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Linear Block Codes IV  
Cyclic Block Codes and CRC

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## Chapter 5: Cyclic Block Codes

Cyclic block codes are (arguably) the historically most important of all error correcting codes and perhaps the most important of all "simple" codes.

All cyclic codes are linear codes.



Why are cyclic codes so popular?

1) reasonably efficient

$$R = \frac{k}{n} \rightarrow \bar{i}$$

2) efficient, low-cost hardware implementations

These codes are implemented using shift registers, EX-OR gates, and feedback.

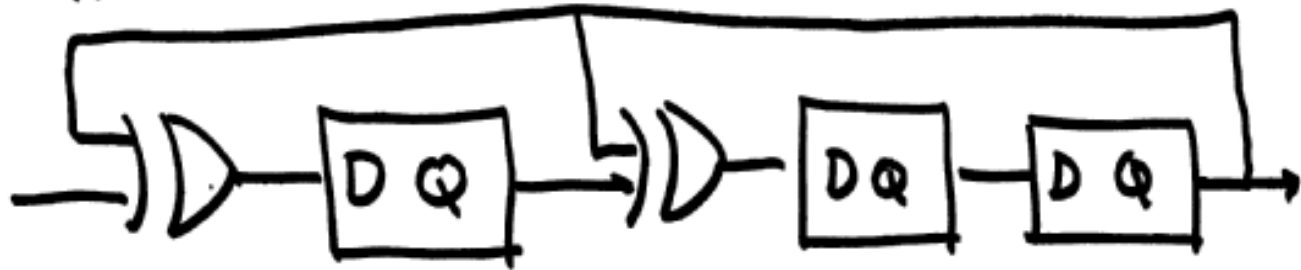


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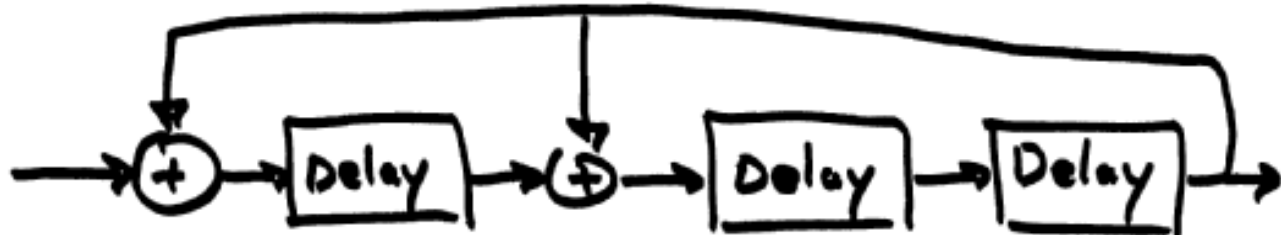
A typical circuit

D-flipflop = "delay flipflop"

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These ckt's are often called "digital filters." ; EX-OR :  $1+1=0$   $0+1=1+0=1$ ,  $0+0=0$   
addition modulo 2



A digital filter voilà!



if we agree that addition means addition modulo 2, then it's not hard to show that the S.R./EX-OR circuit obeys convolution.

a convolution sum

Convolution is the trademark of the linear and time-invariant system.

∴ our feedback shift register circuit is a LTI system provided  $1+1=0$



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The next thing about this is that all our mathematical tools (e.g., transforms) that are useful in analyzing LTI systems can be used to analyze cyclic codes.

(under the constraint that  $1+1=0$ )



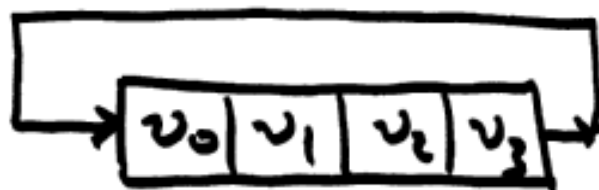
What is a cyclic code?

Concept: cyclic shift

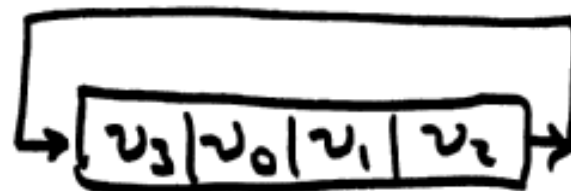
let  $\bar{v} = (v_0 v_1 v_2 v_3)$  <sup>first symbol Tx'd</sup>

The cyclic shift of  $\bar{v}$  is defined to be

$$\bar{v}' = (v_3 v_0 v_1 v_2)$$



time  $t$



time  $t+1$



Let  $C$  be a linear block code

with codewords  $\bar{c} = (c_0 c_1 \dots c_{n-1})$

$$c_i \in \{0, 1\}$$

Example

$$C = \{(0000), (1111)\}$$

$C$  is a cyclic code if and only if

for every  $\bar{c} \in C$ , the cyclic shift of  $\bar{c}$  is also a code vector.

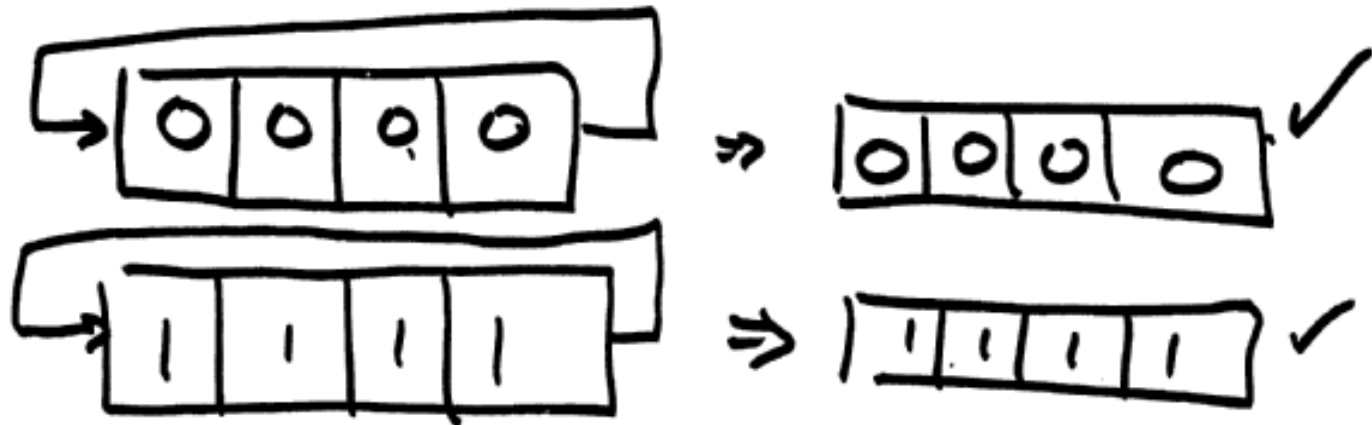




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Is our example a cyclic code?



every  $\bar{c}'$  of a  $\bar{c}$  is  $\in C$

our example is a cyclic code



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another example

$$C = \{ (000.0000), (010.1010), \\ (101.0101), (111.1111) \}$$

This is a linear code

$$\bar{0} \in C, \bar{c}_1 + \bar{c}_2 = \bar{c}_3 \in C$$

is it also a cyclic code?

$$(010.1010) \xrightarrow{\text{cyclic shift}} (001.0101) \notin C$$

∴ not a cyclic code

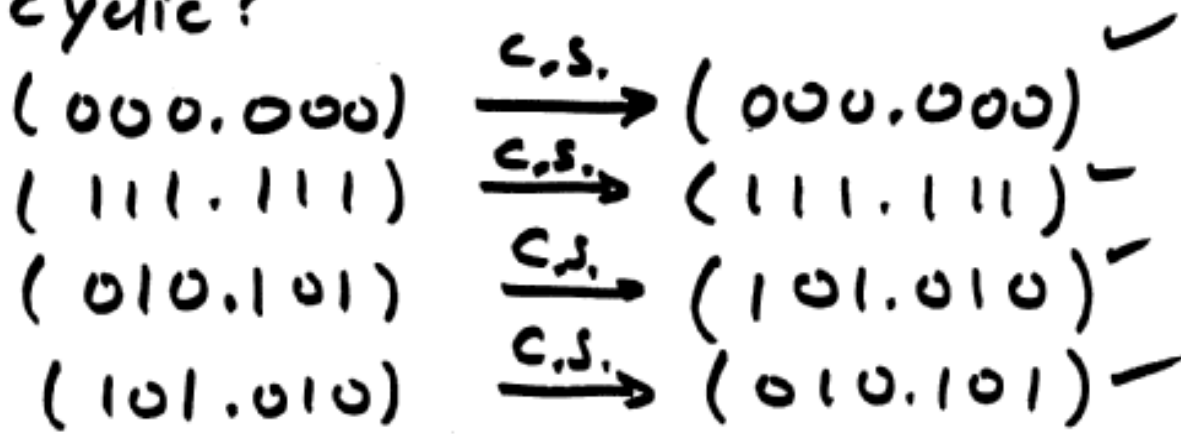


Another example

$$C = \{ (000.000), (010.101), (101.010), (111.111) \}$$

This is also linear.

