Early Termination Strategies in Sparse Interpolation Algorithms

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Black box polynomial interpolation



What if $f(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ is sparse?

Zippel's probabilistic interpolation.

- \bigcirc Interpolate variable by variable.
- \bigcirc Sensitive to the sparsity in the multivariate case.
- Still interpolates each variable densely.
- \bigcirc Needs an upper bound for the degree in each variable.
- \bigcirc Does not need a large modulus. $O(\max_i \deg(f(x_i)))$

Ben-Or's/Tiwari's deterministic algorithm.

- ☑ Interpolate all variables at once.
- Sensitive to the sparsity of the the target polynomial.
- \bigcirc Needs an upper bound for the number of terms.
- Solution Might need a very large modulus. $O(\max_{\mathbf{e}} p_1^{e_1} \cdots p_n^{e_n}), p_i$ the *i*-th prime, $e_i = \deg(f(x_i))$.

Early termination strategy



What if *an upper bound of degree* and *an upper bound of the number of terms* of the target polynomial are *not known*?

• Guess and check.

And double the guess if fails.

• Early termination strategy.

Interpolate the polynomial at a random point, when the polynomial stops changing, it is done with high probability.

Why early termination?

- Save time and space.
- A useful tool for controlling intermediate expression swell in computer algebra.
- Sensitive to the sparsity of the target polynomial without knowing any bounds on degree or number of terms.

Early termination in Newton interpolation (12–16)

• Interpolate f(x) on a sequence of random values:

 $p_0, p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_i, \ldots$

• Threshold η can improve the probability of correctness.

f(x) is interpolated with respect to the mixed power base: 1, $(x - p_0)$, $(x - p_0)(x - p_1)$, ... Early termination in Ben-Or/Tiwari algorithm (24–33)

- Perform the Berlekamp/Massey algorithm on $f(p), f(p^2), f(p^3), \dots, f(p^i), \dots$ with p random.
- Recover the terms and coefficients.
- Threshold ζ can improve the probability, but its analysis is complicated.

f(x) is interpolated with respect to the power base: 1, x, x^2 , x^3 , ... in the univariate case. Early termination in sparse Pochhammer interpolation (37-43)

$$x^{\overline{n}} = x(x+1)\cdots(x+n-1)$$
$$f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{t} c_j x^{\overline{e}_j}$$
$$f^{(i)}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{t} e_j^i c_j x^{\overline{e}_j}$$

• Perform the Berlekamp/Massey algorithm on

 $f^{(0)}(p), f^{(1)}(p), f^{(2)}(p), \dots, f^{(i)}(p), \dots$ with p random, $f^{(i)}(p)$ can be obtained from $f(p), f(p+1), \dots, f(p+i)$. • Recover $x^{\overline{e}_j}$ and c_j .

 Threshold ζ can improve the probability, but its analysis is complicated. Early termination in sparse Chebyshev interpolation (46–59)

$$T_0(x) = 1, \quad T_1(x) = x$$

 $i \ge 2: \quad T_i(x) = 2xT_{i-1}(x) - T_{i-2}(x)$
 $f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^t c_j T_{\delta_j}(x)$

• With *p* random and $a_i = f(T_i(p))$, solve the first

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2a_0 & 2a_1 & \dots & 2a_t \\ 2a_1 & a_2 + a_0 & \dots & a_{t+1} + a_{t-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 2a_t & a_{t+1} + a_{t-1} & \dots & a_{2t} + a_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_0 \\ \lambda_1 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_{t-1} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_{t-1} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

• Recover $T_{\delta_j}(x)$ and c_j from $\Lambda(z) = z^t + \lambda_{t-1} z^{t-1} + \cdots + \lambda_0$.

Solve a symmetric Toeplitz-plus-Hankel matrix in quadratic time

Any deterministic quadratic time algorithm requires:

all principal leading submatrices nonsingular, which means for $f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{t} c_j T_{\delta_j}(x)$ with $1 \le i \le t$, it is necessary

 $c_1 + \cdots + c_i \neq 0$

Fix with randomization (50–51)

Pick a random p_c and consider $f(x) + p_c = \sum_{j=1}^t \tilde{c}_j T_{\tilde{\delta}_j}(x)$: for *i* with $1 \le i \le t$, it is correct with high probability $\tilde{c}_1 + \cdots + \tilde{c}_i \ne 0$

Interpolate $f(x) + p_c$ and remove p_c at the end.

