

Computer Network(CSC 503)

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Lecture 13

Different error-detecting codes

1. Parity.
2. Checksums.
3. Cyclic Redundancy Checks (CRCs).

Cyclic Redundancy Check(CRC)

CRC or Cyclic Redundancy Check is a method of **detecting errors** in communication channel.

- ▶ Given a **k-bit** frame or message, the transmitter generates an **n-bit sequence**, known as a *frame check sequence(FCS)*, so that the resulting frame, consisting of (**k+n**) bits
- ▶ Bit sequences can be written as polynomials with the coefficients 0 and 1.
- ▶ A frame with **k** bits is considered as a polynomial of degree $k-1$.
- ▶ The most significant bit is the coefficient of x^{k-1} the next bit is the coefficient of x^{k-2} .

Example:

$$\begin{aligned} M(x) &= 1 * x^7 + 0 * x^6 + 0 * x^5 + 1 * x^4 + 1 * x^3 + 0 * x^2 + 1 * x^1 + 0 * x^0 \\ &= x^7 + x^4 + x^3 + x^1 \end{aligned}$$

- The bit sequence **10011010** corresponds to this polynomial:
- Sending and receiving messages can be imagined as an exchange of polynomials

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- The Data Link Layer protocol specifies a generator polynomial $G(x)$. Generator Polynomial is available on both sender and receiver side.
 - ▶ $G(x)$ is a polynomial of degree k
 - ▶ If e.g. $G(x) = x^3 + x^2 + x^0$
 - ▶ $= 1101$, then $k = 3$
 - ▶ Therefore, the generator polynomial is of degree 3
 - ▶ The degree of the generator polynomial is equal to the **number of bits minus one**.
 - ▶ If for a frame, the CRC need to be calculated, **n 0 bits are appended** to the frame
- n corresponds to the degree of the generator polynomial

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Generator polynomial:	100110
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- The generator polynomial has 6 digits
 - Therefore, five 0 bits are appended

Frame (payload):	10101
Frame with appended 0 bits:	1010100000

Steps:

- **Sender Side (Generation of Encoded Data from Data and Generator Polynomial (or Key)):**
 - ▶ The binary data is first augmented by adding n zeros in the end of the data. (n -degree of the generator polynomial)
 - ▶ Use *modulo-2 binary division* to divide binary data by the key and store remainder of division.
 - ▶ Append the remainder at the end of the data to form the encoded data and send the same.
- **Receiver Side (Check if there are errors introduced in transmission)** Perform modulo-2 division again and if remainder is 0, then there are no errors.

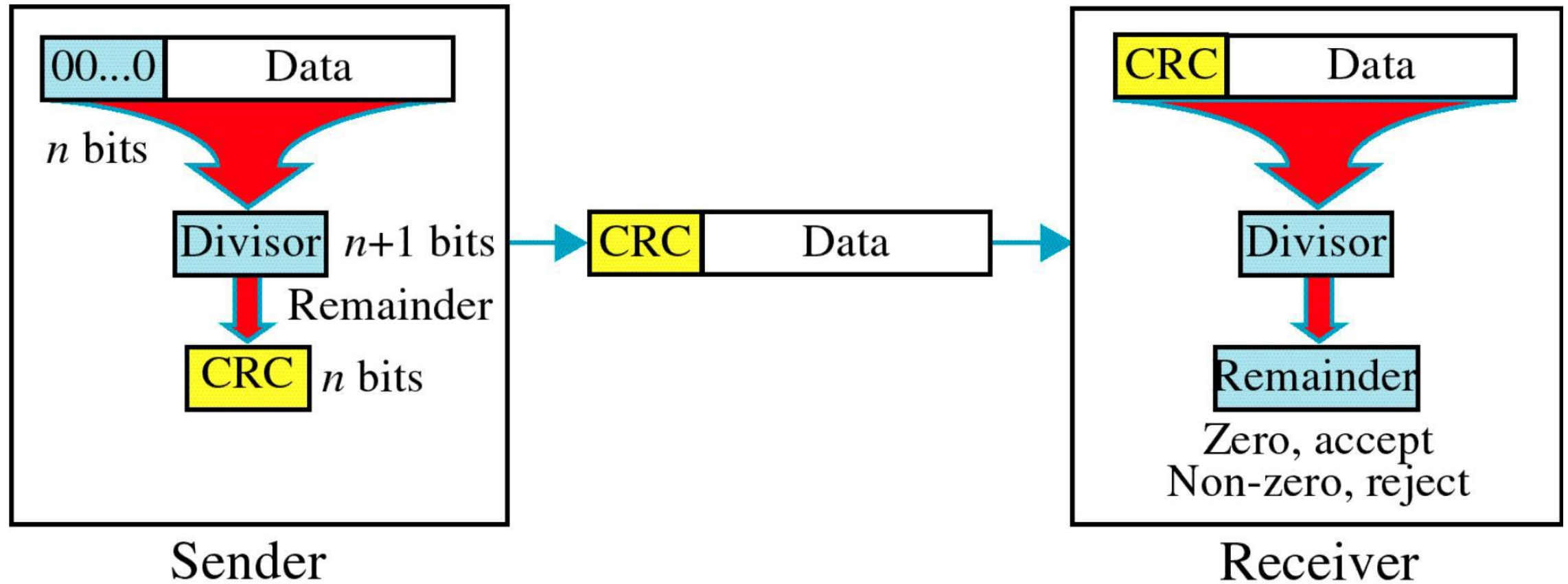
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- **Modulo 2 Division:** The process of modulo-2 binary division is the same as the familiar division process we use for decimal numbers. Just that **instead of subtraction, we use XOR** here.

