On the size of maximal binary codes with 2, 3, and 4 distances

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Abstract

We address the maximum size of binary codes and binary constant weight codes with few distances. Previous works established a number of bounds for these quantities as well as the exact values for a range of small code lengths. As our main results, we determine the exact size of maximal binary codes with two distances for all lengths $n \geq 6$ as well as the exact size of maximal binary constant weight codes with 2,3, and 4 distances for several values of the weight and for all but small lengths.

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