_i \\ r_{i+1} \end{vmatrix}$

• Since det
$$Q_i = -1$$
 we have det $R_i = (-1)^i$ and thus $R_i^{-1} = (-1)^i \begin{vmatrix} t_{i+1} & -t_i \\ -s_{i+1} & s_i \end{vmatrix}$

• Since
$$r_{\ell+1} = 0$$
, we have $\begin{bmatrix} r_0 \\ r_1 \end{bmatrix} = R_{\ell}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} r_{\ell} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (-1)^{\ell} t_{\ell+1} r_{\ell} \\ (-1)^{\ell+1} s_{\ell+1} r_{\ell} \end{bmatrix}$

• We conclude that $s_{\ell+1} = (-1)^{\ell+1} r_1 / r_\ell$ and $t_{\ell+1} = (-1)^{\ell} r_0 / r_\ell$

Lemma 13 (Gao [10])

Let $c, d, D \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and let $q, r_0, r_1, f_0, f_1 \in F[x]$ with $gcd(r_0, r_1) = 1$, deg $q \geq D \geq c + d + 1$, and deg $r_i \leq c$, deg $f_i \leq d$ for i = 0, 1. Run the extended Euclidean algorithm on input $g_0 = qr_0 + f_0$ and $g_1 = qr_1 + f_1$ to obtain the remainders g_h and $g_{h+1} = s_{h+1}g_0 + t_{h+1}g_1$ for $s_{h+1}, t_{h+1} \in F[x]$ with deg $g_h \geq D$ and deg $g_{h+1} < D$. Then, $s_{h+1} = -\alpha r_1$ and $t_{h+1} = \alpha r_0$ for some $\alpha \in F \setminus \{0\}$

- Let $r_0, r_1, \ldots, r_\ell, r_{\ell+1}$ and q_1, q_2, \ldots, q_ℓ be the sequences of remainders and quotients in the extended Euclidean algorithm on input r_0, r_1
- Since $gcd(r_0, r_1) = 1$, we have $r_{\ell} \in F \setminus \{0\}$ and $r_{\ell+1} = 0$
- ► Let $s_i, t_i \in F[x]$ for $i = 0, 1, ..., \ell + 1$ be the associated sequence of Bézout coefficients
- For all $i = 1, 2, \ldots, \ell$, we have

 $r_{i+1} = r_{i-1} - q_i r_i, \quad s_{i+1} = s_{i-1} - q_i s_i, \quad t_{i+1} = t_{i-1} - q_i t_i$ (31)

- For all $i = 2, 3, ..., \ell + 1$ define $g_i = s_i g_0 + t_i g_1$
- From (31) it follows that $g_{i+1} = g_{i-1} q_i g_i$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, \ell$
- Let us show that deg g_i is a monotone decreasing sequence for $i = 1, 2, ..., \ell$

- ► We have $r_i = s_i r_0 + t_i r_1$ for all $i = 1, 2, ..., \ell + 1$. Furthermore, deg $s_i \le c$ and deg $t_i \le c$ for all $i = 1, 2, ..., \ell + 1$
- Since $g_0 = qr_0 + f_0$, $g_1 = qr_1 + f_1$, and $g_i = s_ig_0 + t_ig_1$, for all $i = 0, 1, ..., \ell$ we have $g_i = qr_i + s_if_0 + t_if_1$
- Since $\deg(s_i f_0 + t_i f_1) \le c + d$ and $\deg q \ge D \ge c + d + 1$, we have $\deg g_i = \deg q + \deg r_i \ge D$ for all $i = 0, 1, \dots, \ell$
- ► Since deg r_i is monotone decreasing for i = 1, 2, ..., l, we have that the same holds for deg g_i
- ► Thus, we have that g₀, g₁,..., g_ℓ and q₁, q₂,..., q_ℓ form a prefix of the sequence of remainders and quotients in the extended Euclidean algorithm on input g₀, g₁
- Since deg $r_{\ell} = 0$, we have deg $g_{\ell} = \deg q \ge D$

• Since $s_{\ell+1} = (-1)^{\ell+1} r_1 / r_\ell$ and $t_{\ell+1} = (-1)^{\ell} r_0 / r_\ell$, we have

 $g_{\ell+1} = s_{\ell+1}g_0 + t_{\ell+1}g_1 = (-1)^{\ell}(-f_0r_1 + f_1r_0)/r_{\ell}$

► Thus, deg $g_{\ell+1} \le c + d < D$ and it follows that $g_{\ell+1} = g = sg_0 + tg_1$ with $\alpha = (-1)^{\ell}/r_{\ell}$, $s = -\alpha r_1$, and $t = \alpha r_0$ \Box

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 - ► Fast **encoding** and **decoding** of Reed–Solomon codes via the fast univariate polynomial toolkit and **Gao's** (2003) **decoder**

- Terminology and objectives of modern algorithmics, including elements of algebraic, online, and randomised algorithms
- Ways of coping with uncertainty in computation, including error-correction and proofs of correctness
- The art of solving a large problem by reduction to one or more smaller instances of the same or a related problem
- (Linear) independence, dependence, and their abstractions as enablers of efficient algorithms

Learning objectives (2/2)

- Making use of duality
 - Often a problem has a corresponding **dual** problem that is obtainable from the original (the **primal**) problem by means of an easy transformation
 - The primal and dual control each other, enabling an algorithm designer to use the interplay between the two representations
- ► Relaxation and tradeoffs between objectives and resources as design tools
 - Instead of computing the exact optimum solution at considerable cost, often a less costly but principled approximation suffices
 - Instead of the complete dual, often only a randomly chosen partial dual or other relaxation suffices to arrive at a solution with high probability