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- M of n code is only error detection code with a code word length of n bits, where each code word contains exactly m instances of a "ones"
- All codewords share the same Hamming weight.



# Encoding Message (1)

- The simplest implementation is to append a string of ones to the original data until it contains  $m$  ones, then append zeros to create a code of length  $n$ .



# Encoding Message(2)

- 3 of 6 Code

Original 3 data bits	Appended bits	Encoded Message
000	111	000 111
001	110	001 110
010	110	010 110
100	110	100 110
101	100	101 100
110	100	110 100



# Decoding Message(1)

- keep the original data bits and discard the appended bits

Encoded Message	Discarded Bits	Original 3 data bits
000 111	111	000
001 110	110	001
010 110	110	010
100 110	110	100
101 100	100	101
110 100	100	110
111 000	000	111



# Detecting Error

- Regarding the error detection a single bit error will cause the code word to have either  $m + 1$  or  $m - 1$  "ones".

## **$m + 1$ case :**

Original message : 000 111

Received message : 100 111

Error found!

## **$m - 1$ case :**

Original message : 000 111

Received message : 000 110

Error found!



# Undetected Errors

- If two bits with opposite value are affected by noise and consequently flip their values, this algorithm will not find a the error.

Original message : 101 100

Received message : 001 101



# Error Correction Algorithm

- The receiver has a list where are stored all code words.
- Hamming distance is calculated with the received message and the messages stored in the list.
- The message associated with the lowest computation of hamming distance value will be the correct message.
- If more than one computation of hamming distance has the same value the message must be retransmitted.





# Code words for error correction

H.D	000 111	001 110	010 101	011 100	100 011	101 010	110 001	111 000
000 111	0	2	3	4	2	2	4	6
001 110	2	0	4	2	4	2	6	4
010 101	2	4	0	2	4	6	2	3
011 100	4	2	2	0	6	4	3	2
100 011	2	4	4	6	0	2	2	4
101 010	4	2	6	4	2	0	4	2
110 001	4	6	2	4	2	4	0	2
111 000	6	4	4	2	4	2	2	0



# Error Correction Algorithm - Example

Received Message with error 1: 001 111

Received Message with error 2: 100 001

Codewords	Hamming Distance message 1	Hamming Distance message 2
000 111	1	3
010 101	3	4
011 100	3	6
110 001	5	1
111 000	5	3



Questions?

