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# Covering radius of repetition codes over $F_2 + vF_2 + v^2F_2$ with $v^3 = 1$

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**Abstract:** In this paper, the exact value of covering radius of unit repetition codes and the bounds of covering radius of zero-divisor repetition codes have been determined by using Lee weight over the finite ring  $F_2 + vF_2 + v^2F_2$ . Moreover the covering radius of different block repetition codes have been also studied.

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## 1. Introduction

For more than a decade, codes over finite rings have gotten much attention of researchers due the definition of Gray map [1-3]. Particularly, codes over the ring  $F_2 + vF_2 + v^2F_2$  have been extensively studied [4,5].

The covering radius is very interesting topic in coding theory. First time, the covering radius of binary linear codes were studied by Hellesteth *et al.*, [6]. Furthermore, covering radius of linear codes over  $F_2 + uF_2$  with  $u^2 = 0$  was determined by using Lee distance, Chinese Euclidean distance, and Bachoc distance [7-9].

Recently, the covering radius of codes over  $Z_4$  have been determined by using lee weight and Chinese Euclidean lee weight [10,11]. In [11], Manoj *et al.*, introduced new reduction and torsion codes, repetition codes for octonary codes and determined its covering radius. Chatouh *et al.*, [12], Pandian *et al.*, [13] gave the upper and lower bounds on the covering radius of some classes of codes over rings  $Z_2 \times Z_4$ ,  $Z_2 \times R$  with  $R = F_2 + vF_2$ ,  $v^2 = v$  respectively. Panchanathan *et al.*, in [14] studied bounds on covering radius for various repetition codes with respect to different and similar length over  $F_2 + uF_2 + u^2F_2$  with  $u^3 = 0$  using Lee weight and generalized Lee weight.

The goal of this paper is to investigate the covering radius of repetition codes over the finite ring  $F_2 + vF_2 + v^2F_2$  with  $v^3 = 1$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

### 2.1. The overview of the ring $M = F_2 + uF_2 + u^2F_2$ with $u^3 = 1$

Some basic information about the finite ring  $M$  have been recalled as follows:

Let  $F_2 = \{0,1\}$  be the binary Galois field of two element. Further, let  $M$  is commutative ring with characteristic 2 and 8 elements which is given by  $M = \{0,1,v,v^2,1+v,1+v^2,v+v^2,1+v+v^2|v^3 = 1\}$  [4]. The elements  $1,v,v^2$  are units of  $M$  and  $\{0,1+v,1+v^2,v+v^2,1+v+v^2\}$  is the set of Zero-divisors of  $M$ .

The  $M$ -submodule  $C$  of  $M^n$  is called a linear code having length  $n$  over  $M$ , and its elements are known as codewords. The Hamming weight  $w_H(c)$  of a non-zero codeword  $c = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$  of  $C$  is the number of non-zero coordinates of element  $c$ , and the Hamming distance between two codewords  $x$  and  $y \in M^n$  which is denoted by  $d_H(x,y)$  is equal to  $w_H(x-y)$ .

For any  $m = a + bv + cv^2 \in M$ , the Gray map  $g$  from  $M$  to  $F_2^3$  is defined as  $g(m) = (a + b + c, a + b, a + c)$ . The Lee weight  $w_L$  for an element  $m \in M$  is given by  $w_L(m) = w_H(g(m))$ . Now, the Lee weight of the element of  $M$  are given as:

$$\begin{cases} w_L(0) = 0, w_L(1) = 3, \\ w_L(v) = w_L(v^2) = w_L(v + v^2) = 2, \text{ and} \\ w_L(1 + v) = w_L(1 + v^2) = w_L(1 + v + v^2) = 1. \end{cases}$$

Lee weight of a codeword  $c = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$  of a linear code  $C$  is defined as  $w_L(c) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_L(c_i)$ , and Lee distance between two codewords  $m_1, m_2$  of  $C$ , (with  $(m_1, m_2) \neq 0$ ) is denoted by  $d_L(m_1, m_2)$  and defined as  $d_L(m_1, m_2) = w_L(m_1 - m_2)$ .

