

# A New Class of Optimal Variable-Weight Optical Orthogonal Codes

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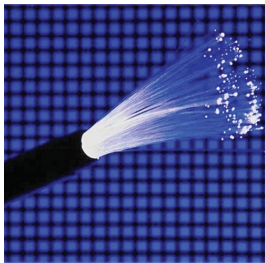
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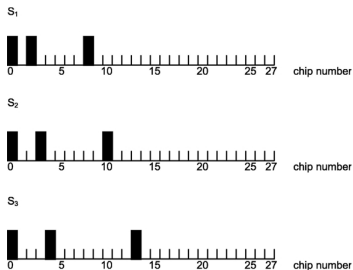
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# Optical Code-Division Multiple-Access

- Unipolar transmission: '0' (off) and '1' (on)
- Spreading codes: optical orthogonal codes
- Applications: optical fiber networks, radar, sonar systems, etc.



Optical Fiber



An OOC of Length 28

# Correlation of Optical Orthogonal Codes

- Let  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_i \mid 0 \leq i \leq L - 1\}$  be a set of  $\{0, 1\}$ -sequences  $V_i \triangleq \{V_i(t)\}_{t=0}^{N-1}$ .
- The **correlation** between  $V_i$  and  $V_{i'}$  is defined as

$$\Lambda_{i,i'}(\tau) = \sum_{t=0}^{N-1} V_i(t)V_{i'}(\langle t + \tau \rangle_N)$$

where  $\langle x \rangle_y$  means  $x$  modulo  $y$ . If  $i = i'$ , it is called the **autocorrelation** of  $V_i$ .

- If the weight of  $V_i$  is the same for all  $i$ , it is called a **constant-weight OOC (CW-OOC)**.  
Otherwise, it is a **variable-weight OOC (VW-OOC)**.

# Variable-Weight Optical Orthogonal Codes

The set  $\mathcal{V}$  is called an  $(N, W, \Lambda_a, \lambda_c, R)$  VW-OOC with

$$W = \{w_1, \dots, w_m\},$$

$$\Lambda_a = \{\lambda_a(1), \dots, \lambda_a(m)\},$$

$$R = \{r_1, \dots, r_m\}$$

if it satisfies the following three conditions:

- there are exactly  $r_j |\mathcal{V}|$  codewords with weight  $w_j$  for  $1 \leq j \leq m$ , where  $r_1 + \dots + r_m = 1$ ;
- the autocorrelation of  $V_i$  with weight  $w_j$  in  $\mathcal{V}$  satisfies

$$\Lambda_{i,i}(\tau) \leq \lambda_a(j), \quad \langle \tau \rangle_N \neq 0;$$

- the crosscorrelation between  $V_i$  and  $V_{i'}$  with  $i \neq i'$  in  $\mathcal{V}$  is upper bounded by

$$\Lambda_{i,i'}(\tau) \leq \lambda_c.$$



# Signal Sets for Unipolar and Bipolar Transmissions

- Both unipolar and bipolar transmissions employ  $\{0, 1\}$ -sequences.
- However, the two transmissions require different characteristics of  $\{0, 1\}$ -sequences.

	Unipolar	Bipolar
Measure	$\sum_{t=0}^{N-1} A(t)B(t + \tau)$	$\sum_{t=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{A(t)-B(t+\tau)}$
Weight	$w \ll N$	$w \approx \frac{N}{2}$

- Therefore, design of an OOC with small correlation values is different from that of a  $\{0, 1\}$ -sequence family with low correlation for bipolar transmission.

# Special Cases of $(N, W, \Lambda_a, \lambda_c, R)$ VW-OOCs

- $(N, w, \lambda_a, \lambda_c)$  CW-OOC  $\mathcal{C}$

- All the codewords have the same weight, that is,  $m = 1$ ;
- $\Lambda_a = \{\lambda_a\}$  and  $R = \{1\}$ ;
- Johnson bound (IT 1962):

$$|\mathcal{C}| \leq \left\lfloor \frac{1}{w} \left\lfloor \frac{N-1}{w-1} \left\lfloor \frac{N-2}{w-2} \left[ \dots \left[ \frac{N-\lambda}{w-\lambda} \right] \dots \right] \right] \right] \right\rfloor.$$

where  $\lambda = \max\{\lambda_a, \lambda_c\}$ .

- $(N, W, \lambda, R)$  VW-OOC  $\mathcal{V}$

- $\lambda_a(1) = \dots = \lambda_a(m) = \lambda_c = \lambda$ ;
- We will focus on the case that  $\lambda = 1$ .

