

# Sparse interpolation over the integers with an application

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# (Vague) definition of the problem

## Sparse interpolation

**Inputs:** A way to *evaluate* a sparse polynomial  $f \in R[x]$

Bounds  $D \geq \deg(f)$ ,  $H \geq f_\infty$  and/or  $T \geq f_\#$

(optional)

**Output:** The sparse representation of  $f$

## Sparse representation

$$f = \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} c_i x^{e_i}, c_i \in R_{\neq 0}$$

**Degree:**  $\deg(f) = \max_i e_i$

**Sparsity:**  $f_\# = t$

**Height:**  $f_\infty = \max_i H(c_i)$  where  $H(p_i/q_i) = \max(|p_i|, |q_i|)$  if  $c_i \in \mathbb{Q}$

# Many variants

## Ring of coefficients

- ▶  $\mathbb{Z}$  or  $\mathbb{Q}$
- ▶  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$
- ▶ Finite fields
- ▶ Modular rings

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## Sparse polynomials & linearly recurrent sequences

$$f = \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} c_i x^{e_i} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} f(1) \\ f(\omega) \\ \vdots \\ f(\omega^n) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ \omega^{e_0} & \cdots & \omega^{e_{t-1}} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \omega^{ne_0} & \cdots & \omega^{ne_{t-1}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_{t-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

### Theorem

[Blahut (1979)]

Let  $f = \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} c_i x^{e_i} \in R[X]_{<D}$  where  $R$  is an integral domain and  $\omega \in R$  be a principal root of unity of order  $\geq D$ . Then the minimal polynomial of  $(f(\omega^j))_{j \geq 0}$  is  $\Lambda(x) = \prod_{i=0}^{t-1} (x - \omega^{e_i})$ .

### Proof sketch

- ▶ Minimal polynomial of  $(c_i \omega^{j e_i})_j : x - \omega^{e_i}$
- ▶ Minimal polynomial of a sum = LCM of their minimal polynomials

From  $\vec{F} = (f(1), \dots, f(\omega^{2t-1}))$ , compute  $\Lambda = \prod_{i=0}^{t-1} (x - \omega^{e_i})$  to get  $e_0, \dots, e_{t-1}$

# Sparse interpolation with known exponents

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## Remark

Sparse interpolation on geometric sequence with known exponents

$\iff$  transposed Vandermonde system solving

## Fast algorithm

- ▶ Vandermonde system solving  $\iff$  (dense) polynomial interpolation
  - ▶  $O(M(t) \log t)$  [Borodin-Moenck (1974)]
- ▶ Transposition  $\rightarrow$  same complexity [Kaltofen-Lakshman (1992), Bostan-Lecerf-Schost (2003)]

From  $\vec{F}$  and  $e_0, \dots, e_{t-1}$ , compute  $c_0, \dots, c_{t-1}$



# Algorithm *à la* Prony / Ben-Or–Tiwari

[Prony (1795), Ben-Or–Tiwari (1988), ...]

## Algorithm

*Inputs:* Black box for  $f \in \mathbb{F}_q[x]$ ,  $q \geq \deg(f)$

Bound  $T \geq f_{\#}$

1. Evaluate  $f$  at  $1, \omega, \dots, \omega^{2T-1}$  *where  $\omega$  has order  $\geq 2T$*
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# Remarks on Prony / Ben-Or–Tiwari algorithm

## Complexity

- ▶ Quasi-linear in  $T$ , linear (optimal) number of evaluations
- ▶ Polynomial in  $D$ , rather than  $\log D \rightarrow$  not polynomial in the output size
- ▶ Bound  $T \geq f_{\#}$  not required  $\rightarrow$  *early termination* [Kaltofen-Lee (2003)]

## Other base rings

- ▶ Original Ben-Or–Tiwari's algorithm for  $\mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ 
  - ▶ large evaluations  $\rightarrow$  bit size  $O(D)$
  - ▶ replace  $\omega$  by  $(p_1, \dots, p_n)$
- ▶ Small finite fields  $\rightarrow$  use an extension *extended black box*
- ▶ Rings: works as long as  $\omega$  is a *principal* root of unity of large order
- ▶ Fast variant over  $\mathbb{Q}$  [Kaltofen (1988/2010)]
  - ▶ Compute *modulo*  $p$  where  $p - 1$  is smooth
  - ▶ Use fast discrete logarithm [Pohlig-Hellman (1978)]
  - ▶ Complexity polynomial in  $T$  and  $\log D$