10011011	00110011	11110000	01010101
+ 11001010	+ 11001101	- 10100110	- 10101111
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01010001	11111110	01010110	11111010

- ▶ In each step, a copy of the divisor is XORed with the n+1 bits of the dividend (or key).
- ▶ The result of the **XOR operation (remainder)** is **n bits**, which is used for the next step after 1 extra bit is pulled down to make it n+1 bits long.
- ▶ When there are **no bits left to pull down, we have a result**.
- The **n-bit remainder which is appended** at the sender side.

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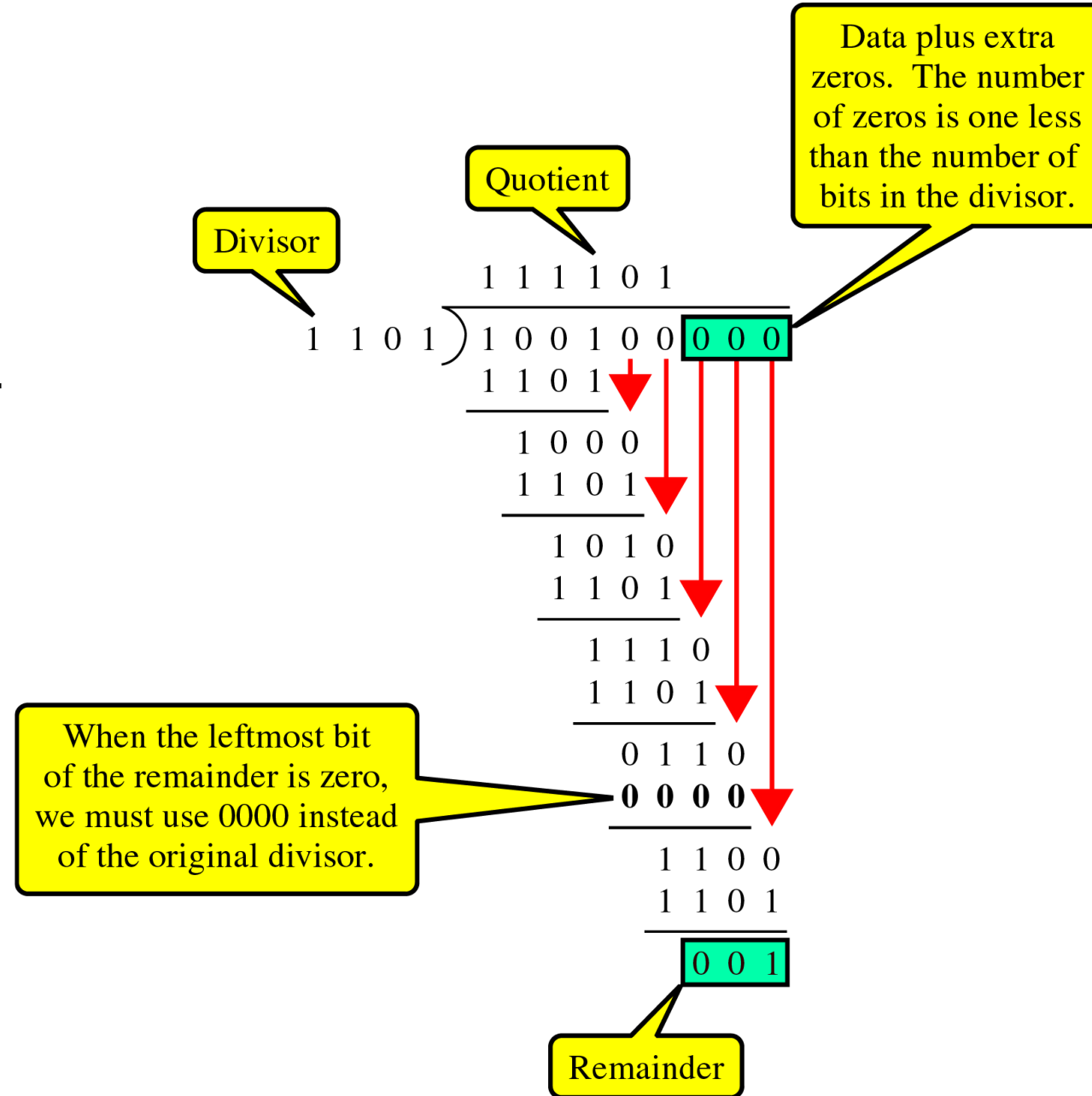


