

# Error correcting codes

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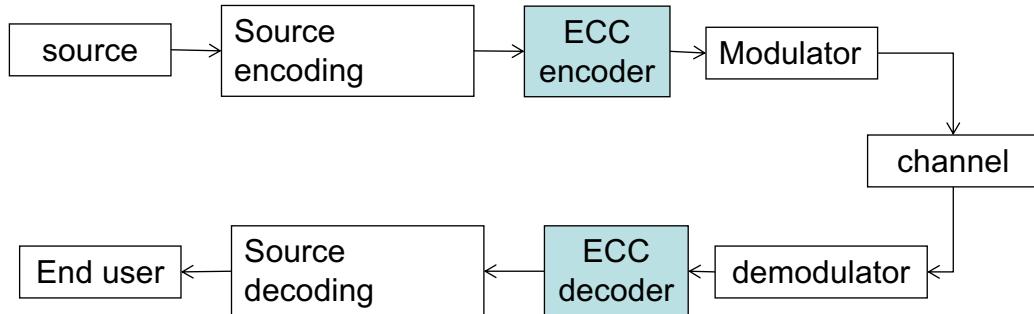
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## Generalities on coding (1)

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Forward Error Correction (FEC) for physical layer

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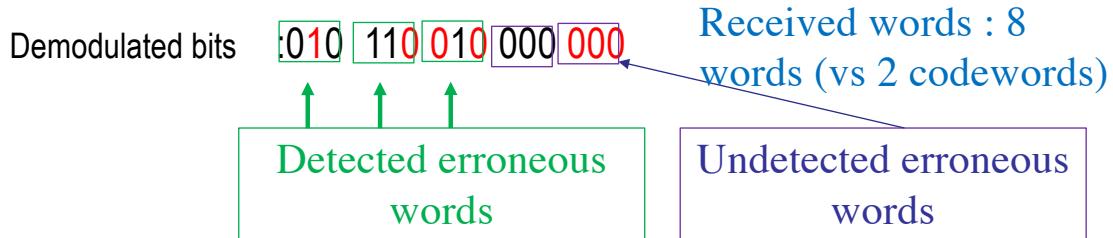
## Generalities on coding (2)

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Example : (3,1) repetition code    Code rate R=1/3

Information bits : 0 1 1 0 1  
Coded bits : 000 111 111 000 111

2 Code words: 000 and 111



Decoded bits : 0 1 0 0 0

Erroneous decoded bits

Decision rule:  
Majority bit

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## **Generalities on coding (3)**

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### Repetition code (3,1)

Error detection capacity : maximal number of errors which can be detected in one codeword (here : 2)

Error correction capacity : maximal number of errors which can be corrected in one code word (here : 1)

### Repetition code (5,1)

Error detection capacity = ?

Error correction capacity = ?

Code Rate= ? BW increased by ?

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Error correction capacity = ?

Code Rate= ? BW increased by ?

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Code rate :  $R=1/5$

BW increase by a factor 5 ( $1/R$ )

$0 \Rightarrow 00000$     $1 \Rightarrow 11111$  : 2 code words 00000 and 11111

Received words : 5 bits  $\Rightarrow$  32 received words (only 2 are codewords)

Error detection capacity :

Error detected = received word is NOT a codeword

Ex : 4 errors 000000  $\Rightarrow$  10111 is not a codeword  $\Rightarrow$  error detected !

5 errors 00000  $\Rightarrow$  11111 is a codeword ! **error detection capacity is 4**

Error correction capacity:

Hyp : 00000 code word

j errors  $\Rightarrow$  j « 1 » and 5-j « 0 » 0 is the majority bit if  $j \leq 2$

**error correction capacity is 2**

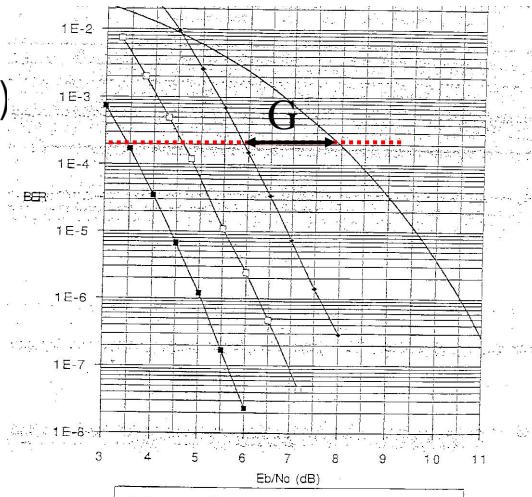
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## Generalities on coding (4)

Code characteristics:

- coding gain : G (Error correction capacity )
- Spectral efficiency (code rate)
- Complexity (encoding/decoding)

3 code rates:  
 $R=1/2$   
 $R=3/4$   
 $R=7/8$



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## Generalities on coding (5)

Coding gain (for a given BER):

Difference (in dB) between the required Eb/N0 of uncoded (uc) and coded (c) systems.

In linear :  $G=(Eb/N0)_{uc}/(Eb/N0)_c$

$(Eb/N0)_{uc}=P_{uc}Tb/N0$  and  $(Eb/N0)_c=P_cTb/N0$

So  $G=P_{uc}/P_c$  in dB :  $G_{dB}=P_{uc\ dB}-P_{c\ dB}$

Question : What is the coding gain for  $R=1/2$  for the code in the previous slide?

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## ◊Generalities on coding (6)

### Spectral efficiency

By definition :  $\eta_c = Rb/B$

Rb : Information bit rate Ru (not coded bit rate Rc !)

B : occupied bandwidth ( $\Rightarrow$  related to coded bit rate !)

R : code rate  $R=k/n=Ru/Rc \Rightarrow Rc=Ru/R$

$B=k R_s$  (k: depends on shaping filter,  $R_s$  : symbol rate)

$R_s=Rc/\log_2(M)$  (not Rb!)  $\Rightarrow B=k R_s / \log_2(M)=k Ru/R 1/\log_2(M)$

$\eta_c = Ru/B = R \log_2(M)/k$  (k:shaping filter, M : modulation, R : ECC)

Recall : spectral efficiency (uncoded system)

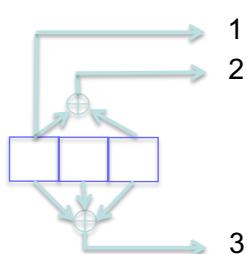
$$\eta_{uc} = Rb/B = \log_2(M)/k \Rightarrow \eta_c = \eta_{uc} R$$

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## Generalities on coding (7)

Two types of error correcting codes:

- Convolutional codes (with memory)



$$k_0=1, n_0=3$$

$$\text{Code rate : } R=1/3$$

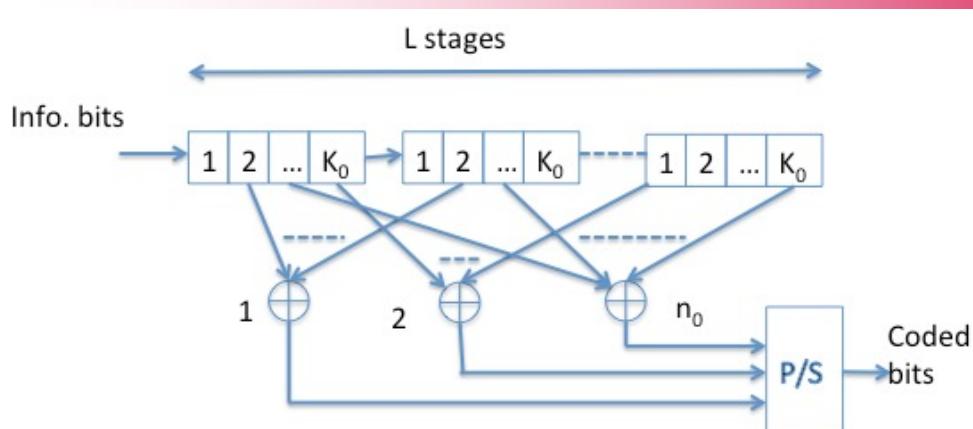
$$\text{Constraint length : } L=3$$

- Block codes (memoriless encoder)

# Convolutional Codes

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## Binary convolutional encoder(1)



Length of information word :  $k_0$  bits

Length of coded word :  $n_0$  bits

Code rate :  $R = k_0/n_0$

Constraint length :  $L$  stages (=L information words)

## Binary convolutional encoder(2)

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$X(n)$  : information word at time  $t=nT$

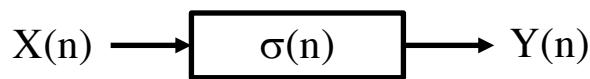
$Y(n)$  : coded word at time  $t=nT$

Content of the  $L$  stages :  $X(n), X(n-1), \dots, X(n-L+1)$

$[X(n), X(n-1), \dots, X(n-L+1)] = [X(n), \sigma(n)]$

$\sigma(n) = [X(n-1) X(n-2), \dots, X(n-L+1)]$  **encoder state** at  $t=nT$

$\sigma(n)$  : encoder memory

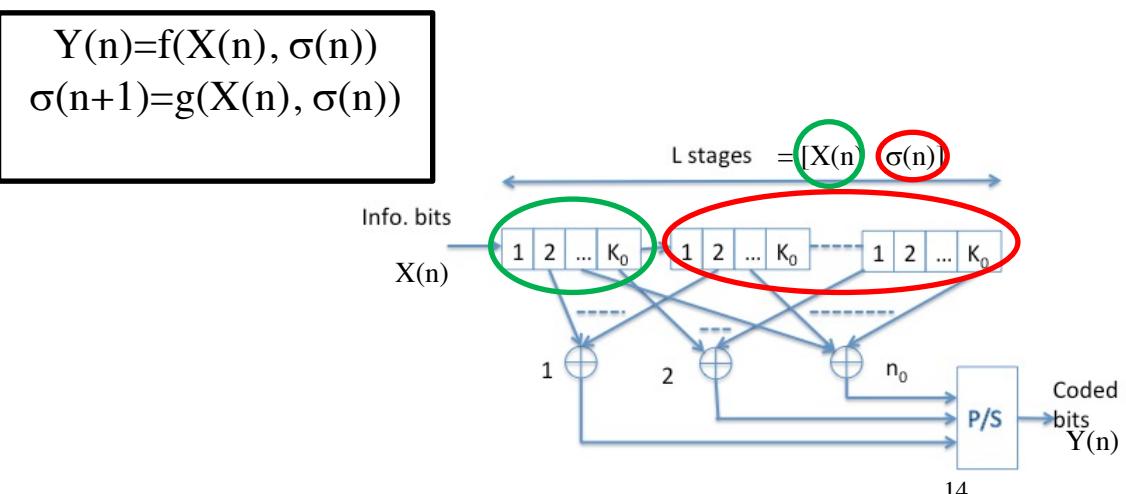
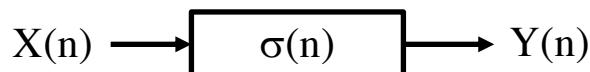


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## Binary convolutional encoder(3)

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$\sigma(n) = [X(n-1) X(n-2), \dots, X(n-L+1)]$

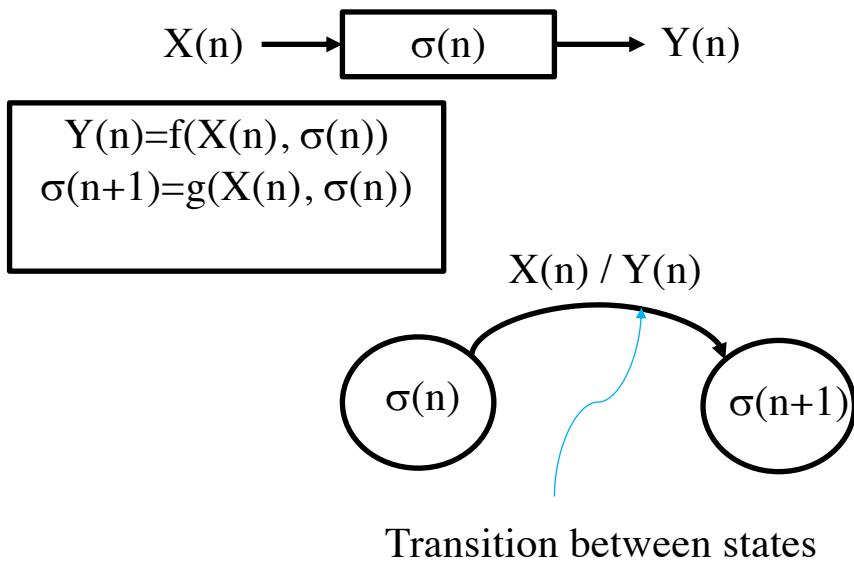


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## Binary convolutional encoder(4)

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$$\sigma(n) = [X(n-1) \ X(n-2), \dots, X(n-L+1)]$$

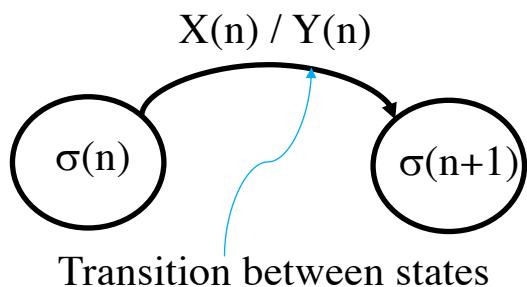


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## Binary convolutional encoder(5)

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$$\sigma(n) = [X(n-1) \ X(n-2), \dots, X(n-L+1)]$$