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# Using cyclic extensions

- ▶ From an SLP,  $f$  can be computed explicitly in time  $O(D)$  *expression swell*
- ▶ Compute  $f \bmod x^p - 1 = \sum_i c_i x^{e_i \bmod p}$  for some prime  $p$  [Garg-Schost (2009)]

## Loss of information

- ▶ Exponents known only *modulo*  $p$
- ▶ Possible *collisions* between monomials

## Reconstruction of full exponents

- ▶ Use several  $p_j$ 's and (polynomial) Chinese remaindering, *diversification*, ...  
[Garg-Schost (2009), Giesbrecht-Roche (2011), ...]
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# Embedding exponents into coefficients

## Using derivatives

[Huang 2019]

- ▶ If  $f = \sum_i c_i x^{e_i}$ ,  $x \cdot f'(x) = \sum_i c_i e_i x^{e_i}$
- ▶ Use of automatic differentiation

[Baur–Strassen (1983)]

## À la Paillier

[Arnold–Roche (2015)]

- ▶ If  $f \in \mathbb{F}_q[x]$ , evaluate  $f((1+q)x)$  over  $\mathbb{Z}/q^2\mathbb{Z}$
- ▶ Modulo  $q^2$ ,  $(1+q)^{e_i} = 1 + e_i q$

$$f(x) = \sum_i c_i x^{e_i} \rightsquigarrow f((1+q)x) = \sum_i c_i (1 + e_i q) x^{e_i}$$

- ▶ Remark:  $f((1+q)x) - f(x) = \sum_i c_i e_i q x^{e_i} = qx \cdot f'(x)$

## Requirements

- ▶ Both techniques require  $e_i$  to be exactly representable in  $\mathbb{F}_q$
- ▶  $\mathbb{F}_q$  should have characteristic  $\geq \deg(f)$

# Managing collisions

- ▶ Collision: monomials  $x^{e_i}, x^{e_j}$  such that  $e_i \equiv e_j \pmod p$
- ▶ Collision-free monomial:  $x^{e_i}$  such that  $e_i \not\equiv e_j \pmod p$  for  $j \neq i$

## Avoiding or limiting collisions

Let  $p$  be a random prime in  $[\lambda, 2\lambda]$

- ▶ For  $\lambda = \Omega(\frac{1}{\varepsilon} t^2 \log D)$ , there is no collision with prob.  $\geq 1 - \varepsilon$
- ▶ For  $\lambda = \Omega(\frac{1}{\varepsilon} t \log D)$ , there are  $\geq \frac{2}{3}t$  collision-free monomials with prob.  $\geq 1 - \varepsilon$

## Dealing with collisions

- ▶ With  $\geq \frac{2}{3}t$  collision-free monomials, there are at most  $\frac{1}{6}t$  collisions
- ▶ Each collision may produce one error
- ▶ If each collision-free monomial is correctly reconstructed, we get  $f^*$  such that

$$(f - f^*)_{\#} \leq \frac{1}{3}f_{\#} + \frac{1}{6}f_{\#} = \frac{1}{2}f_{\#}$$



# Algorithm à la Garg–Schost

[Garg-Schost (2009), Huang (2019)]

## Algorithm

**Inputs:** SLP for  $f \in \mathbb{F}_q[x]$ ,  $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}_q) \geq \deg(f)$

Bounds  $T \geq f_{\#}$ ,  $D \geq \deg f$

**Output:** The sparse representation of  $f$  w.h.p.

1.  $f^* \leftarrow 0$
2. Repeat  $\log(T)$  times:
3.  $p \leftarrow$  random prime in  $[\lambda, 2\lambda]$  for  $\lambda = O(T \log D \log T)$
4.  $(f_p^{(0)}, f_p^{(1)}) \leftarrow (f \bmod x^p - 1, x \cdot f' \bmod x^p - 1)$  *SLP for  $f'$  + dense arith.*
5. For each pair  $\begin{cases} cx^d & \in f_p^{(0)} \\ c'x^d & \in f_p^{(1)} \end{cases}$  : add  $c \cdot x^{c'/c}$  to  $f^*$  *if  $c'/c \in \{0, \dots, D-1\}$*
6. Return  $f^*$

