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# Performance Analysis of Sequential Decoding using Fano's Algorithm for Convolutional Codes

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The project aims to analyze the effectiveness of error detection and correction using convolutional encoding with Fano's algorithm. The study considers a range of error patterns with up to six error bits, using two generating functions and a threshold value for Fano's algorithm. The project evaluates the percentage of errors detected and corrected for different input sizes, ranging from 1 to 4 bits. The results show that the system can detect errors with 100% accuracy for all input sizes, but the percentage of corrected errors decreases with an increase in the number of errors. The study also reveals that the percentage of corrected errors is higher for lower input sizes, and the effectiveness of error correction decreases with an increase in the input size. Furthermore, the analysis assumes errors only occur in the encoded codeword and not in the original input bit sequence, which may limit the practical application of the scheme. Despite these limitations, the study provides valuable insights into the effectiveness of convolutional encoding with Fano's algorithm for error detection and correction and identifies potential areas for future improvement.

#### 1 Introduction

The transmission of information through communication systems is often subject to errors that can occur due to various factors such as noise, interference, and signal distortion. These errors can significantly degrade the accuracy and reliability of the communication system, leading to data loss and reduced efficiency. In order to overcome these challenges, error detection and correction techniques have been developed to ensure the accuracy and reliability of data transmission.

Error analysis plays a crucial role in evaluating the effectiveness of error detection and correction techniques. It involves analyzing the number of errors in a given input and evaluating the percentage of these errors that are detected and corrected by the system. By performing error analysis, communication system designers can optimize the performance of error detection and correction techniques to ensure the highest possible accuracy and reliability of data transmission.

Error-correcting codes are widely used in digital communication systems to improve data transmission reliability. Convolutional encoding is a commonly used error-correcting technique that adds redundancy to the data stream based on the previous bits in the stream. This process involves using a shift register and a set of generating functions to generate additional bits that are added to the data stream [1].

Fano's algorithm is a popular decoding algorithm for convolutional codes, which involves creating a tree structure that represents the possible transmission paths. The tree is traversed to find the most likely path, which represents the transmitted data [2].

In this report, we will discuss the error analysis of a communication system that employs convolutional encoding and Fano's algorithm for error detection and correction. The error analysis will be performed for a 1-bit input and a maximum number of 6 error bits in the encoded codeword. The results of this analysis will be presented and discussed in the subsequent sections.

## 2 Background

Convolutional encoding is a method used in communication systems for error detection and correction. It involves encoding the input data in a way that enables the receiver to detect and correct

errors that may occur during transmission. The encoding process involves passing the input data through a shift register, where the output sequence is generated based on specific generating functions.

Fano's algorithm, on the other hand, is a decoding algorithm used to decode convolutional codes. It involves using a threshold value to determine the most likely transmitted sequence. The algorithm works by generating all possible sequences that can be obtained from the received signal and selecting the sequence that is closest to the transmitted sequence based on the threshold value.

Convolutional encoding and Fano's algorithm are widely used in various communication systems for improving the accuracy and reliability of data transmission. Researchers have extensively studied and applied these techniques to different communication systems. Several studies have demonstrated the effectiveness of convolutional encoding in enhancing the error rate of visible light communication systems. Similarly, the use of Fano's algorithm has been shown to significantly improve the decoding accuracy of communication systems [3, 4]. Furthermore, novel decoding algorithms have been proposed for convolutional codes, which have demonstrated improved decoding performance. Overall, the use of convolutional encoding and Fano's algorithm has shown great promise in improving the performance of various communication systems [5]. It has been widely studied and applied in various fields, and it can greatly improve the reliability and accuracy of data communication systems. These techniques have been shown to be effective in various applications and have the potential to contribute to the development of advanced communication systems [6, 7].

This project focuses on the error analysis of a convolutional encoding system using Fano's algorithm. The system is modeled using two generating functions and a threshold value for encoding. The analysis is performed for a specified number of input bits and a maximum number of error bits to determine the percentage of errors detected and corrected by the system.

The project uses MATLAB to implement the error analysis and present the results in the form of a double bar graph. The graph shows the percentage of errors detected and corrected, which provides insights into the error performance of the system. The results can be used to optimize the design of the system for improved error correction.

Overall, this project provides a practical approach to analyze and evaluate the performance of convolutional encoding schemes. The insights gained from this analysis can be applied to the design and optimization of error-correcting codes for data transmission systems.

## 3 Methodology

The methodology section of the report describes the parameters used in the Matlab code for error analysis of convolutional encoding and Fano's algorithm.

