

# NEW SELF-DUAL [54, 27, 10] CODES EXTENDED FROM [52, 26, 10] CODES <sup>1</sup>

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**ABSTRACT:** Using [52, 26, 10] binary self-dual codes, possessing an automorphism of order 3, we construct new [54, 27, 10] binary self-dual codes. We do this by applying a technique for extending a [2k, k, d] self-dual code to a [2k+2, k+1] self-dual code. Most of the constructed codes have new values of the parameter in their weight enumerators. We construct new codes with  $\beta = 20, 21, 22$  for the first weight function and with  $\beta = 22, 23$  for the second.

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## INTRODUCTION

Let  $\mathbb{F}_q^n$  be the  $n$ -dimensional vector space over the field  $\mathbb{F}_q$  of  $q$  elements. A linear  $[n, k]_q$  code  $C$  is a  $k$ -dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{F}_q^n$ . An element of  $C$  is called a *codeword*. The *Hamming weight* of a vector  $v \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$  (denoted by  $\text{wt}(v)$ ) is the number of its non-zero coordinates. The *minimum weight*  $d$  of a code  $C$  is the smallest weight among its nonzero codewords. A code with minimum weight  $d$  is called an  $[n, k, d]$  code. A *generator matrix* of a code  $C$  is a matrix whose rows form a basis of  $C$ . We say that a generator matrix  $G$  is in standard form if  $G = (I_k | A)$ , where  $I_k$  denotes the  $k \times k$  identity matrix. The weight enumerator  $W(y)$  of a code  $C$  is given by  $W(y) = \sum_{i=0}^n A_i y^i$  where  $A_i = |\{v \in C \mid \text{wt}(v) = i\}|$ . Two binary codes are called *equivalent* if one can be obtained from the other by a permutation of coordinates. The permutation  $\sigma \in S_n$  is an *automorphism* of  $C$ , if  $C = \sigma(C)$  and the set of all automorphisms of  $C$  forms a group called the *automorphism group* of  $C$ , which is denoted by  $\text{Aut}(C)$  in this paper.

Let  $(u, v) \in \mathbb{F}_q$  for  $u, v \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$  be an inner product in  $\mathbb{F}_q^n$ . We study binary self-dual codes and when the base field is  $\mathbb{F}_2$  we have for  $u = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$ ,  $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n) \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$  the following Euclidean inner product:  $(u, v) = \sum_{i=0}^n u_i v_i \in \mathbb{F}_2$ .

The *dual code* of an  $[n, k]$  code  $C$  is defined as

$$C^\perp = \{u \in \mathbb{F}_q^n \mid (u, v) = 0 \text{ for all } v \in C\}.$$

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The dual  $C^\perp$  is a linear  $[n, n-k]$  code. If  $C \subseteq C^\perp$ ,  $C$  is termed *self-orthogonal*, and if  $C = C^\perp$ ,  $C$  is *self-dual*. Every self-dual code  $C$  have dimension  $k = \frac{n}{2}$ .

The largest possible minimum weights of singly even self-dual codes of lengths up to 72 are determined in [1]. It was also shown [2] that the minimum weight  $d$  of a binary self-dual code of length  $n$  is bounded by

$$d \leq \begin{cases} 4 \left\lfloor \frac{n}{24} \right\rfloor + 4, & \text{if } n \not\equiv 22 \pmod{24}; \\ 4 \left\lfloor \frac{n}{24} \right\rfloor + 6, & \text{if } n \equiv 22 \pmod{24}. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

We call a self-dual code meeting this upper bound *extremal*. A self-dual code is called *optimal* iff it is not extremal but has the largest minimum weight for its length.