### 2.2. Covering radius of linear codes

**Definition 1.** Let  $C$  be a linear code over  $M$  of length  $n$ . The covering radius of  $C$  with respect distance  $d$ , where  $d \in \{d_H, d_L\}$ , is defined as:

$$r_d(C) = \max\{d(x, C) | x \in M^n\}.$$

**Proposition 1.** [15] Let  $C$  be a code generated by  $G$  over  $M$ ,  $C'$  be a code generated by  $G'$  over  $M$  and  $C''$  be a code generated by  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & G' \\ G'' & A \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $r_d(C'') \leq r_d(C) + r_d(C')$ . Moreover, if  $B$  be the concatenation of  $C$  and  $C'$  then  $r_d(B) \geq r_d(C) + r_d(C')$ .

## 3. Main results

### 3.1. Covering radius of repetition codes

In this section we represents the covering radius of repetition code over  $F_q$ , as well as over  $M$ .

Let  $F_q$  be a finite field of  $q$  element. Let  $C$  be a repetition code over  $F_q$  of length  $n$  defined by  $C = \{(a, a, \dots, a) | a \in F_q\}$  with  $G$  its generator matrix  $G = \begin{pmatrix} a & a & \dots & a \end{pmatrix}$ . Hence  $C$  is  $[n, 1, n]$ -code over  $M$ , and according to [16], the covering radius of  $C$  is equal to  $\lfloor \frac{n(q-1)}{q} \rfloor$ , and the covering radius of  $[n(q-1), 1, n(q-1)]$ -codes over  $F_q$  with generator matrix  $(1, 1, \dots, 1 | a_2, a_2, \dots, a_2 | \dots | a_{q-1}, a_{q-1}, \dots, a_{q-1})$  is equal to  $\lfloor \frac{n(q-1)^2}{q} \rfloor$ .

**Theorem 1.** Let  $C_1$  be unit repetition code of generator matrix  $G_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $C_2$  be zero-divisor repetition code with generator matrix  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + v & 1 + v & \dots & 1 + v \end{pmatrix}$  and  $C_3$  be zero-divisor repetition code with generator matrix  $G_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + v + v^2 & 1 + v + v^2 & \dots & 1 + v + v^2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then we have

- i)  $C_1$  is  $[n, 8, d_H = n, d_L = 3n]$ -code over  $M$  and  $r_{d_L}(C_1) = \frac{3n}{2}$ ,
- ii)  $C_2$  is  $[n, 4, d_H = n, d_L = n]$ -code over  $M$  and  $4 \lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor \leq r_{d_L}(C_2) \leq 2n$ ,
- iii)  $C_3$  is  $[n, 2, d_H = n, d_L = n]$ -code over  $M$  and  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \leq r_{d_L}(C_3) \leq \frac{5n}{2}$ .

**Proof.** i) Since  $C_1 = \{a.(1, 1, \dots, 1) | a \in M\}$  is linear code of length  $n$  and 8 elements,  $d_H(C_1) = \min\{w_H(c) | c \in C, c \neq (0, 0, \dots, 0)\} = n$  and  $d_L(C_1) = nw_L(1) = 3n$ . So  $C_1$  is  $[n, |C_1| = 8, n, 3n]$ -code over  $M$ . Now, we will prove that  $r_{d_L}(C_1) = \frac{3n}{2}$ .

Let  $x \in M^n$ , and

$$\begin{cases} w_0 \text{ be the number of coordinate has } 0 \text{ component,} \\ w_1 \text{ the number of coordinate has } 1 \text{ component,} \\ w_2 \text{ the number of coordinate has } v \text{ component,} \\ w_3 \text{ is the number of coordinate has } v^2 \text{ component,} \\ w_4 \text{ the number of coordinate has } 1 + v \text{ component,} \\ w_5 \text{ the number of coordinate has } 1 + v^2 \text{ component,} \\ w_6 \text{ is the number of coordinate has } v + v^2 \text{ component, and} \\ w_7 \text{ be the number of coordinate has } 1 + v + v^2 \text{ component.} \end{cases}$$

We also have

$$\sum_{i=0}^7 w_i = n$$

and

$$\begin{cases} w_L(x) = w_0w_L(0) + w_1w_L(1) + w_2w_L(v) + w_3w_L(v^2) + w_4w_L(1+v) + w_5w_L(1+v^2) + w_6w_L(v+v^2) \\ \quad + w_7w_L(1+v+v^2) = (w_4+w_5+w_7) + 2(w_2+w_3+w_6) + 3w_1. \\ d_L(x, 00\dots 0) = (w_4+w_5+w_7) + 2(w_2+w_3+w_6) + 3w_1 = n - w_0 + 2w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + w_6, \\ d_L(x, 11\dots 1) = w_L(x - 11\dots 1) = n + 2w_0 - w_1 + w_4 + w_5 + w_7. \end{cases}$$