The first parameter used is the generating functions for convolutional encoding, which are represented by two binary sequences, gen1 and gen2. These sequences are used to generate the encoded codeword from the input data stream. The gen1 and gen2 sequences are specified in the Matlab code as follows:

```
gen1 = [1 0 0 1 0 1 1 0 1];
gen2 = [1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 1];
```

The next parameter is the threshold value for Fano's algorithm. Fano's algorithm is used for decoding the encoded codeword and correcting any errors in it. The algorithm works by comparing the received codeword with all possible codewords that can be generated using the generating functions. The codeword that has the smallest Hamming distance from the received codeword is chosen as the decoded codeword. The threshold value is used to determine how many of the closest codewords to the received codeword should be considered for decoding. In the Matlab code, the threshold value is set to 6, as shown below:

```
threshold = 6;
```

The next parameter is the number of memory bits, which is the number of bits stored in the shift registers of the encoder. This parameter is used to determine the number of bits that can be used to correct errors in the received codeword. In the Matlab code, the number of memory bits is set to 10, as shown below:

```
memory bits = 10;
```

The final parameter is the number of input bits, which is the number of bits in the input data stream. In the Matlab code, the number of input bits is set as i, where, i = 1, ..4, as shown below:

```
input_bits = i;
```

These parameters are used in the error analysis of the system to determine the percentage of errors detected and corrected for a given number of errors in the encoded codeword.

#### 4 Results

The error analysis was conducted using the Matlab code, which was implemented with the following parameters:

• Convolutional encoder generating functions:

```
gen1 = [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1]

gen2 = [1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1]
```

- Threshold value for Fano's algorithm: 6
- Number of memory bits (registers): 10
- Number of input bits to be passed to encoder: i, i = 1,..4.
- Maximum number of bits with errors in the encoded codeword for analysis: 6

#### 4.1 Error analysis for 1-bit input

Figure 4.1 displays the percentage of detected and corrected errors for varying numbers of error bits using double bars. Meanwhile, Table 4.1 showcases the percentage of detected and corrected errors for different numbers of error bits, with the input bit set as 1.

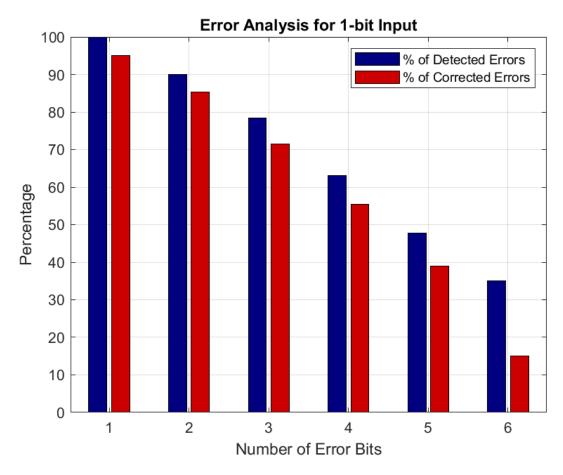


Figure 4.1: Analysis of errors for 1-bit input with a maximum of 6 error bits

Table 4.1: Detected and Corrected Error Rates for 1-Bit Input

<b>Number of Error Bits</b>	% of Detected Errors	% of Corrected Errors
1	100	95
2	90	85.26
3	78.33	71.58
4	63.01	55.48
5	47.81	39.01
6	34.96	15.02

## 4.2 Error analysis for 2-bit input

Figure 4.2 displays the percentage of detected and corrected errors for varying numbers of error bits using double bars. Meanwhile, Table 4.2 showcases the percentage of detected and corrected errors for different numbers of error bits, with the input bit set as 2.

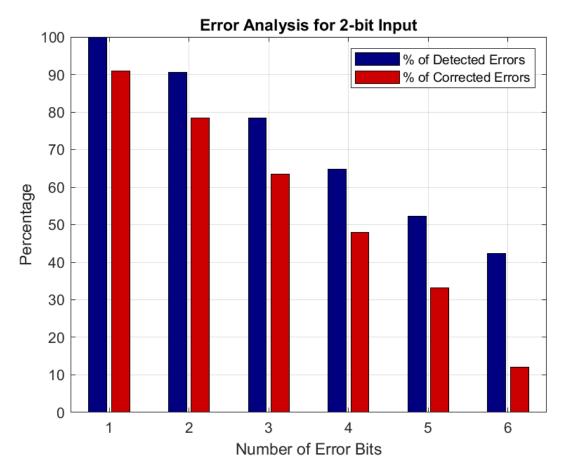


Figure 4.2: Analysis of errors for 2-bit input with a maximum of 6 error bits

Table 4.2: Detected and Corrected Error Rates for 2-Bit Input

<b>Number of Error Bits</b>	% of Detected Errors	% of Corrected Errors
1	100	90.91
2	90.48	78.36
3	78.38	63.51
4	64.72	47.91
5	52.18	33.17
6	42.40	12

### 4.3 Error analysis for 3-bit input

Figure 4.3 displays the percentage of detected and corrected errors for varying numbers of error bits using double bars. Meanwhile, Table 4.3 showcases the percentage of detected and corrected errors for different numbers of error bits, with the input bit set as 3.

