

# Hard Decision Decoding

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% Base graphs

baseGraphs = {'NR_2_6_52', 'NR_1_5_352'};

codeRates_BG = {[1/4, 1/3, 1/2, 3/5], [1/3, 1/2, 3/5, 4/5]};

EbNodB_vec = 0:1:10;

Nsim = 10; maxIter = 20;

% Functionality test (no noise)

disp("Running functionality test (no noise)...")

run_functionality_test(baseGraphs{1}, codeRates_BG{1}(1));

% Loop through base graphs and code rates

for bgIdx = 1:length(baseGraphs)

    bg = baseGraphs{bgIdx};

    rates = codeRates_BG{bgIdx};

    load([bg, '.txt'], bg); B = eval(bg);

    [mb, nb] = size(B); kb = nb - mb; z = 52;

    for r = 1:length(rates)

        R = rates(r);

        fprintf('Running for Base Graph: %s | Code Rate: %.2f\n',
bg, R);

        k_pc = kb - 2; nbRM = ceil(k_pc/R) + 2;

        nBlock = nbRM * z; kBlock = kb * z;

        Hfull = gen_H(B,z); H = Hfull(:,1:nBlock);

        H = H(1:(mb*z - nb*z + nBlock), :);

        v2c = get_v2c_map(H); c2v = get_c2v_map(H);

        % BER & PER
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    BER = zeros(1,length(EbNodB_vec)); PER =
zeros(1,length(EbNodB_vec));

    iterSucc = Nsim * ones(1, maxIter);

    for snrIdx = 1:length(EbNodB_vec)

        EbNo = 10^(EbNodB_vec(snrIdx)/10);

        sigma = sqrt(1/(2*R*EbNo));

        bitErr = 0; frameErr = 0;

        for s = 1:Nsim

            msg = randi([0 1], kBlock, 1);

            code = ldpc_encode(B, z, msg');

            code = code(1:nBlock);

            tx = 1 - 2 * code;

            rx = tx + sigma * randn(1,nBlock);

            [dec, iterSucc] = hard_decode(rx, v2c, c2v,
zeros(size(H)), zeros(size(H)), iterSucc);

            e = mod(dec(1:kBlock) + msg', 2);

            bitErr = bitErr + sum(e);

            frameErr = frameErr + any(e);

        end

        BER(snrIdx) = bitErr / (Nsim * kBlock);

        PER(snrIdx) = frameErr / Nsim;

    end

    % Plot each result in a separate figure

    figure('Name', sprintf('%s - Rate %.2f', bg, R),
'NumberTitle', 'off');

    tiledlayout(2,2);

    nexttile; semilogy(EbNodB_vec, PER, '-o'); grid on;

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        title('Eb/No vs Decoding error'); xlabel('Eb/No (dB)');
ylabel(sprintf('Hard Decision Decoding error probability of
Coderate = (%.2f\n)', R) );

        nexttile; plot(1:maxIter, iterSucc, '-'); grid on;

        title(sprintf('Probability vs Iteration for Hard Decoding of
Coderate = %.2f\n', R)); xlabel('Iteration number');
ylabel('Success probability of each iteration');

        nexttile; semilogy(EbNodB_vec, BER, '-*'); grid on;

        title('BER vs Eb/No'); xlabel('Eb/No (dB)'); ylabel('BER');

    end
end

% ----- Functionality Test -----
function run_functionality_test(baseGraph, codeRate)

    load([baseGraph, '.txt'], baseGraph); B = eval(baseGraph);

    [mb,nb] = size(B); kb = nb - mb; z = 52;

    k_pc = kb-2; nbRM = ceil(k_pc/codeRate)+2;

    nBlock = nbRM*z; kBlock = kb*z;

    Hfull = gen_H(B,z); H = Hfull(:,1:nBlock);

    H = H(1:(mb*z - nb*z + nBlock), :);

    v2c = get_v2c_map(H); c2v = get_c2v_map(H);

    msg = randi([0 1], kBlock, 1);

    code = ldpc_encode(B,z,msg'); code = code(1:nBlock);

    rx = 1 - 2 * code; % NO NOISE

    [decoded,~] = hard_decode(rx, v2c, c2v, zeros(size(H)),
zeros(size(H)), 20*ones(1,20));

    recovered = decoded(1:kBlock);

    assert(all(recovered' == msg), 'Functionality test failed!');

    disp("Functionality test passed. Decoding without noise was
successful.");

