# Low Rank Factorization Using Error Correcting Codes

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- Randomization techniques for matrix approximations aim to compute basis that approximately spans the range of an $m \times n$ input matrix A.

- Form matrix-matrix product $Y = A\Omega$, Ω is $n \times \ell$ random matrix, $\ell \ll \{m, n\}$.

- Compute orthogonal basis, $Y = QR$, that identifies the range of reduced matrix Y.
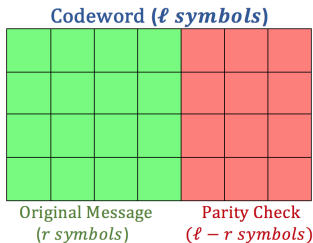
- $A \approx QQ^T A$

- Data are transmitted from a source (transmitter) to a destination (receiver) through physical channels.
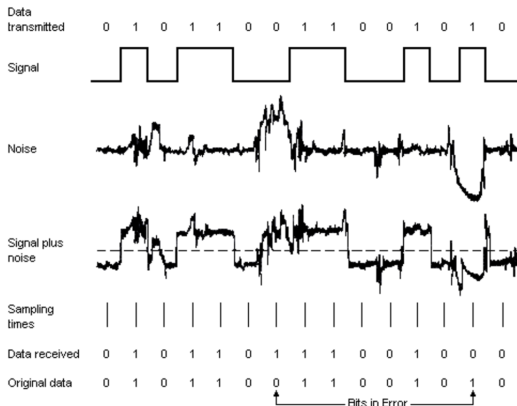
- Block of information encoded into binary vector, called *codeword*.

- Error correcting codes check correctness of the codeword received.

- Set of codewords corresponding to a set of data vectors that can possible be transmitted is called the *code*.

- A code is said to be linear when adding two codewords of the code component-wise modulo-2 arithmetic results in a third codeword of the code.

- A linear code *C* can be represented by:
  - codeword length ℓ
  - message length r

Codeword ($\ell\ symbols$)

Original Message   Parity Check
($r\ symbols$)   ($\ell - r\ symbols$)

- To encode r bits, we require 2^r unique and well separated codewords.

- BCH codes form a class of cyclic error-correcting codes.

- Linear code C of length n is a *cyclic code* if it is invariant under a cyclic shift:

$$\mathbf{c} = (c_0, c_1, \ldots, c_{n-2}, c_{n-1}) \in C$$

if and only if

$$\tilde{\mathbf{c}} = (c_{n-1}, c_0, c_1, \ldots, c_{n-2}) \in C,$$

[2].

- For any integers q and t, with t "small", a BCH code over **GF**$(2) \sim \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ has length $\ell = 2^q - 1$ and dimension $r = 2^q - 1 - tq$.

- Any two codewords maintain a minimum Hamming distance of $2t + 1$.

- In class, we've discussed randomized methods including the subsampled random Fourier Transform (SRFT).

- Ubaru et al. [3] propose using error correcting codes to find low rank approximations in a manner similar to SRFT.

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- Choose the length of message $r \geq \lceil \log_2(n) \rceil$ and length of the code $\ell > k$, the target rank.

- Form the Subsampled Code Matrix (SCM) as:

$$\Omega_{n \times \ell} = \sqrt{\frac{2^r}{\ell}} D_{n \times n} S_{n \times 2^r} \Phi_{2^r \times \ell}$$

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- Binary Phase-Shift Keying (BPSK): Given a codeword $c \in C$, $c \mapsto \phi \in \mathbb{R}^\ell$ by assigning $1 \to \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2^r}}$ and $0 \to \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^r}}$.

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- Any SCM Ω with a dual distance > 4 will also satisfy the subspace embedding property. This shows SCM matrices can preserve the geometry of the top k-singular vectors of input matrix A.

- We implemented dual BCH codes in MATLAB using tools from the Communications Systems toolbox.
- We only need an encoder; decoders are more complicated.
- `LOCAL_fast_decay`: 100×140.
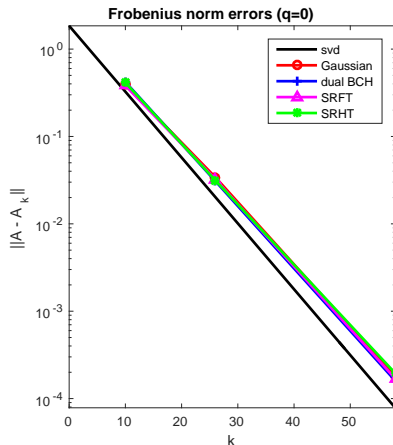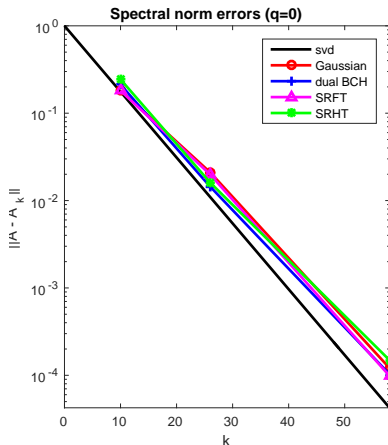
- Kohonen.mat: 4470×4470, an adjacency matrix for directed graph.
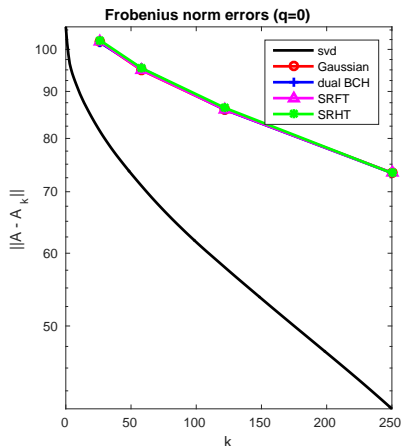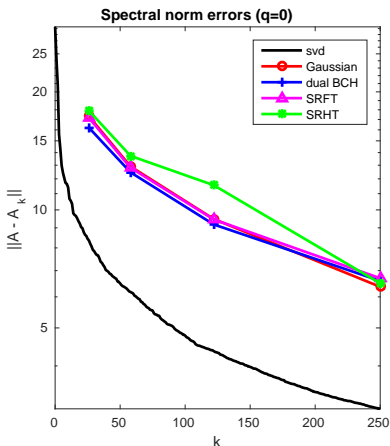
The (naturally ordered) Hadamard transform is defined recursively for sizes $d = 2^L$:

$$H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$H_d = \begin{bmatrix} H_{d/2} & H_{d/2} \\ H_{d/2} & -H_{d/2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Using this recursion, we have a fast algorithm (similar to FFT and Haar wavelet).
Runtime is $\mathcal{O}(d \log d)$.

Theorem

Every column of the $2^r \times \ell$ code matrix Φ (after BPSK mapping) is equal to some column of the $2^r \times 2^r$ Hadamard matrix.

So, we can apply the SCM in $\mathcal{O}(d \log d)$ time.

Like the SRFT, we can define an SRHT as $P_k H_d x$. Unfortunately, no one has actually implemented and published an SRHT!
Naïve subsampling costs $\mathcal{O}(d \log d)$, independent of the number of subsamples k.

By splitting $P_k H_d x$, we find an efficient algorithm for the SRHT [1]:
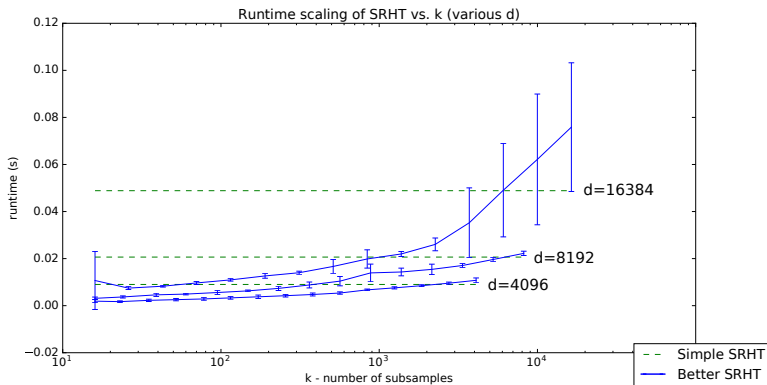
$$P_k H_d x = \begin{bmatrix} P_{k_1} & P_{k_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} H_{d/2} & H_{d/2} \\ H_{d/2} & -H_{d/2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = P_{k_1} H_{d/2}(x_1 + x_2) + P_{k_2} H_{d/2}(x_1 - x_2).$$

It can be shown that this runs in $\mathcal{O}(d \log k)$ time, which is an improvement over the naïve $\mathcal{O}(d \log d)$.
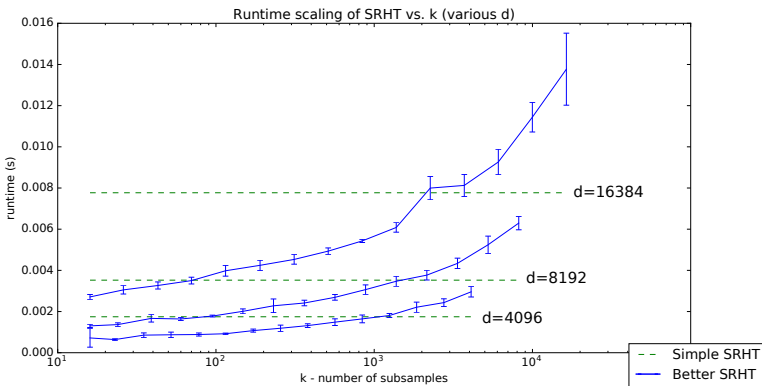
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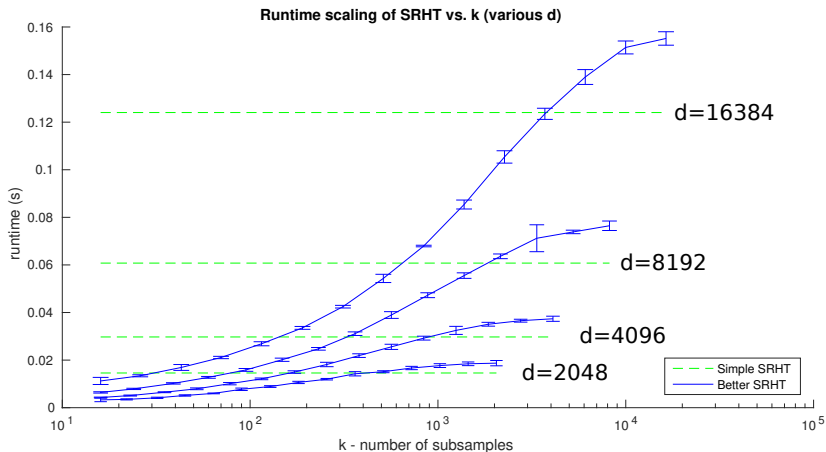
Reference Julia implementations:

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Optimized C+SSE2 implementations:

Our code is online at

https://github.com/jamesfolberth/fast_methods_big_data_project.

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