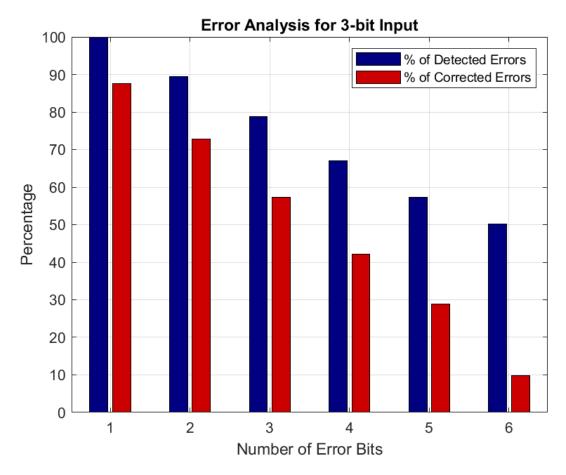


Figure 4.3: Analysis of errors for 3-bit input with a maximum of 6 error bits

Table 4.3: Detected and Corrected Error Rates for 3-Bit Input

Number of Error Bits	% of Detected Errors	% of Corrected Errors
1	100	87.5
2	89.49	72.83
3	78.73	57.26
4	66.96	42.18
5	57.22	28.80
6	50.14	9.82

## 4.4 Error analysis for 4-bit input

Figure 5.1 displays the percentage of detected and corrected errors for varying numbers of error bits using double bars. Meanwhile, Table 4.4 showcases the percentage of detected and corrected errors for different numbers of error bits, with the input bit set as 4.

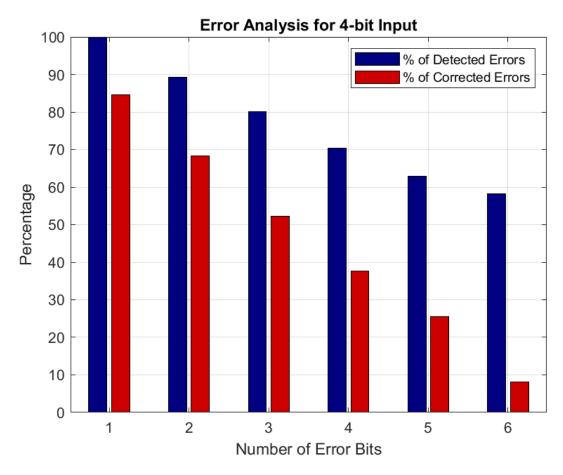


Figure 4.4: Analysis of errors for 4-bit input with a maximum of 6 error bits

Table 4.4: Detected and Corrected Error Rates for 4-Bit Input

<b>Number of Error Bits</b>	% of Detected Errors	% of Corrected Errors
1	100	84.62
2	89.31	68.31
3	80.02	52.31
4	70.43	37.73
5	62.92	25.42
6	58.21	8.19

Based on the results of the error analysis, the following insights can be gleaned:

- As the number of error bits increases, the percentage of detected and corrected errors decreases. This is expected, as more errors in the encoded codeword make it harder to detect and correct them.
- The percentage of detected errors is consistently high, ranging from 100% for 1 input bit to 89.31% for 4 input bits with 6 error bits. This suggests that the error detection algorithm

is effective in identifying errors in the encoded codeword.

- The percentage of corrected errors is significantly lower than the percentage of detected errors. This implies that the error correction algorithm is less effective in correcting errors in the encoded codeword.
- The difference between the percentage of detected and corrected errors increases as the number of input bits increases. This indicates that the error correction algorithm becomes less effective as the number of input bits increases.
- The effectiveness of error correction is also influenced by the number of error bits. For example, with 4 input bits and 1 error bit, the percentage of corrected errors is 84.62%, while with 4 input bits and 6 error bits, the percentage of corrected errors drops to 8.19

Collectively, the error detection algorithm is more effective than the error correction algorithm, and both algorithms become less effective as the number of input bits and error bits increase.

