

**" A binary-ternary code with  
restricted error extension "**

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### Abstract

This project deals with a method, suitable for computer use, which calculates the best encoding scheme for a 4B3T code.

A 4B3T code is a code used in the transmission of signals over cable. The original message is a string of binary blocks consisting of four digits each and the coded message consists of blocks of three digits from a ternary alphabet (-, +, 0 in our case).

The ternary words are divided into five groups according to their disparity (=sum of signs in a ternary word), the fifth group consisting of the word 000.

Since there are 16 binary and 27 ternary words it is obvious that we cannot have an one-to-one mapping, but some binary words would have to be mapped onto more than one ternary word.

Advantage is taken of this fact so that the accumulated disparity in the transmitted signal is contained near zero.

The requirements for a best encoding scheme are two:

(i) Let two equivalent words be:

$$a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 = x_1 x_2 x_3 \quad \text{or} \quad a = x$$

$$b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4 = y_1 y_2 y_3 \quad \text{or} \quad b = y, \text{ where}$$

$$a_i, b_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

$$x, y \in \{+, -, 0\} \quad i = 1, 2$$

Then, if  $x$  and  $y$  differ in one place, we want  $a$  and  $b$  to differ in at most two places.

(ii) Mean probability of error in a recovered binary digit : minimum.

This is given by :

$$p \sum_i \sum_j i j n_{ij} / 64$$

where  $p$  = probability of error

$j$  = Hamming distance of the binary translations of two neighbouring ternary words (error weighting)

$i$  = probability weighting

$n_{ij}$  = number of neighbours with probability weighting  $i$  and error weighting  $j$ .

The problem was tackled geometrically and a certain grouping of the ternary words was considered as best. A program was then written to calculate the best mapping of the binary set onto the ternary set, and a multiplicity of solutions was obtained with best mean probability  $79/64 = 1.234$ .

## CHAPTER I

### Preliminaries

#### 1. Definition of problem and conditions

The problem is one of the many arising in modern telecommunication theory. It is concerned with the best encoding scheme (subject to the conditions) for binary pulse-code-modulation signals over cable.

The original messages consist of blocks of 4 binary digits each. Therefore, the set of the original codewords consists of the 16 binary 4-tuples. It is of general appreciation that the use of alphabets consisting of more than two letters in the encoding procedure can offer certain advantages such as a lower signalling rate and control over the spectral distribution of the energy contained in the line signal. Also redundant words may be used for monitoring line errors [2]. A ternary alphabet consisting of -, + and 0 was chosen for this particular problem. The messages are encoded into messages consisting of ternary blocks of three digits each. All the combinations of the ternary 3-digit words form a set of 27 members.

We define disparity as the sum of the digits of each ternary word expressed in units (e.g. disparity of +-+ = 1, of +++ = 3, of +-0 = 0, e.t.c.).

Since there are only 16 binary words and 27 ternary, 11 binary words will be mapped onto two ternary words and we choose these to be one of positive disparity and one of negative disparity. As mentioned in the abstract, we cannot have an one-to-one mapping from the binary words onto the ternary, and therefore some binary words will have to be mapped onto more than one ternary word. There exists a nice structure in the ternary words which makes it possible to separate them into two sets, one of which contains the non-positive disparity ones (the word 000 is never transmitted). Each set contains 16 words. Since we want to keep the accumulative disparity of the signal as low as possible, it looks reasonable to group the ternary words into sets containing the corresponding positive and negative disparities. Then we will have 6 binary words mapped onto 6 zero disparity ternary words and 10 binary words mapped onto 10 pairs of ternary words. The choice of the appropriate encoding ternary word depends on the accumulative disparity of the signal, since we want to keep it as near as 0 as possible. Therefore, if at a certain stage the accumulative disparity is greater than 0 we will choose the negative disparity word for encoding the binary word, and if it is negative, we will choose the positive. That is, if we can choose, which will not be the case if the encoding ternary word is of 0 disparity.

A transmitted signal is subjected to noise and other factors which can cause an error in it. The total error rate depends not only in the error rate of the ternary digit, but on the mapping also, because one ternary error may result in more than one binary errors. For example, if the translation table has the following two entries :

0000 = 00+

0111 = -0+

then a change in one ternary digit (1st) results in change in 3 binary digits (2nd, 3rd, 4th). Therefore the rate of binary errors can be quite higher than the rate for the ternary errors. (We assume that the occurrence of a single ternary error is highly improbable, which makes it possible for us to ignore the possibility of two or three errors occurring in one ternary word).

The ternary words can be divided into 4 groups according to their disparity. The 000 word is not generated but can occur as a result of error.

We define the neighbours of any code word as the set of codewords (valid or not) into which it can be converted by a single ternary error in which :

- (a) only one digit is in error,
- (b)) it is changed into an adjacent value, e.g. + to 0 but not to - .

In this paper only these codes are considered for which:  
A single ternary error produces at most a double binary error.  
This is a very severe restriction to our problem since it is expected that "better" codes can be found by removing the above restriction. But unless this is imposed the binary error rate will sometimes be much higher than the ternary error rate and this will have serious effects in circumstances , such as the digital coding of a TV signal , where the signals transmitted appear as dots of different intensity on the screen and errors in the transmitted signal may result in "blots". In this case,

our aim is to minimise the possibility of errors occurring at one place of the TV screen. However, the above would not have the same bad effect in a multiplexing situation, such as serial telephone lines, where our aim is to minimise the overall error probability.

Referring to table 2 and 6, we define the probability weights for neighbouring words (ternary words in this context are thought of as being composed from two modes, positive and negative ; zero disparity words contain both modes) as :

- (i)  $1/2$  between words neighbouring in one mode only;
- (ii)  $1$  between words for which both modes of one are neighbour to one mode of the other or v.v.;
- (iii)  $2$  between words for which both modes of one are neighbour to both modes of the other.

This follows the assumption that all modes are equiprobable and therefore relationship (ii) is half as probable than (iii) and (i) half as probable than (ii).

Let  $p$  denote the probability of a single error in a ternary word. Suppose there are,  $n_1$  neighbours of probability weighting 2,  $n_2$  neighbours of probability weighting 1 and  $n_3$  neighbours of probability weighting  $1/2$ . Then,

Mean probability of ternary error in a word :  $p/16 (2n_1+n_2+n_3/2)$  .....(1)

For the probability of binary error we must consider the number of binary errors generated by one ternary error. If the binary translations of two ternary neighbours differ in  $j$  digits, we shall describe the resulting errors as having error weighting  $j$ .

Let  $n_{ij}$  be the number of neighbours with probability weighting  $i$  and error weighting  $j$ , where  $i = 1/2, 1, 2$ ;  $j = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

Then,

## 2. Previous attempts and results

Previous attempts for the problem were made by K.W.Cattermole, R.R.Ellis and P.W.Wallace at the Department of Electrical Engineering Science, University of Essex. First attempts did not aim at optimisation and the mapping was arbitrary for easy instrumentation (quadraple errors occurring as well). Later attempts aimed at improvement of the binary error rate and they were concentrated on three main ways of doing it :

- (a) Different mapping for reduction of multiple errors;
  - (b) Different grouping of ternary words;
  - (c) Optimal interpretation of received words which have been rendered invalid.

The original set of ternary words appears in table 1, type I.

In this case,

$$n_1 = 0, n_2 = 51, n_3 = 24$$

• mean probability

:  $p/16(51+24/2) \sim 4p$   
of ternary error

For the binary error rate, we note that  $j$  ranges from 1 to 4.

We have,

$$n_{1,1} = 14, n_{1,2} = 24, n_{1,3} = 11, n_{1,4} = 2$$

$$n_{1/2,1} = 6, \quad n_{1/2,2} = 12, \quad n_{1/2,3} = 6$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\text{mean probability} &: p/64(14+2.24+3.11+2.4+1/2(6+2.12+3.6)) \\ \text{of binary error} &= 127p/64 \sim 2p\end{aligned}$$

The above results are easily seen from tables 2 and 3, where the entries in the matrices are i and j respectively. In this example we note that nearly three quarters of the errors are multiple.

Better codes were found by noticing structural properties and the best one found is type II in table 1. The total error weight is 100 and therefore mean probability of binary error is reduced to 1.56, and the maximum error weight j is 2 (table 4). Choosing a set of codewords with fewer neighbours produced code III in table 5.

It can be seen from table 6 and 7 that the number of ternary neighbours was reduced from 75 to 63 and the mean probability of error from 1.56p to 1.32p.

Table 1  
483T Codes Types I and II

Ternary Word			Binary Word		
Disparity	Designation	Code word in	Code	Code	
		Positive mode	Negative mode	I	II
0	A1	+ - 0		1 0 0 1	0 1 0 1
	A2	0 - +		0 0 0 0	0 0 0 1
	A3	- 0 +		0 0 1 0	1 0 1 0
	A4	- + 0		0 0 0 1	0 1 1 0
	A5	0 + -		1 0 0 0	0 0 1 0
	A6	+ 0 -		1 0 1 0	1 0 0 1
$\pm 1$	B1	+ + -	- - +	1 1 1 0	1 0 0 0
	B2	+ 0 0	- 0 0	1 0 1 1	1 1 0 0
	B3	+ - +	- + -	0 0 1 1	0 1 0 0
	B4	0 0 +	, 0 0 -	0 1 1 0	1 0 1 1
	B5	- + +	+ - -	0 1 1 1	0 0 0 0
	B6	0 + 0	0 - 0	0 1 0 1	0 1 1 1
$\pm 2$	C1	+ + 0	- - 0	1 1 0 1	1 1 1 0
	C2	+ 0 +	- 0 -	1 1 0 0	1 1 0 1
	C3	0 + +	0 - -	0 1 0 0	0 0 1 1
$\pm 3$	D1	+ + +	- - -	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1
Detected error	E	0 0 0		0 0 0 0	1 1 1 1

PROBABILITY WEIGHTS

Error weights, Code 1

A A A A A A B B B B C C C C D E  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 2 3 4 5 6 7 2 3 1

	Ternary neighbours								
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
A1	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
A2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
A3	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
A4	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
B1	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
B2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
B3	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
B4	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
C1	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
C2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
C3	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
D1	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
D2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
D3	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
E1	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
E2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
E3	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
E4	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
E5	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
E6	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
E7	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
E8	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	

	1	2	3	2	
A1	3	2	2	2	
A2	2	2	1	2	
A3	2	1	2	1	
A4	2	3	3	3	
A5	1	1	2	3	
B1	3	2	2	1	
B2	1	2	2	1	
B3	2	2	1	3	
B4	2	1	3	2	
B5	3	2	2	3	
B6	2	2	1	3	
C1	2	2	1	3	
C2	3	4	2	1	
C3	1	2	1	3	
D1	1	2	3		

Number of neighbours:  $\sum n_i = 75$

Mean probability of ternary error:

$$\frac{p}{64} \sum \sum i j n_{ij} = \frac{127p}{64} \approx 2p$$

If  $E \rightarrow 0000$  then

mean probability of binary error

Table 2

Table 3

	2	1	2	1
	2	2	2	2
	1	2	1	2
	2	1	2	1
	2	2	2	1
	1	2	1	2
2	1	2	1	
2	2	2	2	
1	2	1	2	
2	1	2	1	
2	2	2	2	
1	2	1	2	
	2	1	2	1
	1	2	2	1
			1	2
			1	1

