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# Galois field, $GF(q = p^m)$

Arithmetic operations over prime-power-size  $GF(q=p^m)$  Galois field:

The elements of the field (symbols, not numbers as usual):

$$GF(q) = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, p^m - 1\}$$

Representation of Elements:

- m dimensional p-ary vectors:

$$\left\{ \underbrace{00 \dots 0}_m, \underbrace{00 \dots 1}_m, \dots, \underbrace{(p-2)(p-1) \dots (p-1)}_m, \underbrace{(p-1)(p-1) \dots (p-1)}_m \right\}$$

Null-element, Unit-element, ....., other elements

Example  $GF(2^2 = 4) = \{00 \ 01 \ 10 \ 11\}$

- P-ary polynomials of maximum degree = m-1:

$$\left\{ \underbrace{0, 1, \dots, (p-1)}_{0 \text{ degree}}, \underbrace{x, x+1, \dots, x+(p-1), 2x, \dots, (p-1)x+(p-1)}_{1. \text{ degree}}, \right.$$

$$\underbrace{x^2, x^2+x, x^2+1, x^2+x+1, \dots, (p-1)x^2+(p-1)x+(p-1), \dots}_{2. \text{ degree}},$$

$$\left. \underbrace{x^{m-1}, x^{m-1}+1, \dots, (p-1)x^{m-1}+(p-1)x^{m-2}+\dots+(p-1)x+(p-1)}_{(m-1)\text{-th degree}} \right\}$$

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The operations applied over  $GF(q=p)$  are not appropriate:

Example  $GF(2^2 = 4) = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ ;  $1+1 \pmod{4}=2=3+3 \pmod{4}$

Operations,  $a, b \in GF(q = p^m)$ :

**Addition**  $a \oplus b$

- Sum of the values modulo  $p$  at each coordinates of the vectors

Example  $GF(2^2 = 4) = \{00 \ 01 \ 10 \ 11\}$ ;  $10 \oplus 11 = 01$

- Sum of the coefficients modulo  $p$  of the members same degree

Example  $GF(2^2 = 4) = \{0 \ 1 \ x \ x + 1\}$ ;  $x \oplus x+1 = 1$

**Multiplication**  $a(x) * b(x)$

$$c(x) = a(x) \cdot b(x) \text{ Mod } p(x)$$

Product of the polynomials modulo  $p(x)$  irreducible polynomial degree of  $m$ , and coefficients modulo  $p$ . Irreducible polynomial can't be product of polynomials lower degree.

Example  $GF(2^2 = 4) = \{0 \ 1 \ x \ x + 1\}$ ;  $p(x)=x^2 + x + 1$ ;

$$x * (x+1) \text{ mod } p(x) = x^2 + x \text{ mod } p(x) = 1 \cdot p(x) + 1 \text{ mod } p(x) = 1$$

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*Field elements by*                      *symbols*                      *vectors*                      *polynomials*

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modulo  $p$  at each coordinates

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$$c(x) = a(x) \cdot b(x) \text{ mod } p(x) = x^2 + x + 1$$

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# Example: Systematic, MDS, Hamming ( $N=q+1=5, K=q-1=3, q=2^2 = 4$ ) code

$GF(4)=\{0, 1, 2, 3\}; t_{corr} = 1;$

Hamming bound, perfect:  $1 + N \cdot (q - 1) = 1 + (q + 1) \cdot (q - 1) = q^2 = q^{N-K};$

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$$\bar{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\bar{u} = [1 \quad 2 \quad 3]$$

$$\bar{c} = \bar{u} \cdot \bar{G} = [1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 0 \quad 0]$$

$$\bar{e} = [0 \quad 3 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0]$$

$$\bar{v} = \bar{c} + \bar{e} = [1 \quad 1 \quad 3 \quad 0 \quad 0]$$

$$\bar{s}^T = \bar{H} \cdot \bar{v}^T = e_i \cdot \bar{h}_i^T = \begin{bmatrix} e_i \cdot h_{1,i} \\ e_i \cdot h_{2,i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}; \quad e_i = 3; \quad \frac{\bar{s}^T}{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \bar{h}_i^T; \quad i=2$$

