

Algebraic Coding Theory

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- 1 Block Codes
- 2 Linear Codes
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Block coding

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Important code parameters

$$k$$

$$n > k$$

$$m = n - k$$

$$|C| \leq 2^n$$

$$0 < \frac{r}{n} < 1$$

Hamming distance

$$w(c) = \#1's \text{ in } c$$

$$d(c_1, c_2) = w(c_1 + c_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(C) &= \min\{d(c_1, c_2) \mid c_1 \neq c_2, c_1, c_2 \in C\} \\ &= \min\{w(c_1 + c_2) \mid c_1 \neq c_2, c_1, c_2 \in C\} \\ &\neq \min\{w(c) \mid c \neq 0, c \in C\} \end{aligned}$$

Detecting and correcting errors

$$d(C) \geq 2t + 1 \implies 2t\text{-detecting}$$

$$d(C) \geq 2t + 1 \implies t\text{-correcting}$$

Sphere-packing bound

Theorem (Sphere-packing bound)

A t -error-correcting binary code of length n must satisfy

$$|C| \sum_{i=0}^t \binom{n}{i} \leq 2^n$$

$$t = 1 \implies |C| \leq \frac{2^n}{n+1}$$

Definition (Perfect code)

$$|C| \sum_{i=0}^t \binom{n}{i} = 2^n$$

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Definition of linear code

Definition (Linear code)

A linear code C of length n is a linear subspace of the vector space \mathbb{F}_2^n .

$$c_1 \in C, c_2 \in C \implies c_1 + c_2 \in C$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(C) &= \min\{w(c_1 + c_2) \mid c_1 \neq c_2, c_1, c_2 \in C\} \\ &= \min\{w(c) \mid c \neq 0, c \in C\} \end{aligned}$$

Definition of linear code

Problem TJ-8.18

Let C be a linear code.

Show that either the i -th coordinates in the codewords of C are all zeros or exactly half of them are zeros.

Definition of linear code

Problem TJ–8.19

Let C be a linear code.

Show that either every codeword has even weight or exactly half of them have even weight.

$$\text{Parity: } w(c_1) + w(c_2) \text{ vs. } w(c_1 + c_2)$$

Definition of linear code

Definition (Linear code)

An (n, k) linear code C of length n and rank k is a linear subspace with dimension k of the vector space \mathbb{F}_2^n .

Basis: c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k

$$c_i = \alpha_1 c_1 + \alpha_2 c_2 + \dots + \alpha_k c_k$$

$$|C| = 2^k$$

Generator matrix

Definition (Generator matrix)

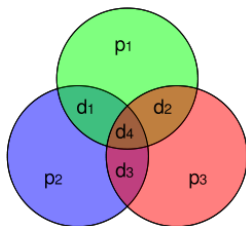
A matrix $G_{n \times k}$ is a generator matrix for an (n, k) linear code C if

$$C = \text{Col}(G)$$

$$G_{(n \times k)} \cdot d_{k \times 1} = c_{n \times 1} \in C$$

$$G(c_1 + c_2) = G(c_1) + G(c_2)$$

Generator matrix for Hamming code (7, 4)



$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} =$$

Standard generator matrix

Problem TJ-8.7

Generator matrices are NOT unique.

Definition (Generator matrix)

A generator matrix $G_{n \times k}$ is standard if

$$G_{n \times k} = \begin{bmatrix} I_k \\ A_{(n-k) \times k} \end{bmatrix}$$

From generator matrix to parity-check matrix

$$G \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \\ d_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \\ d_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \\ d_4 \\ p_1 = d_1 + d_2 + d_4 \\ p_2 = d_2 + d_3 + d_4 \\ p_3 = d_1 + d_3 + d_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

From generator matrix to parity-check matrix

$$d_1 + d_2 + d_4 + p_1 = 0$$

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Parity-check matrix

Definition (Parity-check matrix)

A matrix $H_{(n-k) \times n}$ is a parity-check matrix for an (n, k) linear code C if

$$C = \text{Nul}(H)$$

$$H_{(n-k) \times n} \cdot c_{n \times 1} = 0_{(n-k) \times 1}$$

Standard parity-check matrix

Problem TJ-8.11

Parity-check matrices are NOT unique.

Definition (Standard parity-check matrix)

A parity-check matrix $H_{(n-k) \times n}$ is standard if

$$H_{(n-k) \times n} = \left[A_{(n-k) \times k} \mid I_{n-k} \right]$$

Generator matrix and Parity-check matrix

$$H_{(n-k) \times n} \cdot G_{n \times k} \cdot d_{k \times 1} = 0_{(n-k) \times 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{(n-k) \times n} \cdot G_{n \times k} &= \left[A_{(n-k) \times k} \mid I_{n-k} \right] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_k \\ A_{(n-k) \times k} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= A_{(n-k) \times k} \cdot I_k + I_{n-k} \cdot A_{(n-k) \times k} \\ &= A_{(n-k) \times k} + A_{(n-k) \times k} \\ &= 0_{(n-k) \times k} \end{aligned}$$

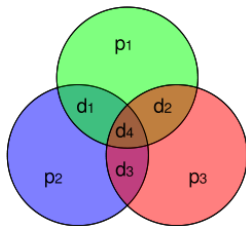
Syndrome decoding

Error-detecting and error-correcting capabilities

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