

Faculty of Information Engineering & Technology

The Communications Department

Course: Channel Coding [COMM 604]

Practical Assignment (Milestone 2)

Due Date: May 13th 2025

Consider a channel encoder/decoder system. Assume the information bits (i.e., bits input to the channel coding process) are extracted from a video stream. The channel coded bits are transmitted over a communication channel with probability of error p. You are asked to write a MATLAB code to simulate the transmission of the encoded bits over the communication channel using an incremental redundancy system as follow: You will apply the following puncturing patterns on your convolutional code of rate ½.

 Code Rate
 Puncturing Rule

 8/9
 X:1111 0111

 Y:1000 1000

 4/5
 X:1111 1111

 Y:1000 1000

 2/3
 X:1111 1111

 Y:1010 1010

Table A: Puncturing Patterns

Example: (for code rate 8/9)

- 1. The Video stream is represented as a binary sequence.
- 2. The binary sequence representation of the video stream is divided into messages of size 1024 each.
- 3. Each message is encoded with the rate 1/2 convolutional code (for a rate- 1/2 packet size of 2048 bits).
- 4. The 2048 bits (rate-1/2 packet) is punctured to become a rate- 8/9 packet using the puncturing pattern in Table A. The rate-8/9 packet size is 1152 bits.
- 5. The punctured packet is then transmitted over a BSC channel with error probability p.
- 6. The received packet is corrected by a Viterbi decoder in accordance to the 8/9 code rate.
- 7. The corrected message (1024 bits) is compared with the original transmitted message (1024 bits).

NOTES:

- 1. You are allowed to use MATLAB built in functions for the encoder and decoder.
- 2. You are required to apply puncturing for the convolutional code of rate ½ and compare the puncturing patterns results.

Project summary

Each group should submit a MATLAB code that:

- reads an .avi file.
- converts the file to bits.
- subdivides the video stream to packets of length 1024.
- encodes packets using the convolutional code is step 3.
- decodes using the same sequence using Viterbi decoder.
- reconstructs the video stream.
- Apply the puncturing patterns
- saves the corresponding video files.

Each group should submit the following in a compressed folder:

- A SINGLE document with the code and the following content:
 - Curves that reflect the following:
 - Plot of the coded bit error probability vs. different values of p from (0.0001 to 0.2) after applying the puncturing patterns.
 - Plot of the throughput (data rate) vs. different values of p from (0.0001 to 0.2) after applying the puncturing patterns.
- Commented Matlab code (You must explain what you are doing).
- Six video files for the decoded video:
 - 1. P=0.001 using no channel coding
 - 2. P=0.001 using rate 1/2 convolutional code
 - 3. P=0.001 using puncturing patterns
 - 4. P=0.1 using no channel coding
 - 5. P=0.1 using rate 1/2 convolutional code
 - 6. P=0.1 using puncturing patterns
- Project submission deadline is on <u>13/5/2025</u>.
- You will submit your project by sending the compressed folder (Matlab code with the report) to the following e-mail address:

submissions.guc@gmail.com

- Project Evaluations

Individual project Evaluation tasks will take place in the week after submissions. You will be notified with the exact locations and timings.

Any similar projects will be assigned zeros