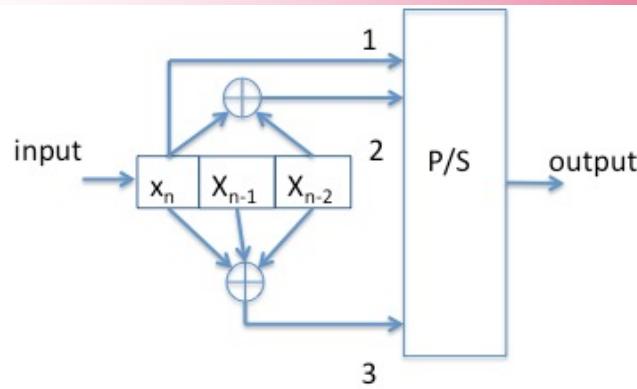
Number of states :  $2^{(L-1)k_0}$

Number of outgoing transitions for one state :  $2^{k_0}$

Total number of transition :  $2^{Lk_0}$

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## Example 1 (1)

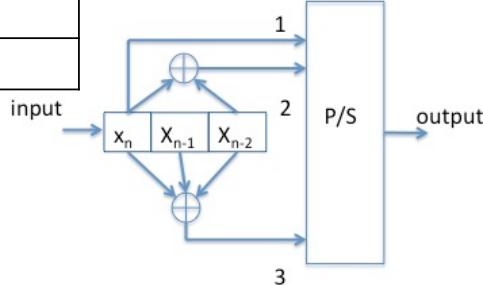


$$k_0=1, n_0=3, R=1/3, L=3$$

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$\sigma_n$	state
(0,0)	a
(0,1)	b
(1,0)	c
(1,1)	d



$\sigma_n=c$

$$\begin{aligned} X_n=0 &\Rightarrow Y_n=001, \sigma_n=01=b \\ X_n=1 &\Rightarrow Y_n=110, \sigma_n=11=d \end{aligned}$$

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$\sigma_n=d$

$$\begin{aligned} X_n=0 &\Rightarrow Y_n=010, \sigma_n=01=b \\ X_n=1 &\Rightarrow Y_n=101, \sigma_n=11=d \end{aligned}$$

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## Example 1 (2)

$\sigma_n=a$

$$\begin{aligned} X_n=0 &\Rightarrow Y_n=000, \sigma_n=00=a \\ X_n=1 &\Rightarrow Y_n=111, \sigma_n=10=c \end{aligned}$$

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$\sigma_n=b$

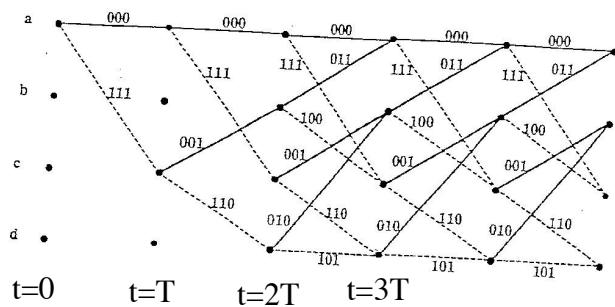
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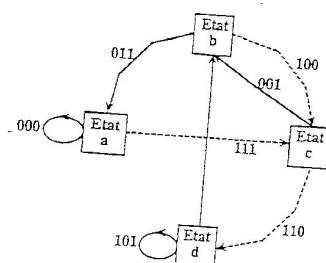
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## Example 1 (2)



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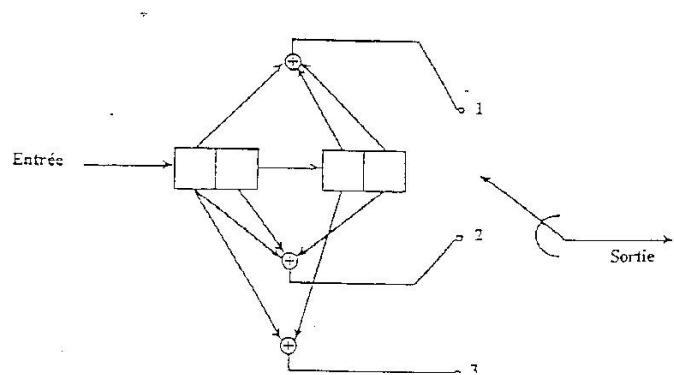
State diagram

\_\_\_\_\_ :  $X_n = 0$

- - - - :  $X_n = 1$

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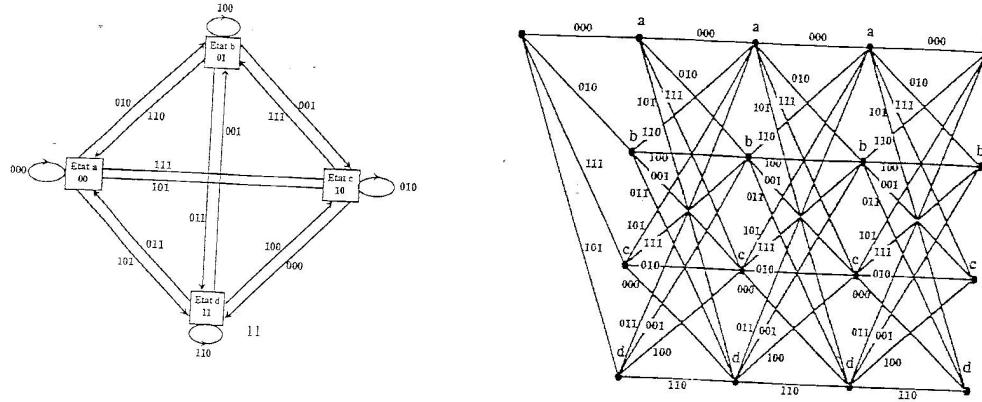
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## Example 2 (2)



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## Free distance (1)

- Recall : Hamming distance  
 $m_1=00111 \quad m_2=11100 \quad dH(m_1,m_2)=4$

### • $d_{free}$ : free distance

Definition : It is the minimum Hamming distance between two coded sequences

=> give information about the code performances @ high SNR

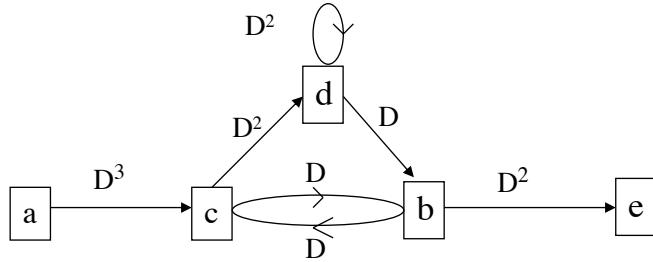
- For a linear code, the null sequence is taken as the reference sequence.
- $d_{free}$  can be determined with the code transfer function

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## Free distance (2)

Transfert function of convolutional code p9

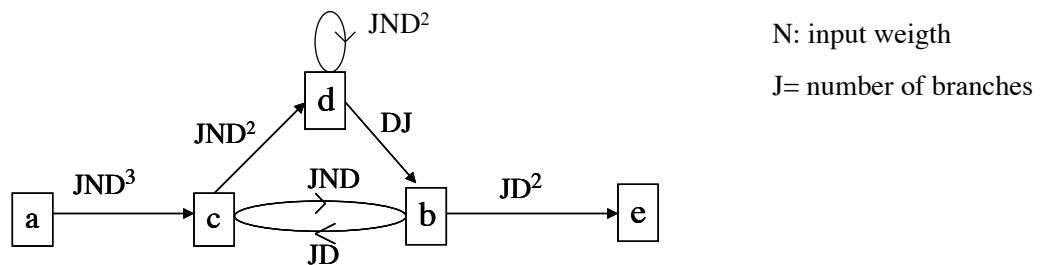


$$T(D) = \frac{X_e}{X_a} = \frac{D^6}{1-2D^2} = D^6 + 2D^8 + 4D^{10} + 8D^{12} + \dots$$

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## Free distance (3)



$$T(D) = \frac{X_e}{X_a} = \frac{J^3 ND^6}{1 - JND^2(1+J)} = J^3 ND^6 + J^4 N^2 D^8 + J^5 N^3 D^{10} + \dots$$

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## Hard Decoding (1)

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**Maximum likelihood decoding:**

Y : received sequence

X: candidate emitted sequence

$\hat{X}$  :the trellis sequence which minimizes  $d_H(Y, X)$

⇒ Problems : complexity, delay

⇒ Solution : use of the Truncated Viterbi algorithm

## Hard Decoding (2)

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Show that the estimated code word is the code word which minimizes the hamming distance between the received word and any code word.

## Hard Decoding (3)

Example :

*Problem :*

calculate  $P(Y/X)$  where  $Y=(10010)=(y_4y_3y_2y_1y_0)$  and

$X=(11000)=(x_4x_3x_2x_1x_0)$

$p$  = bit error probability, errors are assumed independant.

*Solution :*

independant errors  $\Rightarrow P(Y/X) = \prod_{i=0}^4 P(y_i/x_i)$

$P(Y/X) = (1-p)p(1-p)p(1-p)$  ( $P(0/1)=P(1/0)=p$ ,  $P(0/0)=P(1/1)=1-p$ )

$P(Y/X) = p^2(1-p)^3 = p^d(1-p)^{5-d}$  where  $d=d_H(Y,X)=2$

## Hard Decoding (4)

Show that the estimated code word is the code word which minimizes the hamming distance between the received word and any code word.

From the previous example we deduce:

$P(Y/X) = p^d(1-p)^{N-d}$  where  $d=d_H(Y,X)$  and  $N$  is length of vectors  $X$  and  $Y$

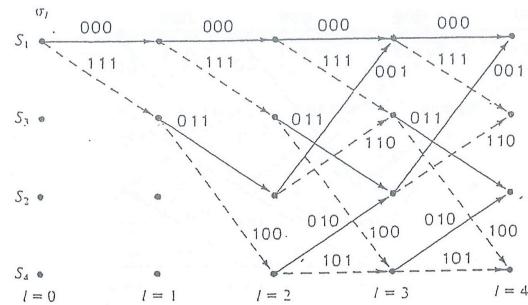
Decoding : find  $X$  which maximizes  $P(Y/X)$

The only parameter depending on  $X$  is  $d \Rightarrow$  maximize  $P(Y/X)$  w.r.t  $d$

$P(Y/X)$  is a positive value  $\Rightarrow$  maximize  $\log(P(Y/X))$  w.r.t  $X$

$\log(P(Y/X)) = -d \log((1-p)/p) + N \log(1-p)$

## Hard Decoding (5) : Viterbi Algorithm



The following sequence is received

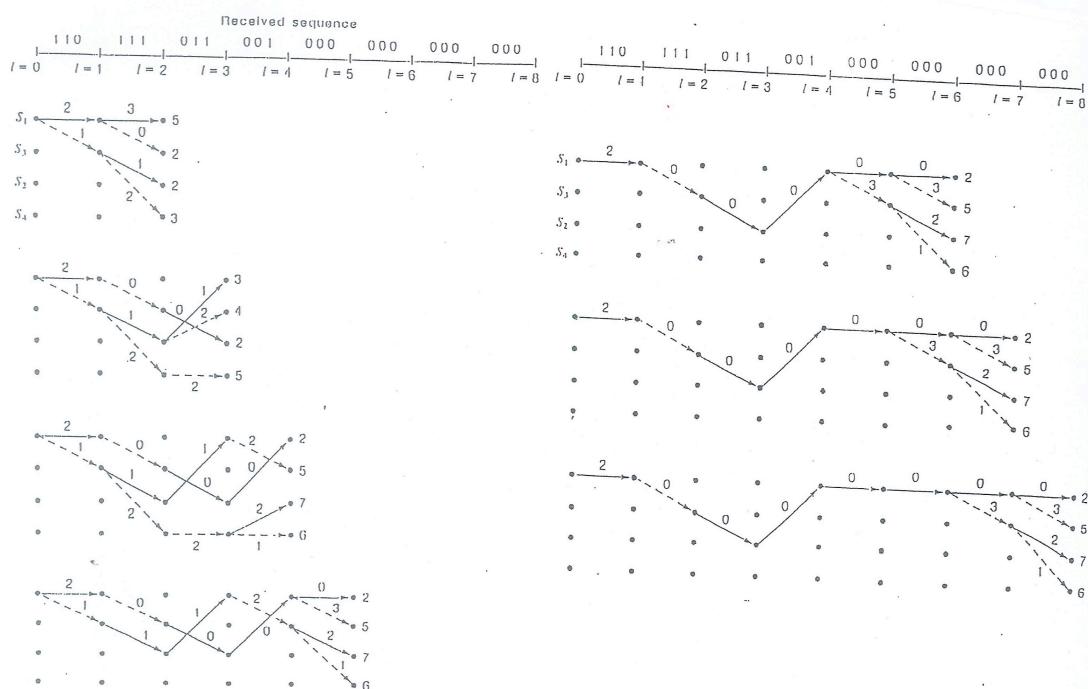
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- Determine the survivors
- Find the estimated transmitted sequence
- Find the estimated transitted bits

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## Hard Decoding (6) : Viterbi Algorithm



## Soft Decoding (1)

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Y: received sequence of length n (real samples),  $Y=(y_{n-1}, \dots, y_0)$

N: noise sequence (n real samples),  $N=(n_{n-1}, \dots, n_0)$

X: candidate emitted codeword (n binary values),  $X=(x_{n-1}, \dots, x_0)$

Hypothesis : noise samples are **independant**

$$P(Y/X) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} p(y_i/x_i) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y_i - x_i)^2\right\}$$

$$P(Y/X) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\right)^n \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (y_i - x_i)^2\right\}$$

$$\text{Maximizing } P(Y/X) \Leftrightarrow \text{Minimizing } \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (y_i - x_i)^2 = d_E(Y, X)$$

## Soft decoding (2)

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In the Viterbi algorithm, the Hamming distance is replaced by the Euclidian distance. Coded bits (0/1) are mapped onto (-1/1)

Advantage of soft decoding : better performances in terms of BER

Drawback : complexity

## Soft decoding (3)

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Nota: complexity can be reduced noting that

$$\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (y_i - x_i)^2 = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} y_i^2 + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x_i^2 - 2 \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x_i y_i$$