If  $E \rightarrow 1111$  then

$$\text{mean probability of } \frac{p}{64} \sum_{i,j} i j n_{ij} = \frac{100p}{64} \approx 1.56p$$

binary error

Table 4

Table 5  
4B3T Code Type III

Ternary Word		Code word in		Binary Word Code III
Disparity	Designation	Positive mode	Negative Mode	
0	A1	+ - 0	- + 0	1 1 0 0
	A2	0 - +	- 0 +	0 1 0 0
	A3	- 0 +	0 + -	0 0 1 0
	A4	- + 0	+ 0 -	1 0 0 1
	A5	0 + -	- - +	1 0 1 0
	A6	+ 0 -	- + +	1 0 0 0
$\pm 1$	G1	+ 0 0	0 - 0	1 1 0 1
	G2	+ - +	- - +	0 1 1 0
	G3	0 0 +	- 0 0	0 0 0 1
	G4	- + +	- + -	0 0 0 0
	G5	0 + 0	0 0 -	1 0 1 1
	G6	+ + -	+ - -	1 1 1 0
$\pm 2$	F1	0 ++	- 0 -	0 0 1 1
	F2	+ + 0	0 - -	1 1 1 1
	F3	+ 0 +	- - 0	0 1 0 1
$\pm 3$	D1	+ + +	- - -	0 1 1 1
Detected error	E	0 0 0		1 0 0 1

Ternary neighbours, Code III

Error weights, Code III

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	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6	G1	G2	G3	G4	G5	G6	F1	F2	F3	D1
	A	A	A	A	A	A	G	G	G	G	G	G	F	F	F	E
	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	1
A1	2	1					1									
A2	1	2	1					1								
A3		1	2	1					1							
A4			1	2	1					1						
A5				1	2	1					1					
A6					1	1	2									
G1	1								1	1	1	1				
G2		1							1	1	1	1				
G3			1						1	1	1	1				
G4				1					1	1	1	1				
G5					1					1	1	1				
G6						1					1	1				
F1							1	1	1	1	1	1				
F2							1		1	1	1	1				
F3								1	1	1	1	1				
D1									1	1	1	1				

Ternary word generated

number of neighbours  $\sum_i n_i = 63$

Mean pr. of ternary error  $\frac{P}{16} \sum_i n_i = \frac{63P}{16} \sim 4P$

If E = 1001

mean pr. of binary error:  $\frac{P}{64} \sum_j i j n_{ij} = \frac{85P}{64} = 1.32P$

Table 6

	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6	G1	G2	G3	G4	G5	G6	F1	F2	F3	D1
	A	A	A	A	A	A	G	G	G	G	G	G	F	F	F	E
	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	1
A1	2	1					1									
A2	1	2	1					1								
A3		1	2	1					1							
A4			1	2	1					1						
A5				1	2	1					1					
A6					1	1	2									
G1	1							1	1	1	1	1				
G2		1						1	1	1	1	1				
G3			1					1	1	1	1	1				
G4				1					1	1	1	1				
G5					1					1	1	1				
G6						1					1	1				
F1							1	1	1	1	1	1				
F2							1		1	1	1	1				
F3								1	1	1	1	1				
D1									1	1	1	1				

Table 7

## CHAPTER II

### Theoretical Considerations of the program

#### 1. Number of mappings

It was noticed right from the beginning that the number of different mappings possible for the two sets was too big. If we define "difference" as merely any difference in a digit of a word, then the number of different combinations is :

$$6! \times 3! \times 16!$$

(since the number of different permutations of the 16 binary digits is  $16!$ . Now suppose we consider a certain mapping of the positive ternary set onto the binary set; there are  $16!$  such mappings. But now we can also find different mappings if we fix a mapping of the above  $16!$  ones, and permute either the  $-1$  disparity words in  $6!$  ways or the  $-2$  disparity words in  $3!$  ways - hence the above result).

Now,  $16!$  is approximately  $21 \times 10^{12}$  and the total number of combinations is approximately  $8 \times 10^{16}$ , large enough for any computer not to handle. Of course not all of the above codes are different in a mathematical sense, since, two codes can be said to be equivalent if by a finite number of the following operations, one can be transformed into the other :

- (i) the interchange of any two positions in the code symbols. This is equivalent to the permutation of the digits of the words of the code symbols. The so obtained equivalent codes, form the permutation group  $S_4$ , with 24 members;
- (ii) the complementing of the values of any position in the code symbols.

The above operations are applied to each word of the code. The number of different codes is therefore reduced by a factor of  $24.15 \sim 3 \times 10^2$ , which leaves the number of different combinations still very large. A complete scan is therefore quite impossible.

## 2. The binary and ternary sets as groups and their geometrical representation

It is noted that the set of 16 binary words forms a group under the operation addition mod2, with identity element 0000 and inverse of an element the element itself.

This group can be represented geometrically by a 4-D hypercube, as shown in figure 2.

The set of the ternary words also forms a group under the operation addition mod3. It is easier to think of this group, if we change -, 0, + into 0, 1, 2, respectively.

This group can also be represented geometrically by a 3-D cube as shown in figure 1.

## 3. Intuitive attempts

It was noticed that a change in a single digit of a ternary word changes this word into a word of adjacent disparity. Therefore, it seems logical to try and include in the sets of different disparities binary words as far apart as possible. We can begin by assigning to the words of zero disparity binary

words which differ in 4 or 2 places, as follows:

+0-	0101
0-+	1111
-0+	1001
-+0	1010
0+-	0110
+0-	0000

We now find all the binary neighbours of the above binary words:

for 0101 : 1101, 1001 : 0001, 1010 : 1011, 0110 : 0111

0001	1101	1000	0100
0111	1011	1110	0010
0100	1000	0010	1110

for 1111 : 1110, 0000 : 0001

1101	0010
1011	0100
0111	1000

The union of these sets is :

1101, 0001, 0111, 0100, 1011, 1000, 1110, 0010.

We would like to distribute 6 of these words between the ternary words of disparity +1 and -1, and the remaining 4 between the +2, -2 and +3, -3 disparity words. After many trials it was impossible to match the two sets without the induction of multiple errors (more than in 2 places) and this method was discontinued.

#### 4. Group mappings

A homomorphism is defined as a mapping  $t$  from a group  $G$  onto a group  $G'$ , satisfying ,

- (a) for every  $g$  in  $G$  there exists a unique  $gt$  in  $G'$ ;
- (b)  $(ab)t = at \cdot bt$  for every  $a, b$  in  $G$  ( $\cdot$  is the operation of  $G$ ,  $\times$  is the operation of  $G'$ ).

It seemed logical at first to try and construct a homomorphism from the group, say  $T$ , of the ternary words, onto the group, say  $B$ , of the binary words, and then find a rule which would give the best homomorphism for the problem. It was proved though that a homomorphism is not possible.

For, consider an element  $a$  in  $T$ , and let the order of  $a$  be  $n$ , that is  $a^n = 1_T$ . Let the homomorphism be  $s$ . Then,

$$(as)^n = a^n s = 1_T s = 1_B$$

But  $as$  is the image of  $a$ , and let

$$(as)^m = 1_B, \text{ where } m \leq n, n = qm+r, 0 < r < m.$$

Then,

$$(as)^n = (as)^{qm+r} = (as)^{qm} + (as)^r = 1_B + (as)^r$$

but

$$(as)^n = 1_B \therefore (as)^r = 1_B$$

This is a contradiction since  $r < m$  and  $m$  is the order of  $as$ . Hence the order of the image of  $a$  divides the order of  $a$ . But all the words in  $T$  have order 3 (except identity) and the words in  $B$  have order 2.

It was also seen that the two subsets of negative and positive ternary words do not form a group, and this route was discontinued as well.

## 5. Mappings

Next step was to try and put the binary words onto the geometrical shape of fig. 1, so as to make the distance between two adjacent words at most 2.

There exist some theorems related to this field, such as the one in relation to optimal binary coding of ordered numbers [1], which states a method of optimal assigning of binary alphabets on cubes. These theorems are not suitable for encoding in a situation where the words of the encoding set consist of a bigger alphabet than the original words, such as the present case.

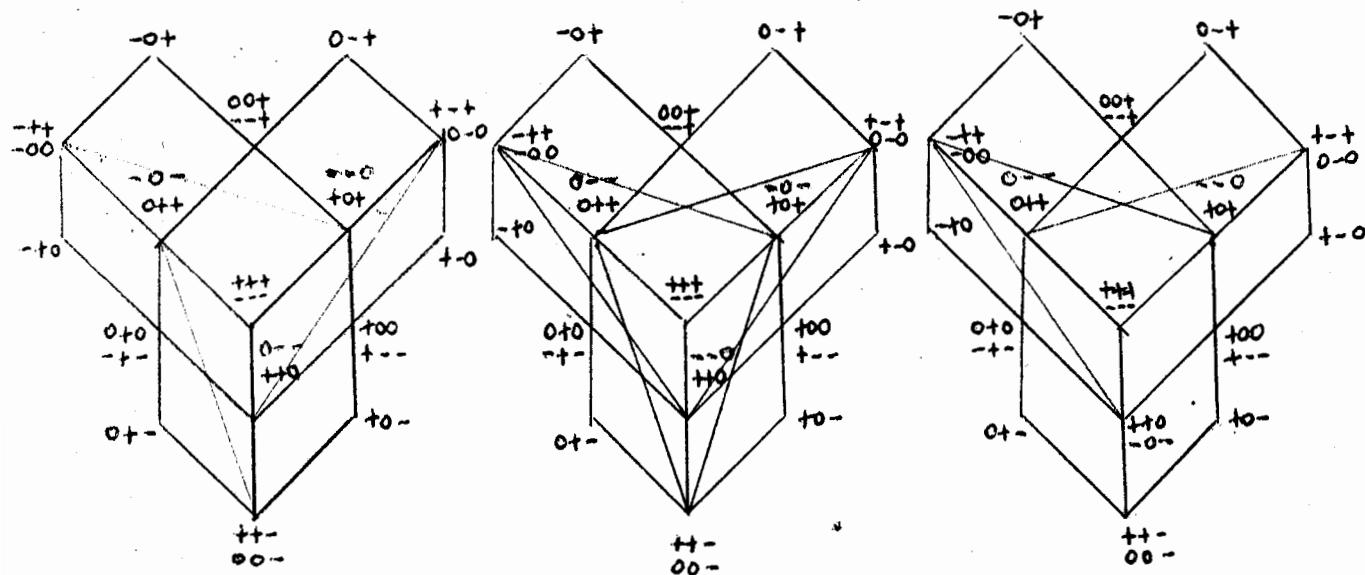
It was then noticed that the geometrical representation of the ternary words had a point symmetry about the centre of the cube and therefore it was possible to split the cube into two equal portions not necessarily with all elements distinct. The elements in common were those of zero disparity. The two portions are as in fig. 4 and fig. 5.

Each of the two figures has 16 elements. It is possible therefore to associate a mapping of the positive words with one figure and then map the other figure on the first one in an optimising way. This optimising way should have as many common edges as possible, because our aim is to have as fewer restrictions to our problem as possible. The number of restrictions is equal to the number of edges in the final mapping, since along each edge the distance of the two words at its ends must be less than or equal to 2.

When the first figure is mapped onto the second, seven elements have fixed positions, namely the zero disparity elements and the +3 disparity element. The rest of the elements have also a limited number of places to go to (six for the +1 disparity elements, three for the +2). So, there are  $3!6!$  different mappings (some of these mappings are equivalent, because of symmetry).

Let us suppose that we fix the positive subset of the ternary group, and then try to put the negative subset on it, trying to create as less extra edges as possible. It is possible to put the -1 disparity words onto the +1 disparity words without creating any extra lines and this was done as shown in fig.6a. After some thought it was seen that it is impossible to put the -2 disparity on the +2 words, without creating extra lines. With this in mind the best position for the -2 words was found to be the one in fig.6b.

The other possibilities for the -2 words were:



As it is seen from the preceding figures, we cannot do better than creating three extra edges, and the worst case of creating six extra lines is seen in the middle figure. If we try and associate the negative words in a different way, so that no extra lines are produced from the mapping of the -2 words onto the +2 words, then this would result in more extra lines produced after we tried to put the -1 words onto the +1 words.

