

# Computer Networks X\_400487

## Lecture 3

### Chapter 3: The Data Link Layer—Part 2



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## Data Link Layer — Roadmap

### Part 1


- Framing
- Flow Control
- Guaranteed Delivery
- Sliding Window Protocols

### Part 2

- Error detection
- Error correction

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1 Gibibyte =  $8 \times 2^{30}$  bits

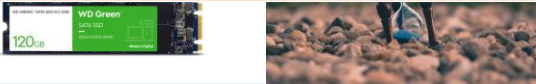


### 3.1. PNG file signature

The first eight bytes of a PNG file always contain the following (decimal) values:

137 80 78 71 13 10 26 10

A single bit flip can break these images



Source: <https://www.data-camp.com/topics/encoding/>, <http://www.png.org/pnginfo/1.2/PNG-structure.html>, [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bit\\_flip](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bit_flip)

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## Error Detection



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## Detecting errors in received frames

Q: What causes these bit flips?

Data at sender: 01110101010111010001

Data at receiver: 0111010111010111010001

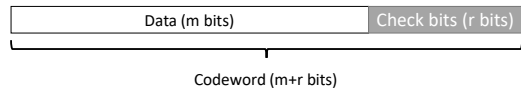
Somehow bit was flipped!

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## Adding redundant bits

For a message of  $m$  bits, send an extra  $r$  redundant bits.

Send  $m + r$  to the receiver. — Systematic code



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## Hamming distance

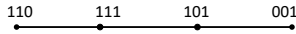
Number of bits that differ between two bit strings.

10001001  
10110001

Three bit flips required to change from one sequence to the other.

Adding redundant bits increases the distance between valid bit strings!

Hamming distance 3.



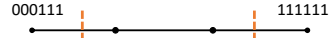
## How many errors can we detect?

Consider code words:

000111  
111111  
000000

Q: How many single-bit errors can we detect?

Hamming distance 3, so we can detect  $3 - 1 = 2$  single-bit errors.



## Error detection

Q: How to assess the quality of these codes?

Linear, systematic block codes:

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

Block is  $n = m + r$  bits large

Important code properties:

1. Code Rate:  $\frac{m}{n}$
2. Number of errors reliably detected:  $N$



## Parity

Q: How many bit errors can be detected?

Add single bit such that:

- The sum of the data bits modulo 2 is 0.
- The number of 1's is even.

Send example: 1110000 → 11100001

Receive example: 11010101 ← Error detected!

Easy to detect an *odd* number of errors.

## Parity

Q: How many bit errors can be detected?

Add single bit such that:

- The sum of the data bits modulo 2 is **1**.
- The number of 1's is **odd**.

Send example: 1110000 → 11100000

Receive example: 11010100 ← Error detected!

Easy to detect an *odd* number of errors.

## Multiple parity bits

transmit order  
11100000010101110101001010001111000

### Multiple parity bits

transmit order  
 1110000 → 1  
 0010101 → 1  
 1101010 → 0  
 0101000 → 0  
 1111000 → 0

Multiple single-bit errors detected.

### Burst errors

transmit order  
 1110000 → 1  
 0010101 → 1  
 1101010 → 0  
 0101000 → 0  
 1111000 → 0

channel

Burst error not detected!

0011100 → 1  
 0010101 → 1  
 1101010 → 0  
 0101000 → 0  
 1111000 → 0

### Burst errors

transmit order  
 1110000  
 0010101  
 1101010  
 0101000  
 1111000  
 ↓↓↓↓↓↓  
 1011111

channel

0011100  
 0010101  
 1101010  
 0101000  
 1111000  
 ↓↓↓↓↓↓  
 1011111

Burst error detected.

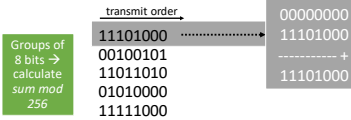
Q: Disadvantages?

### Checksums

Checksum treats data as N-bit words and adds N check bits that are the modulo  $2^N$  sum of the words.  
 Example: Internet 16-bit one's complement checksum.

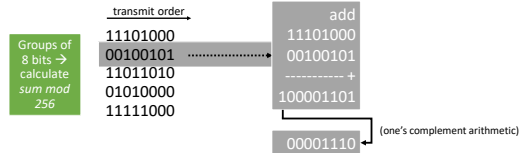
- Properties:
- Improved error detection over parity bits.
  - Detects bursts up to N errors.
  - Vulnerable to systematic errors, e.g., added zeros.