## Complexity analysis

- ▶  $O(\log T)$  probes of the circuit  $\rightarrow O(s \cdot M(p) \cdot \log(T))$  *s: SLP size*
- ▶  $\tilde{O}(sT \log D)$  operations in  $\mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow \tilde{O}(sT \log D \log q)$  bit operations

# Remarks on Garg–Schost algorithm

## Almost quasi-linear!

- ▶ Output size:  $O(T(\log D + \log q))$ , complexity:  $\tilde{O}(T \log D \log q)$
- ▶ Hard to avoid: *probing* the circuit is already non-quasi-linear

## Other base rings

- ▶ Smaller characteristic
  - ▶ No exponent embedding anymore
  - ▶ Several techniques, such as *diversification*
  - ▶ Best complexity:  $O(sT \log^2 D(\log D + \log q))$  [Arnold-Giesbrecht-Roche (2014)]
- ▶ Over the integers
  - ▶ Coefficient growth  $\rightarrow$  modular techniques
  - ▶ Best complexity:  $O(sT \log^3 D \log H)$  where  $H \geq f_\infty$  [Perret du Cray (2023)]

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# Result

*Inputs:* Modular black box for  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$

Bounds  $T \geq f_{\#}$ ,  $D \geq \deg(f)$ ,  $H \geq f_{\infty}$

*Complexity:*  $\tilde{O}(T(\log D + \log H))$  bit operations

## Modular black box

- ▶ Given  $\alpha$  and  $m$ , compute  $f(\alpha) \bmod m$
- ▶ Can be implemented given an arithmetic circuit / SLP
- ▶ Pure black box: evaluations on  $\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, \pm 1\}$  have size  $\Omega(D)$

## General idea

- ▶ General structure: *à la* Garg-Schost
- ▶ Computing  $f \bmod x^p - 1$ : *à la* Prony / Ben-Or–Tiwari
- ▶ Work over several rings of different sizes to make it efficient

# First ingredient: compute exponents of $f \bmod x^p - 1$

## Evaluations in a small field $\mathbb{F}_q$

- ▶ If  $\omega$  has order  $p$  in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $f(\omega^j) = (f \bmod x^p - 1)(\omega^j)$
- ▶ Small  $q$  for efficiency reasons
  - ▶ Only require coefficients to be nonzero mod  $q$
- ▶ Prevent too many collisions

$$q = \text{poly}(T \log H)$$

$$p = O(T \log D)$$

## Algorithm

**Input:** a  $p$ -PRU  $\omega \in \mathbb{F}_q$

1. Evaluate  $f$  at  $1, \omega, \dots, \omega^{2T-1}$
2. Compute the minimal polynomial of  $(f(\omega^j))_j$
3. Compute its roots and get the exponents by evaluation

*to be computed*

$2T$  queries

$\tilde{O}(T \log q)$

$\tilde{O}(p \log q)$

## Complexity analysis

2.  $\tilde{O}(T \log(T \log H))$

3.  $\tilde{O}(T \log(D) \log(T \log H))$

$\rightarrow \tilde{O}(T \log D \log \log H)$

## Second ingredient: compute $f \bmod x^p - 1$

### Evaluations in a larger ring

- ▶  $\mathbb{F}_q$  is too small  $\rightarrow$  coefficients known modulo  $q$
- ▶ Use larger ring where coefficients can be represented
- ▶ Using large finite field is too costly (primality testing, etc.)

$\rightarrow$  Ring  $\mathbb{Z}/q^k\mathbb{Z}$  where  $q^k > 2H$

$$k = O(\log H / \log q)$$

### Algorithm

**Input:** a  $p$ -PRU  $\omega_k \in \mathbb{Z}/q^k\mathbb{Z}$

*to be computed*

1. Evaluate  $f$  at  $1, \omega_k, \dots, \omega_k^{T-1}$
2. Solve a transposed Vandermonde system, build using the exponents

*$T$  queries*

*$\tilde{O}(Tk \log q)$*

### Complexity analysis

2.  $\tilde{O}(T \log H)$

## Third ingredient: Embed exponents into coefficients

Compute both  $f(x)$  and  $f((1 + q^k)x)$  modulo  $\langle x^p - 1, q^{2k} \rangle$