So minimizing the Euclian distance is equivalent to maximazing the metric :

$$\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x_i y_i$$

## R=1/2 convolutional codes, $d_{\text{free}}$ max

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L      Generators in octal     $d_{\text{free}}$

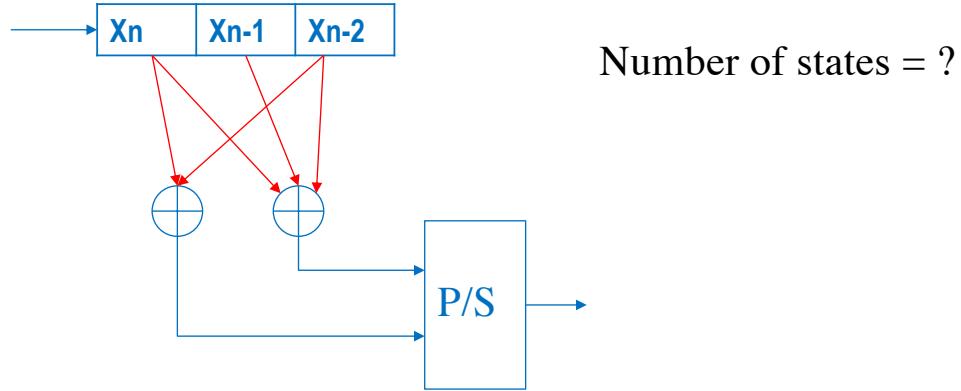
L	Generators in octal	$d_{\text{free}}$
3	5	5
4	15	6
5	23	7
6	53	8
7	133	10
8	247	10
9	561	12
10	1167	12
11	2335	14
12	4335	15
13	10533	16
14	21675	16

Error correction capacity (linked to dfee) increases with the number of states => trade off between complexity and power efficiency

(Spectral efficiency unchanged, given by R)

## R=1/2 convolutional codes, $d_{\text{free}}$ max example 1

Example : R=1/2, L=3, g0=5, g1=7  
g0 [octal]=101 g1 [octal]=111



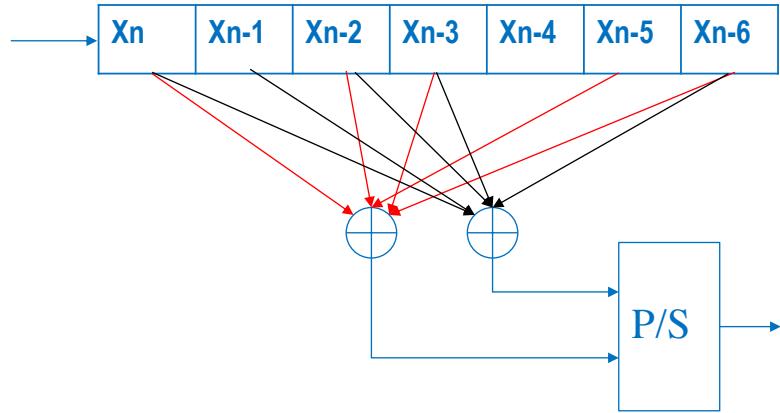
## R=1/2 convolutional codes, $d_{\text{free}}$ max example 2

Example : R=1/2, L=7, g0=1.3.3, g1=1.7.1  
g0 [octal]=001.011.011 g1 [octal]=001.111.001

Number of states = ?

## R=1/2 convolutional codes, $d_{\text{free}}$ max example 2

Example : R=1/2, L=10, g0=1.3.3, g1=1.7.1  
 g0 [octal]=001.011.011 g1 [octal]=001.111.001



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## R=1/3 convolutional codes, $d_{\text{free}}$ max

L	Generators in octal		$d_{\text{free}}$
3	5	7	8
4	13	15	10
5	25	33	12
6	47	53	13
7	133	145	15
8	225	331	16
9	557	663	18
10	1117	1365	20
11	2353	2671	22
12	4767	5723	24
13	10533	10675	24
14	21645	35661	26

For the same complexity (L) w.r.t R=1/2 error correction capacity is increased => trade-off between spectral efficiency and power efficiency

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## R=1/4 convolutional codes, d<sub>free</sub> max

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L	Generators in octal				d <sub>free</sub>
3	5	7	7	7	10
4	13	15	15	17	13
5	25	27	33	37	16
6	53	67	71	75	18
7	135	135	147	163	20
8	235	275	313	357	22
9	463	535	733	745	24
10	1117	1365	1633	1653	27
11	2387	2353	2671	3175	29
12	4767	5723	6265	7455	32
13	11145	12477	15537	16727	33

Increased power efficiency at the expense of spectral efficiency

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## R=2/3 and R=k<sub>0</sub>/5 convolutional codes, d<sub>free</sub> max

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L	Générateurs en Octal				d <sub>free</sub>
2	17	06	15		3
3	27	75	72		5
4	236	155	337		7

R	L	Générateurs en Octal					d <sub>free</sub>
2/5	2	17	07	11	12	04	6
2/5	3	27	71	52	65	57	10
2/5	4	247	366	171	266	373	12
3/5	2	35	23	75	61	47	5
4/5	2	237	274	156	255	337	3

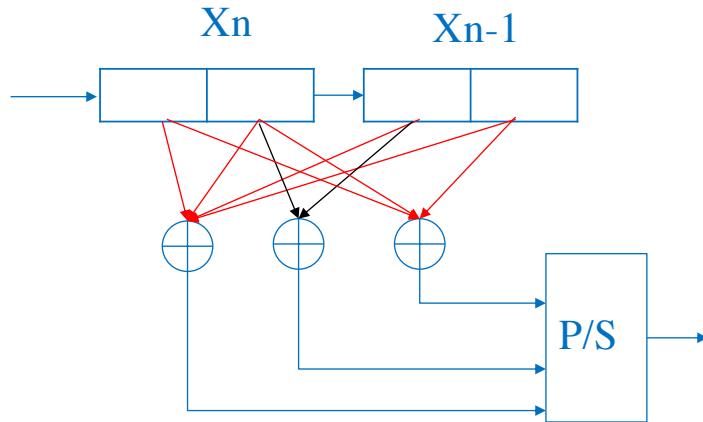
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## R=2/3 convolutional codes, $d_{\text{free}}$ max example

Example : R=2/3, L=2, g0=17, g1=06, g2=15

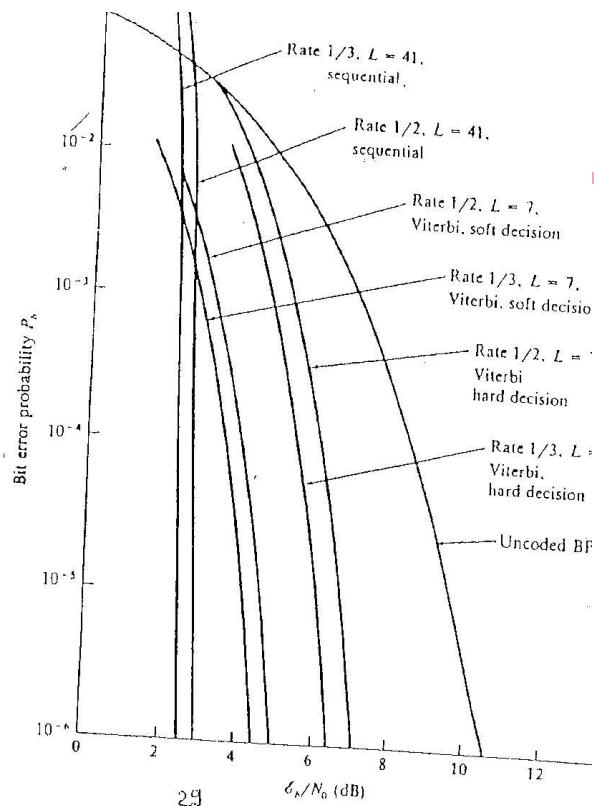
g0 [octal]=001.111 g1 [octal]=000.110 g2 [octal]=001.101



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## Performances



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## The need for ACM (Adaptive Coding Modulation) (1)

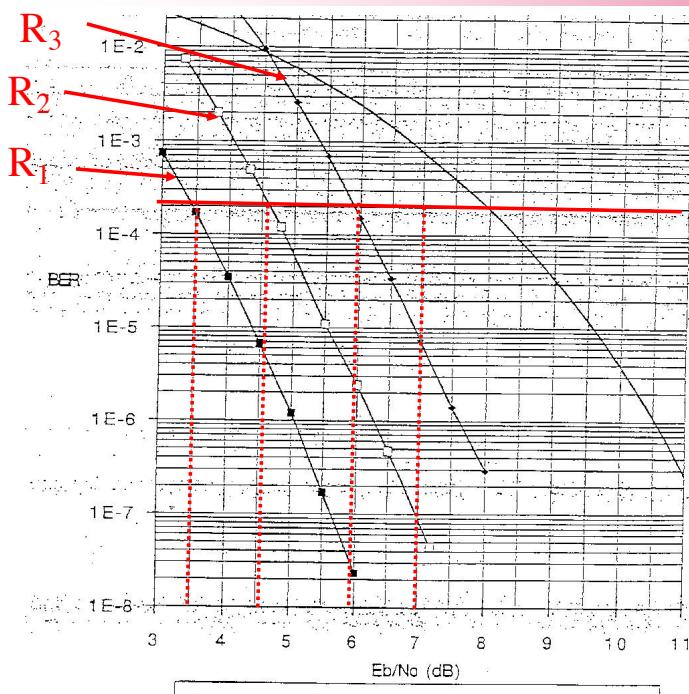
- The received power is in a range  $[P_{\min}, P_{\max}]$  (propagation issue, distance variation,...) so the received  $E_b/N_0$  in the range  $\left[ \frac{E_b}{N_0 \min}, \frac{E_b}{N_0 \max} \right]$ .
- The specified Bit Error Rate is  $BER_0$ .

Two strategies:

- Use of a single code (defined from the worst case)
- Use of codes with different code rates (Adaptive Coding)

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## The need for ACM (Adaptive Coding Modulation) (2)



Example:  
 $E_b/N_0 \min = 3.5 \text{ dB}$   
 $E_b/N_0 \max = 7 \text{ dB}$   
 $BER_0 = 2 \cdot 10^{-4}$

$$R_1 < R_2 < R_3$$

- $3.5 \text{ dB} < E_b/N_0 < 4.5 \text{ dB}$   
code  $R_1$
- $4.5 \text{ dB} < E_b/N_0 < 6 \text{ dB}$   
code  $R_2$
- $6 \text{ dB} < E_b/N_0 < 7 \text{ dB}$   
code  $R_3$

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## **The need for ACM (Adaptive Coding Modulation) (1)**

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ACM : Both adaptive coding and adaptive modulation

Two strategies for adaptive coding :

- Constant useful bit rate (=information rate) :

Increasing R => decreasing occupied BW

- Constant occupied BW

Increasing R => increasing useful bit rate (adopted solution for telecommunication standards)

Exercise : show the above implications

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## **Adaptive coding : case of convolutional codes**

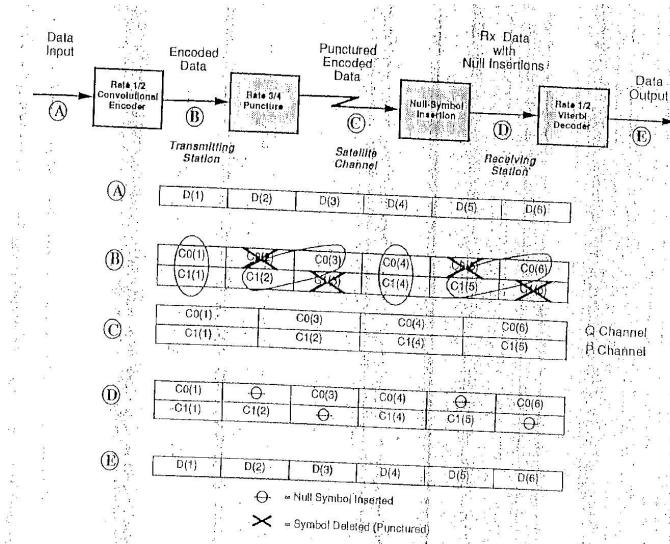
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How to generate convolutional codes with different code rates ?