### Checksum Example



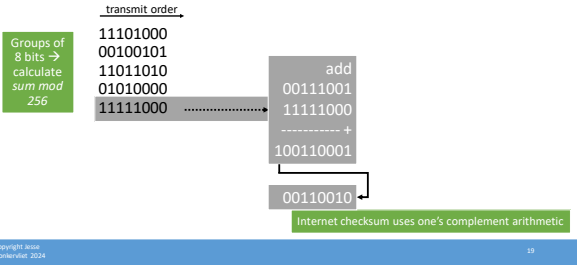
Internet checksum uses one's complement arithmetic

### Checksum Example

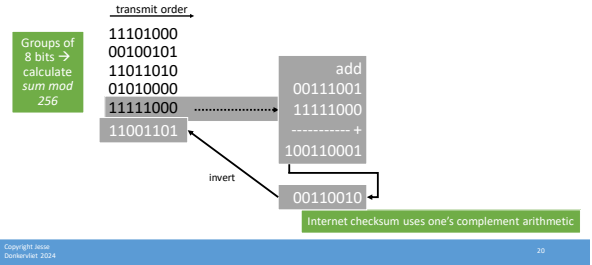


Internet checksum uses one's complement arithmetic

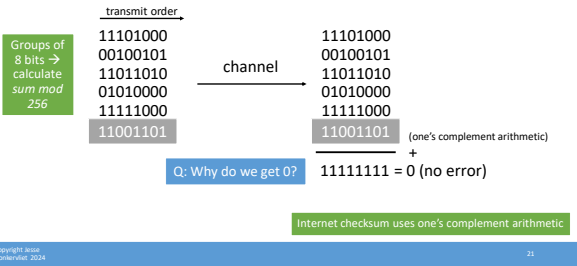
### Checksum Example



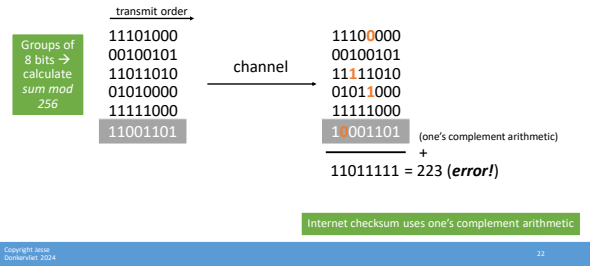
### Checksum Example



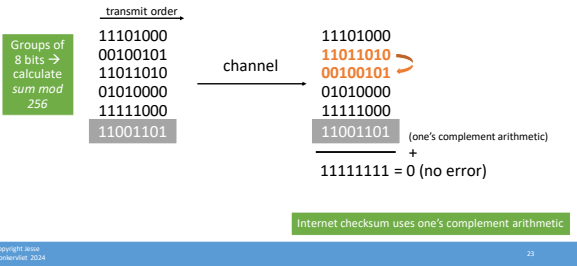
### Checksum Example



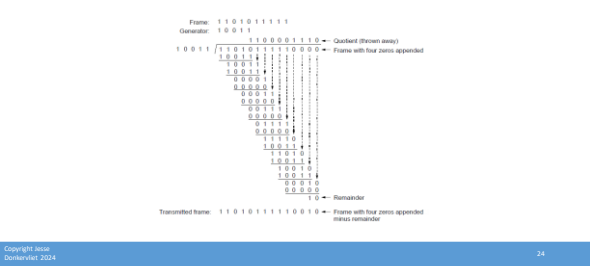
### Checksum Example



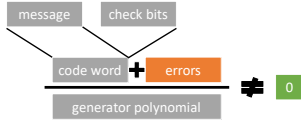
### Checksum Example



### Cyclic Redundancy Check



### Cyclic Redundancy Check The concept



### Cyclic Redundancy Check Properties and practice

Sender and receiver agree upon polynomial in advance

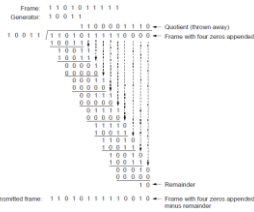
Example: Ethernet's 33-bit polynomial is:  
 $x^{32} + x^{26} + x^{23} + x^{22} + x^{16} + x^{12} + x^{11} + x^{10} + x^9 + x^7 + x^5 + x^4 + x^2 + x^1 + 1$

CRC is computed with simple shift/XOR circuits  
 Because we use modulo 2 arithmetic.

