

Permutation Binomials of the form $x^a + \delta x$ over F_p^n

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Abstract

Permutation polynomials have been studied for over 140 years and have important applications in many areas. However, the constructions of permutation polynomials is still a difficult problem. This note presents permutation binomials of the form

$f(x) = x^a + \delta x$ over the finite field F_2^n and F_3^n .

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1. Introduction

Let p be a prime, n be a positive integer, and F_p^n be the finite field with p^n elements. A polynomial $f(x)$ in $F_p^n[x]$ is said to be a permutation polynomial (PP) over F_p^n , if it induces a permutation from F_p^n to F_p^n . Permutation polynomials have been studied extensively, see [1-4] for surveys of known results on PPs. Permutation Polynomials have important applications in many areas such as coding theory, cryptography, and combinatorial designs[1-7].

The constructions of permutation polynomials is a difficult problem. Recently, the permutation polynomials of ring be constructed by Qijiao Wei and Qifan Zhang[8], the concept of reversed Dickson polynomial $D_n(a, x)$ was first defined by Xiangdong Hou, G.L. Mullen, J.A.. Sellers, J.L. Yucas in[9] by reversing the roles of the variable and the parameter in the Dickson polynomial $D_n(a, x)$. When $a \neq 0$, $D_n(a, x)$ is a PP over F_q if and only if $D_n(1, x)$ is a PP over F_q , and the latter is characterized by the functional equation $D_n(1, y(1-y)) = y^n + (1-y)^n$, and Xiangdong Hou found two new classes of PPs[10], Xiwang Cao also studied Dickson polynomials[11,12].

In[13,14], the permutation behavior of polynomials having the form $(x^{2^k} + x + \delta)^s + x$ over F_2^n are investigated. These works are motivated by a paper by Helleseth and Zinoviev [15], who applied the polynomials defined to derive new Kloosterman sum identities. Jin Yuan, Chunsheng Ding and Qing Xiang [13] described several

permutation polynomials having the form. A continued work [14] further presented many classes of permutation polynomials of such form, and the authors also extended their research to the PPs over F_3^n .

In some paper[16], Luyan Wang constructed some permutation binomials of the form $x^u(x^v + 1)$ over finite fields by Hermiter discriminating methods and portfolio theory, and Amir Akbang, Qiang Wang[17] extended his research and constructed some permutation binomials. Mohamed ayadal, Kacem Belghaba and Omar Kihel [18] show as well how to obtain in certain cases a permutation binomial over a subfield of F_q from a permutation binomial over F_q . And Some Permutation

Binomials of the Form $x(x^{\frac{2^n-1}{k}} + \delta)$ over F_2^n be found by Sumanta Sarkar¹, Srimanta Bhattacharya, and Ayca Cesmelioglu[19]. Some trinomial permutation polynomials of the form $x^r(ax^{2s} + bx^s + c)$ over F_q have been studied by June Bok Lee, Young Ho Park [20] if and only if $3|q-1$ and $s = \frac{q-1}{3}$.

In this note, we construct some permutation binomials of the form $f(x) = x^a + \delta x$.

2. Preliminaries

A polynomial $f(x) \in F_q[x]$ is called a permutation polynomial of F_q can be expressed in various other ways.

Lemma 1 [3]: The polynomial $f(x) \in F_q[x]$ is permutation polynomial of F_q if and only if one of the following conditions holds:

- (1) the function $f: c \rightarrow f(c)$ is onto;
- (2) the function $f: c \rightarrow f(c)$ is one-to-one;
- (3) $f(x) = \alpha$ has a solution in F_q for each $\alpha \in F_q$;

(4) $f(x) = \alpha$ has a unique solution in F_q for each $\alpha \in F_q$.

Lemma 2 [3]: Let F_q be of characteristic p . Then $f(x) \in F_q[x]$ is permutation polynomial of F_q if and only if the following two conditions hold:
 (1) equation $f(x) = 0$ has exactly one root in F_q ;
 (2) for each integer t with $1 \leq t \leq q-2$ and $t \neq 0 \pmod p$, the reduction of $f(x)^t \pmod{x^q - x}$ has degree $\leq q-2$.

We denote by C_k the cyclotomic coset modulo $p^n - 1$ containing $k, 0 \leq k \leq p^n - 2$. i.e.:

$$C_k = \{k, pk, \dots, p^{n-1}k\} \pmod{p^n - 1}.$$

Recall that if $|C_k| = l$, then $\{x^k : x \in F_p^n\} \subset F_p^l$ and F_p^l is the smallest subfield of F_p^n .

Let ω is a primitive element of F_p^n , then the element of F_p^n can be express $\{0, 1, \omega, \omega^p, \dots, \omega^{p^n-2}\}$.

