

## New 5-ary and 7-ary linear codes<sup>1</sup>

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**Abstract.** Let  $[n, k, d]_q$  code be a linear code of length  $n$ , dimension  $k$  and Hamming minimum distance  $d$  over  $\text{GF}(q)$ . In this paper record-breaking codes with parameters  $[30, 10, 15]_5$ ,  $[33, 11, 16]_5$ ,  $[41, 10, 22]_5$ ,  $[24, 14, 8]_7$ ,  $[40, 11, 22]_7$ ,  $[60, 10, 38]_7$ ,  $[60, 13, 34]_7$ ,  $[88, 8, 63]_7$ ,  $[96, 11, 64]_7$ ,  $[96, 13, 61]_7$  and  $[96, 15, 58]_7$  are constructed.

### 1 Introduction

Let  $\text{GF}(q)$  denote the Galois field of  $q$  elements and let  $V(n, q)$  denote the vector space of all ordered  $n$ -tuples over  $\text{GF}(q)$ . The Hamming weight of a vector  $x$ , denoted by  $wt(x)$ , is the number of nonzero entries in  $x$ . A linear code  $C$  of length  $n$  and dimension  $k$  over  $\text{GF}(q)$  is a  $k$ -dimensional subspace of  $V(n, q)$ . Such a code is called  $[n, k, d]_q$  code if its minimum Hamming weight is  $d$ . For linear codes, the minimum distance is equal to the minimum weight of the nonzero codewords. The orthogonal code  $C^\perp$  of  $C$  is the set of words of length  $n$  that are orthogonal to all codewords in  $C$ , w.r.t. the ordinary inner product.

A  $k \times n$  matrix  $G_C$  having as rows the vectors of a basis of a linear code  $C$  is called a generator matrix for  $C$ .

To obtain a  $q$ -ary linear code which is capable of correcting most errors for given values of  $n$ ,  $k$ , and  $q$ , it is sufficient to obtain an  $[n, k, d]_q$  code  $C$  with maximum minimum distance  $d$  among all such codes or for given values of  $k$ ,  $d$ , and  $q$ , to obtain an  $[n, k, d]_q$  code  $C$  whose length  $n$  is a smallest one. The codes with such parameters are called optimal.

Let  $A_i$  denote the number of codewords of  $C$  with weight  $i$ . The weight distribution of  $C$  is the list of numbers  $A_i$ . The weight distribution  $A_0 = 1$ ,  $A_d = \alpha, \dots, A_n = \gamma$  is expressed as  $0^1 d^\alpha \dots n^\gamma$  also.

In the last years many good linear codes over  $\text{GF}(5)$  and  $\text{GF}(7)$  were constructed. In [2] Daskalov and Gulliver constructed 44 good codes and presented a table with lower and bounds on the minimum distances for  $1 \leq k \leq 8, 1 \leq n \leq 100$ . In [3] Daskalov, Hristov and Metodieva constructed 32 QC and QT codes. Grassl and White presented 28 new codes in [4] and 55 in [5]. Maruta

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et al. constructed in [6], [7] and [8] eighteen, twenty four and twenty six new codes respectively. Six new codes were constructed in [9]. Fifty eight new linear codes over  $GF(7)$  are constructed and a table for the minimum distances ( $k \leq 7$ ,  $n \leq 100$ ) is presented in [10]. Thirty three linear codes over  $GF(7)$  are constructed in [11]. New linear codes ( $n \leq 50$ ) over  $GF(7)$  are constructed in [12], [13], [14]. Good linear codes, including some high-rate codes, are presented also in [15] and [16].

In the presented paper we continue our investigation from [15] and [16]. In the time of construction the codes presented in this paper improved the respective lower bounds on the minimum distances in Grassl's tables [17] and now are the best-known such codes.

## 2 Quasi-cyclic codes

The basic object in our considerations is the class of quasi-cyclic codes. A code  $C$  is said to be quasi-cyclic (QC or  $p$ -QC) if a cyclic shift of a codeword by  $p$  positions results in another codeword. The length,  $n$ , of a  $p$ -QC code is a multiple of  $p$ , so that  $n = pm$  [18]. With a suitable permutation of coordinates [19] a class of QC codes can be constructed from  $m \times m$  circulant matrices. In this case,  $C$  has a generator matrix of the following form

$$G = [B_1, B_2, \dots, B_p], \quad (1)$$

where  $B_i$  are circulant matrices.

The algebra of  $m \times m$  circulant matrices over  $GF(q)$  is isomorphic to the algebra of polynomials in the ring  $GF(q)[x]/(x^m - 1)$  if  $B$  is mapped onto the polynomial,  $b(x) = b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + \dots + b_{m-1}x^{m-1}$ , formed from the entries in the first row of  $B$  [1]. The polynomials  $b_i(x)$ , associated with a QC code are called the *defining polynomials* [18].

