



# Application of Coset in Error Correction

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## Coding of Binary Information and Error Detection

- The basic unit of information called a **message** which is finite sequence of characters from a finite alphabet. Here, our alphabet set is  $B = 0, 1$ .
- Basic unit of information, called **word**, is a sequence of  $m$  0's or 1's.

- The set  $B = \{0, 1\}$  is forming a **group** under the operation '+' defined as:

+	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	0

- $B^m = B \times B \times B \cdots \times B$  is group under the operation  $\oplus$  defined as  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) \oplus (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m) = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, \dots, x_m + y_m)$  and the **identity element** of  $B^m = (0, 0, \dots, 0) = \bar{0}$
- Elements of  $B^m$  will be written as  $b_1, b_1, \dots, b_m$
- Sender sends  $x \in B^n$  and the receiver receives  $x_t \in B^n$ . Due to **Noise**  $x \neq x_t$ . Hence, if noise exists then  $x_t$  can be any element in  $B^n$ .
- Basic task** is to reduce the likelihood of receiving data. **How?**

# Definition

- **Encoding function (m,n)** Choose  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $n > m$  and a **one to one** function  $e : B^m \mapsto B^n$
- **Decoding function (n,m)** associated with an encoding function  $e$  is an **onto** function  $d : B^n \mapsto B^m$

# Definition

- $(B^n, \oplus)$  is a group
- An  $(m,n)$  Encoding function  $e : B^m \mapsto B^n$  is called **Group Code** if  $e(B^m) = \{e(b) | b \in B^m\} = \text{Range}(e)$  is a subgroup of  $(B^n, \oplus)$

# Generating Group Code

- **Minimum distance of a group code**

**Theorem 1:** Given  $e : B^m \mapsto B^n$  is a group code. The **minimum distance of  $e$**  is the minimum weight of the nonzero code word.

- **Theorem 2:** Let  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $\mathbf{E}$  be  $m \times p$  Boolean matrices, and let  $\mathbf{F}$  be a  $p \times n$  Boolean matrix. Then  $(\mathbf{D} \oplus \mathbf{E}) \star \mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{D} \star \mathbf{F}) \oplus (\mathbf{E} \star \mathbf{F})$

- **Theorem 3:** Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $m < n$  and  $r = n - m$  and let  $\mathbf{H}$  be an  $n \times r$  Boolean matrix. Then the function  $f_H : B^n \mapsto B^r$  defined by  $f_H(x) = x \star \mathbf{H}$  where  $x \in B^n$  is a homomorphism from the group  $B^n$  to  $B^r$ .

- **Corollary 3.1:**  $N = \{x | x \in B^n, x \star \mathbf{H} = 0\}$  is a normal subgroup of  $(B^n, \oplus)$ .

# Parity Check Matrix and Encoding function

- **Parity check matrix** An  $n \times r$  Boolean matrix defined as  $\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & \dots & h_{1r} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & \dots & h_{2r} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ h_{m1} & h_{m2} & \dots & h_{mr} \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  where

the last  $r$  rows is a identity matrix  $I_r$ .

- **Encoding function using parity check matrix:**  $e_H : B^m \mapsto B^n$ . Let  $b = b_1 b_2 \dots b_m$  and  $x = e_H(b) = b_1 b_2 \dots b_m x_1 x_2 \dots x_r$  where

$$x_1 = b_1 \cdot h_{11} + b_2 \cdot h_{21} + \dots + b_m \cdot h_{m1}$$

$$x_2 = b_1 \cdot h_{12} + b_2 \cdot h_{22} + \dots + b_m \cdot h_{m2}$$

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$$x_r = b_1 \cdot h_{1r} + b_2 \cdot h_{2r} + \dots + b_m \cdot h_{mr}$$

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- **Theorem** Let  $x = y_1 y_2 \dots y_m x_1 x_2 \dots x_r \in B^n$ . Then  $x \star H = 0 \leftrightarrow x = e_H(b), b \in B^m$ 
  - **Corollary**  $e_H(B^m) = \{e_H(b) | b \in B^m\}$  is a sub group of  $B^n$

## Example of Encoding

- Given the group code  $e_H : B^2 \mapsto B^5$  then  $m = 2, n = 5$  and the parity check matrix