Stronger detection than checksums:

1. Can detect all double bit errors, odd bit errors
2. Detect all burst errors  $\leq r$  bits (in example,  $r = 32$ )
3. Not vulnerable to systematic errors
4. ...

### Cyclic Redundancy Check



### Cyclic Redundancy Check Example

Sender adds CRC

$1 \times x^4 + 0 \times x^3 + 0 \times x^2 + 1 \times x^1 + 1 \times x^0$

message: 110101010000  
 generator: 10011

$x^4 + x + 1$

Modulo 2 arithmetic.  
No carries/borrows

Q: Consequences for implementation?

10000  
 10011  
 0011

Message: 11010101, CRC: 0011,  
 Codeword: 110101010011

$\frac{110101010011}{10011} = 0$

### Cyclic Redundancy Check Example

Receiver checks for errors

message: 110101010011  
 generator: 10011

10011010011  
 10011

10011  
 10011

0

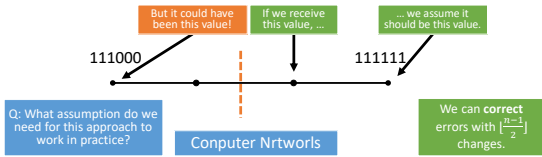
$\frac{110101010011}{10011} = 0$ , no error

### Error Correction



### How many errors can we correct?

Consider a code with hamming distance  $n$ .  
 We have seen that we can **detect**  $n - 1$  single-bit errors.



### Error correction

1. Hamming codes
2. Binary convolutional codes
3. Reed-Solomon codes
4. Low-Density Parity Check codes
5. ... (many others)

### Multiple parity bits

receive order  
 1110000 → 1  
 0010101 → 0 **Error in second row!**  
 1101010 → 0  
 0101000 → 0  
 1111000 → 0

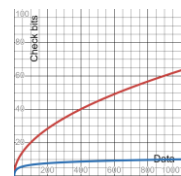
### Multiple parity bits

receive order  
 1110000  
 0010101  
 1101010  
 0101000  
 1111000  
 ↓↓↓↓↓↓  
 1010111 **Error in fourth column!**

### Multiple parity bits

receive order  
 1110000 → 1  
 0010101 → 0 **Error located!**  
 1101010 → 0  
 0101000 → 0  
 1111000 → 0  
 ↓↓↓↓↓↓  
 1010111

■ = Row+column parity bits  
■ = Hamming code



### Hamming codes

Minimum number of check bits such that all 1-bit errors can be corrected!



Example of an (11, 7) Hamming code correcting a single-bit error.

### Hamming codes An example

Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
Use the remaining positions for the message.

message: 11010101  
codeword:   1  101  0101  
positions: 123456789...

### Hamming codes An example

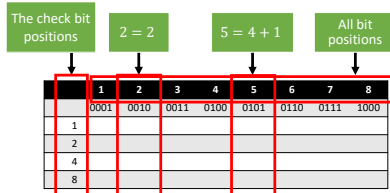
Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
Use the remaining positions for the message.

message: 1 101 0101  
codeword:   1  101  0101  
positions: 123456789...

1. Expand all bit locations into powers of two.
2. Decide the value of each check bit in position  $2^i$  by calculating the parity function over all bits that have  $2^i$  in their expansion.

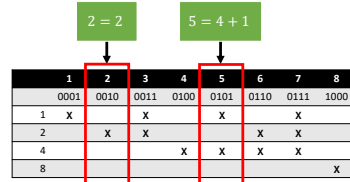
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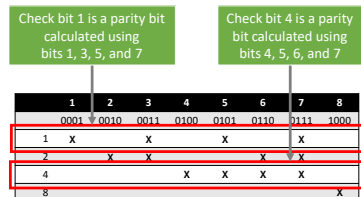
### Hamming codes An example

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### Hamming codes An example

2. Calculate the parity bit using all bits that have  $2^i$  in their expansion



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## Hamming codes

### An example

Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
Use the remaining positions for the message.

message: 1 101 0101  
codeword: 1 1 01 01 01  
positions: 123456789...

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## Hamming codes

### An example

Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
Use the remaining positions for the message.

message: 1 101 0101  
codeword: **1** **1** **01** **01** **01**  
positions: 123456789...

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## Hamming codes

### An example

Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
Use the remaining positions for the message.

message: 1 101 0101  
codeword: 1 1 1 01 01 01  
positions: 123456789...

