

## Chapter IV Problems Solutions

- Golay's  $(23,12)$  codes are three-error-correcting codes. Verify that  $n = 23$  and  $k = 12$  satisfies the Hamming bound exactly for  $t = 3$ .
  - Hamming bound:  $2^{n-k} \geq \sum_{j=0}^t \binom{n}{j}$

$$2^{11} = 2048 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{j=0}^3 \binom{23}{j} = 2048$$

Therefore, indeed

$$2^{11} \geq \sum_{j=0}^3 \binom{23}{j}$$

- 2.
- (a) Determine the Hamming bound for a ternary code.
  - (b) A ternary (11,6) code exists that can correct up to two errors. Verify that this code satisfies the Hamming bound exactly.
  - (a) There are  $\binom{n}{j}$  ways to select  $j$  positions from  $n$ . But for a ternary code, a digit may be mistaken for two other digits. Hence the number of possible errors in  $j$  places is

$$\binom{n}{j} (3-1)^j$$

Thus the Hamming bound is given by

$$3^n \geq 3^k \sum_{j=0}^t \binom{n}{j} 2^j \implies 3^{n-k} \geq \sum_{j=0}^t \binom{n}{j} 2^j$$

(b)  $3^5 = 243$  and  $\sum_{j=0}^2 \binom{11}{j} 2^j = 243$

Thus, indeed the Hamming bound found in part (a) is satisfied exactly.

- 3.
- Confirm the possibility of a (18,7) binary code that can correct up to three errors. Can this code correct up to four errors?
  - For (18,7) code to correct up to 3 errors,

$$2^{11} \geq \sum_{j=0}^3 \binom{18}{j}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^2 \binom{18}{j} = 988 \quad \text{and} \quad 2^{11} = 2048$$

Thus the Hamming condition is satisfied and there exists a possibility of 3 error correcting (18,7) code. Since the Hamming distance is over satisfied, this code could correct some 4 error patterns in addition to all patterns with up to 3 errors.

4. • Consider a generator matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  for a nonsystematic (6,3) code:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Construct the code for this generator matrix  $\mathbf{G}$ , and show that  $d_{min}$ , the minimum distance between codewords, is 3. Consequently, this code can correct at least one error.

d	c	
1 1 1	0 1 0 1 1 1	
1 1 0	1 0 0 1 1 0	
1 0 1	0 1 1 1 0 1	
• 1 0 0	1 0 1 1 0 0	It can be seen that the
0 1 1	1 1 1 0 1 1	
0 1 0	0 0 1 0 1 0	
0 0 1	1 1 0 0 0 1	
0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	

minimum distance between any two code words is 3. Hence this code can correct at least one error.

5. • Given a nonsystematic generator matrix

$$\mathbf{G} = [ 1 \ 1 \ 1 ]$$

Construct a (3,1) code. How many errors can this code correct? Find the codeword for data vectors  $b = 0$  and  $b = 1$ .

- $c = d\mathbf{G}$  where  $d$  is a single digit (0,1).

For  $d = 0$ ,  $c = 0[1 \ 1 \ 1] = [0 \ 0 \ 0]$

For  $d = 1$ ,  $c = 1[1 \ 1 \ 1] = [1 \ 1 \ 1]$

Hence this matrix represents a code that repeats the digit 3 times.

We have seen earlier that such a code can correct up to 1 error.

6. • Find a generator matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  for a (15,11) single-error-correcting linear block code. Find the codeword for the data vector 0 1 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 1 1
- $H^T$  is a  $15 \times 4$  matrix with all distinct rows. One possible  $H^T$  is

$$H^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{P} \\ \mathbf{I}_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{G} = [\mathbf{I}_k \quad \mathbf{P}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For

$$d = [0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]$$

$$c = d\mathbf{G} = [0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]$$

7. • For a (6,3) systematic linear block code, the three parity-check digits  $c_4, c_5$  and  $c_6$  are

$$\begin{aligned}c_4 &= b_1 + b_2 + b_3 \\c_5 &= b_1 + b_2 \\c_6 &= b_2 + b_3\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Construct the appropriate generator matrix for this code.  
 (b) Construct the code generated by this matrix.  
 (c) Determine the error-correcting capabilities of this code.  
 (d) Prepare a suitable decoding table.  
 (e) Decode the following received words: 101100, 000110, 101010
- (a) It is evident that

