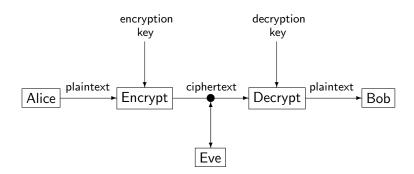
Bent Sequences and Feedback with Carry Shift Registers

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Cryptography



Kerckhoff's Principle

"In assessing the security of a cryptosystem, one should always assume the enemy knows the method being used."

\mathbb{F}_2 or "GF two"

Binary Operations for \mathbb{F}_2

XOR $0 \oplus 0 := 0$ $0 \oplus 1 := 1$ $1 \oplus 0 := 1$ $1 \oplus 1 := 0$

Encryption

 \oplus

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| | 0101001101000001010100110100110101000011 | plaintext |
|----------|--|------------|
| \oplus | 000110000000101100011111000111010001001 | key |
| | 0100101101001010010011000101000001010001 | ciphertext |

Decryption

| | 0100101101001010010011000101000001010001 | ciphertext |
|----------|--|------------|
| \oplus | 000110000000101100011111000111010001001 | key |
| | 0101001101000001010100110100110101000011 | plaintext |

Why use stream ciphers?

- plaintext length is not always known
- fast and easy to implement in hardware
- near one-time-pad security

What is a pseudorandom sequence?

R1. uniform distribution

$$|\sum_{n=1}^{p} (-1)^{a_n}| \leq 1$$

R2.

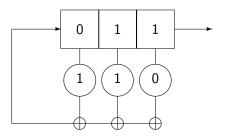
$$\frac{1}{2^i}$$
 of the runs have length i

R3. low auto-correlation,

$$C(\tau) = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{p} (-1)^{a_n + a_{n+\tau}}}{p}$$

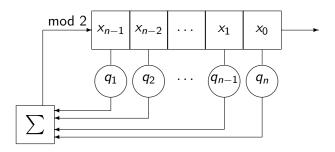
Example

$$a = [1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0]$$



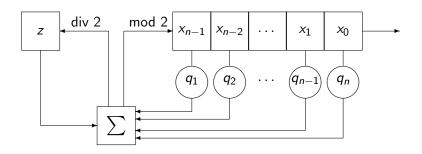
LFSR

Linear Feedback Shift Register



FCSR

Feedback with Carry Shift Register



- 2-adic integers
- ► Boolean functions
- ► Bent Sequences

 $10101010101010101010101010\dots$

10101010101010101010101010...

Definition

The infinite integer sequence (x_n) determines a **2-adic integer** α , or $(x_n) \to \alpha$, if

$$x_{i+1} \equiv x_i \pmod{2^{i+1}} \quad \forall i \ge 0. \tag{1}$$

Two sequences (x_n) and (x'_n) determine the same 2-adic integer if

$$x_i \equiv x_i' \pmod{2^{i+1}} \quad \forall i \ge 0. \tag{2}$$

The **set of all 2-adic integers** will be denoted by \mathbb{Z}_2 .



Let $(x_n) \to \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_2$. Then the first 5 terms of (x_n) may look something like:

$$(x_n) = (1, \\ 1 + 0 \cdot 2, \\ 1 + 0 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 2^2, \\ 1 + 0 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 2^2 + 0 \cdot 2^3, \\ 1 + 0 \cdot 2 + 1 \cdot 2^2 + 0 \cdot 2^3 + 1 \cdot 2^4, \dots)$$
$$= (1, 1, 5, 5, 21, \dots)$$

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\alpha = 11001 \cdots
1 = 1000 \cdots
2 = 0100 \cdots
3 = 1100 \cdots
-1 = 1111 \cdots
1/3 = 1101010101 \cdots
-1/3 = 1010101010 \cdots
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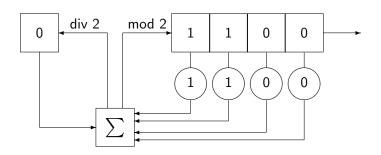
Let $\alpha=(a_n)\in\mathbb{Z}_2\setminus (0)$. If m is the smallest number in $\mathbb{N}\cup\{0\}$ such that $a_m\not\equiv 0\pmod 2^{m+1}$, then the **2-adic valuation** of α is m, or $\log_2(\alpha)=m$. If $\alpha=0$, then $\log_2(\alpha)=\infty$.

Example

Let $\alpha = 00010111011111\cdots$. Then $\log_2(\alpha) = 3$.

FCSR

$$\frac{-4}{5} = 00110011001100110011\cdots$$



\mathbb{F}_2 or "GF two"

| XOR | AND |
|-------------------|------------------|
| $0 \oplus 0 := 0$ | $0 \cdot 0 := 0$ |
| $0\oplus 1:=1$ | $0 \cdot 1 := 0$ |
| $1 \oplus 0 := 1$ | $1 \cdot 0 := 0$ |
| $1\oplus1:=0$ | $1 \cdot 1 := 1$ |

Table: Binary Operations for \mathbb{F}_2

$$\mathbb{F}_2^n$$
 or "GF two to the n"

Example

Let
$$a,b\in\mathbb{F}_2^3$$
 such that $a=(1,0,1)$ and $b=(0,1,1)$ then

$$a + b = (1 \oplus 0, 0 \oplus 1, 1 \oplus 1) = (1, 1, 0)$$

 $a \cdot b = 1 \cdot 0 \oplus 0 \cdot 1 \oplus 1 \cdot 1 = 1$

Fact

 \mathbb{F}_2^n is a vector space.

