

3.5 Let C be a linear code with both even- and odd-weight codewords. Show that the number of even-weight codewords is equal to the number of odd-weight codewords.

Let $\begin{cases} C_{\text{even}} & \text{be the set of code with even weights} \\ C_{\text{odd}} & \text{odd} \end{cases}$

Take $\underline{x} \in C_{\text{odd}}$, then $\forall \underline{y} \in C_{\text{odd}}$

$\underline{y} + \underline{x}$ is even weight codeword $\Rightarrow \underline{y} + \underline{x} \in C_{\text{even}}$

$$\therefore |C_{\text{odd}}| \leq |C_{\text{even}}|$$

Similarly, $\forall \underline{y} \in C_{\text{even}}, \underline{y} + \underline{x} \in C_{\text{odd}} \Rightarrow |C_{\text{even}}| \leq |C_{\text{odd}}|$

$$\therefore |C_{\text{even}}| = |C_{\text{odd}}|$$

3.6 Consider an (n, k) linear code C whose generator matrix \mathbf{G} contains no zero column. Arrange all the codewords of C as rows of a 2^k -by- n array.

- Show that no column of the array contains only zeros.
- Show that each column of the array consists of 2^{k-1} zeros and 2^{k-1} ones.
- Show that the set of all codewords with zeros in a particular component position forms a subspace of C . What is the dimension of this subspace?

a. Since the 2^k rows in \mathbf{G} are all codewords.

No column of the array contains only zeros.

Otherwise, if the column j ($1 \leq j \leq n$) contains only zeros, Column j of \mathbf{G} are all zeros \rightarrow ~~contradiction~~.

b. For any column l , Let S_0 be the set of code word that has '0' in the l^{th} column;
 S_1 be the set of code word that has '1' in l^{th} position.

Take any \underline{x} in S_1 , then $\forall \underline{u} \in S_0$

$$\underline{u} + \underline{x} \in S_1 \Rightarrow |S_0| \leq |S_1|$$

Similarly, $\forall \underline{u} \in S_1$; $\underline{u} + \underline{x} \in S_0 \Rightarrow |S_1| \leq |S_0|$

Therefore, $|S_0| = |S_1|$, that is number of '1' & '0' in the l^{th} column are both 2^{k-1}

C. Following the S_0 definition in b.

We have $\forall \underline{u}, \underline{v} \in S_0$, $\underline{u} + \underline{v} \in S_0$

$\therefore S_0$ is a subspace of S (the codeword array) with dimension $(k-1)$

3.14 Show that the $(8, 4)$ linear code C given in Problem 3.1 is self-dual.

$$v_0 = u_1 + u_2 + u_3,$$

$$v_1 = u_0 + u_1 + u_2,$$

$$v_2 = u_0 + u_1 + u_3,$$

$$v_3 = u_0 + u_2 + u_3.$$

We first form its generating matrix G ,

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [P | I]$$

where $P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and I is the identity matrix

The generating matrix of dual code C_d is the parity check matrix H

We know that $H = [I | P^T]$

We will then prove that GH has the same column space.

$$\begin{aligned} \because P \text{ is full rank } \therefore \text{col}(H) &= \text{col}(PH) \\ &= \text{col}([P | PP^T]) = \text{col}([P | I]) = \text{col}(G) \end{aligned}$$

That is the code C is self-dual ~~*~~

3.15 For any binary (n, k) linear code with minimum distance (or minimum weight) $2t + 1$ or greater, show that the number of parity-check digits satisfies the following inequality:

$$n - k \geq \log_2 \left[1 + \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} + \cdots + \binom{n}{t} \right].$$

The preceding inequality gives an upper bound on the random-error-correcting capability t of an (n, k) linear code. This bound is known as the *Hamming bound* [14]. (Hint: For an (n, k) linear code with minimum distance $2t + 1$ or greater, all the n -tuples of weight t or less can be used as coset leaders in a standard array.)