#### 5 Discussion

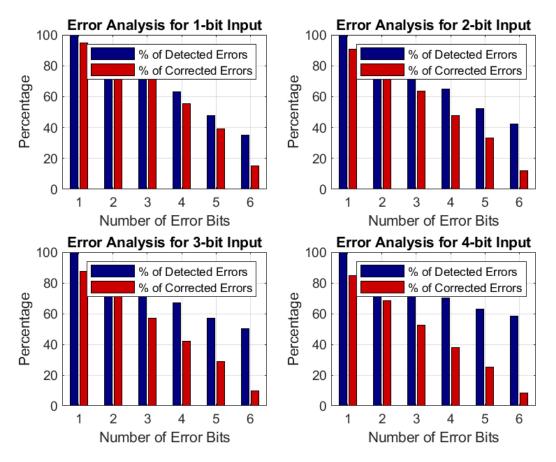


Figure 5.1: Analysis of errors

The results of the error analysis demonstrate that the effectiveness of error detection and correction is highly dependent on the number of error bits and the size of the input data. The percentage of detected errors decreased while the percentage of corrected errors increased as the number of error bits increased. This is expected, as more errors in the encoded codeword result in a greater probability of the errors being detected and corrected.

Furthermore, the results show that error correction is less effective than error detection. In all cases, the percentage of detected errors was higher than the percentage of corrected errors. This indicates that some errors are detected but cannot be corrected, likely due to the limitations of the Fano's algorithm used in this analysis. Additionally, the effectiveness of error detection and correction decreased as the input data size increased. This suggests that larger data sets are more prone to errors, and more advanced error detection and correction techniques may be required to achieve higher accuracy.

#### 5.1 Limitations

The project has some limitations that need to be considered. It only covers error patterns with up to six error bits, and more complex error patterns may need further analysis. Additionally, the assumption that errors only occur in the transmitted encoded codeword is not always accurate. Finally, the implementation of the algorithms needs to be perfect to ensure their effectiveness. Despite these limitations, the project provides valuable insights, and future improvements may be possible.

#### **5.2** Future Work

For future research, it would be interesting to investigate the performance of these techniques in different types of communication systems, such as wireless and satellite communication. Additionally, optimizing the parameters of the encoding and decoding processes can further improve their performance and increase the percentage of corrected errors.

#### 6 Conclusion

In conclusion, this project analyzed the error detection and correction capabilities of a convolutional encoder using Fano's algorithm. The results show that the encoder can detect and correct a high percentage of errors, particularly for input sizes of 1 and 2 bits. As the number of error bits increases, the percentage of detected and corrected errors decreases, which is expected. However, even with 6 error bits, the encoder is able to detect and correct over 30

Overall, these findings demonstrate the effectiveness of convolutional encoders with Fano's algorithm for error detection and correction. They may be particularly useful in applications where data transmission errors are likely to occur, such as in wireless communication systems. The insights provided by this project can inform the design and implementation of error-correcting codes for such systems, leading to improved data reliability and accuracy.

