

Pick any collection of  $k$  - linearly ind vectors from  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$   $\{g_1, \dots, g_k\}$  & put them as rows of a matrix:

$$G =_{k \times n} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{g_1} \\ \vdots \\ \underline{g_k} \end{bmatrix}$$

Rowspace  $(G) = \text{Span}(\text{Rows of } G) : k\text{-dimensional subspace of } \mathbb{F}_2^n$

'Dimension' of linear code  $\mathcal{C}$   $\leftarrow$  valid linear code  
 $\frac{\dim(\mathcal{C})}{\dim(\mathcal{C})} \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \text{Dim of subspace } \mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^n$   
 $= k.$

$$|\mathcal{C}| = 2^k.$$

$$R_{\mathcal{C}} = k/n = \frac{\dim(\mathcal{C})}{n}$$

$$d_{\min}(\mathcal{C}) = \min_{\substack{\underline{c} \neq 0 \\ \underline{c} \in \mathcal{C}}} w_H(\underline{c})$$

Encoding:  $\rightarrow$  Operation of mapping  $2^{nR=k}$  length msgs to the  $n$ -length codewords in a

unique manner  
 $\rightarrow$  - Mapping from  $k$ -length vectors over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  to  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^n$ .

$\rightarrow$  For linear codes, we can do this encoding as a linear mapping

$$\begin{array}{c} m \in \mathbb{F}_2^k \\ \overline{m_1 | m_2 | \dots | m_k} \\ (m_i \in \mathbb{F}_2) \end{array} \rightarrow \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{Encoder for } \mathcal{C} \\ (\text{linear map}) \end{array}} \rightarrow \underbrace{\overline{m} G_{k \times n}}_{\text{codeword in } \mathcal{C}}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k m_i \underline{g_i} \in \mathcal{C}$$

$\uparrow$   
rowpace( $G$ )

$\rightarrow$  Encoding operation requires

Storage + Computation polynomial (in  $n$ ) unlike non-linear codes which in general require exp complexity.

Examples:

Repetition code:

Encoding:  $m \in \mathbb{F}_2 \rightarrow \boxed{\text{encoder}} \quad m G = (m, \dots, m)$

$$G = [1 \ 1 \ \dots \ 1]_{1 \times n}$$

$$\mathcal{C} = \text{Rowspace } G = \{ (0 \dots 0), (1, \dots, 1) \}$$

$$\dim(\mathcal{C}) = n, \dim(\mathcal{C}) = 1 = k, R = \frac{k}{n} = \frac{1}{n}$$

Decoding: How to implement min. distance decoder more efficiently?

$$\hat{c} = \underset{c \in C}{\operatorname{argmin}} d_H(y, c)$$

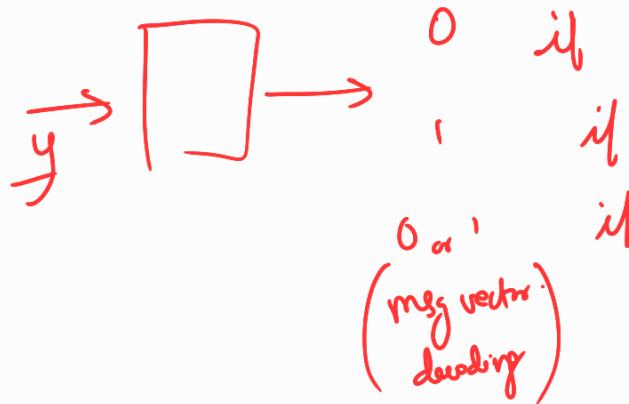
For  $n=5$ :

Suppose  $y = (11100) \rightarrow$  Then min dist decoder (MDD) output is  $\hat{c} = (11111)$

$$\text{MDD}(y) = \begin{cases} \underline{0} = (0, \dots, 0), & \text{if } w_H(y) < \frac{n}{2} \\ \underline{1} = (1, \dots, 1), & \text{if } w_H(y) > \frac{n}{2} \\ \text{pick } \underline{0} \text{ or } \underline{1} & \text{if } w_H(y) = \frac{n}{2} \end{cases}$$

o/p of MDD  
given  $n \times$  vector  $y$   
as input

Simple Decoding Rule [Majority Logic Decoder]:



Hamming code: (Binary Hamming Codes)

This is a class of codes

$$\begin{cases} n = 2^r - 1 \\ k = 2^r - 1 - r \\ d = 3 \end{cases} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{for each} \\ r \geq 3 \end{array} \right.$$

We take up a particular example: (a particular smallest code in the class of Hamming codes)

For  $n=3$

$$n=7, k=4, d=3.$$

eg of linear code

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} I_4 & \begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} 4 \times 7 \\ 4 \times 7 \end{matrix}$$

↑  
appending  $I_4$  with 3 columns to the right.

Note: The 4 rows of  $G$  are linearly independent vectors of  $\mathbb{F}_2^7$

$\text{Rank}(G) = \begin{matrix} \text{no of linearly ind vectors} \\ \text{in rows} \\ \text{(or cols)} \end{matrix}$   
 $4 = \text{no of lin ind rows}$

$\mathcal{C} = \text{rowspace}(G)$  is a 4-dim linear code.

Rate =  $4/7$  ,  $|\mathcal{C}| = 2^k = 2^4 = 16$

$\text{dmin}(\mathcal{C}) = \text{min wt of non-zero codewords} = 3$  (please verify)

Next class: Decoding of Hamming codes. (This code can correct single errors)

$t=1 = \left\lfloor \frac{\text{dmin}-1}{2} \right\rfloor$