And by the same way, we have

$$\begin{cases} d_L(x, vv\dots v) = n + w_0 - w_2 + w_3 + 2w_4 + w_6, \\ d_L(x, v^2v^2\dots v^2) = n + w_0 + w_2 - w_3 + 2w_5 + w_6, \\ d_L(x, 1+v1+v\dots 1+v) = n + w_1 + 2w_2 - w_4 + w_5 + w_7, \\ d_L(x, 1+v^21+v^2\dots 1+v^2) = n + w_1 + 2w_3 + w_4 - w_5 + w_7, \\ d_L(x, v+v^2v+v^2\dots v+v^2) = n + w_0 + w_2 + w_3 - w_6 + 2w_7, \\ d_L(x, 1+v+v^21+v+v^2\dots 1+v+v^2) = n + w_1 + w_4 + w_5 + 2w_6 - w_7. \end{cases}$$

So,

$$d_L(x, C_1) = \min\{d_L(x, y) | y \in C_1\} \leq \frac{1}{8}(8n + 4n) = \frac{12n}{8} = \frac{3n}{2}$$

implies

$$d_L(x, C_1) \leq \frac{3n}{2} \quad \forall x \in M^n,$$

hence

$$r_{d_L}(C_1) \leq \frac{3n}{2}.$$

To prove the reverse inequality, take

$$x = \left[ \overbrace{00\dots 0}^m | \overbrace{11\dots 1}^m | \overbrace{v\dots v}^m | \overbrace{v^2v^2\dots v^2}^m | 1+v1+\overbrace{v\dots 1+v}^m | 1+v^21+\overbrace{v^2\dots 1+v^2}^m \right. \\ \left. | \overbrace{v+v^2v+v^2\dots v+v^2}^m | 1+v+v^21+\overbrace{v+v^2\dots 1+v+v^2}^{mn-7m} \right] \in M^n, \text{ with } m = \lfloor \frac{n}{8} \rfloor.$$

So, we have

$$\begin{cases} d_L(x, 00\dots 0) = 2n - 4m, \\ d_L(x, 11\dots 1) = n + 4m, \\ d_L(x, vv\dots v) = n + 4m, \\ d_L(x, v^2v^2\dots v^2) = n + 4m, \\ d_L(x, v+1v+1\dots v+1) = 2n - 4m, \\ d_L(x, v^2+1v^2+1\dots v^2+1) = 2n - 4m, \\ d_L(x, v+v^2v+v^2\dots v+v^2) = 3n - 12m, \\ d_L(x, 1+v+v^21+v+v^2\dots 1+v+v^2) = n + 4m, \\ d_L(x, C_1) = \min\{n + 4m, 2n - 4m, 3n - 12m\} = n + 4m. \end{cases}$$

Then  $r_{d_L}(C_1) \geq n + 4m \geq n + \frac{n}{2} = \frac{3n}{2}$ . Hence,  $r_{d_L}(C_1) = \frac{3n}{2}$ .

- ii) Since  $C_2 = \{b.(1+v, 1+v, \dots, 1+v) | b \in M\} = \{(0, 0, \dots, 0), (1+v, 1+v, \dots, 1+v), (1+v^2, 1+v^2, \dots, 1+v^2), (v+v^2, v+v^2, \dots, v+v^2)\}$ ,  $d_H(C_2) = n$  and  $d_L(C_2) = n$ . So  $C_2$  is  $[n, |C_2| = 4, n, n]$ -code over  $M$ .

