

Efficient Recovery from Multiple Erasures by Accessing Small Number of Disks in Distributed Data Storage

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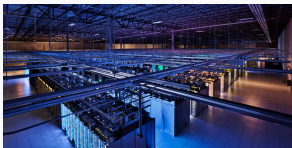
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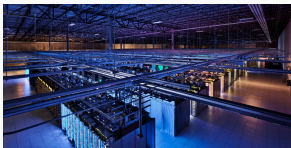
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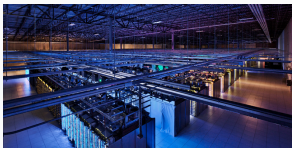
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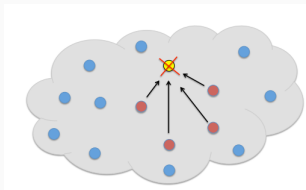
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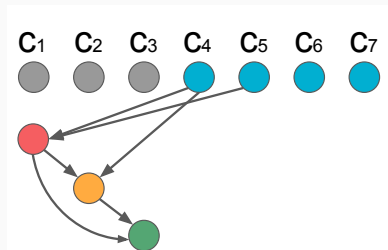
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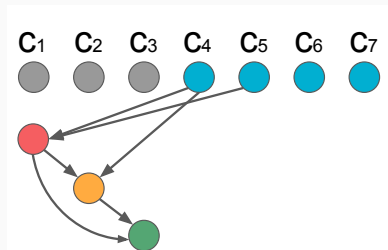
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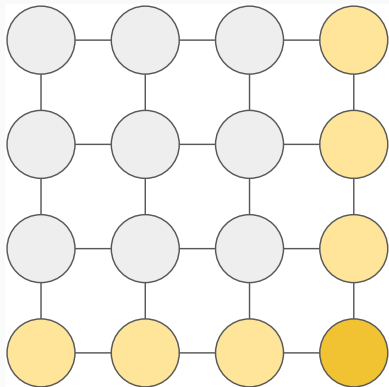
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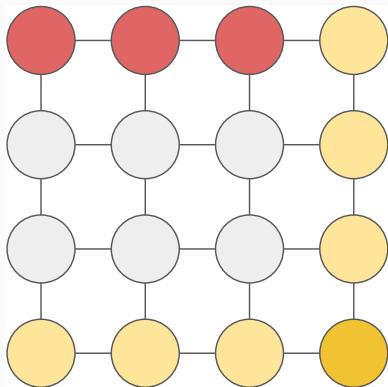
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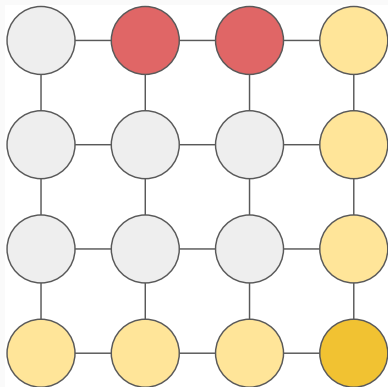
- $(n = 16, k = 9, r = 3, t = 3)_{\text{seq}}$ code
- Rate of the code for general r is $\frac{k}{n} = \frac{r^2}{(r+1)^2}$
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- Parity is the sum of r symbols