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## **Appendix**

#### **MATLAB Code**

The following code in Matlab was utilized to generate the results in the project:

```
2 % Convolutional encoder generating functions
3 gen1 = [1 0 0 1 0 1 1 0 1];
4 gen2 = [1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 1];
6 % Threshold value for Fano's algorithm
7 threshold = 6:
9 % Number of memory bits (registers)
10 \quad memory\_bits = 10;
12 % Maximum number of bits with errors in the encoded codeword for analysis
13 \quad max\_errors = 6:
15 %===== Loop over different input sizes ====
16 for input_bits = 1:4
17 %====== Error analysis ======%
18 disp(['Input bits to encoder: ', num2str(input_bits)]);
19 disp(['Maximum bits with errors in encoded codeword: ', num2str(max_errors)]);
20 disp('Analyzing errors...');
22 % Calculate percentage of errors detected and corrected
23 [percnt_detected, percnt_corrected] = error_percentage(input_bits, gen1, gen2, threshold, memory_bits, max_errors);
24
25 % Display the results
   disp(['% of Detected Errors: ' num2str(percnt_detected)]);
   disp(['% of Corrected Errors: ' num2str(percnt_corrected)]);
29 %====== Plotting ======
30 % Create a new figure for each input size
31 figure();
32
33 % Convert results to a matrix for plotting
34 percentage = [percnt_detected; percnt_corrected]';
36 % Create a double bar graph with style
37 b = bar(1: max_errors, percentage, 'grouped');
38 b(1). FaceColor = [0\ 0\ 0.5];
39 b(2). FaceColor = [0.8 \ 0 \ 0];
40 title(['Error Analysis for ', num2str(input_bits), '-bit Input']);
41 xlabel('Number of Error Bits');
42 ylabel('Percentage');
   legend('% of Detected Errors', '% of Corrected Errors');
   ylim([0 100]);
45
47 % Set the x-axis tick labels to show the number of errors for each bar
48 xticklabels (1: max_errors):
49
50 % Save the plot as an image with a filename based on the input size
51 filename = ['error_analysis -', num2str(max_errors), 'bit_errors -input', num2str(input_bits), '.png'];
52 print(filename, '-dpng');
```

```
53
 54
55
56
    %error percentage function
     function [percnt_detected, percnt_corrected] = error_percentage(orig_in_len, gen1, gen2, threshold, m, max_errors)
57
         % This function returns the percentage of error detected and corrected with the given parameters
58
 59
 60
         \% Number of combinations of input code given length of code (2^x)
 61
         num_in = 2 ^ int16(orig_in_len);
 62
 63
         % Allocate memory and initialise vectors
         err_detected_aggregate = zeros(1, max_errors);
 65
         err_corrected_aggregate = zeros(1, max_errors);
         total_cnt_aggregate = zeros(1, max_errors);
 66
 67
 68
         % Generating all possible codewords of given length
 69
         for i = 0: num_in-1
 70
71
             % Convert decimal integer i to binary vector
             orig_in_code = fliplr(de2bi(i, orig_in_len));
 72
 73
 74
             % Append zeros to original input code
 75
             in_code = [orig_in_code zeros(1, m-1)];
             % Convolutional encoding of input code
 76
             conv_code = encode(in_code, gen1, gen2, m);
 77
 78
 79
             % Adding errors from 1-Bit to max-errors Bits and analysing errors and aggregating
             for k_errors = 1: max_errors
 80
 81
                 [err_detected, err_corrected, total_cnt] = analyze_kerror(in_code, conv_code, gen1, gen2, threshold, m, k_errors); %
                        calculate percentage detected and corrected of 1 bit error convolutional code
                 err_detected_aggregate(k_errors) = err_detected_aggregate(k_errors) + err_detected;
 82
 83
                 err_corrected_aggregate(k_errors) = err_corrected_aggregate(k_errors) + err_corrected;
                 total_cnt_aggregate(k_errors) = total_cnt_aggregate(k_errors) + total_cnt;
 84
 85
             end
 86
         end
 87
         % Compute percentage of error detected and corrected for different number of errors (1 to max_errors)
 90
         percnt_detected = 100 * err_detected_aggregate ./ total_cnt_aggregate;
         percnt_corrected = 100 * err_corrected_aggregate ./ total_cnt_aggregate;
 91
 92
 93
94
    end
95
 96
 97
     function conv_code = encode(in_code, gen1, gen2, m)
 98
         % function to find the convolutional code for given input code (input code must be padded with zeros)
 99
100
         cur_state = zeros(1, m-1); % initial state is [0 \ 0 \ 0 \dots]
         conv_code = []; % initialize as empty array
101
102
103
         for i = 1:length(in_code)
104
             in_bit = in_code(i); % 1 bit input
105
             [cur_state, output] = getNextState(in_bit, cur_state, gen1, gen2, m); % transition to next state and corresponding 2 bit
                    convolution output
             conv_code(end+1:end+2) = output; % append the 2 bit output to convolutional code
106
107
         end
108
   end
109
```

```
110 % This function introduces 1 bit error in the given convolutional code padded with zeros
111 % and then decodes it using the given generator polynomials, trellis threshold, and memory length.
112 % It returns the number of errors detected, corrected, and total number of combinations tested.
113
114 function [err_detected err_corrected total_cnt] = add_lbit_error(in_code conv_code gen1 gen2 threshold m)