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

- $B^2 = \{00, 01, 10, 11\}$ .
- Then  $e(00) = 00x_1x_2x_3$  where  $b_1 = b_2 = 0$  and  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  can be obtained from the  $\mathbf{H}$  matrix.  
 $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$ . Hence,  $e(00) = 00000$
- Similarly,  $e(10) = 10x_1x_2x_3$  where  $b_1 = 1, b_2 = 0$  and  
 $x_1 = x_2 = 1, x_3 = 0$ . Hence,  $e(01) = 10110$
- In the same way,  $e(01) = 01x_1x_2x_3$  where  $b_1 = 0, b_2 = 1$  and  
 $x_1 = 0, x_2 = x_3 = 1$ . Hence,  $e(01) = 01011$
- Finally,  $e(11) = 11x_1x_2x_3$  where  $b_1 = 1, b_2 = 1$  and  
 $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 1$ . Hence,  $e(01) = 11101$
- Minimum distance of this group code (2,5) is 3 (**Why this distance?**)



## Definition

- **Maximum likelihood decoding function:** Given  $e_H : B^m \mapsto B^n$ . Let us list the code words in a fixed order:  $x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(2^m)}$
- Let  $x_t$  be the received word and compute  $\delta(x^{(i)}, x_t) \forall i = 1$  to  $2^m$  and choose the first code word,  $x^{(s)}$  such that  $\min \delta(x^{(i)}, x_t) = \delta(x^{(s)}, x_t) \forall i = 1$  to  $2^m$ . Hence,  $x^{(s)}$  is the closest code to  $x_t$  and the first in the list  $x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(2^m)}$
- Let  $x^{(s)} = e(b)$ . Then **maximum likelihood decoding function  $d$**  associated with  $e$  by  $d(x_t) = b$  where  $x_t$  is the received word.
- The maximum likelihood decoding function  $d$  depends on the order  $x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(2^m)}$ .
- **Theorem:** Given that  $e$  is an  $(m, n)$  encoding function and  $d$  is the maximum likelihood decoding function associated with  $e$ . Then  $(e, d)$  can correct  $k$  or fewer errors if and only if the minimum distance of  $e$  is at least  $2k + 1$ .

# Coset Leader

- Let  $e : B^m \mapsto B^n$  be an  $(m, n)$  encoding function.  $N$  is set of code words in  $B^n$  such that  $N = \{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(2^m)}\}$
- Let  $x = e(b)$  where  $b \in B^m$  is transmitted and received as  $x_t \in B^n$ . Left coset of  $N$  is  $x_t + N = \{x_t + x^{(1)}, x_t + x^{(2)}, \dots, x_t + x^{(2^m)}\} = \{\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_{2^m}\}$  where  $\epsilon_{2^i} = x_t \oplus x^{(i)}$ .
  - Distance between the received code word  $x_t$  and  $x^{(i)}$  is  $|\epsilon_i|$
  - $\epsilon_j$  is a coset member with smallest weight, then  $x^{(j)}$  must be the code word that is closest to  $x_t$ . Here,  $x^j = \bar{0} \oplus x^j = x_t \oplus x_t \oplus x^j = x_t \oplus \epsilon_j$
  - **Coset Leader** An element  $\epsilon_j$  having the smallest weight, called the *Coset leader*.
    - *Coset leader may not be unique*

## Basic Decoding function

- Given  $e : B^m \mapsto B^n$  is a group code and sender sends the data  $b$  encoded as  $x = e(b)$  to the receiver.
- **Step 1:** Determine all the left cosets of  $N = e(B^m)$
- **Step 2:** For each coset, find the coset header (a word with smallest weight)
- **Step 3:** Determine in which coset of  $N$ ,  $x_t$  belongs. [ As  $N$  is normal subgroup of  $B^n$ , due to partition of  $N$ ,  $x_t$  will be in exactly one coset among  $2^{n-m}$  ]
- **Step 4:** Let  $\epsilon$  be the coset leader as determined in Step 3. Compute  $x = x_t \oplus \epsilon$ . If  $e(b) = x$ , then  $d(x_t) = b$ . Hence, receiver decodes  $x_t$  as  $b$ .
- The **main problem of this algorithm** is the calculation of the entire table containing all the coset elements.

