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# RoboLab Autumn Course – Hamming Codes #2

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# Construction approach – Cyclic (polynomial)

- Binary matrices can also be generated using polynomials
  - Results in a cyclic generator matrix (non-systematic)
  - Any binary Hamming Code of  $\text{Ham}(r, 2)$  is equivalent to a cyclic code
    - Also, if  $\text{Ham}(q, r)$  with  $r, q-1$  relatively prime, it's equivalent, too
- Example: Hamming Code (7,4)
  - 4 data bits, 3 parity bits → Polynomial here is  $1+x+x^3$
- Example: Hamming Code (8,4)
  - 4 data bits, 4 parity bits → Polynomial here is  $1+x^2+x^4$

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- Examples for both (7,4) and (8,4)

$G(x) = x^3+x+1$	$G(x) = x^4+x^2+1$
$G' := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$G' := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

# Construction approach - Hsiao-Codes

- Definition of Hsiao is used for SEC-DED codes in  $GF(2)$ 
  - Not really applicable for small codes we use here in the lab
  - Those codes are called „**Optimal Minimum Odd-weighted SEC-DED Code**“
- We have four rules to follow when creating the generator matrix
  - 1) Every column contains an odd number of 1's
  - 2) The total number of 1's reaches the minimum
  - 3) The difference of the numbers of 1's in any two rows is not greater than 1
  - 4) No two columns are the same
- Reference: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/0803.1217.pdf>

# Assignment 2 – Hamming Code (Implementation)

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- Task 1
  - Add the given generator matrix and implement both the convert and derive methods
- Task 2
  - Implement the encoder
- Task 3
  - Implement the decoder, be careful on how to implement the different cases
- Task 4
  - Implement the unit-test for your class HammingCode