The weight enumerators of the optimal self-dual codes of lengths from 52 and 54 are known [3], [4]:

- [52, 26, 10]: There are two possible forms for the weight enumerator ,  
 $W_{52,1} = 1 + 250y^{10} + 7980y^{12} + 42800y^{14} + \dots$ ,  
 $W_{52,2} = 1 + (442 - 16\beta)y^{10} + (6188 + 64\beta)y^{12} + \dots$ , where  
 $0 \leq \beta \leq 12, \beta \neq 11$ . Codes exist for  $W_{52,1}$  and for  $W_{52,2}$  when  $\beta = 0, \dots, 9, 12$   
 (see [5]).
- [54, 27, 10]: There are two possible forms for the weight enumerator  
 $W_{54,1} = 1 + (351 - 8\beta)y^{10} + (5031 + 24\beta)y^{12} + \dots$ , where  $0 \leq \beta \leq 43$ ,  
 $W_{54,2} = 1 + (351 - 8\beta)y^{10} + (5543 + 24\beta)y^{12} + \dots$ , where  $12 \leq \beta \leq 43$ .  
 Codes exist for  $W_{54,1}$  when  $0 \leq \beta \leq 19, \beta = 26$  and for  $W_{54,2}$  when  
 $\beta \in [12..21], 24, 26, 27$  (see [6]).

## CONSTRUCTION METHOD

In this paper, we extend binary self-dual codes of length 52 having an automorphism of order 3 to self-dual codes of length 54 using a technique due to Harada and Kimura [7].

**Theorem 1 [7]** Let  $G$  be a generator matrix of a self-dual code  $C$  of length  $2n$ , and let  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}, \dots, x_{2n})$  be a vector in  $\mathbb{F}_2^{2n}$  such that  $(x, x) = 1$ , where  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  denotes the Euclidean inner product. Let  $y_i = (x, r_i)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , where  $r_i$  is the  $i$ -th

row vector of  $G$ . Then the following matrix  $G' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & x_1 & \dots & x_i & \dots & x_{2n} \\ y_1 & y_1 & & & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & & & \\ y_n & y_n & & & & & \end{pmatrix} G$

generates a self-dual code  $C'$  of length  $2n + 2$ .

**Corollary 1 [7]** Let  $S$  be a subset of the set  $1, 2, \dots, n$  such that  $|S|$  is odd if  $2n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  and  $|S|$  is even if  $2n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $G = (I_n | A)$  be a generator matrix in standard form of a self-dual code  $C$  of length  $2n$ . Suppose that  $x_i = 1$  if  $i \in S$  and  $x_i = 0$  if  $i \notin S$  and that  $y_i = x_i + 1$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Then the following matrix:

$$G' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & x_1 & \dots & x_n & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ y_1 & y_1 & & & & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & & I_n & & & A \\ y_n & y_n & & & & & & \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

generates a self-dual code  $C'$  of length  $2n+2$ .

## EXTENDING LENGTH 52 CODES TO LENGTH 54

In [5] we constructed some new  $[52, 26, 10]$  self-dual codes with automorphism of types  $3-(14, 10)$  and  $3-(16, 4)$ . We use construction (2) and an exhaustive search on all odd cardinality sets  $S$ . The base codes which we extend are the following:

- **Case I:** 640 codes with  $\beta = 8$  having an automorphism of type  $3-(14, 10)$ . We have found 228 inequivalent  $[54, 27, 10]$  codes with weight enumerators  $W_{54,1}$  and  $W_{54,2}$  for different values of  $\beta$ . The codes with  $W_{52,1}$  for  $\beta = 20, 21, 22$ , and  $W_{52,2}$  for  $\beta = 22, 23$  are the first known codes with these weight functions. We give the number of codes for different values of  $\beta$  (for all codes with  $\beta \geq 20$ ) in Table 1 (the new codes are in bolds).

Number of codes	$A_{10}$	$A_{12}$	$\beta$	$W_{54,i}$
<b>14</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>5511</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>
126	191	6023	20	2
7	<b>183</b>	<b>5535</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>
59	183	6047	21	2
<b>6</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>5559</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>6071</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>6095</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>2</b>

**Table 1:**  $[54, 27, 10]$  self-dual codes with  $\beta \geq 20$  from case I

- **Case II:** 36 codes with  $\beta = 9$  having an automorphism of type  $3-(16, 4)$ . We have found 35 inequivalent  $[54, 27, 10]$  codes with weight enumerators  $W_{54,1}$  and  $W_{54,2}$  for different values of  $\beta$ . The codes with  $W_{52,1}$  for  $\beta = 20, 22$ , and

$W_{52,2}$  for  $\beta = 22, 23$  are the first known codes with these weight functions. We give the number of codes for different values of  $\beta$  in Table 2.

