

Duality for poset codes

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Notation

- $[n] = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
- $[\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}]$ is subspace generated by $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$

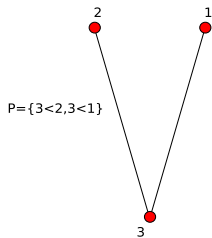
Poset

- A *poset* $P = (X, \preceq_P)$ is a *partial order* on a set X .
- $I \subseteq P$ is called an (order) *ideal* if

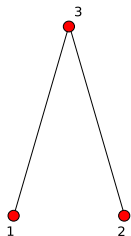
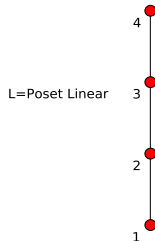
$$i \in I, \text{ and } j \preceq_P i \text{ implies that } j \in I.$$

- $A \subseteq P$, we denote by $\langle A \rangle_P$ the smallest ideal of P containing A , called the *ideal generated* by A .
- We denote by \bar{P} the *dual poset* of P : $i \preceq_{\bar{P}} j$ iff $j \preceq_P i$.

Hasse diagram.

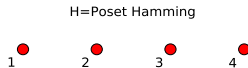


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$\bar{P} = \{2 < 3, 1 < 3\}$

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Poset Metric

- Over the vector space \mathbb{F}_q^n , we introduce the *P-weight*

$$w_P(x) = |\langle \text{supp}(x) \rangle_P|,$$

where $\text{supp}(x) = \{i; x_i \neq 0\}$, $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ and $P = [n]$.

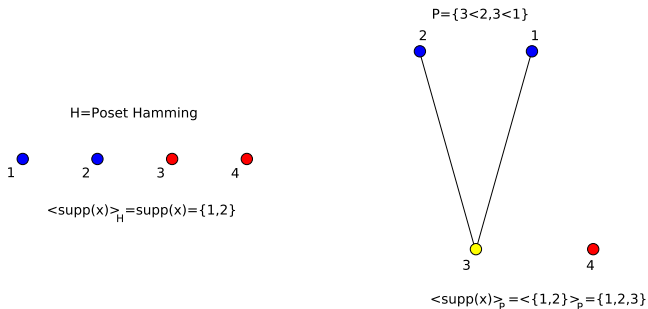
- The *P-Metric* is

$$d_P(x, y) = w_P(y - x).$$

- The $[n, k]_q$ *P-Code* is a k -subspace of the metric space (\mathbb{F}_q^n, d_P) with the P-metric (*P-Space*).

P-Metric Example

The element $x = 1100$ in \mathbb{F}_2^4 has H-weight 2 and P-weight 3:



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Support of Subspaces

- The support of a subspace $D \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^n$ is the set of non-zero coordinates of the subspace,

$$\text{supp}(D) = \bigcup_{x \in D} \text{supp}(x)$$

Example

Let $D \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^5$ be a subspace generated by 10011 and 01010,

$$D = [\{10011, 01010\}] = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 00000 \\ 10011 \\ 01010 \\ 11001 \end{array} \right\}$$

then

$$\text{supp}(D) = \{1, 2, 4, 5\}.$$

Generalized P-Weight

- The *generalized P-weight* of a subspace $D \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^n$ is

$$w_P(D) := |\langle \text{supp}(D) \rangle_P|.$$

- The *r-th minimal (generalized) P-weight* $d_r^{(P)}(C)$ of an $[n, k]_q$ P-code $C \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^n$ is

$$d_r^{(P)}(C) = \min \{w_P(D); D \subseteq C \text{ and } \dim D = r\}.$$

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Wei's Theorem.

Wei's Duality Theorem

For H the Hamming poset. Let C be an $[n, k]_q$ H -code and C^\perp the orthogonal code. Then the sets

$$X = \{d_1^{(H)}(C), d_2^{(H)}(C), \dots, d_k^{(H)}(C)\} \text{ (called Hierarchy)}$$

and

$$Y = \{n+1-d_1^{(H)}(C^\perp), n+1-d_2^{(H)}(C^\perp), \dots, n+1-d_{n-k}^{(H)}(C^\perp)\}.$$

are disjoint and

$$X \cup Y = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}.$$

Definition

- A *multiset* over a set S is an unordered collection of elements of S , not necessarily distinct.
- The *multiplicity* of a multiset S is the map

$$\gamma: S \rightarrow \mathbb{N},$$

that associates to each $s \in S$ the number $\gamma(s)$ of occurrences of s in S .

- We frequently identify the multiset and its multiplicity.

Example

- Given an $[n, k]_q$ P -code C , let a be generating matrix G of C and let $\{g_i | i \in [n]\}$ be the set of its columns.
- The multiset m_C^P on $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F}_q^k) := \{X | X \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^k\}$ is the collection of subspaces $U_i = [\{g_j; j \preceq_P i\}]$, for $i \in [n]$, and the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} m_C^P : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F}_q^k) & \rightarrow & \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\} \\ V & \mapsto & m_C^P(V) \end{array}$$

is the number $m_C^P(V)$ of i 's such that $U_i \subseteq V$.

