

$$1. (a) \binom{n}{w}$$

$$(b)$$

$$t+s = i \leftarrow d(z, x)$$

$$k-t+s = j \leftarrow d(z, y)$$

$$\therefore s = \frac{i+j-k}{2}; t = i-s = \frac{i-j+k}{2}$$

$$p_{ij}^k = \binom{k}{t} \binom{n-k}{s} \text{ if } s \text{ is integer and } 0 \text{ or } w$$

If  $k=0$ , then  $x=y$ , and  $p_{ii}^0 = \binom{n}{i}$ ;  $p_{ij}^0 = 0$  if  $i \neq j$

$$2. (a) \binom{n}{w} 2^w$$

$$(b) \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} 2^i;$$

$$-1 = (1-2)^n = \sum (-1)^i \binom{n}{i} 2^i = \underbrace{\sum_{\substack{i \text{ even}}} \binom{n}{i} 2^i}_{a} - \underbrace{\sum_{\substack{i \text{ odd}}} \binom{n}{i} 2^i}_{b}$$

$$\therefore a = b - 1$$

$$\text{Also } 3^n = (1+2)^n = a+b = 2b-1$$

$$\therefore b = \frac{3^n + 1}{2} \text{ and } a = \boxed{\frac{3^n - 1}{2}}$$

$$3. C_1 [n, 0, ?] \quad G = \text{empty}; H = I_n$$

$$C_2 [n, n, 1] \quad G = I_n; H = \text{empty}$$

$$C_3 [n, 1, n] \quad G_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}; \quad H_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & & \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad n \times n$$

$$C_4 [n, n-1, 2] \quad G_4 = H_3; H = G_3$$

4. (a) If you know Lagrange's theorem, then that's it. If not, then note that the subset  $C_0 = \{x \in C \mid x_i = 0\}$  is a linear subcode of  $C$ . Now take  $y \in C$  s.t.  $y_i = 1$  and consider the set  $C_1 = \{x+y \mid x \in C_0\}$ . You will quickly conclude that  $|C_0| = |C_1|$ , and since  $|C_0| + |C_1| = |C|$ ,  $|C_0| = \frac{|C|}{2}$

(b) Suppose that  $[n, k, d]$  are the parameters of the code  $C$ . We note that upon shortening, the distance cannot decrease.

The length of  $C_1$  is  $n-1$ ;  $\dim C_1 = \dim C - 1 = k-1$ , and the distance is  $\geq d$ .

The parity-check matrix of  $C_1$  is obtained by discarding from  $H$  the last column.

To obtain the generator matrix  $G_1$ , perform row operations in  $G$  to remove all but a single 1 in the last column. Then discard the row with this 1 and the last column.

$$5. f(x) := \sum_{y \in C} (-1)^{x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n}$$

The vectors  $y \in C$  s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = 0$  form an  $\mathbb{F}_2$ -linear space.

Since  $x \notin C^\perp$ , there is a vector  $y \in C$  s.t.  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = 1$ , so for every  $y \in C$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = 0$  there is a vector  $\bar{y} \in C$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \bar{y}_i = 1$ .

Thus the terms in the sum  $f(x)$  split evenly between 0 and 1, and so  $f(x) = 0$ .

6(a) Since  $d(x, y) = d(0, y-x)$ , we may argue in terms of the norm (Hamming weight), and must show that

$$|x+y| \leq |x| + |y|$$

which is straightforward.

10. Let  $x_1 = (111000\ldots 0)$ ;  $x_2 = (001110\ldots 0)$ , then

$x = x_1 - x_2$  is a codeword of Hamming weight 4; if  $Hx_1^T = Hx_2^T$ , then  $Hx^T = 0$ , contradicting the fact that the distance of the code is 5.

11. Let  $C$  be a linear code in  $\mathbb{F}_n$  and  $x \notin C$  be a vector.

The set  $x+C = \{x+y : y \in C\}$  is called a coset of  $C$  in  $\mathbb{F}_n$ .

It is easily seen that for different  $x_1, x_2$  the cosets

$x_1+C$  and  $x_2+C$  either coincide, or are disjoint. Thus

If  $\dim C = k$ , there are  $2^{n-k}$  cosets. In each coset we choose a vector of the smallest Hamming weight and call it the coset leader.