Is it cyclic?



$\therefore$  cyclic



For all linear block codes, we have

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \bar{c} & = & \bar{m} & \cdot & G \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ 1 \times n & & 1 \times k & & k \times n \end{array}$$

All linear codes can be written either in systematic form  $(c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{r-1}, m_0, m_1, \dots, m_{k-r})$  or in non-systematic form.

For a non-systematic cyclic code, there always exists a  $G$  matrix in the following form.



$$n-k = r$$

$r$  terms

$G$  is  $n \times n$

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} g_0 & g_1 & \cdots & g_{n-k-1} & g_{n-k} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & g_0 & g_1 & \cdots & g_{n-k-1} & g_{n-k} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & g_0 & g_1 & \cdots & g_{n-k-1} & g_{n-k} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & & & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & g_0 & g_1 & \cdots & g_{n-k-1} & g_{n-k} \end{bmatrix} \quad 5.1.1.$$

The rows of this generator matrix are merely cyclic shifts of the  $1 \times n$  basis vector

$$\bar{g} = [g_0 \ g_1 \ \cdots \ g_{n-k-1} \ g_{n-k} \ 0 \ 0 \ \cdots \ 0] \quad 5.1.2.$$



$$\text{let } \bar{g} = (1101000)$$

$$r+1=4 \Rightarrow r=3$$

$$n=7 \Rightarrow k=7-3=4$$

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



Towards The objective of understanding how to do a systematic cyclic code, we introduce the idea of representing our vectors using polynomials.  
 "Hardware model" of this idea:

let  $\vec{v} = (v_0 \ v_1 \ \dots \ v_6)$

bit:      0      1      2      3      4      5      6

$v_0$	$v_1$	$v_2$	$v_3$	$v_4$	$v_5$	$v_6$
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← register

$x^0 \ x^1 \ x^2 \ x^3 \ x^4 \ x^5 \ x^6$

bit position operator:  $x^j \rightarrow j^{\text{th}}$  bit position



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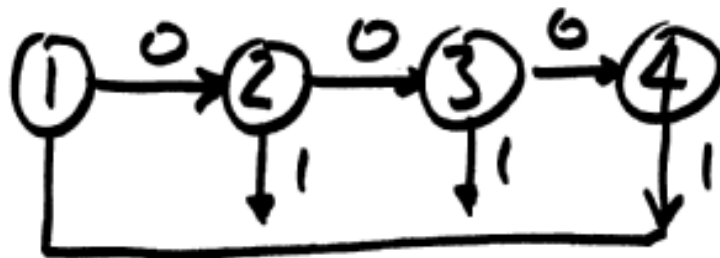
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Comment:

$$(d, k) = (1, 3) \quad n = 3$$

max and min # of possible 3-bit sequences available in this DTC



what is the connection matrix?





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

$n=3$  implies that the vector of possible paths is

$$N(3) = N(0) B^3 \quad [n_1 \ n_2 \ n_3 \ n_4]$$

$$B^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N(0) = [0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0]$$

$$2 \leq n_i \leq 4$$

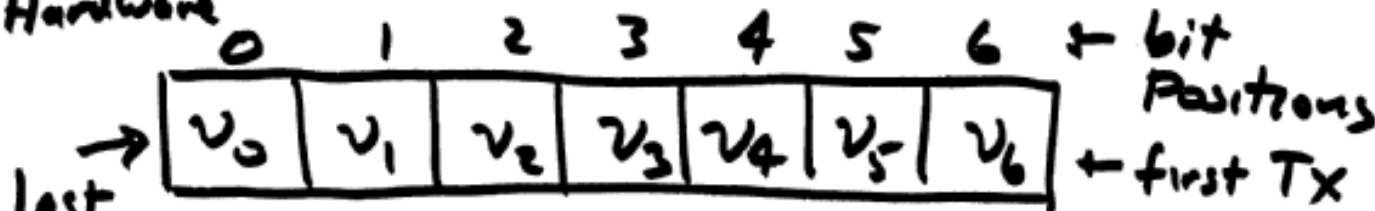


Back to cyclic codes

Last time we introduced the idea of a bit position operator  $\chi^j$

$$\bar{v} = (v_0, v_1, \dots, v_6), v_j \in \{0, 1\}$$

Hardware



last to TX

$\chi^0 \quad \chi^1 \quad \chi^2 \quad \chi^3 \quad \chi^4 \quad \chi^5 \quad \chi^6$  ← bit position operators

$\chi^j \Rightarrow$  bit position  $j$



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Using the bit position operator, we can represent  $\bar{v}$  as a polynomial

$v(x)$

$$v(x) = v_0 x^0 + v_1 x^1 + v_2 x^2 + v_3 x^3 + \dots + v_6 x^6$$

$x$  in high-priced language is called an "indeterminant" by the math dept.

we can't just assume that  $x=0$  or that  $x=1$ .



Polynomial arithmetic w/ this funny bit  
Position operator

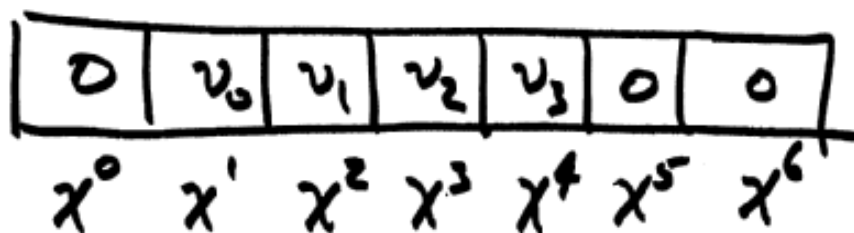
Suppose we have  $\vec{v}$  represented as

$v_0$	$v_1$	$v_2$	$v_3$	0	0	0
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$$v(x) = v_0 x^0 + v_1 x^1 + v_2 x^2 + v_3 x^3$$

What do we get if we multiply  $v(x)$  by  $x^1$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} v(x) \cdot x^1 &= v_0 x^{0+1} + v_1 x^{1+1} + v_2 x^{2+1} + v_3 x^{3+1} \\ &= v_0 x^1 + v_1 x^2 + v_2 x^3 + v_3 x^4 \end{aligned}$$



$x^1 \cdot v(x)$  is  $v(x)$  shifted 1 bit position  
with a "0" shifted in from the left  
into the  $x^0$  position

$\therefore x^1$  is also a shift operator

( $z^{-1}$ )?



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other "funny polynomial" arithmetic rules.

multiplication:

$$(ax^i) \cdot (bx^j) \equiv (a \cdot b) x^{i+j}$$

for  $i+j$ ,  $1+1=2$

↳ regular addition

$a, b \in \{0, 1\}$  then

$$0 \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$1 \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot 1 = 0$$

$$1 \cdot 1 = 1$$

The scalar multiplication is an "AND" function



Addition:

Suppose we have  $ax^i + bx^j$

and  $i \neq j$

bits in 2 different bit positions  
add as a polynomial

$$ax^i + bx^j = ax^i + bx^j \text{ if } i \neq j$$

but, what if  $i = j$ ?