$$\hat{e} = [0 \quad 3 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0]$$

$$\hat{c} = [1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 0 \quad 0]$$

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$a(x) * b(x)$		0	1	x	x+1
		0	1	2	3
0	0	0	0	0	0
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$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u} &= [ \quad \quad \quad ] \\ \bar{c} &= \bar{u} \cdot \bar{G} = [ \quad \quad \quad ] \\ \bar{e} &= [0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0] \\ \bar{v} &= \bar{c} + \bar{e} = [ \quad \quad \quad ] \end{aligned}$$

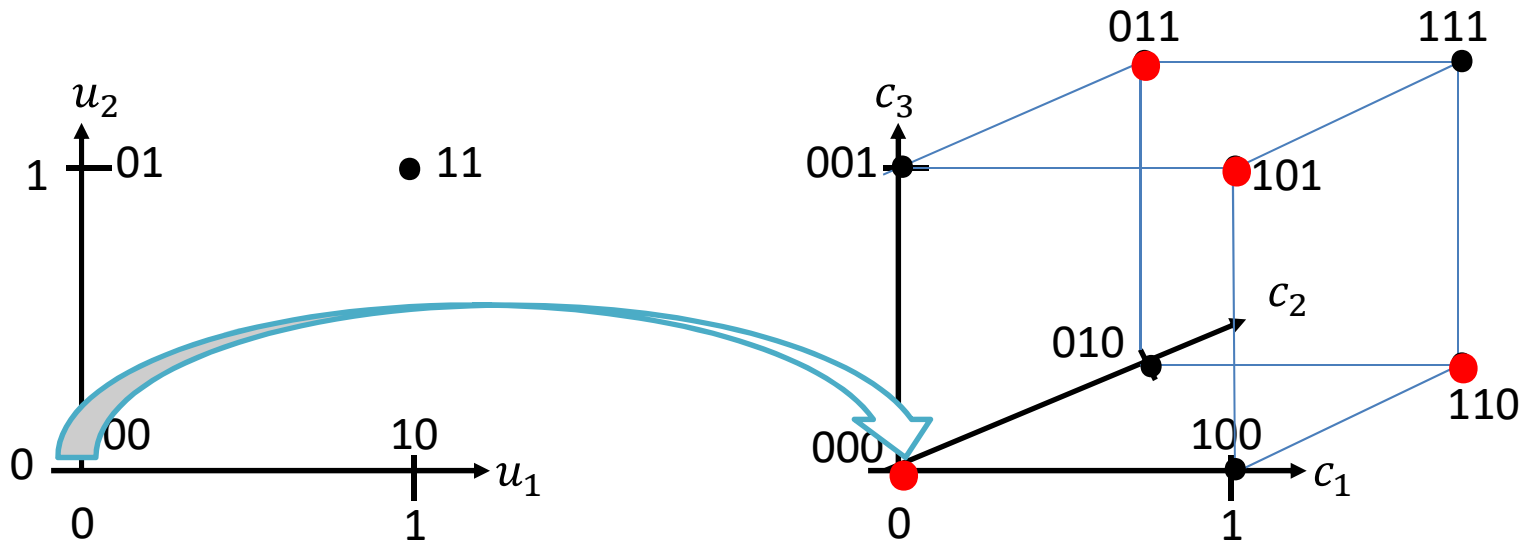
$$\begin{aligned} \bar{s}^T &= \bar{H} \cdot \bar{v}^T = e_i \cdot \bar{h}_i^T = \begin{bmatrix} e_i \cdot h_{1,i} \\ e_i \cdot h_{2,i} \end{bmatrix} = [ \quad \quad ]; & e_i = ; & \frac{\bar{s}^T}{e_i} = [ \quad \quad ] = \bar{h}_i^T; & i= \\ \hat{e} &= [0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0] \\ \hat{c} &= [ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad ] \\ \hat{u} &= [ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad ] \end{aligned}$$

# Cyclic block codes

Definition: The cyclic shift of every valid code vector results in also valid code

If  $\overline{c}_i = [c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{N-1}, c_N]$  valid, then  $\overline{c}_j = [c_N, c_1, \dots, c_{N-2}, c_{N-1}]$  also.

