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Term-End Examination

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MMTE-005 : CODING THEORY

Time : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Note : (i) *There are six questions in this paper.*

(ii) *The **sixth** question is compulsory.*

(iii) *Do any **four** questions from Question
Nos. 1 to 5.*

(iv) *Show all the relevant steps. Do the
rough work at the bottom or at the
side of the page only.*

(v) *Calculators are **not** allowed.*

1. (a) Consider the codes :

$$\mathbf{C}_1 = \{(0, 0, 0, 0), (1, 0, 1, 0), \\ (0, 1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 1, 0)\} \quad \text{..(A)}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_2 = \{(0, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0), \\ (1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 1)\} \quad \text{..(B)}$$

- (i) Which of the above binary codes are linear ? Justify your answer. 4

- (ii) Find the minimum distance of $\mathbf{C}_1$ and $\mathbf{C}_2$. 4

- (b) Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, q be a power of a prime and $0 \leq s < n$. Define the q -cyclotomic coset of s modulo n . Find the 13-cyclotomic set of 1 modulo 17. 2

2. (a) Define permutation equivalence of linear codes. Check whether the codes C_1 and C_2 with generator matrices

$$G_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } G_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

respectively are permutation equivalent.

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- (b) Define a cyclic code. Check whether the code $\{1110, 0111, 1011\}$ is cyclic. 2

$$0000 \quad 0 \quad 1000 \quad \alpha^3 \quad 1011 \quad \alpha^7 \quad 1110 \quad \alpha^{11}$$

$$0001 \quad \alpha \quad 0011 \quad \alpha^4 \quad 0101 \quad \alpha^8 \quad 1111 \quad \alpha^{12}$$

$$0010 \quad \alpha \quad 0110 \quad \alpha^5 \quad 1010 \quad \alpha^9 \quad 1101 \quad \alpha^{13}$$

$$0100 \quad \alpha^2 \quad 1100 \quad \alpha^6 \quad 0111 \quad \alpha^{10} \quad 1001 \quad \alpha^{14}$$

Table 1 : $\mathbf{F}_{16}$ with primitive element α ,

where $\alpha^4 = \alpha + 1$

- (c) Let $\mathbf{C}_1$ be the $[4, 3, 2]$ binary linear code generated by :

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

and let $\mathbf{C}_2$ be the $[4, 1, 4]$ -binary linear code generated by $[1101]$. Let $\mathbf{C}$ be the code obtained through using $(\mathbf{u} \mid \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})$ construction on the codes $\mathbf{C}_1$ and $\mathbf{C}_2$. Find the generator matrix of $\mathbf{C}$. Also, give the length and the dimension of $\mathbf{C}$.

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- (d) If a polynomial generator matrix of an $[n, k]$ convolutional code $\mathbf{C}$ is basic and reduced, then prove that it is canonical.

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3. (a) Let $\mathbf{C}$ be a narrow-sense binary BCH code of designed distance $\delta = 5$, which has the defining set $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12\}$. Using the primitive 15th root of unity α , where $\alpha^4 = \alpha + 1$, the generator polynomial is $g(x) = 1 + x^4 + x^6 + x^7 + x^8$. Suppose $\mathbf{C}$ is used to transmit a codeword and $y(x) = x^6 + x^{10} + x^{12}$ is received. Find the transmitted codeword. You may find Table 1 useful.

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- (b) Show by a counter example that integers modulo n do not form a field if n is not a prime.

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4. (a) Let $\mathbf{C}$ be the $[5, 2]$ binary code generated by :

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

- (i) Find the weight distribution of $\mathbf{C}$.
- (ii) Find the weight distribution of $\mathbf{C}^\perp$ using MacWilliams identity.

- (b) Let $\mathbf{C}$ be the $\mathbf{Z}_4$ -linear code of length

with generator matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

- (i) List all the 16 codewords in $\mathbf{C}$.
- (ii) List the 16 codewords in the Gray image of $\mathbf{C}$.

5. (a) Find the generator matrix and the parity check matrix for the binary cyclic code of length 7 with generator polynomial $x^3 + x + 1$.

- (b) Let $\alpha = x + \mathbb{F}_2[x]/\langle x^2 + x + 1 \rangle$. Make a table that gives the powers of α as a linear combination of 1, α and α^2 . Use it to write $(\alpha^5 - \alpha^2 + 1)(\alpha + 1)/(\alpha^2 + 1)$ as a linear combination of 1, α and α^2 . 5
6. Which of the following statements are true and which are false ? Justify your answer with short proof or a counter example : 10
- (i) If the weight of each element in the generating matrix of a linear code is at least r , the minimum distance of the code is at least r .
- (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 $r = 5$.

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