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INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES :

- 1. SECTION-A is COMPULSORY consisting of EIGHT questions carrying TWO marks each.
- 2. SECTION B & C. have THREE questions in each section carrying SIXTEEN marks each.
- 3. Select atleast TWO questions from SECTION B & C EACH.

SECTION-A

Q1. Answer briefly :

- a) Explain nearest neighbourhood decoding principal.
- b) Define triple repetition code.
- c) Give an example of a group code which is not a matrix code.
- d) Give the procedure of parity check decoding.
- e) Define Hammering code.
- f) Define Vandermonde determinant.
- g) How are Reed-Solomon codes and BCH codes related?
- h) Define Cyclic codes.



SECTION-B

- Q2. a) For a code (D, E) to correct all sets of k or fewer errors, prove that it is necessary that the minimum distance between code words be at least 2k + 1 (it being given that the nearest neighbour decoding principle holds).
 - b) A binary code with minimum distance 2k + 1 is capable of correcting any pattern of k or fewer errors.
- Q3. a) Establish that (m, m + 1) parity check code is a group code.
 - b) Prove that the minimum distance of any Hamming code is 3.
- Q4. a) When are two codes C and C' of length n, said to be equivalent?
 - b) Enlist the steps of Syndrome decoding procedure.

SECTION-C

- Q5. a) Let F be a field and f(X)eF[X] be an irreducible polynomial. Then prove that F[X]/(/(X)) is a field.
 - b) Let F be a field and f(X)eF[X]. Then prove that there exists a splitting field of f(X) over F.
- Q6. a) Establish that the polynomial code with symbols in F and encoding polynomial g(X) has minimum distance at least d.
 - b) Prove that the only binary MDS codes are the trivial codes.
- Q7. Let C be a linear [n, k, d] code over F with a parity check matrix H. Then prove that C is an MDS code if every n k columns of H are linearly independent.