

ELEC 433 Formula Sheet

Coding Approaches and Characteristics

Channel Capacity for Additive White Gaussian for bandwidth W and noise N_0 :

$$C = W \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P}{N_0 W} \right)$$

BFSK bit error probability:

$$p = \frac{1}{2} e^{-E_b/2N_0}$$

Binary Linear Block Codes

(n, k, d) code:

- n - length of codeword
- k - number of message bits in codeword
- d - Code minimum distance

Number of codewords in a code C :

$$|C| = M = 2^k$$

Code rate:

$$R = \frac{\log_2(M)}{n} = \frac{k}{n}$$

Vector space dimensions:

$$\dim S + \dim S^\perp = \dim V$$

Def (Binary Linear Block Codes): A subset $C \subseteq V_n$ is a binary linear block code if:

- $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \in C \quad \forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in C$
- $a\mathbf{u} \in C \quad \forall \mathbf{u} \in C, a \in \{0, 1\}$

Hamming Weight:

$$w(\mathbf{x}) = \text{number of non-zero elements in } \mathbf{x}$$

Hamming Distance:

$$d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \text{number of places in which } \mathbf{x} \text{ and } \mathbf{y} \text{ differ}$$

Hamming Distance for binary linear codes:

$$d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = w(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y})$$

Minimum Hamming Distance:

- $d(C) = \min \{d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) : \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in C, \mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{y}\}$
- A code C can detect up to v errors if $d(C) \geq v + 1$
- A code C can correct up to t errors if $d(C) \geq 2t + 1$

Singleton Bound:

$$d_{\min} \leq n - k + 1$$

Def (Generator Matrix): A $k \times n$ matrix whose rows for a basis for a linear (n, k) code of a subspace C is said to be a generator matrix for C .

Groups, Rings, and Fields

Def (Group) A group (G, \cdot) is a set of objects G on which a binary operation \cdot is defined: $a \cdot b \in G : \forall a, b \in G$. The operation must satisfy:

- Associativity: $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$
- Identity: $\exists e \in G \mid \forall a \in G, a \cdot e = a$
- Inverse: $\forall a \in G, \exists \text{ unique } a^{-1} \in G \mid a \cdot a^{-1} = e$

Def (Commutative Group) A group is said to be commutative or abelian if it also satisfies:

$$\forall a, b \in G, a \cdot b = b \cdot a$$

Def (Ring) A ring $(R, +, \cdot)$ is a set of objects R on which two binary operations $(+ \text{ and } \cdot)$ are defined. It has properties:

- $(R, +)$ is a commutative group under $+$ with identity "0"
- Associativity: $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$
- Distribution: $a \cdot (b + c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c)$

Def (Commutative Ring) A ring is said to be commutative if it also satisfies: $\forall a, b \in G, a \cdot b = b \cdot a$

Def (Ring with Identity) A ring is said to be a ring with identity if the operation \cdot has an identity element "1"

Def (Division Ring) Let $(R, +, \cdot)$ be a ring, and $R^* = R - 0$. If the ring is a commutative ring with identity, and (R^*, \cdot) is a group, then the ring is said to be a division ring.

Def (Field) A field $(F, +, \cdot)$ is a set of objects F for which two binary operations $(+ \text{ and } \cdot)$ are defined. F is said to be a field if and only if:

- $(F, +)$ is a commutative group under $+$ with additive identity "0"
- (F^*, \cdot) is a commutative group under \cdot with multiplicative identity "1"
- Distribution: $a \cdot (b + c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c)$

Finite Integer Fields:

$$S = \{0, 1, \dots, p - 1\} \text{ form a finite field if } p \text{ is prime.}$$

Properties of Finite Fields:

- Order: A field of order q has cardinality $|F| = q$, denoted $\text{GF}(q)$
- Let $\beta \in \text{GF}(q), \beta \neq 0$. The order of β is the smallest positive integer m such that $\beta^m = 1$
- If t is the order of β , then $t \mid (q - 1)$

- In any finite field, there are one or more elements of order $q - 1$ called primitive elements.

