

Countings in a codebook

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Motivation of our study

- In 1973 Delsarte derived n linear inequalities, which are called linear programming bounds, that should be satisfied by all codes of length n .
- The first inequality, which is called Plotkin's bound, was obtained by Plotkin in 1960. And it can be proved by counting the number of $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ or $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ in a 'what we call' codebook of the code in **TWO** ways.
- Now natural question arises: **Can we prove Delsarte's other inequalities by a counting method?**
- We will see in a moment that Plotkin's idea can be **FAR GENERALIZED**, and can be applied to other problems of coding theory in a 'slightly modified' form.

The codebook of a code

- Let C be a binary (n, M) code with distance distribution $\{A_i\}_{i=0}^n$.
- Consider C as a codebook, i.e., C is an $(0, 1)$ -matrix of size $M \times n$ in which each codeword $c \in C$ is a row.

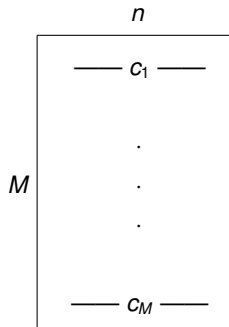


Figure: C as a codebook

Decomposition of Krawtchouk polynomial

Even and odd Krawtchouk polynomial

- We introduce the even (resp. odd) Krawtchouk polynomials by

$$P_k^+(x; n) = \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ j=\text{even}}}^k \binom{x}{j} \binom{n-x}{k-j},$$

$$P_k^-(x; n) = \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ j=\text{odd}}}^k \binom{x}{j} \binom{n-x}{k-j}.$$

- The ordinary Krawtchouk polynomial which is defined by

$$P_k(x; n) = \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^j \binom{x}{j} \binom{n-x}{k-j}$$

becomes $P_k^+(x; n) - P_k^-(x; n)$ and $P_k^+(x; n) + P_k^-(x; n) = \binom{n}{k}$.

Binary case

Delsarte's Linear Programming Bounds for binary codes

We state Delsarte's Linear Programming Bounds for binary codes.

Theorem (LP bounds for binary codes)

(a)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n P_k^-(i; n) A_i \leq \frac{2M_1}{M} \binom{n}{k}, \quad (1)$$

(b)

$$-\sum_{i=1}^n P_k^+(i; n) A_i \leq -\frac{2M_2}{M} \binom{n}{k}, \quad (2)$$

$$\text{where } M_1 = \begin{cases} \frac{M^2}{4} & \text{if } M \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{M^2-1}{4} & \text{if } M \text{ is odd,} \end{cases} \text{ and } M_2 = \begin{cases} \frac{M(M-2)}{4} & \text{if } M \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{(M-1)^2}{4} & \text{if } M \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Delsarte's Linear Programming Bounds for binary codes-Cont.

Remark

- Equation (2) – (1) becomes the original Delsarte's linear programming bounds:
- (2) becomes

$$\frac{2M_2}{M} \binom{n}{k} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n P_k^+(i; n) A_i,$$

- and –(1) becomes

$$-\frac{2M_1}{M} \binom{n}{k} \leq -\sum_{i=1}^n P_k^-(i; n) A_i.$$

Remark-Cont.

- By adding them, we obtain

$$-\binom{n}{k} \leq \frac{2M_2 - 2M_1}{M} \binom{n}{k} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n P_k(i; n) A_i,$$

- and it becomes

$$\sum_{i=0}^n P_k(i; n) A_i \geq 0, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n,$$

- which is the original Delsarte's linear programming.
- Hence our theorem is "a little" better than the original Delsarte's linear programming.
- Actually it gives that

$$\sum_{i=0}^n P_k(i; n) A_i \geq \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } M \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{1}{M} \binom{n}{k} & \text{if } M \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Binary case

Proof of Theorem by codebook counting

- We consider C as a codebook and count the number of $2 \times k$ submatrices of C which has odd number of 1s in **TWO** ways.
- We begin with row computation:

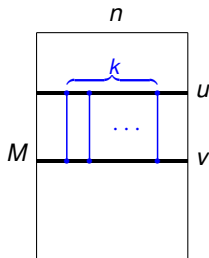


Figure: The contribution from rows u, v

Binary case

Proof of Theorem-Cont.

