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## Linear block codes Algebraic code construction; definitions

Linear vector space  $\vec{V}$ : The space is <u>closed</u> for linear operations (addition, multiplication).

$$\overline{v_i} + \overline{v_j} = \overline{v_k}$$
;  $\forall \ \overline{v_i}, \overline{v_j}, \overline{v_k} \ \epsilon \ \vec{V}$ 

Code space  $\vec{C}$ , called Code: The valid code vectors are constituent parts of a linear subspace within a linear vector space.



Base of  $\vec{C}$ : A such set of linear independent  $\overline{g_i}$  vectors, of which ones linear combination (weighted sum, weighted with the message symbols) generates every valid code vectors.

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Base of  $\vec{C}$ ; Base of a Code; Generator matrix  $\overline{\bar{G}}$ :

$$\overline{c_i} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} u_{i_k} \cdot \overline{g_k} = \overline{u_i} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} g_1 \\ \overline{g_2} \\ \vdots \\ \overline{g_K} \end{bmatrix} = \overline{u_i} \cdot \overline{\overline{G}}$$

Basis vectors:  $\overline{g_i}$ ; The Generator matrix  $\overline{\overline{G}}$  is the column vector of the basis vectors.

Because the space should be <u>closed</u> we need such linear arithmetic operations that not points out from the finite vector space. SO we need a finite mathematical field.

Évariste Galois

Galois Field, GF(q), finite q number of elements (symbols). The size of the field is q either a prime number or power of prime.

GF(q), q=p or  $p^m$ 



#### Galois Field, GF(q)

The elements of the field (symbols such as Arabic symbols for numbers):

 $GF(q) = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, q-1\}$ Arithmetic operations over **prime**-size GF(q=p) Galois field: Operations,  $a, b \in GF(q)$ : Addition **Multiplication**  $a \bigoplus b = a + b \mod q$  $a * b = a \cdot b \mod q$ Properties of operations: Closed:  $a \oplus b = c \in GF(q)$  $a * b = c \in GF(q)$ Commutative:  $a \oplus b = b \oplus a$ a \* b = b \* aAssociative:  $(a \oplus b) \oplus c = a \oplus (b \oplus c)$ distributive: (a\*b)\*c=a\*(b\*c)  $\exists$  null-element, 0: a  $\bigoplus$  0 = a  $\exists$  unit-element, 1: a \* 1 = a a \* b = 1: a = 1/b Invers:  $a \oplus b = 0; a = -b$ The order of an element  $a \neq 0 \in GF(q)$  is the smallest x, which  $a^x = a * a * \cdots * a = 1$ Х

Primitive element  $\alpha$ , which order x=q-1, thus  $\alpha^{q-1} = 1$ . There exist at least one primitive element for every GF(q).

#### Examples for GF(q=p)

The elements of the field are the power of the primitive element  $GF(q) = \{0, 1, 2, ..., q - 1\} = \{\alpha^{-\infty}, \alpha^0, \alpha^1, \alpha^2, ..., \alpha^{q-2}\}$ Remark:  $\alpha^{q-1} = \alpha^0 = 1$ E.g.  $GF(q = 7) = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ Is 2 a primitive element?  $\alpha = 2$ ?  $2^{-\infty} = 0$ ;  $2^0 = 1$ ;  $2^1 = 2$ ;  $2^2 = 4$ ;  $2^3 = 1$ ;  $2^4 = 2^3 \cdot 2 = 2$ ;  $2^5 = 4$ , ... NO!  $\alpha = 3$ ?  $3^{-\infty} = 0$ ;  $3^0 = 1$ ;  $3^1 = 3$ ;  $3^2 = 2$ ;  $3^3 = 6$ ;  $3^4 = 4$ ;  $3^5 = 5$  YES! Therefore:

$$GF(q = 7) = \{\alpha^{-\infty}, \alpha^{0}, \alpha^{1}, \alpha^{2}, \dots, \alpha^{q-2}\} = \{0, 1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 5\}$$

We already known GF(q=2), that is the binary arithmetic: Sum of binary vectors 002 Modulo 2 addition of the coordinates: 101+011=110



## Procedure of Code generation

- Define (N, K, q) parameter set for the required correction capability  $t_{corr} = \left\lfloor \frac{d_{min}-1}{2} \right\rfloor$  according the construction rules.
- Appropriate choice of the basis vectors in the N dimensional space that constitutes the generator matrix  $\bar{\bar{G}}$  with the size of KxN to generate the valid code vectors of the Code  $\vec{C}$

Defining the Base:

$$\bar{\bar{G}} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{g_1} \\ \overline{g_2} \\ \vdots \\ \overline{g_K} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & g_{1N} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} \dots g_{2N} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ g_{K1} & \dots \dots & g_{KN} \end{bmatrix}$$

Generating the code vectors:

$$\overline{c_i} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} u_{i_k} \cdot \overline{g_k} = \overline{u_i} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \overline{\overline{g_1}} \\ \overline{\overline{g_2}} \\ \vdots \\ \overline{\overline{g_K}} \end{vmatrix} = \overline{u_i} \cdot \overline{\overline{G}}$$

Systematic code; advantage by the 2. step of decoding, because the code vector contains the message vector:

$$\overline{\overline{G}} = \left[\overline{\overline{I_{K,K}}} : \overline{P_{K,N-K}}\right] \text{ or } \overline{\overline{G}} = \left[\overline{\overline{P_{K,N-K}}} : \overline{\overline{I_{K,K}}}\right] \text{ or }$$
$$\overline{\overline{G}} = \left[\overline{\overline{P_{K,N-K-k}}} : \overline{\overline{I_{K,K}}} : \overline{\overline{P_{K,k}}}\right]$$