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- Data= 100100
- $G(x)$ = 1 1 0 1

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- CRC generator
- uses modular-2 division.

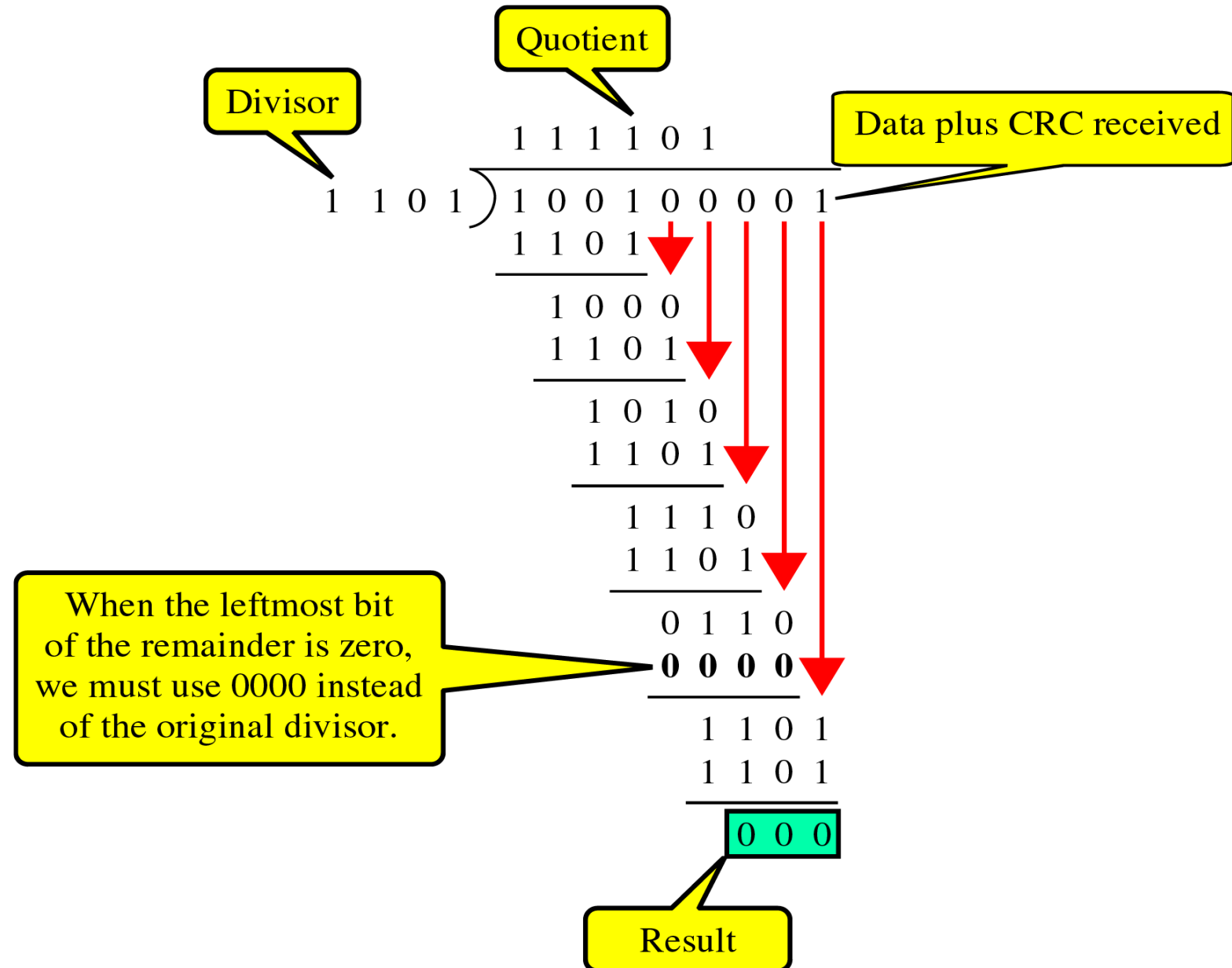


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At receiver side

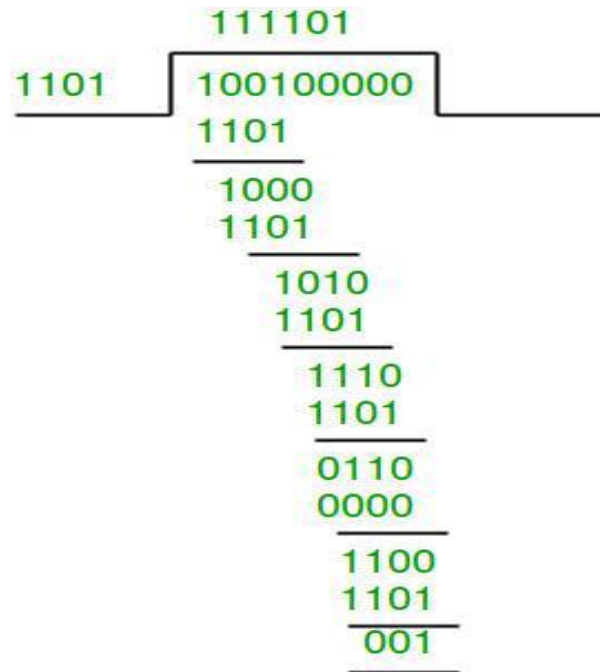
Data received=