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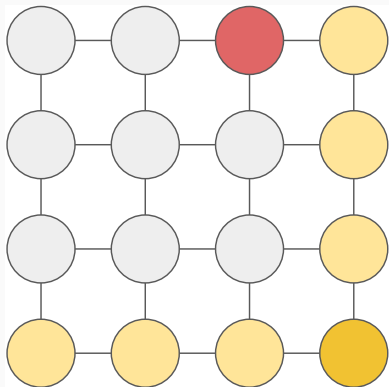
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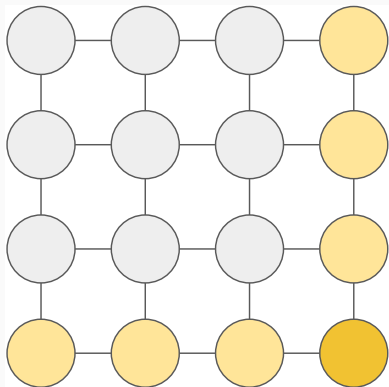
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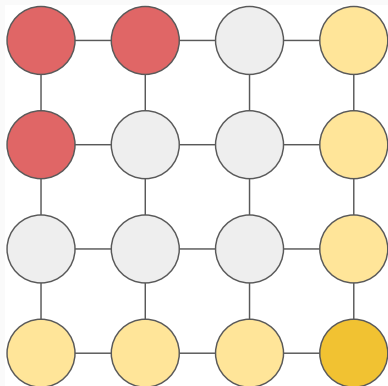
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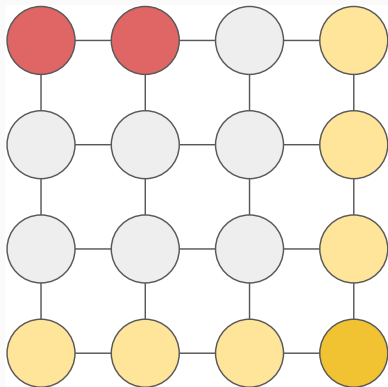
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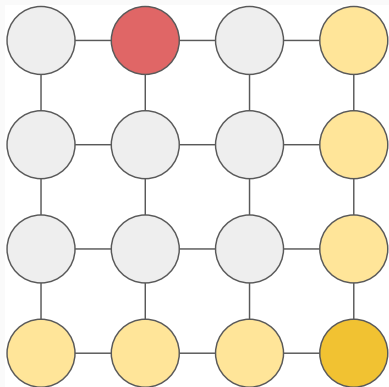
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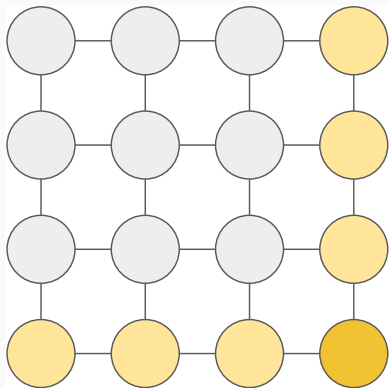
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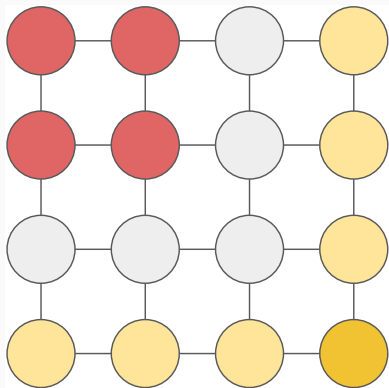
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- Hence can correct any 3-erasure-pattern
- But some 4-erasure-patterns are uncorrectable

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- H_1 is a parity-check matrix of an $(n, n - m, r, t)_{seq}$ code

Parity Check Matrix of a Linear Code

Suppose an n -length code has code-symbols c_1, \dots, c_n .
The rows of a parity check matrix of the code are nothing but the linear equations that the code-symbols satisfy.

Suppose $[a_1, \dots, a_n]$ is one row, then $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i c_i = 0$

If the dimension of the code is k , then the parity check matrices have rank $n - k$.

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We'll now see the case of even t

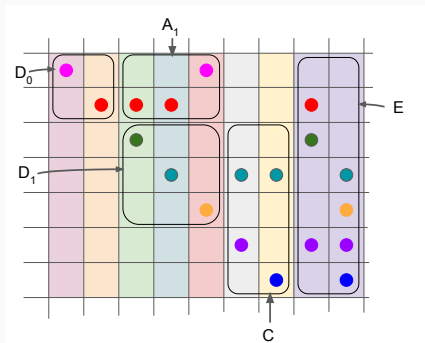
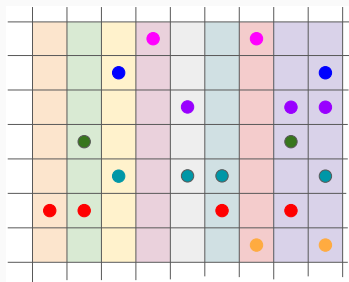
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Start with any (n, k, r, t) code, consider the matrix H_1 for it, with row and column permutations it looks like this:

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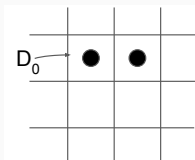
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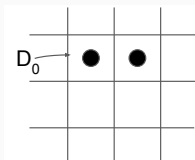
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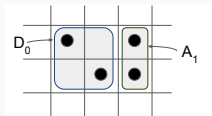
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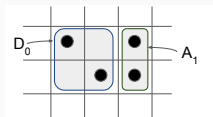
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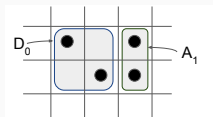
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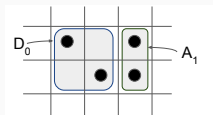


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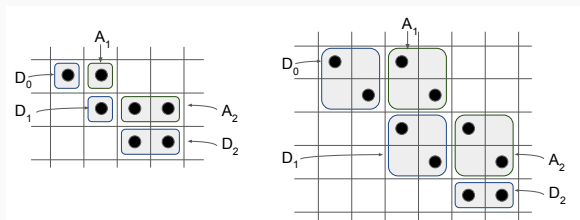
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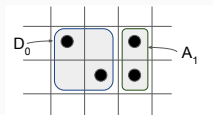
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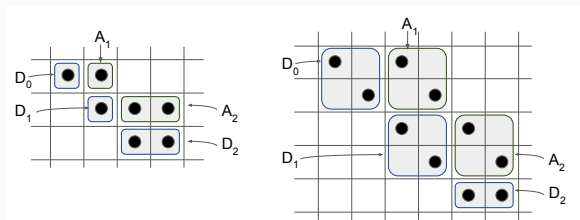
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Therefore, D_i 's are diagonal (identity, after scaling) matrices with number of rows ρ_i and number of columns a_i equal.

$$\rho_i = a_i$$

Let's recall...

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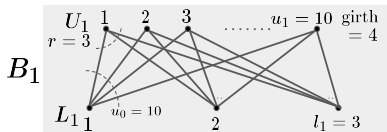
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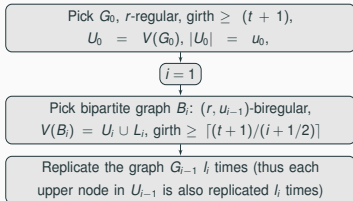


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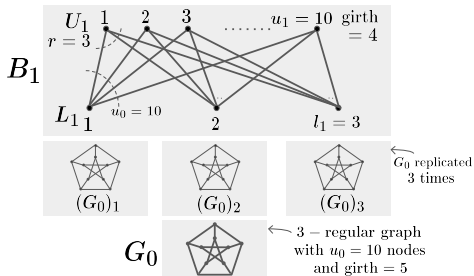