Since all the vectors of weight one are coset leaders, the matrix  $H$  does not contain identical columns.

For  $000110$  to be a coset leader we need that the sum of the columns  $h_4 + h_5$  be different from any of the columns  $h_1, h_2, h_3, h_6$  (otherwise  $000110$  would be in a coset with leader of wt. 1).

The matrix

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

satisfies these conditions (there are other possibilities)

**Problem 31.** Let  $\beta$  be a root of  $f$ . We have  $f(x)(x - 1) = x^5 - 1$ , so  $\beta$  is a primitive 5th degree root of unity. In other words,  $\text{ord}(\beta) = 5$ .

[Alternatively, we have  $\beta^5 = \beta^4 \cdot \beta = (\beta^3 + \beta^2 + \beta + 1)\beta = 1$ .]

Therefore  $\beta$  is not primitive in  $\mathbb{F}_{16}$ , and so  $f$  is not a primitive polynomial. Now let  $\alpha$  be a root of  $x^4 + x + 1$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}_{16}$ . We can take  $\beta = \alpha^3$ .

The elements  $\beta^3, \beta^2, \beta, 1$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  because  $f$  is irreducible. So let us construct  $\mathbb{F}_{16}$  taking them as a basis.

We obtain

$\beta^3$	$\beta^2$	$\beta$	1	0	$\alpha^3$	$\alpha^2$	$\alpha$	1	0
0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1		0	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	0		$\beta$	1	0	0	$\alpha^3$
0	1	0	0		$\beta^2$	1	1	0	$\alpha^6$
1	0	0	0		$\beta^3$	1	0	1	$\alpha^9$
0	0	1	1		$\beta + 1$	1	0	0	$\alpha^{14}$
0	1	0	1		$\beta^2 + 1$	1	1	0	$\alpha^{13}$
0	1	1	0		$\beta^2 + \beta$	0	1	0	$\alpha^2$
1	0	0	1		$\beta^3 + 1$	1	0	1	$\alpha^7$
1	0	1	0		$\beta^3 + \beta$	0	0	1	$\alpha$
1	1	0	0		$\beta^3 + \beta^2$	0	1	1	$\alpha^5$
0	1	1	1		$\beta^2 + \beta + 1$	0	1	0	$\alpha^8$
1	0	1	1		$\beta^3 + \beta + 1$	0	0	1	$\alpha^4$
1	1	0	1		$\beta^3 + \beta^2 + 1$	0	1	1	$\alpha^{10}$
1	1	1	0		$\beta^3 + \beta^2 + \beta$	1	1	1	$\alpha^{11}$
1	1	1	1		$\beta^3 + \beta^2 + \beta + 1$	1	1	1	$\alpha^{12}$

For instance, to compute  $\beta + 1$  as a power of  $\alpha$  we write  $\beta + 1 = \alpha^3 + 1 = \alpha^{14}$  etc.

(c)  $\alpha^{14}$  is a primitive element in  $\mathbb{F}_{16}$  since  $(14, 15) = 1$ . Its minimal polynomial is  $m_7 = x^4 + x^3 + 1$  (verify directly that  $m_7(\beta + 1) = 0$  !)

$$(32) \text{ a). } F_4 = \{0, 1, w, \bar{w}\}$$

$$w = \alpha^i \in F_4$$

$$\text{ord}(\alpha^i) = 3 \quad \text{since} \quad \text{ord}(\alpha^i) = \frac{\text{ord}(\alpha)}{\text{gcd}(\text{ord}(\alpha^i), i)}$$

$$\text{gcd}(15, i) = 5$$

$$i = 5, 10$$

$$\text{Let } w = \alpha^5, \bar{w} = \alpha^{10}, \text{ (or } w = \alpha^{10}, \bar{w} = \alpha^5\text{)} \quad \alpha^4 = \alpha + 1$$