In trying to do the above a number of assumptions were made, which though not proved mathematically, seemed intuitively correct. These are:

(i) The optimising way of mapping the two figures will produce the optimum code.

In this case one cannot exclude the possibility of obtaining an optimum code by not mapping the 2 figures in an optimum way but in some other manner.

(ii) The optimising mapping is one which produces as few extra lines as possible.

(iii) It is better not to consider the error word 000 until a code has been found and then try and find the "best" word for 000.

With the final mapping of fig. 6C it was decided to write a program to do an exhaustive search for finding the best code.

Figure 1.  
Geometric representation of ternary  
alphabet.

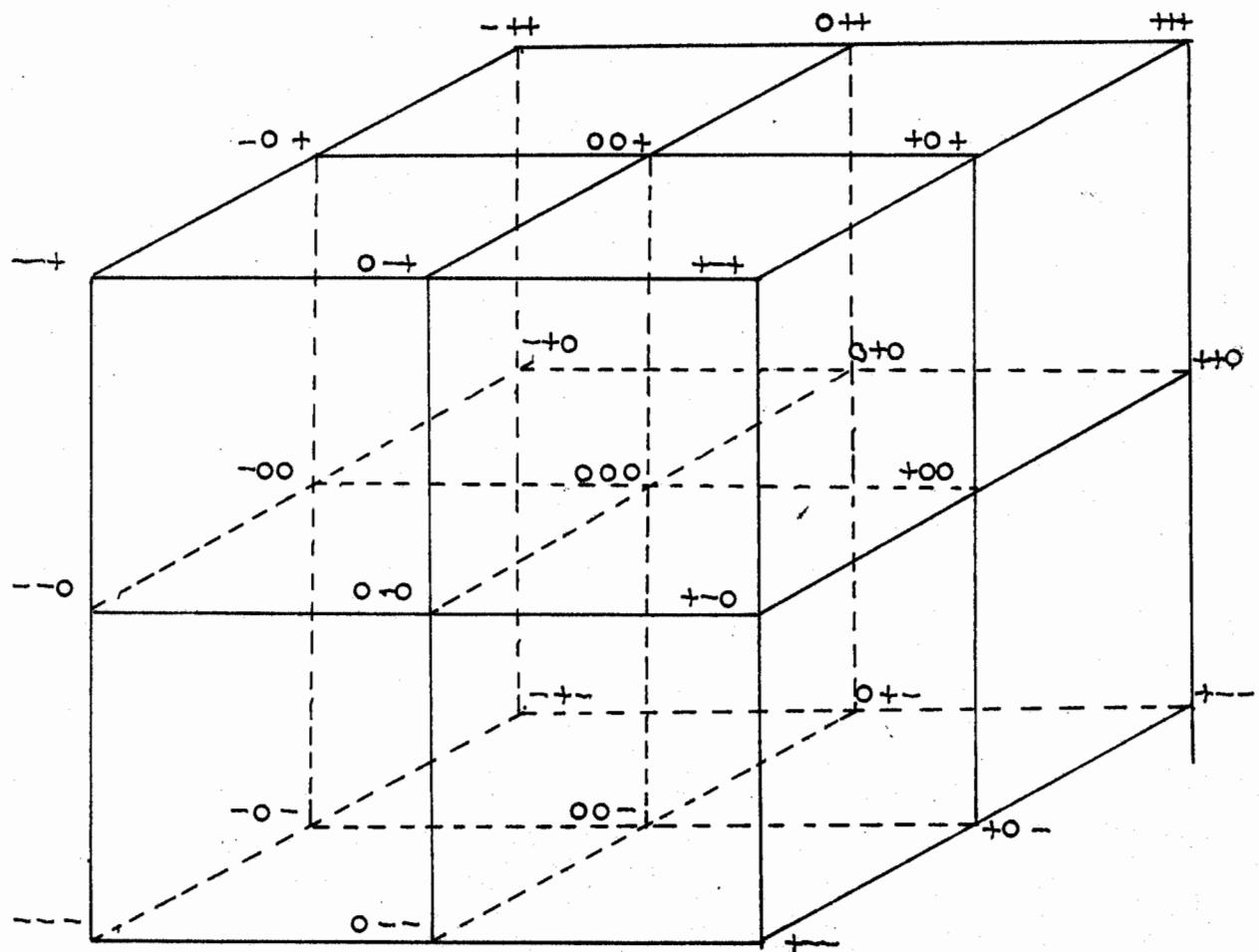
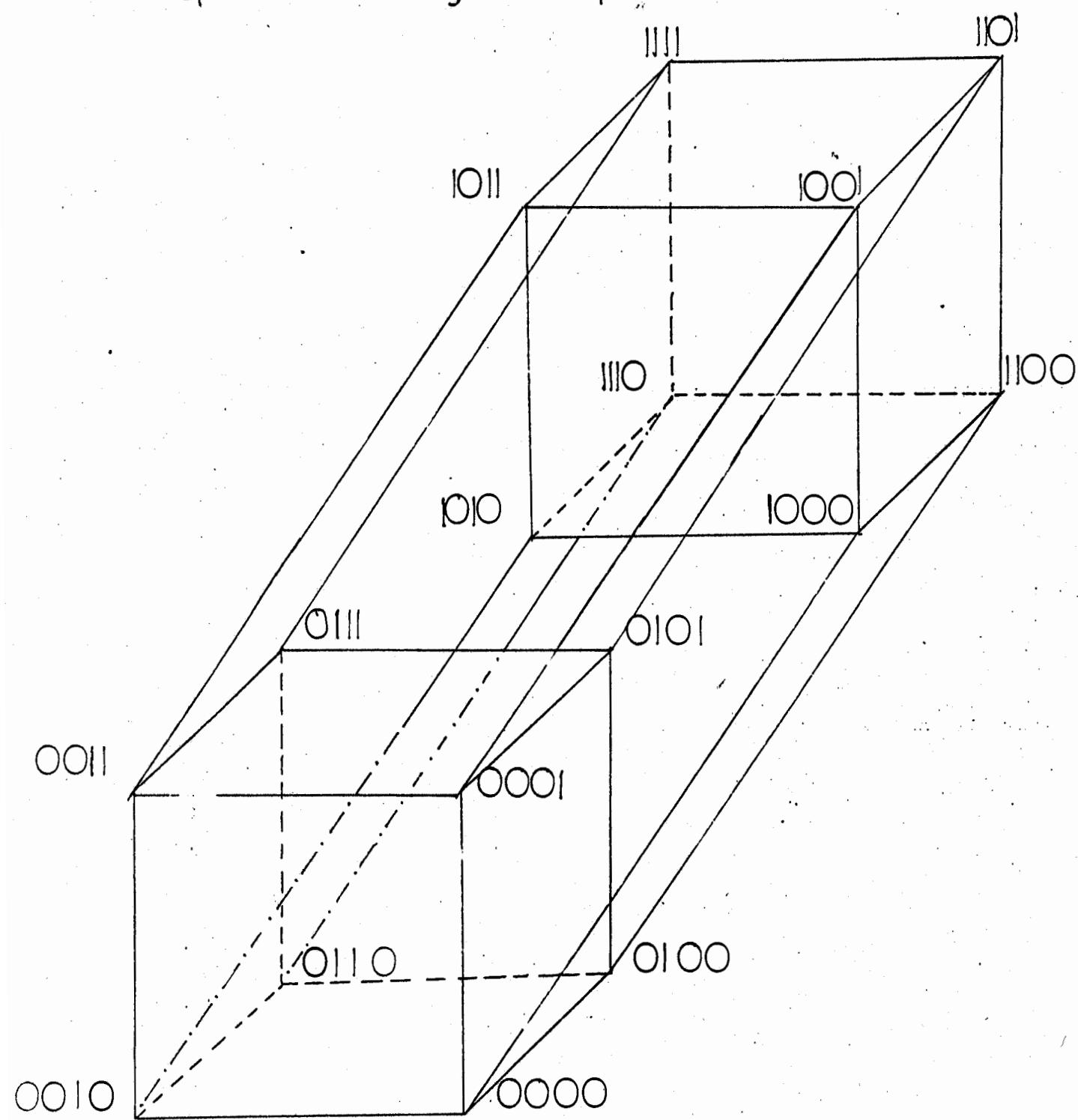


Figure 2.

Geometric representation  
of space of binary 4-tuples.



