

Information and Coding Theory

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1. Let $g(x) = 1 + x^4 + x^6 + x^7 + x^8 \in F_2[x]$ be the generator polynomial of a binary $[15, 7]$ -cyclic code C . Write down a generator matrix and a parity-check matrix for C . Construct a generator matrix of the form $(I_7|A)$

SOLUTION

Since $g(x) = 1 + x^4 + x^6 + x^7 + x^8$, thus $g_0 = 1, g_3 = 1, g_5 = 1, g_6 = 1, g_7 = 1$, thus:

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{7 \times 15}$$

then calculate $h(x) = (x^{15} - 1)/g(x)$:

$$\begin{array}{r} x^7 + x^6 + x^4 + 1 \\ x^8 + x^7 + x^6 + x^4 + 1 \overline{) x^{15} + 1} \\ \underline{x^{15} + x^{14} + x^{13} + x^{11} + x^7} \\ x^{14} + x^{13} + x^{11} + x^7 + 1 \\ \underline{x^{14} + x^{13} + x^{12} + x^{10} + x^6} \\ x^{12} + x^{11} + x^{10} + x^7 + x^6 + 1 \\ \underline{x^{12} + x^{11} + x^{10} + x^8 + x^4} \\ x^8 + x^7 + x^6 + x^4 + 1 \\ \underline{x^8 + x^7 + x^6 + x^4 + 1} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

thus $h(x) = x^7 + x^6 + x^4 + 1$, and then the reciprocal polynomial of $h(x)$ is $h_R(x) = x^7 + x^3 + x + 1$, thus a parity-check matrix for C is as follows:

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{8 \times 15}$$

Transform the generator matrix G above through $r_1 = r_1 + r_5 + r_7, r_2 = r_2 + r_6, r_3 = r_3 + r_7$, we got the generator matrix with standard form as follows:

$$G_{std} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{7 \times 15}$$

2. Let α be a primitive element of F_2^m and let $g(x) \in F_2[x]$ be the minimal polynomial of α with respect to F_2 . Show that the cyclic code of length $2^m - 1$ with $g(x)$ as the generator polynomial is in fact a binary $[2^m - 1, 2^m - 1 - m, 3]$ -Hamming code

SOLUTION

Since α be a primitive element of F_2^m , thus $\deg(g(x)) = m = n - k, k = 2^m - 1 - m$

Let $\forall c \in C, c = (c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{n-1})$ and $f(x) = \pi(c)$

Thus $f(x) = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + \dots + c_{n-1}x^{n-1}$

Since $f(x) \in \langle g(x) \rangle, g(\alpha) = 0$

Thus $f(\alpha) = 0$, thus $c_0 + c_1\alpha + c_2\alpha^2 + \dots + c_{n-1}\alpha^{n-1} = 0$

i.e. $\vec{c} \cdot \vec{\alpha} = 0, \vec{c} = (c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{n-1})^T, \vec{\alpha} = (1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^{n-1})^T$

Then we could use $\vec{\alpha} = (1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^{n-1})^T$ to construct the parity-check matrix $H_{(n-k) \times n}$ of C , i.e. $H_{m \times (2^m - 1)}$

Since α be a primitive element of F_2^m , thus the columns of $H_{m \times (2^m - 1)}$ are exactly all the nonzero vectors of F_2^m , thus C is a $\text{Ham}[2^m - 1, 2]$ hamming codes, and obviously the minimal distance of a 2-ary hamming code is 3

Summarizing: C a binary $[2^m - 1, 2^m - 1 - m, 3]$ -Hamming code

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