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- The ( $k_{1}, k_{2}$ ) digits in the upper right corner of the array are information symbols.
- The digits in the upper left corner of the array are computed from the parity check rules for $C_{1}$ on rows and the digits in the lower right corner are computed from the parity check rules for $C_{2}$ on columns.
- The digits in the lower left corner of the array are parity check rules for $C_{2}$ on columns or parity check rules for $C_{1}$ on rows.


Figure: Code array for product code

- The product code $C_{1} X C_{2}$ is encoded in two steps.
- A message of ( $k_{1}, k_{2}$ ) information symbols is first arranged as shown in the upper right corner of Figure 2
(1) In the first step each row of the information array is encoded into a codeword in $C_{1}$. The encoded results an array of $\left(k_{2}\right)$ rows and ( $n_{1}$ ) columns as shown in the upper part of the the Figure.
(2) In the second step of encoding each of the $n_{1}$ columns of the array formed at the first encoding step is encoded into a codeword in $C_{2}$.
- This results in a code array of $\left(n_{2}\right)$ rows and $\left(n_{1}\right)$ columns as shown in Figure 2.
- The code array is also can be formed by first performing the column by column encoding and then the row encoding.
- Transmission can be carried out either column by column or row by row.


Figure: Code array for product code

- If code $C_{1}$ has minimum weight $d_{1}$ and code $C_{2}$ has minimum weight $d_{2}$, the minimum weight of the product code is exactly $d_{1} d_{2}$.
- A minimum weight of the product code is formed by choosing a minimum weight codeword in $C_{1}$ and minimum weight codeword in $C_{2}$ and forming an array in which all columns corresponding to zeros in the codeword from $C_{1}$ are zeros and all columns corresponding to ones in the codeword from $C_{1}$ are the minimum weight codeword chosen from $C_{2}$.
- Consider an example $u=(1011000101011101)$
- This can be arranged as 4X4 information array.
- The first four information symbols form the first row of the information array the second four information symbols form the second row and so on.
- In the first step of encoding a single (even) parity check symbol is added to each row of the information array. This results in a 4 X 5 array.
- In the first step of encoding a single (even) parity check symbol is added to each the five columns of the array. This results in a 5X5 array.
- At the receiver a single error occurs at the intersection of two and column.
- The erroneous row and column corrected by complementing the received symbol at the intersection.
- Parity failure cannot correct any double error pattern, but it can detect all the double error pattern
- When a double error pattern occurs, there are 3 possible distribution of the two errors: (1) they are in the same row (2)

| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

## Interleaved Codes[2]

- In data manipulation and transmission, errors may be caused by a variety of factors including noise corruption, limited channel bandwidth, and interference between channels and sources.
- Bursts (or clusters) of errors are defined as a group of consecutive error bits in the one-dimensional (1-D) case or connected error bits in multi-dimensional (M-D) cases.
- Several consecutive transmitted error bits in a mobile communication system caused by a multipath fading channel.
- A bursty channel is defined as a channel over which errors tend to occur in bunches, or "bursts," as opposed to random patterns associated with a Bernoulli-distributed process.
- The main idea is to mix up the code symbols from different code-words so that when the code-words are reconstructed at the receiving end error bursts encountered in the transmission are spread across multiple codewords.
- Consequently, the errors occurred within one code-word may be small enough to be corrected by using a simple random error correction code.
- Consider a code in which each code-word contains four code symbols[2].
- Suppose there are 16 symbols, which correspond to four code-words.
- That is, code symbols from 1 to 4 form a code-word, from 5 to 8 another codeword, and so on.
- In block interleaving, first creates a 4X4 2-D array, called block interleaver as shown in Figure 1.
- The 16 code symbols are read into the 2-D array in a column-by-column (or row-by-row) manner.
- The interleaved code symbols are obtained by writing the code symbols out of the 2-D array in a row-by-row (or column by-column) fashion.
- This process has been depicted in Figure 1 (a), (b), and (c).
- Assume a burst of errors involving four consecutive symbols as shown in Figure 1 (c) with shades.
- After de-interleaving as shown in Figure 1 (d),

(a) Data before interleaving

| 1 | 5 | 9 | 13 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 6 | 10 | 14 |
| 3 | 7 | 11 | 15 |
| 4 | 8 | 12 | 16 |

(b) Two-dimensional $4 \times 4$ array used for interleaving

\section*{| 1 | 5 | 9 | 13 | 2 | 6 | 10 | 14 | 3 | 7 | 11 | 15 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 16 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |}

(c) Data after interleaving

(d) Data after de-interleaving

Figure 1. 1-D block interleaving and its performance. the error burst is effectively spread among four code-words, resulting in only one code symbol in error for each of the four code-words

- Consider a $(\mathrm{n}, \mathrm{k})$ linear block code C , a new $(\lambda n, \lambda k)$ linear code is constructed by interleaving, that is arranging $\lambda$ codewords in C into $\lambda$ rows of rectangular array and then transmitting the array column by column.
- The resulting code denoted by $C^{\lambda}$ is called and interleaved code.
- The parameter is referred as interleaving depth.
- The interleaving technique is effective for deriving long, powerful codes for correcting errors that cluster to form bursts.


## Thank You

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