100100001

• $G(x) = 1101$

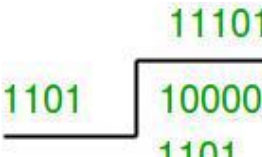


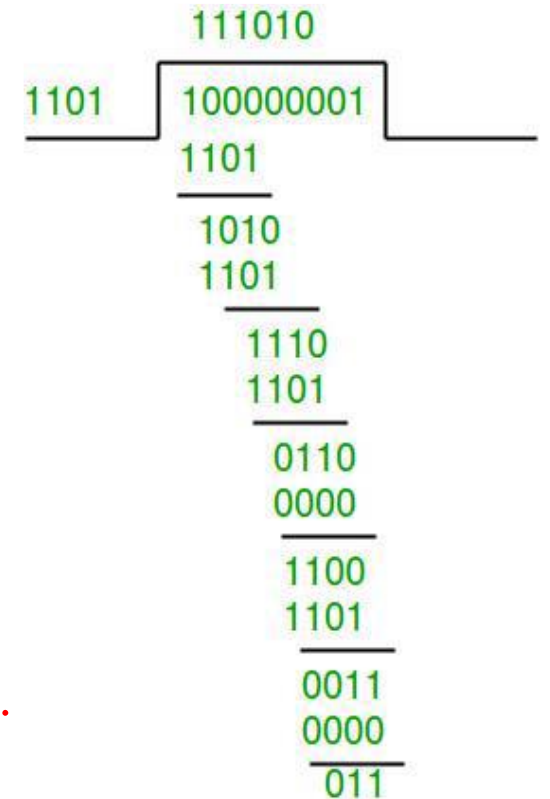
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- **Therefore, the remainder is all zeros. Hence, the data received has no error.**
- **Example 2:** (Error in transmission)
- ▶ Data word to be sent -100100 Key :G(x)= 1101