Remark: Heuristically we already designed a cyclic code



Message vectors

0	0
1	0
0	1
1	1

Code vectors

0	0	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
1	1	0

# Cyklic (N,K,q) block codes

Representing code words with code polynomials (instead of vectors)

Remark: coefficients of the polynomials are elements of and operations over  $\text{GF}(q)$

The N dimensional  $\bar{c}$  vector corresponds to  $c(x)$  polynomial,  $\max \{ \deg(c(x)) \} = N - 1$ :

Indexing from 0,

$$\bar{c} = [c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{N-2}, c_{N-1}] \Leftrightarrow c(x) = c_0 \cdot x^0 + c_1 \cdot x^1 + \dots + c_{N-2} \cdot x^{N-2} + c_{N-1} \cdot x^{N-1}$$

Cyclic shift:

- Shift with one position: multiply with x

$$x \cdot c(x) = c_0 \cdot x^1 + c_1 \cdot x^2 + \dots + c_{N-2} \cdot x^{N-1} + c_{N-1} \cdot x^N$$

- Adding zero:

$$x \cdot c(x) = c_0 \cdot x^1 + c_1 \cdot x^2 + \dots + c_{N-2} \cdot x^{N-1} + c_{N-1} \cdot x^N \pm c_{N-1}$$

$$x \cdot c(x) = c_{N-1} + c_0 \cdot x^1 + c_1 \cdot x^2 + \dots + c_{N-2} \cdot x^{N-1} + c_{N-1} \cdot (x^N - 1)$$

- Make it cyclic: *mod with*  $(x^N - 1)$  polynomial

$$x \cdot c(x) \text{ mod } (x^N - 1) = c_{N-1} + c_0 \cdot x^1 + c_1 \cdot x^2 + \dots + c_{N-2} \cdot x^{N-1}$$

Deriving other code polynomials in general: If  $c(x)$  is a valid code, then  $c_i(x)$  is also a valid code polynomial of degree  $\max \{ \deg(c_i(x)) \} = N - 1$

$$c_i(x) = x^i \cdot c(x) \text{ mod } (x^N - 1)$$



# Generating Cyclic (N,K,q) block codes

(One possible method – there are also others):

Theorem:

Any  $g(x)$  polynomial of degree  $N-K$  that divides the  $(x^N - 1)$  polynomial is appropriate for code generation.

$$(x^N - 1) = g(x) \cdot h(x) \iff (x^N - 1) \bmod g(x) = 0$$

Generator polynomial,  $\deg(g(x)) = N - K$ :

$$g(x) = g_0 + g_1 \cdot x^1 + \dots + g_{N-K} \cdot x^{N-K}$$

Parity check polynomial,  $\deg(h(x)) = K$ :

$$h(x) = h_0 + h_1 \cdot x^1 + \dots + h_K \cdot x^K$$

Representing the message words of  $K$  message symbols (message vectors) with polynomials:

Message polynomial,  $\max \{ \deg(u(x)) \} = K - 1$ :

$$u(x) = u_0 + u_1 \cdot x^1 + \dots + u_{K-1} \cdot x^{K-1}$$

Generating codes: a code polynomial corresponds to a message polynomial applying the generator polynomial:

$$c_i(x) = u_i(x) \cdot g(x)$$

# Generating Cyclic (N,K,q) block codes

Proof that  $g(x) = g_0 + g_1 \cdot x^1 + \dots + g_{N-K} \cdot x^{N-K}$  appropriate generator

A valid message polynomial:  $u_0 = u_1 = \dots = u_{K-2} = 0, u_{K-1} = 1$ :

$$u(x) = x^{K-1}$$

The corresponding code polynomial generated by  $g(x)$  according the theorem:

$$c(x) = u(x) \cdot g(x) = g_0 \cdot x^{K-1} + g_1 \cdot x^K + g_2 \cdot x^{K+1} + \dots + g_{N-K} \cdot x^{N-1}$$

