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Report on Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC)

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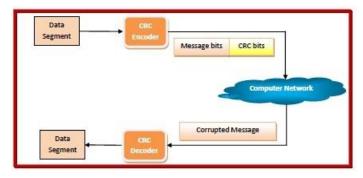
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CYCLIC REDUNDANCY CHECK

A **Cyclic Redundancy Check** (**CRC**) is an error-detecting code commonly used in digital networks and storage devices to detect accidental changes to raw data. Blocks of data entering these systems get a short check value attached, based on the remainder of a polynomial division of their contents. On retrieval, the calculation is repeated and, in the event the check values do not match, corrective action can be taken against data corruption. CRCs can be used for error correction .

CRCs are so called because the check (data verification) value is a redundancy (it expands the message without adding information) and the algorithm is based on cyclic codes. CRCs are popular because they are simple to implement in binary hardware, easy to analyse mathematically, and particularly good at detecting common errors caused by noise in transmission channels. Because the check value has a fixed length, the function that generates it is occasionally used as a hash function.



The process of CRC

Computation of CRC

When messages are encoded using CRC (polynomial code), a fixed polynomial called generator polynomial, G(x) is used. The value of is mutually agreed upon by the sending and the receiving parties. A k- bit word is represented by a polynomial which ranges from X^0 to x^{k-1} . The order of this polynomial is the power of the highest coefficient, i.e.(K-1) The length of G(x) should be less than the length of the message it encodes. Also, both its MSB (most significant bit) and LSB (least significant bit) should be 1. In the process of encoding, CRC bits are appended to the message so that the resultant frame is divisible by G(x).

Algorithm for Encoding using CRC

 $_{\circ}$ The communicating parties agrees upon the size of message, M(x) and the generator polynomial, G(x).

- o If r is the order of G(x), r, bits are appended to the low order end of M(x). This makes the block size bits, the value of which is $x^rM(x)$.
- The block $x^rM(x)$ is divided by G(x) using modulo 2 division.
- The remainder after division is added to $x^rM(x)$ using modulo 2 addition. The result is the frame to be transmitted, T(x). The encoding procedure makes exactly divisible by G(x).

Algorithm for Decoding using CRC

- The receiver divides the incoming data frame T(x) unit by G(x) using modulo 2 division. Mathematically, if E(x) is the error, then modulo 2 division of [M(x) + E(x)] by G(x) is done.
- If there is no remainder, then it implies that E(x). The data frame is accepted.
- A remainder indicates a non-zero value of E(x), or in other words presence of an error. So, the data frame is rejected. The receiver may then send an erroneous acknowledgment back to the sender for retransmission.

Figure: CRC encoder and decoder

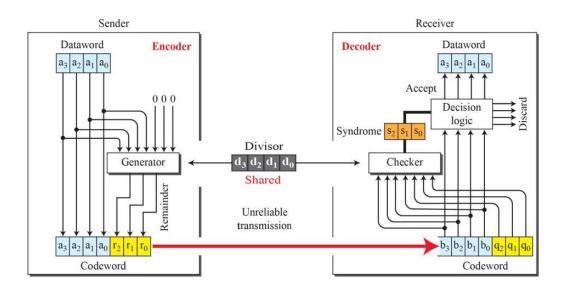


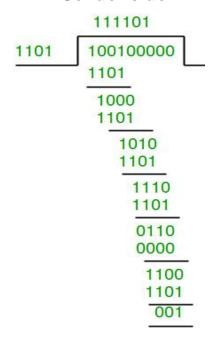
Illustration:

Example1: No error in transmission.

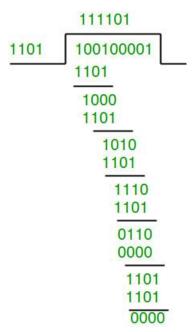
Data word to be sent: 100100

Key: 1101 [Or generator polynomial $x^3 + x^2 + 1$]

Sender side:



Receiver Side:



Therefore, the remainder is 001 and hence the encoded data sent is 100100001.

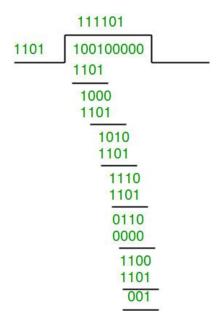
Code word received at the receiver side 100100001

Therefore, the remainder is all zeros. Hence, the data received has no error.

Example 2: (Error in transmission)

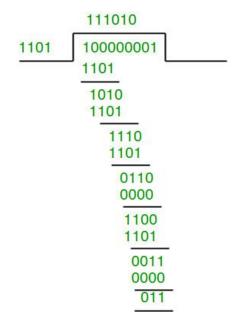
Data word to be sent – 100100 Key – 1101

Sender Side:



Therefore, the remainder is 001 and hence the code word sent is 100100001.