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence,

$$\mathbf{H}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

d	c
1 1 1	1 1 1 1 0 0
1 1 0	1 1 0 0 0 1
1 0 1	1 0 1 0 1 1
1 0 0	1 0 0 1 1 0
0 1 1	0 1 1 0 1 0
0 1 0	0 1 0 1 1 1
0 0 1	0 0 1 1 0 1
0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0

- (b)  $c = d\mathbf{G}$ . Hence the code is
- (c) The minimum distance between any two codewords is 3. Hence, this is a single error correcting code. Since there are 6 single errors and 7 syndromes, we can correct all single errors and one double error pattern.
- (d) The decoding table is obtained from  $S = e\mathbf{H}^T$

S	e
1 1 0	1 0 0 0 0 0
1 1 1	0 1 0 0 0 0
1 0 1	0 0 1 0 0 0
1 0 0	0 0 0 1 0 0
0 1 0	0 0 0 0 1 0
0 0 1	0 0 0 0 0 1
0 1 1	0 0 0 0 1 1

(e)  $s = r\mathbf{H}^T$

r						s			e						c						d			
1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	
1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	



8. • Construct a single-error-correcting (7,4) linear block code (Hamming Code) and the corresponding decoding table.

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$$\mathbf{G} = [ \mathbf{I}_m \quad \mathbf{P} ] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c = d\mathbf{G}$$

d	c
0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1	0 0 0 1 1 1 0
0 0 1 0	0 0 1 0 0 1 1
0 0 1 1	0 0 1 1 1 0 1
0 1 0 0	0 1 0 0 1 1 1
0 1 0 1	0 1 0 1 0 0 1
0 1 1 0	0 1 1 0 1 0 0
0 1 1 1	0 1 1 1 0 1 0
1 0 0 0	1 0 0 0 1 0 1
1 0 0 1	1 0 0 1 0 1 1
1 0 1 0	1 0 1 0 1 1 0
1 0 1 1	1 0 1 1 0 0 0
1 1 0 0	1 1 0 0 0 1 0
1 1 0 1	1 1 0 1 1 0 0
1 1 1 0	1 1 1 0 0 0 1
1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1

$$\mathbf{H}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$s = e\mathbf{H}^T$$

e	s
0 0 0 0 0 0 1	0 0 1
0 0 0 0 0 1 0	0 1 0
0 0 0 0 1 0 0	1 0 0
0 0 0 1 0 0 0	1 1 0
0 0 1 0 0 0 1	0 1 1
0 1 0 0 0 0 0	1 1 1
1 0 0 0 0 0 1	1 0 1

$s = r\mathbf{H}^T$  where  $r \equiv$  received vector

$c = e \oplus r$  where  $c \equiv$  corrected code

9. • (a) Given  $k = 8$ , find the minimum value of  $n$  for a code that can correct at least one error.
- (b) Choose a generator matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  for this code.
- (c) How many double errors can this code correct?
- (d) Construct a decoding table (syndromes and corresponding correctable error patterns)
- (a) For a single error correcting code, the following condition must be satisfied

$$2^{n-k} \geq n + 1 \implies 2^{n-8} \geq n + 1$$

This condition is satisfied for  $n \geq 12$ . Choose  $n = 12$ . This gives a (12,8) code.

- (b)  $\mathbf{H}^T$  is chosen to have 12 distinct rows of 4 elements with the last 4 rows forming an identity matrix. Hence

$$\mathbf{H}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (c) The number of non-zero syndromes =  $16 - 1 = 15$ . There are 12 single error patterns. Hence we may be able to correct 3 double-error patterns.

s				e																					
	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(d)	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

10. • (a) Construct a systematic (7,4) cyclic code using the generator polynomial  $g(x) = x^3 + x + 1$
- (b) What are the error-correcting capabilities of this code?
- (c) Construct the decoding table
- (d) If the received word is 1101100, determine the transmitted data word.
- (a)  $g(x) = x^3 + x + 1$   
For a data sequence, 1111

$$d(x) = x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$$

$$x^3 d(x) = x^6 + x^5 + x^4 + x^3$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + x + 1 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} x^6 + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 \\ x^6 + \phantom{x^5} + x^4 + x^3 \\ \hline x^5 \\ x^5 + x^3 + x^2 \\ \phantom{x^5} + x^3 + x^2 \\ \hline x^3 + x + 1 \\ \phantom{x^3} + x + 1 \\ \hline x^2 + x + 1 \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}$$

$$\implies c(x) = (x^3 + x^2 + 1)(x^3 + x + 1) = x^6 + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$$

