

*Hybrid Symbolic-Numeric Computation*

♥ A Marriage Made in Heaven ♥

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Recommendations in Boyle/Caviness Report 1988:

*Stimulate developments at the interface of symbolic and numeric computation by:*

- *Funding research in defining the interface and on algorithms that employ both symbolic and numeric methods*
- *Funding course development that incorporates symbolic and numeric computing*
- *Funding workshops to attack a particular problem using symbolic and numeric methods*

## What's in a Name?

- Integrated Symbolic-Numeric Computing [ISSAC 1992]
- Symbolic-Numeric Algebra for Polynomials [SNAP'96, JSC special issue]
- Symbolic and Numerical Scientific Computation [SNSC'99]
- Hybrid Symbolic-Numeric Computation [Computer Algebra Handbook 2002]
- Symbolic-Numeric Computation [SNC 2005]
- Approximate Algebraic Computation [AAC@ACA'05]
- Approximate Commutative Algebra [ApCoA'06]
- Numerical Algebraic Geometry [Advances in ...@AAG'11]

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- Dhala (“white”) Swarna [Swarna-Sub1] rice:  
High yield Nali (“red”) Swarna rice [IR64]  
+ low yield F(lood)R(esistant)13A rice  
Can survive 15 days underwater
- Toyota *Prius*: electro + gasoline engine

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- Nearest polynomial with a given root, approximate GCD  
[Corless, Gianni, Trager, Watt '95; Lakshman, Karmarkar '96; Zhi, Wu '98;  
Hitz, Kaltofen '99; Stetter '99,...]  
→ Hiroshi Sekigawa's talk
- Approximate factorization [Sasaki, Suzuki, Kolář, Sasaki '91;  
Nagasaki '02; Gao, Kaltofen, May, Zhi '04]
- Sparse interpolation [Giesbrecht, Labahn, Lee '03; Kaltofen, Yang, Zhi '07;  
Giesbrecht, Roche '11; Comer, Kaltofen, Pernet '12; Kaltofen, Yang '13, '14]  
→ Bin Han's, Wen-shin Lee's, Dan Roche's, Zhengfeng Yang's talks
- Sum-of-squares certificates [Harrison '07; Peyrl, Parrilo '07;  
Kaltofen, Li, Yang, Zhi '08, Guo, Kaltofen, Zhi '12]  
→ Jean B. Lasserre's and Bican Xia's talks

## Selected Hybrid Symbolic-Numeric Algorithms Continued...

- Linear algebra, lattices [Eckart, Young '36; Saunders, Wan '04;  
Dumas, Giorgi, Pernet '08; Morel, Stehlé, Villard '09]
  - Daniel Lichtblau's and Dan Steffy's talks
- Polynomial systems [many results, not all hybrid,  
including our chair's Lihong Zhi]
  - Jin-San Cheng, Anton Leykin's, Pablo Parrilo's,  
and Jan Verschelde's talks
- Integrals and differential equations [Geddes '01; *MapleSim*,...]
  - Mark Giesbrecht's talk

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*Note:* all  $f(x) - \mu \succeq 0$  are numerically ill-posed at their optima

$$\mu = \inf_{\xi} f(\xi): f(x) - \mu - \varepsilon \not\succeq 0$$

But it's worse:  $\inf_{\xi, \eta} \xi^2 - 2\xi\eta + \eta^2 = 0$ , but  
 $\inf_{\xi, \eta} (1 - \varepsilon)\xi^2 - 2\xi\eta + \eta^2 = -\infty$

Hutton, Kaltofen, Zhi 2010: *radius of positive semidefiniteness*

## An Example of a Hybrid Algorithm With Randomization: Numerically Sparse Interpolation

**Definition:**  $f(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x]$  is  $T$ -sparse if

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^T c_j x^{e_j}, \quad 0 \leq e_1 < e_2 < \dots < e_T, \quad \forall j: c_j \neq 0.$$

We want to interpolate  $f$  from  $2T + 1$  values, **not** knowing  $T$

## Exact Algorithm: Early Termination [Kaltofen & Lee '03] in Prony 1796 / Blahut 1979 sparse interpolation

- Pick a **random** element  $\omega \in S$   
Evaluate  $T$ -sparse  $f(x)$  at  $\omega^k$ :  $h_0 = f(\omega), \dots, h_{k-1} = f(\omega^k), \dots$
- Consider the  $k \times k$  Hankel matrices:

$$H^{[k]} = \begin{bmatrix} h_0 & h_1 & h_2 & h_3 & \dots & h_{k-1} \\ h_1 & h_2 & h_3 & h_4 & \ddots & h_k \\ h_2 & h_3 & h_4 & h_5 & \ddots & h_{k+1} \\ h_3 & h_4 & h_5 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ h_{k-1} & h_k & h_{k+1} & \dots & & h_{2k-2} \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Theorem:**  $\text{Prob}(\forall 1 \leq k \leq T : \det(H^{[k]}) \neq 0) \geq 1 - \frac{O(T^3 \deg(f))}{|S|}$

