

Quick Review

- Error Correcting Codes (ECCs) use redundancy to guard against info loss
- Erasures / Corruptions are main sources of error
 - ↳ Erasures delete parts of message
 - ↳ Corruptions change parts of message
- If you want to send a message of length n , encode it as a polynomial in $GF(q)$ of degree $n-1$ (q is a large prime)
 - ↳ If you have k erasures, send $n+k$ points.
 - ↳ If you have k corruptions, send $n+2k$ points.
- Decoding corruptions is tricky
 - ↳ Use error polynomial $E(x)$ to generate a system of linear equations
 - ↳ ~~$\forall i, P(i) = r_i E(i)$~~
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