- The contribution from two rows u, v becomes

$$\sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ j=\text{odd}}}^k \binom{d(u, v)}{j} \binom{n - d(u, v)}{k - j}.$$

- Therefore total contribution from the rows becomes

$$\sum_{\substack{u, v \in C \\ u \neq v}} \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ j=\text{odd}}}^k \binom{d(u, v)}{j} \binom{n - d(u, v)}{k - j},$$

- and finally, by collecting all pairs with $d(u, v) = i$, it becomes

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\substack{u, v \in C \\ d(u, v)=i}} P_k^-(i; n) = M \sum_{i=1}^n P_k^-(i; n) A_i.$$

Proof of Theorem-Cont.

- We next consider column computation:

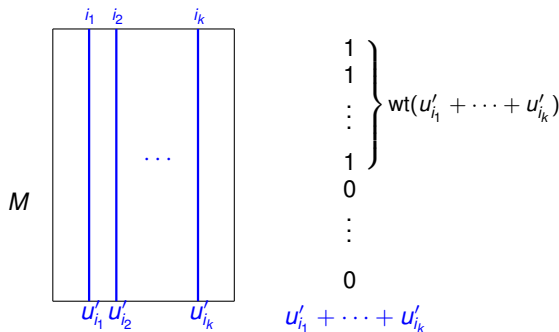


Figure: The contribution from columns i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k

Proof of Theorem-Cont.

- The contribution from columns i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k becomes

$$2wt(u'_{i_1} + \dots + u'_{i_k})[M - wt(u'_{i_1} + \dots + u'_{i_k})].$$

- Therefore the total contribution from columns becomes

$$2 \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k} wt(u'_{i_1} + \dots + u'_{i_k})[M - wt(u'_{i_1} + \dots + u'_{i_k})] \leq 2M_1 \binom{n}{k}.$$

- Equality holds if and only if $wt(u'_{i_1} + \dots + u'_{i_k}) = \begin{cases} \frac{M}{2} & \text{if } M \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{(M \pm 1)}{2} & \text{if } M \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$
for all $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k$.

Delsarte's Linear Programming Bounds for q -ary codes

Theorem (Linear Programming Bounds for q -ary codes)

For $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, we have

$$\sum_{i=0}^n P_k(i; n) A_i \geq 0,$$

where $P_k(i; n)$ is defined by

$$P_k(i; n) = \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^j (q-1)^{i-j} \binom{i}{j} \binom{n-i}{k-j}.$$

Delsarte's Linear Programming Bounds for q -ary codes-Cont.

Remark

- For $k = 0$, $P_0(i; n) = (q - 1)^i \geq 0$ for all i . Therefore the inequality also holds for $k = 0$.
- $P_k(i; n)$ is called the q -ary Krawtchouk polynomial. It is known that

$$P_k(i; n) = \sum_{wt(v)=k} \lambda(u \cdot v)$$

where u is a vector of $wt(u) = i$.

- Here $\lambda : \mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1$ is defined as follows: We know $q = p^n$ for some prime p .

$$\lambda(x) = \zeta^{\text{Tr}(x)},$$

where ζ is a primitive p -th root of unity, and Tr is the trace map of $GF(q)$ into $GF(p)$.

q -ary case

Notation

Notation

- For $a = (a_1, \dots, a_j) \in (\mathbb{F}_q^*)^j$, we introduce
- $N(a) = |\{b = (b_1, \dots, b_j) \in (\mathbb{F}_q^*)^j \mid b \cdot a \neq 0\}|$,
- $Z(a) = |\{b = (b_1, \dots, b_j) \in (\mathbb{F}_q^*)^j \mid b \cdot a = 0\}|$.

Proposition

- $N(a) = \frac{q-1}{q} [(q-1)^j - (-1)^j]$,
- $Z(a) = (q-1)^j - N(a) = \frac{1}{q} (q-1)^j + \frac{q-1}{q} (-1)^j$.
- Notice that these values are independent of the choice of a in $(\mathbb{F}_q^*)^j$.

q -ary case

Target to count

Codebook of a q -ary code

- Let C be a q -ary code of length n with cardinality M .
- Consider C as a codebook, i.e., $C = (c_{mi})$ is an $M \times n$ matrix over \mathbb{F}_q .
- Let A be a $2 \times k$ submatrix of C with rows a and b ,
- and α an element in $(\mathbb{F}_q^*)^k$.