2 bits in the same bit position

add distributively:  $ax^j + bx^j = (a+b)x^j$

$1+1=0$



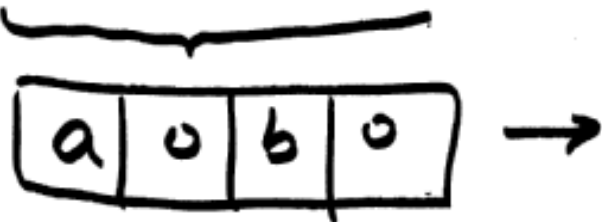
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This means we can do all our normal  
"factoring" types of tricks

suppose  $i < j$

$$ax^i + bx^j = (ax^0 + bx^{j-i})x^i$$



look at

$$\begin{aligned} ax^i + bx^i &= (ax^0 + bx^0)x^i \\ &= (a+b)x^0x^i = (a+b)x^i \end{aligned}$$





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This means  $\chi^0$  is an operator  
multiplicative identity and it acts  
just like "1"

$$v(\chi) = v_0 \chi^0 + v_1 \chi' + v_2 \chi^2$$

$$= v_0 + v_1 \chi + v_2 \chi^2$$

abbreviate  
as

↑ "implied"  $\chi'$   
↑ implied  $\chi^0$



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$$f_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad (11)$$

Generalizing this:

$$g_i \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$\text{let } f(x) = f_0 + f_1 x + f_2 x^2$$

$$g(x) = g_0 + g_1 x + g_2 x^2$$

Then

$$f(x) + g(x) = \underbrace{(f_0 + g_0)}_1 x^0 + \underbrace{(f_1 + g_1)}_1 x + \underbrace{(f_2 + g_2)}_1 x^2$$

$1+1=0$

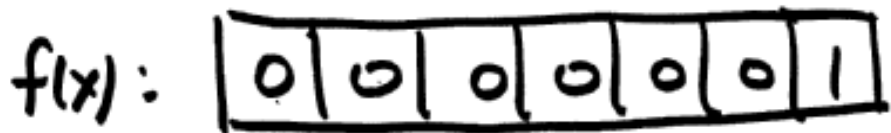
in general

$$f(x) + g(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (f_j + g_j) x^j$$

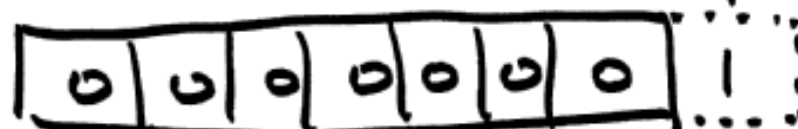


$\chi$  is a shift operator but it is not a cyclic shift operator.

Suppose  $n = 7$  and  $f(x) = x^6$



$$\chi f(x) = \chi \cdot x^6 = x^{1+6} = x^7$$



not a cyclic shift!



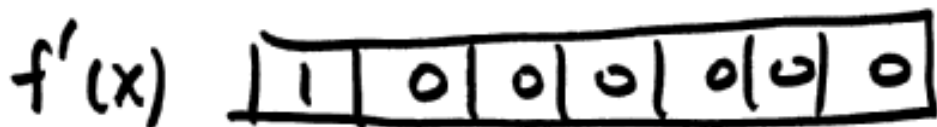
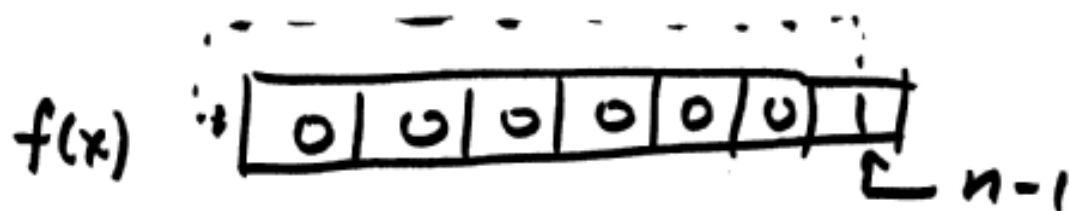
Here's the problem:

Suppose  $f(x)$  is the polynomial representation of a codeword in a cyclic code. Then the cyclic shift of  $f(x)$  — call it  $f'(x)$  — must also be a legal codeword.

How can we represent a cyclic shift using polynomials?



for  $n=7$  and  $f(x) = x^6$ , we have  
to have  $f'(x) = x^0$



$$f'(x) = x^0 = 1 \quad x f(x) = x^7$$



$$n=7$$

I claim that

$$1 = x^7 - (x^7 - 1)$$

but what's this "minus" jazz?

$$1 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow 1 = -1, \quad \underline{\underline{-1 = 1}}$$

$$\therefore -1 = 1 \Rightarrow x^7 - 1 = x^7 + 1$$

$$-(x^7 - 1) = -x^7 + 1 = x^7 + 1$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = x \cdot f(x) - (x^n - 1) = x f(x) + x^n + 1$$

when  $f(x) \neq x^{n-1}$ , if we look at  
 The hardware representation, we find  
 That what we just did on pg 15  
 ends up being equivalent to

$$f'(x) = (x \cdot f(x)) \bmod (x^n - 1)$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{= x^n + 1}$$

$$f(x) = 1$$

$$(x f(x)) \bmod (x^n + 1) = x \bmod x^n + 1 = x$$

What would

$$P(x) = (x^4 + x^2 + x) \bmod (x^4 + 1) \quad \text{be?}$$

long division  $\leftarrow$  quotient

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^4 + 1 \overline{) x^4 + x^2 + x} \\
 \underline{x^4 \phantom{+ x^2} + 1} \phantom{+ x} \\
 0 + x^2 + x + 1
 \end{array}$$

$$P(x) = x^2 + x + 1 \quad \text{remainder}$$





## Polynomial arithmetic: (more)

- objective: get comfortable (and good) at the mechanics of modulo polynomial arithmetic
- why? This arithmetic tells us how to build hardware for encoders and decoders.



Last time we intro'd the cyclic shift and in polynomial form we have

if  $v'(x) = \text{cyclic shift of } (v(x))$

$$\text{and } v(x) = v_0 + v_1x + v_2x^2 + \dots + v_{n-1}x^{n-1}$$

$$v'(x) = xv(x) - v_{n-1}(x^n - 1)$$

since  $v_i \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $1+1=0 \Rightarrow -1=+1$

$$v'(x) = xv(x) + v_{n-1}(x^n + 1)$$



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and This is equivalent to saying

$$v'(x) = x \cdot v(x) \text{ mod } (x^n + 1)$$

Now as it happens,  $x^n + 1$  is not the only polynomial we're interested in as the "modulo" term

Let's consider the more general operation of  $f(x) \text{ mod } g(x)$



a modulo is basically a remainder

$$5 \text{ mod } 2 = 1$$

0	1	2	3	4	5
0	1	0	1	0	1

$$f(x) \text{ mod } g(x) \equiv f(x) / g(x) = r(x)$$

↑  
define notation

↑  
remainder



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Polynomial remainders can be found by the algorithm known as long division

Example:  $f(x) = x^3 + x + 1$

$$g(x) = x^2 + 1$$

find  $f(x)/g(x)$



$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{Quotient } Q(x) \quad \textcircled{6} \\
 \begin{array}{r}
 x \longleftarrow \\
 \hline
 x^2 + 1 \quad \left| \begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + x + 1 \\
 x^3 + x \\
 \hline
 0 + 0 + 1
 \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

$$\uparrow P(x) = x^0$$

Division "in general" for polynomials has to be carefully defined. Let's call the notation for "regular polynomial division"  $f(x) \div g(x)$



$f(x) \div g(x)$  is defined as

$$f(x) = Q(x) \cdot g(x) + P(x)$$

↑ quotient

↑ remainder

$$P(x) = f(x) / g(x)$$

$$Q(x) \cdot g(x) = f(x) - P(x) = f(x) + P(x)$$



more terminology

$$\text{let } f(x) = f_0 + f_1 x + f_2 x^2 + \dots + f_{n-1} x^{n-1}$$

$$f_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad \text{and that } f_{n-1} \neq 0$$