- Use different optimal encoders listed in tables
- Use punctured codes from a mother code

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## Puncturing (1)



Generating a  
 $R=3/4$  punctured  
code from a  
mother  $R=1/2$   
code

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## Puncturing (2)

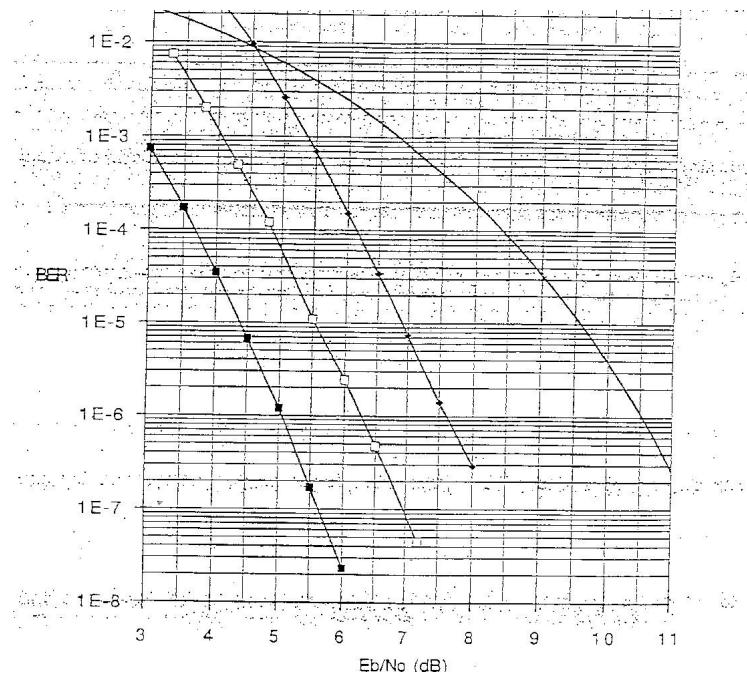
Puncturing Pattern	R1: R0:
2/3	R0: 110 R1: 111
3/4	R0: 101 R1: 110
4/5	R0: 1000 R1: 1111
5/6	R0: 110101 R1: 110101
6/7	R0: 100101 R1: 111010
7/8	R0: 1000101 R1: 1111010
11/12	R0: 1000100001 R1: 11110111110
12/13	R0: 10000001010 R1: 111111110101
15/16	R0: 100110100101101 R1: 111001011010010
16/17	R0: 1010101101111010 R1: 1101010010000101

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## Puncturing (3)

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Code rates :  
 $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8}$

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## Block Codes

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## (n,k) linear block codes

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- Main characteristic : memoriless encoder ( $\neq$  convolutional codes)
- k information symbols are coded into a n symbols long word (= code word)
- Code rate :  $R=k/n$
- spectral efficiency:  $\eta_{coded} = R \eta_{uncoded}$

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## Examples (1)

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Example 1 : (3,1) repetition code

$x_1=u_1, x_2=u_1, x_3=u_1$

$u=(u_1)$  information word  
 $x=(x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3)$  coded word

0	$\Leftrightarrow$	000
1		111

2 received words out of 8 possible received words are code words

$d_{min}=3$  error detection capacity  $d_{min}-1=2$   
Error correction capacity =  $\text{int } ((d_{min}-1)/2)=1$

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## Examples (2)

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Example 2 : (3,2) parity code

$$x_1 = u_1, x_2 = u_2, x_3 = u_1 + u_2$$

$$u = (u_1 \ u_2)$$

$$x = (x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3)$$

$$\begin{matrix} 00 \\ 01 \\ 10 \\ 11 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} 000 \\ 011 \\ 101 \\ 110 \end{matrix}$$

4 code words out of 8  
possible received words

Systematic code

$x_1, x_2$  : information bits

(=systematic bits)

Bit parity :  $x_3$        $d_{\min}=2$  error detection capacity  $d_{\min}-1=1$   
                                 Error correction capacity = int  $((d_{\min}-1)/2)=0$

+ : addition modulo 2 (XOR)

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Number of code words : 16

Number of received words :  $2^7=128$

## Examples (3)

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Example 3 : (7,4) Hamming codes : systematic code

$x_i = u_i$        $i=1,2,3,4$  : systematic bits (=information bits)

3 parity bits :

$$x_5 = u_1 + u_2 + u_3$$

$$x_6 = u_2 + u_3 + u_4$$

$$x_7 = u_1 + u_2 + u_4$$

The Generator Matrix is defined by:  $G=(I_4 \ P)$   $I_4$  : identity matrix

$$x = uG \quad G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## **Detection and error correction capabilities of block codes**

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- Recall : Hamming distance  
 $m_1=00111 \quad m_2=11100 \quad d_H(m_1, m_2)=4$

$d_{\min}$  : minimum Hamming distance between 2 codewords  
(minimum distance of the code)

- ⇒ A  $(N, K, d_{\min})$  linear code can detect up to  $t$  errors with  $t \leq d_{\min} - 1$
- ⇒ A  $(N, K, d_{\min})$  linear code can correct up to  $t'$  errors with  $t' \leq \text{int}(d_{\min} - 1)/2$  where  $\text{int}()$  is the integer part (demo follows).

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## **Decoding (1)**

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- **Maximum likelihood decoding**

$Y$ : received word

$X$ : emitted code word

$\tilde{X}$ : candidate code word

$\hat{X}$  : estimated code word

$\hat{X}$  is the code word  $\tilde{X}$  such that  $d_H(\tilde{X}, Y)$  is minimum.

**Direct decoding** is too complex for large values of  $k$  !

Ex : binary  $(n, k)$  code =>  $2^k$  code words =>  $2^k$  distances to calculate!

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## Decoding (2)

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$\hat{X} = \tilde{X}$  which maximizes  $P(Y|\tilde{X})$   
ex:  $Y = 01011$      $\tilde{X} = 11001$

$p$  = Bit Error Rate

$$P(0|1) = P(1|0) = p \quad P(0|0) = P(1|1) = 1-p$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y|\tilde{X}) &= P(0|1)P(1|1)P(0|0)P(1|0)P(1|1) \\ &= p^2(1-p)^3 \end{aligned}$$

In the general case

$$P(Y|\tilde{X}) = p^d \cdot (1-p)^{N-d}$$

$$d = d_H(Y, \tilde{X}), \quad N = \text{length of } Y, \tilde{X}$$

$$\ln(P(Y|\tilde{X})) = -d \ln\left(\frac{1-p}{p}\right) + N \ln(1-p)$$

$$\frac{1-p}{p} > 1 \text{ for } p < 0.5 \Rightarrow \ln\left(\frac{1-p}{p}\right) > 0$$

So  $P(Y|\tilde{X})$  is maximum when  $d = d_H(Y, \tilde{X})$  is minimum.

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## Decoding (3)

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Exercise: Decoding rule for a repetition code  $(N,1)$  with  $N$  a odd number (information bit is repeated  $N$  times)

- What is the decoding rule in this case ?
- Is the rule of a) valid for a code which is not a repetition code ?

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## Standart Array (1)

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Decoding complexity can be reduced using standart array.

Let  $y=x+e$  with  $x$ : emitted code word ((n,k) linear block code),  $y$  : received word,  $e$ : error word

Instead of directly estimating  $x$ ,  $e$  is estimated ( $\hat{e}$ ) and the estimate of  $x$  is given by :  $\hat{x}=y-\hat{e}$

The parity matrix  $H$  (size :  $n-k, k$ ) is defined such that :  $GH^t=0$  where  $G$  is the generator matrix (size :  $(k, n)$ )

Remark : Parity matrix is easy to determine for a systematic code

$$G = [I_k \quad P] \Rightarrow H = [-P^T \quad I_{n-k}]$$

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## Standart Array (2)

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Recall :  $x=uG$  where  $u$  is the information word ( $k$  bits)

For all code words :  $xH^t=uGH^t=0 \Rightarrow S=yH^t=xH^t+eH^t=eH^t$

$S$  is called a **syndrom**,  $S$  is a  $(1, n-k)$  vector taking  $2^{n-k}$  values

Problem : estimate  $e$  from  $S=yH^t=eH^t$

$e$  can take  $2^n$  values,  $S$  can take  $2^{n-k}$  values ...

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## Standart Array (3)

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Example :  $S=0 \Rightarrow$  associated error vectors : all the code words ( $2^k$ )

The  $2^n$  error vectors can be partitionned into  $2^{n-k}$  sets of  $2^k$  vectors.  
Each set is associated with a distinct values of  $S$ .

Problem :  $2^k$  error vectors give the same syndrom. What is the estimated error vector among them ?

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## Standart Array (4)

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Recall : the estimated  $x$  is the  $x$  which minimizes  $d_H(y, x)$

$y=x+e \Rightarrow d_H(y, x)=w(e) \Rightarrow \hat{e}$ : vector  $e$  with **minimum weight** such that  
 $S=eH^t$

Construction of standart array:

- Generate error vectors of **increasing weight**  $w$  and determine associated syndroms
- Stop when less than  $\binom{n}{w+1}$  syndroms are left

$k$

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## **Cyclic codes**

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### **Cyclic codes : generalities**

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A cyclic code is a linear code such that if  $c=(c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{N-1})$  is a code word then  $c=(c_{N-1}, c_0, \dots, c_{N-2})$  is a code word

Cyclic codes are very popular because:

- They can be designed for correcting a given number of symbol errors (with symbols belonging to  $GF(2^n)$ )
- Decoding algorithms exist with reasonable complexity
- They have good performances (trade-off spectral efficiency / coding gain)

Popular cyclic codes : Binary BCH, (Bon-binary) Reed Solomon

## Galois fields (GF)

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Field with a **finite number**  $q$  of elements are called **Galois fields** and noted  $GF(q)$  ( $F_q$ ).

The set of integers  $lq=0,1,\dots,q-1$  with the “classical” + and  $\times$  (modulo  $q$ ) is a field when  $q$  is a prime number.

*Examples:*

$GF(2)=\{0,1\}$ , + = “or”,  $\times$  = “and”

In  $GF(3)$ ,  $2+2=1$  ( $4 \bmod 3$ ),  $2\times 2=1$

Order of an element  $\beta$ :

The smallest integer  $e$  such that  $\beta^e=1$  is called “the order of  $\beta$ ”

Primitive element  $\alpha$ :

All element of  $GF(q)$  (except 0) can be expressed as a power of an element of the field  $\alpha$  called primitive element.

Order of  $\alpha = q-1$

Ex: in  $GF(3)$ , 2 is a primitive element ( $2^2=1$ )  $1=2^0$ ,  $2=2^1$

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## Exercise (1)

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Build addition and multiplication tables for  $GF(2)$  and  $GF(3)$

## Exercise (2)

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GF(2)={0,1}

+	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	0

x	0	1
0	0	0
1	0	1

$$1+1=0 \quad -1=1 \quad 1^{-1}=1 \text{ because } 1 \times 1=1$$

GF(3)={0,1,2}

+	0	1	2
0	0	1	2
1	1	2	0
2	2	0	1

x	0	1	2
0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2
2	0	2	1

$$2+1=0 \quad -1=2 \quad -2=1$$

$$1^{-1}=1 \quad 2^{-1}=2$$

Order of  $\alpha$  (primitive element) : 2 =>  
 $\alpha^2=1 \Rightarrow \alpha=2$  ( $2 \times 2=1$ )

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## Galois fields (GF): extension field (1)

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Let GF(q) be a finite field. Let  $N=q^m$

Ex:  $q=2$  GF(2)  $N=16$

$GF(q^m)=\{m\text{-dimensional vectors with components } GF(q)\}$

Notation:  $\beta=(\beta_{m-1}, \beta_{m-2}, \dots, \beta_1, \beta_0)$  or  $\beta(x)=\beta_0+\beta_1x+\beta_2x^2+\dots+\beta_{m-1}x^{m-1}$

Addition rule : addition on GF(q) on a component-by-component basis

Multiplication rule :

Let  $p(x)$  be an irreducible polynomial of degree m over GF(q) such that  $p(x)$  divides  $x^{N-1}-1 \Rightarrow x^{N-1}=p(x)h(x) \Rightarrow p(x)h(x)=0$  modulo  $p(x)$

$\beta(x)\gamma(x)=[\beta(x)\gamma(x)]$  modulo  $p(x)$

Nota:  $x^{N-1}=0$  modulo  $p(x) \Rightarrow x^{N-1}=1$  modulo  $p(x)$

$\Rightarrow$  Order of  $x$   $N-1 \Rightarrow x$  is the primitive element of  $GF(q^m)$  ( $\alpha=x$ )

Note that  $x=(0\dots 010)$  in vector form

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## Galois fields (GF): extension field (2)

Example : GF(2<sup>2</sup>),  $\alpha^3=1$  Nota:  $x^3+1=(x+1)(x^2+x+1)$  (recall:  $-1=+1$  in GF(2) !)

Let  $p(x)=x^2+x+1$

Element (1)	Element (2)	Vector	Polynomial
0	0	00	0
1	1	01	1
2	$\alpha$	10	$X$
3	$\alpha^2$	11	$1+X$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{GF}(4) &= \{0, 1, \alpha, \alpha^2\} \\ \alpha^3 &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Ex :  $2 \cdot 3 = \alpha \cdot \alpha^2 = 1$ ,  $3 - 1 = 2$ ,  $2 + 3 = (10) + (11) = (01) = 1$ ,  $-2 = 2$

Nota :  $p(x)=0$  modulo  $p(x) \Rightarrow x^2+x+1=0 \Rightarrow x^2=-x-1=x+1$

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## Galois fields (GF): extension field (3)

Exercice : Building GF(8) with  $p(x)=x^3+x+1$

- a) Check that  $p(x)$  divides  $x^7-1$
- b) Deduce  $\alpha=x$  (polynomial form)  $\alpha=(010)$  (vector form)
- c) Recall :  $\text{GF}(8)=\{0, 1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^3, \alpha^4, \alpha^5, \alpha^6\}$   $\alpha^7=1$

Element number	Power of $\alpha$ and 0	Vector	Polynomial
0	0	000	0
1	1	001	1
2	$\alpha$	010	$X$
...	...	...	...
	$\alpha^6$		

Fill the table  
(solution p28)  
Check that  $\alpha^7=1$   
 $2+6=?$   $-3=?$   $4-5=?$   
 $4^{-1}=?$   $6 \times 7=?$   $4/5=?$

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## Galois fields (GF): extension field (3.1)

$$p(x) = x^3 + x + 1 \quad p(x) = 0 \quad [p(x)] \Rightarrow x^3 + x + 1 = 0 \quad [p(x)] \Rightarrow x^3 = x + 1$$

Element number	Power of $\alpha$ and 0	Vector	Polynomial	
0	0	000	0	$\alpha^3 = X^2 * X \quad (p(x))$ $= X + 1$
1	1	001	1	$\alpha^4 = (X + 1) * X \quad (p(x))$ $= X^2 + X$
2	$\alpha$	010	X	$\alpha^5 = (X^2 + X) * X \quad (p(x))$ $= X^3 + X^2 \quad (p(x))$ $= X^2 + X + 1$
4	$\alpha^2$	100	$X^2$	$\alpha^6 = (X^2 + X + 1) * X \quad (p(x))$ $= X^3 + X^2 + X \quad (p(x))$ $= X + 1 + X^2 + X$ $= 1 + X^2$
3	$\alpha^3$	011	$X + 1$	$\alpha^7 = (X^2 + 1) * X \quad (p(x))$ $= X^3 + X \quad (p(x))$ $= X + 1 + X = 1$
6	$\alpha^4$	110	$X^2 + X$	
7	$\alpha^5$	111	$X^2 + X + 1$	
5	$\alpha^6$	101	$X^2 + 1$	

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$$\alpha^7 = \alpha^6 \alpha = (1 + x^2)x \quad (\text{modulo } p(x)) = x + x^3 \quad (\text{modulo } p(x)) = 1$$

$  \begin{array}{r}  X^7 + 1 \\  \hline  X^7 + X^5 + X^4 \\  \hline  X^5 + X^4 + 1 \\  X^5 + X^3 + X^2 \\  \hline  X^4 + X^3 + X^2 + 1 \\  X^4 + X^2 + X \\  \hline  X^3 + X + 1 \\  X^3 + X + 1 \\  \hline  0  \end{array}  $	$  \begin{array}{r}  X^3 + X + 1 \\  \hline  X^4 + X^2 + X + 1 \\  \\   X^7 + 1 \\  = (X^3 + X + 1)(X^4 + X^2 + X + 1) \\  \\   X^7 + 1 = 0 \quad \text{modulo } p(x) \\  X^7 = -1 = 1 \Rightarrow \text{ordre of} \\  X = (010) \text{ is } 7 \Rightarrow X = \alpha  \end{array}  $
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## Galois fields (GF): extension field (4)

TABLE 2.12 Vectors for  $GF(2^3)$ :  
 $p(x) = x^3 + x + 1$ .

