

REPORT

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Quick Summary of P2P Channels

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[1]: using Plots, LaTeXStrings
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[2]: # Define coordinates for transmitted and received states
tx = [0, 1]
rx = [0, 1]

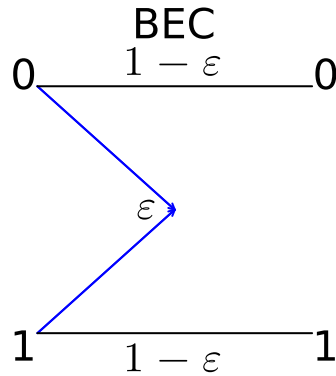
# Define probabilities as labels
p = [L"\epsilon", L"1 - \epsilon"];
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[3]: # Plot the BSC diagram
plot(grid=false
      , xaxis=false, yaxis=false
      , framestyle=:none, size = (200,200)
      , title = "BEC"
)

plot!([0, 0.5], [1, 0.5], arrow=:arrow, label="", color=:blue) # p line
plot!([0, 0.5], [0, 0.5], arrow=:arrow, label="", color=:blue) # p line
plot!([0, 1], [1, 1], label="", color=:black) # 1-p
plot!([0, 1], [0, 0], label="", color=:black)

# Annotate the graph
annotate!(-0.05, 1.05, tx[1]); annotate!(1.05, 1.05, rx[1])
annotate!(-0.05, -0.05, tx[2]); annotate!(1.05, -0.05, rx[2])
annotate!(0.4, 0.5, p[1]); annotate!(0.5, -0.1, p[2]); annotate!(0.5, 1.1, p[2])
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[3]:
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1 Binary Erasure Channel (BEC)

1. Channel Model:

- Transmits binary symbols (0 or 1).
- Each transmitted bit is either:
 - **Received correctly** with probability $1 - \epsilon$, or
 - **Erased** with probability ϵ , represented as an erasure symbol (e).

Example:

- $0 \rightarrow 0$ or e ,
- $1 \rightarrow 1$ or e .

2. Capacity (C): $C = 1 - \epsilon$

- 1: Maximum capacity with no erasures ($\epsilon = 0$).
- ϵ : Fraction of bits erased by the channel, reducing capacity.

3. Behavior:

- $\epsilon = 0$: Perfect channel, $C = 1$.
- $\epsilon = 1$: Completely erasing channel, $C = 0$.
- For $0 < \epsilon < 1$: Capacity decreases linearly as ϵ increases.

Compact Intuition: The **Binary Erasure Channel** (BEC) capacity is the fraction of bits successfully transmitted. Erasures (ϵ) reduce capacity by removing information from the channel.

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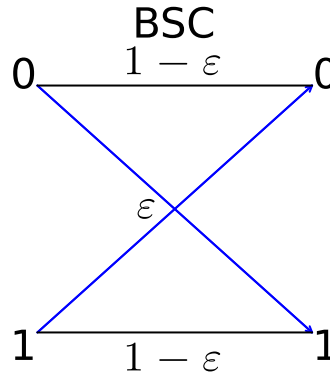
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plot!([0, 1], [0, 0], label="", color=:black)

# Annotate the graph
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annotate!(-0.05, -0.05, tx[2]); annotate!(1.05, -0.05, rx[2])
annotate!(0.4, 0.5, p[1]); annotate!(0.5, -0.1, p[2]); annotate!(0.5, 1.1, p[2])

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[4]:



2 Binary Symmetric Channel (BSC)

1. Channel Model:

- Transmits binary symbols (0 or 1).
- Each bit has a probability ϵ of being flipped.
- Error probability: $P(0 \rightarrow 1) = P(1 \rightarrow 0) = \epsilon$.
- Correct transmission probability: $P(0 \rightarrow 0) = P(1 \rightarrow 1) = 1 - \epsilon$.

2. Capacity (C_{BSC}): $C_{BSC} = 1 - H_2(\epsilon)$

- 1: Maximum capacity without errors.
- $H_2(\epsilon)$: Binary entropy function, representing uncertainty due to errors.

3. Binary Entropy Function ($H_2(\epsilon)$): $H_2(\epsilon) = -\epsilon \cdot \log_2(\epsilon) - (1 - \epsilon) \cdot \log_2(1 - \epsilon)$

- $H_2(0) = 0$: No errors, full capacity.
- $H_2(0.5) = 1$: Maximum uncertainty, no capacity.