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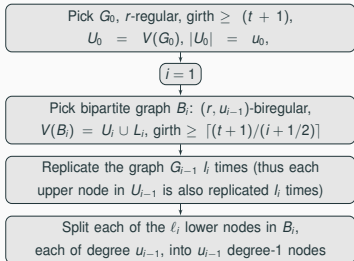
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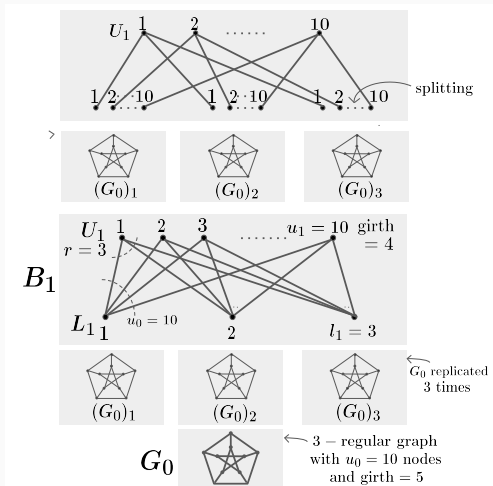
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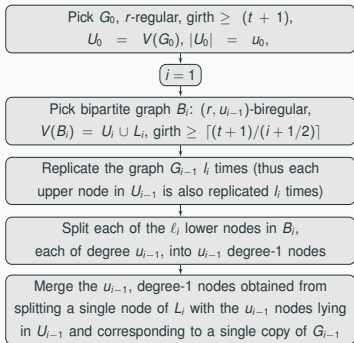
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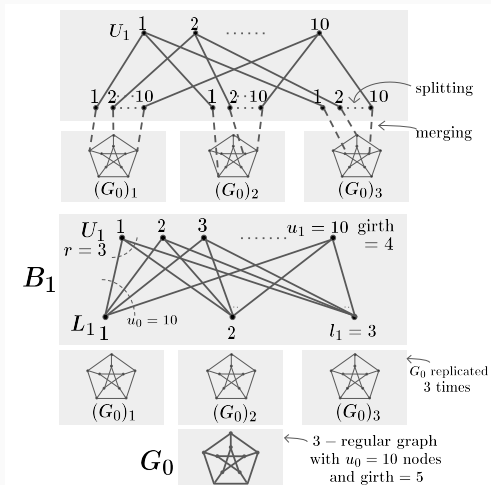
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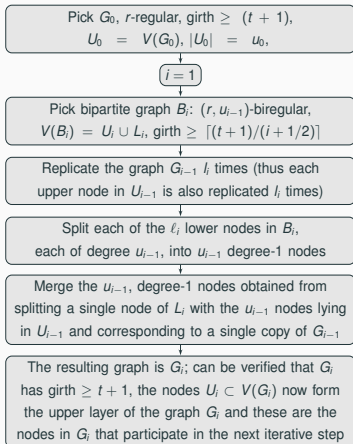
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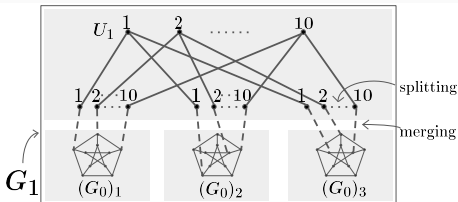
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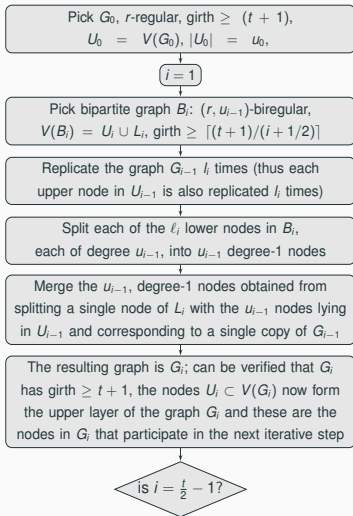
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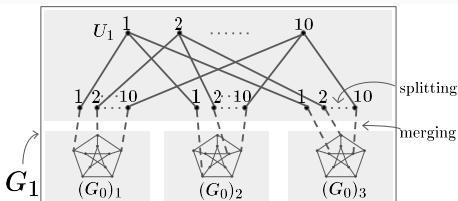
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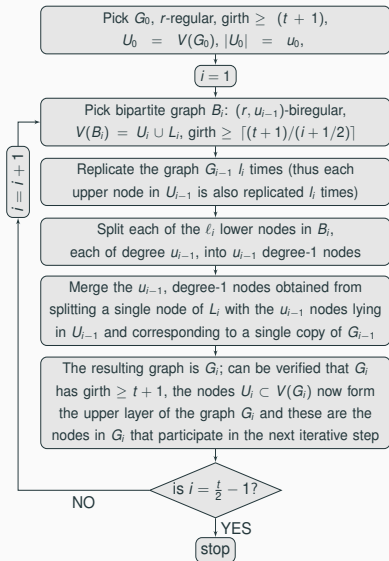
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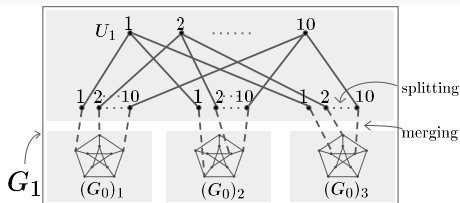
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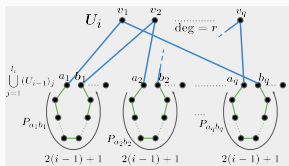
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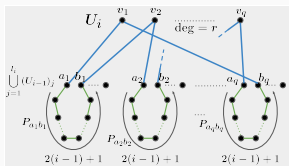
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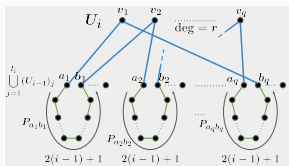
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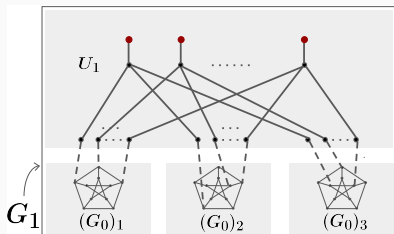
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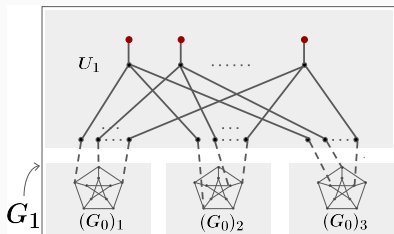
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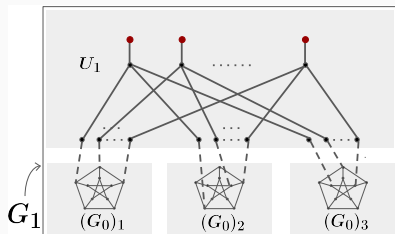
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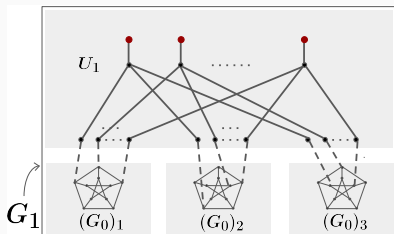
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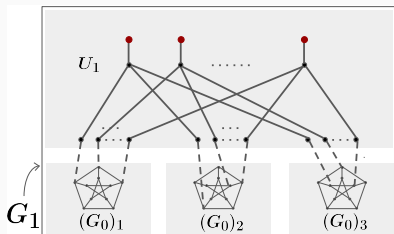
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If among the edges incident on one node, only one is erased, then it can be recovered. But, if two edges incident on a node are erased, then cannot recover using that parity check.



