

ELEC 6131: Error Detecting and Correcting Codes

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LECTURE 5: Cyclic Codes

Outline of this lecture

- ▶ In this lecture we cover the following:
 - ▶ Brief discussion of Hamming codes,
 - ▶ Cyclic Codes.

Hamming Codes

- ▶ Code length: $n = 2^m - 1$
- ▶ # of information bits: $k = 2^m - 1 - m$ and # of parity bits: $n - k = m$

$$d_{min} = 3 \Rightarrow t = 1$$

- ▶ The parity check matrix of this code H contains all m -tuples except $00 \cdots 0$ as its columns. They are arranged to look like:

$$H = [I_m : Q].$$

For example, for $m = 3$, we have

$$H = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right].$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{I_3}$

and $G = [Q^T : I_{2^m - m - 1}]$.

Hamming Codes

- ▶ Since H consists all the m -tuples as its columns, adding any two columns, we get another column, i.e.,

$$\underline{h}_i + \underline{h}_j + \underline{h}_k = 0.$$

- ▶ So, the minimum distance of the code is not greater than 3. Also, since we do not have any two columns that add up to 0, the minimum distance of the code is not less than 3. Therefore, $d_{min} = 3$.
- ▶ Hamming codes are perfect codes: if we form standard array, it will contain $2^n = 2^{2^m-1}$ elements. Each row has $2^k = 2^{2^m-m-1}$ elements. So, there will be $\frac{2^{2^m-1}}{2^{2^m-m-1}} = 2^m$ cosets. Therefore, in addition to 0 we need $2^m - 1$ coset leaders. If we take all single error patterns, we have exactly what we need. So, a Hamming code only corrects error patterns with one erroneous bit and corrects all of these. So, Hamming codes are perfect codes.
- ▶ The only other binary perfect code is (23, 12) Golay code.

Hamming Codes

- ▶ Weight distribution: let A_i be the number of codewords of weight i . Then, $A(z) = A_n z^n + A_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + A_1 z + A_0$ can be formed. It is called weight enumerator. For a Hamming code:

$$A(z) = \frac{1}{n+1} \left[(1+z)^n + n(1-z)(1-z^2)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \right].$$

- ▶ **Example:** Consider $m = 3$.

$$n = 2^m - 1 = 2^3 - 1 = 7 \Rightarrow (7, 4) \text{ code}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(z) &= \frac{1}{8} [(1+z)^7 + 7(1-z)(1-z^2)^3] \\ &= 1 + 7z^3 + 7z^4 + z^7. \end{aligned}$$

Cyclic Codes

- ▶ **Definition:** a linear block code is cyclic if a cyclic shift of any codeword is another codeword.

The i th shift of $\underline{v} = (v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1})$ is:

$$\underline{v}^{(i)} = (v_{n-i}, v_{n-i+1}, \dots, v_{n-1}, v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-i-1}).$$

- ▶ For example, $\underline{v}^{(1)} = (v_{n-1}, v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-2})$ and $\underline{v}^{(2)} = (v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}, v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-3})$.
- ▶ **Example:** (7, 4) Hamming Code (see next slide).

Cyclic Codes

A (7, 4) cyclic code generated by $g(X) = 1 + X + X^3$.

Messages	Code vectors	Code polynomials
(0000)	0000000	$0 = 0 \cdot g(X)$
(1000)	1101000	$1 + X + X^3 = 1 \cdot g(X)$
(0100)	0110100	$X + X^2 + X^4 = X \cdot g(X)$
(1100)	1011100	$1 + X^2 + X^3 + X^4 = (1 + X) \cdot g(X)$
(0010)	0011010	$X^2 + X^3 + X^5 = X^2 \cdot g(X)$
(1010)	1110010	$1 + X + X^2 + X^5 = (1 + X^2) \cdot g(X)$
(0110)	0101110	$X + X^3 + X^4 + X^5 = (X + X^2) \cdot g(X)$
(1110)	1000110	$1 + X^4 + X^5 = (1 + X + X^2) \cdot g(X)$
(0001)	0001101	$X^3 + X^4 + X^6 = X^3 \cdot g(X)$
(1001)	1100101	$1 + X + X^4 + X^6 = (1 + X^3) \cdot g(X)$
(0101)	0111001	$X + X^2 + X^3 + X^6 = (X + X^3) \cdot g(X)$
(1101)	1010001	$1 + X^2 + X^6 = (1 + X + X^3) \cdot g(X)$
(0011)	0010111	$X^2 + X^4 + X^5 + X^6 = (X^2 + X^3) \cdot g(X)$
(1011)	1111111	$1 + X + X^2 + X^3 + X^4 + X^5 + X^6$ $= (1 + X^2 + X^3) \cdot g(X)$
(0111)	0100011	$X + X^5 + X^6 = (X + X^2 + X^3) \cdot g(X)$
(1111)	1001011	$1 + X^3 + X^5 + X^6$ $= (1 + X + X^2 + X^3) \cdot g(X)$

Cyclic Codes

► Let $v(X) = v_0 + v_1X + v_2X^2 + \dots + v_{n-1}X^{n-1}$ be the polynomial representation of \underline{v} .