Note:  $H^{[k]}$  is singular for  $k > T$

## Term Locator Polynomial

For the largest non-singular Hankel system solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_0 & h_1 & h_2 & h_3 & \dots & h_{T-1} \\ h_1 & h_2 & h_3 & h_4 & \ddots & h_T \\ h_2 & h_3 & h_4 & h_5 & \ddots & h_{T+1} \\ h_3 & h_4 & h_5 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ h_{T-1} & h_T & h_{T+1} & \dots & & h_{2T-2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ c_{T-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_T \\ h_{T+1} \\ h_{T+2} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ h_{2T-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

we have

$$z^T - c_{T-1}z^{T-1} - \dots - c_0 = (z - \omega^{e_1})(z - \omega^{e_2}) \cdots (z - \omega^{e_T})$$

One obtains the term degrees by log's of polynomial roots

## Numeric Zippel/Schwartz Lemma [Kaltofen,Yang,Zhi'07]

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Can justify identification of those  $\Delta$  with  $\Delta \neq 0$

For Prony/Blahut there are explicit upper bounds for the expectancy of the condition number [Giesbrecht, Labahn, Lee 2006]

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My moment of epiphany



One can tolerate a lousy estimate of the condition number: wrong by a factor of 1000: big, big/1000, 1000 × big is big  $\Rightarrow$  ill-conditioned

Randomized Blahut algorithm uses ill-conditioned value only for early termination and is correct with high probability [Kaltofen, Lee, Yang '11]

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Interpolation tolerating errors in values by oversampling:

Irving Reed & Gustave Solomon 1960

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Welch's & Berlekamp's 1986(!) solution [Kaltofen & Pernet 2013]

Cauchy interpolate (recover the “rational” function)

$$\frac{f(x)\Lambda(x)}{\Lambda(x)}, \Lambda(x) = (x - \xi_{\ell_1}) \cdots (x - \xi_{\ell_k}) \text{ (“error locator polyn.”)}$$

$$\text{Note: } \Lambda(\xi_{\ell_j})/\Lambda(\xi_{\ell_j}) = 0/0$$

## Sidebar: rational vector-function codes [Kaltofen, Pernet, Storjohann, Waddell ISSAC 2015]

Recover vector of rational functions

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ f^{[i]}(x)\Lambda(x) \\ \hline g(x)\Lambda(x) \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

Higher error capacity for “bursts of errors”  
for Stanley Cabay’s 1971  $f^{[i]}, g$

# Application of digital error-correcting codes

## New Horizons's images of Pluto



## Numerical R / S decoding [Olshevsky-Shokrollahi'03]

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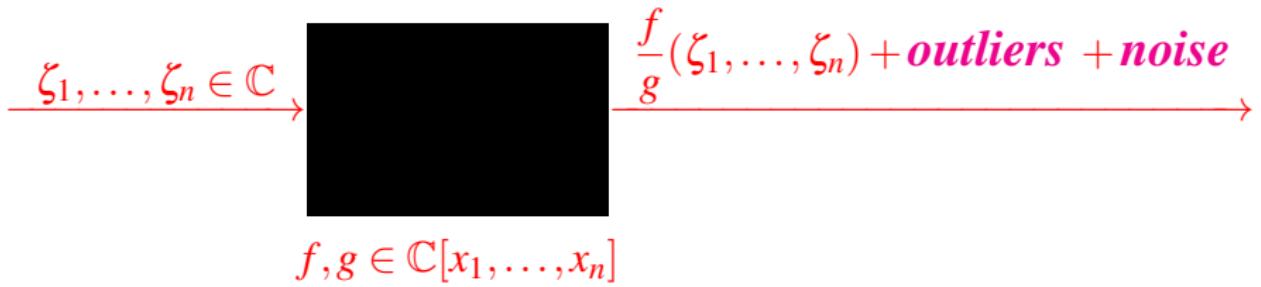
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Kaltofen and Yang [2013] compute **outlier** locations from matching roots of  $\Psi_{\min}$  and least-squares fit  $f$  to **good but noisy**  $\beta_i \approx \gamma_i$  ❤️

