

Errata for Introduction to Cryptography with Coding Theory

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The following lists corrections for the First printing (September 2001). There was a Third Printing in 2002 that corrected most of these errors. The remaining errors are marked with *

*page 16, line 9: change “it will always happen this way” to “it will always happen this way when the coefficients of α in the equations are even”

page 18, lines -19 to -15: the middle lines of the ciphertext are incorrect. The correct ciphertext is in the computer problems on pages 377, 408, 446.

page 38, Table 2.4: characters 60 and 62 should be $<$ and $>$

*page 42, line -12: remove the second “is”

page 55, line 14: Change the first sentence to “A sequence generated by a length three recurrence starts 001110.”

page 55, lines 17-18: change these lines to “the length three recurrence $k_{n+3} = k_n + k_{n+1} + k_{n+2}$. This sequence can also be given by a length two recurrence. Determine this length two recurrence”

page 57, line 20: change Vigenère to Vigenère

page 57, line -6: remove **a** at the end of the line

*page 62, line 12: this line should read

$$576 = 2^6 3^2, \quad 135 = 3^3 5, \quad \gcd(576, 135) = 3^2 = 9$$

*page 64, lines 13, 15: The second x_{j-2} on each line should be y_{j-2}

*pages 90-91: The explanation here for LFSR sequences is not correct. The transpose of the matrix associated to multiplication by X needs to be used. A corrected version of these pages is here:

<http://www.math.umd.edu/~lcw/ninety.pdf>

page 92, line -18: change “such” to “such that”

page 93, line 15: change “ $2^{32} = 1 \pmod{65537}$ ” to “ $2^{32} \equiv 1 \pmod{65537}$ ”

*page 93, line -8: it should be “ $s_1 = 1$.”

page 103, line 17: remove “that”

page 104, line -12: change “ $K_1 = 010011010$ ” to “ $K_2 = 01001101$ ”

page 116, line 2: remove “that”

page 122, line -10: change $K_1 \oplus E_{K_2}(K_3 \oplus m)$ to $K_3 \oplus E_{K_2}(K_1 \oplus m)$

*page 129, line -7: remove the period after “column”

page 132, line -4: change the second “is” to “in”

*page 133, lines 2-4: The sentence should read “Add 1 to each of these numbers (since the first row and column are numbered 0) and look in the 13th row and 12th column of the S-box.”

page 140, line 14: change 1.2599 to 1.4422

*page 143, line -8: it should be “ $s_1 = 1$.”

page 148, line 21: it should be $b_0 \equiv 8 \pmod{17}$
 page 148, line 22: it should be $b_1 \equiv -4 \pmod{17}$
 page 152, line -11: $(6, 4, 6, 0, 2, 4, 0, 2)$ should be $(8, 4, 6, 0, 2, 4, 0, 2)$
 page 174, line 15: change Alice to Bob
 *page 189, line -12: change $D_k(m)$ to $E_k(m)$
 page 192, lines 15 and 17: change α to a
 page 194, lines -4, -5: the values of m_1 and s_1 are incorrect. They should be

$$m_1 = 418726553997094258577980055061305150940547956$$

$$s_1 = 749142649641548101520133634736865752883277237.$$

page 194, lines -2, -1: the last sentence should read “The numbers n_A, n_B, p_B, q_B are stored as $signa, signb, sigpb, sigqb.$ ”

page 207, line 5: change r to b

page 207, line 6: change $A^r \equiv z^H r$ to $A^r \equiv z^H b$

*page 225, line -21: change “residues quadratic” to “quadratic residues”

page 234, line -2: change Alice to Peggy

page 248, line -2: change c_1 to c

page 249, line 10: change $b_I = 13$ to $b_I = 23$

page 249, lines -3, -2: change K_3 to K_H

page 253, line 6: remove “is”

*pages 276-277: The polynomial $x^3 + 2x + 3$ has a double root mod 5 at $x = 4$, so the curve E is a degenerate curve in the sense of page 283. Therefore, the addition law for points behaves well only if we do not use the point $(4,0)$. This is the same idea as in the example on page 283.

page 289, line -6: change Alice to Bob

*page 291, line -2: it should be “ $S_1 = \infty$.”

*page 292, line 3: change “Exercise 3.12(a)” to “Exercise 12(a) in Chapter 3”

*page 292, line 4: remove comma

*page 292, line 11: change “Exercise 3.12(b)” to “Exercise 12(b) in Chapter 3”

page 292, lines 17, 18: change m to n'

page 293, line 19: change m to n

*page 311, line 2: This sentence should read “The Singleton bound says that $16 = M \leq 2^5$, so it is not an MDS code.”

page 320, line -12: remove one of the right parentheses

page 320, line -8: change the vector to $(0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,1)$

page 320, line -6: change the vector to $(0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0)$

*page 330, line 13: change the last “(” on the line to “(”

*page 333, line -11: change “by (4)” to “by (3)”

*page 334, line 8: change “part (5)” to “part (4)”

*page 334, line -5: change “part (5)” to “part (4)”

page 341, line 13: change “In following” to “In the following”

*page 344, lines 4-5: these should read: “is $n - \deg(g) = n + 1 - d$. Therefore a Reed-Solomon code is a cyclic $[n, n + 1 - d, d]$ code.”

page 349, line -11: the code should be $\{(0, 0, 1), (1, 1, 1), (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0)\}$

page 351, line 14: add subscript $j - 1$ to C

page 351, line 15: Replace the first sentence with “Let $av + c$, with $a \neq 0$, be an element of C_j , as in (c).”

page 351, line 16: change the last v to c

page 351, line -11: insert “of length 7” between “code” and “generated”

page 351, line -6: change the sentence to “Assume $0 \neq C \neq F^n$ and $p \nmid n$ (as in the Theorem on p. 336).”

page 351, line -3: change $h(X)$ to $g(X)$

*pages 368, 369: some statements about the approximation properties of continued fractions are inaccurate. Replacement pages are here:
<http://www.math.umd.edu/~lcw/three68.pdf>

page 370, line 11: change $= 2^{m-s}$ to $= 2^{m-s} e^{2\pi i x c_0 / 2^m}$

page 374, line 17: **choose[txt,m,n]** lists the characters in txt in positions congruent to $n \pmod{m}$. (m and n were reversed)

page 419, lines 6, 9: change `]]` to `)`

page 428: in the three displayed Maple commands, change `mult` to `mul`

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