

1. Let's denote set of positive numbers relatively prime to 8 and less than 8 as  $S = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ .

We need to check under multiplication mod 8

$\times \text{mod } 8$	1	3	5	7
1	1	3	5	7
3	3	1	7	5
5	5	7	1	3
7	7	5	3	1

a) Closure : From the above calculations, we can see that for any elements  $a, b$ ;  $a \times b$  is also in the set  $S$ .

i.e. The set is closed under multiplication mod 8.

b) Associativity : This property holds true for multiplication in general. So, it holds within set  $S$  as well.

c) Identity : Identity element for multiplication is 1. It is in the set  $S$  and 1 multiplied by any element in  $S$  gives the same element.

d) Inverse : In set  $S$ , there is atleast two elements  $a, b$  such that  $a \times b = b \times a = 1$  (identity).

$$3 \times 3 = 9 = 1 \text{ mod } 8 ; \therefore 3^{-1} = 3$$

$$5 \times 5 = 25 = 1 \text{ mod } 8 ; \therefore 5^{-1} = 5$$

$$\text{Similarly, } 1^{-1} = 1 \text{ and } 7^{-1} = 7$$

Thus, the set of positive numbers relatively prime to 8 and less than 8, under multiplication mod 8 operation, forms an Abelian group.

2. Binary code,  $n = 25$ , correct 3 errors ( $\therefore t=3$ ).

$$\frac{2^n}{1 + {}^nC_1 + \dots + {}^nC_t} \leq |C| \leq \frac{2^n}{1 + {}^nC_1 + \dots + {}^nC_t}$$

$$\therefore \frac{2^{25}}{1 + {}^{25}C_1 + \dots + {}^{25}C_3} \leq |C| \leq \frac{2^{25}}{1 + {}^{25}C_1 + \dots + {}^{25}C_3}$$

$$\therefore 136674 \leq |C| \leq 12777773$$

$\therefore$  Minimum number of codewords = 137

$\therefore$  Maximum number of codewords = 12777

3. Length 10 data bits, design SEC-DED code.

a) Number of check bits must satisfy.

$$2^r \geq n + r + 1 \quad (\text{where } r \text{ is check bits})$$

$$\therefore 2^r \geq 10 + r + 1$$

$$\therefore 2^r - r \geq 11$$

$\therefore r = 4$  4 check bits are required.

b) Check bits corresponding to 1011111010

$P_1$	$P_2$	$M_3$	$P_4$	$M_5$	$M_6$	$M_7$	$P_8$	$M_9$	$M_{10}$	$M_{11}$	$M_{12}$	$M_{13}$	$M_{14}$
1			0	1	1			1	1	1	0	1	0

So,

$$P_1 + M_3 + M_5 + M_7 + M_9 + M_{11} + M_{13} = 0$$

$$P_2 + M_3 + M_6 + M_7 + M_{10} + M_{11} + M_{14} = 0$$

$$P_4 + M_3 + M_6 + M_7 + M_{12} + M_{13} + M_{14} = 0$$

$$P_8 + M_9 + M_{10} + M_{11} + M_{12} + M_{13} + M_{14} = 0$$

$$\therefore P_1 = 1$$

$$P_2 = 1$$

$$P_4 = 1$$

$$P_8 = 0$$



c) Error code word - 1101011011010  
 $\uparrow$   
 error bit

$$e(\text{overall parity}) = 1+1+0+1+0+1+1+0+1+1+1+0+1+0 = 1$$

$$s_0 = p'_1 \oplus m'_3 \oplus m'_5 \oplus m'_7 \oplus m'_9 \oplus m'_{11} \oplus m'_{13} \\ = 1 \oplus 0 \oplus 0 \oplus 1 \oplus 1 \oplus 1 = 1$$

$$s_1 = p'_2 \oplus m'_3 \oplus m'_6 \oplus m'_7 \oplus m'_{10} \oplus m'_{11} \oplus m'_{14} \\ = 1 \oplus 0 \oplus 1 \oplus 1 \oplus 1 \oplus 1 \oplus 0 = 1$$

$$s_2 = 0$$

$$s_3 = 0$$

$$e s_3 s_2 s_1 s_0$$

$\therefore 10011 \rightarrow$  represents the error and its location is  $011 = 3$ ;

which is the first information bit.

d) First & 6<sup>th</sup> bits are in error.

110101101010  
 $\leftarrow \uparrow$   
 error bits

$$e = 1+1+0+1+0+1+1+0+1+0+1+0+1+0 = 0$$

$$s_0 = 1$$

$$s_1 = 1+0+1+1+1+0+0 = 0$$

$$s_2 = 0$$

$$s_3 = 1$$

$$\therefore e s_3 s_2 s_1 s_0 \Rightarrow 01001$$

$e$  represents a double error if  $s_3 s_2 s_1 s_0$  is not 0000.

$$s_3 s_2 s_1 s_0 = 1^{\text{st}} \text{ error location} + 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ error location} \\ = 0011 + 1010 \\ = \boxed{1001} \text{ Answer.}$$

4. Considering  $x = 10100$ ,  $y = 100011$ ,  $z = 111000$

a) Calculating  $d(x, y)$

$$d(x, y) = W_H(001001) = 2$$

$$\text{i.e. } d(x, y) \geq 0$$

$$\text{Even if } d(x, x) = W_H(000000) = 0$$

$$\therefore d(x, y) \geq 0 \text{ and } d(x, y) = 0 \text{ iff } x = y$$

b)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$  . Hamming distance is always symmetric between  $x$  and  $y$  .

$$d(x, y) = W_H(001001) = 2$$

$$d(y, x) = W_H(001001) = 2$$

$$\therefore d(x, y) = d(y, x)$$

c) Here, let's consider all possibilities of  $x, y, z$  .