## Syndrome of a code word

- **Theorem:** Given  $m, n, r = n - m$  and  $f_H : B^n \mapsto B^m$  and defined as  $f_H(x) = x \star H$ , then  $f_H$  is onto function.
- **Syndrome of  $x$ :**  $B^r$  and  $B^n/N$  are isomorphic where  $N = \ker(f_H) = e_H(B^m)$  under the homomorphism  $g : B^n/N \mapsto B^r$  defined by  $g(xN) = f_H(x) = x \star H$ . Here, the element  $x \star H$  called the *Syndrome of  $x$* .
- **Theorem:** Let  $x, y \in B^n$ . Then  $x$  and  $y$  are same left coset of  $N$  in  $B^n$  if and only if  $f_H(x) = f_H(y)$ , that is if and only if  $x$  and  $y$  have the same syndrome.

# Modified Decoding function

- Given  $e : B^m \mapsto B^n$  is a group code and sender sends the data  $b$  encoded as  $x = e(b)$  to the receiver.
- **Step 1:** Determine all the left cosets of  $N = e_H(B^m)$  in  $B^n$ .
- **Step 2:** For each coset find the coset leader and find the syndrome of all coset leaders.
- **Step 3:** If  $x_t$  is the received, compute the syndrome of  $x$  and find the coset leader  $\epsilon$  having the same syndrome. Then  $x_t \oplus \epsilon = x$  is a code word  $e_H(b)$  and  $d(x_t) = b$ .
- Here, we do not need to keep the entire table of cosets.

## Example 1

Given the  $(3, 6)$  group  $e_H : B^3 \mapsto B^6$  and consider the parity matrix  $\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

The encoding function

$e(x)$	$e(000)$	$e(001)$	$e(010)$	$e(011)$	$e(100)$	$e(101)$	$e(110)$	$e(111)$
$x \in N$	000000	001011	010101	011110	100110	101101	110011	111000

The Syndrome Coset Leader table

Syndrome of Coset Leader ( $x \star H$ )	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
Coset Leader ( $\epsilon_i$ )	000000	000001	000010	001000	00100	010000	100000	001100

- Sender send the data  $b = 011 \in B^3$  encoded as  $x = e(011) = 011110$
- Receiver receives the data  $x_t = 011110$ 
  - Step 1: Calculate the syndrome of  $x_t$  as  $f_H(x_t) = x_t \star H = 011110 \star H = 101$
  - Step 2: Using the Coset Leader table, the coset header is  $\epsilon = 010000$
  - Step 3: Finally, compute  $x = x_t \oplus \epsilon = 001110 \oplus 010000 = 011110$  and the data is  $b = e^{-1}(011110) = 011$

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- Sender send the data  $b = 001 \in B^3$  encoded as  $x = e(001) = 001011$
- Receiver receives the data  $x_t = 011011$ 
  - Step 1: Calculate the syndrome of  $x_t$  as  $f_H(x_t) = x_t \star H = 011011 \star H = 101$
  - Step 2: Using the Coset Leader table, the coset header is  $\epsilon = 010000$
  - Step 3: Finally, compute  $x = x_t \oplus \epsilon = 011011 \oplus 010000 = 001011$  and the data is  $b = e^{-1}(001011) = 001$

**1 bit error message corrected by Receiver**

# Example 3

Given the (3, 6) group  $e_H : B^3 \mapsto B^6$  and consider the parity matrix  $H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

The encoding function

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- Sender send the data  $b = 010 \in B^3$  encoded as  $x = e(010) = 010101$
- Receiver receives the data  $x_t = 011111 \in B^6$ 
  - Step 1: Calculate the syndrome of  $x_t$  as  $f_H(x_t) = x_t \star H = 011111 \star H = 001$
  - Step 2: Using the Coset Leader table, the coset header is  $\epsilon = 000001$
  - Step 3: Finally, compute  $x = x_t \oplus \epsilon = 001110 \oplus 010000 = 011110$  and the data is  $b = e^{-1}(011110) = 011$ .

**Wrong data accepted by Receiver. But why?**



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Thanks for your attention