

## Seminar 12

### Error correcting codes

$(n, k)$  code  
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-1-      the length of the message  
encoded  
message

$m \in \mathbb{Z}_2^k \xrightarrow{\text{encode}} \text{encoded vector } v \in \mathbb{Z}_2^n$

$(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{k-1})$

binary digits

$(y_0, y_1, \dots, y_{n-k-1}, x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{k-1})$

Channel

decode  $v \xleftarrow[\text{correction}]{\text{error}} v' \text{ (output vector)}$

The  $(n, k)$  code is linear if its encoding function  $\delta: \mathbb{Z}_2^k \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2^n$  is linear, i.e:

$$\forall m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_2^k: \delta(m_1 + m_2) = \delta(m_1) + \delta(m_2)$$

$$(\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_2, \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}_2^k: \delta(\alpha \cdot m) = \alpha \cdot \delta(m))$$

$$G := [\delta]_{E, E'} = (\delta(e_1) \dots \delta(e_k))$$

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generator matrix of the code

$\Rightarrow$  the encoding can be done by  $[v]_{E'} = G \cdot [m]_E$

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} M \\ I_k \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}_{n, k}(\mathbb{Z}_2)$$

$$H = (I_{n-k} \mid M) \in \mathcal{M}_{n-k, k}(\mathbb{Z}_2)$$

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the parity check matrix (role in correcting)



Polynomial codes. The  $(n, k)$ -p. code generated by a polynomial  $P \in \mathbb{Z}_2[x]$

here's how we encode:

Step 1:  $m = (a_0, \dots, a_{K-1}) \rightsquigarrow P_m = \underbrace{a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{K-1}x^{K-1}}$

we identify it with the initial message

Step 2:  $Q_m = P_m \cdot x^{M-K}$

Step 3: we divide  $Q_n$  by  $P$ :  $Q_n = P \cdot Q + R_n$  - remainder

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divident                      divisor                      quotient

Step 4: The encoded polynomial is  $T_m = Q_m - R_m = Q_m + R_m$

Step 5:  $T_m = b_0 + \dots + b_{m-1} x^{m-1}$

we get the encoded vector  $v = (b_0, \dots, b_{m-1})$

ex: Let us encode the message  $m = (1, 1, 0)$  by using the  $(6, 3)$  code generated by the poly  $\gamma = 1 + x^2 + x^3 \in \mathbb{Z}_2[x]$

$$1 - m = (1, 1, 0) \rightarrow P_m = 1 + x$$

$$2. Q_{n+1} = P_n \cdot x^3 = x^4 + x^3$$

3. 
$$\begin{array}{r|l} x^4+x^3 & x^3+x^2+1 \\ \hline x^4+x^3+x & x \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_w = x$$

4.  $T_{me} = x + x^4 + x^3$

5.  $x = (0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0)$  - 6 digits because of  $(\underline{6}, 3)$  code



ex 12.2 Determine the  $G$  and the  $H$  for the  $(7,5)$  code

generated by the poly  $P = 1 + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 \in \mathbb{Z}_2[x]$

i for  $u = (1, 0, 0) \rightarrow P_u = 1$

$$Q_u = P_u \cdot x^{n-k} = 1 \cdot x^4 = x^4$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} x^4 & x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 1 \\ x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 1 & 1 \\ \hline & x^3 + x^2 + 1 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_u = x^3 + x^2 + 1 \Rightarrow T_u = Q_u + R_u = x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 1 \Rightarrow u = (1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0)$$

ii for  $u = (0, 1, 0) \rightarrow P_u = x$

$$Q_u = P_u \cdot x^{n-k} = x \cdot x^4 = x^5$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} x^5 & x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 1 \\ x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x & x + 1 \\ \hline & x^4 + x^3 + x \\ x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 1 & \\ \hline & x^2 + x + 1 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_u = x^2 + x + 1 \Rightarrow T_u = x^5 + x^2 + x + 1 \Rightarrow u = (1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0)$$

iii for  $u = (0, 0, 1) \Rightarrow P_u = x^2$

$$Q_u = P_u \cdot x^{n-k} = x^2 \cdot x^4 = x^6$$

$$\begin{array}{r|l} x^6 & x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 1 \\ x^6 + x^5 + x^4 + x^2 & x^2 + x \\ \hline & x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x \\ x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x & \\ \hline & x^3 + x^2 + x \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_u = x^3 + x^2 + x \Rightarrow T_u = Q_u + R_u = x^6 + x^3 + x^2 + x \Rightarrow u = (0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1)$$

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow I_3$$



$$H = \left( \begin{array}{cccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$G$  linear map,  $\mathcal{C}$  = set of codewords in our code,  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq_{\mathbb{Z}_2} \mathbb{Z}_2^n$

$d_H(v, v')$  = no of positions where  $v$  and  $v'$  disagree,  $(\forall) v, v' \in \mathbb{Z}_2^n$

$\downarrow$   
the Hamming distance

$$= w(v + v')$$

$\hookrightarrow$  the no of 1's

$$d(\mathcal{C}) = \min_{v, v' \in \mathcal{C}} d_H(v, v')$$

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the minimum Hamming distance

$d(\mathcal{C})$  = minimal no of columns in  $H$  that add up to 0

Th: For a linear code  $\mathcal{C}$  we can detect at most  $d(\mathcal{C}) - 1$  errors

and we can correct at most  $\left\lfloor \frac{d(\mathcal{C}) - 1}{2} \right\rfloor$  errors

**ex 12.5** Determine  $d(\mathcal{C})$  if  $G = \begin{pmatrix} P \\ I_n \end{pmatrix} \in \text{Mg}_{4,4}(\mathbb{Z}_2)$  where

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find  $H$  and discuss the error-detecting and error-correcting capabilities of this code

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

no 0 columns  $\Rightarrow d(\mathcal{C}) > 1$   
no identical columns  $\Rightarrow d(\mathcal{C}) > 2$   
 $C_3 + C_5 + C_6 = 0 \Rightarrow d(\mathcal{C}) = 3$

$$d(\mathcal{C}) - 1 = 3 - 1 = 2 \text{ detectable errors}$$



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$$\left\lfloor \frac{d(6)-1}{2} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{3-1}{2} \right\rfloor = 1 \text{ correctable error}$$