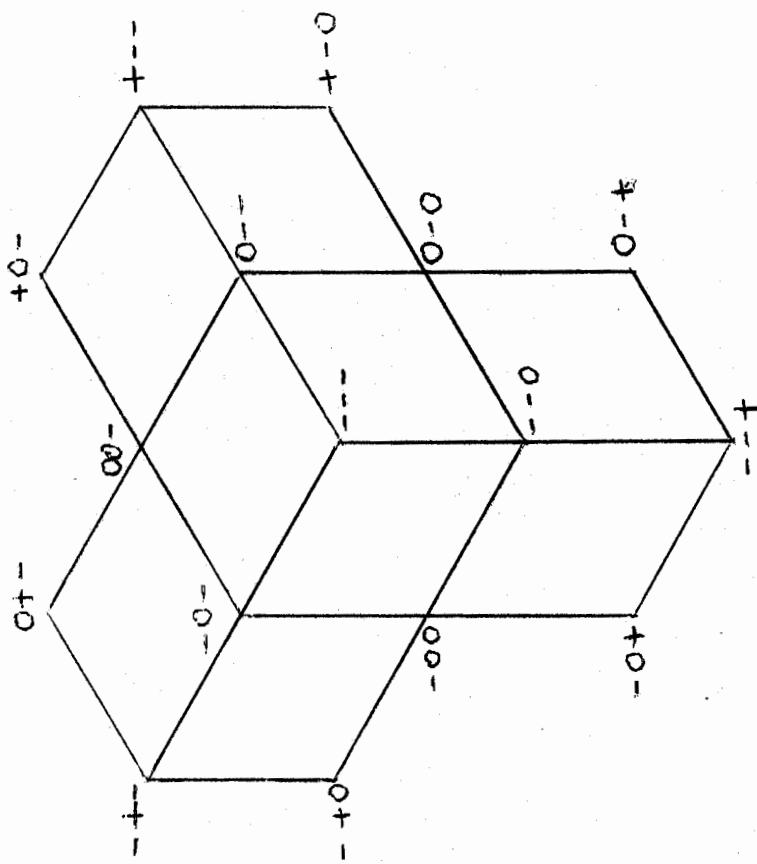


FIGURE 5

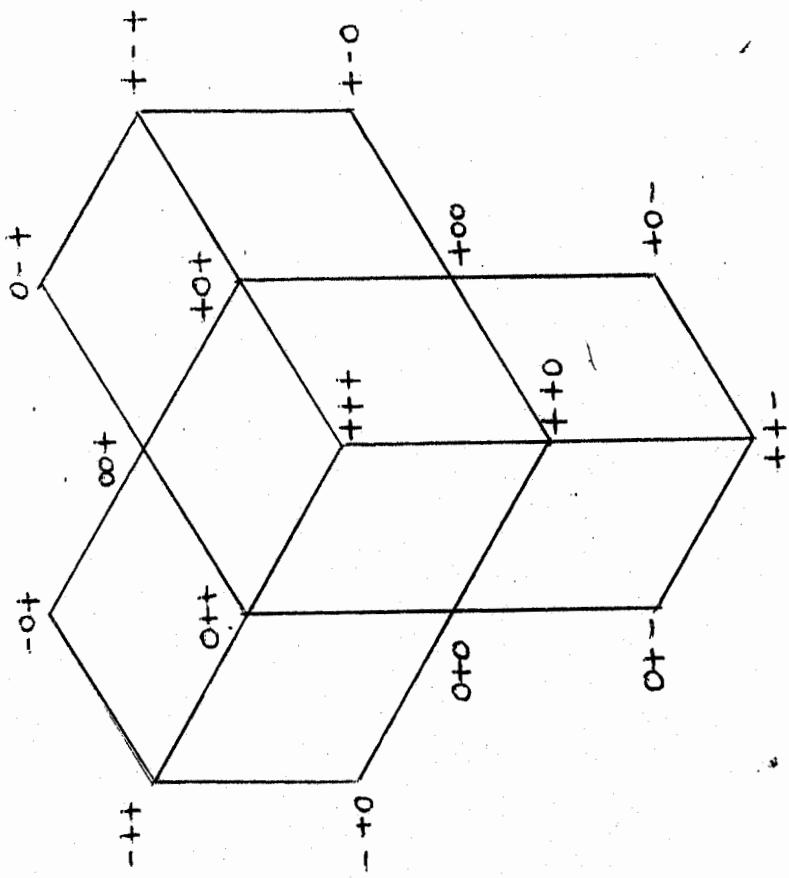
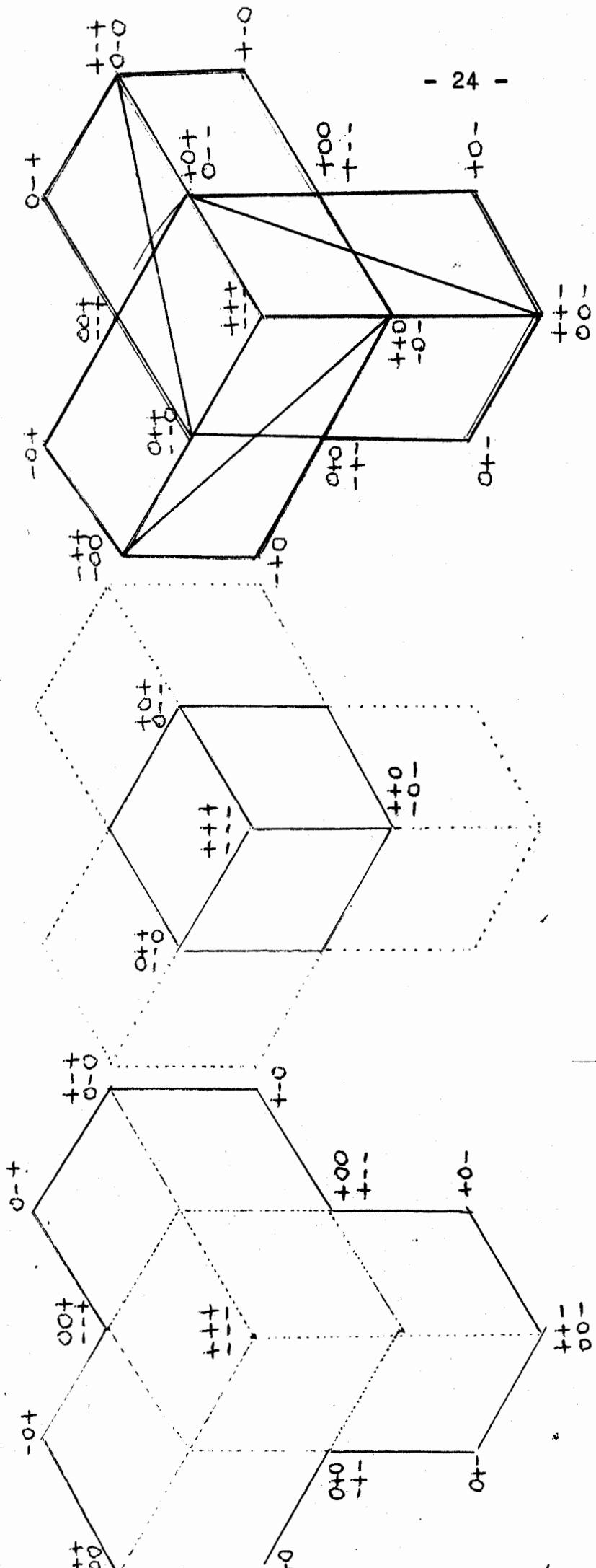


FIGURE 4



a. Mapping of the 0 and +1,-1 disparity ternary words (and +3,-3 also).  
 b. Mapping of the +2,-2 disparity ternary words

c. Final mapping  
 Green lines belong to positive words  
 Red lines belong to negative words

## CHAPTER III

### The Program

#### 1. General

Though a certain mapping of the negative onto the positive grid was considered the number of different codes is still large (16! not necessarily not equivalent) and special effort was made as to the minimisation of time taken by the program.

#### 2. Outline of the program

The basic task of the program was to compare two binary 4-tuples and find the number of corresponding places in which they differ -their Hamming distance. This operation should be performed 24 times for each code. This is because the figure of the mapping has 27 lines. Since the four centre elements are fixed, this leaves 24 lines. Therefore the need for a fast subroutine is obvious. This subroutine was decided to be written in PLAN (assembly language for ICL). The rest of the program is relatively simple in construction and consists of 12 DO-loops.

#### 3. Data

With reference to fig. 7, the binary numbers for the vertices 1, 2, 3, 4 were given in as data since a certain symmetry was noticed around the 2, 3, 4 vertices. (It does not matter which number we put for 1, as we can always transform it to any number).

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The different sets of data were determined with the following criteria :

- (i) The Hamming-distance of words 2, 3, 4 from word 1.
- (ii) The Hamming-distance between words 2-3, 3-4, 4-2.

This was considered so as transformations of codes to equivalent ones does not change the Hamming-distance of the corresponding words. Also any cyclic permutation of the data words does not alter the obtainable code as our grid is cyclic symmetric around the origin.

We let  $d_{ij}$  be the Hamming-distance of words i and j and  $w_i$  the number of 1's in the word i (the weight of word i). The different sets of data are given in fig. 9. Referring to it, we have :

1.  $d_{1,j} = 1$  This leaves us no choice for  $d_{2,3}, d_{3,4},$   
 $(j = 1, 2, 3)$   $d_{4,2}$ , since  $d_{1,j} = w(\text{word } i + \text{word } j)$   
= number of 1's in sum of i, j  
= 2

## 2. 3. 4.

$$d_{1,2} = 2 \quad d_{3,4} = 2, \text{ since they are both of weight 1.}$$

$$d_{1,3} = 1 \quad d_{2,3} = 1 \text{ or } 3$$

$$d_{1,4} = 1 \quad d_{4,2} = 1 \text{ or } 3$$

This is because all the binary code words of weight 2 and 4 (and 0000) form a group (a subgroup of the group of the binary 4-tuples) and in this subgroup, call it F, the weight of the sum of any two codewords is 2 or 4. Therefore, if  $d_{2,3}, d_{4,2}$  were

2 or 4, it would mean that both 2 and 3, and 4 and 2 (referring to the number of vertex) would belong to the subgroup F. But this is not so.

5. 6. 7. 9.

$$d_{1,2} = 2$$

$$d_{1,3} = 1$$

$$d_{1,4} = 1$$

Since 2 and 4 are of weight 2, they belong to the already mentioned subgroup F and therefore :

$$d_{4,2} \neq 2 \text{ or } 4$$

If  $d_{4,2} = 2$ , then  $d_{2,3} = 1 \text{ or } 3$ ,  $d_{3,4} = 1 \text{ or } 3$  (from previous result).

If  $d_{4,2} = 4$ , then there is only one possibility and that is  $d_{2,3} = 1$ ,  $d_{3,4} = 3$  or v.v.

8.10.

$$d_{1,j} = 2$$

$$(j = 2, 3, 4)$$

2, 3, 4 will belong to the subgroup F and therefore their relative Hamming distances will be 2 or 4. It is not possible, however, to have two words having distance 4, since for each codeword i in F, of weight 2, there is only one other codeword j of weight 2, such that, weight (i+j) = 4.

The above 10 cases of input data, were considered to be the only ones necessary for the solution of our problem. All other combinations are essentially equivalent to one of the above.

4. Calculation of probability of error  
and of word corresponding to 000

Since a constant factor of 64 appears in the expression for the mean probability of error in a recovered binary word, ((2), page 7), this was not included in the expression for the calculation of the error in the program.

Since we have a fixed grid we can associate a number, a weight factor, for each edge according to the respective probability weights of positive and negative ternary words. According to the definitions (i), (ii), (iii) in page 6, the weights of the edges are as shown in fig. 8.

The formula for the total error sum is :

$$\sum_{\text{all edges}} (p_i \times d_i) + (\text{error due to choice of 000})$$

where,  $p_i$  = probability weight of edge  $i$

$d_i$  = Hamming distance of binary words at ends of edge  $i$

The word 000 is never transmitted of course but can occur as a result of error due to noise e.t.c. The best binary choice for 000 is calculated after a complete code has been found as follows: Let ternary words neighbour to 000 be  $t_i$ , and the corresponding (to  $t_i$ ) binary words  $b_i$ . Then a binary word  $E$  is chosen from the binary group, which minimises :

$$\sum_{j=1,6} d_{E,j}$$

where  $d_{Ej}$  = Hamming distance of  $E$  and  $b_j$ .

It is possible that  $E$  is not unique. In this case, both codes, which only differ in  $E$ , are printed by the programme.

Only these codes are considered, for which the error sum is less than 85.

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## 5. Programming details

### 5.1 Subroutine SYG

The subroutine SYG (from SYGrino, greek for compare) is written in PLAN, as this would make it substantially faster than a FORTRAN written subroutine. This required the use of a macro instruction which could perform the mixed language programming (main program written in FORTRAN) and such a macro instruction was fortunately available (called LFORTOPT).

The only problem here was the transfer of the arguments of the subroutine from and to the calling program. This could be achieved either by using two system routines or by locating the core address of the argument and then retrieving their values. The first method was considered safer and just as quick as the second one and so the two routines FPROLOG and FEPLOG were employed.

The rest of the subroutine was quite straight forward.

The execution time of the subroutine was approximately  $10^{-6} \times 5$  seconds.