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- Therefore, the remainder is 001 and hence the code word sent is 100100001.
 - **Receiver Side**
 - ▶ Let there be error in transmission media
 - ▶ Code word received at the receiver side - 100000001
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- Since the remainder is not all zeroes, the error is detected at the receiver side.

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- Example :3

original message
1 0 1 0 0 0 0

Generator polynomial
 x^3+1

$1.x^3+0.x^2+0.x^1+1.x^0$

CRC generator

1 0 0 1 4-bit

Sender
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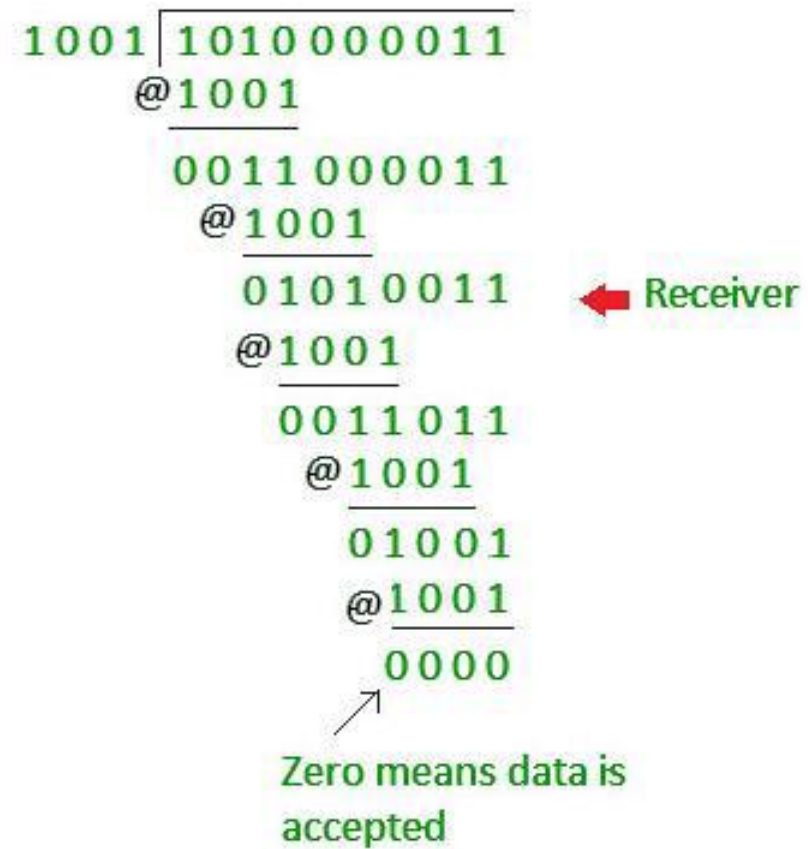
1001	1010000	000
	1001	
	001100	
	1001	
	01010	
	1001	
	001100	
	1001	
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	1001	
	0011	

