

CRYPTO - 05/12/2023

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STREAM CIPHERS

TUE 12/12  
WED 13/12  
FRI 15/12

DR. DALOLINI BLOCK CIPHERS - AES  
TUTORING ON STREAM CIPHERS  
ZOOM TUTORING ? (TO BE CONFIRMED)

TUE 18/12  
WED 20/12  
FRI 22/12

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END OF NIST ELLIPE + TUTORING  
ZOOM TUTORING

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WED 10/01  
FRI 12/01

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TUTORING  
ZOOM TUTORING

TUE 16/01  
WED 17/01  
FRI 19/01

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ZOOM TUTORING

APPLICATION OF INFORMATION THEORY

CRYPTOGRAPHIC FEATURES

KERCKOFFS' PRINCIPLE

ATTACKS

SYMMETRIC AND ASYMMETRIC ENCRYPTION

SYMMETRIC ENCRYPTION SCHEME

FUNDAMENTAL ENTROPY PROPERTIES OF A SECURE SCHEME

ENTROPY OF THE KEY AND KEY LENGTH

ONE-TIME PAD

STREAM CIPHERS VS. BLOCK CIPHERS

BINARY RANDOM SEQUENCES AND THEIR PROPERTIES

LFSRs, M-SEQUENCES AND THEIR PROPERTIES

LFSRs AND STREAM CIPHERS: THE LINEARITY PROBLEM

EXERCISE 4-1

## APPLICATION OF INFORMATION THEORY: CODING

SOME REDUNDANCY IS ADDED TO COUNTER

NOISE AND INTERFERENCE

ERROR DETECTION :

CHECK MESSAGE  
INTEGRITY  
= DETECT THE ERROR,  
[CRC]

ERROR CORRECTION :

CORRECT THE ERRORS

(TURBO CODES, LDPC, POLAR CODES)

## APPLICATION OF INFORMATION THEORY: CRYPTOGRAPHY

TO PREVENT

- UNAUTHORIZED READING OF THE MESSAGE
- CHANGING THE MESSAGE
- STEALING THE IDENTITY
- REPUDIATING A MESSAGE

## CRYPTOGRAPHIC FEATURES

- CONFIDENTIALITY
- INTEGRITY
- AUTHENTICATION
- SIGNATURE

( THE IDENTITY OF  
THE SENDER  
CAN BE PROVED  
BY A THIRD  
PARTY AUTHORITY )

## CRYPTOANALYSIS

ATTACHER WANTS TO

- READ MESSAGE

- CHANGE MESSAGE

- STEAL IDENTITY

AUTHOR WANTS TO

- REPUDIATE MESSAGE

# KERCKOFFS' PRINCIPLE

THE ATTACHER

PERFECTLY

KNOWS THE ENCRYPTION ALGORITHM

("THE ENEMY KNOWS THE SYSTEM")

C. SHANNON

PROTECTION MUST BE ASSURED BY

ALGORITHM

KEY

## TERMINOLOGY

MESSAGE = PLAINTEXT

ENCRYPTED MESSAGE = CIPHERTEXT

## ATTACKS

CIPHERTEXT ONLY :

THE ATTACHER HAS

ACCESS TO SOME

CIPHERTEXTS

KNOWN

PLAINTEXT

THE ATTACHER HAS ACCESS

TO SOME

PLAINTEXT/ CIPHERTEXT PAIRS

CHosen

PLAINTEXT

THE ATTACKER IS ABLE  
TO OBTAIN THE CRYPTEXT  
CORRESPONDING TO ANY  
PLAINTEXT IT WANTS.

## BRUTE FORCE ATTACK

THIS IS A CIPHERTEXT-ONLY ATTACK  
WHERE THE ATTACHER TRIES ALL THE POSSIBLE KEYS.

COMPUTATIONALLY SECURE ALGORITHM

THE ALGORITHM IS ABLE TO

RESIST TO AN

ATTACK FOR A REASONABLE

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AMOUNT OF TIME

## Example of brute-force attack

**Check all possible keys until you guess the correct one**

In order to simply flip through the possible values for a 128-bit symmetric key you need  $2^{128}$  operations

Fastest supercomputer is about 1000 PetaFLOPS =  $1000 \cdot 10^{15}$  FLOPS =  $10^{18} \cong 2^{60}$

$2^{128}/2^{60} = 2^{48}$  seconds about 9 Myears

# DIFFERENTIAL CRYPTANALYSIS

CHOOSE PLAINTEXT ATTACH

WHERE THE ATTACKER

IS ABLE TO OBTAIN THE

CIPHERTEXTS

RESPONDING TO PLAINTEXTS

WITH SOME SPECIFIC DIFFERENCES

(E.G. CAST BYTE)

# L I N E A R      C R Y P T O N A L Y S I S

THE ATTACKER BUILDS A LINEAR  
MODEL INVOVING  
PLAINTEXT, KEY, CIPHERTEXT  
TO APPROXIMATE THE TRUE  

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ENCRYPTION ALGORITHM LOOKING  
FOR SOME BIAS REVEALING  
PORTIONS OF THE PLAINTEXT OR KEY.

