

**Exam 2**  
**Algebraic Coding Theory**  
**Math 525**  
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**Problem 3:** Let  $C$  be the linear code with parity-check matrix

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

- (a) Construct a standard decoding array (SDA) for  $C$ . Hint: Let  $\text{syn}(w)$  denote the syndrome (with respect to  $C$ ) of the word  $w \in K^8$ . Then:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{syn}(01000001) = \text{syn}(10000010) = \text{syn}(00110000) = \text{syn}(00001100) \\ \text{syn}(01010000) = \text{syn}(10000100) = \text{syn}(00100001) = \text{syn}(00001010) \\ \text{syn}(00000110) = \text{syn}(00010001) = \text{syn}(01100000) = \text{syn}(10001000) \\ \text{syn}(10010000) = \text{syn}(01000100) = \text{syn}(00001001) = \text{syn}(00100010) \\ \text{syn}(01001000) = \text{syn}(10100000) = \text{syn}(00010010) = \text{syn}(00000101) \\ \text{syn}(00010100) = \text{syn}(00101000) = \text{syn}(11000000) = \text{syn}(00000011) \\ \text{syn}(10000001) = \text{syn}(01000010) = \text{syn}(00011000) = \text{syn}(00100100) \end{array} \right.$$

Coset Leader $u$	$\text{syn}(u) \ uH$
01000001	1100
01010000	1010
00000110	0110
10010000	1001
01001000	0101
00010100	0011
10000001	1111

- (b) Suppose  $w = 10111000$  is received. Find the closest codeword(s) in  $C$  to  $w$ .

Notice:

$$wH = [1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = [1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0]$$

Notice that the syndrome 1010 refers to the coset leader  $u = 01010000$ . So we find the closest codeword in  $C$  to  $w$  from  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{10111000} + \mathbf{01010000} = \mathbf{11101000}$

- (c) Calculate  $\theta_p(C)$ , i.e., the probability that if a codeword  $v \in C$  is sent over a BSC of reliability  $p > \frac{1}{2}$ , then IMLD will correctly conclude that  $v$  was sent.

Notice that we have  $n = 8$  and the weight of each coset leader is  $wt(u) = 2$ . Also notice that there are 7 coset leaders of minimum weight 2. Thus we have that:

$$\theta_p(C) = 7p^{8-2}(1-p)^2 = 7p^6(1-p)^2$$