

MMTE-005

ASSIGNMENT BOOKLET

M.Sc. (Mathematics with Applications in Computer Science)

CODING THEORY

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Assignment

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Maximum Marks: 100

Note: In this assignment, the notations, symbols, definitions and conventions will be as in the prescribed book 'Fundamentals of Error-Correcting Codes' by Huffman and Pless. Also, 'the book' will always mean the prescribed book.

- 1) a) Define the generator matrix and parity check matrix of an $[n, k]$ linear code. Consider the linear code

$$\mathcal{C} = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \in \mathbf{F}_2^5 \mid x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0, x_2 + x_4 + x_5 = 0\}$$

Find a generator matrix and a parity check matrix of the code. What is the dimension of the code? (6)

- b) Prove Theorem 1.4.12. (**Hint:** Consider the kernel and the image of the map $f: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_q$ given by $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \rightarrow x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$.) (4)

- 2) The aim of this exercise is to give a step by step solution of exercise 35, page 20 of the book.

- a) Let P be an $n \times n$ permutation matrix and $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{F}_q^n$.

- i) Prove that

$$\mathbf{e}_i P \cdot \mathbf{e}_j P = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where \mathbf{e}_i is the row vector with 1 in the i^{th} position and 0 elsewhere. (**Hint:** Each row of P is \mathbf{e}_i for some i . (Why?))

- ii) Prove that $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}P \cdot \mathbf{y}P$. (Hint: Use the fact that P is linear and the dot product is bilinear.) (4)

- b) Suppose \mathcal{C}_1 and \mathcal{C}_2 are permutation equivalent codes where $\mathcal{C}_1 P = \mathcal{C}_2$ for some permutation matrix P . Prove that

- i) $\mathcal{C}_1^\perp P = \mathcal{C}_2^\perp$.
ii) If \mathcal{C}_1 is self dual, \mathcal{C}_2 is also self dual. (6)

- 3) a) i) What is the smallest field of characteristic 3 that contains a primitive seventh root of unity?
ii) What is the smallest field of characteristic 11 that contains a primitive seventh root of unity? (4)

- b) Find the 3-cyclotomic cosets modulo 26. (2)

- c) Let α be a root of $f(x) = x^3 + x + 1$ which is in \mathbf{F}_8 . The table elements of \mathbf{F}_8 is given in example 3.4.3. Compute the following elements of \mathbf{F}_8 , both as polynomials in α and powers of α :

- i) $\frac{(\alpha^2 + \alpha^6 - \alpha + 1)(\alpha^3 + \alpha)}{(\alpha^4 + \alpha)}$
ii) $\frac{(\alpha^5 + \alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + 1)(\alpha^4 + \alpha^3 + 1)}{(\alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + 1)}$

- (**Hint:** See examples 3.4.2 and 3.4.3 in the book.) (6)

- d) In this exercise, we work out the details of example 3.7.8. As given in the table, the 2-cyclotomic sets modulo 15 are $\{0\}$, $\{1, 2, 4, 8\}$, $\{3, 6, 9, 12\}$, $\{5, 10\}$, $\{7, 11, 13, 14\}$. The example gives the irreducible factor of $x^{15} - 1$ corresponding a coset. To explaining this method, we compute the irreducible factor corresponding to the cyclotomic coset $\{1, 2, 4, 8\}$. Let $\alpha^4 = \alpha + 1$ be a root of the irreducible polynomial $x^4 + x + 1$. For computation we use the Table 5.1 on page 184.

The irreducible polynomial corresponding to the cyclotomic coset $\{1, 2, 4, 8\}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} (x - \alpha)(x - \alpha^2)(x - \alpha^4)(x - \alpha^8) &= x^4 - (\alpha + \alpha^2 + \alpha^4 + \alpha^8)x^3 \\ &\quad + (\alpha\alpha^2 + \alpha\alpha^4 + \alpha\alpha^8 + \alpha^2\alpha^4 + \alpha^2\alpha^8 + \alpha^4\alpha^8)x^2 \\ &\quad + (\alpha\alpha^2\alpha^4 + \alpha\alpha^2\alpha^8 + \alpha\alpha^4\alpha^8 + \alpha^2\alpha^4\alpha^8)x \\ &\quad + \alpha\alpha^2\alpha^4\alpha^8 \end{aligned}$$

The coefficient of x^3 is

$$\begin{array}{r} \alpha = 0010 \\ \alpha^2 = 0100 \\ \alpha^4 = 0011 \\ \alpha^8 = 0101 \\ \hline 0000 \end{array}$$

So, the coefficient of x^3 is 0.