Number of codes	$A_{10}$	$A_{12}$	$\beta$	$W_{54,i}$
<b>12</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>5511</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>
14	183	6047	21	2
<b>2</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>5559</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>6071</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>6095</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>2</b>
1	159	6119	24	2

**Table 2: [54, 27, 10] self-dual codes with  $\beta \geq 20$  from case II**

- **Case III:** 1 code with  $\beta = 12$  having an automorphism of type  $3 - (16, 4)$ . We have found 75 inequivalent new codes. The codes with  $W_{54,1}$  for  $\beta = 20, 21$  are the first known codes with these weight functions. We give the number of codes for different values of  $\beta$  in Table 3.

Number of codes	$A_{10}$	$A_{12}$	$\beta$	$W_{54,i}$
<b>72</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>5511</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>5535</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>
2	143	6167	26	2

**Table 3: [54, 27, 10] self-dual codes with  $\beta \geq 20$  from case III**

We conclude with examples of codes for each new weight distribution obtained. To construct a generator matrix of a code with  $W_{52,i}$  for  $\beta = j$  use  $G = (I_{27} | G_{i,j}^T)$  (removing the last column of  $G_{i,j}^T$  consisting of zeroes), where the matrices

$$G_{1,20} = \begin{pmatrix} 0926452e36caf599907cb681000 \\ 081767e1697a5fbed4a93032930 \\ 01ed2a6c5befd2ed39753175307 \\ 3c8bc300066a3a416cefec1583c \\ c0797a34d2cf24dce2e12792ab0 \\ 7e47b33fa9a148cc598423d446f \\ c0ee8aec622cac40446424eee66 \end{pmatrix}, G_{1,21} = \begin{pmatrix} 0a8ce5273659cf0000df6110100 \\ 0bacd7e969f96436541a0b29830 \\ 0c57ed65a37b7e7b2fa8e8ac0e0 \\ 0296e303c964eb4ea0310ea733f \\ 37e04a6f99cb9e97f27625a2bea \\ fa33d069d5cfe92ad90f69119fe \\ ea2c848cc4ca6460e4c82eaa68a \end{pmatrix},$$

$$G_{1,22} = \begin{pmatrix} 09bfdcb7af536c9990e52618900 \\ 089fef69e1f2d7bed421b0ba130 \\ 0e7bcd8b4d79529b2f642e84200 \\ 30b7c000c965c94da32320da73f \\ d2ac3157a9f49e9cbe8202a91a9 \\ 7a4c967ec801faf34ac5e9600bd \\ 468e24622ca66ae62eea64244ca \end{pmatrix}, G_{2,22} = \begin{pmatrix} 6ea64527bedb650088fdae19100 \\ 908767e9f06bdf36cd3829bb830 \\ cfdd2a7d69ddd3ec1a461376117 \\ 9208f0cf81dd367d2457a82dcfc \\ 89e6d51f63b9573f4bf9dc681c2 \\ 9bc80c034efbe16ab1a988a071e \\ 6c62668ecce06ee0ccca8ae0c2a \end{pmatrix},$$

$$G_{2,23} = \begin{pmatrix} 6ea64527bedb650088fdae19100 \\ 908767e9f06bdf36cd3829bb830 \\ cfdd2a7d69ddd3ec1a461376117 \\ 9208f0cf81dd367d2457a82dcfc \\ 89e6d51f63b9573f4bf9dc681c2 \\ 9bc80c034efbe16ab1a988a071e \\ 6c62668ecce06ee0ccca8ae0c2a \end{pmatrix} \text{ are in hexadecimal form.}$$

**Proposition** There exist optimal binary self-dual  $[54, 27, 10]$  codes having an weight distribution  $W_{54,1}$  when  $0 \leq \beta \leq 22, \beta = 26$  and for  $W_{54,2}$  when  $12 \leq \beta \leq 27, \beta \neq 25$ .

**Open problem** Construct or prove the nonexistence of optimal binary self-dual  $[54, 27, 10]$  codes having an weight distribution  $W_{54,1}$  with  $\beta = 23, 24, 25$  and for  $W_{54,2}$  when  $\beta = 25$ .

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