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Abstract

Let R denotes a finite commutative ring. A polynomial $f(x) \in R[x]$ is said to be a *permutation polynomial* over \mathbb{F}_q if the associated polynomial function $f : c \rightarrow f(c)$ from R into R is a permutation of R . This thesis is dedicated to the study of specific types of permutation polynomials over finite fields and finite group rings. Permutation polynomials have various applications in distinct areas of mathematics. We are mainly concerned with the question that given $f(x) \in S[x]$ where S can be a finite field or finite group ring, when does the mapping $x \rightarrow f(x)$ induce a permutation on S ?

In this thesis, we study permutation trinomials over \mathbb{F}_{q^3} of the form $f(x) = x^d + L(x^s)$ by choosing some suitable integers d, s and a linearized polynomial $L(x)$ i.e. A polynomial for which exponents of all constituent monomials are powers of q and coefficients come from some extension field of the finite field of order q . In general, it is difficult to study permutation trinomials over \mathbb{F}_{q^3} . In fact, it can be seen in the literature that the coefficients of most of the so far known permutation trinomials are all 1. For $d = 1$ and for different linearized polynomials $L(x)$, we give explicit conditions on the coefficients of these polynomials to become permutation polynomials. More precisely, we propose three new classes of permutation trinomials over \mathbb{F}_{q^3} in chapter 3. Among these classes, the first two classes are $x + Ax^{q^2-q+1} + x^{q^2+q-1}$ (Theorem 3.4.1) and $x + Ax^{q^3-q^2+q} + x^{q^2+q-1}$ (Theorem 3.4.2), q even and the third class is $x + Ax^{q^2-q+1} + A^2x^{q^2}$ (Theorem 3.5.1), q odd. We also prove a conjecture given by [13] as a particular case of our results.

In this thesis, we also investigate permutation behavior of polynomials over $\mathbb{F}_{p^{2m}}$ of the form $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^s + L(x)$ and $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_1} + (x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_2} + L(x)$, where $L(x)$ is a linearized polynomial. More precisely, using a method based on criterion given by Akbary et. al. (AGW Criterion) and by determining the number of solutions of certain lower degree equations in a subset of $\mathbb{F}_{p^{2m}}$, three classes of permutation polynomials of the form $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^s + L(x)$ (Theorem 4.2.1, Theorem 4.2.4 and Theorem 4.2.5) and three classes of permutation polynomials of the form $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_1} + (x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_2} + L(x)$ (Theorem 4.2.2, Theorem 4.2.3 and Theorem 4.2.6) over the finite field $\mathbb{F}_{p^{2m}}$ are given, where $p = 3$ or $p = 5$, $L(x) = ax^{p^m} + ax$

and $a \in \mathbb{F}_{p^m}^*$.

Also, we further extended the study of permutation behavior of polynomials of same form and propose seven classes of permutation polynomials of the form $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^s + L(x)$ (Theorem 5.2.1) and $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_1} + (x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_2} + L(x)$ (Theorem 5.3.1, Theorem 5.3.2, Theorem 5.3.3, Theorem 5.3.4, Theorem 5.3.5 and Theorem 5.3.6) over $\mathbb{F}_{p^{2m}}$, where $L(x) = x$ and $p = 5$. Determination of number of solutions of some lower degree equations in a subset of $\mathbb{F}_{p^{2m}}$ plays a key role in our constructions.

Further, permutation polynomials over R have many applications in cryptography and coding theory mostly when R is a field. There is some study for permutation polynomials over residue class rings. But picture is not so clear for arbitrary commutative rings. We also study permutation polynomials over finite group rings in this thesis and give a class of permutation polynomial over the group ring $F_p C_{p^n}$ (Theorem 6.2.1).

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माना R एक परिमित क्रमविनिमेय वलय को दर्शाता है। एक बहुपद $f(x) \in R[x]$ को \mathbb{F}_q पर एक क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपद कहा जाता है यदि संबद्ध बहुपद फलन $f: c \rightarrow f(c)$, R से R तक R का क्रमपरिवर्तन है। यह शोध प्रबंध परिमित क्षेत्रों और परिमित समूह वलय पर विशिष्ट प्रकार के क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपदों के अध्ययन के लिए समर्पित है। गणित के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपदों के विभिन्न अनुप्रयोग होते हैं। हमें मुख्य रूप से इस प्रश्न से संबद्ध हैं कि दिया गया $f(x) \in S[x]$ जहां S एक परिमित क्षेत्र या परिमित समूह वलय हो सकता है, मैपिंग $x \rightarrow f(x)$, S पर क्रमपरिवर्तन कब प्रेरित करती है?