4. Behavior:

- $\epsilon = 0$: Perfect channel, $C_{BSC} = 1$.
- $\epsilon = 0.5$: Completely noisy, $C_{BSC} = 0$.
- For $0 < \epsilon < 0.5$: Capacity decreases as ϵ increases.

Compact Intuition: The BSC capacity is the theoretical maximum rate of reliable data transmission, reduced by the uncertainty caused by errors. Lower ϵ means higher capacity, while higher ϵ reduces it.

2.0.1 AWGN Channel Summary

1. **Channel Model:** $y = x + w, \quad w \sim N(0, N_0)$
 - x : Transmitted signal.
 - y : Received signal.
 - w : Gaussian noise with zero mean and variance N_0 the noise power spectral density.
2. **Signal Power:** $P = E[|x|^2]$
3. **Signal-to-Noise Ratio (SNR):** $SNR = \frac{P}{N_0}$
4. **Channel Capacity:** $C = \log_2(1 + SNR) = \log_2\left(1 + \frac{P}{N_0}\right)$
 - C : Maximum achievable data rate (in bps/Hz).
5. **Key Behavior:**
 - $P \uparrow$ (high signal power): $C \uparrow$ (more capacity).
 - $N_0 \uparrow$ (high noise): $C \downarrow$ (less capacity).

Insight: The AWGN channel capacity quantifies the theoretical limit of reliable communication over a noisy channel.

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[5]: using Plots

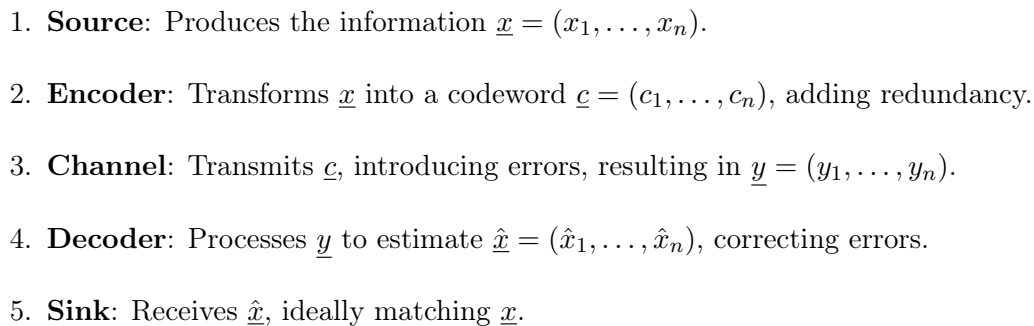
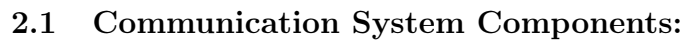
# Define the binary entropy function
function H(ε)
    if ε == 0 || ε == 1
        return 0.0
    end
    return -ε * log2(ε) - (1 - ε) * log2(1 - ε)
end

# Define the BSC capacity function
function C(ε)
    return 1 - H(ε)
end

# Generate values of ε from 0 to 1
ε_values = 0:0.01:1
capacities = C.(ε_values)

# Plot the capacity curve
plot(ε_values, capacities,
    label = "BSC Capacity"
    , xlabel = "Error Probability (ε)", ylabel = "Capacity (C)"
    , title = "Binary Symmetric Channel (BSC) Capacity"
    , legend = :top, size = (500,400))
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Ensure $\hat{x} = \underline{x}$ despite channel errors.

2.1.2 Properties of Linear Block Code

1. **Linearity:**
 - The set of codewords \mathcal{X} forms a **linear subspace** of \mathbb{F}_2^n .
 - Any linear combination of codewords is also a valid codeword: $\underline{v}_1 + \underline{v}_2 \in \mathcal{X}, \forall \underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2 \in \mathcal{X}$.
2. **Generator Matrix (G):**
 - The $k \times n$ generator matrix G maps k -bit input vectors ($\underline{u} \in \mathbb{F}_2^k$) to n -bit codewords ($\underline{v} = \underline{u}^\top G$).
 - Defines the structure of the codebook \mathcal{X} .
3. **Code Rate (R):**
 - The ratio of information bits to total bits: $R = \frac{k}{n}$
 - Indicates the efficiency of the code.
4. **Code Size ($|\mathcal{X}|$):**
 - The number of unique codewords: $|\mathcal{X}| = 2^k$
5. **Minimum Hamming Distance (d_{\min}):**
 - The smallest Hamming distance between any two distinct codewords.
 - Determines the error-detecting and error-correcting capability: $t = \left\lfloor \frac{d_{\min}-1}{2} \right\rfloor$
 - t : Maximum correctable errors.
 - $d_{\min} - 1$: Maximum detectable errors.
6. **Parity Check Matrix (H):**
 - The H matrix defines the null space of G : $HG^\top = 0$
 - Used to verify codewords: $\underline{v}H^\top = 0 \implies \underline{v} \in \mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^n$
7. **Error Detection and Correction:**
 - Error detection: Capable of detecting up to $d_{\min} - 1$ errors.
 - Error correction: Can correct up to $\left\lfloor \frac{d_{\min}-1}{2} \right\rfloor$ errors.
8. **Redundancy:**
 - The number of redundant bits added for error correction is $n - k$, where n is the codeword length.

