

# LINEAR CODES

$$C \subseteq \{0,1\}^n$$

number of codewords

I.  $C$  has  $(n, M, d)$  parameters  
length of codewords      minimum distance  
*in general inefficient to calculate*

## II. ENCODING

$m_0 \rightarrow c_0$   
 $\vdots$   
 $m_M \rightarrow c_M$

} this table needs to be stored to encode with general  $C$

## III. DECODING

for each received  $w$  we need to find  $c \in C$  that is closest to  $w$  in Hamming distance. } need to compare to each  $c \in C$

LINEAR CODES - All tasks I.-III. are much more efficient.

### DEFINITION

Code  $C$  is linear if two conditions hold:

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(1.)  $\forall x, y \in C \Rightarrow x \oplus y \in C$   $\oplus \text{ mod } 2$  (bitwise add)

$$x = (x_0, \dots, x_{n-1})$$

$$y = (y_0, \dots, y_{n-1})$$

$$x + y = (x_0 + y_0, x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_{n-1} + y_{n-1})$$

(2.)  $\forall k \in \{0, \dots, q-1\}$   
 $\downarrow$   
for  $q$ -ary codes

$\forall x \in C : k \cdot x \in C$

$C = (c_0, \dots, c_{n-1})$

$k \cdot C = (k \cdot c_0, \dots, k \cdot c_{n-1})$

Ex. 2.6.1

$C = \{00000, 00110, 10010, 10001, 10100, 00011, 10111, 00101\}$

$\swarrow$        $\swarrow$   
10100      00011

code is linear!

How to calculate the minimum distance  $d$  of a linear code  $C$ .

$H(00110, 10010) = 2$

$H(w, w')$   
 $\parallel$

$H(00110 + 00110, 10010 + 00110) = 2$

$H(w + w, w' + w)$   
 $\parallel$

$H(00000, 10100)$

$H(0, w' + w)$

$$H(00000, 10100)$$

$$H(0, w+w)$$



To calculate  $d$  we need to find the codeword  $c \in C$  with the smallest weight (number of non-zero positions).

## ENCODING

$$M = q^k \text{ (for binary } 2^k \text{)}$$

length  $\downarrow$  size of subspace  $\swarrow$   
 $[n, k]$

For each linear code  $C$  you can find a basis of size  $k$ . That means there are  $k$  codewords, such that all codewords can be written as a linear combination of the so codewords.

$$C = \{ \underbrace{00000}_{1}, \underbrace{00110}_{2}, \underbrace{10010}_{3}, \underbrace{10001}_{4}, \underbrace{0100}_{1+2}, \underbrace{00011}_{2+3}, \underbrace{10111}_{1+3}, \underbrace{00101}_{1+2+3} \}$$

$\left. \begin{matrix} 1 & 00110 \\ 2 & 10010 \\ 3 & 10001 \end{matrix} \right\}$  linearly independent  $\Rightarrow$  they form a basis of  $C$

$$C = \{ \underbrace{000}_{1}, \underbrace{111}_{2}, \underbrace{222}_{3} \}$$

I.  $\checkmark$   $\checkmark$   $\checkmark$

$(+, \cdot)$  are from  $\mathbb{F}_q \pmod q$  for  $q$  prime  
 $\therefore (000) = (000) + C$

I. ✓

II.  $k \in \{0, 1, 2\}$

$$2 \cdot (000) = (000) \in C$$

$$2 \cdot (111) = (222) \in C$$

$$2 \cdot (222) = (444) = (111) \in C$$

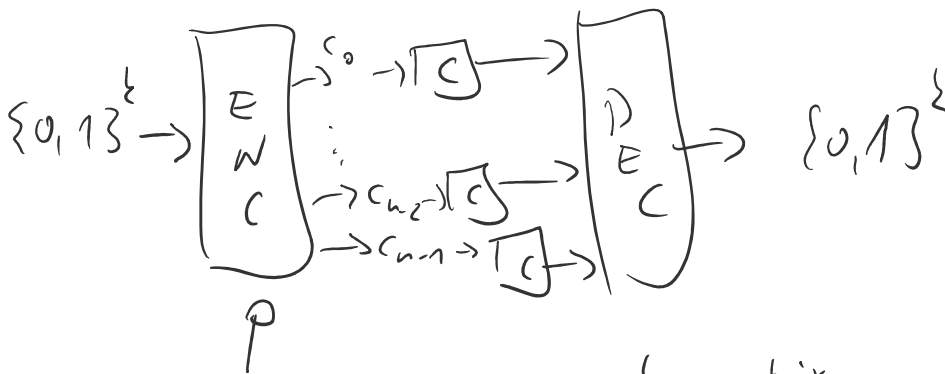
for  $q$  prime

$\}^k \Rightarrow k=1$  basis is  $\{111\}$   $[n, k]$  size of subspace  $M = 2^k$

$C \in \{0, 1, 2\}^n, |C| = q$  basis has  $\sum$  vectors  $\{b_1, b_2\}$  size of code word

$$\text{and each } c = k_1 \cdot b_1 + k_2 \cdot b_2$$

$$k_i \in \{0, 1, 2\}$$



Matrix  $G = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ \vdots \\ b_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$  is a generating matrix of

a linear code with basis  $= \{b_0, \dots, b_{k-1}\}$

To encode message  $m \in \{0, 1, 2\}^k$

calculate

$$m \cdot G = (m_0, \dots, m_{k-1}) \cdot G = (c_0, \dots, c_{n-1})$$

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 00110 \\ 10010 \\ 10001 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m_1 \cdot G = \underline{(001)} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 00110 \\ 10010 \\ 10001 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m_1 = 001$$

$$m_2 = 101$$

$$= (0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1)$$

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$$(10001) = c_1$$

$$m_3 = 011 = \dot{b}_2 + \dot{b}_3 = (00011)$$

$$m_2 \cdot G = (101) \cdot G = (10111) = c_2$$

For encoding we do not need a lookup table. We only need to store the generating matrix  $G$ . **EFFICIENT.**

Normal form of a code  $G$

$$G = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} I_k & A \end{array} \right)$$

$k \times k$  identity matrix

$k \times (n-k)$  matrix (checksum matrix)

How to obtain a normal form?