The call to the subroutinr is :

```
CALL SYG (KUBE (I), KPERM (J), CO (K))
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The input arguments are:

KUBE (I) : neighbour binary word, already obtained, of vertex I;  
KPERM (J) : current trial binary word for vertex J;

The output argument is :

CO(K) : is the Hamming distance of words I and J.

The subroutine was tested prior to inclusion in the main

program and both the listing and test sample are shown in Appendix 1.

### 5.2 Programming details of main program

The main program is written in FORTRAN and is making use of the subroutine SYG.

The input to the program is in the form of cards. The first four binary words which are allocated to vertices 1, 2, 3, 4 are read in together with the remaining 12 binary words which are put into the array KPERM (which holds the unused binary words). The error sum due to the first four words is also read in.

The program does an exhaustive search of all possible ways of allocating the 12 binary words onto the 12 remaining vertices (No.5-16) in such a way as not to infringe the restrictions. This search is done by means of 12 do-loops which are nested like shown in the diagram of fig. 9a.

If a word is found that fits a vertex it is put into the array KUBE in the position specified by the number of the vertex. That word is then taken out from the array KPERM by means of moving the words after it one place up. For example, if the arrays KUBE and

KUBE(16)	pos.1	1010		0110	
	2	1110		0011	
	3	0000		0101	
	4	1011		1100	
	5	1000		1001	
	6			1111	
	7			1101	
	8	a		0111	
	9	n		0010	
	10	y		0001	
	11	t		0100	
	12	h		1000	
	13	i			
	14	n			
	15	g			
	16				

before the allocation of a binary word to vertex 6, then they look like

pos.	KUBE(16)	KPERM(12)
1	1010	0110
2	1110	0011
3	0000	0101
4	1011	1100
5	1000	1001
6	0001	1111
7		1101
8	a	0111
9	n	0010
10	y	0100
11	t	1000
12	h	1000
13	i	
14	m	
15	g	
16		

after the allocation.

If no word from KPERM can be found to fit a certain vertex I, the program goes back to vertex I-1 and finds another word which will fit it and then continues with this new word. When all 16 vertices have been allocated, the word corresponding to 000 is found by the method mentioned in III.4. The total error sum is then found by adding the already calculated error sum, due to the obtained codewords (calculated accumulatively), and the error sum due to the choice of codeword corresponding to 000. If the error sum does not exceed 85, the array KUBE together with the binary word corresponding to 000 and the error sum are printed. Otherwise, the program goes on to find another code. When all the different combinations of a given set of data are considered, the next card which contains a new set of words for vertices 1, 2, 3, 4 is read in. There are ten such cards followed by a terminator, which prints the message : "PROGRAM FINISHED".

The total execution time was 993 seconds.

This seems as a rather long time despite the fact that considerable effort was made in order to minimise it. One way of doing this was to try and minimise the number of times the subroutine SYG was called. This could be achieved by not allowing the program to complete a set of codewords for which, the already obtained accumulated error sum made it certain that whatever the choice for the remaining codewords, the error sum limit of 85 would be exceeded. A test was therefore inserted after do-loop 8 (since whatever the choice for the first 8 words, it is not impossible not to exceed 85) for the accumulated error sum and if this was greater than a value (shown in fig. 9a) calculated according to the number of codewords found, the program was affected in the same way as if the codeword found at this stage, did not fit the corresponding vertex.

This test was found to reduce the execution time by a considerable amount.

The listing of the program and the results are in Appendix 2. A program by Mr. Markides [3] was used to draw a detailed flowchart in the line printer of the computer, and this is included in this paper separately.

All test runs and final run were done at the LPCU, in the Polytechnic of North London. The computer was an ICL 1900 series.

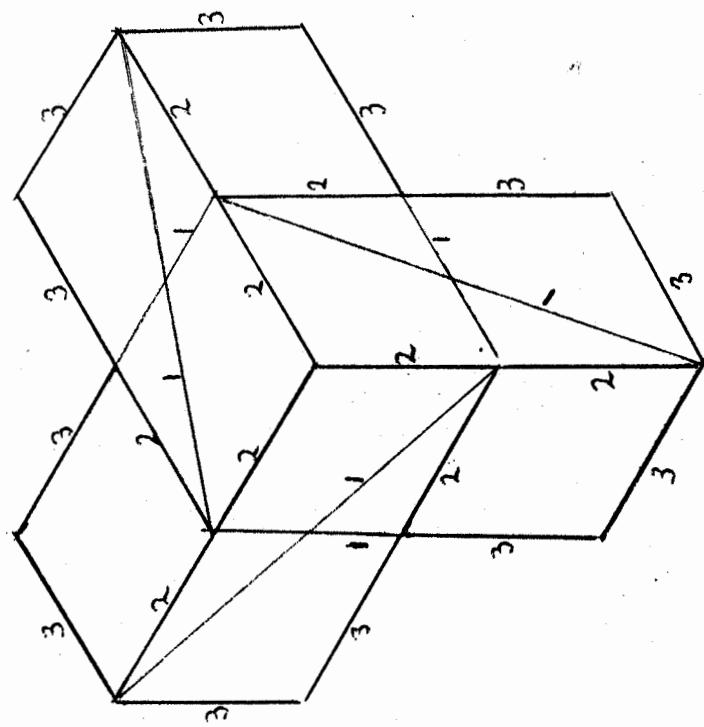
## 6. Results

From the computer program output, it is easily seen that the lowest error sum is 79, which makes the mean probability of error in a recovered binary word

$$79p/64 = 1.234 p$$

Most results (in fact all but two) were obtained with the first set of data, that is with starting values for vertices 1, 2, 3, 4 1010, 1110, 0000, 1011 respectively. There were all together 12 codes with error sum 79 (all obtained with above set of input data) half of which only differed in the representation of the error word 000. We are left, therefore, with only 6 "different" codes, which are thought to be equivalent, without having been able to establish the operations which would transform each code into another (referring to the output listing in Appendix 2, we can clearly see that code (6) can be produced from (1), if we interchange the first and third digits).

Code (1) is shown on the final mapping in fig.10. Tables 8, 9, 10 also show code (1) and its probability weights and error weights matrices.



### FIGURE 8

Weightings of edges

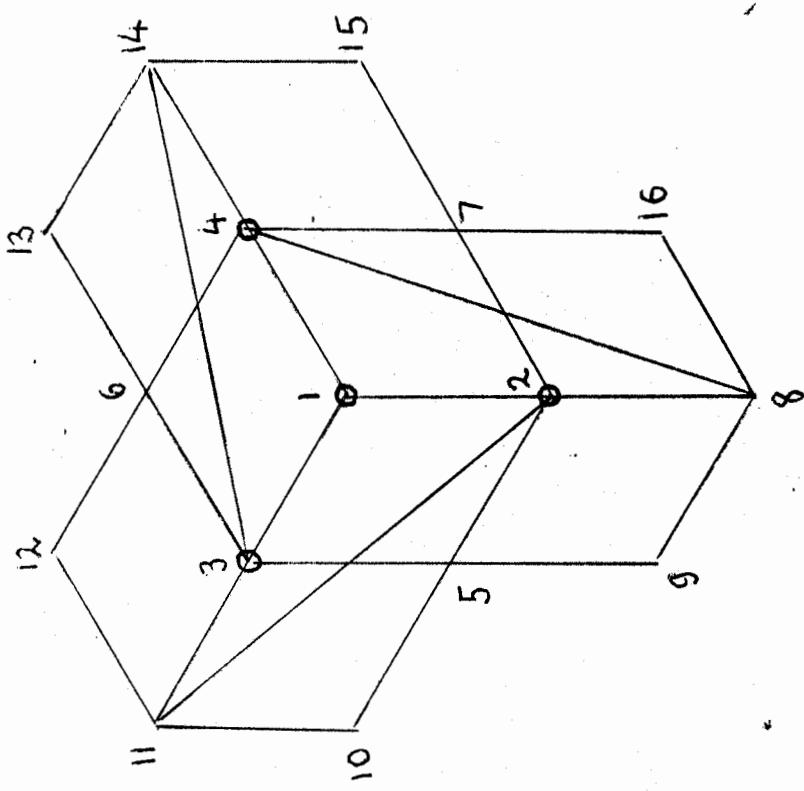
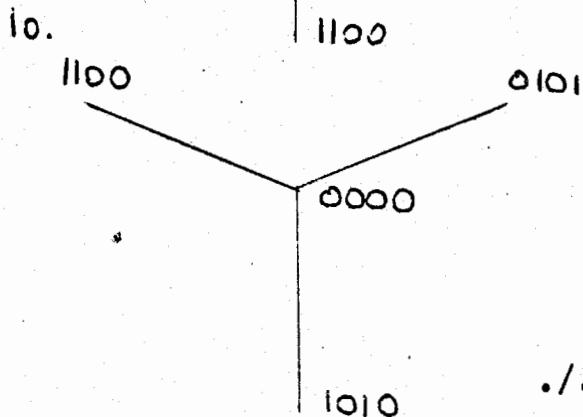
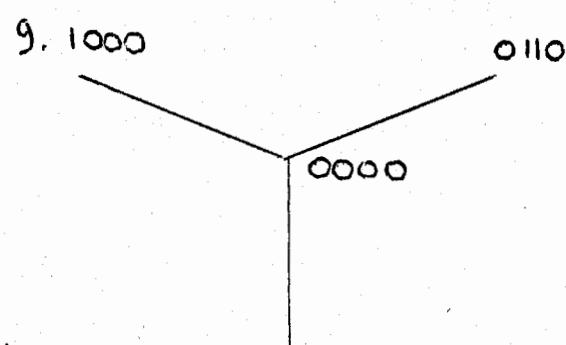
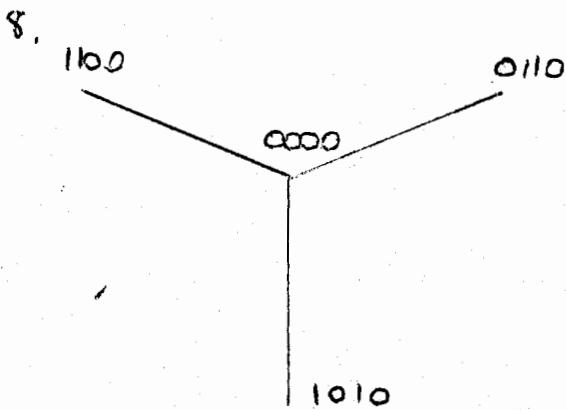
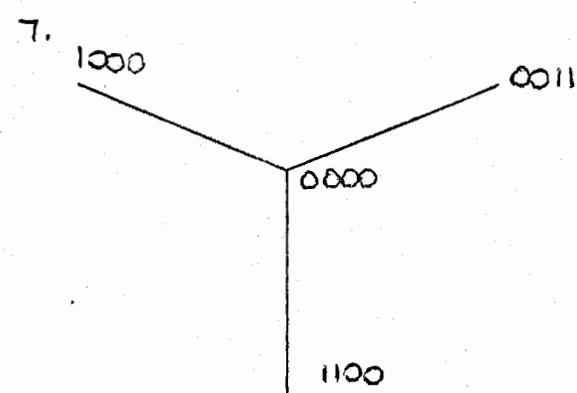
