TWO-TUPLES WEIGHT ENUMERATORS

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Abstract

We consider an inner product of a special type in the space of n-tuples over a finite field F_q of characteristic p. We prove that there is a very close relationship between the self-dual q-ary additive codes under this inner product and the self-dual p-ary codes under the usual dot product. We prove the MacWilliams identities for complete weight enumerators of q-ary additive codes with respect to the new inner product. We define a two-tuple weight enumerator of a binary self-dual code and prove that it is invariant of a group of order 384. We compute the Molien series of this group and find a good polynomial basis for the ring of its invariants.

1 MacWilliams identities for complete weight enumerators of additive codes

We use the standard notations of coding theory [2].

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Let F_q be a field of $q = p^m$ elements, p a prime. Any additive subgroup C of F_q^n is called additive code over F_q . If C is an additive code over F_q then C is a linear space over F_p . We call $\dim_{F_p} C$ dimension of the additive code C and refer to C as to an [n, k] additive code over F_q .

Let $Tr: F_q \to F_p$ be the trace function

$$Tr(x) = x + x^{p} + x^{p^{2}} + \dots + x^{p^{m-1}}.$$

We define an inner product in F_a^n by

$$\langle u, v \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{n} Tr(u_i v_i) = Tr(u.v)$$
 (1)

where $u = (u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n)$, $v = (v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n)$. Compare with [4] where additive codes over GF(4) that are self- orthogonal under an Hermitian type inner product are considered. It is clear that if C is an [n, k] additive code over F_q then the dual code under (1), C^{\perp} , is an [n, mn - k] additive code.

Let $\zeta = \cos \frac{2\pi}{p} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{p}$ be a complex p-th root of unity. For any α in F_q define $\chi(\alpha) = \zeta^{Tr(\alpha)}$. Then χ is a nontrivial additive character of F_q . For given vectors u and v in F_q^n we define $\chi_u(v) = \chi(u.v) = \zeta^{\langle u,v \rangle}$. It follows that χ_u is an additive character of F_q^n . Let K be a commutative ring and $f: F_q^n \to K$ be a map. Define $\hat{f}(u) = \sum_{v \in F_q^n} \chi_u(v) f(v)$.

Lemma 1 If C is an additive code over F^q then $\sum_{v \in C^{\perp}} f(v) = \frac{1}{|C|} \sum_{u \in C} \hat{f}(u)$ with respect to the inner product (1).

Proof. We have $\sum_{u \in C} \hat{f}(C) = \sum_{u \in C} \sum_{v \in F_q^n} \chi_u(v) f(v) = \sum_{v \in F_q^n} f(v)$ $\sum_{u \in C} \chi_u(v) = \sum_{v \in F_q^n} f(v) \sum_{u \in C} \zeta^{\langle u, v \rangle}$. If $v \in C^{\perp}$ then $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$ and $\sum_{u \in C} \zeta^{\langle u, v \rangle} = |C|$.

Let v not be in C^{\perp} . Hence there exists $u' \in C$ such that $\langle u',v \rangle \neq 0$. Denote $C^{(i)} = \{u \in C : \langle u,v \rangle = i, i=0,1,2,\ldots,p-1\}$. Hence $C^{(0)}$ is an additive subgroup of C and for $i=1,2,\ldots,p-1$

1 $C^{(i)}$ is a coset of $C^{(0)}$. Therefore $\sum_{u \in C} \zeta^{\langle u,v \rangle} = |C^{(0)}|(1+\zeta+\zeta^2+\ldots+\zeta^{p-1}) = 0$. Hence $\sum_{u \in C} \hat{f}(u) = |C| \sum_{v \in C^{\perp}} f(v)$. The lemma is proved.

Let $F_q = \{\omega_0, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_{q-1}\}$. For a vector $u \in F_q^n$ denote $s_i(u)$ the number of coordinates of u equal to ω_i , $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, q-1$. The polynomial

$$W_C(z_0, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{q-1}) = \sum_{u \in C} z_0^{s_0(u)} z_1^{s_1(u)} \cdots z_{q-1}^{s_{q-1}(u)}$$

in indeterminates $z_0, z_1, \ldots, z_{q-1}$ is called a complete weight enumerator of the additive code C.

From the above lemma we obtain immediately the MacWilliams identities for complete weight enumerators of dual additive codes.

Theorem 1 Let C be an additive code over F_q . Then with respect to the inner product (1) we have

$$W_{C^{\perp}}(z_0, z_1, \ldots, z_{q-1}) = \frac{1}{|C|} W_C(\sum_{i=0}^{q-1} \chi(\omega_0 \omega_i) z_i, \ldots, \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} \chi(\omega_{q-1} \omega_i) z_i).$$

The proof is similar to the proof of the corresponding theorem for linear codes, see [2] page 143.