$$\implies \mathbf{c} = 1111111$$

For a data sequence, 1110

$$d(x) = x^3 + x^2 + x$$

$$x^3 d(x) = x^6 + x^5 + x^4$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + x + 1 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} x^6 + x^5 + x^4 \\ x^6 + \phantom{x^5} + x^4 + x^3 \\ \hline x^5 \phantom{+ x^3} \\ x^5 \phantom{+ x^3} + x^2 \\ \hline x^2 \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}$$

$$\implies c(x) = (x^3 + x^2)(x^3 + x + 1) = x^6 + x^5 + x^4 + x^2$$

$$\implies \mathbf{c} = 1110100$$

A similar procedure is used to find the remaining codes (see next table)

d			
1	1	1	1
1	1	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	0	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	0	0
0	1	1	1
0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	0	1	0
0	0	0	1
0	0	0	0

c							
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1
0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

- (b) From the table it can be seen that the minimum distance between any two codes is 3. Hence, this is a single-error correction code.
- (c) There are exactly seven possible nonzero syndromes and thus no double-error patterns can be corrected.
- For  $\mathbf{e} = 1000000$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + x + 1 \quad | \quad \frac{x^3 + x + 1}{x^6} \\
 \underline{x^6 + x^4 + x^3} \\
 x^4 + x^3 \\
 \underline{x^4 + x^2 + x} \\
 x^3 + x^2 + x \\
 \underline{x^3 + x + 1} \\
 x^2 + 1
 \end{array}$$

$\implies s(x) = x^2 + 1 \implies \mathbf{s} = 101$

The remaining syndromes are shown in the following table

e							
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

s		
1	0	1
1	1	1
1	1	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	1

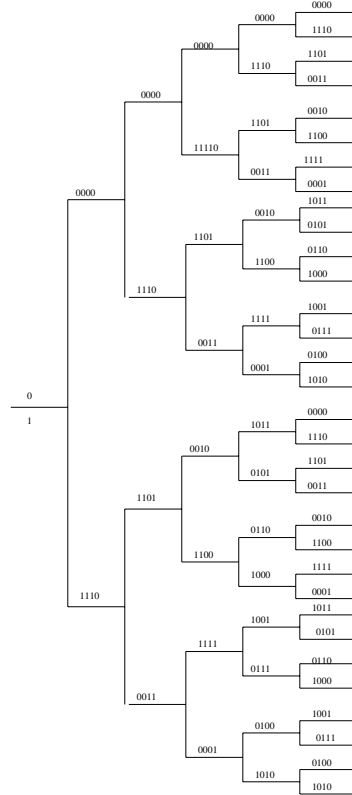
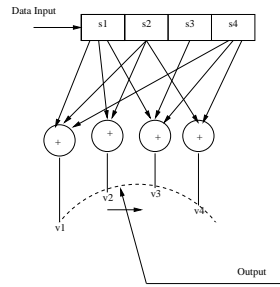
(d) The received data is: 1101100. Thus,  $r(x) = x^6 + x^5 + x^3 + x^2$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + x + 1 \quad \left| \begin{array}{r}
 x^3 + x^2 + x + 1 \\
 x^6 + x^5 \phantom{+ x^4} + x^3 + x^2 \\
 \hline
 x^6 \phantom{+ x^5} + x^4 + x^3 \\
 \phantom{x^6} + x^5 + x^4 \phantom{+ x^3} + x^2 \\
 \hline
 x^5 \phantom{+ x^4} + x^3 + x^2 \\
 \phantom{x^5} + x^4 + x^3 \\
 \hline
 x^4 \phantom{+ x^3} + x^2 + x \\
 \phantom{x^4} + x^3 + x^2 + x \\
 \hline
 x^3 \phantom{+ x^2} + x + 1 \\
 \phantom{x^3} + x^2 \phantom{+ x} + 1
 \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}$$

Therefore,  $s(x) = x^2 + 1 \implies \mathbf{s} = 101$

From the decoding table, the error corresponding to syndrome  $\mathbf{s} = 101$  is  $\mathbf{e} = 1000000$ . Thus  $\mathbf{c} = r \oplus e = 1101100 \oplus 1000000 = 0101100$ . Hence,  $d = 0101$

11. • Draw the code tree for the convolutional encoder shown in figure and determine the output digit sequence for the data digits 1101011000



The output digit sequence for 1101011000 is:  
1110 0011 1111 0111 0110 1100 1000 1111 1001 1011

12. • Draw the code tree, the trellis diagram, and the state diagram for the convolutional encoder shown in figure.