#### Example: Parity check code: (N=3, K=2, q=2)

Able to detect just one error:  $d_{min}$ =2,  $t_{det} < d_{min}$ ,  $t_{det_{max}} = d_{min} - 1 = 1$ 



## Processing of errors

There exists such a Parity check matrix  $\overline{\overline{H}}$ , that  $\overline{\overline{G}} \cdot \overline{\overline{H}}^T = \overline{\overline{0}}$ 

E.g. for systematic  $\overline{\overline{G}} = [\overline{\overline{I_{K,K}}} : \overline{P_{K,N-K}}]$  generator matrix:

$$\overline{\overline{H}}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} -\overline{\overline{P}}_{K,N-K} \\ \dots \\ \overline{\overline{I}}_{N-K,N-K} \end{bmatrix} \xleftarrow{\text{transponat}} \overline{\overline{H}} = \begin{bmatrix} -\overline{\overline{P}}_{K,N-K}^{T} = -\overline{\overline{P}}_{N-K,K} & \vdots & \overline{\overline{I}}_{N-K,N-K} \end{bmatrix}$$

Appropriate because:

$$\underbrace{\overline{u} \cdot \overline{\overline{G}}}_{\overline{c}} \cdot \overline{\overline{H}}^T = \overline{u} \cdot \overline{\overline{0}} = \overline{0} = \overline{c} \cdot \overline{\overline{H}}^T = \overline{\overline{H}} \cdot \overline{c}^T$$

By transmitting through BSC or more generally through DMC (discrete memoryless channel):

 $\bar{v} = \bar{c} + \bar{e}$ 

Using the parity check matrix  $\overline{H}$  and the received vector  $\overline{v}$  the decoder could calculate the so called syndrome vector:

$$\bar{s}^T = \overline{\bar{H}} \cdot \bar{v}^T = \overline{\bar{H}} \cdot [\bar{c} + \bar{e}]^T = \underbrace{\overline{\bar{H}} \cdot \bar{c}^T}_{\overline{0}} + \overline{\bar{H}} \cdot \bar{e}^T = \overline{\bar{H}} \cdot \bar{e}^T$$

Decision in the case of  $\bar{s}^T = \bar{0}^T$ :

- Trivial:  $\overline{v} = \overline{c_i}$
- Unsolvable:  $\overline{v} = \overline{c_j} \neq \overline{c_i}$  that we sent

### Processing of errors

In the case of  $\bar{s}^T \neq \bar{0}^T$  an equation system of N-K equations should be solved for  $2 \cdot t_{corr}$  unknowns (each errors have two attributes: position and value)

$$\overline{s}^T = \overline{\overline{H}} \cdot \overline{e}^T$$

The parity check matrix and the error vector:

$$\overline{\overline{H}} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{h}_1^T & \overline{h}_2^T & \dots & \overline{h}_N^T \end{bmatrix}$$

The column vectors should be different and excluding  $\overline{0}^T$ , because they localizing the errors.

$$\bar{e} = [0, 0, \dots, e_i, \dots, e_j, \dots, 0, \dots, 0]$$

The syndrome vector:

$$\bar{s}^{T} = \sum_{n} e_{n} \cdot \bar{h}_{n}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} s_{1} \\ s_{2} \\ \vdots \\ s_{N-K} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e_{i} \cdot \bar{h}_{i_{1}}^{T} & + & e_{j} \cdot \bar{h}_{j_{1}}^{T} & + & \cdots \\ e_{i} \cdot \bar{h}_{i_{2}}^{T} & + & e_{i} \cdot \bar{h}_{j_{2}}^{T} & + & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ e_{i} \cdot \bar{h}_{i_{N-K}}^{T} & + & e_{i} \cdot \bar{h}_{j_{N-K}}^{T} & + & \cdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$s_{1} = e_{i} \cdot \bar{h}_{i_{1}}^{T} + e_{j} \cdot \bar{h}_{j_{1}}^{T} + e_{k} \cdot \bar{h}_{k_{1}}^{T} + \cdots$$

$$s_{2} = e_{i} \cdot \bar{h}_{i_{2}}^{T} + e_{j} \cdot \bar{h}_{j_{2}}^{T} + e_{k} \cdot \bar{h}_{k_{2}}^{T} + \cdots$$

$$s_{N-K} = e_{i} \cdot \bar{h}_{i_{N-K}}^{T} + e_{j} \cdot \bar{h}_{j_{N-K}}^{T} + e_{k} \cdot \bar{h}_{k_{N-K}}^{T} + \cdots$$

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Example: Binary Hamming (7,4,2) Column in octal (e.g. 3=011) 3 5 6 7  $\overline{\overline{H}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  $\bar{\bar{G}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ Message vector  $\overline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ Code vector  $\overline{c} = \overline{u} \cdot \overline{G} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  $[u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, p_1 = u_1 + u_2 + u_4, p_2 = u_1 + u_3 + u_4, p_3 = u_2 + u_3 + u_4]$ Received vector (One error on BSC) Received vector (Two errors on BSC)  $\bar{e} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \bar{v} = \bar{c} + \bar{e} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \bar{v} = \bar{c} + \bar{e} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ Error detection, parity check: **Error correction:**  $\bar{s}^T = \overline{\bar{H}} \cdot \bar{v}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  $p_{\nu 1} \neq v_1 + v_2 + v_4 = 0, p_{\nu 2} = 0, p_{\nu 3} = 1$  $\hat{\bar{e}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  $\hat{\bar{c}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  $\hat{\bar{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

#### **Example: Binary Hamming**

(N=7, K=4, q=2)

$$\overline{\overline{H}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\overline{\overline{G}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\overline{\overline{c}} = \overline{u} \cdot \overline{\overline{G}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
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