Example. Let q=4. Hence p=2, $\zeta=-1$, and $\chi(\alpha)=(-1)^{\alpha+\alpha^2}$. Let $F_4=\{0,\omega,\omega^2,1\}$ where $\omega+\omega^2=1$. Then we have $\chi(0)=\chi(1)=1$, $\chi(\omega)=\chi(\omega^2)=-1$, and

$$W_{C^{\perp}}(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) =$$

$$\frac{1}{|C|}W_C(z_0+z_1+z_2+z_3,z_0-z_1+z_2-z_3,z_0+z_1-z_2-z_3,z_0-z_1-z_2+z_3).$$

2 Binary images of additive codes

A basis $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \ldots, \gamma_m$ of $F_q, q = p^m$, is called self-complementary ([2] page 117) if $Tr(\gamma_i \gamma_j) = 0$ for $i \neq j$ and $Tr(\gamma_i \gamma_j) = 1$ for i = j.

Example. Let $F_4 = \{0, \omega, \omega^2, 1\}$ where $\omega + \omega^2 = 1$. Then ω, ω^2 is a self-complementary basis of F_4 . A self-complementary basis of F_{16} is given in [3]. See also [1].

A p-ary image of a vector $u = (u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n) \in F_q^n$ with respect to a given basis of F_q over F_p is the mn-tuple obtained by replacining each u_i by the m-tuple of its coordinates. The next lemma is straightforward.

Lemma 2 The inner product (1) of two vectors over F_q is equal to the usual dot product of their p-ary images with respect to a self-complementary basis of F_q .

The next theorem is an immediate generalization of a result in [3].

Theorem 2 Let $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \ldots, \gamma_m$ be a self-complementary basis of F_{p^m} . Any linear code, C, over F_p of length a multiple of m is a p-ary image of some additive code, \hat{C} , over F_{p^m} . Moreover C is self-orthogonal (self-dual) under the usual dot product if and only if \hat{C} is self-orthogonal (self-dual) under the inner product (1).

3 Two-tuples weight enumerators of doubly-even self-dual codes

Let $F_4 = \{0, \omega, \omega^2, 1\}$ with $\omega + \omega^2 = 1$. We fix a trace orthogonal basis ω, ω^2 of F_4 . With respect to this basis the binary images of $0, \omega, \omega^2$, and 1 are 00, 01, 10, and 11, respectively. For each vector $u = (u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n)$ in a binary code C of even block length n denote $\hat{u} = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_{n/2})$ where $\alpha_1 = u_1\omega^2 + u_{n/2+1}\omega, \ldots, \alpha_{n/2} = u_{n/2}\omega^2 + u_n\omega$. Then the set $\hat{C} = \{\hat{u} : u \in C\}$ is an additive code over F_4 and C is its binary image.

We call the complete weight enumerator, $W_{\hat{C}}(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3)$, of \hat{C} a two-tuples weight enumerator of C. From theorem 1 and

theorem 2 we know that if C is self-dual then

$$W_{\hat{G}}(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3) =$$

$$2^{-n/2}W_{\hat{C}}(z_0+z_1+z_2+z_3,z_0-z_1+z_2-z_3,z_0+z_1-z_2-z_3,z_0-z_1-z_2+z_3).$$

As $W_{\hat{C}}(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3)$ is a homogeneous polynomial of degree n/2 the above equality shows that the two-tuples weight enumerator of C is invariant under the linear transform defined by the matrix

In the following we will assume that C is a doubly-even self-dual code containing the vector $1^{n/2}0^{n/2}$. The code C is invariant under addition by this vector. Hence \hat{C} is invariant under the transformation $0 \to \omega^2, \omega \to 1, \omega^2 \to 0, 1 \to \omega$. Thus $W_{\hat{C}}(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3)$ is invariant under the linear transform $z_0 \to z_2, z_1 \to z_3, z_2 \to z_0, z_3 \to z_1$ which has as its matrix

$$B_1 = \left(\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right).$$

It is clear that $1^n \in C$. Therefore $0^{n/2}1^{n/2}$ is in C. We obtain as above that $W_{\hat{C}}(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3)$ is invariant under the linear transform defined by the matrix

$$B_2 = \left(\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}\right).$$

Obviously $W_{\hat{C}}(x^2, xy, xy, y^2) = W_C(x, y)$ (the usual weight enumerator of C). If $z_0^{i_0} z_1^{i_1} z_2^{i_2} z_3^{i_3}$ is a monomial of $W_{\hat{C}}(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3)$

then $x^{2i_0}(xy)^{i_1}(xy)^{i_2}y^{2i_3} = x^{2i_0+i_1+i_2}y^{i_1+i_2+2i_3}$ must be a monomial in $W_C(x,y)$. Since C is doubly-even we obtain $i_1+i_2+2i_3 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. Therefore $W_{\hat{C}}(z_0,z_1,z_2,z_3)$ is invariant under a linear transform with a matrix

$$D = \left(\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{array}\right),$$

where $i^2 = -1$. Thus we have obtained the following lemma.