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end

function H = gen_H(B,z)

    [mb,nb] = size(B);

    H = zeros(mb*z, nb*z);

    Iz = eye(z); I0 = zeros(z);

    for i = 1:mb

        for j = 1:nb

            row = (i-1)*z + (1:z);

            col = (j-1)*z + (1:z);

            if B(i,j) == -1

                H(row,col) = I0;

            else

                H(row,col) = circshift(Iz, -B(i,j));

            end

        end

    end

end

function code = ldpc_encode(B,z,msg)

    [m,n] = size(B); code = zeros(1,n*z);

    code(1:(n-m)*z) = msg;

    temp = zeros(1,z);

    for i = 1:4

        for j = 1:n-m

            temp = mod(temp + shift_block(msg((j-1)*z+1:j*z),
B(i,j)), 2);

        end

    end

end

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p1sh = B(2,n-m+1); if p1sh==-1, p1sh = B(3,n-m+1); end
code((n-m)*z+1:(n-m+1)*z) = shift_block(temp, z-p1sh);

for i = 1:3
    temp = zeros(1,z);
    for j = 1:n-m+i
        temp = mod(temp + shift_block(code((j-1)*z+1:j*z),
B(i,j)), 2);
    end
    code((n-m+i)*z+1:(n-m+i+1)*z) = temp;
end
for i = 5:m
    temp = zeros(1,z);
    for j = 1:n-m+4
        temp = mod(temp + shift_block(code((j-1)*z+1:j*z),
B(i,j)), 2);
    end
    code((n-m+i-1)*z+1:(n-m+i)*z) = temp;
end
end
function y = shift_block(x,k)
z = length(x);
    if k == -1
        y = zeros(1, z);
    else
        k = mod(k, z);
        y = [x(k+1:end), x(1:k)];
    end
end
end

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function map = get_v2c_map(H)

    [~,c] = size(H); map = cell(c,1);

    for i = 1:c
        map{i} = find(H(:,i));
    end
end

function map = get_c2v_map(H)

    [r,~] = size(H); map = cell(r,1);

    for i = 1:r
        map{i} = find(H(i,:));
    end
end

function [dec_out, iterSucc] = hard_decode(rx, v2c, c2v, v2c_val,
c2v_val, iterSucc)

    dec_out = double(rx < 0); prev = dec_out;

    for it = 1:length(iterSucc)
        if it == 1
            for vn = 1:length(v2c)
                for cn = v2c{vn}'
                    v2c_val(cn,vn) = dec_out(vn);
                end
            end
        else

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        for vn = 1:length(v2c)

            onesum = dec_out(vn) + sum(c2v_val(v2c{vn}, vn));

            for cn = v2c{vn}'

                v2c_val(cn,vn) = (onesum - c2v_val(cn,vn)) >
(length(v2c{vn}))/2);

            end

        end

    end

    for cn = 1:length(c2v)

        vn_list = c2v{cn};

        total = xor_all(v2c_val(cn, vn_list));

        for idx = 1:length(vn_list)

            vn = vn_list(idx);

            c2v_val(cn,vn) = xor(total, v2c_val(cn,vn));

        end

    end

    for vn = 1:length(v2c)

        onesum = dec_out(vn) + sum(c2v_val(v2c{vn}, vn));

        dec_out(vn) = onesum > (length(v2c{vn}))+1)/2;

    end

    if all(dec_out == prev), break; end

    prev = dec_out; iterSucc(it) = iterSucc(it) - 1;

end

end

function result = xor_all(vec)

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result = 0;  
  
for i = 1:length(vec)  
    result = xor(result, vec(i));  
  
end  
end
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## Soft Decision Decoding

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% Parameters

baseGraphs = {'NR_2_6_52', 'NR_1_5_352'};

codeRatesMap = containers.Map;

codeRatesMap('NR_2_6_52') = [1/4, 1/3, 1/2, 3/5];
codeRatesMap('NR_1_5_352') = [1/3, 1/2, 3/5, 4/5];

eb_no_dbvec = 0:0.5:10;

z = 52;

nsim = 10;

max_it = 20;

iterations = 1:max_it;

colors = lines(length(eb_no_dbvec));

