

20SK – Signals and Codes

Lecture 12 – Binary cyclic codes (2018/12/17)

Topics discussed:

- Relation between vectors and coefficients of polynomials
- Binary arithmetic modulo N
- Binary cyclic codes: properties, generator and parity-check polynomial, construction of generator polynomial, parity-check polynomial.
- Linear codes as binary cyclic codes.
- Relation between cyclic and linear codes.
- Encoding a cyclic code using a shift register.

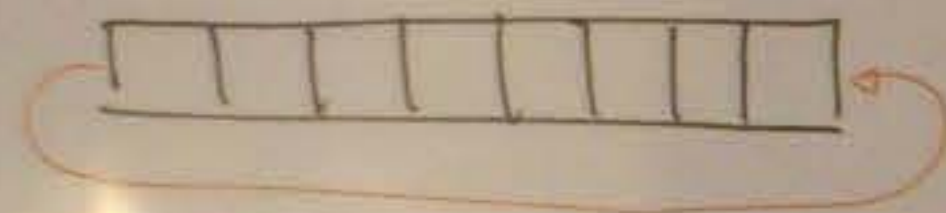
The relevant literature is [1, chapter 3], [2, chapters 10 and 12] and [3, chapter 4].

Resources

- [1] Morelos-Zaragoza, R. H.: The Art of Error-Correcting Coding. 2nd edition, John Wiley & Sons, 2006, 263pp.
- [2] Adámek, J: Foundations of Coding: Theory and Applications of Error-Correcting Codes with an Introduction to Cryptography and Information Theory. Wiley Interscience, 1991, 352 pp.
- [3] Moon, T. K.: Error Correction Coding – Mathematical Methods and Algorithms. Wiley Interscience, 2005, 756 pp.

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but:

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 \cdot a(x) &= x^4 \oplus x^3 \text{ mod } x^4 \oplus 1 \\ &= x^3 \oplus 1 \rightarrow (1001) \end{aligned}$$

why?

$$\begin{array}{r} x^4 \oplus x^3 : x^4 \oplus 1 = 1 \\ \underline{x^4 \oplus 1} \\ x^3 \oplus 1 \dots \text{remainder} \end{array}$$

Construction

n ... length of the code $\Rightarrow x^n \oplus 1$

k ... number of information bits

$$u(x) \cdot g(x) \rightarrow v(x)$$

\hookrightarrow generator polynomial

a) degree $n-k$

b) irreducible

c) divides $x^n \oplus 1$

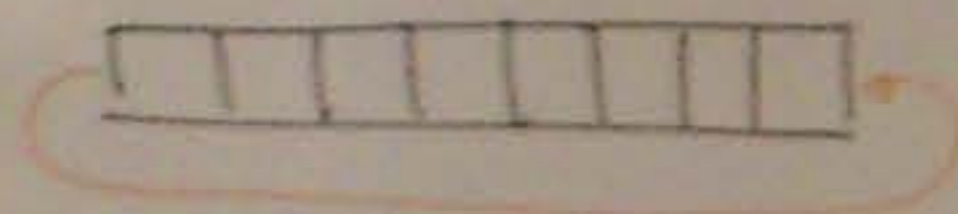
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\hookrightarrow parity check polynomial

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$$\frac{x^4 \oplus x^3 : x^4 \oplus 1 = 1}{x^4 \oplus 1}$$

$$\frac{x^4 \oplus 1}{x^3 \oplus 1} \text{ remainder}$$

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Ex: $n=7$
 $g(x) = x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1$

$\deg(g(x)) = 3 \rightarrow k=4$

$h(x) = x^7 \oplus 1 : x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1 = x^4 \oplus x^2 \oplus x \oplus 1$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^5 \oplus x^4 \oplus 1 \\ x^5 \oplus x^3 \oplus x^2 \end{array}$$