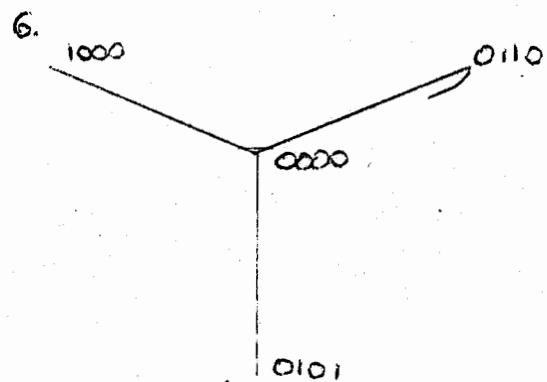
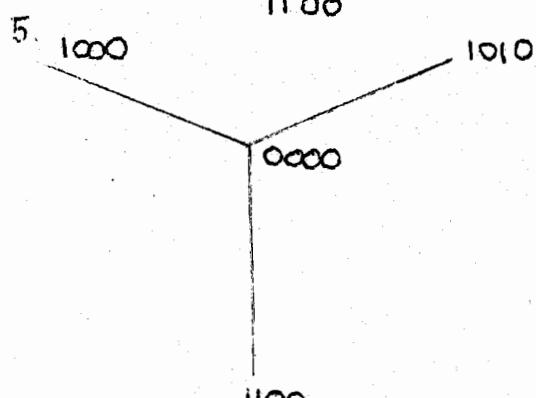
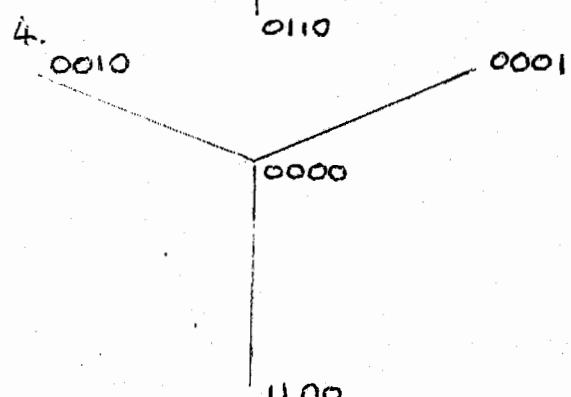
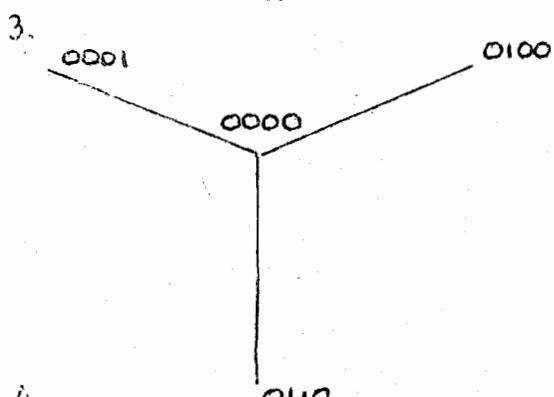
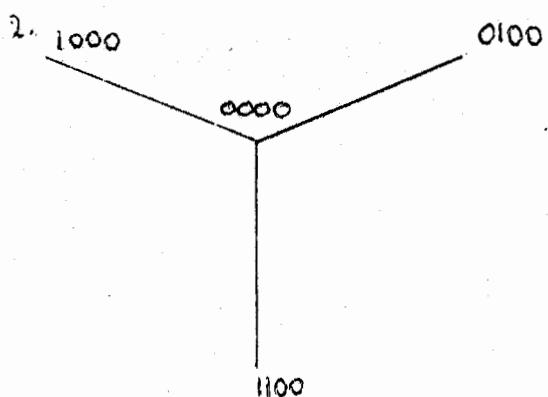
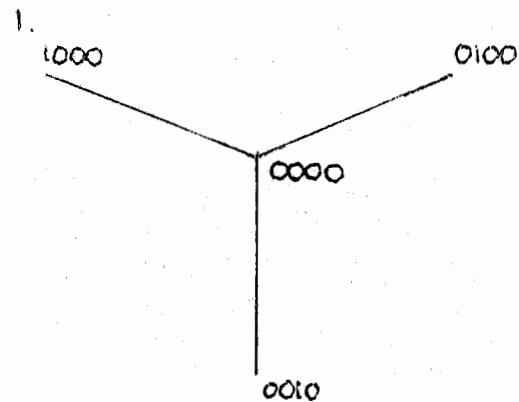


FIGURE 7  
Final mapping . Numbering of vertices  
o fixed vertices

FIGURE 9

Sets of data

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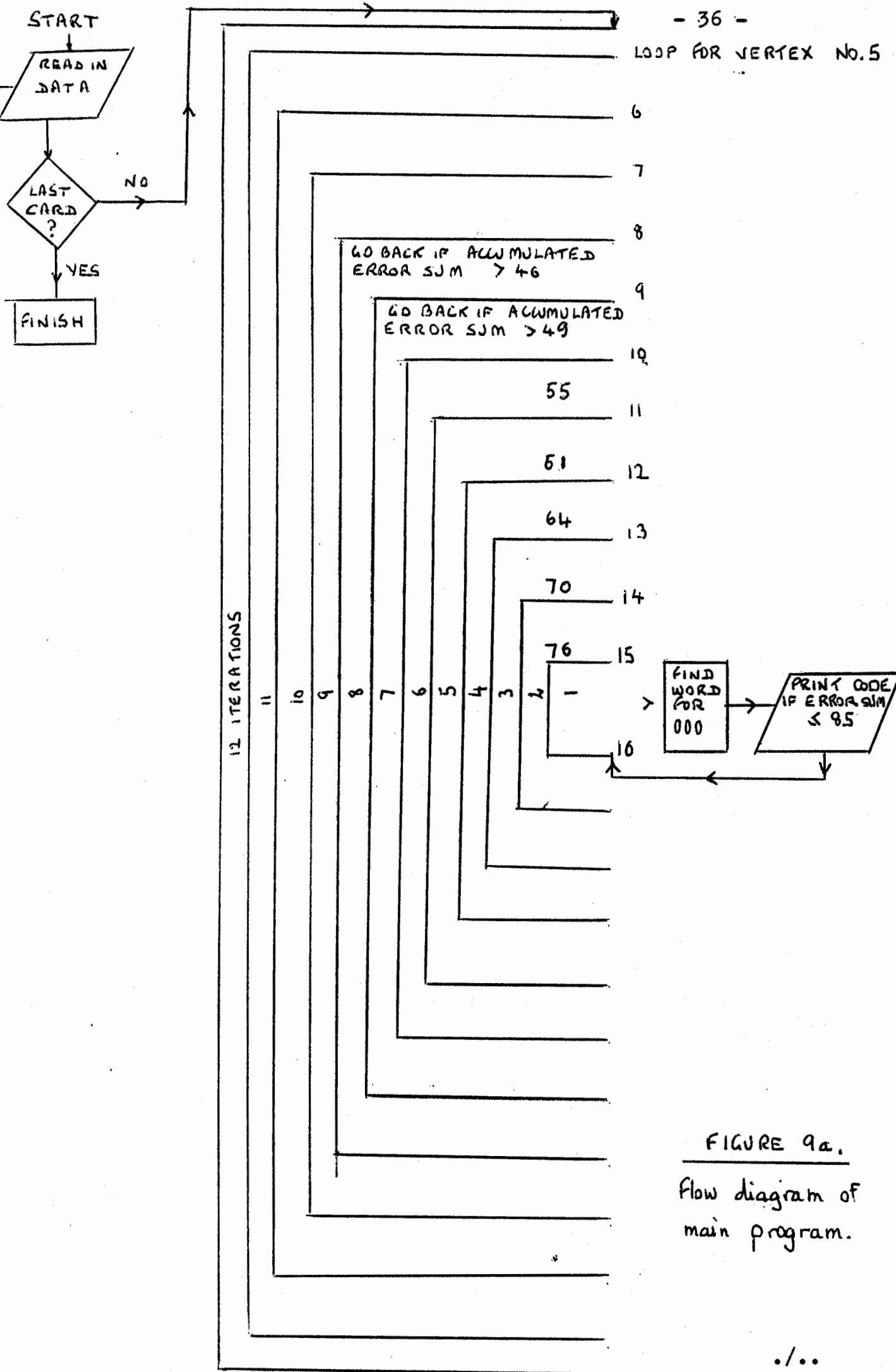
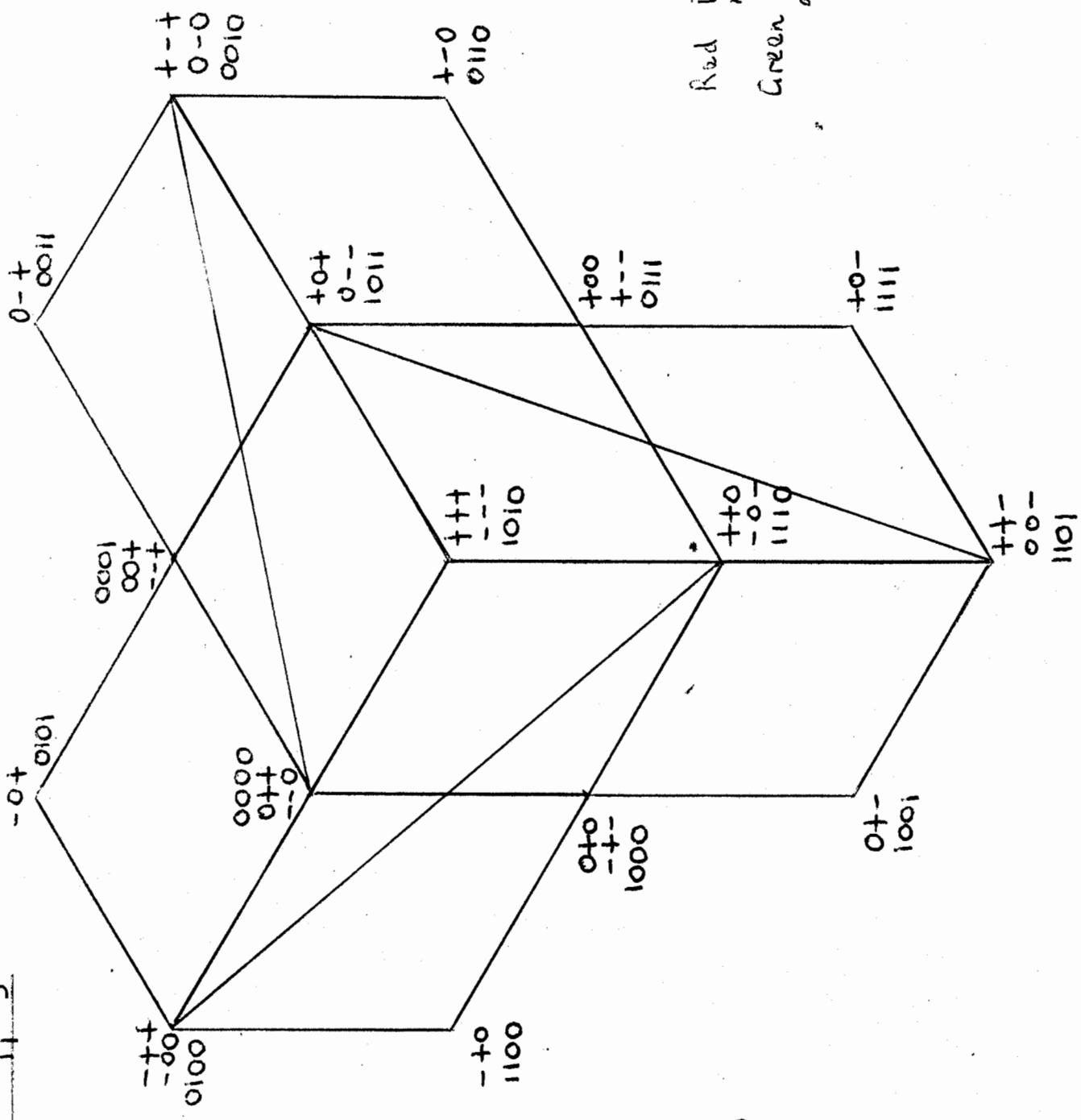


FIGURE 9a.

flow diagram of  
main program.

FIGURE 10  
Final solution mapping  
(Code type IVa)



000 → 00000

Table 8  
4B3T Code Type IV

Ternary word			Binary word	
Disparity	Designation	Code word in	a	b
		Positive mode		
0	A1	+ - 0	0110	1100
	A2	0 - +	0011	1001
	A3	- 0 +	0101	0101
	A4	- + 0	1100	0110
	A5	0 + -	1001	0011
	A6	+ 0 -	1111	1111
$\pm 1$	B1	+ + -	1101	0111
	B2	+ 0 0	0111	1101
	B3	+ - +	0010	1000
	B4	0 0 +	0001	0001
	B5	- + +	0100	0100
	B6	0 + 0	1000	0010
$\pm 2$	C1	+ + 0	1110	1110
	C2	+ 0 +	1011	1011
	C3	0 + +	0000	0000
$\pm 3$	D1	+ + +	1010	1010
Detected error	E	0 0 0	0001	0100

## PROBABILITY WHICH TERNARY NEIGHBOURS

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Ergonomics

number of neighbours: 60

Probability of error:  $\frac{5}{16}$

1000' E.;

mean probability of error:  $p \cdot T_1 / 64 = 1.234\%.$

Table 5

Table 10

## CHAPTER IV

### Conclusion

The results of the computer program were found to be very satisfactory. Indeed the lowest error mean found, 1.234, is below the best known results, as presented by Mr. K.W. Cattermole [4], and the corresponding translation table does not permit the occurrence of more than 2 errors.

It is regretted by the author that no sufficient theoretical work was done as for the proof of the statements in II.4. The results obtained there were very intuitive and with no mathematical proof. Unfortunately there is no mathematical theory behind this type of codes -at least not to the knowledge of the author- and the limited mathematical knowledge of the author did not allow him to provide such a theory. The limited period of time also was also a crucial factor, since the time necessary to equip oneself with the necessary mathematical background for such proofs is considerable.

The overall execution time of the program could be made less if, what was aimed to be found, was not every code with total error sum less than 85, but just the best code that could be found. Therefore, the test which was inserted in the program could be modified, so that it would skip any codes which could not produce a better error sum than the best already obtained.

A way in which this project could be bettered was to try and consider all possible mappings (4320) of the negative words onto the positive ones, and for each one obtain a best code. Of course

not all of the 4,320 mappings are different, because of symmetry etc., and the different ones should be considered. In a program suitable for this task, considerable effort should be made in inserting checks which would stop the calculation for a certain mapping if this was sure not to produce a better result than obtained previously (a similar check as mentioned above). Such a program should be quite flexible in the consideration of other codes, different in structure from the one considered in this paper, in that not many changes would be required for the new problem. Unfortunately such a virtue does not exist in the present program.

It is not thought however, that an improvement in the results obtained in this paper can occur by a different mapping of the positive and negative ternary words. The final mapping considered in this paper has also a nice symmetry which intuitively suggest to be the best.

**APPENDIX 1**

**SUBROUTINE SYG  
LISTING AND TEST SAMPLE**

JOB POULIEZUS, M11E415, PR1  
LFORPLAN E1HA  
QLF3 LCOMPFX E1HA, , , , ,  
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RUN BY GENDET 2/MRTE ON 09/12/74 AT 15.02

PROGRAM DUMP - 000013 USED AS - 2  
BUILD (random) dump?

0100 #STEER

15/03/05

07/12/74 COMPILED BY XPLF 28

0001 #PROGRAM  
0002 #LOWER  
0003  
0004 #PROGRAM  
0005 CALL 3 FPROGLG  
0006 3H5VG  
0007  
0008  
0009 LDX 1 L1LK\*1  
0010 ANDX 1 #60077777  
0011 ORX 1 #00400000  
0012 LDX 2 L1LK\*2  
0013 ANDX 2 #60077777  
0014 ORX 2 #00400000  
0015 LDN 7 0  
0016 TAG LDCH 5 0(1)  
0017 LDCH 4 0(2)

0018 BXE 5 4,\*+2  
0019 ADN 7 1  
0020 BCHX 1 \*+1  
0021 BCHX 2 TAG  
0022 LDX 3 L1LK\*3  
0023 STO 7 0(3)  
0024 CALL 3 FEPILIG  
0025 /LINK  
0026 #END

0001 [SUB TO STORE ARGUMENTS AND LINK ACC.  
0002  
0003  
0004  
0005  
0006  
0007  
0008  
0009  
0010  
0011  
0012  
0013  
0014  
0015  
0016  
0017  
0018  
0019  
0020  
0021  
0022  
0023  
0024  
0025  
0026

[COMPARE DIGITS

0001 0 BA  
0002 1 #63714720  
0003 2 #20202020  
0004 3 #00000003  
0005 4 #00000000  
0006 5 0 LV  
0007 6 0 LT  
0008 7 0 LT  
0009 8 000 2 0  
0010 9 020 2 0  
0011 10 021 2 0  
0012 11 100 7 0  
0013 12 022 5 1  
0014 13 024 4 2  
0015 14 026 5 0  
0016 15 074 6 17 PR

\* 0 AB

\* 0 LV  
\* 0 LINK

\* 0 R2:LV

\* 0 LP

\* 2 LT

\* 0 R2:LP

\* 23 PR  
\* 12 TAG

\* 0 UP

- 47 -

0  
#00077777  
1  
\$00400000

0 R2, UP

0 W

0 R2, UP

0 Bla  
0 Fractes  
1 Epitiles

FINISH

PROGRAM ERRORS WRITE

TEST SAMPLE

0001 LIST  
0002 WORK (ED)  
0003 LIBRARY (ED, SURGROUPSRF7)  
0004 LIBRARY (ED, SUBGROUPS-R5)  
0005 PROGRAM (BTIA)  
0006 INPUT 1,5 = CRO  
0007 OUTPUT 2,6=LPO  
0008 COMPACT DATA  
0009 COMPRESS INTEGER AND LOGICAL  
0010 TRACE 2  
0011 END

