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We obtain the Singleton bound for poset block codes and define a maximum distance separable poset block code (MDS (P, π) -code) as a code meeting this bound. We extend the concept of I -balls to poset block metric and describe r -perfect and MDS (P, π) -codes in terms of I -perfect codes. As a special case when all the blocks have the same dimension, we establish that MDS (P, π) -codes are same as I -perfect codes for $I \in \mathcal{I}^{\text{rank}}(P)$. We show that the duality result also holds for this case. Further, we determine the weight enumerator of an MDS (P, π) -code.

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1. Introduction

One of the important aspects of coding theory is to construct codes capable of correcting various errors that occur frequently in communication channels. Since the error correction capability of a code is best determined in terms of its minimum distance,

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