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$$x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1$$

a) encoding $\vec{u} = (0101)$

$u(x) = x^2 \oplus 1$

$v(x) = (x^2 \oplus 1)(x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1) =$
 $= x^5 \oplus x^3 \oplus x^2 \oplus x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1 =$
 $\rightarrow x^5 \oplus x^2 \oplus x \oplus 1$

$\vec{v} = (0100111)$

b) decoding $v(x)$:

$(x^5 \oplus x^2 \oplus x \oplus 1)(x^4 \oplus x^2 \oplus x \oplus 1) =$
 $= x^9 \oplus x^7 \oplus x^6 \oplus x^5 \oplus x^6 \oplus x^4 \oplus x^3 \oplus x^2 \oplus$
 $\oplus x^5 \oplus x^3 \oplus x^2 \oplus x \oplus x^4 \oplus x^2 \oplus x \oplus 1 =$
 $= x^9 \oplus x^7 \oplus x^2 \oplus 1 \pmod{x^3 \oplus 1}$
 $= x^2 \oplus x^2 = 0$

$v(x)$ is a code word!

Generator polynomial $g(x) \rightarrow G$

For our $(7,4)$ code:

$g(x) \sim (0001011)$
 $xg(x) \sim (0010110)$
 $x^2g(x) \sim (0101100)$
 $x^3g(x) \sim (1011000)$

$\rightarrow G = \begin{pmatrix} 0001011 \\ 0010110 \\ 0101100 \\ 1011000 \end{pmatrix}$

Def: (n, k) bin. cyclic code with gen. poly. $g(x)$
 can be transformed into general bin. lin. code as

$G = \begin{pmatrix} g(x) \\ xg(x) \\ \vdots \\ x^{n-k}g(x) \end{pmatrix}$

Construction:

$$w(x) = u(x) \cdot g(x) \pmod{x^n \oplus 1}$$

n ... code length, k ... number of data bits

m ... number of parity bits

$g(x)$: generator polynomial

$$\deg(g(x)) = m$$

$$g(x) \mid x^n \oplus 1 \quad (\text{it divides } x^n \oplus 1)$$

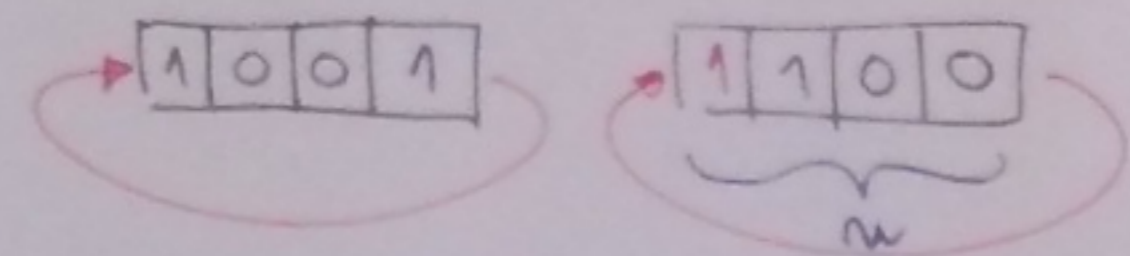
$$\Rightarrow g(x) \cdot h(x) = x^n \oplus 1$$

$h(x)$: parity check polynomial

$$w(x) \cdot h(x) = 0$$

BINARY CYCLIC CODES

- a bit rotation of a code word yields again a code word



Can be represented as polynomials of degree $n-1$

\Rightarrow all operations performed in $\pmod{x^n \oplus 1}$

$$\vec{w} = (1001) \Rightarrow w(x) = 1 \oplus x^3$$

$$\vec{w}' = (0110) \Rightarrow w'(x) = x \oplus x^2$$

Ex: $w = (1001) \Rightarrow w(x) = 1 \oplus x^3$

rotate one bit to the right:

$$w'(x) = x \cdot w(x) = x \oplus x^4 \pmod{x^4 \oplus 1}$$

$$= 1 \oplus x$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^4 \oplus x : x^4 \oplus 1 = 1 \\ \hline x \oplus 1 \end{array} \leftarrow \text{not interesting for us}$$

but this is

rotate 2 bits:

$$w''(x) = x^2 \cdot w(x) = x^2 \oplus x^5 \pmod{x^4 \oplus 1}$$

$$= x \oplus x^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^5 \oplus x^2 : x^4 \oplus 1 = x \\ x^5 \oplus x \\ \hline x^2 \oplus x \end{array}$$