Then the degree of polynomial  $f(x)$

$$\text{is } \deg(f(x)) = n-1$$

now suppose

$$g(x) = g_0 + g_1 x + \dots + g_r x^r$$

$$\text{w/ } g_r \neq 0; \text{ Then } \deg(g(x)) = r < n$$





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in general, if we have

$$P(x) = f(x)/g(x)$$

Then  $\deg(P(x)) < \deg(g(x))$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2+1 \overline{) x^3 + x^2 + 1} \\ \underline{x^3 + \phantom{x^2} + x} \phantom{1} \\ x^2 + x + 1 \\ \underline{x^2 + \phantom{x} + 1} \\ x = P(x) \end{array}$$



some notation convention for what is about to follow: Given  $g(x)$ ,

$$f_1(x) = Q_1(x)g(x) + P_1(x); \quad P_1(x) = f_1(x)/g(x)$$

$$f_2(x) = Q_2(x)g(x) + P_2(x), \quad P_2(x) = f_2(x)/g(x)$$

3 handy identities:

$$1) [Q(x) \cdot g(x)] / g(x) \equiv 0$$

$$2) [f_1(x) + f_2(x)] / g(x) = p_1(x) + p_2(x)$$

Proof:

$$f_1(x) + f_2(x) = Q_1(x)g(x) + p_1(x)$$

$$+ Q_2(x)g(x) + p_2(x)$$

$$= (Q_1(x) + Q_2(x))g(x) + p_1(x) + p_2(x)$$

now

$$[Q_1(x) + Q_2(x)] \cdot g(x) / g(x) = 0$$



in addition

$$\deg(p_1(x)) < \deg(g(x))$$

$$\deg(p_2(x)) < \deg(g(x))$$

$$\therefore \deg(p_1(x) + p_2(x)) < \deg(g(x))$$

$$\therefore (f_1(x) + f_2(x)) / g(x) = p_1(x) + p_2(x)$$

QED



The "theorem" we just saw tells us that the remainder wrt  $g(x)$  of a sum of polynomials is the sum of the individual remainders  $r_i(x)$

Suppose

$$v(x) = v_0 + v_1x + v_2x^2 + \dots + v_{n-1}x^{n-1}$$

where  $n = 7$

and  $g(x) = x^3 + x + 1$

$$v(x) / g(x) = ?$$



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let  $v(x) = x^5 + x^4 + x^2 + 1$   
 $v(x)/g(x)$

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w/  $n = 7$

$x^6/g(x) = x^2 + 1$

$x^5/g(x) = x^2 + x + 1 \leftarrow$   $x^2 + x + 1$

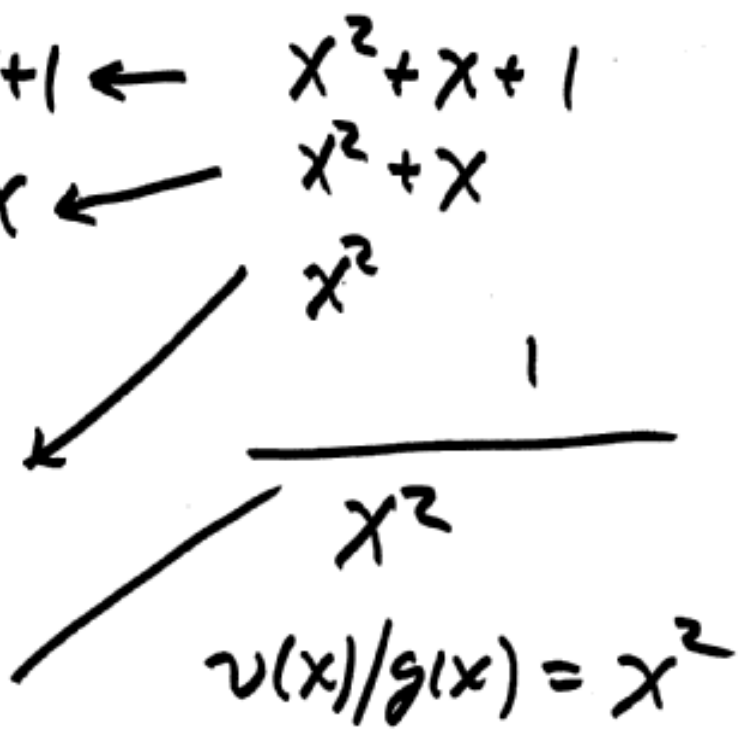
$x^4/g(x) = x^2 + x \leftarrow$   $x^2 + x$

$x^3/g(x) = x + 1$

$x^2/g(x) = x^2$

$x/g(x) = x$

$1/g(x) = 1$



$v(x)/g(x) = x^2$



is  $x^3/g(x)$  really  $= x+1$  ?

$$x^3+x+1 \begin{array}{r} \overline{) x^3} \\ x^3+x+1 \\ \hline x+1 \end{array} \checkmark$$

$r=3$

Handy identity # 3 :

what is

$$\left[ f_1(x) \cdot f_2(x) \right] / g(x) = \left[ p_1(x) \cdot p_2(x) \right] / g(x)$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x) \cdot f_2(x) &= \left[ Q_1(x)g(x) + p_1(x) \right] \cdot \left[ Q_2(x)g(x) + p_2(x) \right] \\ &= Q_1(x)Q_2(x)g(x)g(x) \\ &\quad + Q_1(x)p_2(x)g(x) + Q_2(x)p_1(x)g(x) \\ &\quad + p_1(x) \cdot p_2(x) \end{aligned}$$





$$\therefore [f_1(x) \cdot f_2(x)] / g(x) = 0 + 0 + 0 \\ + (p_1(x) \cdot p_2(x)) / g(x)$$

QED

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Now The biggest little Theorem you  
ever saw : Meggitt's Theorem



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Theorem (ex 5.3.4)

if  $\deg(g(x)) = r$  and if

$$(x^n + 1) / g(x) = 0$$

and if  $v(x) / g(x) = p(x)$

Then  $v'(x) / g(x) = [x \cdot p(x)] / g(x)$

$$v'(x) = [x v(x) \bmod (x^n + 1)] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{cyclic} \\ \text{shift} \\ \text{of } v(x) \end{array}$$



Proof:

$$\text{since } (X^n + 1) / g(x) = 0$$

by the definition of poly. division

$$X^n + 1 = Q(x) \cdot g(x)$$

$$\text{let } Q(x) = h(x)$$

$$X^n + 1 = h(x) g(x)$$

now

$$v'(x) = x v(x) + v_{n-1} (x^n + 1) \quad \text{cyclic shift}$$

$$\text{but } x^n + 1 = h(x) \cdot g(x)$$

$$\therefore v'(x) = x v(x) + v_{n-1} h(x) g(x)$$

Also since  $p(x) = v(x)/g(x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} v'(x)/g(x) &= [x v(x)]/g(x) + \overbrace{[v_{n-1} h(x) g(x)]/g(x)}^0 \\ &= [(x/g(x)) \cdot (v(x)/g(x))] \end{aligned}$$



$$\therefore v'(x)/g(x) = [x \cdot P(x)]/g(x)$$



Basic strategy:

- 1) come up w/ systematic cyclic codes (modulo polynomial arithmetic)
- 2) Show how we can do mod. poly. arithmetic with a state machine  
= to showing an algorithm in state variable format
- 3) write down the circuit

In chap. 4, we viewed encoding as

$$\begin{array}{c} \bar{c} \\ \uparrow \\ 1 \times n \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \bar{m} \\ \uparrow \\ 1 \times k \end{array} G \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ k \times n \end{array}$$

let's do an example of a cyclic generator matrix.

$$\text{let } k=3 \quad n=7 \quad \Rightarrow \quad r=4$$



for a cyclic code, a generator  $G$   
can always be found in the form

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} g_0 & g_1 & g_2 & g_3 & g_4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & g_0 & g_1 & g_2 & g_3 & g_4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & g_0 & g_1 & g_2 & g_3 & g_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{c} = (m_0 m_1 m_2) \cdot G$$





$$\bar{g} = (g_0 \ g_1 \ g_2 \ g_3 \ g_4 \ 0 \ 0)$$

$$\text{let } g(x) = g_0 + g_1 x + g_2 x^2 + g_3 x^3 + g_4 x^4$$

Then we can re-express  $G$  as

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} g(x) \\ x g(x) \\ x^2 g(x) \end{bmatrix}$$