Cyclic shift:

$$\begin{aligned} x \cdot c(x) &= g_0 \cdot x^K + g_1 \cdot x^{K+1} + \dots + g_{N-K-1} \cdot x^{N-1} + g_{N-K} \cdot x^N \pm g_{N-K} = \\ &= g_{N-K} + g_0 \cdot x^K + g_1 \cdot x^{K+1} + \dots + g_{N-K-1} \cdot x^{N-1} + g_{N-K} \cdot (x^N - 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} c_1(x) &= x \cdot c(x) \text{ mod } (x^N - 1) = g_{N-K} + g_0 \cdot x^K + g_1 \cdot x^{K+1} + \dots + g_{N-K-1} \cdot x^{N-1} = \\ &= \underbrace{x^K \cdot g(x)}_{g(x) \text{ divides}} - \underbrace{g_{N-K} \cdot (x^N - 1)}_{g(x) \text{ divides}} = x^K \cdot g(x) \text{ mod } (x^N - 1) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $c_1(x)$  is also generated by  $g(x)$ :

$$c_1(x) = u_1(x) \cdot g(x)$$

# Cyclic Redundancy Check, CRC

Generating codes:

$$c(x) = u(x) \cdot x^{N-K} - \underbrace{[(u(x) \cdot x^{N-K}) \bmod g(x)]}_{r(x)}$$

The message polynomial  $u(x)$  shifted to the right with  $N-K$  positions and then subtracting the residuum polynomial  $r(x)$  of the division with  $g(x)$

$$\deg r(x) \leq N - K - 1, \text{ because } \deg g(x) = N - K$$

Representing with vectors:

$$\bar{u} = [u_0 \quad u_1 \quad u_2 \quad \dots \quad u_{K-1}]$$
$$\bar{c} = \left[ \underbrace{c_0 \quad \dots \quad c_{N-K-1}}_{r(x)} \quad \underbrace{c_{N-K} \quad c_{N-K+1} \quad \dots \quad c_{N-1}}_{\text{Systematic}} \right]$$

Because  $g(x)$  divides CRC codes, therefore CRC codes are generated by  $g(x)$ .  
CRC codes are systematic.

# Cyclic binary Hamming (N,K,q)

Example: parameters of the block code: (N=7, K=4, q=2)

Choosing a generator polynomial:

$$\begin{aligned} \deg g(x) &= N - K \text{ and } (x^N - 1) \bmod g(x) = 0 \\ (x^7 - 1) &= (x + 1) \cdot (x^3 + x^2 + 1) \cdot (x^3 + x^1 + 1) \\ g(x) &= (x^3 + x^2 + 1) \text{ or } (x^3 + x^1 + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Generating codes for the message  $u(x)$ :

$$c(x) = u(x) \cdot g(x)$$

Processing of error with  $h(x)$  parity check polynomial:

$$\deg h(x) = K \text{ and } (x^N - 1) \bmod h(x) = 0$$

$$h(x) = (x + 1)(x^3 + x^1 + 1) \text{ or } (x + 1)(x^3 + x^2 + 1)$$

A valid code polynomial multiplied with  $h(x)$  results 0

$$c(x) \cdot h(x) = \underbrace{u(x) \cdot g(x)}_{c(x)} \cdot h(x) = u(x) \cdot \underbrace{g(x) \cdot h(x)}_{(x^N - 1)} = u(x) \cdot (x^N - 1)$$

$$c(x) \cdot h(x) \bmod (x^N - 1) = 0$$

# Cyclic binary Hamming (N,K,q)

In the case of ONE error represented by  $e(x)$  error polynomial :

$$v(x) = c(x) + e(x)$$
$$v(x) \cdot h(x) \bmod(x^N - 1) = \underbrace{c(x)h(x) \bmod(x^N - 1)}_{\equiv 0} + \underbrace{e(x)h(x) \bmod(x^N - 1)}_{\neq 0}$$