Ex: $w = (1001)$ is a cyclic code

other code words are for sure:

$$(0011)$$

$$(0110)$$

$$(1100)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 001001 \\ \oplus 010001 \\ \hline 011000 \end{array}$$

Cyclic Codes

parity check polynomial:

$$h(x) = \frac{x^m \oplus 1}{g(x)}$$

$$h(x) \cdot g(x) \equiv x^m \oplus 1 \equiv 0$$

Division with remainder: $a(x) = g(x) \cdot (x^m \oplus 1) + r(x)$

How to construct $g(x)$?

$$x^m \oplus 1 = \prod_{i=1}^m \varphi_i(x) \dots \text{irreducible polynomials}$$

$$x^m \oplus 1 = \varphi_1(x) \cdot \varphi_2(x) \cdot \varphi_3(x)$$

or

$$g(x) = \varphi_1(x) \quad h(x) = \varphi_2(x) \cdot \varphi_3(x)$$
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$$h(x) = \varphi_1(x) \cdot \varphi_3(x) \quad \text{dual code}$$

Ex: $m=7$ $x^7 \oplus 1 = (x \oplus 1)(x^3 \oplus x + 1)(x^3 \oplus x^2 \oplus 1)$

$\varphi_1(x) \quad \varphi_2(x) \quad \varphi_3(x)$

$$g(x) = x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1 \quad \text{Hamming!}$$

$$h(x) = \varphi_1(x) \cdot \varphi_3(x) = x^4 \oplus x^3 \oplus x \oplus x^3 \oplus x^2 \oplus 1$$

$$h(x) = x^4 \oplus x^2 \oplus x \oplus 1$$

$$g(x) = \varphi_2(x) \cdot \varphi_3(x) \quad \text{Parity!}$$

$$h(x) = x \oplus 1$$

RELATION TO LINEAR CODES

$$g(x) = g_{m-k} \cdot x^{n-k} \oplus \dots \oplus g_1 \cdot x \oplus g_0 \cdot 1$$

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} g_0 & g_1 & \dots & g_{m-k} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & g_0 & g_1 & \dots & g_{m-k} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ & & & & & & g_{m-k} \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex: $g(x) = x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1$ $n=7, k=4$

$\Rightarrow \vec{g} = (1101) = (g_0, g_1, g_2, g_3)$ $x^6 = g(x) \cdot g(x) \oplus x^2 \oplus 1$

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

non-systematic code

$$\begin{array}{r} x^6 : x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1 = x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1 \\ \underline{x^6 \oplus x^4 \oplus x^3} \\ x^4 \oplus x^3 \\ \underline{x^4 \oplus x^2 \oplus x} \\ x^3 \oplus x^2 \oplus x \\ \underline{x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1} \\ \underline{\underline{x^2 \oplus 1}} \end{array}$$

$x^6 = (x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1) \cdot g(x) \oplus x^2 \oplus 1$
 $x^6 = g(x) \cdot g(x) \oplus x^2 \oplus 1$
 coincidence

→ systematic code?

parity sub-matrix:

$$\begin{array}{l} r_0(x) = x^{n-1} \pmod{g(x)} \rightarrow r_0 \\ r_1(x) = x^{n-2} \pmod{g(x)} \rightarrow r_1 \\ \vdots \\ r_{k-1}(x) = x^{n-k} \pmod{g(x)} \rightarrow r_{k-1} \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \begin{bmatrix} r_0 \\ r_1 \\ \dots \\ r_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex: $g(x) = x^3 \oplus x \oplus 1$ $n=7$; $k=4 = n - \deg[g(x)]$