2.1.3 Compact Summary:

- **Linear subspace:** Codewords form a subspace of \mathbb{F}_2^n .
 - **Size:** $|\mathcal{X}| = 2^k$.
 - **Rate:** $R = \frac{k}{n}$.
 - **Error capabilities:** Based on d_{\min} .
 - Defined by:
 - **Generator matrix (G).**
 - **Parity check matrix (H).**
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Error Correction Error Correction **Code \mathcal{X}**
Linear error corr. **Code \mathcal{X}**

Code Rate: $R = \frac{k}{n}$

Explanation:

- **Code Rate** (R) is the fraction of a codeword used for information:
 - k : Number of information bits.
 - n : Total number of bits in the codeword (information + redundancy).
- **Trade-off:**
 - Higher R ($R \rightarrow 1$): More efficient but less error protection.
 - Lower R ($R \rightarrow 0$): Less efficient but better error correction.

Linear Block Code Definition: $\mathcal{X} = \{\underline{v} = \underline{u}^\top G, \underline{u} \in \mathbb{F}_2^k\}$

Explanation:

- \mathcal{X} : The **set of all codewords** in the code (codebook).
- \underline{u} : A binary **message vector** of length k ($\underline{u} \in \mathbb{F}_2^k$).
- G : The **generator matrix** ($k \times n$) used to map \underline{u} to a codeword.
- \underline{v} : A binary **codeword** of length n ($\underline{v} \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$).

Key Points:

1. Each \underline{u} maps to a unique \underline{v} via $\underline{v} = \underline{u}^\top G$.
2. The total number of codewords is 2^k (one for each \underline{u}).
3. \mathcal{X} is a **linear subspace** of dimension k in \mathbb{F}_2^n .

Compact Summary: \mathcal{X} is the **codebook** of a linear block code, where each codeword \underline{v} is generated by multiplying a k -bit message vector \underline{u} with the generator matrix G .

Code Size: $|\mathcal{X}| = 2^k$

- k -bit message vectors ($\underline{u} \in \mathbb{F}_2^k$) are mapped to n -bit codewords ($\underline{v} = \underline{u}^\top G$) via the generator matrix G .
- The codebook \mathcal{X} forms a linear subspace with 2^k unique codewords, corresponding to the k -bit input combinations.
- **Minimum Hamming Distance:**

$$d_{\min} = \min\{d_H(x_i, x_j)\}, \forall x_i, x_j \in \mathcal{X}, x_i \neq x_j \text{ (Hamming distance)}$$
- **Linear Code Minimum Distance:**

$$d_{\min} = \min_{\substack{(\underline{x}_i, \underline{x}_j \in \mathcal{X}) \\ x_i \neq x_j}} \{d_H(x_i, x_j)\} = \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \{W_H(\underline{x})\}$$
- **Parity Check Relation:**

$$\underline{v}H^\top = 0 \implies \underline{v} \in \mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^n$$

2.1.4 Parity Check Matrix

- $H \in \mathbb{F}_2^{(n-k) \times n}$
- $\dim(\text{Im}(G)) = k$
- $H = \text{null}(G^\top)$, $\dim = n - k$

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[6]: using LinearAlgebra

# Define the parity check matrix H (size 3x7 for (7, 4) code)
H = [
    1 0 0 1 1 1 0;
    0 1 0 1 1 0 1;
    0 0 1 1 0 1 1
]

# Define the generator matrix G
G = [
    1 0 0 0 1 1 0;
    0 1 0 0 1 0 1;
    0 0 1 0 0 1 1;
    0 0 0 1 1 1 1
];
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[7]: # Message vector
u = [1 0 1 0]

# Generate codeword
v = mod.(u * G, 2)
println("Generated codeword: ", v) # Should be a valid codeword
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Generated codeword: [1 0 1 0 1 0 1]