Our target

- We are going to count the number of pairs (A, α) such that $a \cdot \alpha \neq b \cdot \alpha$ in TWO ways.

q -ary case

Comparison with binary case

Target again

- We are going to count the number of pairs (A, α)

- where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} c_{mi_1}, c_{mi_2}, \dots, c_{mi_k} \\ c_{li_1}, c_{li_2}, \dots, c_{li_k} \end{pmatrix},$$

with $m \neq l$ and $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k$,

- and $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k) \in (\mathbb{F}_q^*)^k$
- such that $\alpha_1 c_{mi_1} + \alpha_2 c_{mi_2} + \dots + \alpha_k c_{mi_k} \neq \alpha_1 c_{li_1} + \alpha_2 c_{li_2} + \dots + \alpha_k c_{li_k}$.

binary case

- If $q = 2$, then α becomes $(1, 1, \dots, 1)$.
- Therefore, the number of such pairs reduced to the numbers of $2 \times k$ submatrices of C which contain odd number of 1s.

Decomposition of q -ary Krawtchouk polynomial

Even and odd q -ary Krawtchouk polynomial

- We introduce the odd (resp. even) q -ary Krawtchouk polynomials by

$$P_k^-(i; n) = \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{[(q-1)^j - (-1)^j]}{2} (q-1)^{k-j} \binom{i}{j} \binom{n-i}{k-j},$$

$$P_k^+(i; n) = (q-1)^k \binom{n}{k} - P_k^-(i; n).$$

- When $q = 2$, it reduced to binary even (resp. odd) Krawtchouk polynomial, namely

$$P_k^-(i; n) = \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ j=\text{odd}}}^k \binom{i}{j} \binom{n-i}{k-j},$$

$$P_k^+(i; n) = \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ j=\text{even}}}^k \binom{i}{j} \binom{n-i}{k-j}.$$

Decomposition of q -ary Krawtchouk polynomial-Cont.

Proposition

$$(a) \quad P_k^+(i; n) + P_k^-(i; n) = \sum_{wt(v)=1} 1 = (q-1)^k \binom{n}{k}.$$

$$(b) \quad P_k^+(i; n) - P_k^-(i; n) = P_k(n; i).$$

Question

- Can we do a similar job for other 'good' graphs or association schemes?
- We have decomposed 'orthogonal polynomials' for Hamming graphs $H(n, 2)$ and $H(n, q)$.

More notation

Notation

- Write $\mathbb{F}_q = \{0 = w_1, w_2, \dots, w_q\}$.
- For $a = (a_1, \dots, a_M) \in \mathbb{F}_q^M$, we define

$$\chi_m(a) = |\{j | a_j = w_m\}|.$$

- Thus we trivially have that $\sum_{m=1}^q \chi_m(a) = M$.

Definition of $S(k)$

- We are also interested in the sum $S(k)$ defined by $S(k) = \sum_{\alpha \in (\mathbb{F}_q^*)^k} \sum_{\substack{m < l \\ i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k}} \chi_m(\alpha_1 u'_{i_1} + \dots + \alpha_k u'_{i_k}) \chi_l(\alpha_1 u'_{i_1} + \dots + \alpha_k u'_{i_k})$.
- Later we will maximize this term!

q -ary case

Sketch of proof of q -ary LP bound

Sketch

- We count the number $S_1(k)$ of pairs (A, α) such that $a \cdot \alpha \neq b \cdot \alpha$ in **TWO** ways.
- By row counting, we obtain

$$S_1(k) = \frac{2(q-1)}{q} M \sum_{i=1}^n P_k^-(n; i) A_i. \quad (3)$$

- By column counting, we obtain

$$S_1(k) = 2S(k). \quad (4)$$

- It follows from (3), (4) and above proposition that $\sum_{i=1}^n P_k^-(i; n) A_i = -(M-1)(q-1)^k nk + \frac{2q}{(q-1)^M} S(k)$.
- By maximizing $S(k)$, we deduce that $S(k) \leq (q-1)^k \binom{q}{2} \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{M}{q}\right)^2$ and the result follows.

Codebook of a constant weight code

Here we will study the codebook of a constant weight code. Again we begin with binary case.