$r_0(x) = x^6 \pmod{g(x)} = x^2 \oplus 1$	$\vec{r}_0 = (101)$
$r_1(x) = x^5 \pmod{g(x)} = x^2 \oplus x \oplus 1$	$\vec{r}_1 = (111)$
$r_2(x) = x^4 \pmod{g(x)} = x^2 \oplus x$	$\vec{r}_2 = (011)$
$r_3(x) = x^3 \pmod{g(x)} = x \oplus 1$	$\vec{r}_3 = (110)$

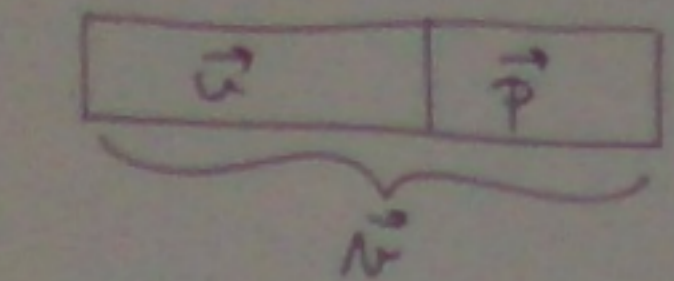
$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

systematic!

Systematic encoding of cyclic code:

(n, k) code: $u(x)$: $\deg[u(x)] = k-1$

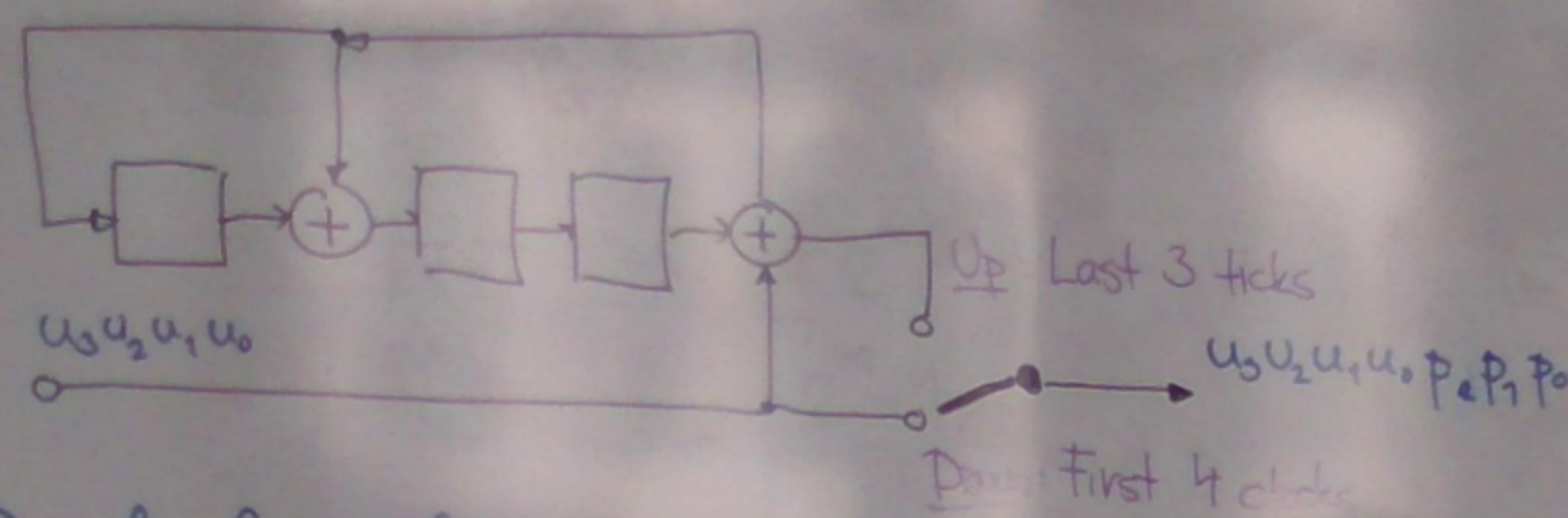
$\Rightarrow v(x) = u(x) \cdot g(x)$
 $= u(x) \oplus x^k \cdot p(x)$



