

IV054 Coding, Cryptography and Cryptographic Protocols  
 2013 - Exercises II.

1. Let  $C$  be the binary linear code which has the following parity check matrix:

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find a codeword of minimum weight.  
 (b) Prove that all codewords have even parity.  
 (c) Determine  $n$ ,  $k$  and  $d$ .
2. Let  $C$  be a code which does not contain any word of even weight. Decide whether the following statements hold. Explain your reasoning.
- (a)  $C$  is linear,  
 (b)  $h(C) = 5$ ,  
 (c)  $C \subseteq C^\perp$ .
3. Show that the following codes are perfect:
- (a) the codes  $C = \mathbb{F}_q^n$ ,  
 (b) the codes consisting of exactly one codeword,  
 (c) the binary repetition codes of odd length,  
 (d) the binary codes of odd length consisting of a vector  $c$  and the complementary vector  $c'$  (with ones and zeros interchanged),  
 (e) the  $[23, 12, 7]$  binary Golay code.
4. Give the standard form of generator matrix  $G$  and parity check matrix  $H$  of a  $[15, 11, 3]$  binary Hamming code. Using these matrices to encode the message  $u = 11111100000$  and decode the message  $v = 111000111000111$ .
5. (a) Show that in a linear binary code, either all codewords have even weight, or exactly half have even weight and half have odd weight.  
 (b) Show that in a linear binary code, either all codewords begin with 0, or exactly half begin with 0 and half begin with 1.
6. Answer each of the following questions. Explain your reasoning.
- (a) Let  $C$  be an  $[n, k]$  code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  with a generator matrix  $G$  and a parity check matrix  $H$ . What is the result of the following expressions:
- $G \cdot H^T$ ,
  - $H \cdot G^T$ .
- (b) Let  $C$  be an  $[n, k]$  self-dual code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .
- What is the relationship between  $q$  and the weights of codewords for  $q = 2$  and  $q = 3$ ?
  - Can you generalize this result for an arbitrary  $q$ ?
7. Prove that a perfect  $t$ -error-correcting linear code of length  $n$  has precisely  $\binom{n}{i}$  cosets of weight  $i$  ( $0 \leq i \leq t$ ) and does not have other cosets.