Zero and Powers of $\alpha$	Vector over $G\bar{F}(2)$
0	000
$1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots$	001
$\alpha^3, \alpha^4, \dots$	010
$\alpha^5, \alpha^6, \dots$	100
$\alpha^7, \alpha^8, \dots$	011
$\alpha^9, \alpha^{10}, \dots$	110
$\alpha^{11}, \alpha^{12}, \dots$	111
$\alpha^{13}, \alpha^{14}, \dots$	101

$$X^4 = X + 1 \text{ in GF}(16)$$

TABLE 2.13 Vectors  $GF(2^4)$ :  $p(x) = x^2 + x + 1$ .

Zero and Powers of $\alpha$	Vector over GF(2)
0	0000
$\alpha$	0001
$\alpha^2$	0010
$\alpha^3$	0011
$\alpha^4$	0100
$\alpha^5$	0101
$\alpha^6$	0110
$\alpha^7$	0111
$\alpha^8$	1000
$\alpha^9$	1001
$\alpha^{10}$	1010
$\alpha^{11}$	1011
$\alpha^{12}$	1100
$\alpha^{13}$	1101
$\alpha^{14}$	1110
$\alpha^{15}$	1111
$\alpha^{16}$	1000

## **Galois fields (GF): extension field (5)**

Vectors for  $GF(2^6)$ :  $p(x) = x^6 + x + 1$

Zero and Powers of $\alpha$	Vectors over $GF(2)$	Zero and Powers of $\alpha$	Vectors over $GF(2)$
0	000000	$\alpha^{21}$	101001
1	100000	$\alpha^{22}$	100100
$\alpha$	010000	$\alpha^{23}$	010010
$\alpha^2$	001000	$\alpha^{24}$	001001
$\alpha^3$	000100	$\alpha^{25}$	110100
$\alpha^4$	000010	$\alpha^{26}$	010101
$\alpha^5$	000001	$\alpha^{27}$	001101
$\alpha^6$	110000	$\alpha^{28}$	110110
$\alpha^7$	011000	$\alpha^{29}$	010101
$\alpha^8$	001100	$\alpha^{30}$	111101
$\alpha^9$	000110	$\alpha^{31}$	101110
$\alpha^{10}$	000011	$\alpha^{32}$	010111
$\alpha^{11}$	110001	$\alpha^{33}$	111011
$\alpha^{12}$	101000	$\alpha^{34}$	101101
$\alpha^{13}$	010100	$\alpha^{35}$	100110
$\alpha^{14}$	001010	$\alpha^{36}$	010011
$\alpha^{15}$	000101	$\alpha^{37}$	111001
$\alpha^{16}$	110010	$\alpha^{38}$	101100
$\alpha^{17}$	011001	$\alpha^{39}$	010110
$\alpha^{18}$	111100	$\alpha^{40}$	001011
$\alpha^{19}$	011110	$\alpha^{41}$	110101
$\alpha^{20}$	001111	$\alpha^{42}$	101010
$\alpha^{21}$	110111	$\alpha^{43}$	100101
$\alpha^{22}$	101011	$\alpha^{44}$	111010
$\alpha^{23}$	100101	$\alpha^{45}$	011101
$\alpha^{24}$	100010	$\alpha^{46}$	111100
$\alpha^{25}$	010001	$\alpha^{47}$	011111
$\alpha^{26}$	111000	$\alpha^{48}$	111111
$\alpha^{27}$	011100	$\alpha^{49}$	010111
$\alpha^{28}$	001110	$\alpha^{50}$	001101
$\alpha^{29}$	000111	$\alpha^{51}$	110101
$\alpha^{30}$	110111	$\alpha^{52}$	101010
$\alpha^{31}$	101011	$\alpha^{53}$	100101
$\alpha^{32}$	100101	$\alpha^{54}$	111010
$\alpha^{33}$	010010	$\alpha^{55}$	011101
$\alpha^{34}$	001001	$\alpha^{56}$	111110
$\alpha^{35}$	000011	$\alpha^{57}$	011111
$\alpha^{36}$	111001	$\alpha^{58}$	111111
$\alpha^{37}$	011100	$\alpha^{59}$	010111
$\alpha^{38}$	001110	$\alpha^{60}$	100111
$\alpha^{39}$	000111	$\alpha^{61}$	100011
$\alpha^{40}$	110011	$\alpha^{62}$	100001

## Galois fields (GF): extension field (6)

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### Exercise:

Solve the following set of equations in GF(8) :

$$\alpha X + Y = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$X + Y = \alpha^3 \quad (2)$$

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## Galois fields (GF): extension field (7)

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$$(1)-(2) \Rightarrow (\alpha+1)X = \alpha^3 + 1 \Rightarrow \alpha^3 X = \alpha \Rightarrow X = \alpha^{-2} \Rightarrow X = \alpha^5$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow Y = \alpha^3 - X = \alpha^3 + \alpha^5 \Rightarrow Y = \alpha^2$$

$$\alpha + 1 = (010 + (001)) = (011) = \alpha^3 \quad \alpha^3 + 1 = (011) + (001) = (010) = \alpha$$

$$\alpha^{-2} = \alpha^5 \quad (\alpha^7 = 1)$$

$$\alpha^3 + \alpha^5 = (011) + (111) = (100) = \alpha^2$$

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## Definition of cyclic codes

Definition :

A linear code  $C$  defined on  $GF(q)$  ( $c_i$  belongs to  $GF(q)$ ) is a cyclic code if and only if  
 $\forall c \in C, \beta \in GF(q) \quad c = (c_{N-1}, c_{N-2} \dots c_0)$  then  $c' = (\beta c_{N-2}, \beta c_{N-3}, \dots, \beta c_0, \beta c_{N-1}) \in C$ .

To each code word  $c = (c_{N-1}, c_{N-2} \dots c_0)$  the polynomial  $c(x)$  is associated :

$$c(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_{N-1}x^{N-1}$$

$$c'(x) = \beta \{c_{N-1} + c_0x + \dots + c_{N-2}x^{N-1}\}$$

Degree of  $c(x)$  :  $N-1$  (N symbols)

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## Properties of cyclic codes

Definition : generator polynomial  $g(x)$

Unitary polynomial with minimum degree belonging to  $C$ . This degree is noted  $N-k$   
 $g(x) = g_0 + g_1x + g_2x^2 + \dots + g_{N-k-1}x^{N-k-1} + x^{N-k}$

Property 1: for a cyclic code,  $g(x)$  divides  $X^{N-1}$  (on  $GF(q)$ )

Property 2: Each  $g(x)$  dividing  $X^{N-1}$  is associated to a cyclic code.

Property 3 : let  $c(x) \in C$ ,  $g(x)$  divides  $c(x)$  or in another way:

$C = \{c(x) = g(x)i(x)\}$  where degree of  $i(x)$  less or equal to  $k-1$  ( $c(x)$  : degree less or equal to  $N-1$ ,  $g(x)$  : degree :  $N-k$ )

$i(x)$  :  $k$  coefficients on  $GF(q)$   $\Rightarrow q^k$  polynomials  $i(x)$  (and so for  $c(x)$ )

In general,  $C$  is not a systematic code.

Number of code words :  $q^k$

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## Generator polynomial (1)

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Ex: n=9 binary cyclic codes (=on GF(2))  
 $X^9+1=(1+X)(1+X+X^2)(1+X^3+X^6)$  on GF(2)

Exercise :

- 1) Find all the cyclic codes of length 9. Determine the number of code words and the code rate for each code.
- 2) Show that the (9,1) code is a repetition code over GF(2)

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## Generator polynomial (2)

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Solution:

$$X^9+1=(1+X)(1+X+X^2)(1+X^3+X^6)$$

$g(x)=1+x \Rightarrow (9,8)$  cyclic code  $R=8/9$  degree of  $g(x) = n-k$   $2^8$  code words

$g(x)=1+X+X^2 \Rightarrow (9,7)$  cyclic code  $R=7/9$   $2^7$  code words

$g(x)=1+X^3+X^6 \Rightarrow (9,3)$  cycle code  $R=3/9$   $2^3$  code words

$g(x)=(1+X)(1+X+X^2) \Rightarrow (9,6)$  cyclic code  $R=6/9$   $2^6$  code words

$g(x)=(1+X)(1+X^3+X^6) \Rightarrow (9,2)$  cyclic code  $R=2/9$  4 code words

$g(x)=(1+X+X^2)(1+X^3+X^6) \Rightarrow (9,1)$  cyclic code  $R=1/9$  2 code words

$$g(x)=(1+X+X^2)(1+X^3+X^6)=1+X+X^2+X^3+X^4+X^5+X^6+X^7+X^8$$

Degree of  $g(x)$ : 8 degree of  $c(x)$ : 8  $\Rightarrow$  degree of  $i(x) : 0 \Rightarrow i(x)$  is a constant  $i_0$

$i(x)=i_0 \Rightarrow c(x)=i(x)g(x)=i_0g(x) \Rightarrow c=(i_0 i_0 i_0 i_0 i_0 i_0 i_0 i_0 i_0)$

$\Rightarrow$  Repetition code  $0 \Leftrightarrow 000000000$   $1 \Leftrightarrow 111111111$

$\Rightarrow$  2 code words (000000000) and (111111111)

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## **Systematic/ Non systematic cyclic codes (1)**

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Non systematic cyclic code:

$i(x)$  : information polynomial (maximum degree :  $k-1 = k$  symbols)

$c(x) = g(x)i(x)$  (coefficients of  $c(x)$  are convolutions of coefficients of  $g(x)$  and  $i(x)$ )

Systematic cyclic code: ( $N=n$ )

$c(x) = x^{N-k}i(x) + t(x)$  with  $t(x) = -R_{g(x)}[x^{N-k}i(x)]$

$t(x)$ : remainder of the Euclidian division of  $x^{N-k}i(x)$  by  $g(x)$

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## **Systematic/ Non systematic cyclic codes (2)**

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Systematic cyclic code:

Consider :  $x^{N-k}i(x)$  max. degree  $i(x) : k-1$  degree  $g(x) = N-k$

$x^{N-k}i(x)$  degree min :  $N-k$  degree max :  $N-k+k-1 = N-1$

Let  $c(x) = x^{N-k}i(x) + t(x)$  with max degree of  $t(x) = N-k-1$

Find  $t(x)$  such that  $g(x)$  divides  $c(x)$  (cyclic code)

$$R_{g(x)}[x^{N-k}i(x) + t(x)] = 0 = R_{g(x)}[x^{N-k}i(x)] + t(x)$$

$R_{g(x)}[t(x)] = t(x)$  because degree  $t(x) <$  degree  $g(x)$

$\Rightarrow t(x)$ : remainder of the Euclidian division of  $x^{N-k}i(x)$  by  $g(x)$

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## Systematic/ Non systematic cyclic codes (3)

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Example of systematic encoding:

(9,7) binary cyclic code with  $g(x)=x^2+x+1$

$c(x)$  : degree 8,  $i(x)$ :degree 6,  $n=9$ ,  $k=7$

$i:(0000010) \Rightarrow i(x)=x \Rightarrow x^{n-k}i(x)=x^2 i(x)=x^3$

Systematic bits

$x^3$	$x^2+x+1$	$t(x)=-R_{g(x)}[x^{N-k}i(x)]=-1=1$
$x^3+x^2+x$	$x+1$	$c(x)=x^3+1 \quad c:(000001001)$
$x^2+x$		Remark: $c_{NS}(x)=x^3+x^2+x$ (NS)
$x^2+x+1$		$c_{NS}(x)=i(x)g(x)=(000001110)$
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## Exercise

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### Exercice 1:

Let  $C$  be a binary code of length 6 and generator polynomial  $g(x) = x^2 + x + 1$ .

1. Show that  $C$  is a cyclic code
2. What is the number of code words?
3. Let  $i(x)$  be the polynomial associated to the information word  $i$ . We consider  $i(x)=x+1$ .

Give the binary (vector) form of  $i$

Determine the coded word in the two following cases: systematic and non systematic codes. The coded words will be given in the polynomial form and in the binary (vector) form.