► Then

$$v^{(i)}(X) = v_{n-i} + v_{n-i+1}X + \dots + v_{n-1}X^{i-1} + v_0X^i + v_1X^{i+1} + \dots + v_{n-i-1}X^{n-1}.$$

Multiply X^i by $v(X)$, i.e., shift \underline{v} i times (linearly, not cyclically) to get:

$$X^i v(X) = v_0X^i + v_1X^{i+1} + \dots + v_{n-i+1}X^{n-1} + \dots + v_{n-1}X^{n+i-1}.$$

Add $X^i v(X)$ and $v^{(i)}(X)$:

$$X^i v(X) + v^{(i)}(X)$$

$$= v_{n-i} + v_{n-i+1}X + \dots + v_{n-1}X^{i-1} + v_{n-i}X^n + v_{n-i+1}X^{n+1} + \dots + v_{n-1}X^{n+i-1}$$

or:

$$X^i v(X) + v^{(i)}(X) = [v_{n-i} + v_{n-i+1}X + \dots + v_{n-1}X^{i-1}](X^n + 1).$$

So:

$$X^i v(X) = q(X)[X^n + 1] + v^{(i)}(X).$$

That is, the i th cyclic shift of $v(X)$ is generated by dividing $X^i v(X)$ by $X^n + 1$.

Cyclic Codes

- ▶ **Theorem 1:** the non-zero code polynomial with minimum degree in a cyclic code \mathcal{C} is unique.

Proof: let $g(X) = g_0 + g_1X + \dots + g_{r-1}X^{r-1} + X^r$ be the minimal degree code polynomial of \mathcal{C} . Suppose there is another $g'(X) = g'_0 + g'_1X + \dots + g'_{r-1}X^{r-1} + X^r$. Then, $g(X) + g'(X)$ is another codeword in \mathcal{C} with degree less than r . \Rightarrow contradiction.

- ▶ **Theorem 2:** let $g(X) = g_0 + g_1X + \dots + g_{r-1}X^{r-1} + X^r$ be the minimum degree polynomial of a cyclic code \mathcal{C} . Then, $g_0 \neq 0$.

Proof: if $g_0 = 0$ then shifting $g(X)$ once to the left (or $n - 1$ times to right) results in $g_1 + g_2X + \dots + g_{r-1}X^{r-2} + X^{r-1}$ which has a degree $< r$ \Rightarrow contradiction. So, $g(X) = 1 + g_1X + \dots + g_{r-1}X^{r-1} + X^r$.

- ▶ Let $g(X)$ be the polynomial of minimum degree of a code \mathcal{C} . Take $g(X), Xg(X), X^2g(X), \dots, X^{n-r-1}g(X)$. These are shifts of $g(X)$ by $0, 1, \dots, n - r - 1$. So, they are codewords. Any linear combination of them is also a codeword. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}v(X) &= u_0g(X) + u_1Xg(X) + \dots + u_{n-r-1}X^{n-r-1}g(X) \\ &= [u_0 + u_1X + \dots + u_{n-r-1}X^{n-r-1}]g(X)\end{aligned}$$

is also a codeword.

Cyclic Codes

- ▶ **Theorem 3:** let $g(X) = 1 + g_1X + \dots + g_{r-1}X^{r-1} + X^r$ be the non-zero code polynomial of minimum degree of an (n, k) cyclic code C . A binary polynomial of degree $n - 1$ or less is a code polynomial if and only if it is a multiple of $g(X)$.

Proof: let $v(X)$ be a polynomial of degree $n - 1$ or less such that:

$$v(X) = (a_0 + a_1X + \dots + a_{n-r-1}X^{n-r-1})g(X).$$

Then,

$$v(X) = a_0g(X) + a_1Xg(X) + \dots + a_{n-r-1}X^{n-r-1}g(X).$$

Since $g(X), Xg(X), \dots$ are each codeword of C so is their sum $v(X)$.