The dimension  $k$  of the QC code is equal to the degree of  $h(x)$  [20], where

$$h(x) = \frac{x^m - 1}{\gcd\{x^m - 1, b_0(x), b_1(x), \dots, b_{p-1}(x)\}}.$$

If  $\deg h(x) = m$ , then the dimension of the code is  $m$ , and (1) is a generator matrix. If  $\deg h(x) = k < m$ , then the matrices  $B_i$  in (1) are near circulant matrices i.e. circulant matrix with  $m - k$  rows deleted. In this case the QC code is called *degenerate* [18].

## 3 The new codes over $GF(5)$ and $GF(7)$

**Theorem 3.1** *There exist QC codes with parameters  $[30, 10, 15]_5$ ,  $[33, 11, 16]_5$ .*

*Proof:* The coefficients of the defining polynomials and the weight distributions of the codes are:

**A [30, 10, 15]<sub>5</sub> code:**

$$0^1 15^{2080} 16^{7020} 17^{22520} 18^{65280} 19^{149880} 20^{346292} 21^{660040} 22^{1083800} 23^{1508400} 24^{1746660} \\ 25^{1679120} 26^{1291840} 27^{772280} 28^{329420} 29^{88360} 30^{12632}$$

**A [33, 11, 16]<sub>5</sub> code:**

$$01222012441, 10100324344, 000000000001; \\ 0^1 16^{2420} 17^{9460} 18^{30844} 19^{93764} 20^{261800} 21^{651068} 22^{1439108} 23^{2717748} 24^{4568872} 25^{6545924} \\ 26^{8075364} 27^{8360044} 28^{7185992} 29^{4938164} 30^{2636700} 31^{1025948} 32^{254188} 33^{30716}$$

**Theorem 3.2** *There exist a code with parameters [41, 10, 22]<sub>5</sub>.*

*Proof:* The generator matrix and the weight distribution of a code are:

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 10000000001124204402112140000311231314300 \\ 01000000002112420440311214000001123131434 \\ 0010000000211242044031121400030112313140 \\ 0001000004021124204003112140043011231314 \\ 0000100004402112420000311214314301123134 \\ 0000010000440211242000031121431430112311 \\ 00000010002044021124400003112113143011234 \\ 00000001004204402112140000311231314301120 \\ 00000000102420440211214000031123131430113 \\ 000000000112420440211214000031123131430111 \\ 0^1 22^{744} 23^{3464} 24^{9868} 25^{25452} 26^{61344} 27^{134916} 28^{273636} 29^{486300} 30^{782716} 31^{1110920} \\ 32^{1388616} 33^{1515936} 34^{1423136} 35^{1140784} 36^{758828} 37^{410424} 38^{173964} 39^{52796} 40^{10672} 41^{1108} \end{pmatrix}$$

**Theorem 3.3** *There exist high rate code with parameters [24, 14, 8]<sub>7</sub>.*

*Proof:* The generator matrix and the weight distribution of a code are:

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 4236104236100000000000000 \\ 465201465201000000000000 \\ 026330435400100000000000 \\ 564363535200010000000000 \\ 610616214000001000000000 \\ 061061621400000100000000 \\ 561536654500000010000000 \\ 125603034200000001000000 \\ 643040234600000000100000 \\ 4102144463000000000010000 \\ 25636165220000000000001000 \\ 65611602640000000000000000 \\ 55034146430000000000000000 \\ 26330435400000000000000001 \\ 0^1 8^{3654} 9^{50832} 10^{425052} 13^{186288} 12^{20822340} 13^{115439688} 14^{544238244} 15^{2176066200} \\ 16^{7345453896} 17^{20738832048} 18^{48394140564} 19^{91686811104} 20^{137538690156} 21^{157181317512} \\ 22^{128605224636} 23^{67097856600} 24^{16774514034} \end{pmatrix}$$

**Theorem 3.4** There exist QC codes with parameters  $[40, 11, 22]_7$ ,  $[60, 10, 38]_7$ ,  $[60, 13, 34]_7$ ,  $[88, 8, 63]_7$ ,  $[96, 11, 64]_7$ ,  $[96, 13, 61]_7$  and  $[96, 15, 58]_7$ .