# The Johnson Bound (1)

- $\Psi(N, w, \lambda)$ : the maximum number of  $\{0, 1\}$ -vectors of length  $N$  such that  
(the inner product of any pair of row vectors)  $\leq \lambda$ .
- Consider an  $M \times N$   $\{0, 1\}$ -matrix ( $M = \Psi(N, w, \lambda)$ ) whose rows are of weight  $w$  and the inner product of any two distinct rows are  $\leq \lambda$ .
  - (each column sum)  $\leq \Psi(N - 1, w - 1, \lambda - 1)$
  - (the total sum by columns)  $\leq N \cdot \Psi(N - 1, w - 1, \lambda - 1)$
  - (the total sum by rows)  $= w \cdot \Psi(N, w, \lambda)$
- Hence,

$$\Psi(N, w, \lambda) \leq \left\lceil \frac{N}{w} \cdot \Psi(N - 1, w - 1, \lambda - 1) \right\rceil. \quad (1)$$

# The Johnson Bound (2)

- Note that

$$\Psi(N - \lambda, d - \lambda, \lambda - \lambda) = \left\lfloor \frac{N - \lambda}{w - \lambda} \right\rfloor.$$

- By a recursive application of (1), we obtain

$$\Psi(N, w, \lambda) \leq \frac{N}{w} \left\lfloor \frac{N - 1}{w - 1} \left\lfloor \dots \left\lfloor \frac{N - \lambda}{w - \lambda} \right\rfloor \dots \right\rfloor \right\rfloor$$

- Since each codeword of an OOC has  $N$  cyclic shifts, we can get the Johnson bound.

# Bound for VW-OOC

- **Yang Bound**<sup>1</sup>: The size of an  $(N, W, \Lambda_a, \lambda_c, R)$  VW-OOC  $\mathcal{V}$  satisfying  $\lambda_a(i) \geq \lambda_c$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq m$  is upper bounded by

$$|\mathcal{V}| \leq \left\lfloor \frac{(N-1)(N-2)\cdots(N-\lambda_c)}{\sum_{i=1}^m r_i w_i (w_i - 1) \cdots (w_i - \lambda_c) / \lambda_a(i)} \right\rfloor.$$

- In particular, the size of an  $(N, W, 1, R)$  VW-OOC  $\mathcal{V}$  is upper bounded by

$$|\mathcal{V}| \leq \left\lfloor \frac{N-1}{\sum_{i=1}^m r_i w_i (w_i - 1)} \right\rfloor.$$

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<sup>1</sup>Guu-Chang Yang, "Variable-weight OOCs for CDMA Networks with multiple performance requirements," TCOM 1996

# History of OOCs (1)

- Introduction and guidelines for OOCs
  - Salehi (TCOM 1989)
  - Salehi and Brackett (TCOM 1989)
  - Chung, Salehi and Wei (IT 1989)
- Some optimal CW-OOCs:
  - $\lambda \geq 1$ : Chung and Kumar (IT 1990),  
Yang and Fuja (IT 1995),  
Moreno *et al.* (IT 1995, IT 2007)
  - $\lambda = 1$ : Fuji-Hara and Miao (IT 2001),  
Ge and Yin (IT 2001),  
Buratti (DESI 2002),  
Chang *et al.* (IT 2003),  
Chu and Golomb (IT 2003),  
Ma and Chang (IT 2004)

# History of OOCs (2)

- 2-dimensional OOCs
  - Moreno and Kumar (Allerton 2003): Introduction
  - Omrani *et al.* (IT 2012): Several optimal 2-D OOCs
- $(N, W, 1, R)$  VW-OOCs
  - G.-C. Yang (TCOM 1996): Bounds on VW-OOCs and some optimal  $(N, W, 1, R)$  VW-OOCs
  - Wu *et al.* (IT 2010):  $w_i \leq 5$  and  $m = 2$
  - Zhao *et al.* (JCD 2010):  $w_i \leq 6$  and  $m = 2$
  - Jiang *et al.* (IT 2011):  $w_i \leq 7$  and  $m \leq 5$
  - Buratti *et al.* (IT 2011):  $w_i \leq 6$  and  $m \leq 4$

# Objective

## Constituent CW-OOC

- Length  
 $p = (q - 1)(q - 2)L + 1$
- Set size  $L$
- Weight  $q - 1$
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# Construction Setting for VW-OOCs