% Loop over base graphs
for bg_idx = 1:length(baseGraphs)

    baseGraph5G NR = baseGraphs{bg_idx};

    coderate = codeRatesMap(baseGraph5G NR);

    disp(['Running simulations for ', baseGraph5G NR]);

    [B, Hfull, z] = nrldpc_Hmatrix(baseGraph5G NR, z);

    for idxCR = 1:length(coderate)

        cr = coderate(idxCR);

        disp(['Simulating code rate = ', num2str(cr)]);
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% Rate matching

[mb, nb] = size(B);

kb = nb - mb;

kNumInfoBits = kb * z;

k_pc = kb - 2;

nbRM = ceil(k_pc/cr) + 2;

nBlockLength = nbRM * z;

H = Hfull(:, 1:nBlockLength);

nChecksNotPunctured = mb*z - nb*z + nBlockLength;

H = H(1:nChecksNotPunctured, :);

[row, col] = size(H);

k = col - row;

cn_to_vn_map = cn_vn(H);

vn_to_cn_map = vn_cn(H);

decoding_error = zeros(1, length(eb_no_dbvec));

successProb_it = zeros(max_it, length(eb_no_dbvec));

figure('Name', sprintf('%s: Rate %.2f', baseGraph5G NR, cr),
'NumberTitle', 'off');

subplot(1,2,1); hold on;

title(sprintf(' Probability vs Iteration for Soft Decoding
at Coderate= (Rate %.2f)', cr));

xlabel('Iteration number'); ylabel('Success Probability at
each itteration'); grid on;

for d_iter = 1:length(eb_no_dbvec)

    eb_no_db = eb_no_dbvec(d_iter);

    eb_no = 10^(eb_no_db/10);

    sigma = sqrt(1/(2*cr*eb_no));

    successCount = 0;

    iterationSuccess = nsim * ones(1, max_it);

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for sim = 1:nsim

    org_msg = randi([0 1], k, 1);
    encoded_msg = nrldpc_encode(B, z, org_msg');
    encoded_msg = encoded_msg(1:nBlockLength);
    bpsk_msg = 1 - 2 * encoded_msg;
    received_bpsk = bpsk_msg + sigma * randn(1,
nBlockLength);

    prev_msg = (received_bpsk < 0);
    vn_sum_vec = zeros(1, col);
    L = zeros(size(H));
    for it = 1:max_it
        if it == 1
            for i = 1:col
                for j = vn_to_cn_map{i}
                    L(j, i) = received_bpsk(i);
                end
            end
        else
            for i = 1:col
                for j = vn_to_cn_map{i}
                    L(j, i) = vn_sum_vec(i) - L(j, i);
                end
            end
        end
    end

    for i = 1:row
        connected_vns = cn_to_vn_map{i};
        abs_vals = abs(L(i, connected_vns));
        signs = sign(L(i, connected_vns));
    end
end

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        total_sign = prod(signs(signs~=0));
        [min1, idx1] = min(abs_vals);
        tmp = abs_vals; tmp(idx1) = Inf;
        min2 = min(tmp);
        for j = 1:length(connected_vns)
            vn_idx = connected_vns(j);
            min_val = (j == idx1) * min2 + (j ~=
idx1) * min1;

            L(i, vn_idx) = total_sign * signs(j) *
min_val;

            end
        end
        vn_sum_vec = received_bpsk + sum(L, 1);
        c_hat = (vn_sum_vec < 0);
        if all(c_hat(1:k) == org_msg')
            successCount = successCount + 1;
            break;
        else
            iterationSuccess(it) = iterationSuccess(it)
- 1;

            end
            if isequal(prev_msg, c_hat)
                iterationSuccess(it+1:end) =
iterationSuccess(it+1:end) - 1;

                break;
            end
            prev_msg = c_hat;
        end
    end
end

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        decoding_error(d_iter) = 1 - (successCount / nsim);
        successProb_it(:, d_iter) = 1 - (iterationSuccess ./
nsim);

        plot(iterations, successProb_it(:, d_iter), ...
            'Color', colors(d_iter, :), ...
            'DisplayName', sprintf('%.1f dB', eb_no_db));
    end

    legend('show', 'Location', 'best'); hold off;