Detection of error:

$$v(x) \cdot h(x) \bmod(x^N - 1) \neq 0$$

ONE binary error at position  $i$  ( $i=0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$ ):

$$e(x) = x^i$$

Correction of error

- $h(x)$  will be cyclically shifted by  $i$  positions to the right through multiplication with  $e(x)$
- Decoder checks in which cyclic shift of  $h(x)$  match with  $v(x) \cdot h(x) \bmod(x^N - 1)$   
=> error position  $i$  =>  $\hat{e}(x)$  decided error polynomial
- decided code polynomial  $\hat{c}(x) = v(x) - \hat{e}(x)$
- decided message polynomial  $\hat{c}(x) \Rightarrow \hat{u}(x)$

Simple step if systematic, otherwise:

$$\hat{u}(x) = \hat{c}(x)/g(x)$$

# Example: Cyclic binary Hamming (N,K,q)

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

$$(x^7 - 1) = (x + 1) \cdot (x^3 + x^2 + 1) \cdot (x^3 + x^1 + 1)$$

Choosing generator polynomial:

$$g(x) = (1 + x^2 + x^3)$$

Generating code for the message:

$$u(x) = 1 + x^3$$

$$c(x) = u(x) \cdot g(x) = 1 + x^2 + x^3 + x^3 + x^5 + x^6 = 1 + x^2 + x^5 + x^6$$

Determining h(x) parity check polynomial:

$$h(x) = (x + 1)(x^3 + x^1 + 1) = 1 + x^2 + x^3 + x^4$$

ONE binary error at position i=3:

$$e(x) = x^3$$

Received polynomial:

$$v(x) = c(x) + e(x) = 1 + x^2 + x^3 + x^5 + x^6$$

Correction of error:

$$v(x) \cdot h(x) \text{ mod}(x^N - 1) = 1 + x^3 + x^5 + x^6$$

$1 + x^3 + x^5 + x^6$  binary polynomial  $\Leftrightarrow$  binary vector

[1 0 0 1 0 1 1]

$1 + x^2 + x^3 + x^4$  h(x) polynomial  $\Leftrightarrow$  binary vector:

[1 0 1 1 1 0 0]

[1 0 0 1 0 1 1]



=> Error position **i=3** =>  $\hat{e}(x) = x^3$  decided error polynomial

$$\hat{c}(x) = v(x) - \hat{e}(x)$$

# Polynomials over GF( $q$ )

Remark: The elements of the field (symbols, not numbers as usual):

$$GF(q) = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, q - 1\} \quad q = p \text{ or } p^m$$

Arithmetic operations with field elements of GF( $q$ ) as usual.

Def.:  $c(x)$  is a **polynomial over GF( $q$ )** with  $\deg c(x) = N - 1$  if

$$c(x) = c_0 \cdot x^0 + c_1 \cdot x^1 + \dots + c_{N-2} \cdot x^{N-2} + c_{N-1} \cdot x^{N-1}$$
$$c_i \in GF(q), \quad i = 0 \dots N - 1, c_{N-1} \neq 0.$$

**Addition of polynomials:**

$$c(x) = a(x) + b(x), \quad c_i = a_i + b_i, \quad \deg c(x) = \max\{\deg a(x), \deg b(x)\}$$

e.g. for  $q=p$ :  $c_i = a_i + b_i \pmod{q}$

**Product of polynomials:**

$$c(x) = a(x) \cdot b(x), \quad \deg c(x) = \deg a(x) + \deg b(x)$$

$$c_i = \sum_{j=0}^{\min\{i, \deg a(x)\}} a_j \cdot b_{i-j}$$

e.g. for  $q=p$ :  $c_i = \sum_{j=0}^{\min\{i, \deg a(x)\}} a_j \cdot b_{i-j} \pmod{q}$

Example over GF( $q=2$ ):  $a(x) = 1 + x$  and  $b(x) = 1 + x + x^3$

$$a(x) + b(x) = x^3 \text{ and } a(x) \cdot b(x) = 1 + x^2 + x^3 + x^4$$

# Polynomials over $GF(q)$

**Division** (Euclidean) of polynomials:

For  $a(x)$  and  $b(x) \neq 0$  polynomials  $\exists q(x)$  quotient and  $r(x)$  residuum polynomials

$$a(x) = q(x) \cdot b(x) + r(x); \deg r(x) < \deg b(x)$$

$b(x)$  is a divisor polynomial of  $a(x)$  if  $r(x)=0$ , and  
 $r(x)=a(x) \bmod b(x)$  is the residuum

Def. **Root of a polynomial**:  $c \in GF(q)$ , is a root of  $a(x)$  if  $a(c)=0$ .