Now we can write

$$\bar{c} = (m_0 \ m_1 \ m_2) \begin{bmatrix} g(x) \\ x g(x) \\ x^2 g(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= m_0 g(x) + m_1 x g(x) + m_2 x^2 g(x)$$

$$= (m_0 + m_1 x + m_2 x^2) g(x)$$

$$C(x) = m(x) \cdot g(x)$$

one issue: This code is non-systematic



In other words

$$\bar{c} = (c_0 \ c_1 \ c_2 \ c_3 \ c_4 \ c_5 \ c_6)$$

$$\neq (c_0 \ c_1 \ c_2 \ c_3 \ m_0 \ m_1 \ m_2) \rightarrow$$

systematic  
form

$C(x) = m(x)g(x)$  as we have done it

here does not give us a  $C(x)$

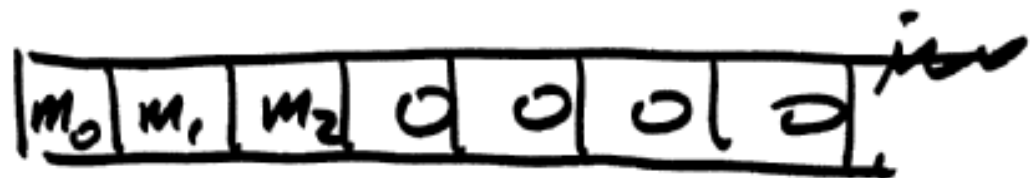
corresponding to a systematic  $\bar{c}$

Is There an easy way to find a systematic form for our code?

Answer: yes.

To see how to get there, let's look at the problem in "hardware form"

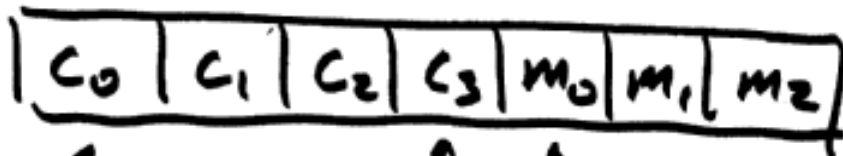
$$m(x) = m_0 + m_1x + m_2x^2$$





for a systematic codeword  $C(x)$ ,  
we want is

$$C(x) = \underbrace{C_0 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + C_3x^3}_{r \text{ check bits}} + \underbrace{m_0x^4 + m_1x^5 + m_2x^6}_{k \text{ message bits}}$$



↑  
0

↑  
 $r-1$

↑ bit position  $r$

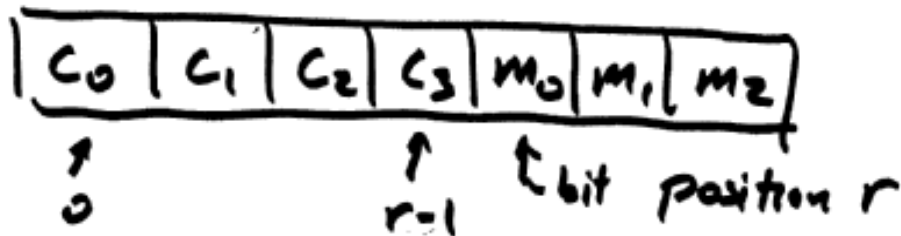


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How do we shift  $m(x)$  up into the  
the "top" positions in the register?

answer: multiply by  $x^r$

Then we can say

$$C(x) = x^r \cdot m(x) + d(x)$$

↑ check bit  
Polynomial

with  $\deg(d(x)) \leq r-1$



now,  $\deg(g(x)) = r$  provided that  $g_r \neq 0$

But if  $g_r = 0$ , then we'd really have a bigger  $k$  and a smaller  $r$

it is always true for an  $(n, k)$  cyclic that  $g_r = 1$ ,  $r = n - k$

If  $\deg(g(x)) = r$  what is the degree of  $f(x)/g(x)$ ?  $\deg[f(x)/g(x)] < r$





What if we make " $f(x)$ " equal to  $x^r m(x)$ ?

Then we'd be saying that

$$c(x) = x^r m(x) + \underbrace{\left[ x^r m(x) / g(x) \right]}_{d(x)}$$

This satisfies our formal requirement for a systematic code.

The only question is: does this actually give us a cyclic code?



As it happens, if we pick any old  $g(x)$  at random, the resulting set of  $C(x)$  "codewords" will generally not form a cyclic code.

But, we will have a cyclic code if  $g(x)$  satisfies one little property, namely

$$(x^n - 1) / g(x) = 0$$



remember the definition of polynomial division, e.g.  $f(x) \div g(x)$  is defined

$$f(x) = Q(x)g(x) + P(x)$$

if  $f(x) = x^n + 1$  (in  $GF(2)[x]$ )

and if  ~~$f(x)$~~   $(x^n + 1) / g(x) = 0 = P(x)$

Then we can say

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

degree  $n$  ↗

↖ degree =  $r$



Summarize: systematic  $(n, k)$  cyclic code has

- $g(x)$  such that  $\deg(g(x)) = r = n - k$

- $h(x)g(x) = x^n + 1$

(which by the way means  $g_0 = 1, h_0 = 1$ )

- $C(x) = x^r m(x) + [x^r m(x) / g(x)]$

$h(x)$  is also the generator poly for the dual code



Remember "syndromes" ?

Let me propose the following method for doing syndrome calculation in a cyclic code :

$$s(x) \triangleq v(x)/g(x).$$

$$v(x) = c(x) + e(x)$$

if  $e(x) = 0$  so that  $v(x) = c(x)$ , This gives us

$$s(x) = c(x)/g(x) = [x^r m(x) + d(x)]/g(x)$$



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using our ~~2nd~~<sup>2nd</sup> handy identity

$$[x^r m(x) + d(x)] / g(x) = [x^r m(x)] / g(x) + d(x) / g(x)$$

$$= d(x) + d(x) = 0$$

$$\therefore z(x) = c(x) / g(x) = 0$$

which is what we want.

$$\text{if } e(x) \neq 0, \text{ then } z(x) = v(x) / g(x) = e(x) / g(x)$$



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Last time, we said we could a systematic cyclic code as follows:

$$C(x) = x^r m(x) + [x^r m(x)]/g(x)$$

with  $g(x)$  such that

$$(x^n - 1)/g(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^n - 1 = x^n + 1 = h(x)g(x) + 0$$

$$\deg(g(x)) = r = n - k$$



How do we generate this?

First we need  $g(x)$ .

One way to set  $g(x)$  is to factor  $x^n + 1$

Example:  $n = 7$

$$x^7 + 1 = (x + 1)(x^3 + x + 1)(x^3 + x^2 + 1)$$

Suppose  $r = 3$ . Then pick either

Suppose  $r = 4$ : Then pick  $(x + 1) \cdot p(x)$ ;  $p(x)$

Suppose  $r = 5$ : TOO BAD





Once we've got  $g(x)$ , we could generate our  $d(x)$  by table lookup.

What we do is build a remainder table

Example:  $n = 7$ ,  $r = 3$   $(n, r) = (7, 4)$

$$c(x) = x^3 m(x) + [x^3 m(x)] / g(x)$$

$m_0$	$\Rightarrow$	$m_0 x^3$	$\Rightarrow$	$x^3 / g(x)$	} remainder table
$m_1$	$\Rightarrow$	$m_1 x^4$	$\Rightarrow$	$x^4 / g(x)$	
$m_2$	$\Rightarrow$	$m_2 x^5$	$\Rightarrow$	$x^5 / g(x)$	
$m_3$	$\Rightarrow$	$m_3 x^6$	$\Rightarrow$	$x^6 / g(x)$	



**Example 5.4.1:** Construct a systematic (7, 4) cyclic code.

**Solution:** We previously found the factorization  $x^7 + 1 = (x + 1)(x^3 + x + 1)(x^3 + x^2 + 1)$ . The generator polynomial must be of degree  $r = n - k = 7 - 4 = 3$ . Let our generator polynomial be

$$g(x) = x^3 + x + 1.$$

The codewords are the 16 polynomials defined by

$$c(x) = x^3(m_0 + m_1x + m_2x^2 + m_3x^3) / g(x) + x^3m(x) = d(x) + x^3m(x).$$

In example 5.3.2, we found the remainders for this  $g(x)$  for the terms  $x^3, x^4, x^5$ , and  $x^6$ . Using these results and equation (5.3.2), we get the following code table.