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc} + & 0 & 1 & w & \bar{w} \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 & w & \bar{w} \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & \bar{w} & w \\ w & w & \bar{w} & 0 & 1 \\ \bar{w} & \bar{w} & w & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$$1+w = 1+\alpha^5 = \alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 = \bar{w}$$

$$1+\bar{w} = 1+\alpha^{10} = \alpha^2 + \alpha = w$$

$$w+\bar{w} = \alpha^5 + \alpha^{10} = 1$$

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc} \cdot & 0 & 1 & w & \bar{w} \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & w & \bar{w} \\ w & 0 & w & \bar{w} & 1 \\ \bar{w} & 0 & \bar{w} & 1 & w \end{array}$$

$$w \cdot w = \alpha^{10} = \bar{w}$$

$$\bar{w} \cdot \bar{w} = \alpha^{20} = \alpha^5 = w$$

$$w \cdot \bar{w} = \alpha^{15} = 1$$

$$\text{b). } f(x) = x^2 + wx + 1 \text{ can not be divided by } \begin{matrix} x \\ x+1 \\ x+w \\ x+\bar{w} \end{matrix}$$

hence  $f(x)$  is irreducible.

$$c) \beta^2 + w\beta + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{or } \beta^2 = w\beta + 1$$

$$\beta, \quad \beta^2 = w\beta + 1, \quad \beta^3 = w\beta^2 + \beta = w(w\beta + 1) + \beta \\ = \bar{w}\beta + w + \beta = w\beta + w$$

$$\beta^4 = w\beta^2 + w\beta = w^2\beta + w + w\beta = \beta + w$$

$$\beta^5 = \beta^2 + \beta w = 1 \quad \text{ord}(\beta) = 5$$

$\beta$  is not primitive in  $\mathbb{F}_{16}$

d) Since  $\text{ord}(\beta) = 5$ ,  $3 \mid i$ :

$$\text{Since } \beta^2 + w\beta + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{if } \beta = \alpha^3 \quad \beta^2 + w\beta + 1 = \alpha^6 + \alpha^8 + 1 = \alpha^3 \neq 0$$

$$\text{if } \beta = \alpha^6 \quad \beta^2 + w\beta + 1 = \alpha^{12} + \alpha^{11} + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow i=6$$

e)  $\forall (\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{F}_4$

$$\lambda\beta + \mu = 0 \quad \text{iff} \quad \lambda = \mu = 0$$

Hence  $\{\beta, 1\}$  form a basis of  $\mathbb{F}_{16}$  over  $\mathbb{F}_4$ .

Since  $\beta = \alpha^6$ ,  $\bar{W} = \alpha^{10}$ ,  $\beta^2 = w\beta + 1$  representation in the basis  $(\beta, 1)$

$$\alpha = \beta \cdot \bar{W} \quad (\bar{w}, 0)$$

$$\alpha^2 = \beta^2 \cdot \bar{W}^2 = (w\beta + 1) \cdot w = w^2\beta + w = \bar{w}\beta + w \quad (\bar{w}, w)$$

$$\alpha^3 = \beta \bar{W} \cdot (\bar{w}\beta + w) = w(w\beta + 1) + \beta = w\beta + w \quad (w, w)$$

$$\alpha^4 = \beta \bar{W} (w\beta + w) = (w\beta + 1) + \beta = \bar{w}\beta + 1 \quad (\bar{w}, 1)$$

$$\alpha^5 = \beta \bar{W} (\bar{w}\beta + 1) = w(w\beta + 1) + \beta \bar{W} = w \quad (0, w)$$

$$\alpha^6 = \beta \bar{W} \cdot w = \beta \quad (1, 0)$$

$$\alpha^7 = \beta \bar{W} \cdot \beta = \bar{W}(w\beta + 1) = \beta + \bar{W} \quad (1, \bar{w})$$

$$\alpha^8 = \beta \bar{W} (\beta + \bar{W}) = \bar{W}(w\beta + 1) + \beta \bar{W} = \bar{W}\beta + \bar{W} \quad (\bar{w}, \bar{w})$$

$$\alpha^9 = \beta \bar{W} (\bar{w}\beta + \bar{W}) = w(w\beta + 1) + w\beta = \beta + w \quad (1, w)$$

$$\alpha^{10} = \beta \bar{W} (\beta + w) = \bar{W}(w\beta + 1) + \beta = \bar{W} \quad (0, \bar{w})$$