FOR ENCRYPTION

LINEARITY IS VERY BAD

GIVEN A PLAINTEXT/ CIPHERTEXT

PAIR WE CAN RECOVER THE

KEY AND DECODE ALL

SUCCESSIVE MESSAGES

ALL ENCRYPTION ALG. MUST

HAVE A NON-LINEAR COMPONENT

## SYMMETRIC AND ASYMMETRIC ENCRYPTION

SYMMETRIC : THERE IS A SINGLE PRIVATE KEY WHICH IS USED FOR ENCRYPTION AND DECRYPTION  
( THE KEY MUST BE EXCHANGED ON A SECURE CHANNEL BEFORE STARTING ENCRYPTION )

[ AES ]

ASYMMETRIC: THERE ARE TWO KEYS  
ONE PUBLIC USED FOR ENCRYPTION  
ONE PRIVATE USED FOR DECRYPTION

[RSA]

SYMMETRIC AND ASYMMETRIC SCHEMES CAN BE COMBINED TOGETHER.

FOR EXAMPLE, ASYMMETRIC ENCRYPTION CAN BE USED TO EXCHANGE THE PRIVATE KEY THEN SYMMETRIC ENCRYPTION FOR EXCHANGING MESSAGES.

[ EX. TLS / SSL PROTOCOL ]

# ALPHABETS

A

PLAINTEXT

MESSAGE

$M \in A^{n}$

( VECTORS OF  $A^n$   
SYMBOLS TAKEN  
FROM A )

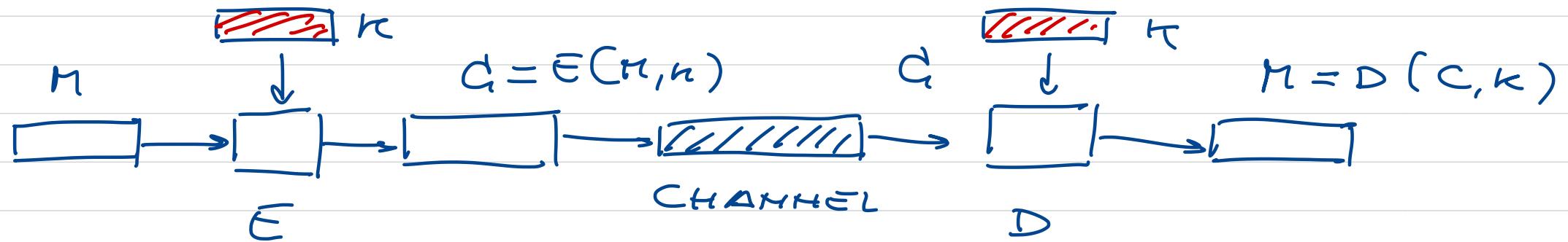
KEY

$K \in A^{k}$

CIPHERTEXT

$G \in A^c$

# SYMMETRIC ENCRYPTION SCHEME



$\bar{E}$  ≡ ENCRYPTION ALGORITHM

$\bar{D}$  ≡ DECRYPTION ALGORITHM

# ENTROPY AND INFORMATION GAIN

$H(x) \equiv$  ENTROPY  $\equiv$  MEASURE OF UNCERTAINTY  
ABOUT  $x$

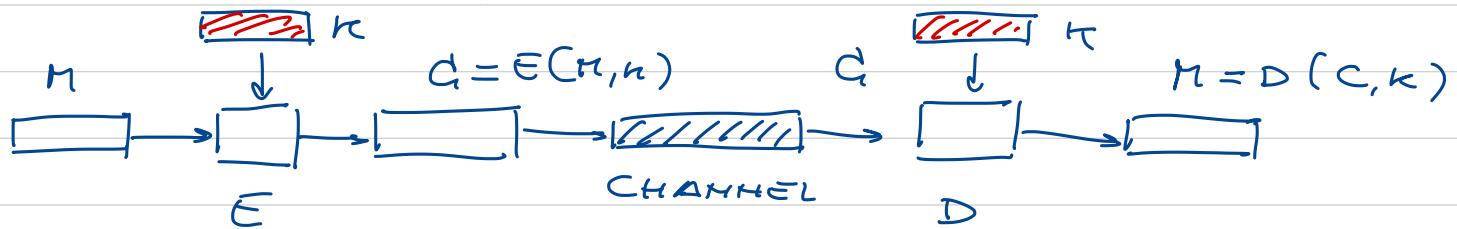
$H(x,y) \equiv$  joint entropy  $H(x,y) = H(x|y) + H(y)$