Ex: $u(x) = x^3 \oplus x$ | $p(x) = x \oplus 1$
 $k=4, n=7$
 $\vec{v} = (0101110)$

$v(x) = u(x) \oplus x^4 \cdot p(x) =$
 $= x^3 \oplus x \oplus x^4(x \oplus 1)$
 $= x^5 \oplus x^4 \oplus x^3 \oplus x$

Ex: Systematic encoder for Hamming (7,4)



Decoder for cyclic codes

\rightarrow syndrome decoding
 table: syndrome poly. $\underline{s(x)} \rightarrow$ error poly. $\underline{e(x)}$

$v(x) = u(x) \cdot g(x)$
 $w(x) = v(x) \oplus e(x)$
 $w(x) \cdot h(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{x^n \oplus 1}$

decoder: $w(x) : g(x) =$
 $= v(x) : g(x) \oplus e(x) : g(x)$
 $= \oplus \oplus \boxed{s(x)}$

Ex: Mapping table for Hamming (7,4)

$e(x)$	$s(x)$
0	0
1	1
x^2	x
x^3	x^2
x^4	$x \oplus 1$
x^6	$x^2 \oplus 1$

\downarrow corrects single err
 \downarrow
 $e(x) = x^i$
 not practical for high t

Trick: Maggit (1960)

$w(x) \rightarrow w^{(i)}(x) \equiv x \cdot w(x) \pmod{x^n \oplus 1}$
 $s(x) \rightarrow s^{(i)}(x) \equiv x \cdot s(x) \pmod{x^n \oplus 1}$

\Rightarrow a shift of $w(x)$ shifts also the $s(x)$

Maggit decoder

for cyclic code of length n , checks all n shifts of $w(x)$ against syndromes with $\deg[e(x)] = \max$.

\hookrightarrow only $x^6 \Leftrightarrow x^2 \oplus 1$ for Hamming ($n=7$)
 but $x^{14} \dots x^{13} \oplus x^{14} = e(x)$ for Golay ($n=15$)

Maggit algorithm:

- max all m bits of $w(x)$ into LSR
- compute $s(x)$ while shifting by $w(x) = g(x)$
- if $s(x) = 0 \Rightarrow$ do nothing
else: check for $s(x)$ pattern
if match: add $e(x)$ to the current $w(x)$
 $w^{(i)} \leftarrow w^{(i)} \oplus e(x)$
- continue shifting

\Rightarrow most significant bit is the one that contains error
 most sig. bit: $N = (0100101)$ **MSB**

Ex: $\vec{w} = (00100101)$
 $\vec{w}' = (00110101)$

- 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 $\rightarrow s(x) \neq 0$, no match
- 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 \rightarrow —||—
- 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 \rightarrow —||—
- 1 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 \rightarrow —||—
- 0 1 0 1 0 0 1 1 $\rightarrow s(x)$ matches
 Golay: 01011010
- 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 1
- etc

Can we construct a cyclic code with given \underline{t} and \underline{k} ?
 \uparrow number of corrected errors

BCH codes (Bose, Chaudhuri, Hocquenghem 1960)

- given: $m, m \geq 3; t < 2^{m-1}$
- provides:
- block length $n = 2^m - 1$
 - parity symbols $n - k \leq m \cdot t$
 - min. dist. $d_{min} \geq 2 \cdot t + 1$
 - generator polynomial d_{min} may be higher!

Reed-Solomon codes (1960)

- \rightarrow a BCH with s bit long symbols
- widely used: cca since 1970 (decoding)
- storage (SSD, RAID) CD, DVD, BD
 - wireless networks (WiMAX)
 - satellite communications (DVB-S, NASA)
 - bar-codes (QR)
 - ADSL, xDSL