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The classification of planar monomials over fields of order a prime cubed

Abstract: In finite fields of odd characteristic, planar functions play an important role. They present a one-to-one connection with commutative semifields and they can be used to construct finite projective planes. Moreover, in cryptographic scenarios, they correspond to perfect nonlinear functions, providing an optimal resistance to linear and differential cryptanalysis when used in DES-like cryptosystems.

The Dembowski-Ostrom conjecture states that, up to adding constants or linear terms, the only planar functions over finite fields are necessarily DO polynomials, that are polynomials with only quadratic terms. This conjecture was proved true for polynomials over prime fields, for monomials over fields of square order and for monomials over fields of order p^4 with p>3. Instead, it was shown false for fields of characteristic 3, with the smallest counterexample being over the finite field with 3^4 elements. In this seminar, we fill a gap by giving a complete classification of planar monomials over fields of order p^3, establishing the DO conjecture in this case. The proof makes use of Hermite's criteria to eliminate all potential exponents that are not DO exponents.

The result presented is a joint work with Robert Coulter and Emily Bergman.

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