- Let  $p$  be an odd prime such that there exist a prime power  $q$  and a positive integer  $L$  satisfying  $p = (q - 1)(q - 2)L + 1$ .
- Let  $\mathbb{F}_q$  be the finite field of  $q$  elements and  $\alpha$  a primitive element of  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .
- Assume that  $\mathcal{C} \triangleq \{C_0, \dots, C_{L-1}\}$  is an optimal  $(p, q - 1, 1, 1)$  CW-OOC with respect to the Johnson bound (For example, see G.-C. Yang (1995)).
- For  $0 \leq i \leq L - 1$ , let the set of the nonzero positions of  $C_i$  be given by

$$\text{supp}(C_i) = \{u_{i,1}, u_{i,2}, \dots, u_{i,q-1}\}$$

where  $0 \leq u_{i,1} < u_{i,2} < \dots < u_{i,q-1} \leq p - 1$ .

# New Construction of VW-OOCs

## Construction A

- Let  $\eta$  be a one-to-one mapping from  $\mathbb{F}_q$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_q$  with  $\eta(0) = 0$ .
- For  $0 \leq i \leq L - 1$  and  $j \in \mathbb{F}_q \cup \{\infty\}$ , define  $X_{i,j} \triangleq \{X_{i,j}(t)\}_{t=0}^{(q-1)p-1}$  as

$$X_{i,j}(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } t_1 = u_{i,\eta(\alpha^{t_0}+j)} \in \text{supp}(C_i) \\ & \text{and } \eta(\alpha^{t_0} + j) \neq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

when  $j \in \mathbb{F}_q$ , and

$$X_{i,\infty}(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } t_0 = 0 \text{ and } t_1 \in \text{supp}(C_i) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $t_0 = \langle t \rangle_{q-1}$  and  $t_1 = \langle t \rangle_p$ .

# Main Result

## Theorem 1

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the OOC defined as

$$\mathcal{X} = \{X_{i,j} \mid 0 \leq i \leq L-1, j \in \mathbb{F}_q \cup \{\infty\}\}.$$

where  $X_{i,j}$  are given in Construction A. Then  $\mathcal{X}$  is an *optimal*  $\left( (q-1)p, \{q-2, q-1\}, 1, \left\{ \frac{q-1}{q+1}, \frac{2}{q+1} \right\} \right)$  VW-OOC of size  $(q+1)L$ .

- Set size:  $0 \leq i \leq L-1$  and  $j \in \mathbb{F}_q \cup \{\infty\}$   
 $\Rightarrow L \cdot (q+1)$
- Weight:  $\mathcal{X}_{i,j}$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{F}_q \setminus \{0\}$  - weight  $q-2$   
 $\mathcal{X}_{i,0}$  and  $\mathcal{X}_{i,\infty}$  - weight  $q-1$
- Fraction:  $\left\{ \frac{q-1}{q+1}, \frac{2}{q+1} \right\}$

# New Construction - Example

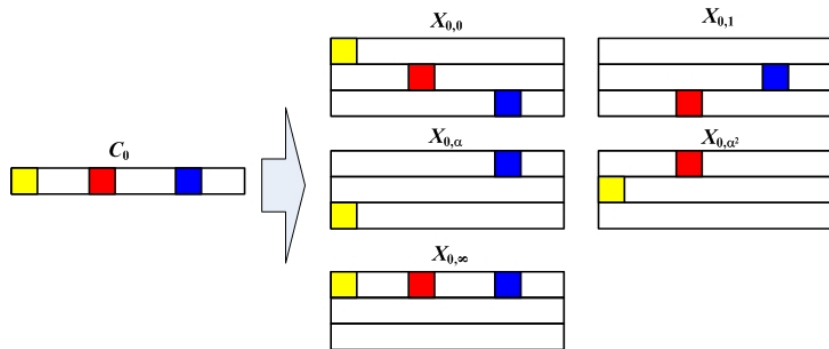
- Assume that  $p = 13 = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 + 1$ ,  $q = 4$ , and  $L = 2$ .  
The length of  $X_{i,j}$  will be given by  $3 \cdot 13 = 39$ .
- Let  $\eta(0) = 0$ ,  $\eta(1) = 1$ ,  $\eta(\alpha) = 2$ , and  $\eta(\alpha^2) = 3$ .
- $X_{i,0}$  and  $X_{i,\infty}$  have weight  $3$ , and  $X_{i,1}$ ,  $X_{i,\alpha}$  and  $X_{i,\alpha^2}$  have weight  $2$  for  $i = 0, 1$ .
- As an example, the support of  $X_{0,1}$  is given by

$$\text{supp}(X_{0,1}) = \{(1, u_{1,3}), (2, u_{1,2})\}$$

since  $\eta(\alpha^0 + 1) = 0$ ,  $\eta(\alpha + 1) = 3$ , and  $\eta(\alpha^2 + 1) = 2$ .