Now assume $v(X)$ be a code polynomial in C . Then write:

$$v(X) = a(X)g(X) + b(X)$$

i.e., divide $v(X)$ by $g(X)$ and get remainder $b(X)$ and quotient $a(X)$.

$$b(X) = v(X) + a(X)g(X).$$

$v(X)$ is a codeword and so is $a(X)g(X)$. Therefore, $b(X)$ is also a codeword. But degree of $b(X)$ is less than $r \Rightarrow$ contradiction unless if $b(X) = 0$.

- ▶ The number of polynomials of degree $n - 1$ or less that are multiple of $g(X)$ is 2^{n-r} . Due to 1-to-1 correspondence between these polynomials and the codewords (Theorem 3), we have $2^{n-r} = 2^k \Rightarrow r = n - k$.

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- ▶ **Theorem 4:** in an (n, k) cyclic code, there is one and only one code polynomial of degree $n - k$,

$$g(X) = 1 + g_1X + g_2X^2 + \cdots + g_{n-k-1}X^{n-k-1} + X^{n-k}.$$

- ▶ Every code polynomial is a multiple of $g(X)$. Every binary polynomial of degree $n - 1$ or less that is a multiple of $g(X)$ is a code polynomial. So,

$$v(X) = u(X)g(X)$$

is a code polynomial, however, not in a systematic form.

- ▶ To make a cyclic code systematic, multiply the information polynomial $u(X)$ by X^{n-k} . This means placing the k information bits at the head of the shift register (in k right-most Flip-Flops). Then,

$$u(X) = u_0 + u_1X + \cdots + u_{k-1}X^{k-1}$$

will result in:

$$X^{n-k}u(X) = u_0X^{n-k} + u_1X^{n-k+1} + \cdots + u_{k-1}X^{n-1}.$$

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► Now divide $X^{n-k}u(X)$ by $g(X)$ to get:

$$X^{n-k}u(X) = a(X)g(X) + b(X),$$

where $b(X)$ is a polynomial of degree $n - k - 1$ or less:

$$b(X) = b_0 + b_1X + \cdots + b_{n-k-1}X^{n-k-1}$$

$$b(X) + X^{n-k}u(X) = a(X)g(X).$$

This means that $b(X) + X^{n-k}u(X)$ is the representation of a codeword in systematic form, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} b(X) + X^{n-k}u(X) &= b_0 + b_1X + \cdots + b_{n-k-1}X^{n-k-1} \\ &\quad + u_0X^{n-k} + u_1X^{n-k+1} + \cdots + u_{k-1}X^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

that represents

$$\underline{v} = (b_0, b_1, \cdots, b_{n-k-1}, u_0, u_1, \cdots, u_{k-1}).$$

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► **Example:** consider the (7, 4) cyclic code generated by $g(X) = 1 + X + X^3$. Let $u(X) = 1 + X^3$. Then,

1. $X^3u(X) = X^3 + X^6$

2. Divide by $g(X) = 1 + X + X^3$

$$\begin{array}{r} X^3 + X \\ \hline X^3 + X + 1 \overline{) X^6 + X^3} \\ \underline{X^6 + X^4 + X^3} \\ X^4 \\ \underline{X^4 + X^2 + X} \\ X^2 + X \leftarrow b(X) \end{array}$$

3. $v(X) = b(X) + X^3u(X) =$

$$X + X^2 + X^3 + X^6$$

or $\underline{v} = (0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1)$

A (7, 4) cyclic code in systematic form generated by $g(X) = 1 + X + X^3$.

Message	Codeword	
(0000)	(0000000)	$0 = 0 \cdot g(X)$
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(1111)	(1111111)	$1 + X + X^2 + X^3 + X^4 + X^5 + X^6$

Cyclic Codes

- ▶ **Theorem 5:** the generator polynomial of an (n, k) code is a factor of $X^n + 1$.

Proof: divide $X^k g(X)$ by $X^n + 1$.

$$X^k g(X) = (X^n + 1)q(X) + g^{(k)}(X) \text{ or } X^n + 1 = X^k g(X) + g^{(k)}(X)$$

$g^{(k)}(X)$ is a code polynomial. So, $g^{(k)}(X) = a(X)b(X)$ for some $a(X)$. So,

$$X^n + 1 = [X^k + a(X)]g(X). \quad \text{QED}$$

- ▶ **Theorem 6:** if $g(X)$ is a polynomial of degree $n - k$ and is a factor of $X^n + 1$. Then $g(X)$ generates an (n, k) cyclic code.

Proof: let $g(X), Xg(X), \dots, X^{k-1}g(X)$. They are all polynomials of degree $n - 1$ or less. A linear combination of them:

$$\begin{aligned} v(X) &= u_0 g(X) + u_1 Xg(X) + \dots + u_{k-1} X^{k-1} g(X) \\ &= [u_0 + u_1 X + \dots + u_{k-1} X^{k-1}] g(X) \end{aligned}$$

is a code polynomial since $u_i \in \{0, 1\}$. Then $v(X)$ will have 2^k possibilities. These 2^k polynomials form the 2^k codewords of the (n, k) code.