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## Hamming codes

### An example

Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
Use the remaining positions for the message.

message: 1 101 0101  
codeword: **111** **01** **01** **01**  
positions: 123456789...

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## Hamming codes

### An example

Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
Use the remaining positions for the message.

message: 1 101 0101  
codeword: 111110100101  
positions: 123456789...

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## Hamming codes

### Error correction

Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
Use the remaining positions for the message.

message: 1 101 0101  
codeword: 11111**1**00101  
positions: 123456789...

Single-bit error

Computer *error syndrome*:

Check bit 1 = parity of bits 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11

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### Hamming codes Error correction

Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
Use the remaining positions for the message.

message: 1 101 0101  
codeword: 111111100101  
positions: 123456789...

Computer *error syndrome*:  
Check bit 1 = parity of bits 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11 = 0

Single-bit error

### Hamming codes Error correction

Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
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message: 1 101 0101  
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Check bit 2 = parity of bits 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11 = 1

Single-bit error

### Hamming codes Error correction

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Check bit 1 = parity of bits 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11 = 0  
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Check bit 4 = parity of bits 4, 5, 6, 7, 12 = 1

Single-bit error  
Error at location: 110 (binary)

### Hamming codes Error correction

Use bit-locations that are a power of 2 as check bits.  
Use the remaining positions for the message.

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Single-bit error  
Error at location: 110 (binary)

### Convolutional codes

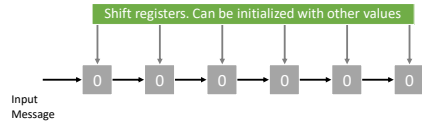
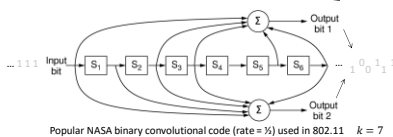
Different from *systematic codes* and *block codes*

Operates on a stream of bits, keeping internal state.

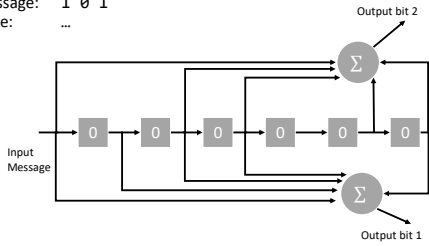
Output stream is a function of last *k* preceding input bits.

Bits are decoded with the Viterbi algorithm.

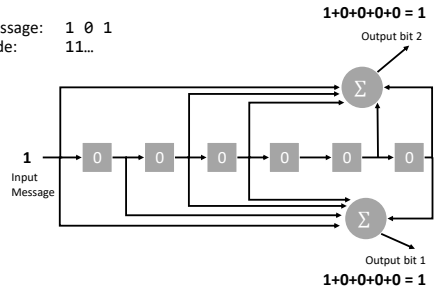
Determines most likely input for given output.



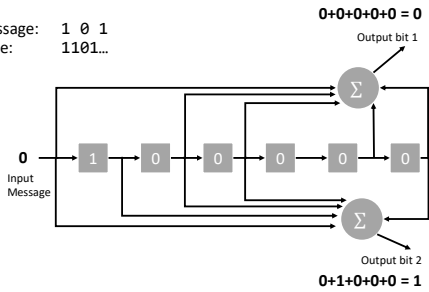
Message: 1 0 1  
Code: ...



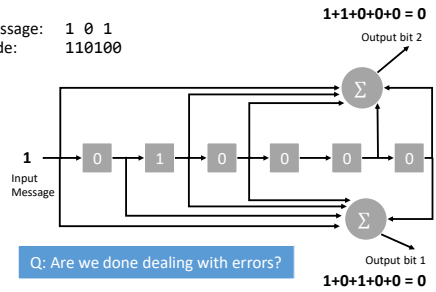
Message: 1 0 1  
Code: 11...



Message: 1 0 1  
Code: 1101...



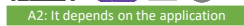
Message: 1 0 1  
Code: 110100



## Data Link Layer Summary



A1: It depends on the physical medium



A2: It depends on the application

A3: We may want to address the problem in a higher layer

Q: Can you think of an example?

Framing (byte stuffing, bit stuffing, etc)

Guaranteed delivery Q: When needed?

- Sequence numbers, acknowledgments, and retransmissions

Flow control Q: When needed?

- Stop-and-Wait
- Sliding Window

Error control Q: When needed?

- Detection (e.g., Parity bit, Checksum, CRC, ...)
- Correction (e.g., Hamming Code, Convolutional Code, ...)