### Paillier-like embedding

- ▶  $(1 + q^k)^{e_i} = 1 + e_i q^k \pmod{q^{2k}}$
- ▶ If  $f = \sum_i c_i x^{e_i}$ ,

$$f((1 + q^k)x) \pmod{\langle q^{2k}, x^p - 1 \rangle} = \sum_i (c_i(1 + e_i q^k)) x^{e_i \pmod{p}}$$

### Collisions

- ▶ If  $c_i x^{e_i}$  is collision-free modulo  $x^p - 1 \rightarrow$  reconstruct both  $c_i$  and  $e_i$
- ▶ Possibly noisy terms from collisions  $e_i = e_j \pmod{p}$

$\rightarrow$  Compute  $f^*$  such that  $(f - f^*)_{\#} \leq \frac{1}{2} f_{\#}$  w.h.p.

## Fourth ingredient: $p$ -PRU in $\mathbb{F}_q$ and $\mathbb{Z}/q^{2k}\mathbb{Z}$

### Produce $p$ , $q$ and $\omega$ together

1. Sample a random prime  $p \in [\lambda, 2\lambda]$  with  $\lambda = O(T \log D)$
2. Sample a random prime  $q \in \{kp + 1 : 1 \leq k \leq \lambda^5\}$  *effective Dirichlet theorem*
3. Sample a random  $\alpha$  such that  $\omega = \alpha^{(q-1)/p} \neq 1$
4. Return  $(p, q, \omega)$

**Complexity:**  $\log^{O(1)}(\lambda) = \log^{O(1)}(T \log D)$

**Lift  $\omega \in \mathbb{F}_q$  to  $\omega_{2k} \in \mathbb{Z}/q^{2k}\mathbb{Z}$**

- ▶ If  $\omega_{2^i}$  is a  $p$ -PRU modulo  $q^{2^i}$ ,  $\omega_{2^i} \bmod q^i$  is a  $p$ -PRU modulo  $q^i$
- ▶ Newton iteration to lift  $\omega \in \mathbb{F}_q$  to  $\omega_{2k} \in \mathbb{Z}/q^{2k}\mathbb{Z}$

**Complexity:**  $\tilde{O}(k \log p \log q) = \tilde{O}(\log H \log(T \log D))$



# Full algorithm

## Algorithm

1.  $f^* \leftarrow 0$
2. Repeat  $\log T$  times :
3. Compute  $p, q, \omega \in \mathbb{F}_q, \omega_{2k} \in \mathbb{Z}/q^{2k}\mathbb{Z}$  Fourth ingredient
4. Compute exponents of  $(f - f^*) \bmod \langle x^p - 1, q \rangle$  First ingredient
5. Compute  $(f - f^*) \bmod \langle x^p - 1, q^{2k} \rangle$  Second ingredient
6. Compute  $(f - f^*)((1 + q^k)x) \bmod \langle x^p - 1, q^{2k} \rangle$  Second ingredient
7. Reconstruct collision-free monomials plus some noise Third ingredient
8. Update  $f^*$
9. Return  $f^*$

## Theorem

[Giorgi-G.-Perret du Cray-Roche (2022)]

*Given a modular black box for  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  and bounds  $T, D, H$ , the algorithm returns the sparse representation of  $f$  with probability  $\geq \frac{2}{3}$ , and has bit complexity  $\tilde{O}(T(\log D + \log H))$*

# Getting rid of the sparsity bound

## Early termination technique

- ▶ Given  $(\alpha_j)_{j \geq 0}$ , find its minimal polynomial without any bound on its degree
- ▶ *Berlekamp–Massey with early termination* [Kaltofen-Lee (2003)]
- ▶ Works over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  with  $q = \Omega(D^4)$
- ▶ Complexity:  $2t$  evaluations and  $\tilde{O}(t)$  operations over  $\mathbb{F}_q$

## And over $\mathbb{Z}$ ?

- ▶ Perform *early termination* modulo  $q$ , where  $q = \Omega(D^4)$
- ▶ Finding such a prime is too costly  $\rightarrow O(\log^3 D)$

## Prime numbers without primality testing

[Giorgi-G.-Perret du Cray-Roche (2022)]

- ▶ Take a random number  $m$  and pretend it be prime
  - ▶ With good prob., its largest prime factor is  $\geq \sqrt{m}$
- ▶ For each test “ $a = 0 \pmod{m}$ ?”  $\rightarrow$  compute  $\gcd(a, m)$  and update  $m$
- ▶ We show that algorithms (even randomized) have the same behavior

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# What is the complexity of multiplying two degree- $d$ polynomials over $\mathbb{Z}$ ?