# New Construction - Illustration

- For  $i = 0, 1$ , the codeword  $C_i$  of length 13 can be extended to 5 codewords of length 39 with variable weights.



- $N = 39$ ,  $W = \{2, 3\}$ ,  $\lambda = 1$ , and  $R = \{\frac{3}{5}, \frac{2}{5}\}$ .

# Correlation of New VW-OOCs (1)

- For  $0 \leq \tau \leq (q-1)p-1$ , let  $\tau_0 = \langle \tau \rangle_{q-1}$  and  $\tau_1 = \langle \tau \rangle_p$ . The correlation  $\Lambda_{(i,j),(i',j')}(\tau)$  between  $X_{i,j}$  and  $X_{i',j'}$  can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda_{(i,j),(i',j')}(\tau) &= \sum_{t=0}^{(q-1)p-1} I[X_{i,j}(t) = 1] \cdot I[X_{i',j'}(t + \tau) = 1] \\ &= \sum_{t_0=0}^{q-2} \sum_{t_1=0}^{p-1} I[X_{i,j}(t) = 1] \cdot I[X_{i',j'}(t + \tau) = 1].\end{aligned}$$

- It can be proved that  $\Lambda_{(i,j),(i',j')}(\tau) \leq 1$  for any cases such that  $(i, j) \neq (i', j')$  or  $\tau \neq 0$ .

# Correlation of New VW-OOCs (2)

- Case  $j, j' \in \mathbb{F}_q$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \Lambda_{(i,j),(i',j')}(\tau) \\ &= \sum_{t_0=0}^{q-2} \sum_{t_1=0}^{p-1} I [t_1 = u_{i,\eta(\alpha^{t_0+j})} \in \text{supp}(C_i)] \\ & \quad \cdot I [\langle t_1 + \tau_1 \rangle_p = u_{i',\eta(\alpha^{t_0+\tau_0+j'})} \in \text{supp}(C_{i'})] \\ &= \sum_{t_0=0}^{q-2} I [\tau_1 = u_{i',\eta(\alpha^{t_0+\tau_0+j'})} - u_{i,\eta(\alpha^{t_0+j})} \pmod{p}] \\ & \quad \cdot I [\alpha^{t_0} + j \neq 0] \cdot I [\alpha^{t_0+\tau_0} + j' \neq 0] \\ &\leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

when  $(i, j) \neq (i', j')$  or  $\tau \neq 0$ .



# Optimality of New VW-OOCs

- Optimality with respect to the Yang bound

$$\begin{aligned}L^* &= \left\lfloor \frac{(q-1)p}{\frac{q-1}{q+1} \cdot (q-2)(q-3) + \frac{2}{q+1} \cdot (q-1)(q-2)} \right\rfloor \\ &= \left\lfloor \frac{(q+1)(q-1)^2(q-2)L + (q+1)(q-1) - 1}{(q-1)^2(q-2)} \right\rfloor \\ &= (q+1)L.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the set  $\mathcal{X}$  in Construction A is optimal with respect to the Yang bound.

# Some New VW-OOCs with $W = \{6, 7\}$

Yang's CW-OOC ( $N, w, \lambda_a, \lambda_c$ )	New VW-OOC ( $N, W, \lambda, R$ )
(421, 7, 1, 1)	(2947, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(463, 7, 1, 1)	(3241, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(631, 7, 1, 1)	(4417, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(967, 7, 1, 1)	(6769, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(1009, 7, 1, 1)	(7063, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(1051, 7, 1, 1)	(7357, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(1093, 7, 1, 1)	(7651, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(1303, 7, 1, 1)	(9121, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(1429, 7, 1, 1)	(10003, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(1723, 7, 1, 1)	(12061, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(1933, 7, 1, 1)	(13531, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )
(2017, 7, 1, 1)	(14119, {6, 7}, 1, $\{\frac{7}{9}, \frac{2}{9}\}$ )

# Conclusion

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- We constructed a new optimal VW-OOCs from an optimal CW-OOC.
- The new optimal VW-OOC can have larger weights than the previously known VW-OOCs.
- Finding new extension methods for optimal VW-OOCs may be an interesting problem.