# A High-order Cumulant-based Sparse Ruler

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**Definition 1.1.** A sparse ruler is a set of integers  $\mathbb{S} = \{s_1, s_2, \ldots, s_n\}$ . We say that S generates the set of lags  $\Phi(\mathbb{S})$  if for any integer  $\phi \in \Phi(\mathbb{S})$ , there are i, j such that  $s_i - s_j = \phi$ .

Problem: given a fixed number (n) of marks, how do we construct the ruler (S) to maximize the number of consecutive lags  $(\Phi)$ ?



# **Motivation**

- NP-Completeness
- Information Theory
- Error-Correcting Code
- Signal Processing

# **Nested Ruler**

$$S = S_1 \cup S_2$$
  

$$S_1 = \{n_1 N_2 \mid n_1 = 1, 2, \dots, N_1\}$$
  

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Example: take

 $1, 2, 3, \dots (10)$  $10, 20, 30, \dots 100$ 

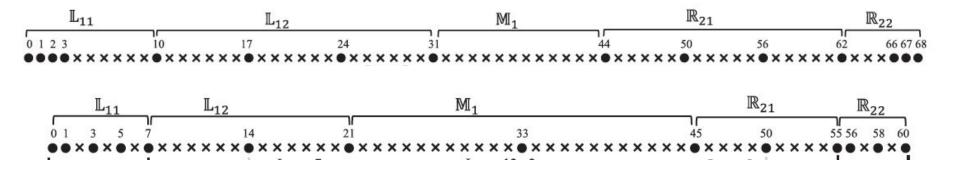
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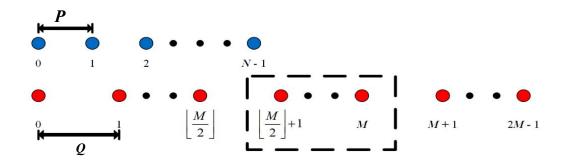
# **Coprime Ruler**

General form: For integers P, Q where gcd(P, Q) = 1

$$S = S_1 \cup S_2$$
  

$$S_1 = \{n_1 \cdot P \mid n_1 = 0, 1, 2, \dots, Q1\}$$
  

$$S_2 = \{n_2 \cdot Q \mid n_2 = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 2P - 1\}$$
  
Then,  $\Phi(S) = \{\mu \mid -PQ - P + 1 \le \mu \le PQ + P - 1\}$ 



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**Definition 2.1.** Consider a ruler S. The set of 2q-th order lags

$$\Phi^{2q}(\mathbb{S}) = \{\sum_{i=1}^{q} p_{n_i} - \sum_{i=q+1}^{2q} p_{n_i} \mid n_i \in [1, N]\}$$

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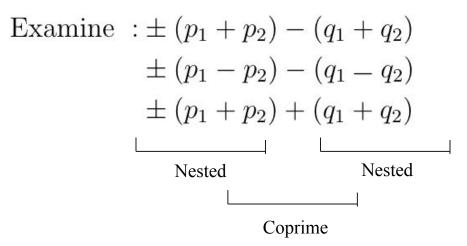
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- 4th-Order:  $s_a, s_b, s_c, s_d$  has  $\binom{4}{2} = 6$  sign permutations
- 2qth-Order has  $\binom{2q}{q}$

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- Nested Ruler
- Common multiple of *p*
- Shifted by a factor
  - Lemma: Shifting adds up

#### **4th-Order: Integration**

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- $\mathbb{P}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}$ : larger coprime structure
- Orienting  $(p_1 + p_2) (q_1 + q_2), (p_1 p_2) (q_1 + q_2), (p_1 + p_2) + (q_1 + q_2)$

#### 4th-Order: Integration + Result

• Orienting  $(p_1 + p_2) - (q_1 + q_2), (p_1 - p_2) - (q_1 + q_2), (p_1 + p_2) + (q_1 + q_2)$ 

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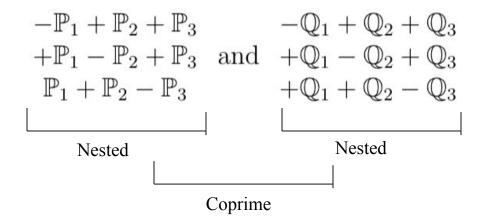
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$$M_{max}^{6} = \begin{cases} \left\lfloor \frac{5}{2}pq \right\rfloor \text{ when q is even} \\ \left\lfloor \frac{5}{2}pq \right\rfloor - q \text{ when q is odd} \end{cases} \leq \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{2}N_1N_2N_3N_4 \\ \left\lfloor \frac{5}{2}pq \right\rfloor - q \text{ when q is odd} \end{cases}$$