Euler's Totient Function:

$\phi(t)$ = number of positive integers less than t that are relatively prime to t

Finite Fields and Euler's Totient Function:

- The number of elements in $\text{GF}(q)$ of order t is $\phi(t)$
- In $\text{GF}(q)$ there are exactly $\phi(q - 1)$ primitive elements
- If α is a primitive element, then $1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^{q-2}$ must be non-zero elements of $\text{GF}(q)$

Def (Primitive Polynomial) If an irreducible polynomial $p(x)$ such that the smallest positive integer n for which $p(x)$ divides $x^n - 1$ is $n = p^m - 1$ for a prime p and positive integer m , the polynomial is said to be a primitive polynomial.

Encoding and Decoding

Codeword convention: Data appears unaltered at the start of the code word.

Thm (Equivalence of Binary Linear Codes) Two linear binary codes are called equivalent if one can be obtained from the other by permuting the positions of the code. Two $k \times n$ binary matrices generate equivalent linear (n, k, d) codes if one matrix can be obtained from the other by a sequence of row, column permutations and row addition.

Thm (Systematic Codes) Let G be a generator matrix of an (n, k) code. Then G can be transformed to the form $[I_k \mid P]$ where P is called the parity matrix.

Encoding of a message \mathbf{m} with a code C :

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{m}G$$

Def (Parity Check Matrix). H satisfies $GH^T = 0$ and is a basis for the dual space. In systematic form

$$H = [P^T \mid I_{n-k}]$$

Syndrome of a received word \mathbf{r} :

$$\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{r}H^T$$

Hamming Codes

Def (Binary Hamming Code) Let $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and H be a $m \times (2^m - 1)$ matrix with columns which are the non-zero distinct words from a vector space V_m . The code having H as its parity-check matrix is a binary Hamming code of length $2^m - 1$

Hamming code parameters:

$$C : (2^m - 1, 2^m - 1 - m, 3) \quad C^\perp : (2^m - 1, m, 2^{m-1})$$

Decoding Hamming Codes where columns of H are arranged in order of increasing binary numbers:

1. Compute $S(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{r}H^T$
2. If $S(\mathbf{r}) = 0$, then \mathbf{r} is a valid codeword
3. Else, $S(\mathbf{r})$ gives the binary position of the error

Hamming Bound:

$$\sum_{i=0}^t \binom{n}{i} \leq 2^{n-k}$$

Cyclic Codes

Def (Cyclic Code) A code C is cyclic if C is linear and a cyclic shift of any codeword is another codeword.

Properties of a (n, k) binary cyclic code C :

1. There exists a generator polynomial of minimal degree $n - k$
2. Every code polynomial in C can be expressed as $c(x) = m(x)g(x)$ where $m(x)$ has degree $< k - 1$
3. We can write $x^n - 1 = g(x)h(x)$ where $h(x)$ is the parity check polynomial.
4. If $g(x)$ is a primitive polynomial then C is also a Hamming code.

Generator Matrix:

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} g_0 & g_1 & \cdots & g_{n-k} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & g_0 & g_1 & \cdots & g_{n-k} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & g_0 & g_1 & \cdots & g_{n-k} \end{bmatrix}$$

Parity Check Matrix:

$$h^*(x) = x^k h(x^{-1}) = h_k + h_{k-1}x + \cdots + h_0x^k$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} h_k & \cdots & h_1 & h_0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & h_k & \cdots & h_1 & h_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & h_k & \cdots & h_1 & h_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Systematic Generator Matrix:

1. For $i = n - k$ to $n - 1$, compute $x^i \mod g(x) = p_i(x)$
2. Rows of G are formed by $x^i + p_i(x)$.

Systematic Encoding:

$$c(x) = m(x)x^{n-k} + m(x)x^{n-k} \mod g(x)$$

Def (Shortened Cyclic Code) $(n, k) \rightarrow (n - u, k - u)$ by setting u most significant bits of codeword to zero.