## Algebraic complexity over a ring

- ▶  $O(d^2)$  [folklore]
- ▶  $O(d^{1.585}), \dots, O(d^{1+o(1)})$  [Karatsuba-Ofman (1962), Toom (1963), Cook (1966), ...]
- ▶  $O(d \log d \log \log d)$  [Schönhage-Strassen (1971), Cantor-Kaltofen (1991)]

## Bit complexity bounds

If  $g, h \in \mathbb{Z}[x]_{\leq d}$  have height  $\leq H$ ,  $gh$  has height  $\leq dH^2$

1. Direct use of algebraic algorithms
  - ▶ Algebraic complexity  $\times O(\log(dH) \log \log(dH))$  [Harvey-van der Hoeven (2021)]
2. Computation *modulo* a prime  $p \geq 2dH^2$ 
  - ▶ Algebraic complexity  $\times \tilde{O}(\log p) + \tilde{O}(\log^3 p)$  *prime generation*
3. Use Kronecker substitution ( $x \mapsto 2dH^2$ ) and integer multiplication
  - ▶ Multiplication of integers of size  $O(d \log(dH))$

Product of degree- $d$  polynomials of height  $\leq H$  in time  $\tilde{O}(d \log(H))$

## The case of *unbalanced* polynomials

$$\begin{aligned} & (x^7 + 3x^6 + 213672289012x^5 - 3x^4 - 4x^3 - 7x^2 + x - 3) \\ \times & (x^7 + 3x^6 - 213672289006x^5 - 3x^4 - 4x^3 - x^2 + x - 3) \\ = & x^{14} + 6x^{13} + 15x^{12} + 12x^{11} - 45655847090345622202098x^{10} - 50x^9 - 37x^8 \\ & + 1282033734054x^7 + 28x^6 + 8x^5 + 17x^4 + 16x^3 + 25x^2 - 6x + 9 \end{aligned}$$

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### Quadratic complexity

- ▶ Let  $f = \sum_{i=0}^d f_i x^i \rightarrow s = \text{BITLEN}(f) \simeq \sum_i \log |f_i|$
- ▶  $H = \max |f_i| \rightarrow d + \log H \leq s \leq d \log H$
- ▶ Complexity  $\tilde{O}(d \log H) = \tilde{O}(s^2)$  if  $d \simeq \log H$

Can we multiply two polynomials of bit-length  $s$  in time  $\tilde{O}(s)$ ?

# Interpolation-based multiplication

## The problem

Given  $g, h \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$

Compute  $f = g \times h$

## Reinterpretation

Given an implicit representation of  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  as  $g \times h$

Compute the explicit (dense or sparse) representation of  $f$

## New problem

Given a way to evaluate  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$

Interpolate  $f$  in dense or sparse representation

## Remarks

- ▶ The polynomial  $f$  can be unbalanced
- ▶ Complexity should be quasi-linear in  $s = \text{BITLEN}(f)$
- ▶ Evaluations of  $g$  and  $h$  are not for free!

Given a modular black box for  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ , compute  $f$

## Natural approach

1. Interpolate  $f^* = f \bmod m$  for some smallish  $m$ 
  - ▶  $f^*$  contains the small coefficients of  $f$
  - ▶  $f - f^*$  is sparser than  $f$
2. Recursively compute  $(f - f^*) \bmod m$  for increasing values of  $m$ 
  - ▶ Use sparse interpolation in rings  $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$
  - ▶ Ring size increases while sparsity decreases

## It does not work...

- ▶ At some point we know  $f^*$  of *small* height
- ▶ We need to interpolate  $(f - f^*) \bmod m$  for some *large*  $m$
- ▶ Requires to evaluate  $f^*$  on some large values  $\rightarrow \tilde{O}(s^2)$



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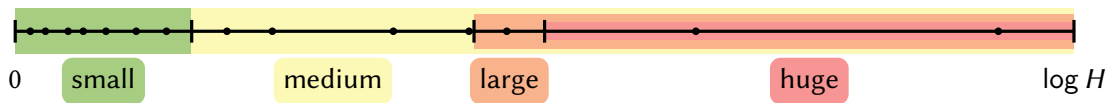
## Top-down approach

