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6.02

Solutions to Chapter 8

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1. Please check out the online solutions at  
<http://web.mit.edu/6.02/www/f2011/handouts/tutprobs/ecc.html>
2. (a) There are three parity streams, so the rate is  $1/3$ . The constraint length is 4, so there are  $2^3 = 8$  states in the state machine representation of the code.  
(b)
  - i. There are two predecessor states.
  - ii. The bit-sequence representations of the predecessor states are 100 and 101.
  - iii.  $100 \rightarrow 110$  has expected parity bits 001.  
 $101 \rightarrow 110$  has expected parity bits 100.
- (c) The rate of the code without puncturing is  $1/3$ . With the given puncturing schedule, the sender transmits  $3 + 4 + 5 = 12$  parity bits for every 5 message bits, giving a rate of  $5/12$ .
3. This problem is part of PSet #3. Please see those solutions when they're available after the due date.