# Cooperative Locality and Availability of the MacDonald Codes for Multiple Symbol Erasures 

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## Simplex Code

For ( $\mathbf{2}^{\boldsymbol{k}}-\mathbf{1}, k$ ) Simplex code:

- $S_{k}$ : generator matrix
- Initialize $S_{1}=(1)$, and then

$$
S_{k}=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
S_{k-1} & \mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & S_{k-1} \\
\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-1} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-1}
\end{array}\right)
$$

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The ( $\left.2^{k}-2^{l}, k\right)$ MacDonald code

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G_{k}(l)=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
B & \mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & A & B \\
\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right)
$$

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## Locality

- For an $[n, k]$ code $C$ :

- Symbol locality:
the smallest number of symbols needed to repair the failed symbol.
- $\quad[n, k, r]_{a}\left([n, k, r]_{i}\right)$ code $C$ :

All coded (information) symbol has the locality at most $r$.

## Locality

- For an $[n, k, r]_{a}$ code $C$ :

$$
\text { coded symbol: } 1
$$

Let $\boldsymbol{u}$ be the nonzero information vector.

$$
\begin{aligned}
c_{e} & =c_{i_{1}}+c_{i_{2}}+\cdots+c_{i_{r}} \\
\boldsymbol{u} \cdot g_{e} & =\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \frac{\left(g_{i_{1}}+g_{i_{2}}+\cdots+g_{i_{r}}\right)}{\text { Linear combination of } g_{j}}
\end{aligned}
$$

* $g_{j}, 1 \leq j \leq n$, is the $j^{t h}$ column of the generator matrix of $C$.


## Locality

## Lemma 1 [1]:

The locality of the MacDonald code $M_{k}(l)$ is

$$
r= \begin{cases}2, & l<k-1 \\ 3, & l=k-1\end{cases}
$$

- When $l<k-1$,

$$
G_{k}(l)=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
B & \mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & A & B \\
\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right)
$$

- When $l=k-1$,

$$
G_{k}(l)=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & A & B \\
1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right)
$$

[1]. Q. Fu, R. Li, L. Guo, and L. Lv, "Locality of optimal binary codes," Finite Fields and Their Applications, vol. 48, pp. 371-394, 2017.

## Erasures

- Single erasure $\checkmark$ Locality $r$
- Multiple erasures
$\checkmark$ Cooperative locality $r_{h}$
$\checkmark$ Availability $t$


## Cooperative Locality



Generalize the locality $r \triangleq \mathrm{r}_{1}$

- Cooperative locality $\boldsymbol{r}_{\boldsymbol{h}}$ :
$\checkmark$ The smallest number of symbols needed to repair $h \geq \mathbb{1}$ erased symbols.
$\checkmark r_{h} \leq r_{1} \cdot h$


## Cooperative Locality

- Code locality:

All coded (information) symbol has the locality at most $r_{1}$.

## Cooperative Locality

## cooperative

- Code locality:

All coded (information) symbolhas the locality at most $r_{1}$. Any h coded (information) symbol

Eg: ( $C$ has the cooperative locality $r_{2}=4<6$ )


## Cooperative Locality

## Theorem 1:

The cooperative locality $r_{2}$ of the MacDonald code $M_{k}(l)$ is

$$
r_{2}= \begin{cases}3\left(<4=2 r_{1}\right), & l<k-1 \\ 4\left(<6=2 r_{1}\right), & l=k-1\end{cases}
$$

## Cooperative Locality

## Proof:

Let $e_{i}$ and $e_{j}$ be two erased symbols.

1) When $l<k-1$,

Case 1:

$$
\begin{aligned}
G_{k}(l)= & \left(\begin{array}{cccc}
B & \mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & A & B \\
\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right) \\
& g_{i}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{u} & 0
\end{array}\right) \\
& g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
v & 0
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

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\end{array}\right) \\
& g_{i}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
u & 0
\end{array}\right) \\
& g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
v & 0
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{l}
w
\end{array}\right) \tag{w1}
\end{align*}
$$

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$$
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\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right) \\
g_{i}=(\boldsymbol{u} 0) \leftarrow(\boldsymbol{u}+\boldsymbol{w} 1) \\
g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{v} & 0) \leftarrow \\
\qquad & (\boldsymbol{w} 1
\end{array}\right) \\
(v+\boldsymbol{w} 1
\end{array}\right) .
$$

## Cooperative Locality

## Proof:

Let $e_{i}$ and $e_{j}$ be two erased symbols.