Now, we prove  $4 \lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor \leq r_{d_L}(C_2) \leq 2n$ . To prove  $r_{d_L}(C_2) \leq 2n$ , suppose  $x \in M^n$  then

$$\begin{cases} d_L(x, (0, 0, \dots, 0)) = n - w_0 + 2w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + w_6, \\ d_L(x, (1 + v, 1 + v, \dots, 1 + v)) = n + w_1 + 2w_2 - w_4 + w_5 + w_7, \\ d_L(x, (1 + v^2, 1 + v^2, \dots, 1 + v^2)) = n + w_1 + 2w_3 + w_4 - w_5 + w_7, \text{ and} \\ d_L(x, (v + v^2, v + v^2, \dots, v + v^2)) = n + w_0 + w_2 + w_3 - w_6 + 2w_7. \end{cases}$$

Now, since  $w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + w_7 \leq n$ , so  $d_L(x, C_2) = \min\{n - w_0 + 2w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + w_6, n + w_1 + 2w_2 - w_4 + w_5 + w_7, n + w_1 + 2w_3 + w_4 - w_5 + w_7, n + w_0 + w_2 + w_3 - w_6 + 2w_7\} \leq \frac{1}{4}(4n + 4(w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + w_7)) \leq 2n$ .

To prove  $4 \lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor \leq r_{d_L}(C_2)$ , suppose

$$x = \left[ \overbrace{00 \dots 0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor} | \overbrace{1 + v}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor} \overbrace{1 + v}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor} \dots \overbrace{1 + v}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor} | \overbrace{1 + v^2}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor} \overbrace{1 + v^2}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor} \dots \overbrace{1 + v^2}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor} | \overbrace{v + v^2}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor} \overbrace{v + v^2}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor} \dots \overbrace{v + v^2}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor} \right] \in M^n,$$

then

$$\begin{cases} d_L(x, (0, 0, \dots, 0)) = 2n - 4 \lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor, \\ d_L(x, (1 + v, 1 + v, \dots, 1 + v)) = d_L(x, (1 + v^2, 1 + v^2, \dots, 1 + v^2)) = n, \text{ and} \\ d_L(x, (v + v^2, v + v^2, \dots, v + v^2)) = 4 \lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor. \end{cases}$$

Then  $d_L(x, C_2) = \min\{n, 2n - 4 \lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor, 4 \lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor\} = 4 \lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor$  implies  $r_{d_L}(C_2) \geq 4 \lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor$ . Hence we achieved our desired result.

- iii) Since  $C_3$  is linear code with generator matrix  $G_3 = (1 + v + v^2 \quad 1 + v + v^2 \quad \dots \quad 1 + v + v^2)$ , then  $C_3 = \{c \cdot (1 + v + v^2, 1 + v + v^2, \dots, 1 + v + v^2) / c \in M\} = \{(0, 0, \dots, 0), (1 + v + v^2, 1 + v + v^2, \dots, 1 + v + v^2)\}$ ,  $d_H(C_3) = n$ , and  $d_L(C_3) = n \cdot w_L(1 + v + v^2) = n$ . Hence  $C_3$  is  $[n, 2, d_H = n, d_L = n]$ .

Now we prove that  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \leq r_{d_L}(C_3) \leq \frac{5n}{2}$ . To prove  $r_{d_L}(C_3) \leq \frac{5n}{2}$ , suppose  $x \in M^n$  then

$$\begin{cases} d_L(x, (0, 0, \dots, 0)) = n - w_0 + 2w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + w_6, \text{ and} \\ d_L(x, (1 + v + v^2, 1 + v + v^2, \dots, 1 + v + v^2)) = n + w_1 + w_4 + w_5 + 2w_6 - w_7. \end{cases}$$

Now, because  $w_0 + w_1 + w_6 + w_7 \leq n$ , so  $d_L(x, C_3) \leq \frac{1}{2}(3n - 2w_0 + 2w_1 + 2w_6 - 2w_7)$  implies  $d_L(x, C_3) \leq \frac{5n}{2} \forall x \in M^n$ . Hence  $r_{d_L}(C_3) \leq \frac{5n}{2}$ .

It remains to prove  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \leq r_{d_L}(C_3)$ . For this suppose  $x = [\overbrace{00 \dots 0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} | \overbrace{1 + v + v^2}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \overbrace{1 + v + v^2}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \dots \overbrace{1 + v + v^2}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}]$ . Then

$$\begin{cases} d_L(x, (0, 0, \dots, 0)) = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \text{ and} \\ d_L(x, (1 + v + v^2, 1 + v + v^2, \dots, 1 + v + v^2)) = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor. \end{cases}$$

So  $d_L(x, C_3) = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$  and by the definition of covering radius of code we have  $r_{d_L}(C_3) \geq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ .  $\square$