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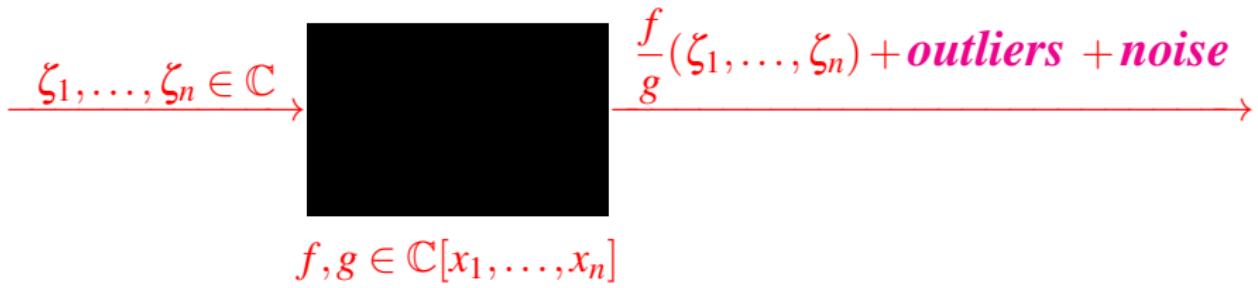
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The Lemma is true for prime  $T$  without randomization [Gauss]

For composite  $T$  a consequence of our estimates on the minimum number of samples [thanks Terence Tao!]

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*Rules of Thumb:* 1. oversampling improves conditioning  
 2. a high error rate worsens conditioning

## An Application: Sparse Matrix Reconstruction

*Input:* a black box for a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} v \in \mathbb{C}^n & \xrightarrow{\quad \text{black box} \quad} & A \cdot v \in \mathbb{C}^n \\ & \xrightarrow{\qquad A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \qquad} & \end{array}$$

*Output:* the sparse representation of  $A$  [Jianlin Xia ILAS'13]

*Solution:* Interpolate  $A$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ y \\ x^2 \\ y^2 \\ xy \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\in \mathbb{C}[x,y]^n$$

If each row of  $A$  has  $O(T)$  non-zero entries,  
 one needs  $O(T)$  matrix-times-vector products for reconstruction;  
 the maximum degrees are  $O(\sqrt{n})$  (for 2 variables)

## Return to **Univariate** Sparse Interpolation Sparse Chebyshev Representation [Arnold, Kaltofen'15]

Use Chebyshev polynomials (of any kind) as basis

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^T c_j U_{\delta_j}(x) \in K[x], \quad c_j \neq 0, \quad 0 \leq \delta_1 < \delta_2 < \dots < \delta_T,$$

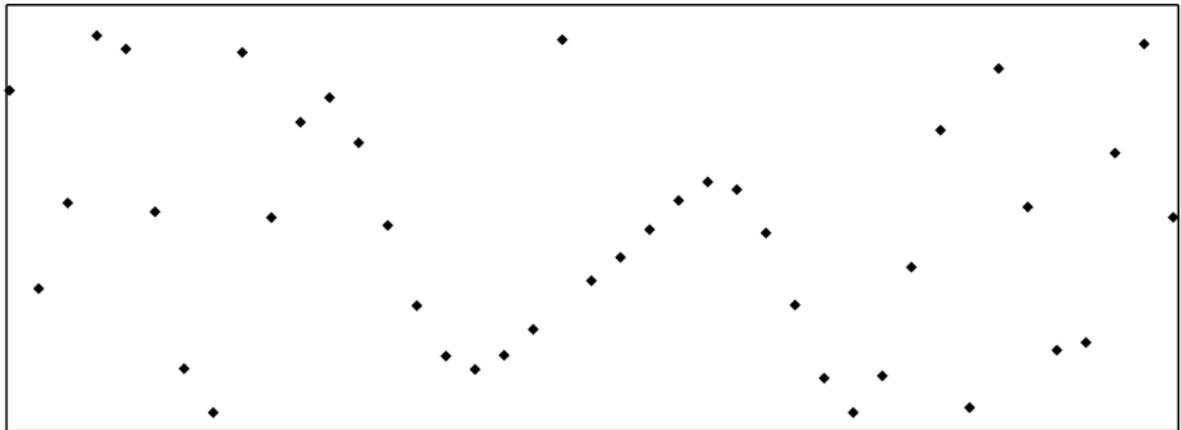
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$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 2x \end{bmatrix}^n \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U_n(x) \\ U_{n+1}(x) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ (first kind)}$$