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[8]: # Parity check validation
parity_check = mod.(v * H', 2)
println("Parity check result: ", parity_check) # Should be [0, 0, 0]
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Parity check result: [0 0 0]

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[9]: using LinearAlgebra

# Define the generator matrix G (4x7 for (7,4) code)
G = [
    1 0 0 0 1 1 0;
    0 1 0 0 1 0 1;
    0 0 1 0 0 1 1;
    0 0 0 1 1 1 1
]

# Generate all possible messages (4-bit binary combinations)
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messages = [bitstring(i)[end-3:end] for i in 0:2^4-1] # 4-bit binary strings
u = [parse.(Int, split(m, ""))' for m in messages]; @show u; # Convert to row
    ↪ vectors (1x4)  $\underline{u}$ 

# Generate all codewords using G
= [mod.(u * G, 2) for u in u ]; @show

# Define a function to compute Hamming distance
function hamming_distance(v , v)
    sum(v .!= v) # Count differing elements
end

# Compute the minimum Hamming distance using a comprehension
d = minimum(
    hamming_distance([i], [j]) for (i, j)
        in Iterators.product(1:length(), 1:length()) if i < j
)

# Output the result
println("Minimum distance of the code: ", d)

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u = Adjoint{Int64, Vector{Int64}}[[0 0 0 0], [0 0 0 1], [0 0 1 0], [0 0 1 1],
    [0 1 0 0], [0 1 0 1], [0 1 1 0], [0 1 1 1], [1 0 0 0], [1 0 0 1], [1 0 1 0], [1
    0 1 1], [1 1 0 0], [1 1 0 1], [1 1 1 0], [1 1 1 1]]
= [[0 0 0 0 0 0 0], [0 0 0 1 1 1 1], [0 0 1 0 0 1 1], [0 0 1 1 1 0 0], [0 1 0
    0 1 0 1], [0 1 0 1 0 1 0], [0 1 1 0 1 1 0], [0 1 1 1 0 0 1], [1 0 0 0 1 1 0], [1
    0 0 1 0 0 1], [1 0 1 0 1 0 1], [1 0 1 1 0 1 0], [1 1 0 0 0 1 1], [1 1 0 1 1 0
    0], [1 1 1 0 0 0 0], [1 1 1 1 1 1 1]]
Minimum distance of the code: 3

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2.1.5 Parity Check Matrix (H):

1. **Dimensions:** $H \in \mathbb{F}_2^{(n-k) \times n}$
 - n : Codeword length.
 - $n - k$: Number of parity checks.
2. **Relation to G :**
 - G : Generates the code subspace with: $\dim(\text{Im}(G)) = k$
 - H : Defines the null space of G^\top : $H = \text{null}(G^\top)$
3. **Validation Condition:**
 - A valid codeword satisfies: $\underline{v}H^\top = 0$
4. **Null Space Dimension:** $\dim(\text{null}(G^\top)) = n - k$

2.1.6 Systematic Code:

A linear block code is called **systematic** if: 1. **Codeword Structure:**

$$\underline{v} = [\text{information bits} \mid \text{parity bits}]$$

- The first k bits are the unaltered information bits. - The last $n - k$ bits are the parity bits.

2. Generator Matrix:

$$G = [I_k \vdots P_{k \times (n-k)}]_{k \times n}$$

- I_k : Identity matrix for information bits.
- P : Parity matrix for redundancy.

3. Parity Check Matrix:

$$H = [I_{n-k} \vdots P_{(n-k) \times k}^\top]$$

4. Benefits:

- Direct access to information bits.
- Simplifies encoding and decoding.

2.1.7 The Generator Matrix (G):

1. Definition:

- $G \in \mathbb{F}_2^{k \times n}$, maps k -bit messages \underline{u} to n -bit codewords \underline{v} : $\underline{v} = \underline{u}^\top G$

2. Structure (for systematic codes):

$G = [I_k \vdots P_{k \times (n-k)}]_{k \times n}$ - I_k : $k \times k$ identity matrix (information bits). - P : $k \times (n - k)$ parity matrix (defines redundancy).

4. Steps to Generate G :

- Determine code parameters: n , k , and $n - k$.
- Design P to ensure $HG^\top = 0$, where H is the parity-check matrix.
- Combine I_k and P to construct G .

5. Example ((7, 4) Hamming Code): The (7, 4) Hamming code has:

- $k = 4$ information bits.
- $n = 7$ total bits ($n - k = 3$ parity bits).