$$\alpha^{11} = \beta \bar{w} \cdot \bar{w} = w\beta \quad (w, 0)$$

$$\alpha^{12} = \beta \bar{w} \cdot w\beta = w\beta + 1 \quad (w, 1)$$

$$\alpha^{13} = \beta \bar{w} \cdot (w\beta + 1) = (w\beta + 1) + \bar{w}\beta = \beta + 1 \quad (1, 1)$$

$$\alpha^{14} = \beta \bar{w} \cdot (\beta + 1) = \bar{w}(w\beta + 1) + \beta \bar{w} = w\beta + \bar{w} \quad (w, \bar{w})$$

$$1 \quad (0, 1)$$

$$0 \quad (0, 0)$$

f). Monic irreducible polynomial of degree  $\leq 2$  over  $\mathbb{F}_4$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{cccc} x & x+1 & x+w & x+\bar{w} \\ x^2+wx+1 & x^2+\bar{w}x+1 & x^2+x+w & x^2+x+\bar{w} \\ \end{array} \right.$$

element in  $\mathbb{F}_{16}$

Minimal polynomial

$$0 \quad x$$

$$1 \quad x+1$$

$$\alpha \quad x^2+x+w$$

$$\alpha^2 \quad x^2+x+\bar{w}$$

$$\alpha^3 \quad x^2+\bar{w}x+1$$

$$\alpha^4 \quad x^2+x+w$$

$$\alpha^5 \quad x+w$$

$$\alpha^6 \quad x^2+wx+1$$

$$\alpha^7 \quad x^2+wx+w$$

$$\alpha^8 \quad x^2+x+\bar{w}$$

$$\alpha^9 \quad x^2+wx+1$$

$$\alpha^{10} \quad x+\bar{w}$$

$$\alpha^{11} \quad x^2+wx+\bar{w}$$

$$\alpha^{12} \quad x^2+\bar{w}x+1$$

$$\alpha^{13} \quad x^2+wx+w$$

$$\alpha^{14} \quad x^2+wx+\bar{w}$$

**Problem 34.** (a) The number of primitive elements in  $\mathbb{F}_{32}$  equals the number of integers between 1 and 30 that are coprime with 31, i.e., 30.

(b) We need to show that none of the polynomials  $x, x+1, x^2+1, x^2+x+1$  divide  $f$ . Since  $f$  has no roots in  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , only the last two polynomials remain. We can write

$$f = (x^2 + x + 1)(x^3 + x^2) + 1 = (x^2 + 1)(x^3 + x + 1) + 1,$$

proving that  $f$  is irreducible.

(c) No, because  $\mathbb{F}_{32}$  does not contain elements of order less than 31.

(d) No because  $2^4 - 1$  is not a divisor of  $2^5 - 1$  (or because of (c)).

(e) We have

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i=0}^4 (x - \alpha^i) &= x^5 + (1 + \alpha + \alpha^2 + \alpha^3 + \alpha^4)x^4 + (\alpha + \alpha^2 + \alpha^6 + \alpha^7)x^3 \\ &\quad + (\alpha^3 + \alpha^4 + \alpha^8 + \alpha^9)x^2 + (\alpha^6 + \alpha^7 + \alpha^8 + \alpha^9 + \alpha^{10})x + \alpha^{10} \\ &= x^5 + \alpha^{15}x^4 + \alpha^{21}x^3 + \alpha^{23}x^2 + \alpha^{21}x + \alpha^{10}. \end{aligned}$$

(f) We have  $\alpha^4 + \alpha^3 + \alpha = \alpha^9$ , so the logarithm equals 9.

(g) By (a)  $\gamma$  is a primitive element, so its minimal polynomial is of degree 5.

(h) Since  $\gamma$  is not a root of a polynomial of degree 4 or less, the elements  $1, \gamma, \gamma^2, \gamma^3, \gamma^4$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ .

(i) We compute  $\alpha^8 = \alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + 1$ , getting  $(1, 0, 1, 1, 0)$  as the coordinates with respect to the basis  $(1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^3, \alpha^4)$ .