

# Complete permutation polynomials of monomial type

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# Some definitions

$\mathbb{F}_\ell$ : finite field with  $\ell = p^h$  elements

Plane curve  $\mathcal{C} : F(X, Y, T) = 0$

$\mathbb{F}_\ell$ -rational point of  $\mathcal{C}$ :  $P = (x, y, z) \in PG(2, \ell)$  such that  $F(x, y, z) = 0$

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$f : \mathbb{F}_2^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2$  Boolean function is

- **bent** if  $x \mapsto f(x + a) + f(x)$  is balanced  $\forall a \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$  ( $\Leftrightarrow f$  is PNF)
- **bent-negabent** if both  $x \mapsto f(x + a) + f(x)$  and  $x \mapsto f(x + a) + f(x) + \text{Tr}(ax)$  are balanced  $\forall a \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$

## LINK:

*any PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{2^n}$  gives rise to a bent function over  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$*

*any CPP of  $\mathbb{F}_{2^n}$  gives rise to a bent-negabent function over  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$*

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Theorem

$C$  *absolutely irreducible* curve of degree  $d$  defined over  $\mathbb{F}_\ell$

The number  $N_\ell$  of  $\mathbb{F}_\ell$ -rational points satisfies

$$N_\ell \geq \ell + 1 - (d - 1)(d - 2)\sqrt{\ell}$$

$\Downarrow$

for  $\ell$  large enough:

$f(x)$  is a *PP* of  $\mathbb{F}_\ell$

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It is not difficult to construct PP without any prescribed structure

Remark

$f(x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_\ell \iff$

$\alpha f(\gamma x + \delta) + \beta$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_\ell$  ( $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{F}_\ell, \alpha, \gamma \neq 0$ )

PP-equivalence :

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Conjecture (Wu-Li-Helleseth-Zhang 2015)

If  $n + 1$  is prime,  $n + 1 \neq p$ ,  $\gcd(n + 1, q^2 - 1) = 1$ , then:

there exist CPPs of  $\mathbb{F}_{q^n}$  of type  $b^{-1}x^{\frac{q^n-1}{q-1}+1}$

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**WE OBTAIN** : complete classification for  $n^4 < q = p^m$  with the exception of the cases

- $n + 1 = p^r$ , with  $r > 1$
- $n + 1 = p^r(p^r - 1)/2$ , with  $p \in \{2, 3\}$ ,  $r > 1$ ,  $\gcd(r, 2m) = 1$



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Let

$$g(x) = x^{n+1} + \lambda_1 x^n + \cdots + \lambda_{n-1} x^2 + \lambda_n x \in \mathbb{F}_q[x], \lambda_n \neq 0,$$

be a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

$g(x)$  is good if the roots of

$$v_g(x) := \frac{g(-x)}{-x} = x^n - \lambda_1 x^{n-1} + \cdots + (-1)^{n-1} \lambda_{n-1} x + (-1)^n \lambda_n$$

form a unique orbit under the Frobenius map  $z \mapsto z^q$ .

## Proposition

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An exceptional polynomial  $g$  is decomposable if

$$g(x) = g_1(g_2(x)) \text{ with } g_1, g_2 \text{ exceptional pol., } \deg(g_1), \deg(g_2) > 1$$

## Proposition

$g$  good exceptional polynomial  $\implies g$  indecomposable

## Idea

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Unfortunately:

the *complete classification* of indecomposable exceptional polynomials  
is *not known!*



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We use the known partial classification  
of indecomposable exceptional polynomial,  
up to *CPP-equivalence*

# Classification of indecomposable exceptional polynomials, up to CPP-equivalence

A)  $n + 1 \nmid q - 1$  is a prime different from  $p$  and

A1)  $g(t) = (t + e)^{n+1} - e^{n+1}$ ,  $e \in \mathbb{F}_q$

A2)  $g(t) = D_{n+1}(t + e, a) - D_{n+1}(e, a)$ ,

$a, e \in \mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $a \neq 0$ ,  $n + 1 \nmid q^2 - 1$

$D_{n+1}(t, a)$  Dickson polynomial of degree  $n + 1$

B)  $n + 1 = p$  and  $g(t) = (t + e) \left( (t + e)^{\frac{p-1}{r}} - a \right)^r - e \left( e^{\frac{p-1}{r}} - a \right)^r$   
 $r \mid p - 1$ ,  $a, e \in \mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $a^{r(q-1)/(p-1)} \neq 1$ .

C)  $n + 1 = s(s - 1)/2$

$p \in \{2, 3\}$ ,  $q = p^m$ ,  $r > 1$ ,  $s = p^r > 3$  and  $(r, 2m) = 1$ .

D)  $n + 1 = p^r$  with  $r > 1$ .