-> Steps:

- I_k is a 4×4 identity matrix.

• P is a 4×3 matrix: $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

• Combine I_k and P to get G : $G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

G encodes $k = 4$ information bits into $n = 7$ codeword bits.

2.1.8 The parity check matrix (H)

For systematic linear block codes like the Hamming code, the parity check matrix H is typically written in the form:

$$H_{(n-k) \times n} = [I_{n-k} \mid P_{(n-k) \times k}^\top]$$

This is the **standard form** of the parity check matrix.

2.1.9 Formulation of H :

1. Structure:

- I_{n-k} : Identity matrix of size $(n-k) \times (n-k)$, representing the parity bits.
- P^\top : Transpose of the parity matrix P from $G = [I_k \mid P]$.

The matrix H ensures that: $HG^\top = 0$

2. Dimensions:

- $H \in \mathbb{F}_2^{(n-k) \times n}$:
 - Rows: $n-k$ (number of parity check equations).
 - Columns: n (length of the codeword).
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2.1.10 Example: (7, 4) Hamming Code

1. **Generator Matrix G** : $G = [I_4 \mid P]$ where: $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

2. **Transpose of P** : $P^\top = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

3. **Identity Matrix I_{n-k}** : $I_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

4. **Parity Check Matrix H** : Combine I_{n-k} and P^\top : $H = [I_3 \mid P^\top] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

2.1.11 Summary:

- For systematic codes, the parity check matrix is: $H = [I_{n-k} \mid P^\top]$
- It is derived to satisfy: $HG^\top = 0$

- In the (7,4) Hamming code, H has dimensions 3×7 , combining I_3 and P^T .
- **Parity Check Matrix** is used to decode the RX vector when Decoding is **not optimal** (generally), when you work with Tanner graph which representation of H .

2.1.12 Hamming Code:

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \downarrow 7 \text{ variable nodes} \\ \\ \rightarrow 3 \text{ check nodes} \end{matrix}$$

(n-k):

3 linear equations, that may valid, non-erroneous TX must satisfy

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[13]: using Graphs    # For graph representation
      using GraphPlot # For graph visualization

      # Create a directed graph
      tanner = DiGraph(5) # A directed graph with 5 nodes

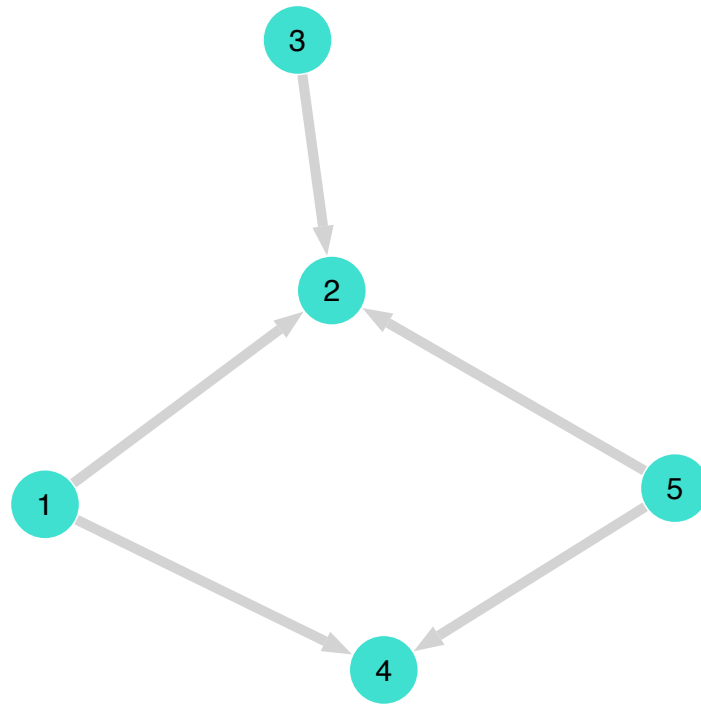
      # Add edges to create an acyclic structure
      add_edge!(tanner, 1, 2)
      add_edge!(tanner, 1, 4)
      add_edge!(tanner, 3, 2)
      add_edge!(tanner, 5, 2)
      add_edge!(tanner, 5, 4)

      println("Is Bipartite: ", is_bipartite(tanner))
      # Display basic properties of the graph
      println("Number of nodes: ", nv(tanner)) # Number of vertices
      println("Number of edges: ", ne(tanner)) # Number of edges

      # Print edges of the graph
      gplot(tanner, nodelabel=1:5)
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Is Bipartite: true
Number of nodes: 5
Number of edges: 5
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When writing large codes:

Tanner Graphs (bipartite graph):

Variable Nodes	Check Nodes	Equation
C_1		$C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + C_5 = 0$
C_2		$C_1 + C_3 + C_4 + C_6 = 0$
C_3		$C_1 + C_2 + C_7 = 0$

Tanner Graph representation used in decoding codes in an **soft** manner. **Soft Decoding**: - [Passing **likelihood information** for each node votes]. - **Soft decoding** is generally **suboptimal**, unless it is such that the corresponding Tanner graph has **no cycles**.