Example

- Let $C \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^4$ be the $[4, 2]_2$ P -code with generated matrix

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

- For the poset \mathcal{P} we have the multiset m_C^P on $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F}_2^2)$

$$U_1 = [\{g_1, g_3\}] = [\{10\}], \quad U_2 = [\{g_2, g_3\}] = \mathbb{F}_2^2, \\ U_3 = [\{g_3\}] = [\{10\}] \quad \text{and} \quad U_4 = [\{g_4\}] = [\{01\}].$$

- Or just $m_C^P = \{[\{10\}], \mathbb{F}_2^2, [\{10\}], [\{01\}]\}$.

Lemma 1

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Let C be an $[n, k]_q$ P -code and $D \subseteq C$ a subcode of dimension r . Then, there is a subspace $U \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^k$ of codimension r such that

$$w_{\bar{P}}(D) = n - m_C^P(U),$$

where \bar{P} is the dual poset of P : $i \preceq_{\bar{P}} j$ iff $j \preceq_P i$.

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Duality Theorem for P-Space.

Theorem

Let C be an $[n, k]_q$ P -code and C^\perp the orthogonal code. Consider the sets

$$X = \{d_1^{(P)}(C), d_2^{(P)}(C), \dots, d_k^{(P)}(C)\}$$

and

$$Y = \left\{ n+1 - d_1^{(\bar{P})}(C^\perp), n+1 - d_2^{(\bar{P})}(C^\perp), \dots, n+1 - d_{n-k}^{(\bar{P})}(C^\perp) \right\}.$$

Then X and Y are disjoint and

$$X \cup Y = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}.$$

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Let $\beta := \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ be the canonical base of \mathbb{F}_q^n . Let $\mu_C : \mathbb{F}_q^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^n / C^\perp$ be the natural projection.

- The elements of \mathbb{F}_q^n / C^\perp may be considered as linear forms on C and

$$\mu_C(e_i)(c) = (e_i + C^\perp) \cdot c = c_i = g_i \cdot v$$

where $c = v \cdot G$.

- If J is a ideal of P then $B_J := \{V_i; i \in J\}$ with $V_i = [\{e_j; j \in \langle i \rangle_P\}] \cdot (\mu_C(V_i) = U_i)$

Lemma 2

Let P be a poset on $[n]$, C an $[n, k]_q$ P -code and $m_C^{\bar{P}}$ the multiset in $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{F}_q^k)$ associated to C . Then

$$d_r^{(\bar{P})}(C^\perp) = \min \{ |B_J|; J \text{ ideal of } \bar{P} \text{ and } |B_J| - \dim[\mu_C(B_J)] \geq r \}.$$

Proof of the Theorem

- Since $X, Y \subset [n]$ it is sufficient to prove that $X \cap Y = \emptyset$.
- By lemma 2, given r there is an ideal J in \overline{P} such that

$$\textcircled{1} |B_J| = d_r^{(\overline{P})}(C^\perp)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \dim[\mu_C(B_J)] \leq d_r^{(\overline{P})}(C^\perp) - r$$

- Let $t = \text{codim}([\mu_C(B_J)]) \geq k - d_r^{(\overline{P})}(C^\perp) + r$. By lemma 1 we have

$$d_t^{(P)}(C) \leq n - d_r^{(\overline{P})}(C^\perp).$$

Proof of the Theorem

- We must prove that $n+1 - d_r^{(\bar{P})}(C^\perp)$ is not contained in X .
- Supposing it is not the case, there would be an $l > 0$ for which

$$d_{t+l}^{(P)}(C) = n+1 - d_r^{(\bar{P})}(C^\perp). \quad (1)$$

Proof of the Theorem

- By lemma 1, there would be a subspace of codimension $t + l$ containing a subset $\mu_C(B_l)$, with:

$$|B_l| = n - d_{t+l}^{(P)}(C) = d_r^{(\bar{P})}(C^\perp) - 1 \quad (2)$$

and $\dim[\mu_C(B_l)] \leq k - t - l \leq d_r^{(\bar{P})}(C^\perp) - r - l$.

Proof of the Theorem

- This would imply that

$$|B_I| - \dim[\mu_C(B_I)] \geq r + l - 1 \geq r$$

- By lemma 2 we would have $|B_I| \geq d_r^{(\bar{P})}(C^\perp)$, a contradiction to 2.

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MDS Discrepancy

- The *P-MDS discrepancy* of an $[n, k]_q$ P-code C , denoted by $\delta_P(C)$, is the smallest integer s such that $d_{s+1}^{(P)}(C) > n - k$.

Theorem

Given an $[n, k]_q$ P-code C , then

- $\delta_P(C) = \left| \{1, 2, \dots, n - k\} \cap \left\{ d_r^{(P)}(C); 1 \leq r \leq k \right\} \right|;$
- $\delta_P(C) = \delta_{\overline{P}}(C^\perp).$

P-Chain condition

- An $[n, k]_q$ P -code C is said to be a *P -chain code* if there is a sequence of linear subspaces

$$\{0\} = D_0 \subseteq D_1 \subseteq D_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq D_k = C$$





such that $w_P(D_r) = d_r^{(P)}(C)$ and $\dim D_r = r$ for every $r \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$.

- Under those circumstances, we may also say that C *satisfies the P -chain condition*.

Theorem

Let P be a poset. Then, a code C satisfies the P -chain condition iff C^\perp satisfies the \overline{P} -chain condition.

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