    % Subplot 2: Error Probability vs Eb/No (log scale)
    subplot(1,2,2); hold on;

    semilogy(eb_no_dbvec, decoding_error, '-o', 'LineWidth', 2,
'DisplayName', 'Simulated');

    grid on; xlabel('E_b/N_0 (dB)'); ylabel('Block Error
Probability');

    title(sprintf('Error Probability (Rate %.2f)', cr));

    % Add Shannon and NA only if r = 1/4
    if round(cr*100) == 25

        disp('Simulated BER vs Normal Approximation vs Shannon
limit (Rate=1/4,N=512)');

        r = 0.25;

        K = k;

        N = K / r;

        EbNodB_NA = 0:0.1:10;

        EbNo_linear = 10.^(EbNodB_NA / 10);

        Pe_NA = zeros(size(EbNodB_NA));

        for i = 1:length(EbNodB_NA)

            P = r * EbNo_linear(i);

            C = log2(1 + P);

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        V = (log2(exp(1)))^2 * (P * (P + 2)) / (2 * (P +
1)^2);

        term = sqrt(N/V) * (C - r + log2(N) / (2 * N));

        Pe_NA(i) = qfunc(term);

    end

    shannon_limit_dB = 10 * log10((2^r - 1)/r);

    semilogy(EbNodB_NA, Pe_NA, 'k--', 'LineWidth', 2,
'DisplayName', 'Normal Approximation');

    xline(shannon_limit_dB, 'r--', 'LineWidth', 2, ...
        'Label', sprintf('Shannon Limit (%.2f dB)',
shannon_limit_dB), ...
        'LabelVerticalAlignment', 'bottom', 'DisplayName',
'Shannon Limit');

    legend('show');

end

end

end

% ===== Supporting Functions =====
function [B, H, z] = nrldpc_Hmatrix(BGname, z)

    B = load(sprintf('%s.txt', BGname), '-ascii');

    [mb, nb] = size(B);

    H = zeros(mb*z, nb*z);

    Iz = eye(z); I0 = zeros(z);

    for kk = 1:mb
        for kk1 = 1:nb

            shift = B(kk, kk1);

            tmpvecR = (kk-1)*z + (1:z);

            tmpvecC = (kk1-1)*z + (1:z);

            if shift == -1

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        H(tmpvecR, tmpvecC) = I0;

    else

        H(tmpvecR, tmpvecC) = circshift(Iz, -mod(shift, z));

    end

end

end

end

function out = cn_vn(H)

    [row, col] = size(H);

    out = cell(row, 1);

    for i = 1:row

        out{i} = find(H(i, :) == 1);

    end

end

function out = vn_cn(H)

    [row, col] = size(H);

    out = cell(col, 1);

    for i = 1:col

        out{i} = find(H(:, i) == 1)';

    end

end

function cword = nrldpc_encode(B, z, msg)

    [m, n] = size(B);

    cword = zeros(1, n*z);

    cword(1:(n-m)*z) = msg;

    temp = zeros(1, z);

    for i = 1:4

        for j = 1:n-m

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        temp = mod(temp + mul_sh(msg((j-1)*z+1:j*z), B(i,j)), 2);
    end
end
if B(2, n-m+1) == -1
    p1_sh = B(3, n-m+1);
else
    p1_sh = B(2, n-m+1);
end
cword((n-m)*z+1:(n-m+1)*z) = mul_sh(temp, z - p1_sh);
for i = 1:3
    temp = zeros(1, z);
    for j = 1:n-m+i
        temp = mod(temp + mul_sh(cword((j-1)*z+1:j*z), B(i,j)),
2);

    end
    cword((n-m+i)*z+1:(n-m+i+1)*z) = temp;
end
for i = 5:m
    temp = zeros(1, z);
    for j = 1:n-m+4
        temp = mod(temp + mul_sh(cword((j-1)*z+1:j*z), B(i,j)),
2);

    end
    cword((n-m+i-1)*z+1:(n-m+i)*z) = temp;
end
end
function y = mul_sh(x, k)
    z = length(x);

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if k == -1
    y = zeros(size(x));
else
    k = mod(k, z);
    y = [x(k+1:end), x(1:k)];
end
end
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