### 3.2. Covering radius of block repetition code over M

**Theorem 2.** Let  $Rp_{U_s}^{3n}$  be a block repetition code of length  $3n$  with generator matrix  $G_{U_s} = (\overbrace{11 \dots 1}^n \quad \overbrace{vv \dots v}^n \quad \overbrace{v^2v^2 \dots v^2}^n)$  and  $Rp_{U_d}^{n_1+n_2+n_3}$  be a block repetition code of length  $n_1 + n_2 + n_3$  with generator matrix  $G_{U_d} = (\overbrace{v n_1 11 \dots 1}^{\overbrace{11 \dots 1}^n} \quad \overbrace{vv \dots v}^{n_2} \quad \overbrace{v^2v^2 \dots v^2}^{n_3})$ . Then

- i) the code  $Rp_{U_s}^{3n}$  is  $[3n, 8, d_H = 3n, d_L = 3n]$ -code over  $M$  with  $r_{d_L}(Rp_{U_s}^{3n}) = \frac{9n}{2}$ , and
- ii) the code  $Rp_{U_d}^{n_1+n_2+n_3}$  is  $[n_1 + n_2 + n_3, 8, d_H = n_1 + n_2 + n_3, d_L = n_1 + n_2 + n_3]$ -code over  $M$  with  $r_{d_L}(Rp_{U_d}^{n_1+n_2+n_3}) = \frac{3}{2}(n_1 + n_2 + n_3)$ .

**Proof.** i) Let  $x \in M^{3n}$  such that  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$  with  $x_i, 1 \leq i \leq 3$  is vector of  $n$  coordinates with  $(s_0, t_0, w_0)$  is the number of coordinate have 0 element in  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  respectively, and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (s_1, t_1, w_1) \text{ is } 1 \text{ times in } x, \\ (s_2, t_2, w_2) \text{ is } v \text{ times in } x, \\ (s_3, t_3, w_3) \text{ is } v^2 \text{ times in } x, \\ (s_4, t_4, w_4) \text{ is } 1 + v \text{ times in } x, \\ (s_5, t_5, w_5) \text{ is } 1 + v^2 \text{ times in } x, \\ (s_6, t_6, w_6) \text{ is } v + v^2 \text{ times in } x, \text{ and} \\ (s_7, t_7, w_7) \text{ is } 1 + v + v^2 \text{ times in } x. \end{array} \right.$$

Then we have

$$\sum_{i=0}^7 s_i = \sum_{j=0}^7 t_j = \sum_{k=0}^7 w_k = n.$$

Let  $c_{i,i=0..7} \in \{\alpha (11 \dots 1 \ v v \dots v \ v^2 v^2 \dots v^2)\}$  such that  $\alpha \in M$ . Then we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} d_L(x, c_0) = 3n - s_0 + 2s_1 + s_2 + s_3 + s_6 - t_0 + 2t_1 + t_2 + t_3 + t_6 - w_0 + 2w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + w_6, \\ d_L(x, c_1) = 3n + 2s_0 - s_1 + s_4 + s_5 + s_7 + t_0 - t_2 + t_3 + 2t_4 + t_6 + w_0 + w_2 - w_3 + 2w_5 + w_6, \\ d_L(x, c_2) = 3n + s_0 - s_2 + s_3 + 2s_4 + s_6 + t_0 + t_2 - t_3 + 2t_5 + t_6 + 2w_0 - w_1 + w_4 + w_5 + w_7, \\ d_L(x, c_3) = 3n + 2s_0 - s_1 + s_4 + s_5 + s_7 + t_0 - t_2 + t_3 + 2t_4 + t_6 + w_0 + w_2 - w_3 + 2w_5 + w_6, \\ d_L(x, c_4) = 3n + s_1 + 2s_2 - s_4 + s_5 + s_7 + t_0 + t_2 + t_3 - t_6 + 2t_7 + w_1 + 2w_3 + w_4 - w_5 + w_7, \\ d_L(x, c_5) = 3n + s_1 + 2s_3 + s_4 - s_5 + s_7 + t_1 + 2t_2 - t_4 + t_5 + t_7 + w_0 + w_2 + w_3 - w_6 + 2w_7, \\ d_L(x, c_6) = 3n + s_0 + s_2 + s_3 - s_6 + 2s_7 + t_1 + 2t_3 + t_4 - t_5 + t_7 + w_1 + 2w_2 - w_4 + w_5 + w_7, \\ d_L(x, c_7) = 3n + s_1 + s_4 + s_5 + 2s_6 - s_7 + t_1 + t_4 + t_5 + 2t_6 - t_7 + w_1 + 2w_2 + w_5 + 2w_6 - w_7. \end{array} \right.$$

