Perfect codes in Cayley graphs on \mathbb{Z}_p^2 and \mathbb{Z}_{p^k}

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Ball

Let u be a vertex of a connected graph Γ and r be a positive integer. The *ball* with radius r centered at u is denoted by $B_r(u)$. This is the set of vertices with distance at most r to u, i.e. $B_r(u) = \{v : d(v, u) \le r\}$.

Perfect *r*-code

A set of vertices C of Γ , is called a *perfect* r-code in Γ if $\{B_r(u) : u \in C\}$ is a partition of $V(\Gamma)$.

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• A perfect 1-code is a dominating set in graph theory.

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- If S is closed under taking inverse elements (i.e. S = -S), then Γ is undirected.
- **2** If S generates G, then Γ is connected.

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Note: Condition could be $\exists a \in \mathbb{Z}_p^* \ni aS \cap S = \emptyset$

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- Establish that $as_1 \neq -s_2$ for $s_1, s_2 \in S$.

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When $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, examples 3 and 4 is an undirected graph.

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Motivation and problem 2

- Deng (2014) :
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• Problem 2: What if |S| + 1 is not relatively prime to $\frac{n}{|S|+1}$?

Theorem 4

Let p be an odd prime and $\Gamma=Cay(\mathbb{Z}_{p^k},S)$ a connected non trivial graph, then Γ admits a perfect 1-code if and only if there are integers

$$0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n < t_{n+1} = k$$

and $1 \leq l_a \leq t_{a+1} - t_a$ for $a = 0, \ldots, n$ such that

$$S_0 = \left\{ \sum_{a=0}^n \left(i_a p^{s_a} + \alpha_{i_0,\dots,i_a} p^{s_a + l_a} \right) \mid i_a = 0,\dots, p^{l_a} - 1 \right\}$$

where $\alpha_{i_0,\ldots,i_a} \in \mathbb{Z}_{p^k}$.

Note : $S_0 = S \cup \{0\}.$

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• Since $\mathbb{Z}_{p^k}/\mathbb{Z}_{p^l} \cong \mathbb{Z}_{p^{k-l}}$, we can use induction on k.

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Good abelian group

- For an abelian group G, $G = A \oplus B$ is a factorization of G, and A and B are factors of G.
- A group G is said to be **good** if in every factorization of G, there is a periodic factor.
- All finite good abelian groups are precisely the following groups and their subgroups:

where p, q, r, and s are different primes.

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| G | S_0 | Requirement on S to be have a perfect 1-code | Perfect 1-code C |
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| $\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ | $ S_0 = 3$ | no requirement | $C=\langle(a,b,c)\rangle+(x,y,z)$ where $ord((a,b,c))=3p,\ s_1,s_2,s_1-s_2\notin\langle(a,b,c)\rangle,$ and (x,y,z) any element of G |
| | $ S_0 = p$ | $\{a (a, b, c) \in S_0\} = \mathbb{Z}_p$ | $C = \{x\} \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ for some $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ |
| $\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_q \times \mathbb{Z}_2^2$ | $ S_0 = p$ | $ \{a (a, b, c, d) \in S_0\} = \mathbb{Z}_p $ | $C = \{x\} \times \mathbb{Z}_q \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ for some $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ |
| $\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ | $ S_0 = p$ | $\{a (a,b,c)\in S_0\}=\mathbb{Z}_p$ | $C = \{x\} \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ for some $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ |
| $\mathbb{Z}_{p^3}\times\mathbb{Z}_2^2$ | $ S_0 = p$ | $ \{ a \pmod{p} (a, b, c) \in \\ S_0 \} = \mathbb{Z}_p $ | $\begin{array}{l} C = \langle (p,0,0), (0,1,0), (0,0,1) \rangle + \\ (x,y,z) \text{ for some } (x,y,z) \text{ in } G \end{array}$ |
| $\mathbb{Z}_{p^2}\times\mathbb{Z}_2^3$ | $ S_0 = p$ | $\begin{array}{l} \{a \pmod{p} (a,b,c,d) \in \\ S_0 \} = \mathbb{Z}_p \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} C &=& \langle (p,0,0,0), (0,1,0,0), \\ (0,0,1,0), (0,0,0,1) \rangle &+ \\ (w,x,y,z) \ \mbox{for some} \ (w,x,y,z) \\ \mbox{in } G \end{array}$ |
| $\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_2^4$ | $ S_0 = p$ | $ \{a (a, b, c, d, e) \in S_0\} = \mathbb{Z}_p $ | $C = \{x\} \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ for some $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ |

Perfect codes in $Cay(\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3, S)$

| G | S_0 | Requirement on S to be have a per- fect 1-code | Perfect 1-code C |
|--|------------------------------------|---|--|
| | $ S_0 = 3$ | Γ admits a perfect code for any $S=\{s_1,s_2\}$ | $\begin{array}{l} C \ = \ \langle (a,b,c) \rangle + (x,y,z) \\ \text{where} \ ord((a,b,c)) \ = \ 3p, \\ s_1,s_2,s_1-s_2 \notin \langle (a,b,c) \rangle, \\ \text{and} \ (x,y,z) \text{ any element of } G \end{array}$ |
| | $ S_0 = p$ | $\{a (a,b,c)\in S_0\}=\mathbb{Z}_p$ | $C = \{x\} \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ for some $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ |
| | $ S_0 = 9,$ S_0 non-periodic | $\{(b,c) \mid (a,b,c) \in S_0\} = \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ | $C = \{(x, y, z) \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}_p\}$ for some $y, z \in \mathbb{Z}_3$ |
| $\mathbb{Z}_p\times\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3$ | $ S_0 = 9,$ S_0 periodic | $ \begin{array}{l} S_{0} \ = \ L_{S_{0}} \ \oplus \ D, \ \{(0,b,c) + \\ L_{S_{0}} \ \ (a,b,c) + L_{S_{0}} \ \in \ (D + \\ L_{S_{0}})/L_{S_{0}}\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_{3} \ \mbox{in} \ G/L_{S_{0}} \end{array} $ | $C=\{(a,y,z)+l_a\mid a\in\mathbb{Z}_p\}$ for any $y,z\in\mathbb{Z}_3$ and $l_a\in L_{S_0}$ |
| | $ S_0 =3p,$ S_0 non-periodic | There is $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ such that for every $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, (1) $ \{(x, y, z) \in S_0 x = a\} =$ 3 and (2) $(\{(b, c) \mid (a, b, c) \in$ $S_0\} + \langle (b, c) \rangle / \langle (b, c) \rangle = (\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3) / \langle (0, b, c) \rangle$ | $\begin{array}{l} C = \{(x,y+r\alpha,z+r\beta) \mid \\ r \in \mathbb{Z}_3\} \text{ for any } x \in \mathbb{Z}_p \text{ and } \\ y,z \in \mathbb{Z}_3 \end{array}$ |
| | $ S_0 = 3p,$ S_0 periodic | $\begin{array}{lll} S_0 &=& L_{S_0} \oplus D, \mbox{ There is a} \\ & \mbox{non-zero} \ (\alpha,\beta) \in \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \mbox{ such that } (D+\langle (0,\alpha,\beta)\rangle)/ \langle (0,\alpha,\beta)\rangle \\ & \mbox{is a complete set of residue in} \\ & G/ \langle (0,\alpha,\beta)\rangle \mbox{ modulo } (L_{S_0} + \langle (0,\alpha,\beta)\rangle)/ \langle (0,\alpha,\beta)\rangle \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l} C = \{a(0,\alpha,\beta) + l_a ~ ~ a \in \\ \mathbb{Z}_3\} \text{ where } l_a \in L_{S_0} \end{array}$ |

Perfect 1-codes in $Cay(\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_q \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2, S)$