The proces of addition is simple. We count the number of 1s in a column. If it even, we put 0 as the answer. If it is odd, we put 1 as the answer. Similarly, the coefficient of x^2 is

$$\begin{array}{r} \alpha\alpha^2 = \alpha^3 = 1000 \\ \alpha\alpha^4 = \alpha^5 = 0110 \\ \alpha\alpha^8 = \alpha^9 = 1010 \\ \alpha^2\alpha^4 = \alpha^6 = 1100 \\ \alpha^2\alpha^8 = \alpha^{10} = 0111 \\ \alpha^4\alpha^8 = \alpha^{12} = 1111 \\ \hline 0000 \end{array}$$

So, the coefficient of x^2 is 0.

The coefficient of x is

$$\begin{array}{r} \alpha\alpha^2\alpha^4 = \alpha^7 = 1011 \\ \alpha\alpha^2\alpha^8 = \alpha^{11} = 1110 \\ \alpha\alpha^4\alpha^8 = \alpha^{13} = 1101 \\ \alpha^2\alpha^4\alpha^8 = \alpha^{14} = 1001 \\ \hline 0001 \end{array}$$

So, the coefficient of x is one.

The constant term is $\alpha\alpha^2\alpha^4\alpha^8 = \alpha^{15} = 1$. Therefore,

$$(x - \alpha)(x - \alpha^2)(x - \alpha^4)(x - \alpha^8) = x^4 + x + 1$$

Similarly, compute the polynomials for the cyclotomic cosets

- i) $\{3, 6, 9, 12\}$
 ii) $\{7, 11, 13, 14\}$ (8)

- 4) a) Solve exercise 208, page 128. (**Hint:** If a code \mathcal{C} has dimension k , its dual code has dimension $n - k$.) (2)

b) Let \mathcal{C} be a binary cyclic code of length 9 with generator polynomial $g(x) = (1 + x^3 + x^6)$. Find the parity check matrix of the code and the generator matrix of the dual code \mathcal{C}^\perp using Theorem 4.2.7. (3)

c) In this exercise, we ask you to solve exercise 213 in page 129. We illustrate the procedure using a simple example. We consider the binary cyclic code of length three with generator polynomial $g(x) = (1 + x^3 + x^6)$ with message $m(x) = 1 + x^2$. Here $n = 9, k = 3$.

Method 1 This is a non-systematic encoding method. Constructing the generator matrix from the generator polynomial, we get

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

The vector corresponding to $1 + x^2$ is $(1, 0, 1)$. Multiplying by the generator matrix, we get

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

The codeword is $[1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1]$

Method 2 This is a systematic method. We multiply the message polynomial $m(x)$ by x^{n-k} . Here, we multiply $1 + x^2$ by x^6 to get $m(x)x^{n-k} = x^6 + x^8$.

We then find the remainder $r(x)$ on division of $x^{n-k}m(x)$ by $g(x)$. Here we find the remainder on division of $x^8 + x^6$ by $g(x) = 1 + x^3 + x^6$. The remainder is $r(x) = x^5 + x^3 + x^2 + 1$.

Subtracting the remainder $r(x)$ from $x^{n-k}m(x)$ we get $c(x) = x^{n-k}m(x) - r(x)$. $c(x)$ is the code word. Here

$$x^8 + x^6 - (x^5 + x^3 + x^2 + 1) = x^8 + x^6 + x^5 + x^3 + x^2 + 1 = c(x) \text{ is the codeword.}$$

Method 3 This is also a systematic method. From part b) of this exercise,

$$h(x) = 1 + x^3 = h_0 + h_1x + h_2x^2 + h_3x^3 \text{ with } h_0 = 1, h_1 = 0, h_2 = 0 \text{ and } h_3 = 1.$$

Writing down the parity check matrix as given in (4.1), page 128, we get

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

We calculate the codeword $c_0, c_2, c_1, \dots, c_{n-1}$ as follows: Let $(m_0, m_1, \dots, m_{k-1})$ be the message polynomial written as a vector. We let $c_i = m_i$ for $0 \leq i \leq k-1$.