From the hint, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} + \cdots + \binom{n}{t} &\leq 2^{n-k} \\ \Rightarrow n - k &\geq \log_2 \left(1 + \binom{n}{1} + \cdots + \binom{n}{t} \right) \end{aligned}$$

3.16 Show that the minimum distance d_{\min} of an (n, k) linear code satisfies the following inequality:

$$d_{\min} \leq \frac{n \cdot 2^{k-1}}{2^k - 1}.$$

(Hint: Use the result of Problem 3.6(b). This bound is known as the *Plotkin bound* [1-3].)

From 3.6(b), there are 2^{k-1} '1's in each column. Therefore, total number of '1's in the code array is $n \cdot 2^{k-1}$.

There are $2^k - 1$ non-zero codewords, \therefore
 $n \cdot 2^{k-1} \geq d_{\min} (2^k - 1) \Rightarrow d_{\min} \leq \frac{n \cdot 2^{k-1}}{2^k - 1}$ ~~*~~

4.9 Prove that the $(m - r - 1)$ th-order RM code, $RM(m - r - 1, m)$, is the dual code of the r th-order RM code, $RM(r, m)$.

For any code $u \in RM(r, m)$ & $v \in RM(m - r - 1, m)$

It is clear that $u \odot v \in RM(m - 1, m)$
element-wise product

Also, the weight in $RM(m - 1, m)$ are all even.

This implies $u \cdot v = 0$

Moreover, $RM(r, m)$ has $\binom{m}{0} + \dots + \binom{m}{r}$ codes,

and $RM(m - r - 1, m)$ has $\binom{m}{0} + \dots + \binom{m}{m - r - 1}$

$$\Rightarrow \binom{m}{0} + \dots + \binom{m}{r} + \binom{m}{0} + \dots + \binom{m}{m - r - 1}$$

$$= \binom{m}{0} + \dots + \binom{m}{r} + \binom{m}{m} + \dots + \binom{m}{r + 1} = 2^m$$

$\therefore RM(m - r - 1, m)$ is dual code of $RM(r, m)$

4.11 Find a parity-check matrix for the $RM(1, 4)$ code.

From 4.9, Dual code of $RM(1, 4)$ is $RM(2, 4)$

Generatory matrix of $RM(2, 4)$ is:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1111 & 1111 & 1111 & 1111 \\ 0000 & 0000 & 1111 & 1111 \\ 0000 & 1111 & 0000 & 1111 \\ 0011 & 0011 & 0011 & 0011 \\ 0101 & 0101 & 0101 & 0101 \\ 0000 & 0000 & 0000 & 1111 \\ 0000 & 0000 & 0011 & 0011 \\ 0000 & 0000 & 0101 & 0101 \\ 0000 & 0011 & 0000 & 0011 \\ 0000 & 0101 & 0000 & 0101 \\ 0001 & 0001 & 0001 & 0001 \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{l} \bar{v}_0 \\ \bar{v}_1 \\ \bar{v}_2 \\ \bar{v}_3 \\ \bar{v}_4 \\ \bar{v}_3 \bar{v}_4 \\ \bar{v}_2 \bar{v}_4 \\ \bar{v}_1 \bar{v}_4 \\ \bar{v}_2 \bar{v}_3 \\ \bar{v}_1 \bar{v}_3 \\ \bar{v}_1 \bar{v}_2 \end{array}$$

which is the parity check matrix of $RM(1,4)$

Q.8 Find a parity check matrix for the $RM(2,4)$ code.

Similar to 4.11, Dual code of $RM(2,4)$ is $RM(1,4)$

Generating matrix of $RM(1,4)$ is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1111 & 1111 & 1111 & 1111 \\ 0000 & 0000 & 1111 & 1111 \\ 0000 & 1111 & 0000 & 1111 \\ 0011 & 0011 & 0011 & 0011 \\ 0101 & 0101 & 0101 & 0101 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} v_0 \\ v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \end{matrix}$$

which is the parity check matrix of $RM(1,4)$