| G | S_0 | Requirement on S to be have a per- fect 1-code | Perfect 1-code C |
|--|--|--|---|
| | $ S_0 = p$ | $\{a (a,b,c,d)\in S_0\}=\mathbb{Z}_p$ | $C = \{x\} \times \mathbb{Z}_q \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ for some $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ |
| | $ S_0 = pq,$ S_0 periodic | $\begin{array}{rcl} S_0 &=& \{(a,b,c_a,d_a) & \mid & a & \in \\ \mathbb{Z}_p, b \in \mathbb{Z}_q\}, c_a, d_a \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} C &=& \{(0, l_{y,z}, y, z) & \\ (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2\}, l_{x,y} &\in \\ L_{S_0} \end{array}$ |
| $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ | $ \begin{split} S_0 &= pq, \\ S_0 \text{ non-periodic,} \\ \left L_{(S_0+L_C)/L_C}\right &= q \end{split} $ | $\begin{array}{l} S_0 = \{(a,b,c_a,d_a) + l_{a,b} \mid a \in \\ \mathbb{Z}_p, b \in \mathbb{Z}_q\}, c_a, d_a \in \mathbb{Z}_2, l_{a,b} \in \\ L_C \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$ |
| $\mathbb{Z}_p\times\mathbb{Z}_q\times$ | $ \begin{vmatrix} S_0 = pq, \\ S_0 \text{ non-periodic,} \\ \left L_{(S_0 + L_C) / L_C} \right = p $ | $\begin{array}{l} S_0 = \{(a,b,c_b,d_b) + l_{a,b} \mid a \in \\ \mathbb{Z}_p, b \in \mathbb{Z}_q\}, c_b, d_b \in \mathbb{Z}_2, l_{a,b} \in \\ L_C \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$ |
| | $ S_0 = 2p,$ S_0 periodic | $\begin{split} S_0 &= L_{S_0} \oplus D \text{ where } L_{S_0} = 2, \\ \{a \mid (a,b,c,d) \in D\} = \mathbb{Z}_p \end{split}$ | $\begin{array}{l} C = \{(0, b, aw, av) + l_{a,b} \mid \\ a \in \mathbb{Z}_2, b \in \mathbb{Z}_q\}, \ l_{a,b} \in \\ L_{S_0} \end{array}$ |
| | $ S_0 = 2p,$ S_0 non-periodic | $S_{0} = \{(\alpha, \beta b, \beta c, \beta d) + l_{\alpha, \beta} \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}_{2}\}, \\ l_{\alpha, \beta} \in L_{C}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} C &= L_C \oplus D, \ \text{where} \\ L_C &= \langle (0,0,\alpha,\beta) \rangle \ \text{and} \ \{b \mid \\ (a,b,c,d) \in D \} = \mathbb{Z}_q \end{array}$ |

Perfect 1-codes in $Cay(\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_q \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2, S)$

| G | S_0 | Requirement on S to be have a per- fect 1-code | Perfect 1-code C |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| $\mathbb{Z}_{p}\times\mathbb{Z}_{q}\times\mathbb{Z}_{2}\times\mathbb{Z}_{2}$ | $ S_0 = 4,$ S_0 periodic | $\begin{array}{lll} S_0 &=& \langle (0,0,y,z)\rangle &\cup \\ (\langle (0,0,y,z)\rangle &+& (a,b,c,d)) \\ \text{where } a,b \neq 0, (c,d) \not\in \langle (y,z)\rangle, \\ \text{and } (y,z) \neq (0,0) \end{array}$ | $C = \{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma_{\alpha, \beta}, \delta_{\alpha, \beta}) \mid \\ (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_q\}$ |
| | $ S_0 =4$, S_0 non-periodic | $\begin{array}{l} S_0 &= \{\alpha(0,0,y,z) \ + \\ \beta(a,b,c,d) + l_{\alpha,\beta} \mid \alpha,\beta \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \} \\ \text{where } l_{\alpha,\beta} \in L_C \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} C &=& L_C \oplus D \text{where} \\ L_C &=& \langle (1,0,0,0)\rangle \text{and} \\ \{b &\mid (a,b,c,d) \in D\} = \mathbb{Z}_q, \\ \text{or} & L_C &=& \langle (0,1,0,0)\rangle \text{and} \\ \{a \mid (a,b,c,d) \in D\} = \mathbb{Z}_p \end{array}$ |
| | | $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$ | $C = \langle (1, 1, 0, 0) \rangle$ |
| | $ S_0 = 2pq$ | $\begin{array}{ll} S_0 &=& \langle (1,1,0,0), (0,0,c,d) \rangle \\ \text{where } (c,d) \notin \langle (y,z) \rangle, \ (y,z) \neq \\ (0,0) \end{array}$ | $C = \{(0, 0, 0, 0), (w, x, y, z)\}$ |
| | $ S_0 = 4p,$ S_0 periodic | $S_{0} = \{(a, b_{a,c,d}, c, d) + l_{a,c,d} \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}_{p}, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}_{2}\}, b_{a,c,d} \in \mathbb{Z}_{q}, l_{a,c,d} \in L_{S_{0}}$ | $\begin{array}{l} C = \{(0,b,0,0) + l_b \mid b \in \mathbb{Z}_q\}, \\ l_b \in L_{S_0} \end{array}$ |
| | $ S_0 = 4p,$ S_0 non-periodic | $ \begin{array}{lll} S_0 &=& \{a, b_{a,c,d}, c, d \mid a \in \\ \mathbb{Z}_p, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \}, b_{a,c,d} \in \mathbb{Z}_q \end{array} $ | $C = \langle (0, 1, 0, 0) \rangle$ |

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