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Generator polynomial of a cyclic code:

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix}
 g_0 & g_1 & g_2 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & g_{n-k} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\
 0 & g_0 & g_1 & g_2 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & g_{n-k} & 0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & g_0 & g_1 & g_2 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & g_{n-k} & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\
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 0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 & g_0 & g_1 & g_2 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & g_{n-k}
 \end{bmatrix}$$

For example, for (7, 4) code with $g(X) = 1 + X + X^3$, $g_0 = g_1 = g_3 = 1$ and $g_i = 0$ otherwise.

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

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- ▶ This is not always in systematic form. We can make it into systematic form by row and column operations. For example, for the (7, 4) code:

$$G' = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{g_0} \\ \underline{g_1} \\ \underline{g_0} + \underline{g_2} \\ \underline{g_0} + \underline{g_1} + \underline{g_3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- ▶ **Parity check matrix of cyclic codes:**

We saw that $g(X)$ divides $X^n + 1$. Write

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

where $h(X)$ is a polynomial of degree k

$$h(X) = h_0 + h_1X + \cdots + h_kX^k.$$

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Consider a code polynomial $v(X)$

$$\begin{aligned} v(X)h(X) &= u(X)g(X)h(X) \\ &= u(X)(X^n + 1) \\ &= u(X)X^n + u(X). \end{aligned}$$

► Since $u(X)$ has degree less than or equal $k - 1$, $u(X)X^n + u(X)$ does not have $X^k, X^{k+1}, \dots, X^{n-1}$. That is coefficients of these powers of X are zero. So, we get $n - k$ equalities:

$$\sum_{i=0}^k h_i v_{n-i-j} = 0 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n - k.$$

► and we have H as:

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} h_k & h_{k-1} & h_{k-2} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & h_0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\ 0 & h_k & h_{k-1} & h_{k-2} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & h_0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h_k & h_{k-1} & h_{k-2} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & h_0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & & & & & & & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 0 & h_k & h_{k-1} & h_{k-2} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & h_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Cyclic Codes

- ▶ **Theorem 7:** let $g(X)$ be the generator polynomial of the (n, k) cyclic code C .

The dual code of C is generated by $X^k h(X^{-1})$ where $h(X) = \frac{X^{n+1}}{g(X)}$.

- ▶ **Example:** consider $(7, 4)$ code C with $g(X) = 1 + X + X^3$. The generator polynomial of C^d is $X^4 h(X^{-1})$ where,

$$h(X) = \frac{X^7 + 1}{1 + X + X^3} = 1 + X + X^2 + X^4.$$

That is, the generator of C^d is:

$$\begin{aligned} X^4 h(X^{-1}) &= X^4(1 + X^{-1} + X^{-2} + X^{-4}) \\ &= 1 + X^2 + X^3 + X^4. \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ So, C^d is a $(7, 3)$ code with $d_{min} = 4$. Therefore, it can correct any single error and detect any combination of double errors.

Encoding of Cyclic Codes

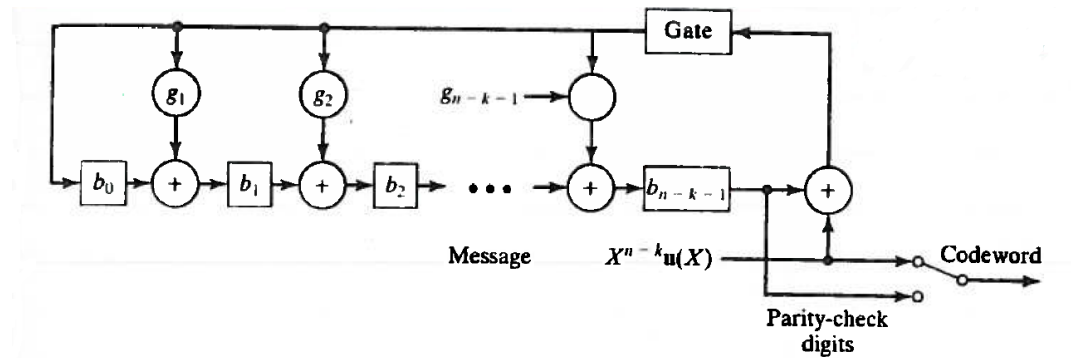
- ▶ We saw that if we multiply the information polynomial by X^{n-k} and divide by $g(X)$, we get:

$$X^{n-k}u(X) = a(X)g(X) + b(X)$$

and

$$a(X)g(X) = b(X) + X^{n-k}u(X)$$

is a codeword in systematic form. The following circuit encodes $u(X)$ based on the above discussion.