*Proof.* The coefficients of the defining polynomials and the weight distributions of the codes are:

**A**  $[40, 11, 22]_7$  **code:** 15564400610000000000, 35414452362321136401;  
 $0^1 22^{4560} 23^{21600} 24^{96180} 25^{364080} 26^{1217880} 27^{3810000} 28^{10696560} 29^{26406360} 30^{58171548}$   
 $31^{12771200} 32^{189940560} 33^{276569400} 34^{341670240} 35^{351016728} 36^{292879380} 37^{189980400} 38^{89863260}$   
 $39^{27694680} 40^{4152126}$

**A**  $[60, 10, 38]_7$  **code:** 331000000000, 250210261351, 403105264111, 514042322401,  
560440523051;  
 $0^1 38^{2376} 39^{9912} 40^{30276} 41^{96336} 42^{249240} 43^{623880} 44^{1450476} 45^{3045432} 46^{6031620} 47^{10754712}$   
 $48^{17446698} 49^{25622640} 50^{33956676} 51^{39919032} 52^{41353470} 53^{37437768} 54^{29186076} 55^{19092096}$   
 $56^{10229562} 57^{4301448} 58^{1338948} 59^{267696} 60^{28878}$

**A**  $[60, 13, 34]_7$  **code:** 12344321000000000000, 42613561501564230031, 05661452241504230031;  
 $0^1 34^{3720} 35^{15600} 36^{74280} 37^{274920} 38^{1017480} 39^{3373200} 40^{10644720} 41^{31248600} 42^{85083120}$   
 $43^{213281760} 44^{494367840} 45^{1054182360} 46^{2063203560} 47^{3687216960} 48^{5992297590} 49^{8804553960}$   
 $50^{11624292600} 51^{13672393920} 52^{14198102910} 53^{12859026600} 54^{10002538320} 55^{6547491720} 56^{3507203700}$   
 $57^{1476258960} 58^{458310840} 59^{93175320} 60^{9375846}$

**A**  $[88, 8, 63]_7$  **code:** 12306036, 14510603, 00012525, 00106412, 00001432, 13513142, 15511022,  
11123235, 12025240,  
11011353, 00000001;  
 $0^1 63^{1632} 64^{4512} 65^{8256} 66^{16656} 67^{34128} 68^{65160} 69^{106704} 70^{174480} 71^{268656} 72^{381294} 73^{503328}$   
 $74^{604464} 75^{672144} 76^{701844} 77^{654720} 78^{550776} 79^{427056} 80^{281670} 81^{165792} 82^{86736} 83^{37248} 84^{12576}$   
 $85^{4128} 86^{840}$

**A**  $[96, 11, 64]_7$  **code:** 2525154106310614001460550153061126054100000000000,  
360041143201301113525200615232245635252211622261;  
 $0^1 64^{2754} 65^{6912} 66^{18576} 67^{67392} 68^{153216} 69^{387456} 70^{916560} 71^{1975968} 72^{4000140} 73^{8071200}$   
 $74^{15012432} 75^{26381184} 76^{43720848} 77^{68309856} 78^{99434448} 79^{136235232} 80^{173901780} 81^{205788480}$   
 $82^{225847152} 83^{228783744} 84^{212396592} 85^{179650368} 86^{138030048} 87^{95439168} 88^{58289796} 89^{31515552}$   
 $90^{14662464} 91^{5829408} 92^{1894032} 93^{497376} 94^{92592} 95^{12960} 96^{1056}$

**A**  $[96, 13, 61]_7$  **code:** 2410322246135661361664335366362534510000000000000,  
024624513023516233062555644066503435351451450361;  
 $0^1 61^{6048} 62^{15552} 63^{45792} 64^{147348} 65^{443232} 66^{1188480} 67^{3094560} 68^{7801200} 69^{18779040}$   
 $70^{43454160} 71^{95385600} 72^{198956064} 73^{393827040} 74^{734367600} 75^{1294196352} 76^{2144382192}$   
 $78^{590103968} 81^{1491214240} 84^{1816395520} 85^{228415168} 87^{367422368} 88^{1542674592} 90^{719256960}$   
 $91^{285332256} 92^{93211056} 93^{24076704} 94^{4692384} 95^{611136} 96^{42486}$

**A**  $[96, 15, 58]_7$  **code:** 6031440652342601354532153023400241000000000000000,  
640313561105404512343502661561165326411261424651;  
 $0^1 58^{4320} 59^{11808} 60^{57744} 61^{203328} 62^{656928} 63^{2152320} 64^{6641874} 65^{19658304} 66^{55177152}$   
 $67^{148230720} 68^{379245744} 69^{923984160} 70^{2137170528} 71^{+403042496} 72^{1194511828} 73^{2125657280}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccc}
 74^{1643946448} & 76^{1965003456} & 77^{496025632} & 79^{680604032} & 80^{424402100} & 81^{367055072} & 82^{1333042272} & 86^{703990672} \\
 87^{929886976} & 90^{937797808} & 91^{1080566592} & 92^{260736944} & 93^{1174700736} & 94^{224626032} & 95^{28479744} & 96^{1770216}
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