$m(x)$	$c(x)$	$m(x)$	$c(x)$
0	0	$x^3$	$1 + x^2 + x^6$
1	$1 + x + x^3$	$1 + x^3$	$x + x^2 + x^3 + x^6$
$x$	$x + x^2 + x^4$	$x + x^3$	$1 + x + x^4 + x^6$
$1 + x$	$1 + x^2 + x^3 + x^4$	$1 + x + x^3$	$x^3 + x^4 + x^6$
$x^2$	$1 + x + x^2 + x^5$	$x^2 + x^3$	$x + x^5 + x^6$
$1 + x^2$	$x^2 + x^3 + x^5$	$1 + x^2 + x^3$	$1 + x^3 + x^5 + x^6$
$x + x^2$	$1 + x^4 + x^5$	$x + x^2 + x^3$	$x^2 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6$
$1 + x + x^2$	$x + x^3 + x^4 + x^5$	$1 + x + x^2 + x^3$	$1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6$



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We could do it this way, but there's a better way. To find this better way, we need to look at the mechanics of long division. What we will find is that calculating the remainder  $P(x)$  can be expressed recursively using state variables and  $\therefore x^r m(x)/g(x)$  can be implemented as a state machine.

Example:  $n = 7$ ,  $r = 3$

$$g(x) = x^3 + g_2 x^2 + g_1 x + 1$$

$m(x)$  has  $\deg. (m(x)) \leq r-1 = 4-1 = 3$

$x^3 m(x)$  has degree  $\leq n-1$

let's look at  $x^{n-1} / g(x) = x^6 / g(x)$

by long division



$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 \\ x^3 + g_2 x^2 + g_1 x + 1 \overline{) x^6} \\ \underline{x^6 + g_2 x^5 + g_1 x^4 + x^3} \\ g_2 x^5 + g_1 x^4 + x^3 \end{array} \leftarrow \text{Partial remainder}$$

define a vector  $S_1 = \begin{bmatrix} g_2 \\ g_1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

1 cycle of the long division



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$$g_2 \cdot g_2 = g_2 \text{ in } GF(2) \quad (8)$$

next cycle:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + g_2 x^2 + g_1 x + 1 \overline{) g_2 x^5 + g_1 x^4 + x^3} \\
 \underline{g_2 x^5 + g_2 x^4 + g_1 g_2 x^3 + g_2 x^2} \\
 (g_1 + g_2)x^4 + (1 + g_1 g_2)x^3 + g_2 x^2
 \end{array}$$

$$S_2 = \begin{bmatrix} g_1 + g_2 \\ 1 + g_1 g_2 \\ g_2 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} g_2 & 1 & 0 \\ g_1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\Gamma} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} g_2 \\ g_1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{S_1}$$



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What do you suppose we'll get from the 3rd cycle of long division?

$$x^2 + g_2 x + g_1 x + 1 \overline{) (g_1 + g_2)x^4 + (1 + g_1 g_2)x^3 + g_2 x^2}$$

What do you think the partial remainder will be?

$$S_3 = \Gamma S_2$$

and in general, the  $t^{\text{th}}$  cycle will give  $S_t = \Gamma S_{t-1}$



To calculate  $x^6/g(x)$

EX: let  $g(x) = x^3 + x + 1$

$$g_2 = 0$$

$$g_1 = 1$$

$$\Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} g_2 & 1 & 0 \\ s_1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_1 = \begin{bmatrix} g_2 \\ s_1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$





$$S_3 = T S_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow x^2 \\ \leftarrow x^1 \\ \leftarrow x^0 \end{matrix}$$

4 shifts and  $k=4$ ; this means that the poly. represented by  $S_k$  has deg. of

$$r-1=2$$

$$x^6 / (x^3 + x + 1) = x^2 + 1$$



Does This trick generalize?

Does it work for

$$g(x) = x^r + g_{r-1}x^{r-1} + g_{r-2}x^{r-2} + \dots + g_1x + 1$$

Yep.

$$\Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} g_{r-1} & \vdots & & & & \\ g_{r-2} & & \mathbf{I} & & & \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ g_1 & & & & & \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ 0 & & & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

← State Matrix

?



Now, what if  $m(x)$  is general

$$m(x) = m_{k-1}x^{k-1} + m_{k-2}x^{k-2} + \dots + m_1x + m_0$$

$$x^r m(x) = m_{k-1}x^{n-1} + m_{k-2}x^{n-2} + \dots + m_1x^{r+1} + m_0x^r$$

Our "State vector" containing the partial remainders (shifting in  $m(x)$  one bit at a time) generalizes to

$$S_t = \Gamma S_{t-1} + \begin{bmatrix} g_{r-1} \\ g_{r-2} \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot m_{k-t} \quad S_0 = \bar{0}$$



This implies we can build our  $x^r m(x)/g(x)$  calculator as follows:

EX.  $g(x) = x^3 + x + 1$  ;  $S_0 = \overline{0}$

$$S_t = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} S_{t-1} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} m_{n-t} \quad \left\{ S_t = \begin{bmatrix} s_{2,t} \\ s_{1,t} \\ s_{0,t} \end{bmatrix} \right.$$





Enduring Big Ideas :

$$1) \quad g(x) = x^r + g_{r-1}x^{r-1} + \dots + g_1x + 1$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} g_{r-1} & & & & & \\ g_{r-2} & & & & & \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ g_1 & & & & & \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ I_{(r-1) \times (r-1)} \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{matrix}$$

$$S_t = T S_{t-1} + \begin{bmatrix} g_{r-1} \\ g_{r-2} \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} m_{k-t} \quad S_0 = \bar{0}$$

Shift  $k$  times



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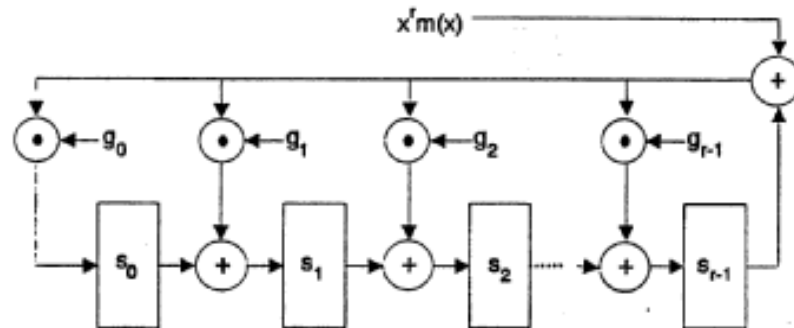
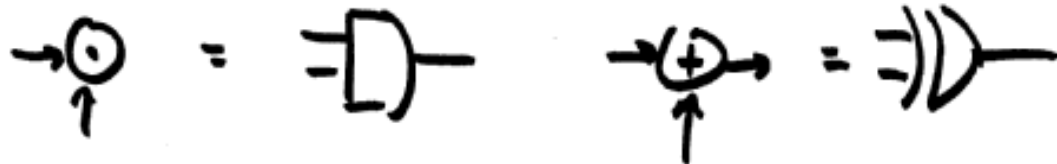


Figure 5.4.1: Divide by  $g(x)$  Circuit



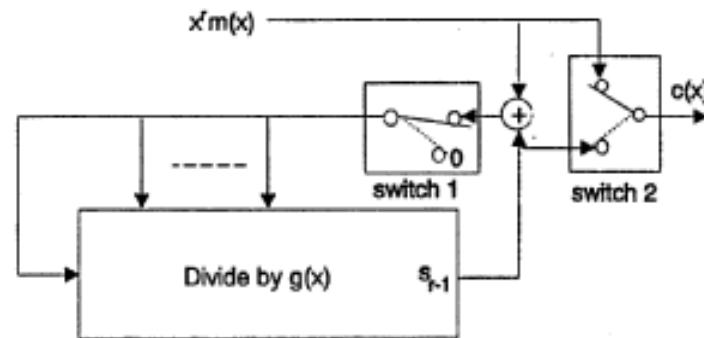


Figure 5.4.2: Systematic Encoder

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after  $r$  shifts, change the switches