Boolean functions in \mathcal{BF}_n

Definition

Any function f defined such that

$$f: \mathbb{F}_2^n \to \mathbb{F}_2$$

is a **Boolean function**. The set of all Boolean functions on n variables will be denoted by \mathcal{BF}_n .

An example

Example Let
$$f = x_0 + x_1$$
.

| <i>x</i> ₀ | <i>x</i> ₁ | $f(x_0,x_1)$ |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 |

Table: Truth Table of f

Characters of \mathbb{F}_2^n

Definition

A character χ of a finite abelian group G is a group homomorphism from G into the multiplicative group of complex numbers.

Fact

$$\chi_{\lambda}(x) := (-1)^{\lambda \cdot x}$$
, where $\lambda, x \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$, is a character of \mathbb{F}_2^n .

Let the **dual group** $\hat{\mathbb{F}}_2^n$ be the group of all characters of \mathbb{F}_2^n .

$$(\chi \cdot \psi)(x) = \chi(x)\psi(x), \ x \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$$

$$\mathbb{F}_2^n \cong \hat{\mathbb{F}}_2^n$$

$$\lambda \mapsto \chi_{\lambda}$$

Definition

Let $f \in \mathcal{BF}_n$. Then $\hat{f}: \mathbb{F}_2^n \to \{1, -1\}$ such that $\hat{f}(x) = (-1)^{f(x)}$ is a pseudo-Boolean function

Example

Let $f = x_0 + x_1$.

| <i>x</i> ₀ | <i>x</i> ₁ | $f(x_0,x_1)$ | $\hat{f}(x_0,x_1)$ |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | -1 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | -1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |

Table: Truth Table of \hat{f}

Definition

Let $f \in \mathcal{BF}_n$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$. Then the *Walsh transform* of f is defined by:

$$W_f(\lambda) = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{F}_2^n} \hat{f}(x) \chi_{\lambda}(x). \tag{3}$$

Lemma

The characters of \mathbb{F}_2^n belong to $\hat{\mathcal{BF}}_n = \{\hat{f} : f \in \mathcal{BF}_n\}$ and form an orthonormal basis of $\hat{\mathcal{BF}}_n \otimes \mathbb{R}$.

Lemma

For $\hat{f} \in \mathcal{BF}_n$,

$$\hat{f}(x) = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_2^n} c(\lambda) \chi_{\lambda}(x) \tag{4}$$

where $c(\lambda)$ are given by

$$c(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \mathcal{W}_f(\lambda) \tag{5}$$

Call the $c(\lambda)$'s Fourier coefficients.

Rothaus' Definition and First Theorem

Definition

If all of the Fourier coefficients of \hat{f} are ± 1 then f is a **bent function**.

Theorem

If f is a bent function on \mathbb{F}_2^n , then n is even. Moreover, the degree of f is at most n/2, except in the case n=2.

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$$wt(f) = 2^{n-1} \pm 2^{n/2-1}$$

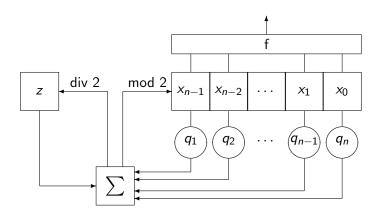
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(R3) 3.
$$\sum_{x \in \mathbb{F}_2^n} f(x) + f(x+a) = 0 \ \forall a \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$$

Non-Linear Filtering



Boolean Sequence

Definition

Let $f \in \mathcal{BF}_n$ and $v_i \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$ such that $v_i = B^{-1}(i)$ for $0 \le i < 2^n$. Then,

$$seq(f) = (f(v_0), f(v_1), \dots, f(v_{2^n-1}), f(v_0), \dots)$$
 (6)

is a lexicographical Boolean sequence.

Definition

Let (a_n) be a sequence. If T is the smallest integer such that $a_i = a_{i+T}$, then the **minimal period** of (a_n) is T.

Theorem

The lexicographical Boolean sequence of a Bent function has a period exactly 2^n .



Boolean Sequence

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$$\alpha_f = (f(v_0), f(v_0) + f(v_1) \cdot 2, \cdots, f(v_0) + \cdots + f(v_i) \cdot 2^i, \cdots)$$
 (7)

where $\alpha_f \in \mathbb{Z}_2$ is called the **2-adic expansion** of f.

Lemma

The digit representation of α_f is seq(f).



Maiorana-McFarland Class Boolean Functions

A simple bent function construction is accomplished by the Boolean functions in the **Maiorana-McFarland class**. This is the the set \mathcal{M} which contains all Boolean functions on $\mathbb{F}_2^n = \{(x,y): x,y \in \mathbb{F}_2^{n/2}\}$, of the form:

$$f(x,y) = x \cdot \pi(y) \oplus g(y)$$

where π is any permutation on $\mathbb{F}_2^{n/2}$ and g any Boolean function on $\mathbb{F}_2^{n/2}$.

All functions in the Maiorana-McFarland class of Boolean functions are bent.

Consider the subset of Maiorana-McFarland class Boolean functions where g(y)=0. $\bar{\pi}$ will be the function which specifies where each index moves to under the permutation π .

Theorem

$$\log_2(\alpha_{x \cdot \pi(y)}) = 2^{n/2} + 2^{\bar{\pi}(y_0)}$$

The 2-adic valuation of the Boolean sequence of the functions in this subset is entirely dependent on the permutation π .