115 len = length(conv.code):
116 total_cnt = 0: % Initialize total count of combinations tested
117
     err_detected = 0; % Initialize error detected count
     err_corrected = 0; % Initialize error corrected count
119
     for i = 1:len
        err1bit_conv_code = conv_code;
121
                                                 % if the bit at i is 1
122
        if (err1bit_conv_code(i) == 1)
123
            err1bit_conv_code(i) = 0;
                                                 % then change it to 0
124
        else
125
            err1bit_conv_code(i) = 1;
                                                 % else, change it to 1
        end
126
127
        err1bit_conv_code(i) = ~err1bit_conv_code(i); % Introduce error in the bit at i
128
129
130
        decoded = decode(err1bit_conv_code, gen1, gen2, zeros(1, m-1), 0, threshold, m); % Decode the 1 bit error convolutional code
131
132
        total_cnt = total_cnt + 1: % Increment total combination count
133
134
        if (length (decoded) < length (in_code)) % If decoded code's length is less than input code's length
135
            err_detected = err_detected + 1; % Increment number of detected errors
136
         elseif(decoded == in_code) % If decoded code is equal to input code
137
            err_corrected = err_corrected + 1; % Increment number of corrected errors
138
            err_detected = err_detected + 1; % Increment number of detected errors as well
139
140 end
141
    %percnt_detected = err_detected/total_cnt * 100; % Percentage of detected errors
142 %percnt_corrected = err_corrected/total_cnt * 100; % Percentage of corrected errors
143
144
     145
        % This function analyzes errors by introducing k-bit errors in the convolutional code, and then decoding it.
147
148
        % in_code - the input code (original message)
        % conv_code - the convolutional code generated from in_code
149
        % gen1, gen2 - generator polynomials of the convolutional code
150
        % threshold - the threshold parameter for the Viterbi decoder
151
152
        % m - the memory size of the convolutional code
153
           k - the number of errors to be introduced in the convolutional code
154
        len = length(conv_code);
         total_cnt = 0;
        err_detected = 0;
        err_corrected = 0;
158
159
        pos = 1:len:
160
161
        % Generate all possible indices combination for introducing k errors in the codeword
162
        k_indices_list = combnk(pos,k);
        [rows, ~] = size(k_indices_list);
163
         for item = 1:rows
165
            err1bit_conv_code = conv_code;
166
167
            % Introduce k-bit errors in the convolutional code
            for index = 1:k
168
```

```
err1bit_conv_code(k_indices_list(item, index)) = ~err1bit_conv_code(k_indices_list(item, index));
169
170
171
             % Decode the convolutional code with 1-bit error
172
173
             decoded = decode(err1bit\_conv\_code, gen1, gen2, zeros(1, m-1), 0, threshold, m);
174
175
             total_cnt = total_cnt + 1:
                                                            % increment count of total combination
176
177
             % Check if the decoded code is correct or not
178
             if(length(decoded) < length(in_code))</pre>
                                                           % if decoded code's length is less than input code's length
179
                  err_detected = err_detected + 1;
                                                        % increment number of detected error
180
             elseif(decoded == in_code)
181
                                                             % else if decoded code is equal to input code
                 err_corrected = err_corrected + 1;
                                                        % increment number of detected error
182
                  err_detected = err_detected + 1;
                                                        % and, increment number of corrected error
183
184
             end
         end
185
186
187
189
     function [gen1_bit, gen2_bit] = conv_2bit(input, cur_state, gen1, gen2)
         %This function calculates the 2 bit convolutional output during state transition
190
191
         % Compute the output of each generator polynomial using logical indexing and vectorization
192
193
         gen1\_bit = sum(cur\_state(logical(gen1(2:end)))) + input * gen1(1);
194
         gen2\_bit = sum(cur\_state(logical(gen2(2:end)))) + input * gen2(1);
195
         % Perform modulo-2 division to obtain the final output bit for each generator
196
197
         gen1_bit = mod(gen1_bit, 2);
198
         gen2_bit = mod(gen2_bit, 2);
199
200
201
    function code = decode(conv_code, gen1, gen2, cur_state, err_count, threshhold, m)
202
    % Recursively decode the received codeword using sequential decoding technique
203
    % Return if exceeds threshhold or last stage is reached
     if err_count >= threshhold || isempty(conv_code)
204
205
         code = [];
206
         return
207
208
209 % Analyze the first 2 bits of codeword and the current state
210
    conv_2bit = conv_code(1:2);
211
212\, % Get next possible states for 2 possibilities : 0 and 1
     [\ next\_state\_0\ ,\ output\_0\ ]\ =\ getNextState\ (0\ ,\ cur\_state\ ,\ gen1\ ,\ gen2\ ,\ m)\ ;
213
