

HW2

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0.1 Codes

There are ready made commands for coding theory, including: * constructions of “famous” codes, e.g., Hamming codes and Golay codes * minimum distance * generator and parity check matrix * “famous” bounds such as the sphere packing bound

We illustrate the commands with Hamming codes. q -ary Hamming codes have parameters $n = (q^r - 1)/(q - 1)$, dimension $n - r$ and minimal distance 3.

```
[1]: C1 = codes.HammingCode(GF(4), 2)
      C1
```

```
[1]: [5, 3] Hamming Code over GF(4)
```

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[2]: (4^2-1)/(4-1), C1.minimum_distance()
```

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[2]: (5, 3)
```

```
[3]: C1.generator_matrix()
```

```
[3]: [ 1 0 0 z2 + 1 z2]
      [ 0 1 0 1 1]
      [ 0 0 1 z2 z2 + 1]
```

This is the “famous” binary Hamming code, note that columns represent all possible binary vectors apart 0.

```
[4]: C2 = codes.HammingCode(GF(2), 3)
      C2.parity_check_matrix()
```

```
[4]: [1 0 1 0 1 0 1]
      [0 1 1 0 0 1 1]
      [0 0 0 1 1 1 1]
```

This is the sphere packing bound. So C_1 contains 4^3 codewords and is perfect. Also C_2 contains 2^4 codewords and is perfect.

```
[5]: # parameters: n, q, d
      codes.bounds.hamming_upper_bound(5,4,3), 4^3
```

[5]: (64, 64)

```
[6]: # parameters: n,q,d
codes.bounds.hamming_upper_bound(7,2,3), 2^4
```

[6]: (16, 16)

0.2 Exercise

The goal of this exercise is to construct a generator matrix for the binary Golay [23.12] code. This is based on Example 5.9.1 in the notes. We suggest the following steps: * check that 2 has order 11 modulo 23, * factorize $X^{23} - 1$ over \mathbb{F}_2 , * compute the multiplicative subset I of $(\mathbb{Z}/23\mathbb{Z})^\times$ generated by 2, * construct an extension of \mathbb{F}_2 to find a primitive 23rd root of unity, * using I as defining set, find a generator polynomial * use the generator polynomial to obtain a generator matrix.

Once done, one could further: * put this matrix in systematic form * compute the minimum distance * check the code is perfect.

Exercise 73 in the notes: Check that 2 has order 11 modulo 23 and that $X^{23} - 1$ over \mathbb{F}_2 is the product of three irreducible polynomials.

```
[7]: for i in range(1,12):
      print(i,(2^i)%23)
```

```
1 2
2 4
3 8
4 16
5 9
6 18
7 13
8 3
9 6
10 12
11 1
```

```
[8]: R.<x> = PolynomialRing(GF(2))
      factor(x^(23)-1)
```

```
[8]: (x + 1) * (x^11 + x^9 + x^7 + x^6 + x^5 + x + 1) * (x^11 + x^10 + x^6 + x^5 +
x^4 + x^2 + 1)
```

Example 5.9.1 in the notes. Compute the multiplicative subset I of $(\mathbb{Z}/23\mathbb{Z})^\times$ generated by 2.

```
[9]: I = []
      for i in range(1,12):
          I.append((2^i)%23)
      sorted(I)
```

[9]: [1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 16, 18]

Construct an extension of \mathbb{F}_2 to find a primitive 23rd root of unity.

```
[10]: [(2^t-1)%23 for t in range(1,15)], (2^11-1)/23
```

[10]: ([1, 3, 7, 15, 8, 17, 12, 2, 5, 11, 0, 1, 3, 7], 89)

```
[11]: F2_11.<a> = GF(2^11, modulus="primitive")
      b = a^89
      g = 1
      for i in I:
          g = g*(x-b^i)
      g
```

[11]: $x^{11} + x^9 + x^7 + x^6 + x^5 + x + 1$

Construct a generator matrix for the polynomial of degree 11 computed above.

```
[12]: rw1 = list(x^11 + x^9 + x^7 + x^6 + x^5 + x + 1)
      rw1
```

[12]: [1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1]

```
[13]: rw1 = rw1 + [0]*(23-len(rw1))
      rw1
```

[13]: [1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]

```
[14]: def cyclicshift(l):
      """
          input: list
          output: a cyclic shift by 1 to the right
      """
      ll = [l[-1]]
      ll += l[0:-1]

      return ll
```

```
[15]: rws = [rw1]
      rw = rw1
      for i in range(11):
          nxtrow = cyclicshift(rw)
          rws.append(nxtrow)
          rw = nxtrow

      G1 = matrix(GF(2),rws)
      G1
```

```
[15]: [1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]
[0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]
[0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]
[0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]
[0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0]
[0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0]
```

Put the generator matrix in systematic form.

```
[16]: G1.echelon_form()
```

```
[16]: [1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0]
[0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1]
[0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 1 0 0]
[0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 1 0]
[0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 1]
[0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 0 0 1 1 0 0]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 0 0 1 1 0]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 0 0 1 1]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 1]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 1 0 1]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 1 1 1]
[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1]
```

Compute the minimum distance.

```
[17]: LinearCode(G1)
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[17]: [23, 12] linear code over GF(2)
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```
[18]: LinearCode(G1).minimum_distance()
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[18]: 7
```

Check that the code is perfect.

```
[19]: # parameters: n,q,d
codes.bounds.hamming_upper_bound(23,2,7), 2^12
```

```
[19]: (4096, 4096)
```