## Decoding systematic cyclic block codes

Codeword:

$$C(x) = x^r m(x) + d(x)$$

$$\text{where } d(x) = [x^r m(x)] / g(x)$$

$$\deg(g(x)) = r ; (x^n + 1) / g(x) = 0$$

we can write the received block as

$$v(x) = c(x) + e(x)$$





where

$$e(x) = e_0 + e_1x + e_2x^2 + \dots + e_{n-1}x^{n-1}$$

$$e_i = 0 \Rightarrow \text{no error}$$

$$e_i = 1 \Rightarrow \text{error}$$

For decoding, we will use the syndrome decoding method

gen. linear

$$\bar{s} = \bar{v} H^T$$

cyclic codes

let

$$s(x) = [x^r v(x)] / g(x)$$



$$1(x) = [x^r v(x)] / g(x)$$

$$= [x^r c(x) + x^r e(x)] / g(x)$$

$$= [x^r c(x)] / g(x) + [x^r e(x)] / g(x)$$

$$= [(x^r / g(x)) \cdot (c(x) / g(x))] / g(x) \\ + [x^r e(x)] / g(x)$$



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Now

$$\begin{aligned}c(x)/g(x) &= [x^r m(x) + d(x)] / g(x) \\ &= [x^r m(x)] / g(x) + d(x) / g(x) \\ &= d(x) + d(x) = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{z(x) = [x^r e(x)] / g(x)}$$

if  $e(x) \in \mathbb{C}$  then  $z(x) = 0$  undetectable errors



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$$\lambda(x) = [x^r e(x)] / g(x)$$

$$= \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x + \lambda_2 x^2 + \dots + \lambda_{r-1} x^{r-1}$$

If all we want is error detection then

$\lambda(x) \neq 0$  tells us we have an error

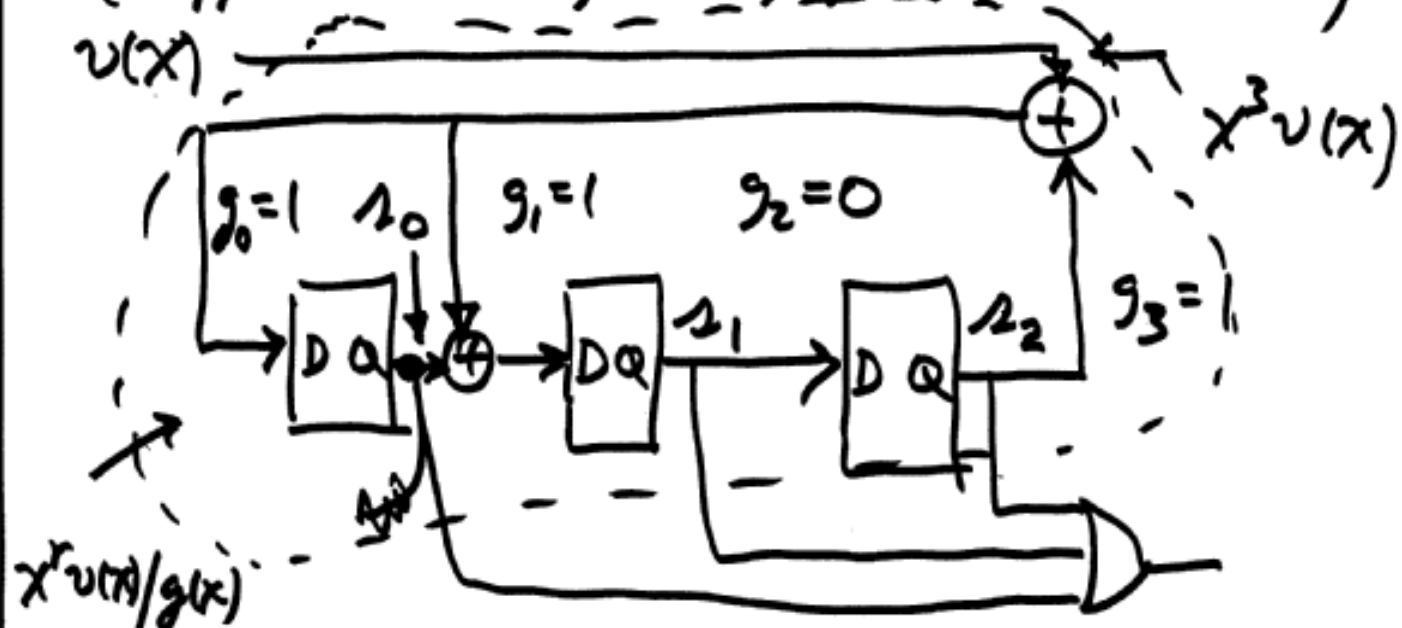


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### Error detect circuit

(suppose  $n=7$ ,  $r=3$ ,  $g(x) = x^3 + x + 1$ )



$x^r v(x)/g(x)$   
circuit

after  $n=7$  shift cycles, OR-output = 1 if we detect an error



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State variable equation for the circuit

$$S_t = \begin{bmatrix} z_2 \\ z_1 \\ z_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_t = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} S_{t-1} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} v_{n-t}$$

for  $t = 1$  to  $n$   
with  $S_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  }  $S_t = T S_{t-1} + \begin{bmatrix} g_{r-1} \\ g_{r-2} \\ \vdots \\ g_0 \end{bmatrix} v_{n-t}$



How about error correction?

Codes are designed to correct up to some maximum number,  $t_c$ , of errors

One way to do it could be to build a syndrome table that maps

$$s(x) \Rightarrow e(x)$$





How big is the lookup table in this method?

One entry per correctable error

Suppose the code corrects  $t_c$  errors

$$d_{min} \geq 2t_c + 1$$

$$w_H(\bar{e}) = 1: n_1 = n = \binom{n}{1}$$

$$w_H(\bar{e}) = 2: n_2 = n \cdot (n-1)$$

The total table size  $\sim n^{t_c}$





Pipelined  
correction  
circuit

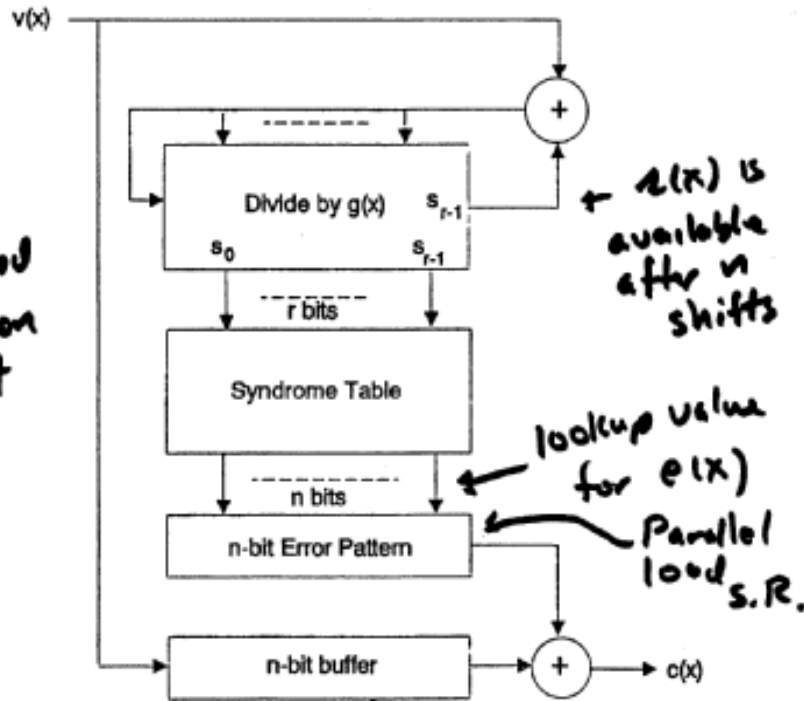


Figure 5.4.3: Error Correction



Secret to simplifying even more is:

Meggitt's Theorem (Th. 5-3.1)

$$g(x)h(x) = x^n + 1 = x^n - 1$$

Suppose that  $f(x)/g(x) = P(x)$

Then

$$[xf(x) \bmod (x^n - 1)]/g(x) = [xP(x)]/g(x)$$

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a cyclic property  
to syndromes

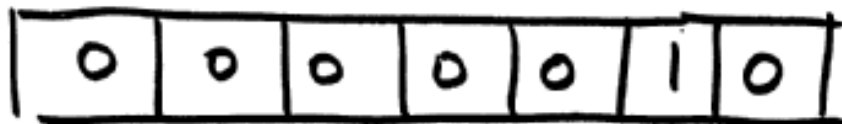


Example:

Suppose we have  $n=7$ ,  $k=4$ ,

$$g(x) = x^3 + x + 1$$

also suppose  $e(x) = x^5$  ops!  
where's  $x^r$ ?  
wells!?



