

SOME REMARKS ON ERRORS IN THE CLASS OF BLOCK-CODES WHICH CORRESPOND TO L-VALUED FUZZY SET

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Abstract

By using the results from ([2],[3]), in which conditions for an arbitrary block-code to correspond to an L -valued fuzzy set are given, the results related to errors of such block - codes are given in this paper.

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1. For a nonvoid set S and a complete lattice $(L, 0, 1)$, a function $\bar{A} : S \rightarrow L$ is an L -valued set on S , or an L -fuzzy set on S . If $p \in L$, then $\bar{A}_p : S \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is defined as $\bar{A}_p(x) = 1$ iff $\bar{A}(x) \geq p$. Obviously, $\bar{A}_p = \{x \in S | \bar{A}_p(x) = 1\}$.

$$(1) \quad \bar{A}(x) = \bigvee_{p \in L} p \circ \bar{A}_p(x),$$

where \bigvee is the supremum in L , and the operation " \circ " is defined as:

$$p \circ 0 = 0 \in L, \quad \text{and} \quad p \circ 1 = p, \quad (p \in L).$$

The equality (1) gives a decomposition of \bar{A} into a family of characteristic functions $\{\bar{A}_p | p \in L\}$, or, equivalently into a collection of corresponding subsets A_p of S .

Some properties of this family are:

(a) the partially ordered set $(\{A_p | p \in L\} \subseteq)$ is a lattice in which the infimum is the intersection;

(b)

$$\bigcap_{p \in K \subseteq L} A_p = A_{\bigvee_{p \in K} p};$$

(c) $A_0 = S$;

(d) $p \leq q$ implies $A_q \subseteq A_p$.

It was proved in [2] that (a),(b) and (c) are necessary and sufficient conditions under which a family of subsets of S , $\{A_p | p \in P\}$, corresponds to a fuzzy set $\bar{A} : S \rightarrow L$ in the sense of (1).

A fuzzy set $\bar{A} : S \rightarrow L$ induces a partition on L : if \sim is a relation on L given with

$$p \sim q, \quad \text{and only if } A_p = A_q,$$

then \sim an equivalence relation on L , and for every $p \in L$,

$$\bigvee [p]_{\sim} \in [p]_{\sim}$$

$$([p]_{\sim} \stackrel{def}{=} \{q \in L | p \sim q\}) [2].$$

Moreover, $p \rightarrow p_m = \bigvee [p]_{\sim}$ is an operation on L .

Let $S = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, and let L be an arbitrary finite lattice. We say that to every fuzzy set $A : S \rightarrow L$ there corresponds a binary block - code V of the length n the following way.

Every class $[p]_{\sim}$, $p \in L$, uniquely determines a codeword $v_p = x_1 \dots x_n$, such that

$$x_i \stackrel{def}{=} \bar{A}_p(i).$$

Let $p_m = \bigvee [p]_{\sim}$, $p \in L$. We shall denote the class $[p]_{\sim}$, as well as the corresponding codeword, by v_p .

Since $p \rightarrow p_m$ is a closure operation on L , it is possible to define an order relation on the collection of (\sim) - classes of L :

$$v_p \leq v_q \quad \text{if and only if } p \leq q.$$

According to this order, L/\sim is a lattice isomorphic with the one of closed elements under the closure.

For the binary block - code $V \subseteq \{0, 1\}^n$, we shall also consider the dual of the natural ordering relation:

$$x_1 \dots x_n \leq y_1 \dots y_n \text{ if and only if } x_1 \geq y_1, \dots, x_n \geq y_n,$$

on the right side being the ordinary ordering among the numbers.

Let now $V \subseteq \{0, 1\}^n$ be a binary block - code, $S = \{1, \dots, n\}$, and L a lattice. We say that a fuzzy set $\bar{A}_V : S \rightarrow L$ corresponds to V , if the block - code corresponding to \bar{A}_V (in the sense of (2)) is V .

It was shown in ([3]) that: for a binary block - code $V \subseteq \{0, 1\}^n$ there is a fuzzy set which corresponds to V iff the following conditions are satisfied

- (i) (V, \leq) is a lattice,
- (ii) V is closed under the conjunction defined componentwise;
- (iii) $11\dots 1 \in V$.

As it is known ([1]), the Hamming distance $d(x, y)$ between two codewords $x, y \in \{0, 1\}^n$ is the number of coordinates in which x and y differ. The code distance $d(V)$ of a code $V \subseteq \{0, 1\}^n$ is the minimum distance between two different codewords in V .

Let $\bar{A} : S \rightarrow L$ be a fuzzy set. We say that the number of elements of the set S which are mapped into the same element p of L is a degree of the class v_p (i.e. of the corresponding codeword), and we denote it by $s(v_p)$.

