

**Problem** A 5-bit binary string “10110” is to be transmitted using Hamming code. I have shown below where the data bits are to be placed. Compute the values of the check bits, which go into the unfilled positions below.

bit index	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
bit value	1		0	1	1		0		

**Solution** Positions where the data bits are 1:

$$1\ 0\ 0\ 1 \quad (=9)$$

$$\oplus \quad 0\ 1\ 1\ 0 \quad (=6)$$

$$\oplus \quad 0\ 1\ 0\ 1 \quad (=5)$$

$$= \quad 1\ 0\ 1\ 0$$

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Hence the check bits are “1010” and they are placed in the positions marked with \* in sequence.

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