1) When $l<k-1$,

Case 2:

$$
\begin{aligned}
G_{k}(l)=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
B & \mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & A & B \\
\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right) \\
g_{i}=\left(\begin{array}{lll}
\boldsymbol{u} & 1
\end{array}\right) \\
g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{v} & 1
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

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\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right) \\
\text { and } \boldsymbol{w} \neq \boldsymbol{u}+\boldsymbol{v}
\end{array}\right) \quad \begin{aligned}
& \left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{v} & =
\end{array}\right. \\
& g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{v} & 1
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

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\end{array}\right) \\
& (\boldsymbol{u}+\boldsymbol{w} 1) \longrightarrow g_{i}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{u} & 1
\end{array}\right) \\
\left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{w} & 0
\end{array}\right) \Longrightarrow g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{v} & 1
\end{array}\right) \\
(\boldsymbol{v}+\boldsymbol{w} 1) \longrightarrow \longrightarrow
\end{array}\right)
$$

## Cooperative Locality

## Proof:

Let $e_{i}$ and $e_{j}$ be two erased symbols.

1) When $l<k-1$,

Case 3:

$$
\begin{gathered}
G_{k}(l)=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
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\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right) \\
g_{i}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{u} 0
\end{array}\right)
\end{gathered} g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{l}
v
\end{array}\right)
$$

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\end{array}\right) \\
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\end{array}\right) \\
(v+w 0)
\end{array}
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\end{array}\right) \\
& g_{i}=\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{0}\right) \quad g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
v & 1
\end{array}\right) \\
& (\boldsymbol{u}+\boldsymbol{w} 1) \\
& \text { ( } w 1 \text { ) } \\
& (v+w 0) \\
& \therefore r_{2}=3
\end{aligned}
$$

## Cooperative Locality

## Proof:

Let $e_{i}$ and $e_{j}$ be two erased symbols.
2) When $l=k-1$,

$$
G_{k}(l)=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & A & B \\
1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right)
$$

$$
g_{i}=\left(\begin{array}{l}
\boldsymbol{u} 1)
\end{array}\right.
$$

$$
g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
v & 1
\end{array}\right)
$$

## Cooperative Locality

## Proof:

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2) When $l=k-1$,

$$
\begin{align*}
& G_{k}(l)=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
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1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right) \\
& g_{i}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{u} & 1
\end{array}\right)  \tag{a1}\\
& g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
v & 1
\end{array}\right) \\
& \text { (b 1) } \\
& \text { and } \boldsymbol{a} \neq \boldsymbol{b} \neq \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v} \\
& \boldsymbol{a}+\boldsymbol{b} \neq u+\boldsymbol{v}
\end{align*}
$$

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1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right) \\
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(\boldsymbol{v}+\boldsymbol{a}+\boldsymbol{b} 1)
\end{array}\right]\left(\begin{array}{l}
(\boldsymbol{u}+\boldsymbol{a}+\boldsymbol{b} 1) \\
(\boldsymbol{b} 1) \\
\hline
\end{array} \rightarrow g_{j}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
\boldsymbol{v} & 1
\end{array}\right)\right. \\
& \therefore r_{2}=4
\end{aligned}
$$

## Availability

\section*{coded symbol: | 1 |
| :---: |
| 2 |$\cdots \quad$ e, $\ldots \sqrt{n}$}

- Availability $t$ of symbol $c_{i}$ :
$\checkmark$ The largest number of the disjoint repair sets.
$\checkmark\left|R_{\tau}(i)\right| \leq r_{1}, 1 \leq \tau \leq t$
- Code availability:
$\checkmark$ All coded (information) symbol has at least $t$ disjoint repair set at most $r_{1}$.
$\checkmark\left(r_{1}, t\right)_{a} /\left(r_{1}, t\right)_{i}$


## Availability

## Theorem 2:

The MacDonald code $M_{k}(l), k \geq 3$, are LRCs with all-symbol availability

$$
\begin{cases}\left(r_{1}, t\right)_{a}=\left(2,2^{k-1}-2^{l}\right)_{a^{\prime}} & l<k-1 \\ \left(r_{1}, t\right)_{a}=\left(3, \frac{2^{k-1}-1}{3}\right)_{a}, & l=k-1, k \text { is odd }\end{cases}
$$

## Availability

## Proof:

$$
\text { 1) } l<k-1 \text { : }
$$

[ $\left.2^{k}-1, k\right]$ Simplex code:

$$
\left(r_{1}, t\right)_{a}=\left(2,2^{k-1}-1\right)_{a}[2]
$$

For any symbol $s_{i}$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left|\{i\} \cup R_{1}(i) \cup \cdots \cup R_{2^{k-1}-1}(i)\right| \\
= & 1+2 \times\left(2^{k-1}-1\right)=2^{k}-1
\end{aligned}
$$

The repair sets cover all other symbols.
[2]. M. Kuijper and D, Napp, "Erasure codes with simplex locality," [Online.] Available:http://arxiv.org/abs/1403.2779

## Availability

Proof:

1) $l<k-1$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
S_{k} & =\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
S_{k-1} & \mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & S_{k-1} \\
\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-1} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-1}
\end{array}\right) \\
& =\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}
A & B & \mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & A & B \\
\mathbf{0}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

the last $k-l$ elements of the column are 0
the last $k-l$ elements of the column have at least one 1

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\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-1} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-1}
\end{array}\right) \\
& =\left(\begin{array}{c}
A \\
\mathbf{0}_{2^{l}-1}
\end{array} \begin{array}{cccc}
B & \mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & A & B \\
\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}}
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

the last $k-l$ elements of the column are 0
the last $k-l$ elements of the column have at least one 1 each repair set of the symbol contains at most one element that belongs to $\rightarrow\left[2^{l}-1\right]$.