3. General construction

Proposition 1: Let n is even and $\delta \in F_2^n$, if $\delta \notin F_2^m$, $m | n, i | n$, then the function

$$f(x) = x^{2^i} + \delta x \tag{1}$$

is a permutation polynomial of F_2^n .

Proof: The function $f(x)$ is a permutation if and only if the equation

$$x^{2^i} + \delta x = y^{2^i} + \delta y$$

has one solution $x = y$.

Which is equivalent to the

$$(x + y)^{2^i} = \delta(x + y)$$

When $x \neq y$, there is other solution of this equation, so

$$(x + y)^{2^i-1} = \delta,$$

since $i | n$, there is $2^i - 1 | 2^n - 1$, so

$$((x + y)^{2^i-1})^{\frac{2^n-1}{2^i-1}} = \delta^{\frac{2^n-1}{2^i-1}},$$

since $\delta \in F_2^n$, and $\delta \notin F_2^m$, $m | n$,

$$1 = \delta^{\frac{2^n-1}{2^i-1}} \neq 1.$$

The equation has only one solution which is $x = y$, so $f(x)$ is a permutation polynomial of F_2^n .

If $\delta = 1$, $f(x) = x^{2^i} + x$ is a linear function, there are many known linear functions which are permutation.

Proposition 2: Let $d = \alpha_1 + 2^2 \alpha_2 + 2^4 \alpha_3 + \dots + 2^{n-2} \alpha_n$,

$$3j + m = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \dots + \alpha_n, m = 0, 1, 2, \alpha_i = 0 \text{ or } 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{n}{2},$$

and $\delta \notin F_2^2$. Then the function

$$f(x) = x(x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta) \text{ and } g(x) = x(x^{\frac{2(2^n-1)}{3}} + \delta)$$

are permutation polynomials of F_2^n , if one of the following conditions holds:

(1) if $n = 6k, k \geq 1$, when $\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \sum_{l=1+3j} \delta^{d^l} = 0$;

(2) if $n = 6k + 2, k \geq 1$, when $\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \sum_{l=2+3j} \delta^{d^l} = 0$;

(3) if $n = 6k + 4, k \geq 1$, when $\sum_{j=0}^k \sum_{l=3j} \delta^{d^l} = 0$.

Proof: By lemma 2, if the function $f(x) = x(x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta)$ is a permutation polynomial of F_2^n , then the equation

$x(x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta) = 0$ has only one solution. There $x = 0$ is one solution of the equation, then $x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta = 0$ has no solution in F_2^n .

The equation $x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta = 0$ is equivalent to

$$x^{2^n-1} = \delta^3,$$

there $\delta \notin F_2^2$, then $\delta^3 \neq 1$, the equation has no solution, the

equation $x(x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta) = 0$ has only one solution.

We consider the degree of $f(x)^t \pmod{x^{2^n} + x}$,

$$f(x)^t = x^t (x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta)^t = x^t \sum_{r=0}^t C_t^r (x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}})^r \delta^{t-r}.$$

We have $\deg(f(x)^t) = \frac{r(2^n-1)}{3} + t$, when $f(x)^t \pmod{x^{2^n} + x}$

has degree $2^n - 1$, then $\frac{r(2^n-1)}{3} + t = (2^n - 1)l, l \in \mathbb{N}^*$, and

we can get $t = \frac{s(2^n-1)}{3}, s = 1, 2$.

When $t = \frac{2^n-1}{3} = 1 + 2^2 + 2^4 + \dots + 2^{\frac{n}{2}}$, and $d = \alpha_1 + 2^2 \alpha_2$

$+2^4\alpha_3 + \dots + 2^{n-2}\alpha_n$, $\alpha_i = 0$ or $1, i = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{n}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} f(x)^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} &= x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} (x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta)^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} \\ &= x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} (x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta)(x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta)^2 \dots (x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta)^{2^{n-2}} \\ &= x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}(\frac{2^n-1}{3}+1)} + \delta x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}(\frac{2^n-1}{3})} + \delta^4 x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}(\frac{2^n-1}{3}-3)} \\ &\quad + \dots + \delta^d x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}(\frac{2^n-1}{3}-d+1)} + \dots + \delta^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} \\ &= \sum_d \delta^d x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}(\frac{2^n-1}{3}-d+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

We consider only the parts of $f(x)^t$ whose degree is $l(2^n-1)$, the rest parts which mod $x^{2^n}+x$ have degree less than (2^n-1) . We can see, the degree of $\delta^d x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}(\frac{2^n-1}{3}-d+1)}$ is $l(2^n-1)$ only and if only $3 \mid \frac{(2^n-1)}{3} - d + 1$.