Start from an arbitrary  $G$  of code  $C$ ,

use the following operations:

a.) permutation of rows

b.) multiplication of a row by a non-zero scalar  
 c.) addition of rows

change of basis

→ d.) multiplication of columns by a non-zero scalar

e.) permutation of columns

different but equivalent code

$G = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  ... operations a-e such that  $G' = \begin{pmatrix} I_3 & | & A \\ \hline (3 \times 3) & & (3 \times 2) \end{pmatrix}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$G'$  is of canonical form and has the same  $[n, k, d]$  parameters as  $G$

Codes with  $G$  in canonical form are called **Systemic**

$(abc) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{(a, b, c, 0, 0)}_{\text{data part (the message)}} \underbrace{(a+b+c)}_{\text{check sum}}$

# Decoding

## Standard array

$$\{C+u \mid C \in \mathcal{C}\} = \text{coset } u \in \{0,1\}^n$$

$\forall u, v$  coset  $u$  and coset  $v$  are either identical or disjoint

Coset leader is an element of a coset with smallest weight.

EX. 2.7

00000	10110	01011	11101	Code is a coset (00000)  $\{C+U\}$ $U \in \{00100, 10010, 01111, 11001\}$ 4 ways to receive 11001 $\{(00000+11001)(10110+01111)\}$ <b>→ NOT A NEW COSET</b> $\{01011 + 10010, 11101 + 00100\}$
00001	10111	01010	11100	
00010	10100	01001	11111	
00100	10010	01111	11001	
01000	11110	00011	10101	
10000	00110	11011	01101	
<del>00110</del>	<del>10000</del>	<del>01101</del>	<del>11101</del>	
11000	01110	10011	00101	
01100	11010	00111	10001	

After constructing the standard array, decoding is as follows.

- I.) Receive  $w$
- II.) Find  $w$  in the standard array.
- III.) ...

II.) Find  $w$  in the syndrome array.

III.) Find coset leader  $l_w$  of  $w$ .

IV.) Coset leader contains positions of errors  
ie. decode as  $w + l_w$ .

## Syndrome decoding

DUAL CODE  $C^\perp$  of  $C$

Scalar product

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = (x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n) \pmod{2}$$

$\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$  are perpendicular

$$\text{if } \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = 0$$

$$C^\perp = \{w \in \{0,1\}^n \mid w \cdot c = 0, \forall c \in C\}$$

if  $C$  is of dimension  $k$  then  $C^\perp$  is of dimension  $n-k$

$$G = I_k \mid A$$

$$H = (-A^T \mid I_{n-k}) \text{ is a generator matrix for } C^\perp$$

more generally  
(mod  $q$ )  
 $q$  prime

A



$$G \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 100 & 0 & 1 & & \\ 010 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \\ 001 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \quad \forall c \in C$$

$$H = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 000 & 1 & 0 & & \\ 111 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \end{array} \right)$$

$$c \cdot H^T = \overbrace{000 \dots 0}^{n-k}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \in C \\ (01001) \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} A^T \\ \left( \begin{array}{c} 01 \\ 01 \\ 01 \\ 10 \\ 01 \end{array} \right) \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \text{scalar product of } c \in C \text{ and } c' \in C^\perp \\ \left( \begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0 \\ \parallel \\ 0 \end{array} \right) \end{matrix}$$

for an error vector  $e$ .

$$\underbrace{(c+e)}_D \cdot H^T = (c \cdot H^T + e \cdot H^T) = \underline{0} + \underbrace{e \cdot H^T}_{\text{Syndrome}}$$

there is a one to one correspondence between syndromes and cosets of  $C$ .

Ex 2.8

$$H = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1101001 & & & & \\ 01111000 & & & & \\ 10011100 & & & & \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1101001 & & & & \\ 1001110 & & & & \\ 0111100 & & & & \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{*} = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1101001 & & & & \\ 1110010 & & & & \\ 0111100 & & & & \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{Find } G \xrightarrow{PP} = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 0111100 & 0 & 0 & & \\ 1110010 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \\ 1101001 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) = (A^T | I)$$

$$G = (I | A) = \left( \begin{array}{cccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$d = 3$$

$e$	$e \cdot H^T$
→ 0000000	000
→ 0000001	100
→ 0000010	001
→ 0000100	011
⋮	⋮
→ 1000000	101

all cosets!

$$H^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$(0000001) \cdot$

Each coset contains  $16 = 2^4$  words  
 8 cosets  $\times 16 = 2^3 \cdot 2^4 = 2^7 =$  all words

receive (1111110)

$$1111110 \cdot H^T = (100)$$

decoded as 111111.

### Hamming code

$(7, 4, 3)$ -Hamming code

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

$$H^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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1000000	001 $\rightarrow$ 1
⋮	⋮

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & . \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & \leftarrow \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} . \\ . \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad 101 \rightarrow 5$$