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Problem One (25 Points)

Consider a random-access memory that has a word format $x_3 x_2 x_1 x_0$ of size 4 bits. We can use Hamming code to correct any single bit in this memory.

- a) What is the H (or P) matrix?
- b) Given the four syndromes s_i computed by your SEC Hamming code for single-bit errors affecting data bit x_i , $0 \leq i \leq 3$. Also give the error-free syndrome s^* .
- c) Explain how you would modify the SEC code you have defined above in order to obtain an SEC/DED code.

Problem Two (25 Points)

Design a totally self-checking checker with 7 inputs.

Problem Three (25 Points)

Using the combinatorial model, determine the reliability of a simplex, TMR, and 5MR systems as a function of reliability of a simplex system, $R(t)$. You may assume a fault-free voter. Plot the reliability of the three systems versus $R(t)$ and comment on their relative reliabilities.

Problem Four (25 Points)

Using Markov model, determine discrete solution for the reliability of a 5MR system with λ failure rate. You may assume that the system initially is fault free. Using MathLab plot $R(t)$ for $t = 5$ hours and $\Delta t = 0.01$.

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