Codebook of a constant weight code

- Let C be a binary code of length n , cardinality M in which every codeword has constant weight, say w .
- We may consider C as a binary matrix of size $M \times n$ in which every row has w number of 1s.

1-row k-column formula

1-row k-column formula

- We have

$$\sum wt(u'_1 + \cdots + u'_k) = MP_k^-(w; n),$$

where the sum is taken over all distinct k columns u'_1, \dots, u'_k of C .

- We count the number of $1 \times k$ submatrices of C in two ways.
- Row computation: Each row has w 1s and $n - w$ 0s. Hence the contribution from each row becomes

$$\sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ j=odd}}^k \binom{w}{j} \binom{n-w}{k-j} = P_k^-(w; n),$$

and total contribution becomes $MP_k^-(w; n)$.

- Column computation: Take any k columns, say i_1, \dots, i_k of C . The contribution from these columns becomes $wt(u'_{i_1} + \cdots + u'_{i_k})$. Hence the result.

2-row k-column formula

2-row k-column formula

- We have

$$\sum_{i=\frac{d}{2}}^n P_k^-(2i; n) A_{2i} \leq \frac{2}{M} [(((\binom{n}{k}) - r_k) q_k (M - q_k) + r_k (q_k + 1) (M - q_k - 1))],$$

- and we also have

$$\begin{aligned} - \sum_{i=\frac{d}{2}}^n P_k^+(2i; n) A_{2i} &\leq \frac{2}{M} [(((\binom{n}{k}) - r_k) q_k (M - q_k)] \\ &+ \frac{2}{M} [r_k (q_k + 1) (M - q_k - 1)] - (M - 1) \binom{n}{k}, \end{aligned}$$

2-row k-column formula-Cont.

2-row k-column formula

- where q_k and r_k are the quotient and the remainder, respectively, when dividing $MP_k^-(w; n)$ by $\binom{n}{k}$.
- There we can write

$$MP_k^-(w; n) = q_k \binom{n}{k} + r_k$$

with $0 \leq r_k < \binom{n}{k}$.

Proof of 2-row k-column formula

Idea of proof

- We count the number of $2 \times k$ submatrices of C which has odd number of 1s in **TWO** ways.
- In this process we use the result of 1-row k-column formula intensively.

Sketch of proof

- Row computation: The contribution from rows u, v becomes

$$\sum_{\substack{u, v \in C \\ u \neq v}} \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ j=\text{odd}}}^k \binom{d(u, v)}{j} \binom{n - d(u, v)}{k - j}.$$

Proof of 2-row k-column formula-Cont.

Sketch of proof-Cont.

- Therefore the total contribution from the rows becomes

$$\sum_{i=\frac{d}{2}}^n \sum_{d(u,v)=2i} P_k^-(2i; n) = M \sum_{i=\frac{d}{2}}^n P_k^-(2i; n) A_{2i}.$$

- We next consider column computation:

- The contribution from columns i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k becomes

$$2wt(u'_{i_1} + \dots + u'_{i_k})[M - wt(u'_{i_1} + \dots + u'_{i_k})].$$

- Therefore the total contribution from the rows becomes

$$2 \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k} wt(u'_{i_1} + \dots + u'_{i_k})[M - wt(u'_{i_1} + \dots + u'_{i_k})]$$

Proof of 2-row k-column formula-Cont.

Sketch of proof-Cont.

- We want to maximize the last sum, and consider the distribution of all possible weights

$$wt(u'_{i_1} + \cdots + u'_{i_k})$$

where the k columns i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k run over all possibilities.

- We conclude that the sum maximized when these weights are 'almost equally' distributed.
- We know from 1-row k-column formula that the sum of possible $\binom{n}{k}$ weights is $MP_k^-(w; n)$.
- Write $MP_k^-(w; n) = q_k \binom{n}{k} + r_k$, with $0 \leq r_k < \binom{n}{k}$. Then the sum become maximum when r_k weights equal to $q_k + 1$, and the remaining $\binom{n}{k} - r_k$ weights equal to q_k .
- We finally conclude that the total contribution from the columns

$$\leq 2[(\binom{n}{k} - r_k)q_k(M - q_k) + r_k(q_k + 1)(M - q_k - 1)].$$

LP-bound for q -ary constant weight codes

Theorem

- For a q -ary code of length n , cardinality M , constant weight w , and $0 \leq k \leq n$, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n P_k^-(i; n) A_i \leq \frac{q}{(q-1)M} T(k),$$

- and

$$-\sum_{i=1}^n P_k^+(i; n) A_i \leq -(M-1)(q-1)^k \binom{n}{k} + \frac{q}{(q-1)M} T(k).$$

- The value $T(k)$ can be easily computed when q, n, w, M, k are given.

