

Discrete Maths CODING THEORY chapter 4

Generator Matrix: Parity – Check Matrix

Example 1) An encoding function $E: Z_2^2 \rightarrow Z_2^5$ is given by the generator matrix

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

a) Determine all the code words. What can be said about the error detection capability of this code? What about its error correction capability?

b) Find the associated parity - check matrix H.

c) Use H to decode the received words: 11101, 11011

Soln: We know that the given G is of the form $G = [I_2 / A]$, where

$$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

a) We find that

$$\begin{aligned} [E(00)] &= [0 \ 0]G = [0 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [E(01)] &= [0 \ 0]G = [0 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [E(10)] &= [1 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [E(11)] &= [1 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1]
 \end{aligned}$$

These matrix equations show that the code words are

$$E(00) = 00000, \ E(01) = 01001, \ E(10) = 10110, \ E(11) = 11101$$

From these, we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(E(00), E(01)) &= 3, & d(E(00), E(10)) &= 3 \\
 d(E(00), E(11)) &= 4 & d(E(01), E(10)) &= 4 \\
 d(E(01), E(11)) &= 3 & d(E(10), E(11)) &= 3
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\min(E) = 3$. Therefore the code can detect all errors of weight ≤ 2 and can correct all single errors.

b) The Parity-check matrix H associated with G is given by

$$H = [A^T \ / \ I_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We observe that H does not contain a column of 0s and further no two columns of H are identical. Therefore, H corrects single errors in transmission.

c) For $r = 11101$, the syndrome of r is

$$H[1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1]^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since this is a zero matrix, the decoded message is got by retaining the first two components of r . The decoded message is therefore 11.

For $r=11011$, the syndrome of r is

$$H[1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1]^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We observe that the matrix is identical with the first column of H . Therefore, we change the first component of r (from 1 to 0) to get 01011. This is the code word. The first two components of this code word, namely 01, is the original message.

Example 2) The generating function of an encoding function $E: Z_2^3 \rightarrow Z_2^6$ is given by

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

- a) Find the code words assigned to 110 and 010.
- b) Obtain associated parity - check matrix.
- c) Hence decode the received words : 110110, 111101.

d) Show that the decoding of 111111 is not possible by using H.

Soln: We note that $G = [I_3 / A]$, where

$$I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

a) We find that

$$[E(110)] = [1 \ 1 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1]$$

$$[E(010)] = [0 \ 1 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1]$$

Thus the required code words are

$$E(110) = 110101 \text{ and } E(010) = 010011.$$

b) The parity – check matrix associated with G is

$$H = [A^T / I_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

c) For $r = 110110$, the syndrome of r is

$$H[1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0]^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We observe that this matrix is identical with the second column of H. Therefore, we change the second component in r (from 1 to 0) to get the word $c=100110$. The first three components of this code word gives the original message $w=100$.

For $r=111101$, the syndrome of r is

$$H[1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1]^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We observe that this matrix is identical with the third column of H. Therefore, we change the third component in r (from 1 to 0) to get the word $c=110101$. The first three components of this code word gives the original message $w=110$.

d) For $r=111111$, the syndrome of r is

$$H[1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We observe this matrix is not a zero matrix and is not equal to any column of H. Therefore, we cannot decode $r=111111$ by using H.

Example 3) The parity – check matrix for an encoding function $E: Z_2^3 \rightarrow Z_2^6$ is given by

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

a) Determine the associated generator matrix.

b) Does this code correct all single errors in transmission?

Soln:

a) we have

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Which is of the form $[A^T / I_3]$. Accordingly,

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so that } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, the associated generator matrix is

$$G = [I_3 / A] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) We observe that **two columns** of H (namely the **2nd** and **5th**) are identical. Therefore, **H does not provide a decoding scheme** that corrects single errors in transmission.