इस शोध प्रबंध में, हम \mathbb{F}_{q^3} पर कुछ उपयुक्त पूर्णांक d, s और एक रैखिककृत बहुपद $L(x)$ चुनकर $f(x) = x^d + L(x^s)$ प्रकार की क्रमपरिवर्तन त्रिपदों का अध्ययन करते हैं यानी एक बहुपद जिसके सभी एकपदी घटक के घातांक q की घातें हैं और गुणांक q क्रम के परिमित क्षेत्र के किसी विस्तार क्षेत्र से आते हैं। सामान्यतः \mathbb{F}_{q^3} पर क्रमपरिवर्तन त्रिपदों का अध्ययन करना कठिन है। वास्तव में, साहित्य में देखा सकता है कि अब तक ज्ञात अधिकांश सभी क्रमपरिवर्तन त्रिपदों के गुणांक 1 हैं। $d = 1$ और विभिन्न रैखिककृत बहुपदों $L(x)$ के लिए, हमने क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपद बनने के लिए इन बहुपदों के गुणांकों पर स्पष्ट शर्तें दी हैं। अधिक सटीक रूप से, अध्याय 3 में हमने \mathbb{F}_{q^3} पर क्रमपरिवर्तन त्रिपदों के तीन नए वर्गों का प्रस्ताव दिया है। इन वर्गों में से, पहले दो वर्ग $x + Ax^{q^2-q+1} + x^{q^2+q-1}$ (प्रमेय 3.4.1) और $x + Ax^{q^3-q^2+q} + x^{q^2+q-1}$ (प्रमेय 3.4.2), q सम हैं और तीसरा वर्ग $x + Ax^{q^2-q+1} + A^2 x^{q^2}$ (प्रमेय 3.5.1), q विषम है। हमारे परिणामों के एक विशेष मामले के रूप में हम [13] द्वारा दिया गया अनुमान भी साबित करते हैं।

इस शोध प्रबंध में, हम $\mathbb{F}_{p^{2m}}$ पर $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^s + L(x)$ और $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_1} + (x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_2} + L(x)$, जहाँ $L(x)$ एक रैखिककृत बहुपद है, प्रकार के बहुपदों के क्रमपरिवर्तन व्यवहार की भी जांच करते हैं। अधिक सटीक से, अकबरी एट अल. द्वारा दिए गए मानदंड (एजीडब्ल्यू मानदंड) पर आधारित एक विधि का उपयोग करके और $\mathbb{F}_{p^{2m}}$ के एक उपसमुच्चय में कुछ निम्न डिग्री समीकरणों के समाधान संख्या निर्धारित करके, $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^s + L(x)$ प्रकार के क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपद के तीन वर्ग (प्रमेय 4.2.1, प्रमेय 4.2.4 और प्रमेय 4.2.5) और $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_1} + (x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_2} + L(x)$ प्रकार के क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपद के तीन वर्ग (प्रमेय 4.2.2, प्रमेय 4.2.3 और प्रमेय 4.2.6) परिमित क्षेत्र $\mathbb{F}_{p^{2m}}$ पर दिए गए हैं, जहां $p = 3$ या $p = 5$, $L(x) = ax^{p^m} + ax$ और $a \in \mathbb{F}_q^*$ हैं।

साथ ही, हमने इसी रूप के बहुपदों के क्रमपरिवर्तन व्यवहार के अध्ययन को और आगे बढ़ाया और $\mathbb{F}_{p^{2m}}$ पर $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^s + L(x)$ (प्रमेय 5.2.1) और $(x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_1} + (x^{p^m} - x + \delta)^{s_2} + L(x)$ (प्रमेय 5.3.1, प्रमेय 5.3.2, प्रमेय 5.3.3, प्रमेय 5.3.4, प्रमेय 5.3.5 और प्रमेय 5.3.6) प्रकार

के क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपदों के सात वर्गों का प्रस्ताव दिया है, जहां $L(x) = x$ और $p = 5$ है। $\mathbb{F}_{p^{2m}}$ के एक उपसमुच्चय में कुछ निम्न डिग्री समीकरणों के समाधान की संख्या का निर्धारण हमारे निर्माण में एक महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाता है। इसके अलावा, R पर क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपदों के क्रिप्टोग्राफी और कोडिंग सिद्धांत में कई अनुप्रयोग होते हैं, ज्यादातर तब जब R एक क्षेत्र होता है। क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपद के लिए कुछ अध्ययन अवशेष वर्ग के वलय पर है। लेकिन स्वेच्छित विनिमेय वलय के लिए तस्वीर इतनी स्पष्ट नहीं है। इस शोध प्रबंध में हमने परिमित समूह वलय पर क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपद का भी अध्ययन किया है और समूह वलय $\mathbb{F}_p C_{p^n}$ (प्रमेय 6.2.1) पर क्रमपरिवर्तन बहुपद का एक वर्ग दिया है।

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List of Symbols

\mathbb{N}	the set of natural numbers
\mathbb{Z}	the set of integers
p	a prime
q	a prime power
$a b$	a divides b
$a \nmid b$	a does not divide b
$a \equiv b \pmod{n}$	a congruent to b modulo n
$a \not\equiv b \pmod{n}$	a not congruent to b modulo n
$\forall x$	for all x
$ S $	number of elements of a finite set S
$x \in X$	x belongs to X
$x \notin X$	x does not belong to X
$A \subseteq S$	A is a subset of S
$A \not\subseteq S$	A is not a subset of S
$\gcd(a, b)$	the greatest common divisor of a and b
$\phi(n)$	Euler's phi function of n
$=$	is equal to
\neq	is not equal to
\mathbb{F}_q	finite field with q elements
\mathbb{F}_q^*	the multiplicative group of non zero elements of \mathbb{F}_q
$\mathbb{F}_q[x]$	the polynomial ring over \mathbb{F}_q
$Tr_1^m(\alpha)$	the trace of $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}_{q^m}$ over \mathbb{F}_q