Lemma 3 Let C be a double-even self-dual code containing the vector $1^{n/2}0^{n/2}$ and \hat{C} be the corresponding additive code over F_4 . Then $W_{\hat{C}}(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3)$ is invariant of a group G generated by the matrices A, B_1 , B_2 , and D

Using GAP and Mathematica we determined that the order of G is 384 and its Molien series ([2], p.600) is

$$\Phi_G(\lambda) = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{M \in G} \frac{1}{\det(I - \lambda M)} = \frac{1 + \lambda^8 + \lambda^{16} + \lambda^{24}}{(1 - \lambda^4)^2 (1 - \lambda^8) (1 - \lambda^{12})}.$$

We write $\Phi_G(\lambda)$ in the form

$$\Phi_G(\lambda) = \frac{1 + \lambda^8}{(1 - \lambda^4)^2 (1 - \lambda^8)(1 - \lambda^{12})} + \lambda^{16} \frac{1 + \lambda^8}{(1 - \lambda^4)^2 (1 - \lambda^8)(1 - \lambda^{12})}$$

and use it to find a good polynomial basis of the ring of invariants of G.

Let $a = z_0 + z_3$, $b = z_0 - z_3$, $c = z_1 + z_2$, and $d = z_1 - z_2$. The transformations defined by the matrices A, B_1 , B_2 , and D act on a, b, c, and d, as follows:

It can be checked easily that the polynomials

$$\sigma_1^2 = (a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + d^2)^2,$$
 $\sigma_2 = -a^2b^2 - a^2c^2 + a^2d^2 + b^2c^2 - b^2d^2 - c^2d^2,$
 $\sigma_3^2 = (a^2b^2c^2 - a^2b^2d^2 - a^2c^2d^2 + b^2c^2d^2)^2,$
 $\sigma_4 = a^2b^2c^2d^2$

are invariants of G. As σ_1 , σ_2 , σ_3 , and σ_4 are algebraically independent, σ_1^2 , σ_2 , σ_3^2 , and σ_4 are also algebraically independent with degrees 4, 4, 12, and 8, respectively.

The polynomial $q_8 = \sigma_1 \sigma_3 = (a^2 - b^2 - c^2 + d^2)(a^2b^2c^2 - a^2b^2d^2 - a^2c^2d^2 + b^2c^2d^2)$ is an invariant of degree 8 which is not in the polynomial ring $C(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2, \sigma_3^2, \sigma_4)$ but $(\sigma_1\sigma_3)^2 = (\sigma_1)^2(\sigma_3)^2 \in C(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2, \sigma_3^2, \sigma_4)$ where C is the complex number field.

The polynomial $q_{16}=(a^2+b^2)(a^2+c^2)(b^2-c^2)(a^2-d^2)(b^2+d^2)(c^2+d^2)abcd$ is an invariant of G of degree 16. Each monomial of q_{16} contains odd powers of a, b, c, and d while each monomial of any polynomial in σ_1^2 , σ_2 , σ_3^2 , σ_4 , and q_8 contains even powers of a, b, c, and d. Hence q_{16} is not in $C(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2, \sigma_3^2, \sigma_4) \oplus q_8C(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2, \sigma_3^2, \sigma_4)$. But $q_{16}^2 \in C(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2, \sigma_3^2, \sigma_4) \oplus q_8C(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2, \sigma_3^2, \sigma_4)$ since $q_{16}^2 = [-4\sigma_1^2\sigma_2^3\sigma_4 + 16\sigma_2^4\sigma_4 + \sigma_1^2\sigma_2^2\sigma_3^2 - 4\sigma_2^3\sigma_3^2 - 6\sigma_1^2\sigma_3^2\sigma_4 + 144\sigma_2\sigma_3^2\sigma_4 - 27\sigma_1^4\sigma_4^2 + 144\sigma_1^2\sigma_2\sigma_4^2 - 128\sigma_2^2\sigma_4^2 + 256\sigma_4^3 - 27\sigma_3^4 + q_8(18\sigma_1^2\sigma_2\sigma_4 - 80\sigma_1^4\sigma_4 - 4\sigma_1^2\sigma_3^2 + 18\sigma_2\sigma_3^2 - 192\sigma_4^2)]\sigma_4$. Thus we have obtained the following theorem.

Theorem 3 Any self-dual doubly-even code of length n which contains a vector of weight n/2 has a two-tuples weight enumerator from $C(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2, \sigma_3^2, \sigma_4) \oplus q_8 C(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2, \sigma_3^2, \sigma_4) \oplus q_{16}(C(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2, \sigma_3^2, \sigma_4))$.

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