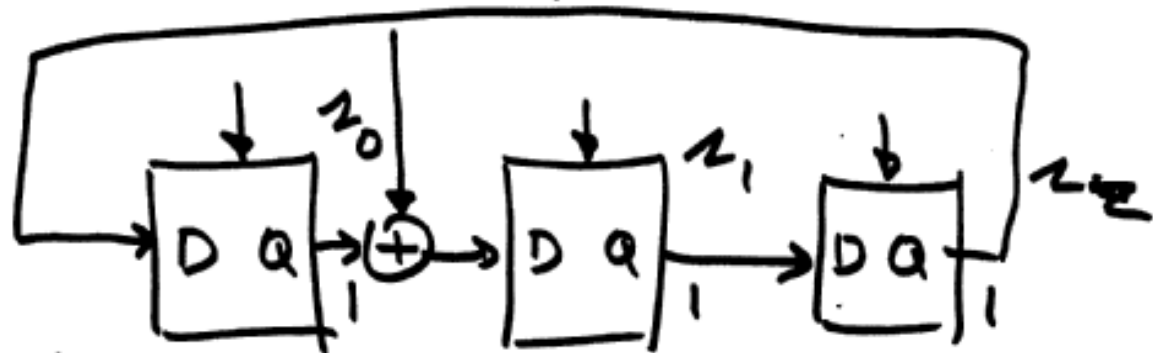
$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + x + 1 \quad | \quad \begin{array}{l} x^2 + 1 \\ \hline x^5 \\ x^5 + x^3 + x^2 \\ \hline x^3 + x^2 \\ x^3 + x + 1 \end{array} \\
 \hline
 \end{array}
 \quad \Rightarrow \quad A(x) = x^2 + x + 1$$



What if we pre-load this  $z(x)$

$$z(x) = x^2 + x + 1$$

into another  $\div$  by  $g(x)$  circuit



$$S_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

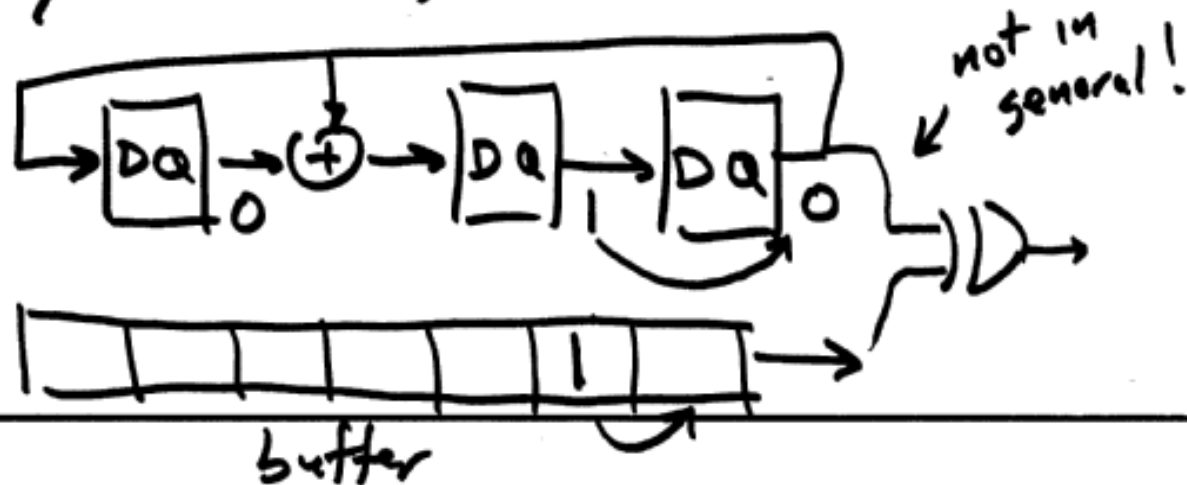


Fix Rick's glitch!

$$e(x) = x^5$$

$$x^r e(x) = x^3 \cdot x^5 = x^8$$

$$x^8 / (x^3 + x + 1) = z(x) = x$$





To build up a general solution, we do this trick:

$$\text{let } \mathcal{E} = \{ e(x) \mid 0 < \omega_H(\bar{e}) \leq t_c \}$$

define 2 subsets of  $\mathcal{E}$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{meg}} \triangleq \{ e(x) \in \mathcal{E} \mid e_{n-1} = 1 \}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{shift}} \triangleq \{ e(x) \in \mathcal{E} \mid e_{n-1} = 0 \}$$



$$\text{if } e(x) = x^{n-1}$$

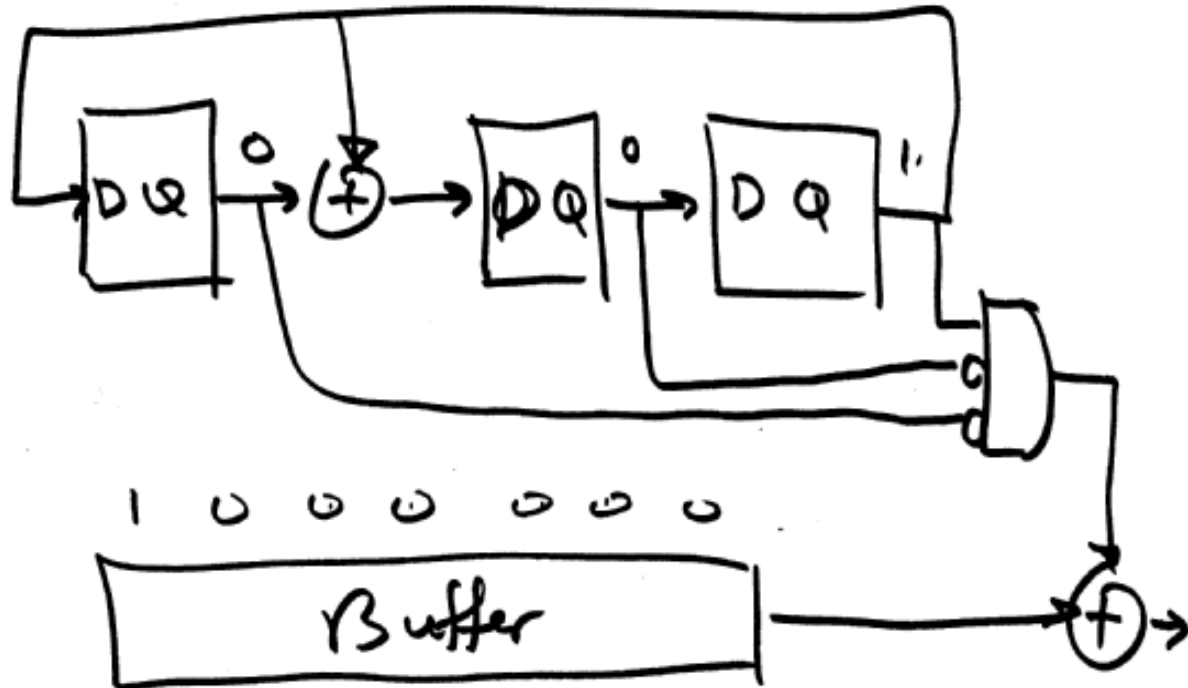
$$\text{then } [x^r e(x)] / g(x) \equiv x^{r-1}$$

Consider a Hamming code:

$$t_c = 1 \quad E_{\text{msg}} = \{x^{n-1}\}$$

syndrome for  $x^{n-1}$  is  $z(x) = x^{r-1}$

$$(7,4) \text{ H.C. has } r=3 \Rightarrow z(x) = x^2$$



$x+1$

1 0 0 0 0 0 0

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all the  $e(x) \in E_{\text{shift}}$  have syndromes that "shift" to  $z(x) = x^2$  when they come out