Hence, for correcting multiple erasures, at every step there should exist at least one parity check, with exactly one erased symbol.

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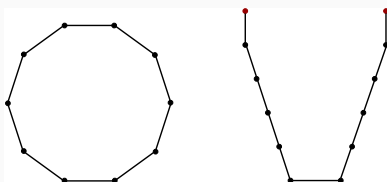
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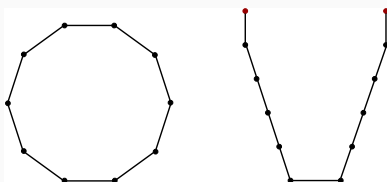


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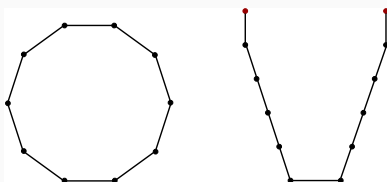
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Rate-Optimality of the construction

Upon counting the number of code symbols and number of parity checks, one can see that this construction yields rate-optimal codes for any even t and any $r \geq 3$.

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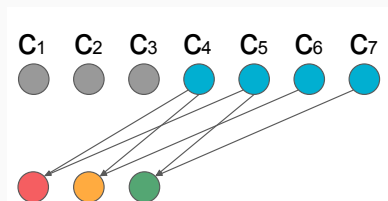
Same setting as earlier

Desirable:

$$C_1 = f_1(C_4, C_5), C_2 = f_2(C_4, C_6),$$

$$C_3 = f_3(C_5, C_7)$$

So that, can recover the lost symbols in any order.



An additional property called “majority-logic decodability”.

Questions:

What is the highest “rate” achievable by such codes? Highest “minimum-distance”? How to design such rate-optimal codes with low blocklength, low field-size?

Definition: Strict Availability via Orthogonal Parity Checks

$$\underbrace{H}_{(m \times n)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & & 1 & & & \\ & 1 & 1 & & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & 1 & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 & 1 & & 1 \\ 1 & & & & 1 & 1 & \\ & 1 & & & & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & & 1 & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow w_H(\text{each row}) = (r + 1)$$

$$\Downarrow w_H(\text{each column}) = t \Downarrow$$

- Let $S_j^{(i)}$ be the support of the j th row having a 1 in column i
- Then

$$S_j^{(i)} \cap S_l^{(i)} = \{i\}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, t, \quad j \neq l.$$

- t orthogonal parity checks per code symbol
- Terminology: $(n, k, r, t)_{\text{sa}}$ codes.