Typically not cyclic. A CRC code is a shortened cyclic code.

Minimal Polynomials

Def (Minimal Polynomial) Let $\alpha \in \text{GF}(2^m)$. $p(x)$ is a minimal polynomial of α with respect to $\text{GF}(2^m)$ if it is the smallest degree monic polynomial such that $p(\alpha) = 0$.

Properties of Minimal Polynomials:

- The degree of $p(x)$ is d , and $d \mid m$
- $f(\alpha) = 0 \implies p(x) \mid f(x)$
- $p(x)$ is irreducible in $\text{GF}(2^m)$
- If α is primitive, $p(x)$ is a primitive polynomial.

Def (Conjugacy Class) Let $\alpha \in \text{GF}(2^m)$. The conjugacy class of α is $\{\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^{2^2}, \dots, \alpha^{2^{d-1}}\}$. If $p(\alpha) = 0$, any element of the conjugacy class is also a root.

Def (Cyclotomic Coset) The partition of powers of α by the conjugacy classes of a finite field is called the set of cyclotomic cosets.

BCH Codes

BCH codes are a generalization of cyclic Hamming codes. The generator polynomial $g(x)$ is a primitive polynomial. Codeword satisfies $g(\alpha) = 0 \implies c(\alpha) = 0$.

Thm (BCH Bound) Let C be a (n, k) 2-ary cyclic code with generator polynomial $g(x)$. Let $\alpha \in \text{GF}(2^m)$ be an element of order n , $n \mid 2^m - 1$. If $g(x)$ is a minimal polynomial with roots $\alpha^b, \alpha^{b+1}, \dots, \alpha^{b+\delta-2}$, then C has minimum distance at least δ . $g(x)$ is degree $n - k$ and is the product of the minimal polynomials of the roots

$$g(x) = \text{LCM}\{m_b(x), m_{b+1}(x), \dots, m_{b+\delta-2}(x)\}$$

Def (Narrow-Sense BCH Code) Narrow-Sense codes have parameter $b = 1$.

Def (Binary Primitive BCH Codes) For any m and $t < n/2$, there exists a binary primitive BCH code with parameters $n = 2^m - 1$, $d \geq 2t + 1$, $n - k \leq mt$, where d is the designed distance.

Construction of a t error correcting 2-ary BCH Code:

1. Find $\alpha \in \text{GF}(2^m)$ where m is minimal.
2. Select $2t$ consecutive powers of α starting at α^b .
3. Find $g(x)$ as the LCM of the minimal polynomials for those powers of α .

Reed-Solomon Codes

Reed-Solomon codes are a subset of BCH codes and are non-binary. Properties:

- α is primitive.
- Generator polynomial $g(x) = (x - \alpha)(x - \alpha^2) \cdots (x - \alpha^{2t})$
- $n = 2^m - 1 \quad n - k = 2t$

A RS code can correct up to s errors and r erasures if $2s + r < 2t$

Convolutional Codes

Def (Constraint Length) The constraint length L is the length of longest input shift register with maximum number of memory elements plus one.

Coding Rate:

$$R = \frac{\text{symbols shifted in a cycle}}{\text{number of output symbols}}$$

LPDC Codes

Parity Check Matrix Representation

- Let W_r be the number of 1's in each row
- Let W_c be the number of 1's in each column
- A matrix is called low density if $W_c \ll n$ and $W_r \ll (n - k)$

Graph Representation

- Node are separated into variable nodes f_i and check nodes c_j
- An edge connects nodes f_i and c_j if $H_{ij} = 1$

Def (Regular LPDC Code) A LPDC code is said to be regular if W_c and $W_r = W_c(n/(n - l))$ are constant.

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<https://github.com/DonneyF/formula-sheets>