Message to be transmitted

1010000	000
	+ 011
1010000011	

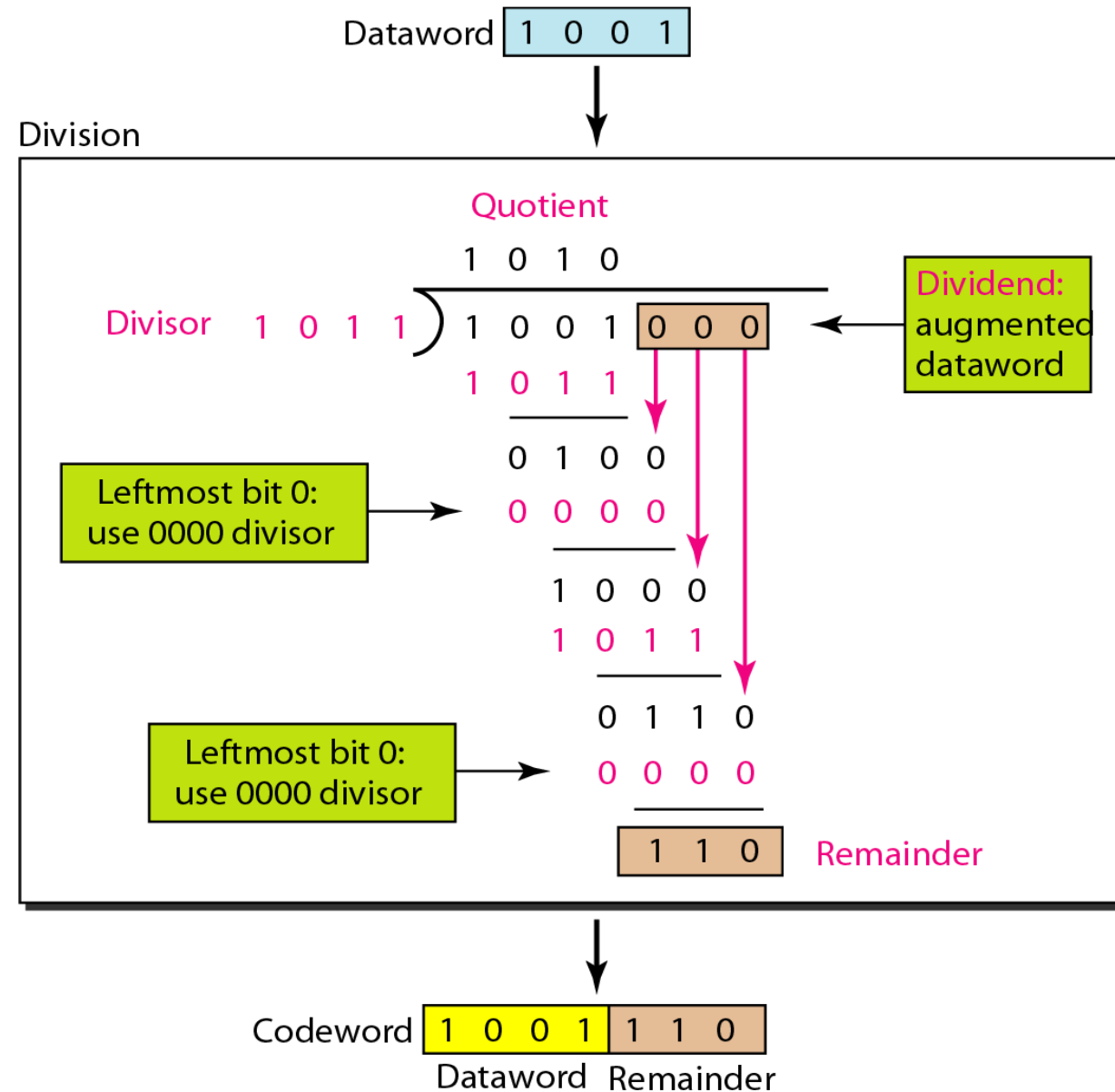
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At Receiver Side:



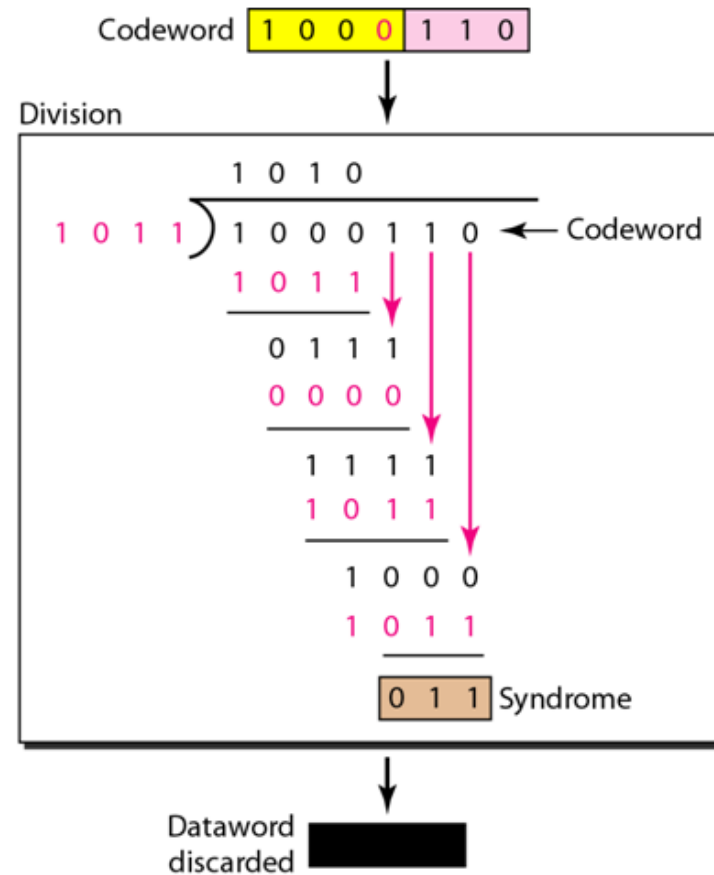
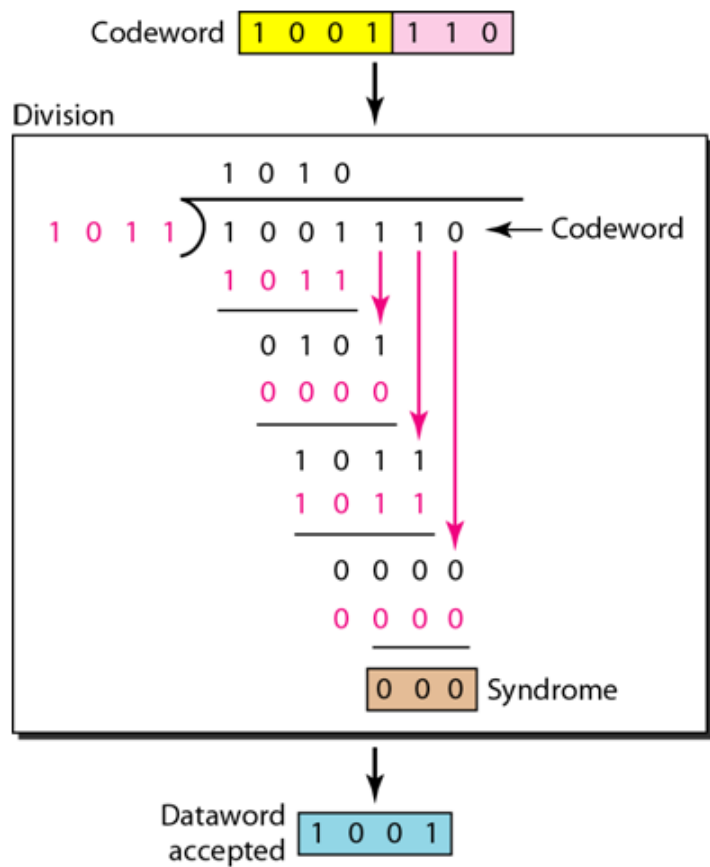
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- Example:4
- Data=1001
- $G(x)=1011$



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- Data received 1001110 (to host1) and 1000110 (to Host2)
- Find which host received correct data ?



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Example:

Data bits:

1101011111

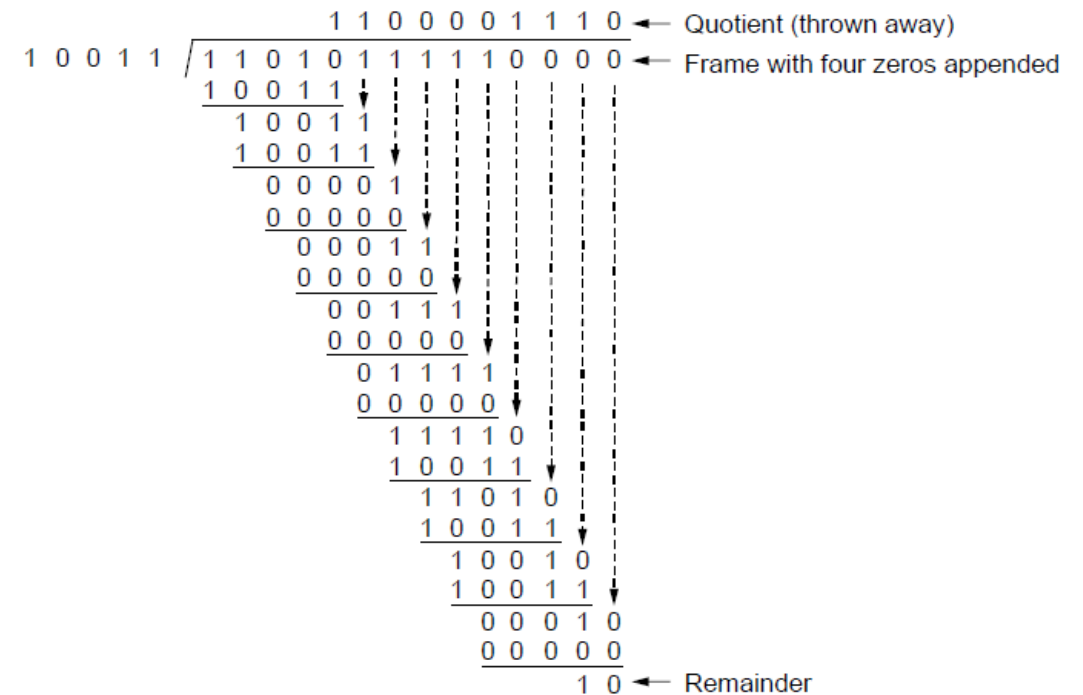
Check bits:

$$C(x) = x^4 + x + 1$$

C = 10011

k = 4

1 0 0 1 1 | 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1



Transmitted frame: 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 0 ← Frame with four zeros appended minus remainder

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- CRC can detect **all single-bit errors**
- CRC can detect all double-bit errors
- CRC can detect any odd number of errors
- CRC can detect all burst errors of less than the degree of the polynomial r
- It is said that a CRC (Cyclic Redundancy Checksum) can detect burst errors **of fewer than $r + 1$ bits**, where r is the degree of the polynomial. Furthermore, a burst of length greater than $r + 1$ bits is detected with probability $1 - 2^{-r}$.
- A **cyclic redundancy check (CRC)** is commonly used in digital network and storage devices to detect accidental changes to raw data.

Standard Polynomials

<i>Name</i>	<i>Polynomial</i>	<i>Application</i>
CRC-8	$x^8 + x^2 + x + 1$	ATM header
CRC-10	$x^{10} + x^9 + x^5 + x^4 + x^2 + 1$	ATM AAL
CRC-16	$x^{16} + x^{12} + x^5 + 1$	HDLC
CRC-32	$x^{32} + x^{26} + x^{23} + x^{22} + x^{16} + x^{12} + x^{11} + x^{10} + x^8 + x^7 + x^5 + x^4 + x^2 + x + 1$	LANs

The most commonly used polynomial lengths are:

- 9 bits (CRC-8)
- 17 bits (CRC-16)
- 33 bits (CRC-32)
- 65 bits (CRC-64)

CRC-8-[CCITT](#)

$$x^8 + x^2 + x + 1$$

CRC-16-CCITT

$$x^{16} + x^{12} + x^5 + 1$$

$$x^{32} + x^{26} + x^{23} + x^{22} + x^{16} + x^{12} + x^{11} + x^{10} + x^8 + x^7 + x^5 + x^4 + x^2 + x + 1$$

$$x^{64} + x^{62} + x^{57} + x^{55} + x^{54} + x^{53} + x^{52} + x^{47} + x^{46} + x^{45} + x^{40} + x^{39} + x^{38} + x^{37} + x^{35} + x^{33} + x^{32} + x^{31} + x^{29} + x^{27} + x^{24} + x^{23} + x^{22} + x^{21} + x^{19} + x^{17} + x^{13} + x^{12} + x^{10} + x^9 + x^7 + x^4 + x + 1$$