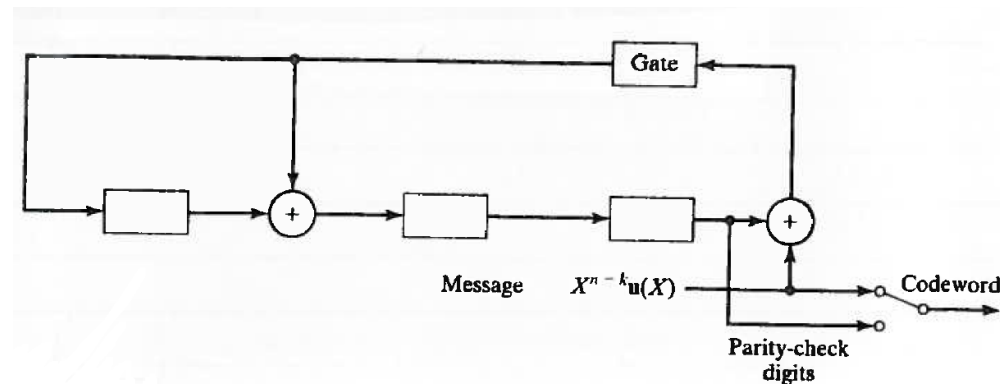
Encoding circuit for an (n, k) cyclic code with generator polynomial $g(X) = 1 + g_1X^2 + \dots + g_{n-k-1}X^{n-k-1} + X^{n-k}$.

Encoding of Cyclic Codes

► The coding procedure is as follows:

- 1) Close the gate and enter information bits in and also send them over channel. This does multiplication by X^{n-k} as well as parity bit generation.
- 2) Open the gate (break the feedback).
- 3) Output the $n - k$ parity bits.

Example: (7, 4) code with $g(X) = 1 + X + X^3$.



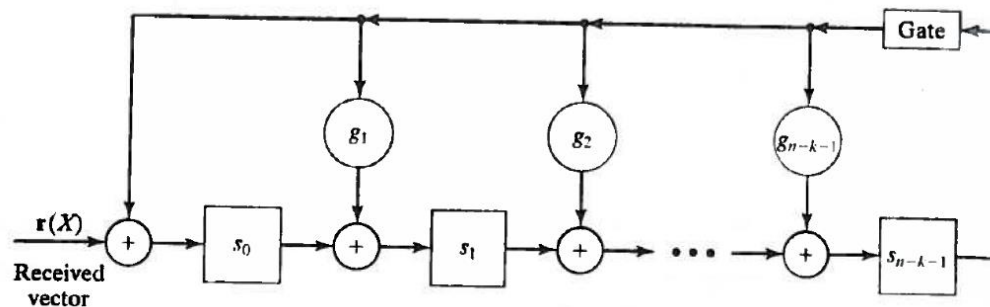
Encoder for the (7, 4) cyclic code generated by $g(X) = 1 + X + X^3$.

Syndrome

- ▶ Assume $r(X) = r_0 + r_1X + r_2X^2 + \dots + r_{n-1}X^{n-1}$ is the polynomial representing the received bits. Divide $r(X)$ by $g(X)$ to get:

$$r(X) = a(X)g(X) + s(X).$$

- ▶ $s(X)$ is a polynomial of degree $n - k - 1$ or less. The $n - k$ coefficients of $s(X)$ are the syndromes.
- ▶ **Theorem 8:** let $s(X)$ be the syndrome of $r(X) = r_0 + r_1X + \dots + r_{n-1}X^{n-1}$. Then, $s^{(i)}(X)$ resulting from dividing $X^i s(X)$ by $g(X)$ is the syndrome of $r^{(i)}(X)$.



An $(n - k)$ -stage syndrome circuit with input from the left end.

Syndrome

- ▶ Example of (7, 4) code:

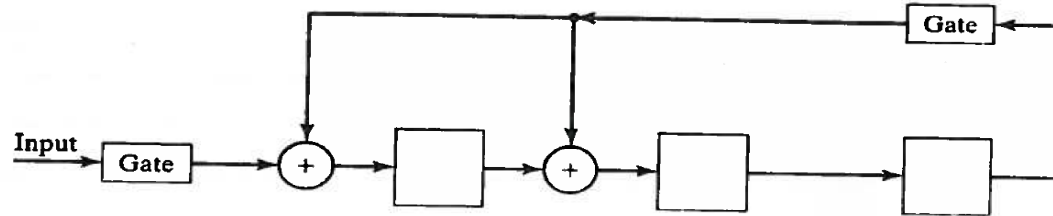
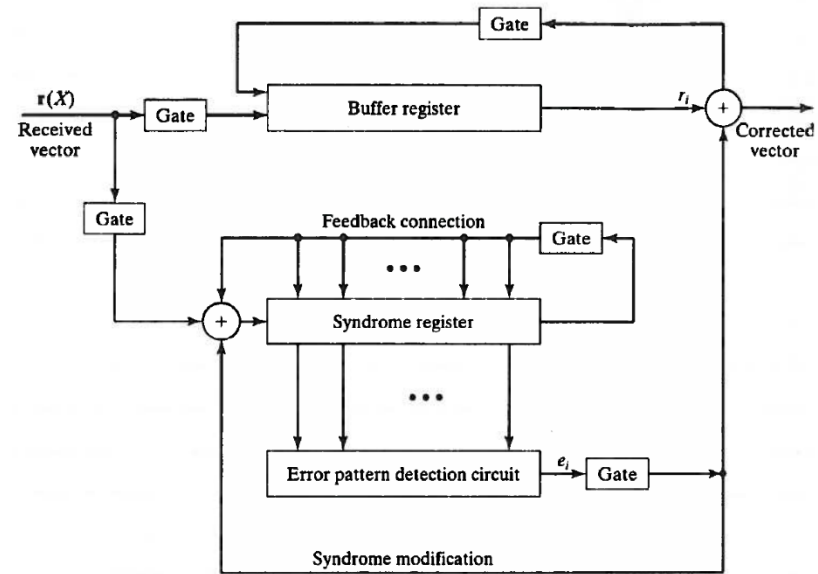


FIGURE 5.6: Syndrome circuit for the (7, 4) cyclic code generated by $g(X) = 1 + X + X^3$.

TABLE 5.3: Contents of the syndrome register shown in Figure 5.6 with $r = (0010110)$ as input.

Shift	Input	Register contents
		000 (initial state)
1	0	000
2	1	100
3	1	110
4	0	011
5	1	011
6	0	111
7	0	101 (syndrome s)
8	—	100 (syndrome $s^{(1)}$)
9	—	010 (syndrome $s^{(2)}$)

Decoding of Cyclic Codes



General cyclic code decoder with received polynomial $r(X)$ shifted into the syndrome register from the left end.

Decoding of Cyclic Codes

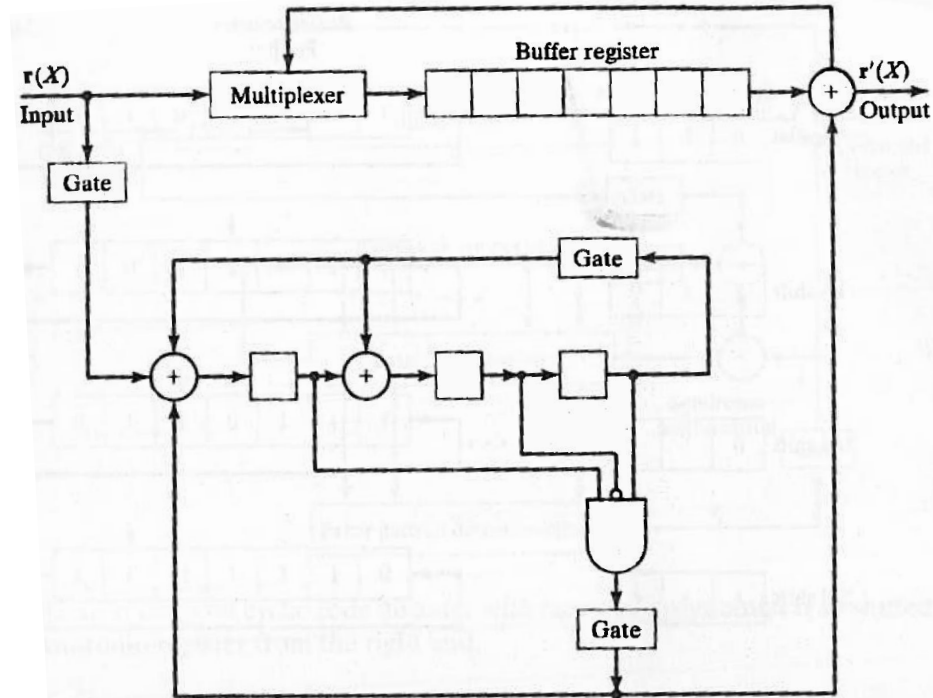
► Example: (7, 4) Hamming Code:

Error patterns and their syndromes with the received polynomial $r(X)$ shifted into the syndrome register from the left end.