This Cycle Consideration brought to the fore - **Low-Density Parity Check Codes (LDPC)**.
Gallager 1960 - LDPC codes have a **sparse** H .

- **LDPC**

- H is sparse.
- Number of edges in the Tanner graph grows only linearly in n .
- LDPC facilitates soft (iterative) decoding.
- Iterative exchange of information.
- Allows for simple local passing of information (at the node).

- **Regular LDPC**

- n, J, k
 - * n : Codeword length.
 - * J : Degree of each variable node.

* k : Degree of each check node.

Location of ones in H is chosen to have a certain randomness, subject to a structure that guarantees decoding performance.

Gallager ($n = 20, J = 3, k = 4$) Construction

- $H = 15 \times 20$

Pick at Random

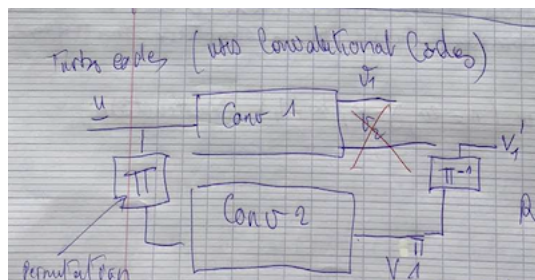
$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 &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

Columns of first submatrix

$$\pi_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & & & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\pi_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Turbo Codes (uses Convolutional Codes)



- Three Main powerful Codes
 - Turbo Codes \approx 1992
 - LDPC Codes Gallager \approx 1960
 - Polar Codes
- All 3 codes achieve Capacity (\approx) with easier decoding
 - LDPC easier to decode than Turbo
 - Polar has smaller error decay (a little bit slower)

3 Polar Codes

3.0.1 Notation:

- $X, Y \sim P_{X,Y}$:
 - Higher H : More uncertainty
 - $-H(X|Y)$: Joint Entropy
 - $I(X;Y) = H(X) - H(X|Y)$ = **Mutual Information** = 3 Bits of Information
 - Formulas: -
- $I(X;Y) = \sum_{x,y} P(x,y) \log \frac{P(x,y)}{P(x)P(y)}$
- $X^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$

- $Y^n = (Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$ $(X^n, Y^n) \approx P_{x^n, Y^n}$

3.0.2 Chain Rule:

$$H(X^n|Y^n) = \sum_{i=1}^n H(X_i|Y^n, X^{i-1})$$

Where $X^{i-1} = (X_1, \dots, X_{i-1})$

$$H(X_1|Y^n) + H(X_2|X_1, Y^n) + H(X_3|\underbrace{X_1, X_2}_{(\cdot)}) + \dots$$

(\cdot) know the 2 previous days, (this is the chain rule).

Result (math)

3.0.3 Principle of Polarization

- Let $X \sim P_X$, $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1\}$
- Let X_1, X_2, \dots i.i.d. $\sim X$
- Let $N = 2^n$, $n > 1$
- Let $X^n = \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$
- Let: $F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $F^{\otimes n} = n$ -power Kronecker product of F

$$F^{\otimes 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

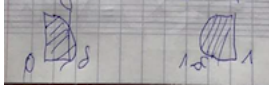
$$F^{\otimes 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Let $u^N = x^N \cdot F^{\otimes n}$

3.0.4 Theorem:

- For any fixed $\delta > 0$:
- $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \left| \{i \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\} \mid H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \in [\delta, 1 - \delta]\} \right| = 0$

- It says that: $H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \end{cases}$ nothing in between them



no uncertainty

3.0.5 Polarization Kernel and Kronecker Power

1. **Base Matrix** F : $F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

2. **Kronecker Power** $F^{\otimes n}$:

- Recursive definition: $F^{\otimes n} = F^{\otimes(n-1)} \otimes F$
- \otimes : Kronecker product.