Prony/Blahut-like sparse interpolation algorithm by Lakshman and Saunders 1995 uses  $f(U_i(\xi))$  for  $\xi > 1, 0 \leq i < 2T$

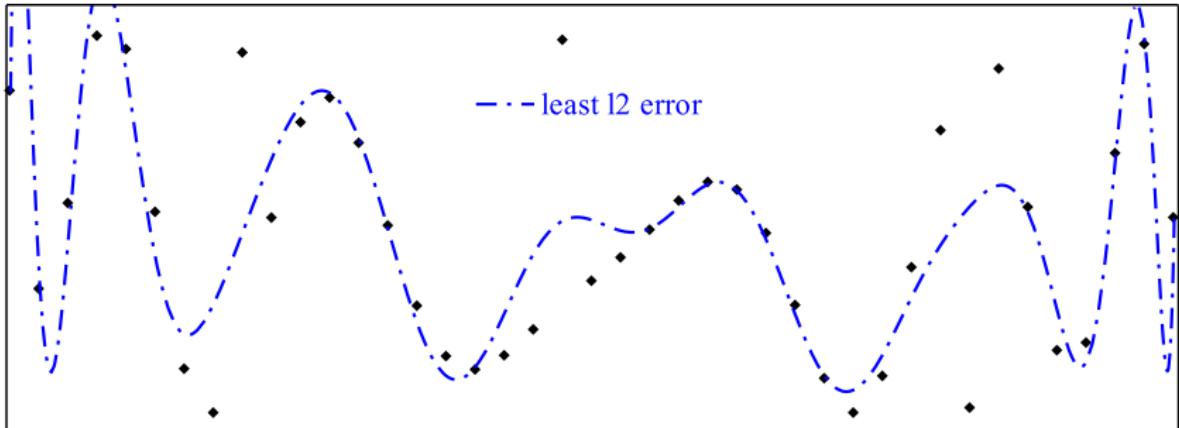
[For second kind → Zhengfeng Yang's talk]

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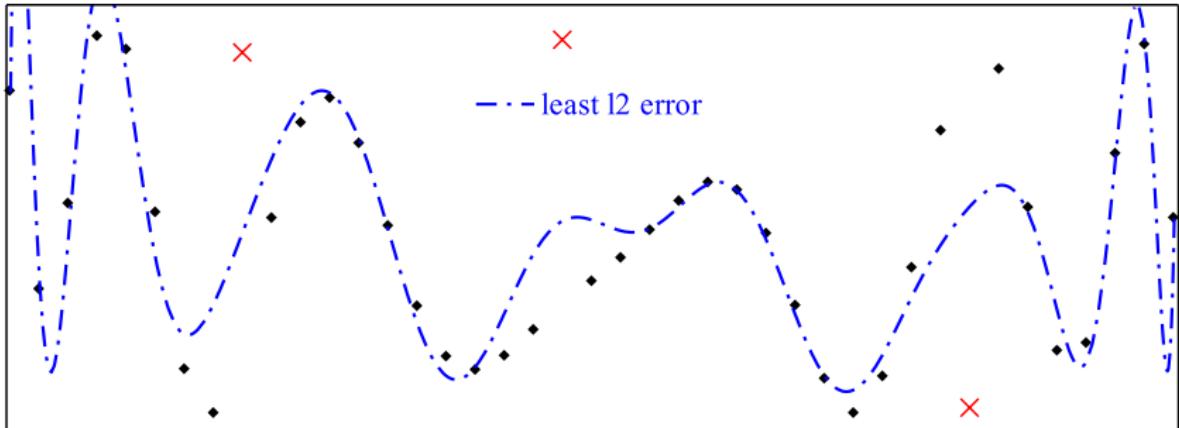