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Rate-Bound for Strict Availability for $t = 3$

Theorem

Rate-Bound¹ Let \mathcal{C} be an $(n, k, r, 3)_{sa}$ code over the field \mathbb{F}_q having connected Tanner graph, then its rate is upper bounded by the following expression:

$$\frac{k}{n} \leq 1 - \frac{3(1 + L_1 + L_2)}{(r + 1)(3 + L_1 + 2L_2)}, \quad (10)$$

$$\text{where: } m = \frac{3n}{r + 1}, \quad L_1 = \left\lceil \frac{(2r - 1)m}{3(r + 2)} - \frac{1}{r + 2} - 1 \right\rceil,$$
$$L_2 = \left\lceil \frac{m - 3 - L_1}{2} \right\rceil,$$

¹S. B. Balaji and P. Vijay Kumar, "Bounds on Codes with Locality and Availability", 2017. [Online]. Available: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.00159>

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Greedy Algorithm

1. Let $S = \emptyset, P = \emptyset$.
2. Step 1: Pick an arbitrary number σ_1 from $[n]$ and set $S = \{\sigma_1\}$ and $P = \{\underline{c} \in \text{Rows}(H) : \sigma_1 \in \text{Support}(\underline{c})\}$.
3. Step $i, i \geq 2$: Choose a number $\sigma_i \in [n] - S$ such that $\sigma_i = \operatorname{argmax}_{j \in [n] - S} |D_j| \times I(|D_j| \leq 2)$ where $D_j = \{\underline{c} \in P : j \in \text{Support}(\underline{c})\}$.
Now $S = S \cup \{\sigma_i\}$ and $P = P \cup \{\underline{c} \in \text{Rows}(H) - P : \sigma_i \in \text{Support}(\underline{c})\}$.
4. **Pseudocode for the Greedy Algorithm:** $P = \emptyset, S = \emptyset, i = 1$.
while $|P| < m$
do Step i
 $i = i + 1$
end while.
5. It is clear that, $k \leq n - |S|$ at the end of the algorithm.

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Can show that it meets our bound only when the graph is a Moore graph, which are very rare. Hence sub-optimal for most parameters.

Analysis of Greedy Algorithm

Let $g_i \in \{1, 2\}$ be the number of new codewords added to P at step i .
Let s_1^i, s_2^i, s_3^i be the number of weight 1, 2, 3 columns in the matrix formed by codewords in P respectively.

if $g_{i+1} = 2, g_{i+2} = 2$ then

$$s_1^{i+1} = s_1^i + 2r - 1, \quad s_2^{i+1} = s_2^i + 0, \quad s_3^{i+1} = s_3^i + 1.$$

if $g_{i+1} = 1, g_{i+2} = 2$ then

$$s_1^{i+1} = s_1^i - \phi_i + r + 1, \quad s_2^{i+1} = s_2^i - \phi_i, \quad s_3^{i+1} = s_3^i + \phi_i,$$

for some $1 \leq \phi_i \leq r + 1$.

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$$s_1^{i+1} = s_1^i + 2r - 1 - 2l_i, \quad s_2^{i+1} = s_2^i + l_i, \quad s_3^{i+1} = s_3^i + 1,$$

for some $0 < l_i \leq 2r$.

Analysis of Greedy Algorithm

Let $S_{uj} = \{i : g_{i+1} = u, g_{i+2} = j, |S| - 1 \geq i \geq 2\}$ and $l_{uj} = |S_{uj}|$ at the end of the algorithm. Now using the global constraints ($s_1 = s_1^{|S|} = 0$, $s_2 = s_2^{|S|} = 0$, $s_3 = s_3^{|S|} = n$ at the end of the algorithm.):

$$s_2^{|S|} = \gamma_1 - \sum_{i \in S_{12}} \phi_i + \sum_{i \in S_{21}} l_i - \sum_{i \in S_{11}} J_i + \sum_{i \in S_{11}} \psi_i - (r + 1) = 0,$$

$$m = \frac{3n}{r+1} = 5 + g_3 + 2(l_{22} + l_{12}) + l_{21} + l_{11}.$$

Analysis of Greedy Algorithm

$$l_{11} + l_{21} \geq \frac{(2r-1)m}{3(r+2)} - \frac{1}{r+2} - 1.$$

1. For $j = 1, 2$, let $L_j = |\{i : g_i = j, |S| \geq i \geq 1\}|$ at the end of the algorithm.
2. $|S| = L_1 + L_2 + 1$ and $m = L_1 + 2L_2 + 3$. Hence $L_1 \geq l_{11} + l_{21}$.

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