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## Choice of a generator polynomial (1)

$x^N - 1 = f_1(x)f_2(x)\dots f_s(x)$  on  $GF(q)$  (code on  $GF(q)$ )

=> There are  $2^s - 2$  possible polynomials ( $g(x) = 1$  and  $g(x) = x^N - 1$  discarded).

=> How to select  $g(x)$  in order to have a "good" code with a given error correction capacity?  
(a good code = a code with good trade-off minimum distance/code rate)

... The search for good codes

Definition : Primitive cyclic code

A code defined on  $GF(q)$  is primitive if the code length  $N = q^m - 1$

Ex: binary codes ( $q=2$ ) =>  $N = 2^m - 1$

Definition : minimal polynomial

Let  $\beta_j \in GF(q^m)$

The minimal polynomial  $f_j(x)$  of  $\beta_j$  is the polynomial on  $GF(q)$  with minimum degree having  $\beta_j$  as a root.

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## Choice of a generator polynomial (2)

Analogy : real and complex fields (of course not finite)  $C = R^2$

Minimal polynomial of  $c=a$  ( $a$ : real number) :  $f(x) = x-a$

Minimal polynomial of  $j$  :  $f(x) = (x-j)(x+j) = x^2 + 1$  ( $j^2 = -1$ )

Minimal polynomial of  $c=a+jb$  ( $b \neq 0$ ) :  $f(x) = (x-c)(x-c^*) = x^2 - 2ax + (a^2 + b^2)$

Definition : set of conjugates of  $\beta$  in  $GF(q^m)$  :  $\{\beta^q, \beta^{q^2}, \beta^{q^3}, \dots, \beta^{q^r}, \dots\}$

Nota : this set has a finite number of distinct elements !

Property :  $\beta +$  all its conjugates are the roots of the minimal polynomial of  $\beta$  (cf analogy with real/complex fields)

Exercise : find the minimal polynomial of  $\alpha$ , the primitive element of  $GF(8)$

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## Choice of a generator polynomial (3)

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Exercise : minimal polynomial  $f(x)$  of  $\alpha$ , the primitive element of  $GF(8)$

Recall :  $\alpha^7=1$

Conjugates of  $\alpha$  :  $\alpha^2, \alpha^4$  (stop at  $\alpha^4$  because  $\alpha^8=\alpha$ )

Roots of  $f(x)$  :  $\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^4$

$$f(x) = (x-\alpha)(x-\alpha^2)(x-\alpha^4) = (x^2 + (\alpha+\alpha^2)x + \alpha^3)(x + \alpha^4)$$

$$f(x) = x^3 + (\alpha^4 + \alpha + \alpha^2)x^2 + (\alpha^5 + \alpha^6 + \alpha^3)x + 1 = x^3 + x + 1$$

Coefficients of  $f(x)$  belong to  $GF(2)$  : OK

TABLE 2.12 Vectors for  $GF(2^3)$ :  
 $p(x) = x^3 + x + 1$ .

Zero and Powers of $\alpha$	Vector over $GF(2)$
0	000
1	001
$\alpha$	010
$\alpha^2$	100
$\alpha^3$	011
$\alpha^4$	110
$\alpha^5$	111
$\alpha^6$	101

## Exercises

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Exercise : minimal polynomial  $f_2(x)$  of  $\beta=\alpha^2$ , the primitive element of  $GF(8)$

Exercise : minimal polynomial  $f_3(x)$  of  $\beta=\alpha^3$ , the primitive element of  $GF(8)$

## **Exercises : correction (1)**

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Exercise : minimal polynomial of  $\beta=\alpha^2$ ,  $\alpha$  : primitive element of GF(8)

Recall :  $\alpha^7=1$

Conjugates of  $\beta$  :  $\beta^2=\alpha^4$ ,  $\beta^4=\alpha$  (stop at  $\beta^4$  because  $\beta^8=\alpha^2=\beta$ )

Roots of  $f_2(x)$  :  $\beta, \beta^2, \beta^4$

$$f_2(x)=(x-\beta)(x-\beta^2)(x-\beta^4) = (x-\alpha^2)(x-\alpha^4)(x-\alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_2(x)=f(x)=x^3+x+1 \text{ (minimal polynomial of } \alpha\text{)}$$

Important result :

**All conjugate elements have the same minimal polynomial**

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## **Exercises : correction (2)**

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Exercise : minimal polynomial of  $\beta=\alpha^3$ ,  $\alpha$  : primitive element of GF(8)

$\alpha^3$  is not a conjugate of  $\alpha$  !

Conjugates of  $\beta$  :  $\beta^2=\alpha^6$ ,  $\beta^4=\alpha^{12}=\alpha^5$  (stop at  $\beta^4$  because  $\beta^8=\alpha^{10}=\alpha^3=\beta$ )

Roots of  $f_3(x)$  :  $\beta, \beta^2, \beta^4$

$$f_3(x)=(x-\beta)(x-\beta^2)(x-\beta^4) = (x-\alpha^3)(x-\alpha^6)(x-\alpha^5) \text{ (nota: constant term}=\alpha^{14}=1\text{)}$$

$$f_3(x)=(x^2+(\alpha^3+\alpha^6)x+\alpha^2)(x+\alpha^5) = (x^2+\alpha^4x+\alpha^2)(x+\alpha^5)$$

$$=x^3+(\alpha^4+\alpha^4)x^2+(\alpha^2+\alpha^2)x+\alpha^7$$

$$=x^3+1$$

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## Choice of a generator polynomial (4)

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Let  $n=q^m$ ,  $\alpha^{n-1}=1 \Rightarrow \alpha$  is a root of  $x^{n-1}-1$  (note that  $N=q^m-1=n-1$ )

$\alpha$  is the primitive element of  $GF(q^m)=GF(n)$

Let  $\beta$  be any element of  $GF(n)$  except 0.  $\beta$  can take  $n-1$  values.

$\beta$  can be expressed as a power of  $\alpha \Rightarrow \beta^{n-1}=(\alpha^j)^{n-1}=1 \Rightarrow \beta$  is a root of  $x^{n-1}-1$  ( $n-1$  roots)

$\Rightarrow$  Roots of  $x^{n-1}-1$  are the non-null elements of  $GF(n)$

$$x^{n-1} - 1 = \prod_{k=0}^{n-2} (x - \alpha^k) = \prod_{\beta \in GF(n)/\{0\}} (x - \beta) = \prod_i f_i(x)$$

$x^{n-1}-1$  can be expressed either as a product of monomials over  $GF(q^m)$  or a product of minimal polynomials  $f_i(x)$  of elements of  $GF(q^m)$  belonging to distinct sets of conjugates (these minimal polynomials have coefficients on  $GF(q)$ )

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## Choice of a generator polynomial (5)

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Example :  $GF(8)=\{0,1,\alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^6\}$

- 1) Find the set of distinct conjugates (definition of conjugates : p 42)
- 2) Find the associated minimal polynomials
- 3) Factorize  $x^7-1$  on  $GF(8)$  and  $GF(2)$

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Remark :Conjugates of  $\beta=\alpha^6$  :  $\beta^2=\alpha^{12}=\alpha^5$   $\beta^4=\alpha^{10}=\alpha^3$

$$\beta^8=\beta^1$$

### **Choice of a generator polynomial (5)**

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Example : GF(8) correction

1) Find the set of distinct conjugates

$$\{\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^4\} \quad \{\alpha^3, \alpha^6, \alpha^5\} \quad \{1\}$$

2) Find the associated minimal polynomials

$$\{1\} \Rightarrow f_0(x)=x-1 \text{ (no conjugates for 1)}$$

$$\{\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^4\} \Rightarrow f_1(x)=(x-\alpha)(x-\alpha^2)(x-\alpha^4)=x^3+x+1 \quad (\text{p 44})$$

$$\{\alpha^3, \alpha^6, \alpha^5\} \Rightarrow f_3(x)=(x-\alpha^3)(x-\alpha^6)(x-\alpha^5)=x^3+x^2+1 \quad (\text{p46})$$

3) Factorize  $x^7-1$  on GF(8) and GF(2)

$$x^7 - 1 = \prod_{k=0}^6 (x - \alpha^k) = (x+1)(x^3+x+1)(x^3+x^2+1)$$

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### **Choice of a generator polynomial (6)**

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$g(x)$  : minimal polynomial of  $C$

$C$  : primitive cyclic code of length  $N=q^m-1$  with coefficients on  $GF(q)$

$g(x)$  divides  $x^N-1$  and coefficients of  $g(x)$  are on  $GF(q)$  ( $g(x)$  is a code word).

$\Rightarrow g(x)$  is the product of minimal polynomials of some elements  $\{\beta_j\}$  of  $GF(q^m)/\{0\}$

$\Rightarrow$  How to select the set  $\{\beta_j\}$  ?

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## BCH codes (1)

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BCH : Bose-Chaudhuri-Hocquenghem (1959)

Definition of primitive BCH codes on GF(q):

$N=q^m-1$   $\alpha$ : primitive element of  $GF(q^m)$   $f_j(x)$  : minimal polynomial of  $\alpha^j$

$$g(x) = SCM(f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots, f_{2t}(x))$$

SCM : smallest common multiple

$g(x)$  : product of distinct minimal polynomials

$d=2t+1$  : distance by construction of the BCH code,  $d_{\min} \geq d$ ,  $t$ : error correction capacity

Practical evaluation of  $g(x)$ , code on  $GF(q)$ ,  $N=q^m-1$ :

1- Construct  $GF(q^m)$

2- Find  $f_j(x)$ , minimal polynomial of  $\alpha^j$  for  $j=1 \dots 2t$  (2t successive powers of  $\alpha$ )

3- Calculate  $g(x)$  as the product of the DISTINCT mimimal polynomials.

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## BCH codes (2)

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Example: binary BCH code ( $q=2$ ,  $N=2^m-1$ )

$BCH(N=15, k=? , t=2)$   $g(x)=?$   $k=?$

Note that  $k$  is not known before the evaluation of  $g(x)$

$m=4$  extension field  $GF(q^m)=GF(16)$

$\alpha$  : primitive element of  $GF(16)$   $\alpha^{15}=1$

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## BCH codes (3)

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BCH(N=15,k=? ,t=2)

t=2 => evaluation of minimal polynomials of  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha^2$ ,  $\alpha^3$ ,  $\alpha^4$  (GF(16))

$\alpha$ ,  $\alpha^2$  and  $\alpha^4$  are conjugates on GF(16) => same minimal polynomials

So :  $g(x) = f_\alpha(x)f_{\alpha^3}(x)$

Conjugates of  $\alpha$  :  $\alpha^2$ ,  $\alpha^4$ ,  $\alpha^8$  ( $\alpha^{16} = \alpha$ ) =>  $f_\alpha(x) = (x - \alpha)(x - \alpha^2)(x - \alpha^4)(x - \alpha^8)$

$f_\alpha(x) = x^4 + x + 1$

Conjugates of  $\alpha^3$  :  $\alpha^6$ ,  $\alpha^{12}$ ,  $\alpha^{24} = \alpha^9$  ( $\alpha^{18} = \alpha^3$ )

$f_{\alpha^3}(x) = (x - \alpha^3)(x - \alpha^6)(x - \alpha^{12})(x - \alpha^9) = x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$

Degree of  $g(x) = 8 = N-k$  and  $N=15$

$N-k=8 \Rightarrow k=7$  BCH(N=15,k=7,t=2) , R=7/15 , number of code words =  $2^7 = 128$

Nota: the value of k is unknown before calculation

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## BCH codes (4)

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Peterson table (page 55)

Find the minimal polynomial of  $\alpha^3$  in GF(16)

⇒ Line « Degree 4 » ( $16=2^4$ )

⇒ Column : « 3 37D » '3' is for  $\alpha^3$  '37' is the minimal polynomial in octal form 'D' is irrelevant for us

⇒  $3.7 = 011.111$  in binary

⇒ Minimal polynomial =  $X^4 + X^3 + X^2 + X + 1$  (rightmost term : constant term)

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## Minimal polynomials (1)

Minimum Polynomials for $GF(2^n)$ .										
Degree	2	1	7H							
Degree	3	1	13F							
Degree	4	1	23F	3	37D	5	07			
Degree	5	1	45E	3	75G	5	67H			
Degree	6	1	103F	3	127B	5	147H	7	111A	
	11	155E	21	007				9	015	
Degree	7	1	211E	3	217E	5	235E	7	367H	
	11	325G	13	203F	19	313H	21	345G		
Degree	8	1	435E	3	567B	5	763D	7	551E	
	11	747H	13	455F	15	727D	17	023	9	675C
	23	543F	25	433B	27	477B	37	537F	21	613D
	51	037	85	007			45	703H	45	471A
Degree	9	1	1021E	3	1131E	5	1461G	7	1231A	
	11	1055E	13	1167F	15	1541E	17	1333F	19	1605G
	23	1751E	25	1745H	27	1617H	29	1555H	35	1401C
	39	1715E	41	1563H	43	1715H	45	1175E	51	1725G
	55	1275E	73	0013	75	1773G	77	1511C	83	1425G
Degree	10	1	2011E	3	2017B	5	2415E	7	3771G	
	11	2065A	13	2157F	15	2653B	17	3515G	19	2773F
	23	2033F	25	3443F	27	3573D	29	2461E	31	3043D
	35	3023H	37	3545F	39	2107B	41	3745E	43	2431E
	47	3177H	49	3525G	51	2547B	53	2617F	55	3455D
	59	3471G	69	2701A	71	3323H	73	3507H	75	2437B
	83	3623H	85	2707E	87	2311A	89	2327F	91	3265G
	99	0067	101	2055E	103	3575G	105	3607C	107	3171G
	147	2355A	149	3025G	155	2251A	165	005A	171	3515C
	179	3211G	341	0007			173	3337H		