Receiver Side:



Let there be an error in transmission media Code word received at the receiver side – 100000001

Since the remainder is not all zeroes, the error is detected at the receiver side.

Write a program for error detecting code using CRC-CCITT (16- bits).

Source code:

```
import java.util.*;
public class CRC {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in);
        int m, g[], n, d[], z[], r[], msb, i, j, k;
        //m->size of the generator
        //g[]-> Generator or divisor array
        //n-> size of the dataword
        //d[]-> Array for dataword
        //z[]-> Zero Array
        //r[]-> Array for remainder
        //msb-> most significant bit
        //i, j, k->Array variables
        System.out.println("Enter no. of bits in Dataword(d): ");
        n = scanner.nextInt();
        System.out.println("Enter no. of generator bits: ");
        m = scanner.nextInt();
        d = new int[n + m];
        g = new int[m];
        System.out.println("Enter Dataword bits(one bit per line): ");
        for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
            d[i] = scanner.nextInt();
        System.out.println("Enter generator bits(one bit per line): ");
        for (j = 0; j < m; j++)
            g[j] = scanner.nextInt();
        //d[n+i]->Augmented dataword Array
        for (i = 0; i < m - 1; i++)
            d[n + i] = 0; //Appending (m-1) 0s
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r = new int[m + n];
for (i = 0; i < m; i++)
    r[i] = d[i];//initial data to be divided(First part of dividend)
z = new int[m];
for (i = 0; i < m; i++)
    z[i] = 0; // XORed when msb=0
for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
    k = 0; // Number of iterations or division steps
    msb = r[i];
    for (j = i; j < m + i; j++) {
        if (msb == 0)
            r[j] = xor(r[j], z[k]);
        else
            r[j] = xor(r[j], g[k]);
        k++;
    }
    r[m + i] = d[m + i]; // Final remainder
}
System.out.println("The redundant(r) bits added are: ");
for (i = n; i < n + m - 1; i++) // i started with n value
{
    d[i] = r[i];
    System.out.println(d[i]);
}
System.out.println();
System.out.println("The codeword (c=d+r) is :");
for (i = 0; i < n + m - 1; i++) // i started with 0 value
{
    System.out.println(d[i]);
}
int c[] = new int[n + m];
System.out.println();
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System.out.println("Enter the data bits received (one bit per line):");
        for (i = 0; i < n + (m - 1); i++)
            c[i] = scanner.nextInt();
        int count = 0;  //to print error at particular position
        for (i = 0; i < n + m - 1; i++) {
            if(c[i] == d[i])
                count++;
            else
                break;
        }
        if (count == n + m - 1)
            System.out.println("No error");
        else {
            System.out.println("Error present");
            System.out.println("Error occurs at " + (count + 1));
        }
    }
    public static int xor(int x, int y) // xor function
        if (x == y)
            return (0);
        else
            return (1);
    }
}
```

Output:

Case 1: Without error

```
I:\Documents (C)\lby18is993\TSE V SEM\Subjects\18CSL57 - Computer Network Laboratory\Assignment\CRC report\CNS Lab programs>java CRC Enter no. of bits in Dataword(d) :
S
Enter no. of generator bits :
17
Enter Dataword bits(one bit per line):
Enter generator bits(one bit per line):
 he redundant(r) bits added are :
I:\Documents (C)\1by18is093\ISE V SEM\Subjects\18CSL57 - Computer Network Laboratory\Assignment\CRC report\CNS Lab programs>
```

```
Lender side
No. of data word = 5
No of bits of generated words 17
Data word = 1100)
Generator word = 10011000011100110
Total data word = 1100100000000000000000
                   11011
                  110010000 0000000000000000
10011000011100110
                    10011000011100110
                    01010000011100 1100
                     10011000011100110
                     001110001001010101000
                       10011000011100110
                        1111010001001100
                        10011000011100110
                         1101100001111010
     Codeword = dataword + remainder message to be transmitted.
          1101100001111010
          [1001110100001111010
```

Case 2: With error



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Sender Side:
      of data word = 5
  No of bits of generator word = 17
  Data word = 11001
  Generator word = 10011000011100110
  Total data word = 11001000000000000000
              11011
1010000011001100
               100 11 000 0 1 1 100 10 0
               01 1410100010011100
                10011000011100110
                 1101100001111010
    Code word = dataword + remainder, message to be transmitted
           [1001110100001111010
```