Error pattern $e(X)$	Syndrome $s(X)$	Syndrome vector (s_0, s_1, s_2)
$e_6(X) = X^6$	$s(X) = 1 + X^2$	(1 0 1)
$e_5(X) = X^5$	$s(X) = 1 + X + X^2$	(1 1 1)
$e_4(X) = X^4$	$s(X) = X + X^2$	(0 1 1)
$e_3(X) = X^3$	$s(X) = 1 + X$	(1 1 0)
$e_2(X) = X^2$	$s(X) = X^2$	(0 0 1)
$e_1(X) = X^1$	$s(X) = X$	(0 1 0)
$e_0(X) = X^0$	$s(X) = 1$	(1 0 0)

Decoding of Cyclic Codes

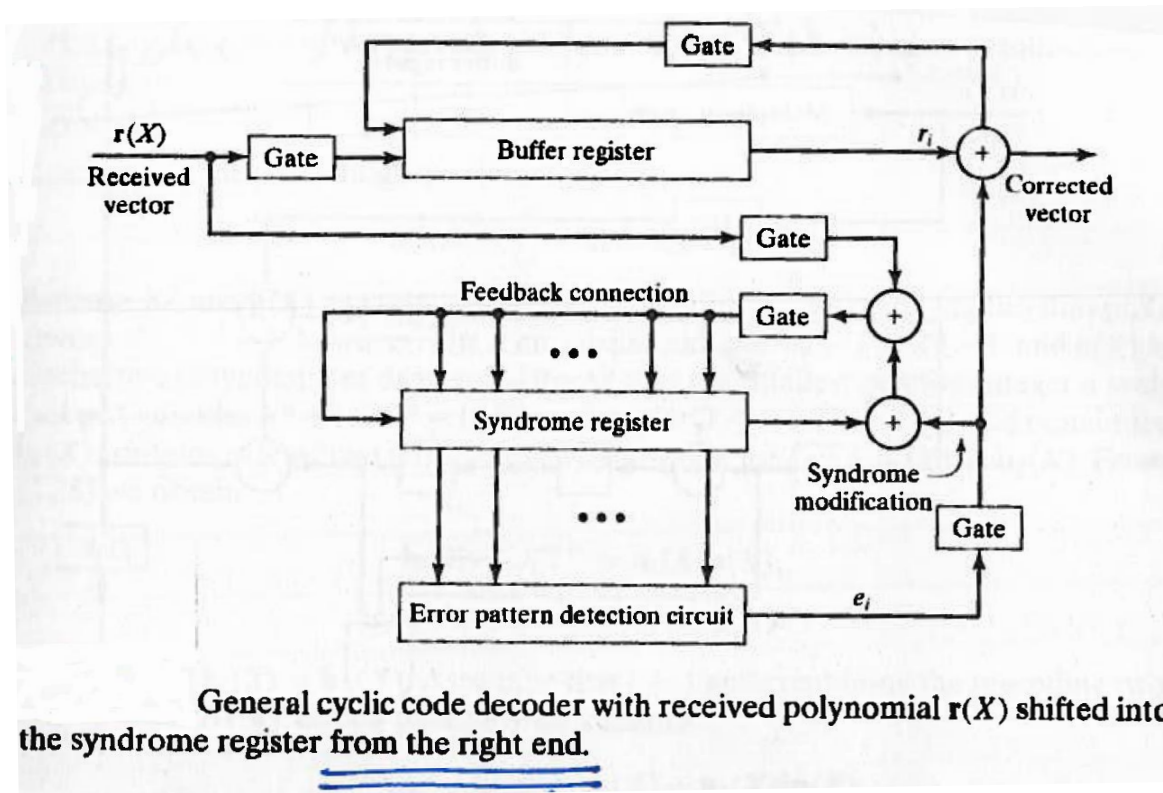
- ▶ Example: (7, 4) Hamming Code:



Decoding circuit for the (7, 4) cyclic code generated by $g(X) = 1 + X + X^3$.

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► General Cyclic Code Decoder:



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- Syndrome decoding of (7, 4) code using syndrome decoder fed from right:

Error patterns and their syndromes with the received polynomial $r(X)$ shifted into the syndrome register from the right end.