Theorem: If  $c$  is a root, then  $a(x)=b(x) \cdot (x-c)$

Proof:  $a(x)=b(x) \cdot (x-c)+r(x)$ ;  $\deg r(x)=0$ , because  $\deg (x-c)=1$   
 $0=a(c)=b(c) \cdot (c-c)+r=r$

Theorem: An  $a(x)$  polynomial of  **$\deg a(x)=k$  have maximum  $k$  roots.**

Proof:  $a(x) = b(x) \cdot (x - c) \Rightarrow \deg b(x) = \deg a(x) - 1$

$$b(x) = \dot{b}(x) \cdot (x - \dot{c}) \Rightarrow \deg \dot{b}(x) = \deg b(x) - 1$$

$$\dot{b}(x) = \ddot{b}(x) \cdot (x - \ddot{c}) \Rightarrow \deg \ddot{b}(x) = \deg \dot{b}(x) - 1$$

etc.



# Reed-Solomon code

Reed-Solomon codes are non-binary, linear, maximum distance separable (MDS) block codes over GF(q) capable to correct more than one errors, Parameters (N,K,q,α)

Three equivalent code generation methods:

**Method A:** Coefficients of the code polynomial calculated from the message polynomial at different elements of the GF(q).

In general, let  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{N-1}$  different  $\exists GF(q), N \leq q$

and the message polynomial  $u(x)$ ,  $\max \{\deg u(x)\} = K - 1$  over GF(q)

$$u(x) = u_0 + u_1 \cdot x^1 + \dots + u_{K-1} \cdot x^{K-1}$$

then the corresponding code polynomial  $c(x)$ ,  $\max \{\deg c(x)\} = N - 1$  over GF(q):

$$c(x) = c_0 + c_1 \cdot x^1 + \dots + c_{N-1} \cdot x^{N-1}$$

With  $c_0 = u(\alpha_0), c_1 = u(\alpha_1), c_2 = u(\alpha_2), \dots, c_{N-1} = u(\alpha_{N-1})$

**Theorem:** Reed-Solomon codes are linear

**Proof:** For method A the corresponding generator matrix if using  $\bar{c} = \bar{u} \cdot \bar{G}$

$$\bar{G} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & & 1 & 1 \\ \alpha_0 & \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & & \alpha_{N-2} & \alpha_{N-1} \\ \alpha_0^2 & \alpha_1^2 & \alpha_2^2 & \vdots & \alpha_{N-2}^2 & \alpha_{N-1}^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \alpha_0^{K-1} & \alpha_1^{K-1} & \alpha_2^{K-1} & & \alpha_{N-2}^{K-1} & \alpha_{N-1}^{K-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Reed-Solomon code

**Theorem:** Reed-Solomon codes are MDS codes

Remarks:

**MDS code**  $M = q^{N-d_{min}+1}$  or equivalently:  $K = N - d_{min} + 1$  or  $d_{min} = N - K + 1$

Code weight:  $w(\vec{C}) = \min_{\vec{c}_i \in \vec{C} \setminus \vec{0}} \{ \sum_{n=1}^N \chi(c_{i_n} \neq 0) \} = d_{min}$  for linear codes

**Proof:**  $w(\vec{C}) = N - \langle 0 \text{ coordinates of } \vec{c} \rangle = N - \langle \text{roots of } u(x) \rangle \geq N - (K - 1)$

and because Singleton:  $w(\vec{C}) = d_{min} \leq N - K + 1 \xrightarrow{\text{yields}} d_{min} = N - K + 1$

- Therefore:  $t_{det} = d_{min} - 1 = N - K$ , and  $t_{corr} = \left\lfloor \frac{d_{min}-1}{2} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{N-K}{2} \right\rfloor$