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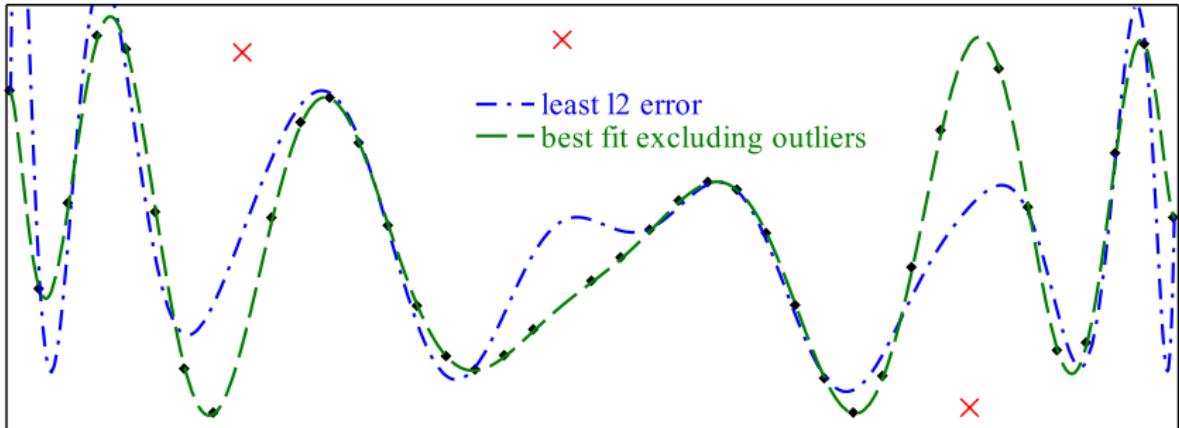
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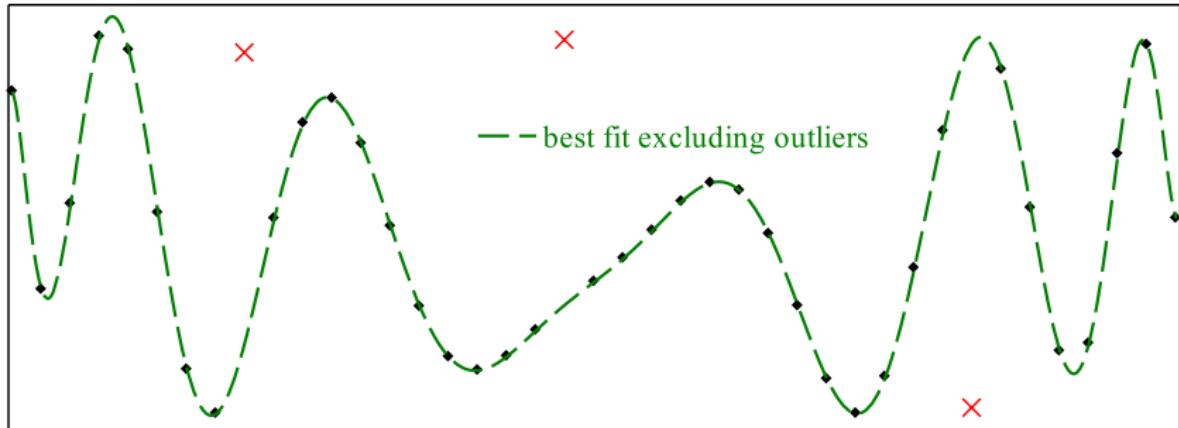
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## Interpolating with Errors - Example



E.g.  $\deg(f) \leq 19$ ,  $T \leq 3$  terms,  $k \leq 5$  errors

- Minimizing  $\ell_2$ -error gives a **dense approximation** for the model,

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First error decoder: evaluate for  $\xi_1 > 1, \xi_2 > 1, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} f(U_0(\xi_1)), f(U_1(\xi_1)), \dots, f(U_{2T-1}(\xi_1)), \\ f(U_0(\xi_2)), f(U_1(\xi_2)), \dots, f(U_{2T-1}(\xi_2)), \\ \vdots \end{aligned}$$

with  $U_{i_1}(\xi_{\ell_1}) \neq U_{i_2}(\xi_{\ell_2})$  until a line has no error

If  $k \leq E$  errors in  $(E+1)2T$  evaluations, one block has no error.

**Theorem [Kaltafen & Pernet '14]:** the **list** of  $T$ -sparse interpolants (with  $\leq E$  errors) contains **no second** solution.

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$(\xi_1, \beta_1), \dots (\xi_{2T+2E}, \beta_{2T+2E})$  be distinct interpolation points  
with  $\boxed{\forall i: \xi_i > 1}$

Suppose  $f(\xi_i) = \beta_i$  for all  $i \notin \ell_1, \dots, \ell_k, k \leq E$ ,

$f^*(\xi_i) = \beta_i$  for all  $i \notin \{\ell_1^*, \dots, \ell_{k^*}^*\}, k^* \leq E$ :

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Note:  $(E + 1)2T \geq 2T + 2E$  for  $T \geq 1$ .

Better decoder for  $T = 3$ :  $74 \lfloor (E + 13)/13 \rfloor$  evaluations suffice, and  
 $74 \lfloor (E + 13)/13 \rfloor < 6(E + 1)$  for all  $E \geq 222$  [Arnold, Kaltofen '15]

No (polynomial-time) decoder is known for  $2T + 2E$  evaluations!

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