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\end{array}\right) \\
& =\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}
\begin{array}{|c}
A \\
\mathbf{0}_{2}^{l}-1
\end{array} & \left.\begin{array}{|cccc}
B & \mathbf{0}_{k-1}^{T} & A & B \\
\mathbf{0}_{2^{k-1}-2^{l}} & 1 & \mathbf{1}_{2^{l}-1} & \mathbf{1}_{2^{k-1}-l^{l}}
\end{array}\right)
\end{array}\right) G_{k}(l)
\end{aligned}
$$

each symbol has $2^{k-1}-2^{l}$ repair sets

## Availability

## Proof:

2) $l=k-1$ and $k$ is odd integer:

All the symbol have the same number of disjoint repair sets.

The availability of code
$\Downarrow$
The availability of the first symbol of $M_{k}(k-1)$

## Availability

## Proof:

2) $l=k-1$ and $k$ is odd integer:

Base case:
When $k=3$, the generator matrix of $M_{3}(2)$ is

$$
\begin{aligned}
& G_{3}(2)=\left(\begin{array}{llll}
0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\
1 & 1 & 1 & 1
\end{array}\right) \\
& \text { Obviously, }\left(\mathrm{r}_{1}, t\right)=\left(3,1=\frac{2^{3-1}-1}{3}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Availability

## Proof:

2) $l=k-1$ and $k$ is odd integer:

Induction step:
Assume $M_{m}(m-1)$ has the availability $\left(r_{1}, t\right)_{a}=$ $\left(3, h=\frac{2^{m-1}-1}{3}\right)_{a}$ for a given odd $m$.

$$
g_{1}=g_{\alpha_{i}}+g_{\beta_{i}}+g_{\gamma_{i}}, \text { where } 1 \leq i \leq h
$$

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## Proof:

2) $l=k-1$ and $k$ is odd integer:

Induction step:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
0 \\
g_{1}
\end{array}\right) & =\left(\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
0 \\
g_{\alpha_{i}}
\end{array}\right)+\left(\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
0 \\
g_{\beta_{i}}
\end{array}\right)+\left(\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
0 \\
g_{\gamma_{i}}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
1 \\
g_{\alpha_{i}}
\end{array}\right)+\left(\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
0 \\
g_{\beta_{i}}
\end{array}\right)+\left(\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
1 \\
g_{\gamma_{i}}
\end{array}\right) \\
& =\left(\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
0 \\
g_{\alpha_{i}}
\end{array}\right)+\left(\begin{array}{c}
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g_{\alpha_{i}}
\end{array}\right)+\left(\begin{array}{c}
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1 \\
g_{\beta_{i}}
\end{array}\right)+\left(\begin{array}{c}
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0 \\
g_{\gamma_{i}}
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

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$$
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0 \\
g_{1}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{c}
0 \\
1 \\
g_{1}
\end{array}\right)+\left(\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
0 \\
g_{1}
\end{array}\right)+\left(\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
1 \\
g_{1}
\end{array}\right)
$$

$\left(\begin{array}{c}0 \\ 0 \\ g_{1}\end{array}\right)$ has $4 h+1$ disjoint linear combination.
$3 \times(4 h+1)=2^{m+1}-1 \Rightarrow$ No more repair sets

$$
4 h+1=4 \times \frac{2^{m-1}-1}{3}+1=\frac{2^{m+1}-1}{3}
$$

## Optimal

## Theorem 3:

The MacDonald code $M_{k}(l)$ are both the optimal LRCs with all-symbol availability and the optimal LRCs with information availability only when $l \leq k-$ $1, k=3$ and $l=3, k=4$.

All-symbol availability [3]:

$$
d \leq n-\sum_{i=0}^{t}\left\lfloor\frac{k-1}{r_{1}^{i}}\right\rfloor
$$

Information availability [4]:

$$
d \leq n-k+2-\left\lceil\frac{(k-1) t+1}{\left(r_{1}-1\right) t+1}\right\rceil
$$

[3]. I. Tamo and A. Barg, "Bounds on locally recoverable codes with multiple recovering sets," in Proc. IEEE Int. Symp. Inf. Theory (ISIT), pp. 691-695, Jun./Jul. 2014.
[4]. A. Wang and Z. Zhang, "Repair locality with multiple erasure tolerance," IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory, vol. 60, no. 11, pp. 6979-6987, Nov. 2014.

## Conclusion

In this paper,

- Calculate the cooperative locality $r_{2}$ and the availability $t$ of the MacDonald codes.
- Show its optimization when $k=3$ and 4 .