**Method B:**  $\vec{c} = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{G}$ , let  $\alpha$  of order  $m \exists GF(q), N \leq m$

and  $\alpha_0 = 1, \alpha_1 = \alpha, \alpha_2 = \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha_{N-1} = \alpha^{N-1}$  different  $\exists GF(q)$ , then applying Method A becomes:

$$\vec{G} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \alpha & \alpha^2 & & \alpha^{N-2} & \alpha^{N-1} \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \alpha^4 & \vdots & \alpha^{2(N-2)} & \alpha^{2(N-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & \alpha^{K-1} & \alpha^{2(K-1)} & & \alpha^{(K-1)(N-2)} & \alpha^{(K-1)(N-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Reed-Solomon code

**Method C:** let  $\alpha$  of order  $m \exists GF(q), N \leq m$

Every  $c(x) = c_0 + c_1 \cdot x^1 + \dots + c_{n-1} \cdot x^{n-1}$  is valid, if  $\alpha^i$  are roots  $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, N - K$

$$\vec{C} = \{c(x); \text{if } c(\alpha^i) = 0, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, N - K\}$$

or equivalently:

$$\vec{C} = \{\vec{c}; \text{if } \vec{H} \cdot \vec{c}^T = \vec{0}^T\}$$

where

$$\vec{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha^1 & \alpha^{2 \cdot 1} & \alpha^{(N-2) \cdot 1} & \alpha^{(N-1) \cdot 1} \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \alpha^{2 \cdot 2} & \alpha^{(N-2) \cdot 2} & \alpha^{(N-1) \cdot 2} \\ 1 & \alpha^3 & \alpha^{2 \cdot 3} & \vdots & \alpha^{(N-2) \cdot 3} & \alpha^{(N-1) \cdot 3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & \alpha^{N-K} & \alpha^{2 \cdot (N-K)} & \alpha^{(N-2) \cdot (N-K)} & \alpha^{(N-1) \cdot (N-K)} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Decoding of Reed-Solomon codes

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

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

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

- Trivial:  $\overline{v} = \overline{c}_i$
- Unsolvable:  $\overline{v} = \overline{c}_j \neq \overline{c}_i$  that we sent

Remark: **Error processing in general**

In the case of  $\overline{s}^T \neq \overline{0}^T$  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:

$$\overline{\overline{H}} = [\overline{h}_1^T \quad \overline{h}_2^T \quad \dots \quad \overline{h}_N^T]$$

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

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

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$$\bar{H} = [\bar{h}_1^T \quad \bar{h}_2^T \quad \dots \quad \bar{h}_N^T] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \alpha^1 & \alpha^{2 \cdot 1} & h_i^1 & h_j^1 & \alpha^{(N-1) \cdot 1} \\ 1 & \alpha^2 & \alpha^{2 \cdot 2} & h_i^2 & h_j^2 & \alpha^{(N-1) \cdot 2} \\ 1 & \alpha^3 & \alpha^{2 \cdot 3} & \vdots & h_j^3 & \vdots & \alpha^{(N-1) \cdot 3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & \alpha^{N-K} & \alpha^{2 \cdot (N-K)} & h_i^{(N-K)} & h_j^{(N-K)} & \alpha^{(N-1) \cdot (N-K)} \end{bmatrix}$$

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The syndrome vector:

$$\bar{s}^T = \sum_n e_n \cdot \bar{h}_n^T = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \\ \vdots \\ s_{N-K} \end{bmatrix}$$

Or the corresponding non-linear equation system of N-K equations:

$$s_1 = e_i \cdot h_i^1 + e_j \cdot h_j^1 + e_k \cdot h_k^1 + \dots$$

$$s_2 = e_i \cdot h_i^2 + e_j \cdot h_j^2 + e_k \cdot h_k^2 + \dots$$

$$s_{N-K} = e_i \cdot h_i^{(N-K)} + e_j \cdot h_j^{(N-K)} + e_k \cdot h_k^{(N-K)} + \dots$$