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Seminar

Support-Constrained Generator Matrix

The necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of Reed-Solomon codes with support constrained generator matrices were conjecturen by Dau ei al. [1]. This is referred to as the GM-MDS conjecture, which was worked on by many researchers in [2-9] and finnally proved by Yildiz and Hassibi [10] and independently by Lovett [11].

The objective of this work is to get an overview on the existing researches on GM-MDS conjecture and to summarize the methods used in the referenced papers for proving the GM-MDS conjecture.

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Prerequisites

Linear Algebra

Channel Coding

Coding Theory for Storage and Networkds (preferred)

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