61A Extra Lecture 4

Announcements

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| b | 1 | o | 0 |
| c | 0 | p | 1 |
| d | 1 | q | 1 |
| e | 1 | r | 0 |
| f | 0 | s | 1 |
| g | 0 | t | 0 |
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| j | 1 | v | 1 |
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| b | 00001 | o | 01110 |
| c | 00010 | p | 01111 |
| d | 00011 | q | 10000 |
| e | 00100 | r | 10001 |
| f | 00101 | s | 10010 |
| g | 00110 | t | 10011 |
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- Deterministic decoding from left to right is possible if the encoding of one character is never a proper prefix of the decoding of another character.

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