Early termination in racing algorithms (60-75)



Newton v.s. sparse Pochhammer:

 $f(p), f(p+1), \ldots, f(p+i), \ldots$

Newton v.s. sparse Chebyshev:

 $f(T_0(p)), f(T_1(p)), \ldots, f(T_i(p)), \ldots$

Embed the racing algorithms into Zippel's algorithm (83–85)

 \bigcirc Univariate interpolations within Zippel can also be sparse.

 \bigcirc Reduce the magnitude of the modulus needed for the recovery of all the terms. $O(\max_{\mathbf{e}} p_1^{e_1} \cdots p_n^{e_n}) \longrightarrow O(\max_{e_i} 2^{e_i})$

My 7 original contributions

- 1. Early termination proved for sparse Pochhammer interpolations
- 2. Early termination proved for sparse Chebyshev interpolations
- 3. The complications for Chebyshev bases in a symmetric Hankel-plus-Toeplitz matrix solver are eliminated with randomization
- 4. Early termination proved for racing algorithms
- 5. Thresholds
- 6. Maple implementation, *ProtoBox*
- 7. Early termination in sparse shifts

Sparse shifts for polynomials

For univariate polynomials (Lakshman and Saunders)

- Need $f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{d} c_i x^i$, its first 2τ derivatives, and an upper bound τ for the number of terms in the sparse shift.
- Need to evaluate f(x) and its first 2τ derivatives at 2 points for a total of $4\tau + 2$ evaluations.

Grigoriev and Lakshman extended to multivariate polynomials.

Early termination in sparse shifts for black box polynomials

f(x) is given as a black box polynomial, without

- its derivatives
- \bullet an upper bound τ for the number of terms in the sparse shift

Let *t* be the number of terms in a sparsest shift of f(x). After $2t + \zeta$ black box evaluations,

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{t} \tilde{c}_i (x + \alpha)^{\delta_i}$$

is returned with high probability.

Recall the early termination of Ben-Or/Tiwari algorithm

For a given black box polynomial f

- Pick a random *p*.
- Perform the Berlekamp/Massey algorithm on $f(p), f(p^2), f(p^3), \ldots$
 - Whenever the early termination condition is satisfied, that is, $\Delta = 0$ when 2L < r and 1 < r, the roots of $\Lambda(z)$ correspond to the terms in *f* with high probability.
- Recover the terms from $\Lambda(z)$.
- Determine the coefficients from the recovered terms.

The trick for early termination in the sparse shifts

Write down what we do not know: the sparsest shift α

- Then the sparsest shift is $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{t} \tilde{c}_i (x + \alpha)^{\delta_i}$.
- Consider $y = x + \alpha$ and $g(\alpha, y) = f(y \alpha)$ as follows: $g(\alpha, y) = f(y - \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^{t} \tilde{c}_i y^{\delta_i}, \quad \tilde{c}_i \in \mathbb{K}[\alpha]$
- When $g(\alpha, y)$ evaluated at y = p, $g(\alpha, p) \in \mathbb{K}[\alpha]$.

Perform the Berlekamp/Massey algorithm on polynomials

Early termination in sparse shifts	Early termination in Ben-Or/Tiwari
• At a random <i>p</i> , perform the Berlekamp/Massey algorithm on $g(\alpha, p), g(\alpha, p^2), g(\alpha, p^3),$ $\Delta(\alpha) \in \mathbb{K}[\alpha]$	• At a random p , perform the Berlekamp/Massey algorithm on $f(p), f(p^2), f(p^3),$ $\Delta \in \mathbb{K}$
• Find the first $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$ such that $\Delta(\alpha) = 0$ when $2L < r$ and $1 < r$	• Early termination: the first $\Delta = 0$ when $2L < r$ and $1 < r$

How to find α efficiently?

Sectorize $\Delta(\alpha)$ 2*t*+1 black box probes: until $\Delta_{2t+1}(\alpha)$

 \bigcirc Compute the GCD of $\Delta_i(\alpha)$ and $\Delta_{i+1}(\alpha)$ 2t + 2 black box probes: until $GCD(\Delta_{2t+1}(\alpha), \Delta_{2t+2}(\alpha))$

\bigcirc Compute the GCD of $\Delta_i(0)$ and $\Delta_{i+1}(0)$?



Under construction