

Solutions to Quiz 1

A block code has the following parity check matrix:

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

Question 1

The generator matrix has dimensions $(n-k) \times n$ and this matrix has dimensions 3×7 thus $n-k = 3, n = 7$ and $k = n - (n-k) = 7 - 3 = 4$.

Question 2

For a systematic code with the parity bits transmitted first the parity check matrix is

$$H = [P^T | I_{n-k}]$$

and the generator matrix is:

$$G = [I_k | P]$$

so in this case the generator matrix is:

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

Question 3

If the data to be transmitted is d the codeword transmitted is $c = dG$. For $d = [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]$ and G as above the transmitted codeword is $c = [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]$.

Question 4

If the codeword $c = [1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0]$ is received the syndrome is $Hc^T = [0 \ 0 \ 0]$. This codeword does not contain an error since the syndrome is all zeros.

If the codeword $c = [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0]$ is received the syndrome is $Hc^T = [1 \ 0 \ 1]$. This codeword does contain an error since the syndrome is not all zeros.

Calculations

Matlab (Octave, actually) can check the calculations:

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

$$G = [\text{eye}(4), H(:, 1:4)']$$

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

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

$$\text{mod}(d*G, 2)$$

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

$$c = [1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0]$$

$$\text{mod}(H*c', 2)$$

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

$$c = [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0]$$

$$\text{mod}(H*c', 2)$$

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