# Case A1

$n + 1$  is prime,  $n + 1 \neq p$ ,  $n + 1$  does not divide  $q - 1$

$\zeta_{n+1} := (n + 1)$ -th primitive root of unity

## Proposition

Let  $e \in \mathbb{F}_q^*$ . Then

$$g(t) = (t + e)^{n+1} - e^{n+1} \iff \text{ord}_{n+1}(q) = n$$

is *good exceptional* over  $\mathbb{F}_q$

If  $\text{ord}_{n+1}(q) = n$ , then for each  $e \in \mathbb{F}_q^*$  and  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$(e(\zeta_{n+1}^i - 1))^{-1} x^{\frac{q^n-1}{q-1}+1} \text{ is a CPP of } \mathbb{F}_{q^n}$$

## Case A2

$n + 1$  is prime,  $n + 1 \neq p$ ,  $n + 1$  does not divide  $q^2 - 1$

(Dickson polynomials)

$$D_{n+1}(t, a) = \sum_{k=0}^{n/2} \frac{n+1}{n+1-k} \binom{n+1-k}{k} (-a)^k t^{n+1-2k}$$

Proposition

$g(x) = D_{n+1}(x + e, a) - D_{n+1}(e, a)$ ,  $e, a \in \mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $a \neq 0$ ,  $D'_{n+1}(e, a) \neq 0$ ,  
is *good exceptional* over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  if and only if one of the following cases occurs:

- i)  $4 \mid n$  and  $\text{ord}_{n+1}(q) = n$
- ii)  $4 \nmid n$  and  $\begin{cases} e^2 - 4a \notin \square_q, & \text{ord}_{n+1}(q) = n/2 \\ e^2 - 4a \in \square_q, & \text{ord}_{n+1}(q) = n \end{cases}$

## Case B

$$n + 1 = p$$

$N_{\mathbb{F}_q/\mathbb{F}_p}$  : the norm map  $\mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p$ ,  $x \mapsto x^{1+p+p^2+\dots+q/p}$ .

### Theorem

Let  $n^4 < q$ . Then

$b^{-1}x^{\frac{q^n-1}{q-1}+1}$  is a **CPP** of  $\mathbb{F}_{q^n}$



for some  $r \mid n$ , one of the following cases occurs:

- i)  $b \in \{\zeta_{q-1}^i \mid \gcd(r, i) = 1\}$
- ii)  $b \in \{(v_0 - \lambda u_0)^r - e \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{F}_p^*, e, u_0^{p-1} \in \mathbb{F}_q^*, u_0^{\frac{q-1}{r}} \neq 1,$

$$v_0^r = e, \text{ ord} \left( N_{\mathbb{F}_q/\mathbb{F}_p} \left( \frac{u_0^{p-1}}{e^{(p-1)/r}} \right) \right) = p - 1 \}$$

$$n + 1 = 8, p = 2$$

$F(x) \in \mathbb{F}_q[x]$  monic of degree 8

### Proposition

$F(x)$  is *good exceptional* over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  if and only if

$F(x) = x^8 + ax^4 + bx^2 + cx$  is additive and  
 $x^7 + ax^3 + bx + c$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

$$n + 1 = 9, p = 3$$

*No classification is known!*

When is  
$$F(x) = x^9 + A_1x^8 + A_2x^7 + A_3x^6 + A_4x^5 + A_5x^4 + A_6x^3 + A_7x^2 + A_8x$$
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- Determine when

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has only *non-rational components* (other than  $x - y$ )

- Study when the *roots* of  $v_F(x)$  are in a *unique orbit* under Frobenius



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### Proposition

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i)  $F(x) = x^9 + A_6x^3 + A_8x$

and  $x^8 + A_6x^2 + A_8$  irreducible over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ;

ii)  $F(x) = x^9 + A_3x^6 + A_4x^5 + A_5x^4 + \left(A_2^3 + A_3\frac{A_5^3}{A_4^3} + \frac{A_5^2}{A_4}\right)x^3$   
 $+ \left(2A_3A_4 + 2\frac{A_5^3}{A_4^2}\right)x^2 + \left(2A_3A_5 + A_4^2 + 2\frac{A_5^4}{A_4^3}\right)x,$

①  $A_4 \neq 0,$

② the polynomial  $x^8 + 2A_3x^2 + 2A_4 \in \mathbb{F}_q[x]$  has no roots in  $\mathbb{F}_{q^4}$ ;

iii)  $F(x) = x^9 + A_2x^7 + A_3x^6 + A_5x^4 + \left(A_2^3 + \frac{A_3A_5}{A_2}\right)x^3 +$   
 $\left(2A_2A_5 + 2\frac{A_3^3}{A_2^2}\right)x^2 + \left(A_2^4 + A_3A_5 + \frac{A_5^2}{A_2} + \frac{A_4^4}{A_2^2}\right)x,$

①  $2A_2$  is not a square in  $\mathbb{F}_q,$

② the polynomial  $v_F(x) = F(-x)/(-x)$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{F}_q.$

Thank you for your attention!