3. **Examples:**

- $F^{\otimes 1} = F$

- $F^{\otimes 2}$: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

- $F^{\otimes 3}$: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

4. **Purpose:**

- $F^{\otimes n}$ transforms $X^N \rightarrow U^N = X^N \cdot F^{\otimes n}$.
- Enables **channel polarization**, splitting channels into highly reliable and unreliable sets for polar codes.

For any $\delta > 0$, in fact $\delta \approx 2^{-\sqrt{n}}$
(i.e. δ can be as low as?)

3.0.6 Example:

- $n = 2$, $F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$(u_1, u_2) = (x_1, x_2) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [x_1 \oplus x_2, x_2]$$

$$\bullet \ n = 4, \ F^{\otimes 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 00 \\ 11 & 00 \\ 10 & 10 \\ 11 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \cdot F^{\otimes 2} = [\underbrace{x_1 \oplus x_2 \oplus x_3 \oplus x_4}_{u_1}, \underbrace{x_2 \oplus x_4}_{u_2}, \underbrace{x_3 \oplus x_4}_{u_3}, \underbrace{x_4}_{u_4}]$$

3.0.7 Kronecker Product:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & s \\ \vdots & & \end{bmatrix}, B \quad A \otimes B = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}B & a_{12}B \\ a_{21}B & \cdots \end{bmatrix}$$

3.0.8 key result in polar codes and channel polarization

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \quad X \sim \text{i.i.d.}$$

$$u^n = x^n \cdot F^n$$

$$\text{Corollary: } \frac{|\{i: H(u_i|u^{i-1}) > 1-\delta\}|}{N} = H(X)$$

3.0.9 Proof:

$$H(u^n) = H(x^n) = n H(x) (\text{i.i.d.})$$

This describes a key result in **polar codes** and **channel polarization**, where the **entropy** and structure of the polar transformation are analyzed mathematically.

Explanation:

1. Setup:

- x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n : A sequence of independent and identically distributed (**i.i.d.**) random variables from the source X .
- $u^n = x^n \cdot F^n$: The transformation of x^n using the **Kronecker power** of F (polarization matrix) to produce the vector u^n .
 - This defines the encoding operation in polar codes.

2. Corollary:

- The fraction of indices i for which the **conditional entropy** $H(u_i|u^{i-1}) > 1 - \delta$ (i.e., where uncertainty is high) is proportional to the **source entropy** $H(X)$:

$$\frac{|\{i: H(u_i|u^{i-1}) > 1-\delta\}|}{N} = H(X).$$
- This result demonstrates how the **polarization process** concentrates certain indices with high entropy (bad channels) and others with low entropy (good channels).

3. Proof Outline:

- Since x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are i.i.d., the total entropy of the source sequence x^n is: $H(x^n) = n \cdot H(X)$.
- The polar transformation preserves entropy (it's a linear transformation), so: $H(u^n) = H(x^n) = n \cdot H(X)$.

- This shows that the entropy is distributed across the components of u^n , leading to the polarization effect.

Key Idea:

- **Channel Polarization:**

- The transformation F^n polarizes the “channels” (indices i) into two categories:
 1. Channels with **high reliability** ($H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \approx 0$): These are the “good” channels used to carry information.
 2. Channels with **low reliability** ($H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \approx 1$): These are the “bad” channels, which are “frozen” (fixed to known values).
- The corollary quantifies this polarization, stating that the fraction of good channels corresponds to the source entropy $H(X)$.

Summary:

- **Transformation:** $u^n = x^n \cdot F^n$ is the polar transformation.
- **Result:** The fraction of “good” channels (low-entropy) matches the source entropy $H(X)$.
- **Proof:** Entropy is conserved, and the polarization process redistributes it across the indices of u^n .

This result is central to the design and analysis of **polar codes**, enabling efficient encoding and decoding.

$$H(u^N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \underbrace{H(u_i|u^{i-1})}_{\text{(chain rule)}} = N \cdot H(X)(\cdot)$$

But recall (from theorem) that the # of terms where: $H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \in (\delta, 1 - \delta)$ is near zero.

