

Abstract

Let p be any odd prime number and let m, k be arbitrary positive integers. The construction for self-dual cyclic codes of length p^k over the Galois ring $\text{GR}(p^2, m)$ is the key to construct self-dual cyclic codes of arbitrary length p^{kn} over the integer residue class ring \mathbb{Z}_{p^2} for any positive integer n satisfying $\text{gcd}(p, n) = 1$. So far, existing literature has only determined the number of these self-dual cyclic codes [Des. Codes Cryptogr. **63**, 105--112 (2012)]. In this talk, we give an efficient construction for all distinct self-dual cyclic codes of length p^k over $\text{GR}(p^2, m)$ by using column vectors of Kronecker products of matrices with specific types. On this basis, we further obtain an explicit expression for all these self-dual cyclic codes by using combination numbers.