2. In the following three propositions, V will be a code corresponding to a fuzzy set $\bar{A} : S \rightarrow L$, and $V \neq \{11\dots 1\}$. Recall that

$$\bar{A}(S) = \{p \in L \mid p = \bar{A}(x) \text{ for some } x \in S\}.$$

Proposition 1. *The code V enables correction of t errors iff*

$$\min_{p \in \bar{A}(S) \setminus \{1\}} s(v_p) > 2t.$$

Proof. Let V enables correction of t errors. Then for $v_p, v_q \in V$ we have $d(v_p, v_q) > 2t$.

For $q = 1, d(v_p, v_1) > 2t, \text{ i.e. } s(v_p) > 2t$. This implies

$$\min_{p \in \bar{A}(S) \setminus \{1\}} s(v_p) > 2t.$$

Conversely. From

$$\min_{p \in \bar{A}(s) \setminus \{1\}} s(v_p) > 2t$$

it follows (similarly as in the proof of P.5. [3]) $d(V) > 2t$, and according to [1], from $d(V) > 2t$ follows that the code V enables correction of t - errors. \square

Let the fuzzy set $p'_1 p'_2 \dots p'_n$ be obtained from the fuzzy set $p_1 p_2 \dots p_n p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_k}$ by the replacement of one letter p_m in the word $p_1 p_2 \dots p_n$ for an arbitrary letter $p_j \in L$ i.e. because of one error of fuzzy set $p_1 \dots p_n$.

Proposition 2. *Let \bar{A}_V be a fuzzy set (which corresponds to the code V) of the form $p_1 p_2 \dots p_n$ and let p_{i_1}, \dots, p_{i_k} be those elements from $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$ such that $s(p_{i_1}), \dots, s(p_{i_k})$ are odd numbers. Then the fuzzy set $p_1 p_2 \dots p_n p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_k}$ enables the detection of one error of \bar{A}_V .*

Proof. Let the fuzzy set $p'_1 p'_2 \dots p'_n p'_{i_1} \dots p'_{i_k}$ be obtained from the fuzzy set $p_1 p_2 \dots p_n p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_k}$ by the replacement of one letter p_m in the word $p_1 p_2 \dots p_n p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_k}$ for an arbitrary letter $p_j \in L$ i.e. because of one error. Let

$$v_{p_m} = x_1 \dots x_{i_k} \quad \text{and} \quad v_{p_j} = y_1 \dots y_{i_k}$$

be the codeword for p_m and p_j .

Then it follows immediately that, for this codeword, it holds that

$$x_1 + \dots + x_{i_k} \neq 0 \pmod{2}$$

or

$$y_1 + \dots + y_{i_k} \neq 0 \pmod{2}$$

by which we detect the error. \square

Proposition 3. *Let \bar{A} be a fuzzy set (which corresponds to the code V) of the form $p_1 p_2 \dots p_n$ and let p_{i_1}, \dots, p_{i_k} be those elements from $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$ such that $s(p_{i_1}), \dots, s(p_{i_k})$ are odd numbers. Then the fuzzy set*

$$p_1 p_2 \dots p_n p_1 p_2 \dots p_n p_{i_1} p_{i_2} \dots p_{i_k}$$

enables the correction of one error of the \bar{A}_V .

Proof. Suppose that from

$$p_1 \dots p_n p_1 \dots p_n p_{i_1} \dots p_{i_k}$$

because of one error we obtained the fuzzy set

$$p'_1 \dots p'_n p''_1 \dots p''_n p'_{i_1} \dots p'_{i_k}$$

and let

$$v_{p_s} = x'_1 \dots x'_n \dots x''_1 \dots x''_n \dots x'_{i_1} \dots x'_{i_k}$$

be the codeword for $p_s \in L$.

By considering the following possible cases:

a) $p'_1 \dots p'_n \neq p''_1 \dots p''_n$;

$$x'_1 + \dots + x'_n + x'_{i_1} + \dots + x'_{i_k} \neq 0 \pmod{2} \text{ for some } p_s \in L :$$

b) $p'_1 \dots p'_n \neq p''_1 \dots p''_n$;

$$x''_1 + \dots + x''_n + x'_{i_1} + \dots + x'_{i_k} \neq 0 \pmod{2} \text{ for some } p_s \in L,$$

and

c) $p'_1 \dots p'_n = p''_1 \dots p''_n$;

$$x_1 + \dots + x'_n + x'_{i_1} + \dots + x'_{i_k} \neq 0 \pmod{2} \text{ for some } p_s \in L$$

the result follows. \square

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