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Examine 9 Combinations of:



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$$\mathbb{P}_2 = \{ (n_2 N_3 + q) p \mid n_2 = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N_2 \}$$
$$\mathbb{P}_3 = \{ (n_3 + \left\lfloor \frac{3q}{2} \right\rfloor) p \mid n_3 = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N_3 \}$$
$$\mathbb{Q}_1 = \{ (n_4 N_5 N_6 - \left\lfloor \frac{5p}{2} \right\rfloor) q \mid n_4 = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N_4 \}$$
$$\mathbb{Q}_2 = \{ (n_5 N_6 - \left\lfloor \frac{7p}{2} \right\rfloor) q \mid n_5 = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N_5 \}$$
$$\mathbb{Q}_3 = \{ (n_6 - 5p) q \mid n_6 = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N_6 \}$$

# **6th-Order: Integration**

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0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100	105	110	115	120	125	130	135	140	145	150	155	160	165	170	175
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$$M_{max}^6 = \left\lfloor \frac{17}{2} pq \right\rfloor \le \left\lfloor \frac{17}{2} N_1 N_2 N_3 N_4 N_5 N_6 \right\rfloor$$

# 2q-th Order: Layering

- 6-6-6-6...6
- 6-6-6-...4
- 6-6-6-6...2

# 2q-th Order: Layering

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{S}_{1} &= \{ \alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \dots, \alpha_{N_{1}} \} \\ \mathbb{S}_{2} &= \{ \beta_{1}, \beta_{2}, \dots, \beta_{N_{2}} \} \end{aligned} \text{ with } \begin{aligned} \Phi^{2q_{1}}(\mathbb{S}_{1}) &= \{ -\mu_{1} \leq \mu \leq \mu_{1} \} \\ \Phi^{2q_{2}}(\mathbb{S}_{2}) &= \{ -\mu_{2} \leq \mu \leq \mu_{2} \} \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$$
  
Take a new 2(q\_{1} + q\_{2})-th order ruler:

 $\mathbb{S}_1 \cup \mathbb{S}_2'$ 

$$\mathbb{S}'_{2} = \{2\beta_{1}\mu_{1}, 2\beta_{2}\mu_{1}, \dots, 2\beta_{N_{2}}\mu_{1}\}\$$

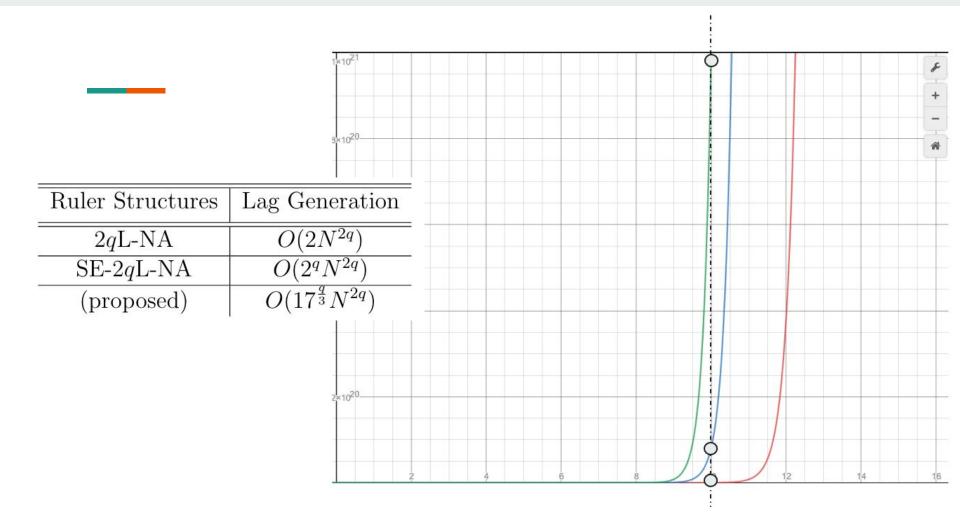
This generates:

$$\Phi^{2(q_1+q_2)}(\mathbb{S}_1 \cup \mathbb{S}'_2) = \{-2\mu_1\mu_2 - \mu_1 \le \mu \le 2\mu_1\mu_2 + \mu_1\}$$

## 2q-th Order: Result

- 6-6-6-6...6  $O(17^{\frac{q}{3}}N^{2q})$

- 6-6-6-6...4  $O(2 \cdot 17^{\frac{q-1}{3}} N^{2q})$ • 6-6-6-6...2  $O(5 \cdot 17^{\frac{q-2}{3}} N^{2q})$



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# **Questions?**



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