Result

- We apply LP bound for constant weight codes, and improve upper bounds of $A(n, d, w)$, $n \leq 28$ for 22 cases.
- We apply LP bound for q -ary constant weight codes, and proved that $A_3(9, 3, 7) \leq 575$. Previously known best upper bound was $A_3(9, 3, 7) \leq 576$.
- We developed improved semidefinite programming bound for codes, and improve upper bounds of $A(n, d)$, $n \leq 28$ for 2 cases.
- We developed improved semidefinite LP bound for constant weight codes, and improve upper bounds of $A(n, d, w)$, $n \leq 28$ for 23 cases.

Question

- We still don't know what is the counter part of semidefinite programming bound in codebook counting!!

MacWilliams Identity

From now on, we will provide a combinatorial proof of MacWilliams identity from codebook counting. We only consider binary case.

Review of MacWilliams identity

- Let C be a binary $[n, k]$ code with weight distribution $\{A_i\}_{i=0,1,\dots,n}$. Let $\{B_i\}_{i=0,1,\dots,n}$ be the weight distribution of its dual code C^\perp .
- Let $W_C(x, y)$ (resp. $W_{C^\perp}(x, y)$) be corresponding weight enumerator of C (resp. C^\perp).
- MacWilliams identity states that

$$W_C(x, y) = \frac{1}{|C^\perp|} W_{C^\perp}(x + y, x - y).$$

- By definition MacWilliams identity becomes

$$\sum_{i=0}^n A_i x^{n-i} y^i = \frac{1}{|C^\perp|} \sum_{i=0}^n B_i (x + y)^{n-i} (x - y)^i. \quad (5)$$

Reformulation of MacWilliams Identity

Reformulation of MW

- Putting $x = 1$ in (5) and use the fact that C is an $[n, k]$ code, we obtain

$$\sum_{i=0}^n A_i y^i = \frac{1}{2^{n-k}} \sum_{i=0}^n B_i (1+y)^{n-i} (1-y)^i.$$

- We set

$$\sum_{i=0}^n A_i y^i = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i (y-1)^i,$$

- and set

$$\frac{1}{2^{n-k}} \sum_{i=0}^n B_i (1+y)^{n-i} (1-y)^i = \sum_{i=0}^n b_i (y-1)^i.$$

- Then MacWilliams identity is equivalent to $a_\nu = b_\nu, \nu = 0, 1, \dots, n$.

Reformulation of MacWilliams Identity-Cont.

Reformulation of MW-Cont.

- By applying the linear operator $\frac{d^\nu}{dy^\nu} \big|_{y=1}$, we obtain

$$a_\nu = \sum_{i=\nu}^n i(i-1) \cdots (i-\nu+1) A_i.$$

- Similarly we obtain

$$b_\nu = 2^{k-\nu} \sum_{i=0}^{\nu} (-1)^i \frac{\nu!}{(\nu-i)!} \frac{(n-i)!}{(n-\nu)!}.$$

- By equating a_ν and b_ν , we finally obtain

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{i}{\nu} A_i = 2^{k-\nu} \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \binom{n-i}{n-\nu} B_i.$$

MacWilliams Identity from a codebook

- Putting $y = 1$ in (5) and applying a similar method, we finally conclude that
- MacWilliams identity is equivalent to

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{i}{\nu} A_i = 2^{k-\nu} \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \binom{n-i}{n-\nu} B_i, \nu = 0, 1, \dots, n,$$

- and to

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n-i}{n-\nu} B_i = 2^{\nu-k} \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n-i}{\nu} A_i, \nu = 0, 1, \dots, n.$$

- And these identities can be obtained by counting the number of $1 \times \nu$ submatrices $(1, 1, \dots, 1)$ and $(0, 0, \dots, 0)$ of the codebook in **TWO** ways.

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