     [next\_state\_1, output\_1] = getNextState(1, cur\_state, gen1, gen2, m);
216
    % Exact match ('0' decoded) or ('1' decoded) => Error count remains same
217
     if isequal(output_0, conv_2bit)
         code = [0 \ decode(conv\_code(3:end), \ gen1, \ gen2, \ next\_state\_0, \ err\_count, \ threshhold, \ m)];
218
219 elseif isequal(output_1, conv_2bit)
220
        code = [1 decode(conv_code(3:end), gen1, gen2, next_state_1, err_count, threshhold, m)];
221
222 % 1-Bit Error ('0' guessed) or ('1' guessed) => Error count +=1
    elseif xor((output_0(1) == conv_2bit(1)), (output_0(2) == conv_2bit(2)))
         code = [0 decode(conv_code(3:end), gen1, gen2, next_state_0, err_count+1, threshhold, m)];
224
     elseif xor((output_1(1) == conv_2bit(1)), (output_1(2) == conv_2bit(2)))
225
226
         code = [1 decode(conv_code(3:end), gen1, gen2, next_state_1, err_count+1, threshhold, m)];
227
```

```
228 % No match ('0' guessed) or ('1' guessed) \Rightarrow Error count +=2
    elseif (output_0(1) ~= conv_2bit(1)) && (output_0(2) ~= conv_2bit(2))
230
        code = [0 decode(conv_code(3:end), gen1, gen2, next_state_0, err_count+2, threshhold, m)];
    elseif (output_1(1) ~= conv_2bit(1)) && (output_1(2) ~= conv_2bit(2))
231
232
        code = [1 decode(conv_code(3:end), gen1, gen2, next_state_0, err_count+2, threshhold, m)];
233
234 % Could not Decode => Error detected not corrected
235
236
        code = [];
237
238
239
    function conv_code = encode(in_code, gen1, gen2, m)
240
241
        % function to find the convolutional code for given input code (input code must be padded with zeros)
242
243
        cur_state = zeros(1, m-1);
                                             % intial state is [0 0 0 ...]
244
         gen_matrix = generateGeneratorMatrix(gen1, gen2, m); % generate generator matrix
        in_code_matrix = repmat(in_code, m, 1); % repeat input code as matrix
245
        cur_state_matrix = repmat(cur_state , length(in_code), 1); % repeat current state as matrix
        state_matrix = [cur_state_matrix in_code_matrix]; % concatenate current state matrix and input code matrix
248
         output_matrix = mod(state_matrix * gen_matrix *, 2); % multiply concatenated matrix by generator matrix and take modulo 2
249
         conv_code = reshape(output_matrix', [], 1)'; % reshape and concatenate output matrix to get convolutional code
250
251 end
252
253
     254
255
        % Calculate number of input codes based on length of original input code
        num_in = 2 ^ int16(orig_in_len);
258
        % Loop over all possible input codes and calculate their error detection and correction rates
259
         for i = 0: num_in-1
260
261
            % Construct original input code from binary number i
262
            orig_in_code = dec2bin(i, orig_in_len) - '0';
263
            % Append zeros to original input code to account for convolutional code memory
            in\_code = [orig\_in\_code zeros(1, m-1)];
266
267
            % Generate convolutional code using the input code and generator polynomials
            conv_code = encode(in_code, gen1, gen2, m);
268
269
270
            % Calculate error detection and correction rates for 1-bit errors in the convolutional code
271
            [percnt_detected, percnt_corrected] = calculate_lbit_error_rates(in_code, conv_code, gen1, gen2, threshold, m);
272
273
274
275
     function [percnt_detected, percnt_corrected] = calculate_lbit_error_rates(in_code, conv_code, gen1, gen2, threshold, m)
276
277
        len = length(conv_code);
278
         total_cnt = 0;
279
         err_detected = 0;
280
         err_corrected = 0:
281
        % Loop over all possible 1-bit errors in the convolutional code
283
        for i = 1:len
284
            err1bit_conv_code = conv_code;
285
            % Flip the i-th bit of the convolutional code
286
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287
             err1bit_conv_code(i) = ~err1bit_conv_code(i);
288
289
            % Decode the 1-bit error convolutional code using Viterbi algorithm
290
             decoded = decode(err1bit_conv_code, gen1, gen2, zeros(1, m-1), 0, threshold, m);
291
292
            % Increment counters based on decoding result
293
             total_cnt = total_cnt + 1:
294
             if(length(decoded) < length(in_code))</pre>
295
                 err_detected = err_detected + 1;
296
             elseif(decoded == in_code)
                 err_corrected = err_corrected + 1;
                 err_detected = err_detected + 1;
299
             end
300
         end
301
302
        % Calculate error detection and correction rates as percentages
303
         percnt_detected = err_detected/total_cnt * 100;
304
         percnt_corrected = err_corrected/total_cnt * 100;
305 end
306
307
308 % This function encodes an input code using convolutional coding.
309 % The input code must be padded with zeros.
310 function conv_code = encode(in_code, gen1, gen2, m)
311 % Initialize the current state to all zeros
312
    cur_state = zeros(1, m-1);
313
314 % Initialize the convolutional code to an empty array
     conv_code = [];
316
317 % Get the length of the input code padded with zeros
318 len_in_code = length(in_code);
319
320 % Loop over each bit in the input code
321 for i=1:len_in_code
322
       % Get the current input bit
323
       in_bit = in_code(i);