## Minimal polynomials (2)

Degree	11	1	4005E	3	4445E	5	4215E	7	4055E	9	6015G	
	11	7413H	13	4143F	15	4563F	17	4053F	19	5023F	21	5623F
	23	4757B	25	4577F	27	6233H	29	6673H	31	7237H	33	7335G
	35	4505E	37	5337F	39	5263F	41	5361E	43	5171E	45	6637H
	47	7173H	49	5711E	51	5221E	53	6307H	55	6211G	57	5747F
	59	4533F	61	4341E	67	6711G	69	6777D	71	7715G	73	6343H
	75	6227H	77	6263H	79	5255E	81	7431G	83	6455G	85	5247F
	87	5265E	89	5343B	91	4767F	93	5607F	99	4603F	101	6561G
	105	7107H	105	7041G	107	4251E	109	3675E	111	4173F	113	4707F
	115	7311C	117	5463F	119	5755E	137	6675G	139	7655G	141	5531E
	147	7243H	149	7621G	151	7161G	153	4731E	155	4451E	157	6557H
	163	7745G	165	7317H	167	5205E	169	4565E	171	6765G	173	7535G
	179	4653F	181	5411E	183	5545E	185	7565G	189	6543H	201	5613F
	203	6013H	205	7647H	211	6507H	213	6037H	215	7363H	217	7201G
	219	7273H	293	7723H	299	4503B	301	5007F	307	7555G	309	4261E
	331	6447H	333	5141E	339	7461G	341	5253F				
Degree	12	1	4005E	3	12133B	5	10115A	7	12153B	9	11765A	
	11	15647E	13	12513B	15	13077B	17	16533H	19	16047H	21	10065A
	23	11015E	25	13377B	27	14405A	29	14127H	31	17673H	33	13311A
	35	10377B	37	13565E	39	13321A	41	15341G	43	15053H	45	15173C
	47	15621E	49	17703C	51	10355A	53	15321G	55	10201A	57	12331A
	59	11417E	61	13505E	63	10761A	65	00141	67	13275E	69	16663C
	71	11471E	73	16237E	75	16267D	77	15115C	79	12515E	81	17545C
	83	12255E	85	11673B	87	117361A	89	11271E	91	10011A	93	14755C
	95	17705A	97	17131G	99	17325D	101	14227H	103	13117E	105	13617A
	107	14135G	109	14711G	111	15415C	113	15131E	115	15223A	117	16475C
	119	14315C	121	16521E	123	13475A	133	11433B	135	10571A	137	15437G
	139	12067F	141	13571A	143	12111A	145	16535C	147	17657D	149	12147F
	151	14717F	153	13517B	155	14241C	157	14875G	163	10663F	165	10621A

Peterson-Weldon

tables

## Decoding of BCH codes (1)

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### Peterson-Gorenstein-Zierler Algorithm.

C is a BCH code on GF(q) of length  $N=q^m-1$  (primitive code)

$g(x)$  : generator polynomial of C

$\alpha$ : primitive element of the extension field  $GF(q^m)$ .

$c(x)$  : polynomial associated to code word c (coefficients on  $GF(q)$ )

$v(x)$  : polynomial associated to received word c (coefficients on  $GF(q)$ )

$e(x)$  : polynomial associated to error word e (coefficients on  $GF(q)$ )

$e(x)$  is defined as  $e(x)=v(x)-c(x)$  (so  $v(x)=c(x)+e(x)$ )

Let  $e(x) = Y_1x^{i_1} + Y_2x^{i_2} + \dots + Y_vx^{i_v}$  with  $Y_1, \dots, Y_v$  belonging to  $GF(q)$

$v$  : the actual number of errors ( $v \leq t$ ),  $t$  : error correction capacity of the code

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## Decoding of BCH codes (1.1)

### Recall :

1)  $g(x)$  divides  $c(x)$  because C is a cyclic codes

2)  $\alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^{2t}$  are roots of  $g(x)$  (BCH code)

1) 2)  $\Rightarrow \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^{2t}$  are roots of  $c(x)$   $c(x) \in C \Leftrightarrow c(\alpha) = c(\alpha^2) = \dots = c(\alpha^{2t}) = 0$   
 $v(x) = c(x) + e(x) \Rightarrow v(\alpha) = e(\alpha), v(\alpha^2) = e(\alpha^2), \dots, v(\alpha^{2t}) = e(\alpha^{2t})$

Let's define  $S_j = v(\alpha^j)$ ,  $S_j$  only depends on the error vector. It is called a **syndrom**.

Unknowns:  $v$  (actual number of errors),  $\{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_v\}$ : error positions , error amplitudes :  $Y_1, \dots, Y_v$

$\Rightarrow$  There are  $2v$  unknowns  $\{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_v\} \{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_v\}$

We have a set of  $2t$  syndroms:

$$S_j = v(\alpha^j) = \sum_{l=1}^v Y_l (\alpha^j)^{i_l} = \sum_{l=1}^v Y_l (\alpha^{i_l})^j = \sum_{l=1}^v Y_l X_l^j \text{ with } X_l = \alpha^{i_l}$$

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## Decoding of BCH codes (2)

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Error location polynomial:

$$\Lambda(x) = \Lambda_v x^v + \Lambda_{v-1} x^{v-1} + \dots + \Lambda_1 x + 1$$

$$\Lambda(x) = (1 - xX_1)(1 - xX_2)\dots(1 - xX_v)$$

Coefficients of  $\Lambda(x)$  can be found by different ways (PGZ algorithm, Berlekamp-Massey algorithm,...).

One possibility is to solve the following linear system:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccccc|c} S_1 & S_2 & S_3 & \dots & S_{v-1} & S_v & \Lambda_v \\ S_2 & S_3 & S_4 & \dots & S_v & S_1 & \Lambda_{v-1} \\ S_3 & S_4 & S_5 & \dots & S_{v+1} & S_{v+2} & \Lambda_{v-2} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ S_v & S_{v+1} & S_{v+2} & \dots & S_{2v-2} & S_{2v-1} & \Lambda_1 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} -S_{v+1} \\ -S_{v+2} \\ -S_{v+3} \\ \dots \\ -S_{2v} \end{array} \right]$$

Remark :  $v$  has first to be evaluated (see after)

$\{X_i\}$  are obtained by searching the roots of  $\Lambda(x)$  on  $GF(q^m)$  (Chien search)

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## Decoding of BCH codes (3)

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$$M = \left[ \begin{array}{cccccc} S_1 & S_2 & S_3 & \dots & S_{\mu-1} & S_\mu \\ S_2 & S_3 & S_4 & \dots & S_\mu & S_1 \\ S_3 & S_4 & S_5 & \dots & S_{\mu+1} & S_{\mu+2} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ S_\mu & S_{\mu+1} & S_{\mu+2} & \dots & S_{2\mu-2} & S_{2\mu-1} \end{array} \right]$$

Peterson-Gorenstein-Zierler  
algorithm

1- Calculate the  $2t$  syndroms and initialize  $\mu=t$

2- Search largest  $\mu$  such that  $\det(M) \neq 0$

3-Calculate the coefficients of  $\Lambda(x)$

4-Find the roots of  $\Lambda(x)$  ( $\Rightarrow \{X_i^{-1}\}$ )

5-Stop for binary codes. Otherwise determine  $\{Y_i\}$  by solving

$$S_j = \sum_{l=1}^v Y_l X_l^j, j = 1, 2, \dots, 2t$$

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## Exercise

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We consider the binary BCH code ( $N=15, k=7$ ) able to correct  $t=2$  errors. GF(16) is given at the end of the text.  
The received word is: 000001000000000 (the constant term of  $v(x)$  is the rightmost bit)

- 1) Calculate the syndroms associated to  $v(x)$
  - 2) Show that the estimated number of errors is equal to 1.
- Recall : Peterson algorithm,  $S_i$  are the syndroms ( $S_i = r(\alpha^i)$ ).  
•number of errors  $v$  : largest  $\mu$  such that  $\det(M)$  is different from 0.

- 3) Find the error positions by evaluating  $\Lambda(x)$ . Roots of  $\Lambda(x)$  are the set  $\left\{ \frac{1}{X_j} = \frac{1}{\alpha^i} \right\}$  where  $\{i\}$  is the set of error positions

Recall :

$$\Lambda(x) = \Lambda_v x^v + \Lambda_{v-1} x^{v-1} + \dots + \Lambda_1 x + 1$$

$$\Lambda(x) = (1 - xX_1)(1 - xX_2)\dots(1 - xX_v)$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & S_2 & S_3 & \dots & S_{\mu-1} & S_\mu \\ S_2 & S_3 & S_4 & \dots & S_\mu & S_{\mu+1} \\ S_3 & S_4 & S_5 & \dots & S_{\mu+1} & S_{\mu+2} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ S_\mu & S_{\mu+1} & S_{\mu+2} & \dots & S_{2\mu-2} & S_{2\mu-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_v \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_v \\ \Lambda_{v-1} \\ \Lambda_{v-2} \\ \dots \\ \Lambda_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -S_{v+1} \\ -S_{v+2} \\ -S_{v+3} \\ \dots \\ -S_{2v} \end{bmatrix}$$

- 4) Determine the estimated emitted word. What is the associated information word is a systematic code is used?

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## Reed-Solomon (RS) codes (1)

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RS codes are **non binary BCH** codes with  $m=1$

$$n=q^m-1=q-1$$

$GF(q^m)=GF(q) \Rightarrow$  the minimal polynomial of  $\beta \in GF(q^m)$  is  $(X-\beta)$

The generator polynomial for an error correction capacity equal to  $t$  is :

$$g(x)=(x-\alpha)(x-\alpha^2)\dots(x-\alpha^{2t})$$

Degree of  $g(x)$  is  $2t \Rightarrow k=n-2t$

$RS(n,k=n-2t,t)$  : RS code of length  $n$  symbols,  $k$  information symbols,  
error correction capacity :  $t$

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## Reed-Solomon (RS) codes (2)

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Ex: RS(255,239,t=8)

$q=256 \Rightarrow$  1 symbol is composed of 8 bits (byte)

Error correction capacity : 8 bytes (up to 64 bits)

### RS codes are suited to error bursts

Systematic RS codes can be shortened.

Ex: RS(204,188,t=8) : shortened version of RS(255,239,t=8)

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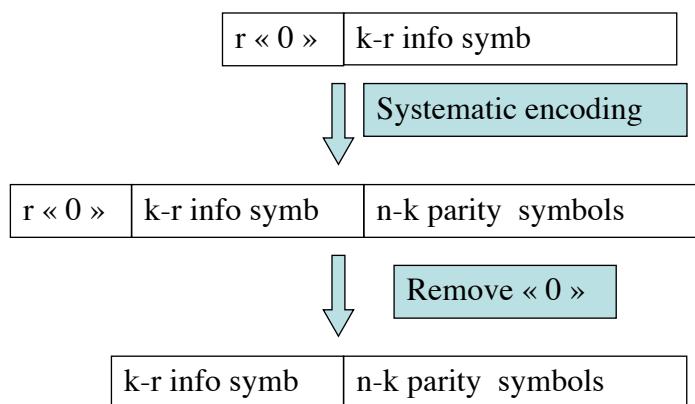
## Shortened codes (1)

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Recall : primitive code  $n=q^m-1$    BCH :  $(n,k)$   $R=k/n$

How can we obtain other code lengths ?

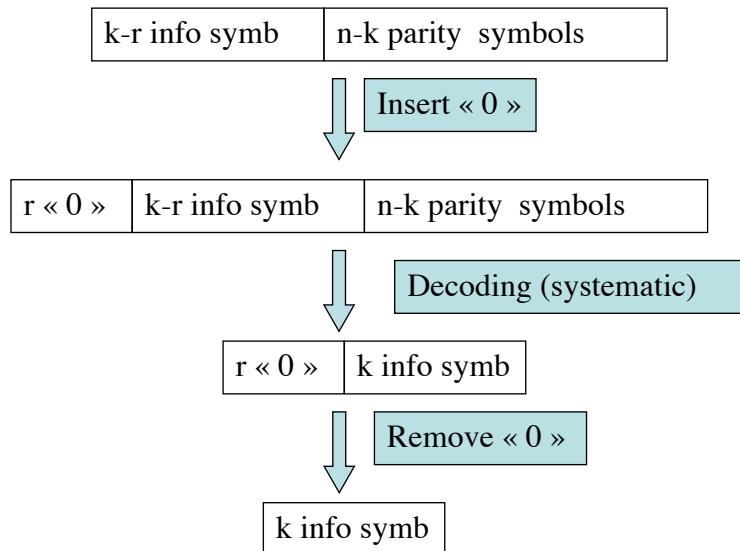
Possible solution : shortening  $\Rightarrow$  BCH( $n-r, k-r$ )  $R=(k-r)/(n-r)$



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## Shortened codes (2)

Decoding:



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## Exercise study of the (7,3) RS code

The RS code is defined over GF(8).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{GF}(8) = & \{0=(000), 1=(001), \alpha=(010), \alpha^2=(100), \alpha^3=(011)=1+\alpha, \\ & \alpha^4=(110)=\alpha^2+\alpha, \alpha^5=(111)=\alpha^2+\alpha+1, \alpha^6=(101)=\alpha^2+1\} \end{aligned}$$

a) What is the error correction capability of the code and the number of code words?

b) Show that  $g(x)$ , the generator polynomial of the code, is :  $g(x) = x^4 + \alpha^3 x^3 + x^2 + \alpha x + \alpha^3$

c) The encoder is fed with the following information bits :  $i=000\ 110\ 000$

i) Express  $i$  as 3 symbols of GF(8) and define the associated information polynomial (the rightmost 3 bits of  $i$  corresponds to the degree 0)

ii) Show that the code word  $c(x)$  at the **systematic** encoder output is :

$$c(x) = \alpha^4 x^5 + \alpha^6 x^3 + \alpha^4 x^2 + \alpha^3 x + \alpha^3 . \text{ Determine the corresponding coded bits.}$$

d) The decoder receives:  $v=000\ 110\ 000\ 000\ 000\ 011\ 011$  Decoding is performed with the Peterson algorithm. The rightmost 3 bits of  $v$  corresponds to the degree 0 (same convention as encoder!)