Error pattern $e(X)$	Syndrome $s^{(3)}(X)$	Syndrome vector (s_0, s_1, s_2)
$e(X) = X^6$	$s^{(3)}(X) = X^2$	(001)
$e(X) = X^5$	$s^{(3)}(X) = X$	(010)
$e(X) = X^4$	$s^{(3)}(X) = 1$	(100)
$e(X) = X^3$	$s^{(3)}(X) = 1 + X^2$	(101)
$e(X) = X^2$	$s^{(3)}(X) = 1 + X + X^2$	(111)
$e(X) = X$	$s^{(3)}(X) = X + X^2$	(011)
$e(X) = X^0$	$s^{(3)}(X) = 1 + X$	(110)

Cyclic Hamming Codes

- ▶ A Hamming code of length $n = 2^m - 1$ with $m \geq 3$ is generated by a primitive polynomial of degree m . let's see how we can put the Hamming code we discussed earlier in cyclic form:

Divide X^{m+i} by $p(X)$ to get $X^{m+i} = a_i(X)p(X) + b_i(X)$.

Since $p(X)$ is primitive, X is not a factor of $p(X)$ so $p(X)$ does not divide $X^{m+i} \Rightarrow b_i(X) \neq 0$.

- ▶ $b_i(X)$ has at least two terms. If it had one term:

$$\begin{aligned} X^{m+i} &= a_i(X)p(X) + X^j \\ \Rightarrow X^j(X^{m+i-j} + 1) &= a_i(X)p(X) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow p(X) \text{ divides } X^{m+i-j} + 1 \text{ but } m+i-j < 2^m - 1$$

\Rightarrow contradiction.

- ▶ If $i \neq j$, then $b_i(X) \neq b_j(X)$. Let

$$\begin{aligned} X^{m+i} &= b_i(X) + a_i(X)p(X) \\ X^{m+j} &= b_j(X) + a_j(X)p(X). \end{aligned}$$

Cyclic Hamming Codes

- ▶ If $b_i(X) = b_j(X)$, then

$$X^{m+i}(X^{j-i} + 1) = [a_i(X) + a_j(X)]p(X),$$

i.e., $p(X)$ divides $X^{j-i} + 1 \Rightarrow$ contradiction.

- ▶ Let $H = [I_m : Q]$ be the parity check matrix of this code. I_m is an $m \times m$ identity matrix with Q an $m \times (2^m - m - 1)$ matrix with $\underline{b}_i = (b_{i0}, b_{i1}, \dots, b_{i,m-1})$ as its columns. Since no two columns of Q are the same and each has at least two 1's, then H is indeed a parity-check matrix of a Hamming code.

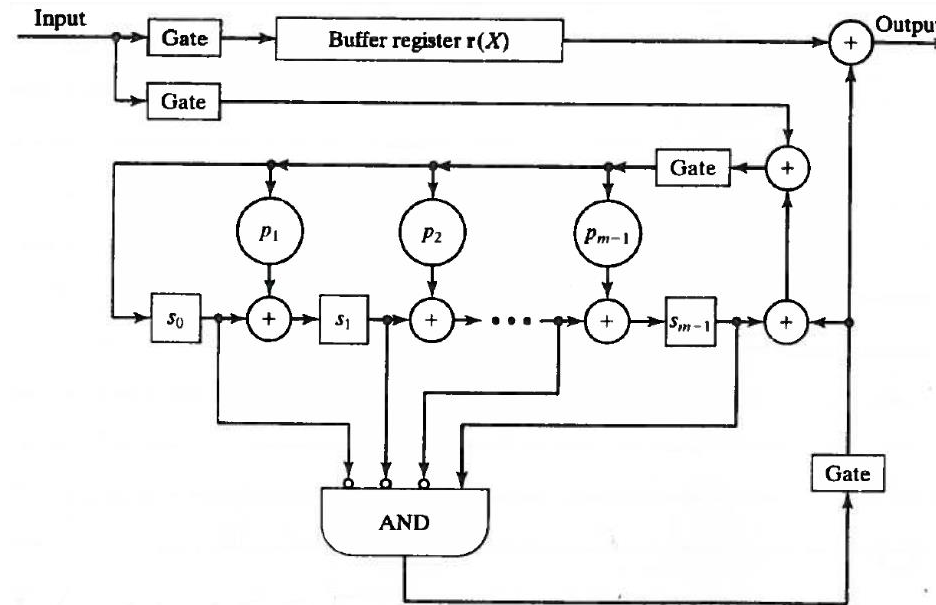
Syndrome Decoding of Hamming Codes

- ▶ Assume that error is in location with highest order, i.e.,

$$e(X) = X^{2^m-2}.$$

- ▶ Then, feeding $r(X)$ from right to syndrome calculator is equivalent to dividing $X^m \cdot X^{2^m-2}$ by the generator polynomial $p(X)$. Since $p(X)$ divides $X^{2^m-1} + 1$ then

$$s(X) = X^{m-1} \text{ or } \underline{s} = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1).$$



Decoder for a cyclic Hamming code.