So, $c_0 = m_0 = 1, c_1 = m_1 = 0, c_2 = m_2 = 1$. So, the codeword is

$\mathbf{c} = (1, 0, 1, c_3, c_4, c_5, c_6, c_7, c_8)$. We calculate c_3, c_4, \dots, c_8 by setting $H\mathbf{c}^t = \mathbf{0}$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ c_3 \\ c_4 \\ c_5 \\ c_6 \\ c_7 \\ c_8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_3 + 1 \\ c_4 \\ c_5 + 1 \\ c_3 + c_6 \\ c_4 + c_7 \\ c_5 + c_8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

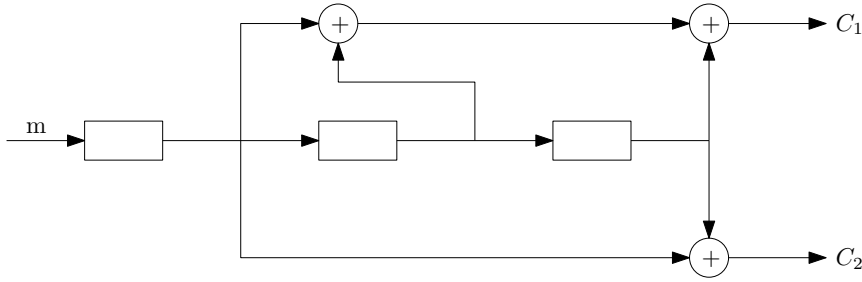


Figure 1: Encoder for convolutional code.

Comparing the first columns, we get $c_3 + 1 = 0$ or $c_3 = 1$. Comparing the second columns, we get $c_4 = 0$. From the third column, we get $c_5 = 1$. From the fourth column, we get $c_3 + c_6 = 0$ or $c_6 = c_3 = 1$. Similarly, we get $c_7 = 0$ and $c_8 = c_5 = 1$. So, the final code word is $\mathbf{c} = (1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1)$.

Solve exercise 213 in page 129 similarly. (11)

d) Find the generating idempotent of the cyclic code of length nine with generator polynomial $x^6 + x^3 + 1$. (**Hint:** See the discussion after Theorem 4.3.2 in page 133.) (4)

- 5) a) Which of the following binary codes are linear?
 i) $\mathcal{C} = \{(0, 0, 0, 0), (1, 0, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 1, 0)\}$
 ii) $\mathcal{C} = \{(0, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 1)\}$

Justify your answer. (3)

- b) Find the minimum distance for each of the codes. (4)
 c) For each of the linear codes, find the degree, a generator matrix and a parity check matrix. (3)

6) a) In this exercise, we will use the data in Example 5.4.3. However, we ask you to decode a different received code word. Let \mathcal{C} be the $[15, 7]$ narrow-sense binary BCH code of designed distance $\delta = 5$, which has defining set $T = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12\}$. The generator polynomial of \mathcal{C} is

$$g(x) = 1 + x^4 + x^6 + x^7 + x^8$$

Suppose that \mathcal{C} is used to transmit a codeword and the received codeword is $x^{11} + x^{10} + x^8 + x^5 + x^4 + x^2 + 1$. Find the transmitted code word. (7)

b) Let \mathcal{C} be the $[5, 2]$ ternary code generated by

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find the weight enumerator $W_{\mathcal{C}}(x, y)$ of \mathcal{C} . (3)

c) Find the convolutional code for the message 11011. The convolutional encoder is given in Fig. 1. (5)

d) Draw the Tanner graph of the code \mathcal{C} with parity check matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (5)$$

7) Which of the following statements are true and which are false? Justify your answer with a short proof or a counterexample. (10)

- i) If two codes \mathcal{C}_1 and \mathcal{C}_2 are permutation equivalent, then the punctured codes \mathcal{C}_1^* and \mathcal{C}_2^* obtained from \mathcal{C}_1 and \mathcal{C}_2 , respectively, are also permutation equivalent.
- ii) There is no linear self orthogonal code of odd length.
- iii) There is no 3-cyclotomic coset modulo 121 of size 25.
- iv) There is no duadic code of length 15 over \mathbf{F}_2 .
- v) There is no LDPC code with parameters $n = 16$, $c = 3$ and $r = 5$.