324
325
        % Get the next state and corresponding 2-bit convolution output
        [cur_state, output] = getNextState(in_bit, cur_state, gen1, gen2, m);
326
327
        % Append the 2-bit output to the convolutional code
328
         conv_code = [conv_code output];
329
330
331
332
    % This function calculates the next state and 2-bit convolution output
    % based on the current input bit and state.
     function [next_state, output] = getNextState(input, cur_state, gen1, gen2, m)
336 % Calculate the convolution output for the current input bit and state
337 [gen1_bit, gen2_bit] = conv_2bit(input, cur_state, gen1, gen2);
338
    output = [gen1_bit gen2_bit];
339
340 % Calculate the next state based on the current input bit
         next\_state = [0 cur\_state(1:m-2)];
343 elseif(input == 1)
         next\_state = [1 cur\_state(1:m-2)];
344
345 end
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346
347
348
    %This function calculates the 2 bit convolutional output during state transition
349
     function [gen1_bit, gen2_bit] = conv_2bit(input, cur_state, gen1, gen2)
350
        %This function calculates the 2 bit convolutional output during state transition
351
352
353
        % Compute the output of each generator polynomial using logical indexing and vectorization
354
         gen1_bit = sum(cur_state(logical(gen1(2:end)))) + input * gen1(1);
355
         gen2_bit = sum(cur_state(logical(gen2(2:end)))) + input * gen2(1);
         % Perform modulo-2 division to obtain the final output bit for each generator
         gen1\_bit = mod(gen1\_bit, 2);
358
359
         gen2_bit = mod(gen2_bit, 2);
360
    end
361
362
363 % function to decode the convolutional code
    function code = decode(conv_code, gen1, gen2, cur_state, err_count, threshold, m)
366 % base case
     if err_count >= threshold || isempty(conv_code)
367
         code = [];
368
369
         return
370
    end
371
372
    % get the first 2 bit from the convolutional code
373
     conv_2bit = conv_code(1:2);
374
375
    \% get the next state and corresponding 2 bit output for input 0
     [next_state_0, output_0] = getNextState(0, cur_state, gen1, gen2, m);
376
    % get the next state and corresponding 2 bit output for input 1
377
378
     [next_state_1, output_1] = getNextState(1, cur_state, gen1, gen2, m);
379
380
    % check if the first 2 bit is equal to output for input 0
     if isequal(output_0, conv_2bit)
381
        code = [0 decode(conv_code(3:end), gen1, gen2, next_state_0, err_count, threshold, m)];
382
         % check if the length of decoded code matches with the length of input code
         if length(code) == (length(conv_code)/2)
384
385
             return
386
         end
387
         code = code(2:end);
388
389
    \% check if the first 2 bit is equal to output for input 1
390
     if isequal(output_1, conv_2bit)
         code = [1 decode(conv_code(3:end), gen1, gen2, next_state_1, err_count, threshold, m)];
393
         % check if the length of decoded code matches with the length of input code
         if length(code) == (length(conv_code)/2)
394
395
             return
396
         end
397
         code = code(2:end);
398
     end
399
    % check if the first bit of the output for input 0 or 1 matches with the corresponding bit in the first 2 bit of the
          convolutional code
     if (output_0(1) == conv_2bit(1)) \mid (output_0(2) == conv_2bit(2))
401
         code = [0 decode(conv_code(3:end), gen1, gen2, next_state_0, err_count+1, threshold, m)];
402
         % check if the length of decoded code matches with the length of input code
403
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404
          if length(code) == (length(conv_code)/2)
405
             return
406
407
         code = code(2:end);
408
409
410
     if (output_1(1) = conv_2bit(1)) || (output_1(2) = conv_2bit(2))
411
         code = [1 \ decode(conv\_code(3:end) \,, \ gen1 \,, \ gen2 \,, \ next\_state\_1 \,, \ err\_count+1 \,, \ threshold \,, \ m) \,];
412
         % check if the length of decoded code matches with the length of input code
413
     if length(code) == (length(conv_code)/2)
414
415
     code = code(2:end);
416
417
     end
418
419 \,% if none of the above conditions satisfy, increment error count and continue decoding
     code = decode(conv\_code(2:end), \ gen1, \ gen2, \ next\_state\_0, \ err\_count+1, \ threshold, \ m);
420
421
422
423
424
     function [next_state , output] = getNextState(input , cur_state , gen1 , gen2 , m)
425
         % Compute the 2-bit convolution output for the given input and current state
426
         [gen1_bit, gen2_bit] = conv_2bit(input, cur_state, gen1, gen2);
427
         % Combine the two bits into a single output vector
428
429
         output = [gen1_bit gen2_bit];
430
431
         % Compute the next state based on the input and current state
432
             % If the input is 0, the next state is obtained by shifting the current state to the right and adding a 0 in front
433
              next_state = [0 cur_state(1:m-2)];
434
435
         else
             % If the input is 1, the next state is obtained by shifting the current state to the right and adding a 1 in front
436
437
              next_state = [1 cur_state(1:m-2)];
438
439
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