```

0012      MASTER
0013      C THIS IS A TEST CALLING PROGRAM FOR THE SUB. SYG
0014      C SUB SYG COMPARES(CIN PLAN) TWO 4-DIGIT INTEGERS
0015      C AND FINDS THE NUMBER OF PLACES IN WHICH THEY DIFFER
0016      C
0017      C
0018      DATA K11/'#,#/#'
0019      WRITE(2,103)
0020      103 FORMAT('H1',//,20X,'TEST PROGRAM FOR 4B3T',//,10X,'NUMBERS COMPARED
0021      ',5X,'DIFF. POSITIONS')
0022      1 READ(1,100)I,J
0023      IF(I>J)I=J,STOP
0024      CALL SYG(I,J,KOUNT)
0025      WRITE(2,101)I,J,KOUNT
0026      101 FORMAT(12X,2(A4,2(X,15))
0027      100 FORMAT(2A4)
0028      GO To 1
0029      STOP
0030      END

```

END OF SEGMENT, LENGTH 57, NAME -NONH

F031 READ PRINCHED,PROGRAM DUMP)

SUBFILE PROGRAM XXXX  
(SEMI-COMPILED)

SYG  
END OF SUBFILE 0001 FINISH

END OF COMPILED - NO ERRORS

S/C SUBFILE: 7 BUCKETS USED

CONSOLIDATED BY XPACK 12C DATE 09/12/74 TIME 15/04/14

ICLFORTRAN (1) REMAINED ICLIA-DEFAULT(1)

PROGRAM BINA  
COMPACT DATA (15A!!)  
COMPACT PROGRAM (6BH)  
CORE 3643

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SEG	NONH
SEG	SYG
SEG	FPROLOG
SEG	FEPILONG
ENT	

TEST PROGRAM FÜR 4637

NUMBERS COMPARED DIFF. POSITIONS

1110	0010	2
1010	0101	4
1111	1010	2
1110	1110	0
1101	1100	1
1111	1100	2
1000	1111	3

ACCOUNT CODE	DATE	TOTAL MILL TIME
N11E415	09/12/74	11
USER NAME	PHULIEZOS	INPUT RECORDS
JOB NAME	PR1	END TIME
	15/05/09	OUTPUT RECORDS
		198
		MAX. CORE SIZE 18176
PERIPHERALS USED:		

APPENDIX 2

MAIN PROGRAM : LISTING AND RESULTS

JOB PAULIE 203-911411-FBZ  
LFB/TDT 31PA, 150E, 1500, , R  
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6/18

RUN BY GEORGE ZIEGLER

0001  
0002  
0003  
0004  
0005  
0006  
0007  
0008  
0009  
LIST  
LIBRARY (ED, SURGROU, FSCE)  
PROGRAM(BIN.)  
INPUT 1,5=CH:0  
OUTPUT 2,6=LPO  
COMPACT DATA  
COMPRESS INTEGER AND LOGICAL  
TRACE 1  
END

MASTER 14B37

MASTER 14B37  
C PROGRAM TO CALCULATE BEST TERNARY CODE FOR SPACE OF 16 BINARY  
C 4-TUPLES

```

C   ARRAY CUBE HOLDS OBTAINED VERTICES
C   ARRAY EPERM HOLDS USED BINARY 4-TUPLES
C   COUNT1, COUNT2, COUNT3 ARE THE NO OF DIFF. POSITIONS
C   ARRAY CD HOLDS ZERO. SUM FOR COMP. VERTEN
C   -LINESH HOLDS ENRHS SUM

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      INTEGER CO
      DIMENSION KURE(1:6),KPERI(12),CO(24),KUB(6)
      DATA KLUF /#/#/#/#/#/#/

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```

C      WRITE(2,400)
400  FORTNIT(H1,1)0X, 'PROGRAM TO CALCULATE BEST ENCODING SCHEME FOR THE
      16 BINARY 4-TUPLES , //, 0X, USING A CERTAIN MAPPING OF THE POSITIV
      E TERNARY CODEWORDS ONTO THE NEGATIVE LINES')
      58 READ(1,200)(KUBL(C1),I=1,4),(KPERM(CJ),J=1,12),LTEST
      200 FORTNIT(16AZ,13)
      12(KUBE(C1)).EQ.KLU)GO TO 990
      YKPERM(LTEST

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C C OBTAINING POINT (VENTEX) NO 5

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C          DO 5 15=1,12
C          CALL SYG(KURE(2),KPLRN(15),CO(1))
C          IF(CO(1)=2)51,51,5
C          CALL SYG(KURE(3),KPLRN(15),CO(2))
C          IF(CO(2)=2)52,52,5
      51

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      0.000      LTEST=LTEST+CO(1)+CO(1)*CO(2)
      0.001      17*(15-1)*53,54,54
      0.002      53 NO 55 155=12,14
      0.003      55 KPERM(155)=KPERM(155+1)

      C   VERTEX NO 6
      C
      0.004
      0.005
      0.006
      0.007      54 DO 6 16=1,1
      0.008      CALL SYG(KUBE(3),KPERM(16),CO(3))
      0.009      IF(CO(3)-2)61,61,6
      0.010
      0.011      61 CALL SYG(KUBE(4),KPERM(16),CO(4))
      0.012      IF(CO(4)-2)62,62,6
      0.013
      0.014      62 KUBE(6)=KPERM(16)
      0.015      LTEST=LTEST+CO(3)+CO(3)*CO(4)
      0.016      IF((16-1)*63,64,66
      0.017
      0.018      63 DO 65 165=10,10
      0.019
      0.020      65 KPERM(165)=KPERM(165+1)

      C   VERTEX NO 7
      C
      0.021
      0.022
      0.023
      0.024      64 DO 7 17=1,14
      0.025      CALL SYG(KUBE(4),KPERM(17),CO(5))
      0.026      IF(CO(5)-2)71,71,7
      0.027
      0.028      71 CALL SYG(KUBE(2),KPERM(17),CO(6))
      0.029      IF(CO(6)-2)72,72,7
      0.030
      0.031      72 KUBE(7)=KPERM(17)
      0.032      LTEST=LTEST+CO(5)+CO(5)*CO(6)
      0.033      IF((17-1)*73,74,74
      0.034
      0.035      73 DO 75 175=17,9
      0.036
      0.037      75 KPERM(175)=KPERM(175+1)

      C   VERTEX NO 8
      C
      0.038
      0.039
      0.040
      0.041
      0.042
      0.043      74 DO 3 18=1,9
      0.044      CALL SYG(KUBE(2),KPERM(18),CO(7))
      0.045      IF(CO(7)-2)81,81,8
      0.046
      0.047
      0.048
      0.049
      0.050      81 CALL SYG(KUBE(4),KPERM(18),CO(8))
      0.051      IF(CO(8)-2)82,82,8
      0.052
      0.053      82 KUBE(8)=KPERM(18)
      0.054      LTEST=LTEST+CO(7)+CO(7)*CO(8)
      0.055      IF((18-9)*83,84,84
      0.056
      0.057      83 DO 85 185=10,8
      0.058
      0.059      85 KPERM(185)=KPERM(185+1)

      C   VERTEX NO 9
      C
      0.060
      0.061
      0.062
      0.063
      0.064
      0.065      84 DO 9 19=1,8
      0.066      CALL SYG(KUBE(5),KPERM(19),CO(9))
      0.067      IF((19-2)*191,191,9
      0.068
      0.069      91 CALL SYG(KUBE(8),KPERM(19),CO(10))
      0.070
      0.071      IF((10-10)*92,92,9

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92 LTEST=LTEST+(CO(9)+CO(10))*3
  IF(LTEST=46)307,307,98
  307 KURE(9)=KPERM(11)
    IF(19-8,93,64,6,
  93 DU 65 165=16,7
  95 KPERM(115)=KPERM(195+1)

