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## Error Correction: Berlekamp-Welsh

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## Receiver:

1. Receive $R(1), \ldots, R(n+2 k)$.
2. Solve $n+2 k$ equations, $Q(i)=E(i) R(i)$ to find $Q(x)=E(x) P(x)$ and $E(x)$.
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