1. First interpolate the *large* terms  $f^*$  of  $f$ 
  - ▶ Use sparse interpolation, and *pretend*  $f = f^*$
  - ▶ Smaller terms only slightly modify the evaluations
2. Recursively interpolate  $f - f^*$ 
  - ▶  $f - f^*$  has smaller coefficients and is more balanced than  $f$
  - ▶ Ring size decreases while sparsity increases

## Main difficulties

- ▶ Deal with pertubated evaluations
- ▶ Cost of evaluations

# Computing the huge terms



## Technical result

- ▶ Let  $f_p^{(0)} = f \bmod \langle x^p - 1, m \rangle$  and  $f_p^{(1)} = x \cdot f' \bmod \langle x^p - 1, m \rangle$
- ▶ Let  $cx^e$  be a **large** term of  $f$ ,  $c^{(0)}$  and  $c^{(1)}$  be the coefficients of  $x^{e \bmod p}$  in  $f_p^{(0)}$  and  $f_p^{(1)}$
- ▶ If  $cx^e$  only collides with **small** terms modulo  $p$ , *and some conditions on  $m$  are satisfied*,

$$\left\lceil c^{(1)} / c^{(0)} \right\rceil = e$$

## Algorithm sketch

1. Compute a superset  $\mathcal{T}$  of the **large** terms exponents
  - ▶ Take  $p$  so that most **large** terms only collide with **small** terms
  - ▶ Repeat with several  $p$ 's for each **large** to be preserved at least once
2. Compute the **huge** terms using  $\mathcal{T}$ 
  - ▶ Use  $\mathcal{T}$  to detect collisions between **large** terms
  - ▶ Only keep **huge** coefficients: all **huge** terms and some **large** terms

# Full algorithm

## Algorithm

*Inputs:* Modular black box for  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$   
Bounds  $s \geq \text{BITLEN}(f)$ ,  $D \geq \text{deg}(f)$

1.  $H \leftarrow 2^s, f^* \leftarrow 0$
2. While  $H \gg \log s$  and  $\log D$  :
3. Compute the huge terms of  $f - f^*$  and update  $f^*$
4.  $H \leftarrow \sqrt{H}$
5. Compute the remaining terms of  $f - f^*$  via (balanced) sparse interpolation

## Theorem

[Giorgi-G.-Perret du Cray-Roche (2024)]

Given a modular black box for  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  and bounds  $s$  and  $D$ , the algorithm returns the explicit representation of  $f$  with probability  $\geq \frac{2}{3}$ , and has bit complexity  $\tilde{O}(s \log D)$

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- ▶ Not quasi-linear for *very sparse* polynomials if  $\log D = \text{poly}(s)$

# Back to polynomial multiplication

## Theorem

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There exists an algorithm that, given  $g, h \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ , computes the product  $f = g \times h$  with probability of success  $\geq 1 - 1/s$  and expected bit complexity  $\tilde{O}(s \log d)$ , where  $s = \text{BITLEN}(f) + \text{BITLEN}(g) + \text{BITLEN}(h)$  and  $d = \deg(f)$

## Main ingredients

- ▶ Unbalanced interpolation with tentative bound  $s \geq \text{BITLEN}(f)$
- ▶ Check whether  $f = g \times h$  [Giorgi-G.-Perret du Cray (2023)]
- ▶ Start with small  $s$  and double it until  $f$  is correctly computed

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## Summary of results

$$f \in \mathbb{Z}[x], D = \deg(f), T = f_{\#}, H = f_{\infty}, s = \text{BITLEN}(f)$$

### Sparse interpolation over the integers

- ▶ Interpolate  $f$  from a modular black box in time  $\tilde{O}(T(\log D + \log H))$
- ▶ Corollaries:
  - ▶ Quasi-linear sparse multiplication algorithm [Giorgi-G.-Perret du Cray (2020)]
  - ▶ Quasi-linear exact sparse division algorithm [Giorgi-G.-Perret du Cray-Roche (2021-22)]

### Unbalanced interpolation over the integers

- ▶ Interpolate  $f$  from a modular black box in time  $\tilde{O}(s \log D)$
- ▶ Corollary:
  - ▶ Unbalanced polynomial multiplication in time  $\tilde{O}(s \log D)$

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Thank you!