When $n = 6k$, $9 \mid 2^n - 1$, and $3 \mid \frac{(2^n-1)}{3}$, then $3 \mid d - 1$, the degree of $\delta^d x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}(\frac{2^n-1}{3}-d+1)}$ is $l(2^n-1)$.

There $d = \alpha_1 + 2^2\alpha_2 + 2^4\alpha_3 + \dots + 2^{n-2}\alpha_n$, and $2^{2^i} \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$,

$i = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{n}{2}$, so when $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \dots + \alpha_n = 3j + 1$,

$0 \leq j \leq 2k - 1$, we have $3 \mid d - 1$.

So the parts of function $f(x)^t$ which have degree $l(2^n-1)$ are

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \sum_{1+3j} \delta^d x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}(\frac{2^n-1}{3}-d+1)} = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \sum_{1+3j} \delta^d x^{2^n-1} \pmod{(x^{2^n}+x)},$$

there $3j + 1 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \dots + \alpha_n$, $\alpha_i = 0$ or $1, i = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{n}{2}$.

Since

$\sum_{j=0}^{2k-1} \sum_{1+3j} \delta^d = 0$, we can get

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \sum_{1+3j} \delta^d x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}(\frac{2^n-1}{3}-d+1)} \equiv 0 \pmod{(x^{2^n}+x)}.$$

Hence we have the degree of $f(x)^t \pmod{x^{2^n}+x}$ has less than 2^n-1 . When $t = \frac{2(2^n-1)}{3}$, we can get same conclusion.

By lemma 2, the function $f(x) = x(x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta)$ is a permutation polynomial of F_2^n with $n = 6k$.

When $n = 6k + 2$ and $n = 6k + 4$, we also get the function $f(x) = x(x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta)$ is a permutation polynomial of F_2^n .

The same results can be obtained on the function $g(x) = x(x^{\frac{2(2^n-1)}{3}} + \delta)$.

This completes the proof.

The permutation binomials of the form $f(x) = x(x^{\frac{2^n-1}{3}} + \delta)$ be found in the paper[19], but we found some different δ .

- Example: 1. When $n = 6, t \in C_t, t = 7$, the function $f(x) = x(x^{2^1} + \omega^t)$ and $f(x) = x(x^{4^2} + \omega^t)$ are permutation polynomials;
 2. When $n = 8, t \in C_t, t = 37, 41, 61, 63$, the function $f(x) = x(x^{8^5} + \omega^t)$ and $f(x) = x(x^{17^0} + \omega^t)$ are permutation polynomials;
 3. When $n = 10, t \in C_t, t = 19, 33, 45, 57, 115, 117, 119, 127, 165, 187, 253, 379$, the function $f(x) = x(x^{34^1} + \omega^t)$ and $f(x) = x(x^{68^2} + \omega^t)$ are permutation polynomials.

Proposition 3: Let $d = \alpha_1 + 3\alpha_2 + 3^2\alpha_3 + \dots + 3^{n-1}\alpha_{n-1}$, $2j + m = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \dots + \alpha_{n-1}, m = 0, 1, \alpha_i = 0$ or $1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$, and $\delta^2 \neq 1$. Then the function

$$f(x) = x(x^{\frac{3^n-1}{2}} + \delta)$$

is a permutation polynomial of F_3^n , if one of the following conditions holds:

- (1) if $n = 2k, k > 1$, when $\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \sum_{1+2j} \delta^d = 0$;
 (2) if $n = 2k + 1, k \geq 1$, when $\sum_{j=0}^k \sum_{2j} \delta^d = 0$.

The proof of the proposition 3 can be given in accordance with the proof of the proposition 2.

Example: 4. When $n = 4, t \in C_t, t = 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 15, 17, 20, 23, 25$,

the function $f(x) = x(x^{40} + \omega')$ is a permutation polynomial ;

5. When $n=3, t \in C_7, t=1,7,8$, the function $f(x) = x(x^{13} + \omega')$ is a permutation polynomial ;

6. When $n=5, t \in C_7, t=1,2,5,7,8,13,14,16,17,19,22,23,32,41, 50,61,62,68,77$, the function $f(x) = x(x^{121} + \omega')$ is a permutation polynomial .

4. Conclusions

We found the polynomial $f(x) = x(x^\alpha + \delta)$, $\alpha = \frac{2^n - 1}{3(2^{\frac{n}{2}} - 1)}$ is

a permutation polynomial of F_2^n , with $\text{Tr}(\delta^\alpha) = 1$ when $n=6,10$, but if $n > 10$, we do not know the polynomial should be a permutation polynomial. For some time, we kept working in this field.

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