Therefore  $d_L(x, Rp_{U_s}^{3n}) = \min\{d_L(x, c_i), i = 0..7\} \leq \frac{1}{8}(24n + 4(\sum_{i=0}^7 s_i) + 4(\sum_{i=0}^7 t_i) + 4(\sum_{i=0}^7 w_i))$  and hence  $d_L(x, Rp_{U_s}^{3n}) \leq \frac{9n}{2} \forall x \in M^{3n}$ .

In other hand by using Preposition 1 we have  $r_{d_L}(Rp_{U_s}^{3n}) \geq 3r_{d_L}(C_1) = \frac{9n}{2}$ .

ii) The prove is similar to i) and left for the readers.

□

**Theorem 3.** Let  $C$  be a block repetition code of length  $2n$  generated by  $G = \left( 1 + v1 + \overbrace{v \dots 1}^n + v \ 1 + v + v^2 1 + \overbrace{v + v^2 \dots 1}^n + v + v^2 \right)$ . Then the code  $C$  is  $[2n, 8, d_H = n, d_L = n]$ -code over  $M^{2n}$  and  $4\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \leq r_{d_L}(C) \leq 4n$ .

**Proof.** By Proposition 1, we have  $r_{d_L} \geq r_{d_L}(C_2) + r_{d_L}(C_3) \geq 4\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ . So  $r_{d_L} \geq 4\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ .

Let  $x \in M^{2n}$  such that  $x = (x_1|x_2)$  with  $m_i, i = 0..7$  is the number of coordinates have  $(0, 1, v, v^2, 1 + v, 1 + v^2, v + v^2, 1 + v + v^2)$  respectively in  $x_1$  and  $l_i, i = 0..7$  is the number of coordinates in  $x_2$  have  $(0, 1, v, v^2, 1 + v, 1 + v^2, v + v^2, 1 + v + v^2)$  respectively. We conclude that  $\sum_{i=0}^7 m_i = \sum_{i=0}^7 l_i = n$ .

Now let  $c_{i,i=0..7} \in \{\alpha (1 + v1 + v \dots 1 + v \ 1 + v + v^2 1 + v + v^2 \dots 1 + v + v^2)\}$  such that  $\alpha \in M$ , then we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} d_L(x, c_0) = 2n - m_0 + 2m_1 + m_2 + m_3 + m_6 - l_0 + 2l_1 + l_2 + l_3 + l_6, \\ d_L(x, c_1) = 2n + m_1 + 2m_2 - m_4 + m_5 + m_7 + l_1 + l_4 + l_5 + 2l_6 - l_7, \\ d_L(x, c_2) = 2n + m_0 + m_2 + m_3 - m_6 + 2m_7 + l_1 + l_4 + l_5 + 2l_6 - l_7, \\ d_L(x, c_3) = 2n + m_1 + 2m_3 + m_4 - m_5 + m_7 + l_1 + l_4 + l_5 + 2l_6 - l_7, \\ d_L(x, c_4) = 2n + m_1 + 2m_3 + m_4 - m_5 + m_7 - l_0 + 2l_1 + l_2 + l_3 + l_6, \\ d_L(x, c_5) = 2n + m_0 + m_2 + m_3 - m_6 + 2m_7 - l_0 + 2l_1 + l_2 + l_3 + l_6, \\ d_L(x, c_6) = 2n + m_1 + 2m_2 - m_4 + m_5 + m_7 - l_0 + 2l_1 + l_2 + l_3 + l_6, \\ d_L(x, c_7) = 2n - m_0 + 2m_1 + m_2 + m_3 + m_6 + l_1 + l_4 + l_5 + 2l_6 - l_7. \end{array} \right.$$

By definition of Lee distance of  $C$ , we have  $d_L(x, C) = \min\{d_L(x, c_i), i = 0..7\} \leq 4n$  for any  $x$  in  $M^{2n}$  which implies that  $r_{d_L}(C) \leq 4n$ . Hence the prove is complete. □

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