

Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$. Let $F(X) = X^{\frac{p+1}{2}} + aX^{\frac{p+5}{6}} + bX$ be a polynomial over \mathbb{F}_p . Let α be a primitive root in \mathbb{F}_p .

Notice that $F(X) = X(X^{\frac{p-1}{2}} + aX^{\frac{p-1}{6}} + b)$. We will use the approach of considering the α^{6k+r} , $r = 0, \dots, 5$. This divides $F(X)$ into 6 classes:

- $F(\alpha^{6k}) = \alpha^{6k}(1 + a + b)$
- $F(\alpha^{6k+1}) = \alpha^{6k+1}(1 + a\alpha^{\frac{p-1}{6}} + b)$
- $F(\alpha^{6k+2}) = \alpha^{6k+2}(1 + a\alpha^{\frac{p-1}{3}} + b)$
- $F(\alpha^{6k+3}) = \alpha^{6k+3}(-1 - a + b)$
- $F(\alpha^{6k+4}) = \alpha^{6k+4}(1 + a\alpha^{2\frac{p-1}{3}} + b)$
- $F(\alpha^{6k+5}) = \alpha^{6k+5}(1 + a\alpha^{5\frac{p-1}{6}} + b)$

These classes should be disjoint, to find conditions on a and b we equate these classes (with different exponents of 6).

Class $6k$

- Class $6l + 1$

$$\alpha^{6k}(1 + a + b) = \alpha^{6l+1}(1 + a\alpha^{\frac{p-1}{6}} + b)$$

$$\alpha^{6(k-l)}(1 + a + b) = \alpha(1 + a\alpha^{\frac{p-1}{6}} + b)$$

$$\alpha^{6(k-l)} = \alpha^{\frac{(1+a\alpha^{\frac{p-1}{6}}+b)}{(1+a+b)}}$$

From this we know that a and b must satisfy $\alpha^{6m} \neq \alpha^{\frac{(1+a\alpha^{\frac{p-1}{6}}+b)}{(1+a+b)}}$

- Class $6l + 2$

$$\alpha^{6k}(1 + a + b) = \alpha^{6l+2}(1 + a\alpha^{\frac{p-1}{3}} + b)$$

$$\alpha^{6(k-l)}(1 + a + b) = \alpha^2(1 + a\alpha^{\frac{p-1}{3}} + b)$$

$$\alpha^{6(k-l)} = \alpha^{2\frac{(1+a\alpha^{\frac{p-1}{3}}+b)}{(1+a+b)}}$$

From this we know that a and b must satisfy $\alpha^{6m} \neq \alpha^{2 \frac{(1+a\alpha^{\frac{p-1}{3}}+b)}{(1+a+b)}}$

- Class $6l + 3$

$$\alpha^{6k}(1+a+b) = \alpha^{6l+3}(-1-a+b)$$

$$\alpha^{6(k-l)}(1+a+b) = \alpha^3(-1-a+b)$$

$$\alpha^{6(k-l)} = \alpha^{3 \frac{(-1-a+b)}{(1+a+b)}}$$

From this we know that a and b must satisfy $\alpha^{6m} \neq \alpha^{3 \frac{(-1-a+b)}{(1+a+b)}}$

- Class $6l + 4$

$$\alpha^{6k}(1+a+b) = \alpha^{6l+4}(1+a\alpha^{2 \frac{p-1}{3}} + b)$$

$$\alpha^{6(k-l)}(1+a+b) = \alpha^4(1+a\alpha^{2 \frac{p-1}{3}} + b)$$

$$\alpha^{6(k-l)} = \alpha^{4 \frac{(1+a\alpha^{2 \frac{p-1}{3}}+b)}{(1+a+b)}}$$

From this we know that a and b must satisfy $\alpha^{6m} \neq \alpha^{4 \frac{(1+a\alpha^{2 \frac{p-1}{3}}+b)}{(1+a+b)}}$

- Class $6l + 5$

$$\alpha^{6k}(1+a+b) = \alpha^{6l+5}(1+a\alpha^{5 \frac{p-1}{6}} + b)$$

$$\alpha^{6(k-l)}(1+a+b) = \alpha^5(1+a\alpha^{5 \frac{p-1}{6}} + b)$$

$$\alpha^{6(k-l)} = \alpha^{5 \frac{(1+a\alpha^{5 \frac{p-1}{6}}+b)}{(1+a+b)}}$$

From this we know that a and b must satisfy $\alpha^{6m} \neq \alpha^{5 \frac{(1+a\alpha^{5 \frac{p-1}{6}}+b)}{(1+a+b)}}$