

Sample Assignment 4
Decoding of Linear Block Codes / Performance

Question 1

We want to design a binary linear cyclic code of length $n=31$ using the minimal polynomials of $\text{GF}(32)$ with respect to $\text{GF}(2)$ associated to the conjugacy classes of α^5 and α^{15} .

- (a) What is the generator polynomial $g(X)$?
- (b) What is the parity check polynomial $h(X)$?
- (c) What is the rate of the code?
- (d) If $m(X) = 1+X^2+X^7$, what is the codeword polynomial assuming that the code is non-systematic?
- (e) Repeat (d) assuming that the code is systematic?
- (f) What is the encoder structure for non-systematic encoding?
- (g) What is the encoder structure for systematic coding?
- (h) Based on the BCH bound, what is the lower bound on the minimum distance of this code?

Question 2

Is it possible to design a binary linear cyclic code of length $n=4$? $n=6$? $n=12$? What can you conclude about linear binary cyclic codes with even length? Why?

Question 3

Find the generator polynomial for a binary linear cyclic code of length 15 with $d_{min} \geq 4$ using $\beta = \alpha^7$ and $b=1$. What is the rate of the code? Draw the non-systematic code generator structure.

Question 4

A binary linear cyclic code of length 15 has $g(X) = X^4+X^3+X^2+X+1$. We are using a systematic encoder.

- (a) Draw the structure of the systematic encoder.
- (b) What is the design distance of this code according to the BCH bound? Explain your answer.
- (c) How many errors can this code correct?
- (d) If $r(X) = 1+X^3$, what is the most likely transmitted codeword?

Minimal polynomials of $\text{GF}(2^m)$ with respect to $\text{GF}(2)$ (including conjugacy class)

$m=2$

1: $X+1$

α, α^2 : X^2+X+1

$m=3$

1: $X+1$

$\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^4$: X^3+X+1

$\alpha^3, \alpha^6, \alpha^5$: X^3+X^2+1

$m=4$

1: $X+1$

$\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^4, \alpha^8$: X^4+X+1

$\alpha^3, \alpha^6, \alpha^{12}, \alpha^9$: $X^4+X^3+X^2+X+1$

α^5, α^{10} : X^2+X+1

$\alpha^7, \alpha^{14}, \alpha^{13}, \alpha^{11}$: X^4+X^3+1

m=5

1: X+1

$$\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^4, \alpha^8, \alpha^{16}: X^5 + X^2 + 1$$

$$\alpha^3, \alpha^6, \alpha^{12}, \alpha^{24}, \alpha^{17}: X^5 + X^4 + X^3 + X^2 + 1$$

$$\alpha^5, \alpha^{10}, \alpha^{20}, \alpha^9, \alpha^{18}: X^5 + X^4 + X^2 + X + 1$$

$$\alpha^7, \alpha^{14}, \alpha^{28}, \alpha^{25}, \alpha^{19}: X^5 + X^3 + X^2 + X + 1$$

$$\alpha^{11}, \alpha^{22}, \alpha^{13}, \alpha^{26}, \alpha^{21}: X^5 + X^3 + X^2 + X + 1$$

$$\alpha^{15}, \alpha^{30}, \alpha^{29}, \alpha^{27}, \alpha^{23}: X^5 + X^3 + 1$$

m=6

1: X+1

$$\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^4, \alpha^8, \alpha^{16}, \alpha^{32}: X^6 + X + 1$$

$$\alpha^3, \alpha^6, \alpha^{12}, \alpha^{24}, \alpha^{52}, \alpha^{41}: X^6 + X^4 + X^2 + X + 1$$

$$\alpha^5, \alpha^{10}, \alpha^{20}, \alpha^{40}, \alpha^{17}, \alpha^{34}: X^6 + X^5 + X^2 + X + 1$$

$$\alpha^7, \alpha^{14}, \alpha^{28}, \alpha^{56}, \alpha^{49}, \alpha^{35}: X^6 + X^3 + 1$$

$$\alpha^9, \alpha^{18}, \alpha^{36}: X^3 + X^2 + 1$$

$$\alpha^{11}, \alpha^{22}, \alpha^{44}, \alpha^{25}, \alpha^{50}, \alpha^{37}: X^6 + X^5 + X^3 + X^2 + 1$$

$$\alpha^{13}, \alpha^{26}, \alpha^{52}, \alpha^{41}, \alpha^{19}, \alpha^{38}: X^6 + X^4 + X^3 + X + 1$$

$$\alpha^{15}, \alpha^{30}, \alpha^{60}, \alpha^{57}, \alpha^{51}, \alpha^{39}: X^6 + X^5 + X^4 + X^2 + 1$$

$$\alpha^{21}, \alpha^{42}: X^2 + X + 1$$

$$\alpha^{23}, \alpha^{46}, \alpha^{29}, \alpha^{58}, \alpha^{53}, \alpha^{43}: X^6 + X^5 + X^4 + X + 1$$

$$\alpha^{27}, \alpha^{54}, \alpha^{45}: X^3 + X + 1$$

$$\alpha^{31}, \alpha^{62}, \alpha^{61}, \alpha^{59}, \alpha^{55}, \alpha^{47}: X^6 + X^5 + 1$$