C   VERTEX NO 10
C
C   94 DO 10 110=1,7
  CALL SYG(KUBE(5),KPERM(110),CO(11))
    IF(CO(11)=2)101,101,10
  101 LTEST=LTEST+CO(11)*5
    IF(LTEST=46)308,308,108
  308 KURE(110)=KPERM(110)
    IF(110-7)105,105,104,104
  105 DO 105 1105=110,6,
  105 KPERM(1105)=KPERM(1105+1)

C   VERTEX NO 11
C
C   104 DO 11 111=1,6
  CALL SYG(KUBE(3),KPERM(111),CO(12))
    IF(CO(12)=2)111,111,11
  111 CALL SYG(KUBF(2),KPERM(111),CO(13))
    IF(CO(13)=2)112,112,11
  112 CALL SYG(KUBE(11),KPERM(111),CO(14))
    IF(CO(14)=2)116,116,11
  116 LTEST=LTEST+CO(12)+CO(12)+CO(13)+CO(14)*3
  309 KUBE(11)=KPERM(111)
    IF(111-6)112,112,112,112
  115 DO 115 1115=114,114,114
  115 KPERM(1115)=KPERM(1115+1)

C   VERTEX NO 12
C
C   114 DO 12 112=1,5
  CALL SYG(KUBE(6),KPERM(112),CO(15))
    IF(CO(15)=2)121,121,12
  121 CALL SYG(KUBF(4),KPERM(112),CO(16))
    IF(CO(16)=2)122,122,12
  122 LTEST=LTEST+(CO(15)+CO(16))*3
    IF(LTEST=61)310,310,128
  310 KURE(12)=KPERM(112)
    IF(112-5)125,125,124,124
  125 DU 125 1125=112,4
  125 KPERM(1125)=KPERM(1125+1)

C   VERTEX NO 13
C

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124 DO 13 I,3=1,4  
 CALL SYG(KURE(6),KPERM(13)),CO(17))  
 IF(CO(17)=2)131,131,13  
 131 TEST=LTEST+CO(17)\*3  
 IF(LTEST>64,311,311,33  
 311 KURE(13)=KPERH(13)  
 IF(113=4)133,134,134  
 133 DO 135 I,33=1,2,3  
 135 KPERH(I,35)=KPERM(I,35)+4  
 C VERTEX NO 10  
 C  
 134 DO 14 I,4=1,3  
 CALL SYG(KURE(13),KPERM(I14)),CO(18))  
 IF(CO(18)=2,141,141,14  
 141 CALL SYG(KURE(3),KPERH(14)),CO(19))  
 IF(CO(19)=2)142,142,14  
 142 CALL SYG(KURE(4),KPERH(14)),CO(20))  
 IF(CO(20)=2)146,146,14  
 146 LTEST=LTEST+CO(20)+CO(19)+CO(20)+CO(20)  
 IF(LTEST>70,315,313,43  
 313 KURE(14)=KPERH(14)  
 IF(I14=3)143,144,144  
 143 DO 145 I,45=1,4,2  
 145 KPERH(I,45)=KPERM(I,45)+1  
 C VERTEX NO 15  
 C  
 146 DO 147 I,5=1,2  
 CALL SYG(KURE(7),KPERH(15)),CO(21))  
 IF(CO(21)=2)151,151,15  
 151 CALL SYG(KURE(15),KPERH(15)),CO(22))  
 IF(CO(22)=2)152,152,15  
 152 LTEST=LTEST+(CO(21)+CO(22))\*3  
 IF(LTEST>76,314,314,153  
 314 KURE(15)=KPERH(15)  
 IF(I15=2)155,155,15  
 155 KPERM(I,2)=KPERH(I)  
 C VERTEX NO 16  
 C  
 156 CALL SYG(KURE(7),KPERH(16)),CO(23))  
 IF(CO(23)=2)161,161,16  
 161 CALL SYG(KURE(8),KPERH(16)),CO(24))  
 IF(CO(24)=2)162,162,16  
 162 LTEST=LTEST+(CO(23)+CO(24))\*3  
 KURE(16)=KPERH(16)

A SET OF 16 4-TWIPLES HAS BEEN FOUND

## CALCULATION OF CODEWORD CORR. TO TERNARY 000

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213      C-----CALCULATION OF CODEWORD CORR. TO TERNARY 000
214      C-----XTEST=TEST
215      DO 1000 XTEST=10,0=1,4
216      KUBE(1)=KUBE(0)
217      KUBE(5)=KUBE(11)
218      KUBE(6)=KUBE(14)
219      KUBE(7)=KUBE(15)
220      KUBE(8)=KUBE(16)
221      DO 5 IZ=1,16
222      DO 4 KUBE(IZ)=0
223      CALL SYCKUREFCU(KUBE(IZ)),KOUNT)
224      IF(KOUNT<-2)301,301,302
225      301 ZIROS=ZIROS,KOUNT*0.5
226      CONTINUE
227
228      C-----CALCULATION OF ERROR SUM
229      C-----ERROR SUM LESS THAN 85,PRINTOUT OF SUM
230
231      IF(CXTEST+ZIROS>35.)2,2,302
232      2 FTEST=TEST-ZIROS
233      WRITE(2,201),KUBE(13),KUBE(10),KUBE(9),KUBE(16),K
234      UBE(13),UBE(7),KUBE(6),KUBE(5),KUBE(2),KUBE(4),K
235      UBE(3),KUBE(1),KUBE(12),FTEST
236      201 FORMAT(1H ,X,A6,I1,I5,I1X,A6,I1,I1X,A6,I1X,A6,I1)
237      2,1,6X,I1,I5(5X,I1,I6,I1)
238      1,FZERO=2.501,1005,1005,302
239      302 ZIROS=0
240      3 CONTINUE
241      1005 LTEST=TEST-(CO(23)+CO(24))*3
242      16 CONTINUE
243
244      C-----IF VALUE CANNOT BE FOUND TO FIT VERTEX 1,REMAKE ARRAY KPERM AND
245      C-----CONTINUE ITERATION
246
247      IF(115-2)>157,156,158
248      157 KPERM(2)=KPERM(1)
249      KPERM(1)=KUBE(15)
250      158 LTEST=LTEST-(CO(21)+CO(22))*3
251      15 CONTINUE
252      IF(114-5)>147,148,146
253      147 KLEP1=KPERM(114)
254      DO 149 I=140,I14-2
255      KLEP2=KPERM(I140+1)
256      KPERM(I149+1)=KEEP1
257      KLEP4=KLEP2
258      KLEP3=KLEP(I14)=KUBE(14)
259      148 LTEST=LTEST-(CO(18)+3*CO(19)+CO(20)*CO(20))
260      14 CONTINUE
261      IF(113-5)>137,138,136
262      137 KLEP1=KPERM(113)
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4264 KU(1,2)=KEP1,ERH(136+1)
4265 KPERH(1,39+1)=KEP1
439 KEP1=KLEP2
440 KPERH(1,3)=KUBF(13)
441 UTEST=TEST-(CO(7)*3
442 CONTINUE
443 JF(12,5)127,128,128
444 JF(14,2)127,127,127
445 KLEP1=KEP1
446 KPERH(1,12)
447 NO 126 J129=112,*4
448 KLEP2=KPERH(112+1)
449 KPERH(1,29+1)=KLEP1
450 KEP1=KEP2
451 KPERH(1,12)=KUBF(12)
452 UTEST=TEST-(CO(-5)+CO(16))*3
453 CONTINUE
454 JF(14,6)117,116,113
455 KEP1=KPERH(111)
456 NO 140 J116=116,5
457 KLEP2=KPERH(1119+1)
458 KPERH(1,19+1)=KLEP1
459 KEP1=KLEP2
460 KPERH(1,12)=KUNE(11)
461 UTEST=TEST-(CO(12)+CO(13)+CO(14))*3
462 CONTINUE
463 JF(14,7)107,108,108
464 KEP1=KPERH(110)
465 NO 109 J100=110,6
466 KLEP2=KPERH(1106+1)
467 KPERH(1,10)=KUBE(10)
468 KPERH(1,09+1)=KEP1
469 KEP1=KLEP2
470 KLEP1=KLEP2
471 UTEST=TEST-(CO(11))*3
472 CONTINUE
473 JF(10-8,97,*8,97
474 KEP1=KEP1
475 NO CO 109=11,7
476 KLEP2=KPERH(196+1)
477 KPERH(1,9+1)=KLEP1
478 KEP1=KLEP2
479 KPERH(1,9)=KUBE(9)
480 UTEST=TEST-(CO(9)+CO(10))*3
481 CONTINUE
482 JF(13-9,87,88,88
483 KLEP1=KPERH(18)
484 DO 50 139=10,8
485 KEP2=KPERH(180+1)
486 KPERH(1,9+1)=KEP1
487 KEP1=KEP2
488 KPERH(1,8)=KUBE(8)
489 UTEST=TEST-(CO(8)+CO(10))*3

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8 CONTINUE

1 IF((17-10)>77,78,78

77 KLEP1=KPERH(17)

DO 79 J79=17,9

KLEP2=KPERH(176-1)

KPERH(176+1)=KLEP1

79 KLEP1=KLEP2

KPERH(17)=KURE(7)

78 LTTEST=LTTEST-(CO(5)+CO(6)+CO(5))

7 CONTINUE

1F((16-12)>67,68,68

67 KLEP1=KPERH(16)

DO 69 I6,I6=16,10

KLEP2=KPERH(166+1)

KPERH(166+1)=KLEP1

69 KLEP1=KLEP2

KPERH(16)=KURE(6)

68 LTTEST=LTTEST-(CO(3)+CO(3)+CO(4))

6 CONTINUE

17((15-12)>57,581,581

57 KLEP1=KPERH(15)

DO 58 I59,I5,I1

KLEP2=KPERH(159+1)

KPERH(159+1)=KLEP1

59 KLEP1=KLEP2

KPERH(15)=KURE(5)

581 LTTEST=LTTEST-(CO(1)+CO(1)+CO(2))

5 CONTINUE

60 TO 58

999 WRITE(2,402)

402 FORMAT('H //,\*\*\*PROGRAM FINISHED\*\*\*')

STOP

END

END OF SEGMENT, LENGTH: 1570, NAME: 14P3T

SYG (SERIAL COMPILED)

6346 FINISH

END 0: COMPILEATION. - NO ERRORS

S/G SUBFILE: 36 BUCKETS USED

ICL-F-DEFAULT( 0): 66 BUCKETS USED

ICL-F-DEFAULT( 1): 56 BUCKETS USED

CONSOLIDATED BY XPCX 12D DATE 22/03/75 TIME 06/56/28

ICL/ONTRAN (1) RELATED ICL-DEFAULT(0)

PROGRAM BINA  
COMPACT DATA (15AII)  
COMPACT PROGRAM (JRH)  
CURE 4.00

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S/G 1483T  
S/G SYG  
S/G FPROLUG  
EHT FEPILUG







STARTING VALUES FOR VERTICES 1, 2, 3, 4 ARE RESP.

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1100 1000

STARTING VALUES FOR VERTICES 1, 2, 3, 4 ARE RESP.

001.0 1100 1000 0110

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STARTING VALUES FOR VERTICES 1, 2, 3, 4 ARE RESP.

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0000 1010 1100 0110

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00000 1010 1100 0101

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STARTING VALUES FOR VERTICES 1,2,3,4 ARE RESP.

• PROGRESS FINISHED

06/56, 38 0#X1EW #L1CU  
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 06/56, 24 0#X1EW DLTD  
 06/56, 27 0#X1CK #X1EW  
 06/56, 40 0#BINA #X1CK  
 06/56, 48 0#BINA 6,80  
 06/56, 48 0#BINA WLT LD  
 08/24, 25 0#BINA DLTD 00  
 08/24, 26 0#BINA CLKD 942  
 08/24, 26 0#BINA DLTD

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