1078-05-276 **Gretchen L Matthews*** (gmatthe@clemson.edu), Department of Mathematical Sciences, Clemson University, Clemson, SC 29634. *On nonbinary parity-check codes*.

Since the mid-1990s, there has been tremendous focus on binary low-density parity-check codes. However, codes over larger alphabets are more suitable for some applications. In this talk, we discuss parity-check codes over \mathbb{F}_p where p is a prime and $p \geq 2$. (Received December 13, 2011)