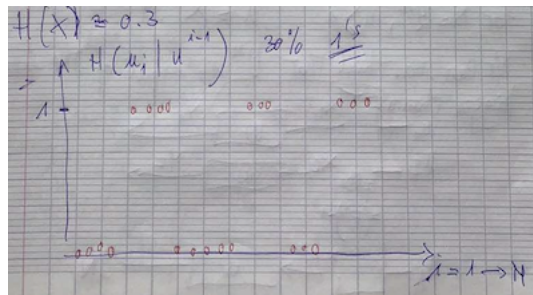
$$\approx 0 \cdot \left| \overbrace{H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \approx 0}^{\text{\#of times}} \right| + 1 \cdot \left| \overbrace{H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \approx 1}^{\text{\#of times}} \right|$$

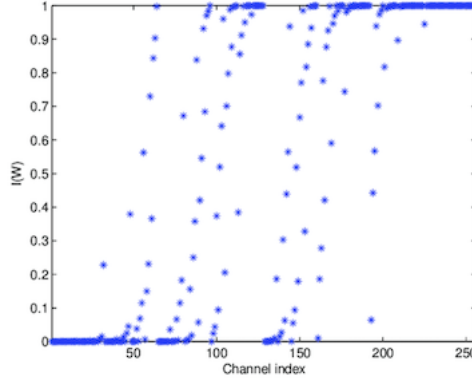
All the entropy accumulated in summation is due to K terms where: $H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \in (1 - \delta, 1)$.

3.0.10 Accumulated Entropy:

$$K \cdot 1 = N \cdot H(X) \quad (\text{from } \cdot) \implies \frac{K}{N} = H(X).$$

$$H(X) \approx 0.3 \quad 30\% \text{ of } H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \approx 1's, \quad 70\% \approx 0.$$





Channel polarization for a Polar code with length $N=256$ and rate $R=0.5$

Explanation of $K \cdot 1 = N \cdot H(X) \implies \frac{K}{N} = H(X)$ This equation arises in the context of **polar codes** and **channel polarization**, describing how the total entropy is distributed among the indices of the polar transformation.

Definitions and Context:

1. Terms:

- K : The number of indices i where the **conditional entropy** $H(u_i|u^{i-1})$ contributes meaningfully to the total entropy (i.e., $H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \approx 1$).
- N : The total block length (number of indices in u^N).
- $H(X)$: The entropy of the source variable X , which determines the overall proportion of good (reliable) channels in the polarization process.

2. Accumulated Entropy:

- The total entropy of the transformed vector u^N is: $H(u^N) = N \cdot H(X)$, since entropy is preserved during the linear transformation $u^N = x^N \cdot F^N$.

Key Idea:

- **Entropy Contribution:**
 - The entropy $H(u^N)$ is primarily accumulated in the K terms where $H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \approx 1$ (good channels).
 - For other indices, $H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \approx 0$, meaning they contribute negligible entropy.
- **Total Accumulated Entropy:**
 - If K terms contribute nearly 1 unit of entropy each, the total entropy contributed by these terms is: $K \cdot 1 = N \cdot H(X)$.
- **Proportion of Good Channels:**
 - Dividing through by N , we find that the proportion of indices i where $H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \approx 1$ is: $\frac{K}{N} = H(X)$.

Meaning:

- $\frac{K}{N} = H(X)$ indicates that the fraction of “good channels” (indices i where $H(u_i|u^{i-1})$ is significant) corresponds to the source entropy $H(X)$.
- For example:

- If $H(X) = 0.3$, then 30% of the channels are reliable, while 70% are unreliable (contributing $H(u_i|u^{i-1}) \approx 0$).

Importance in Polar Codes: This relationship quantifies **channel polarization**, where: - A fraction $H(X)$ of the channels becomes highly reliable (used for transmitting information). - The remaining fraction $1 - H(X)$ becomes unreliable (frozen).

This ensures that polar codes can efficiently encode and decode data based on the structure of F^N .

3.0.11 Channel Polarization

$X \rightarrow \boxed{W} \rightarrow Y$ X is Input to the memoryless channel W .

Recall: $(x, y) \sim P_{X,Y}(x, y)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X, Y) &= P_X(x) \cdot P_{Y|X}(y|x) \\ &= P_X(x) \cdot W_{Y|X}(y|x) \end{aligned}$$

Using Bayes' Rule: $P_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{P_{Y|X}(y|x) \cdot P_X(x)}{P_Y(y)}$ (Channel Fixed).

Assume: - $X \sim X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$,

- X is discrete, $X \in \{0, 1\}$,

- Assume Binary Symmetric Channel (BSC).

For $N = 2^n$: $U^N = X^N \cdot F^n$ U^N : Input of the following **bigger channel**:

3.0.12 Diagram:

- W : Memoryless channel,
- U_1, U_2, \dots, U_N : Input,
- Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_N : Output.

This process **creates bad and good channels**, enabling **channel polarization**.

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