i) Determine the received word  $v(x)$  with coefficients belonging to GF(8). Calculate the 4 syndromes  $S_j=v(\alpha^j)$ ,  $j=1,2,3,4$ .

ii) Find that the (estimated) number of errors  $v$  is equal to 2. Let :  $e(x) = Y_1 X^{i_1} + Y_2 X^{i_2}$ .

iii) Find the error location polynomial  $\Lambda(x)=\Lambda_2 x^2 + \Lambda_1 x + 1$

iv) Calculate  $\Lambda(\alpha^4)$  and  $\Lambda(\alpha^5)$ . Give the location of errors  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ .

v) Find the error amplitudes  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$ .

vi) Find the estimated emitted code word

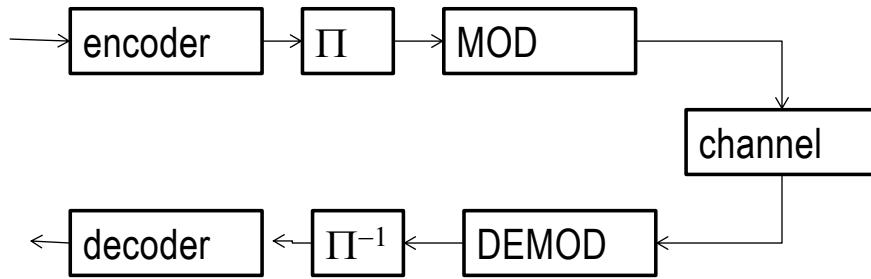
vii) Find the estimated information word assuming systematic encoding

viii) Give the 9 estimated information bits

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## Block Interleaving (1)

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Block interleaving can be seen as a permutation ( $\Pi$ )

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## Block Interleaving (2)

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Example :

Let us consider a binary code with codewords of length 15 and correction capacity  $t=3$

The channel is a bursty channel with maximum burst length of 15 bits.

Without interleaving the codewords affected by error bursts longer than 3 bits are not correctly decoded.

*Solution:* spreading long error bursts over several codewords in order to have a maximum of 3 erroneous bits per codeword.

This can be achieved by using a block interleaver of 5 codewords.

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## Block Interleaving (3)

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This is a block interleaver. (5 lines, 15 columns).

At the emitter side, the codewords are written line by line and read column by column.

At the receiver side, the bits are separated in blocks of 75 bits, written column by column and read line by line.

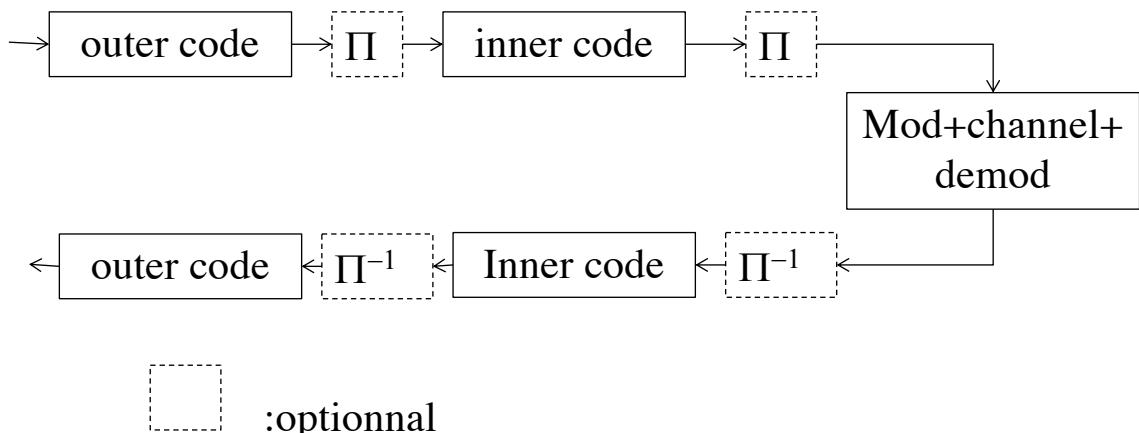
The shaded area represents an error burst of 15 bits. Note that the maximum of error per codeword is now 3 bits, which is within the error correction capacity of the code.

Five codewords					Information digits					Parity-check digits	
1	6	11	16	21	26	31	•	•	•	66	71
2	7	12	17	22	27	32	•	•	•	67	72
3	8	13	18	23	28	33	•	•	•	68	73
4	9	14	19	24	29	34	•	•	•	69	74
5	10	15	20	25	30	35	•	•	•	70	75

## Concatenated codes (1)

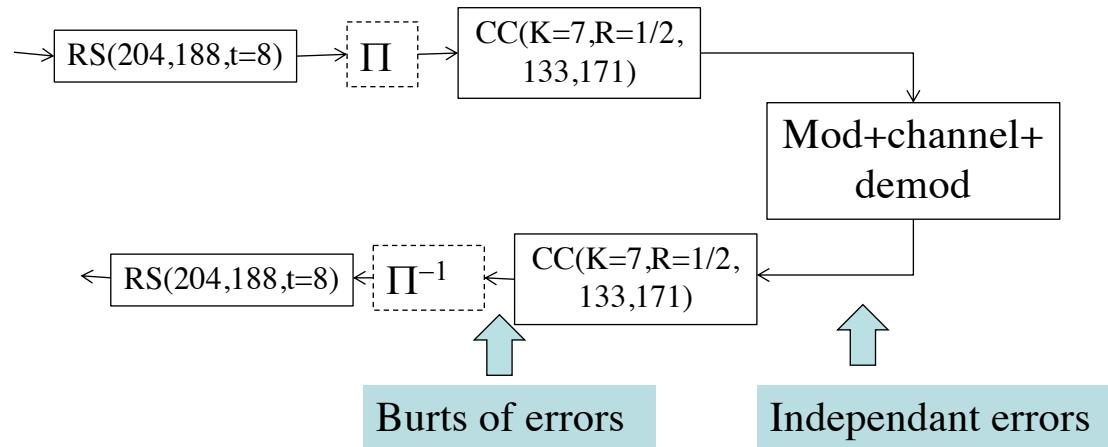
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A serially concatenated code allows to achieve the performance of a longer code with lower complexity.



## Concatenated codes (2)

Example : DVB-S2 (Fixed Satellite Service)



Burts of errors are due to the use of the Viterbi algorithm

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## List of Binary BCH codes and their generator polynomials

## N=7,15,31,63

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$n$	$k$	$t$	$g(x)$
7	4	1	13
15	11	1	23
	7	2	721
	5	3	2467
31	26	1	45
	21	2	3551
	16	3	107657
	11	5	5423325
	6	7	313365047
63	57	1	103
	51	2	12471
	45	3	1701317
	39	4	166623567
	36	5	1033500423
	30	6	157464165547
	24	7	17323260404441
	18	10	1363026512351725
	16	11	6331141367235453
	10	13	472622305527250155
	7	15	5231045543503271737

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## N=127, 255

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127	120	1	211
	113	2	41567
	106	3	11554743
	99	4	3447023271
	92	5	624730022327
	85	6	130704476322273
	78	7	26230002166130115
	71	9	6255010713253127753
	64	10	1206534025570773100045
	57	11	335265252505705053517721
	50	13	54446512523314012421501421
	43	14	17721772213651227521220574343
	36	15	3146074666522075044764574721735
	29	21	403114461367670603667530141176155
	22	23	123376070404722522435445626637647043
	15	27	22057042445604554770523013762217604353
	8	31	7047264052751030651476224271567733130217
255	247	1	435
	239	2	267543
	231	3	156720665
	223	4	75626641375
	215	5	23157564726421
	207	6	16176560567636227
	199	7	7633031270420722341
	191	8	2663470176115333714567
	187	9	52755313540001322236351
	179	10	22624710717340432416300455

255	171	11	15416214212342356077061630637
	163	12	7500415510075602551574724514601
	155	13	3757513005407665015722506464677633
	147	14	1642130173537165525304165305441011711
	139	15	461401732060175561570722730247453567445
	131	18	215713331471510151261250277421420241 65471
	123	19	1206140522420660037172103265161412262 72506267
	115	21	6052666557210024726363640460027635255 6313472737
	107	22	2220577232206625631241730023534742017 6574750154441
	99	23	1065666725347317422274141620157433225 2411076432303431
	91	25	6750265030327444172723631724732511075 550762720724344561
	87	26	1101367634147432384352316343071720462 06722545273311721317
	79	27	6670003563765750002027034420736617462 1015326711766541342355
	71	29	2402471052064432151555417211233116320 5444250362557643221706035
	63	30	1075447505516354432531521735770700366 6111726455267613656702543301
	55	31	7315425203501100133015275306032054325 414326755010557044426035473617
	47	42	2533542017062646563033041377406233175 12333414544604500506024552543173
	45	43	1520205605523416113110134637642370156 3670024470762373033202157025051541
	37	45	5136330255067007414177447245437530420 735706174323432347644354737403044003
	29	47	3025715536673071465527064012361377115 34224232420117411406025475741040356 5037
	21	55	1256215257060332656001773153607612103 22734140565307454252115312161446651 3473725
	13	59	4641732005052564544426573714250066004 33067744547656140317467721357026134 460500547
	9	63	1572602521747246320103104325535513461 41623672120440745451127661155477055 61677516057

**N=255 (con't)**

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## Complements

## **CRC codes**

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Example : CCSDS CRC-16

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## **What is CCSDS**

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CCSDS : The consultative committee for space data systems

Founded in 1982 by the major space agencies of the world, the CCSDS is a multi-national forum for the development of communications and data systems standards for spaceflight.

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## Frame integrity check

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The CCSDS applications are packet-oriented, which means that data are collected and transmitted in frames. With all coding options, and also for uncoded data, it is important to have a reliable indication whether the decoded data is correct.

A frame integrity check can be used at the receiver side to validate the received frame or, when suitable, for requiring retransmission in case of check failure.

A solution to this data validation problem exists in the form of a **cyclic redundancy check (CRC) code**, as specified in the TM Space Data Link Protocol Blue Book

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## CRC code (1)

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A **binary systematic linear code** is used to detect bit errors in the Frame Error Control Field (FECF) of the TM/TC Transfer Frame transmission.

Usually, the term CRC refers to the parity bits produced by the encoding circuit, which are appended to the message before transmission. Rather than a cyclic code, the CRC is usually a shortened cyclic code.

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Recall : systematic code

$i(x)$  : information polynomial (degree :  $k-1$ )

$c(x)$  : coded polynomial (degree  $N-1$ )

$g(x)$  : generator polynomial (degree :  $N-k$ )

$c(x) = x^{N-k} i(x) + t(x)$  with  $t(x) = x^{N-k} i(x)$  modulo  $g(x)$

Error detection :

$v(x)$  : received word (degree :  $N-1$ )

Check if  $v(x)=0$  modulo  $g(x)$

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### **Property of binary ( $N,k$ ) cyclic code (1)**

A binary ( $n, k$ ) CRC code, obtained by shortening a cyclic code, is capable of detecting the following error patterns:

- a) all error bursts of length  $n-k$  or less
- b) a fraction of error bursts of length equal to  $n-k+1$ ; this fraction equals  $1-2^{-(n-k-1)}$
- c) a fraction of error bursts of length greater than  $n-k+1$ ; this fraction equals  $1-2^{-(n-k)}$
- d) all error patterns containing  $d_{\min}-1$  (or fewer) errors
- e) All errors patterns with an odd numbers of errors if  $g(x)$  has a even number of non zero coefficients

## **Property of binary (N,k) cyclic code (2)**

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Important remark:

If  $g(x)$  has a **even** number of non nul coefficients  $\Rightarrow g(1)=0 \Rightarrow x+1$  divides  $g(x)$

Let  $e(x)$  be a polynomial with a **odd** number of coefficients.

$e(1)\neq 0 \Rightarrow x+1$  does not divides  $e(x) \Rightarrow g(x)$  does not divides  $e(x)$   
 $\Rightarrow e(x)$  is not a code word  $\Rightarrow v(x)=c(x)+e(x)$  is not a code word

**=> All patterns with odd number of errors are detected**

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## **CCSDS CRC-16**

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Choice of the primitive cyclic code:

CRC-16  $\Rightarrow$  16 parity bits ( $N-k=16$ , degree of  $g(x)$ )

$$g(x)=x^{16}+x^{12}+x^5+1$$

Smallest  $N$  such that  $g(x)$  divides  $x^N-1 : N=2^{15}-1=32767$

$d=4$  (distance by construction)

CRC-16 : shortened (32767,32751) code

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Error detection capacity of CCSDS CRC-16 :

- a) all error bursts of length 16 or less;
- b) a fraction of error bursts of length equal to 17; this fraction equals  $1-2^{-15}$  ;
- c) a fraction of error bursts of length greater than 17; this fraction equals  $1-2^{-16}$  ;
- d) all error patterns containing 1, 2 or 3 errors;
- e) all error patterns with an odd number of errors.

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**Performance of CCSDS CRC-16**

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Probability of undetected erroneous frame:

$$P_u \approx A_4 \cdot Pe^4 \cdot (1-Pe)^{n-4}$$

$A_4$  depends on  $k$  and can be found in:

D. Fiorini, M. Chiani, V. Tralli and C. Salati , “Can we trust in HDLC?” ACM SIGCOMM Computer Communication Review, vol. 24, no. 5, pp. 61–80, Oct. 1994

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