$x$	$y$	$z$	$d(x, y)$	$d(y, z)$	$d(x, z)$
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	0	0

For triangular inequality, it is evident from the above table that  $d(x, y) + d(y, z)$  is always greater than or equal to  $d(x, z)$  .

$$\text{eg- } d(x, y) + d(y, z) = 2 \quad ; \quad d(x, z) = 0$$

$$d(x, y) + d(y, z) = 1 \quad ; \quad d(x, z) = 1$$

From both these cases, we can clearly see and prove that  $d(x, y) + d(y, z) \geq d(x, z)$  ; thereby proving triangular inequality .



5. Let's assume that code  $C$  is capable of correcting  $e$  or fewer erasures, but minimum distance is not  $e+1$ .

Case 1:  $C$  can correct  $e$  or fewer erasures -

If  $C$  can correct  $e$  or fewer erasures, then there must exist at least one pair of codewords in  $C$ , such that Hamming distance is at least  $e+1$ . This is because we will need at least  $e+1$  different positions to uniquely identify and correct  $e$  or fewer erasures.

Case 2: Minimum distance of  $C$  is not  $e+1$ .

If minimum distance of  $C$  is not  $e+1$ , then there exists a pair of codewords in  $C$ , such that Hamming distance between them is less than  $e+1$ . Say codewords  $c_1$  &  $c_2$ , Hamming distance between them as  $d(c_1, c_2) < e+1$ .

Now, think of case where  $c_1$  is transmitted over noisy channel, resulting in  $e$  or fewer erasures. Since  $e$  or fewer erasures occurred, a received word (say  $r$ ) must be within  $e$  positions from  $c_1$ .

But, since  $d(c_1, c_2) < e+1$ ,  $r$  could also be within  $e$  positions from  $c_2$ . This contradicts the assumption that  $C$  can correct  $e$  or fewer erasures.

So, our initial assumption that the minimum distance of  $C$  is not  $e+1$  must be false.

Hence, we have proved by contradiction that if a code  $C$  is capable of correcting  $e$  or fewer erasures, then the minimum distance of the code is  $e+1$ .

6.  $D_{\max}(x, y) = \max \{ |x_i - y_i| \}$

Now,  $S_x = \{ x' \mid D(x, x') \leq l \}$

$S_y = \{ y' \mid D(y, y') \leq l \}$

Assuming that the numbers are in decreasing order,

i.e.  $D(x, x') = x_i - x'_i \leq l$

and  $D(y, y') = y_i - y'_i \leq l$

where;  $x = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}$

$x' = \{ x'_1, x'_2, \dots, x'_n \}$

$y = \{ y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \}$

$y' = \{ y'_1, y'_2, \dots, y'_n \}$

Now,  $D_{\max}(x, y) \geq 2l + 1$

$\therefore x_i - y_i \geq 2l + 1$

$\therefore x_i - 2l \geq y_i + 1$

$\therefore x'_i \geq x_i - 2l \geq y_i + 1 \quad \dots (\because x_i - l < x'_i)$

Similarly  $y_i \geq y'_i$

$\therefore y_i + 1 \geq y'_i$

$\therefore x'_i \geq x_i - 2l \geq y_i + 1 > y'_i$

This proves that  $x'_i > y'_i$  or  $D(x'_i, y'_i) \geq 1$

So,  $S_x$  and  $S_y$  have different positions of values for at least 1 position.

$\therefore S_x \cap S_y = \emptyset$

Thus, we can say that a code with  $D_{\max} \geq$

$2l + 1$  can correct all errors of limited magnitude  $\leq l$ .



7. Let's consider a single row with 'n' columns. The row has 'n-2' data bits  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-2})$  and 2 parity bits  $(P_1, P_2)$ . Similarly consider a received row with errors  $(r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n)$ .

$$\therefore P_1 = r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_{n-2} + r_n \text{ mod } 2$$

$$P_2 = r_1 + r_3 + \dots + r_{n-2} \text{ mod } 2$$

Assume k errors in received row. Without loss of generality, assume first k bits of received row in error.

i.e.  $r_1 = x'_1, r_2 = x'_2, \dots, r_k = x'_k$  ( $x'_i$  is error value of bit)

$$\therefore P'_1 = x'_1 + x'_2 + \dots + x'_k + r_k + 1 + \dots + r_{n-2} + r_n \text{ mod } 2$$

$$P'_2 = x'_1 + x'_3 + \dots + x'_{k-1} + x'_k + 1 + \dots + r_{n-2} \text{ mod } 2$$

Now consider correct row with same data and parity bits as received row  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-2}, P_1, P_2)$ .

$$\therefore P_1 = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-2} + r_{n-2} \text{ mod } 2$$

$$P_2 = x_1 + x_3 + \dots + x_{n-2} \text{ mod } 2$$

Since parity bits are affected only by erroneous bits,  $P_1 = P'_1$  and  $P_2 = P'_2$  and correct & received rows have same parity.

So, we can correct any number of errors in a row by flipping erroneous bits in received row to their correct values, which we can compute using parity bits.

Thus, the above theorem would hold for any row of the code.

Hence, the code can correct any number of errors in any row.

Hence Proved.