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$H(x|y) \equiv$  conditional entropy  $\equiv$  residual unc.  
ABOUT  $x$   
AFTER  $y$  IS  
OBSERVED

$I(x;y) = H(x) - H(x|y) \equiv$  INFORMATION  
GAIN  
 $\equiv$  REDUCTION OF UNCERTAINTY  
ABOUT  $x$  WHEN  $y$  IS OBSERVED

# FUNDAMENTAL ENTROPY PROPERTIES OF A SECURE SCHEME



$$\textcircled{1} \quad H(M|C) = H(M) \quad I(M; C) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad H(M|C, K) = 0$$

THESE ARE THE FUNDAMENTAL PROPERTIES  
OF A COMPLETELY SECURE  
SYMMETRIC ENCRYPTION SCHEME

## ENTROPY OF THE KEY

$$H(\kappa) \geq H(\kappa|c) = H(\kappa, c) - H(c) = (\dagger)$$

$$H(\kappa, c, n) = \underbrace{H(n|\kappa, c)}_0 + H(\kappa, c)$$

$$(\ddagger) = H(\kappa, c, n) - H(n, c) = H(\kappa|c, n)$$

$$-H(c) + H(n, c) + H(n|c)$$

$$= H(\kappa|c, n) + H(n|c) \geq H(n|c) = H(n)$$

$$\geq 0$$

$$H(\kappa) \geq H(n)$$

FINAL

RESULT

$$H(\pi) \geq H(n)$$

KEY LENGTH

SUPPOSE THAT BOTH MESSAGE AND

KEY ARE MADE BY RANDOM

SYMBOLS FROM ALPHABET A

$$H(K) = N_K H(A)$$

$$H(M) = N_M H(A)$$

$$\rightarrow N_K \geq N_M$$

$$N_k \geq N_n$$

TO HAVE A COMPLETELY SECURE  
ENCRYPTION SCHEME

THE KEY SHOULD BE  
AT LEAST AS LONG  
AS THE MESSAGE

# ONE-TIME PAD

$$A = \{0, 1\}$$

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BINARY  
SUM

	+	0 1
0	0 1	0 1
1		1 0

M OF N BITS

K OF N BITS

$$C = E(M, K) = M \oplus K$$

1011

1011

—————  
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$$M = D(C, K) = C \oplus K$$

exp!

$$C \oplus K = \underbrace{M \oplus K \oplus K}_0 \oplus K = M$$

THIS IS COMPLETELY SECURE

BUT

THE K HAS SAME LENGTH  
OF THE MESSAGE

CANNOT BE REUSED

( IF WE REUSE IT TWICE, IT'S EQUIVALENT  
TO USE A KEY OF N BITS FOR A MESSAGE OF 2N BITS )

## DISCUSSION

IN PRACTICAL THE KEY LENGTH IS  
ALWAYS SMALLER THAN THE MESSAGE LENGTH

## STREAM CIPHERS VS. BLOCK CIPHERS

STREAM CIPHERS: WE START FROM THE KEY,

WE GENERATE A LONG PSEUDO-RANDOM SEQUENCE

AND WE ENCRYPT OUR MESSAGE BY A

SYMBOL BY SYMBOL

BINARY SUP

BLOCK CIPHERS: WE USE THE KEY

WE ENCRYPT OUR MESSAGE

BLOCK BY BLOCK

BY A COMPLEX ALGORITHM

# STREAM CIPHERS

MESSAGE  $M$  OF  $N_n$  BITS

KEY  $K$  OF  $N_k < N_n$  BITS

$K$  IS USED TO GENERATE A PSEUD. RANDOM

SEQUENCE  $S$  OF  $N_n$  BITS

ENCRYPTION:

$$C = M \oplus S \quad \text{BINARY SUM}$$

DECRIPTION:

SAME  $K$  IS USED TO GENERATE  $S$

$$\Rightarrow M = C \oplus S$$

# ADVANTAGES OF STREAM CIPHERS

USUALLY VERY FAST

ENCRYPTION IS THE BINARY SUM

WITH A LONG PSEUDO-RANDOM  
SEQUENCE

DIFFICULT TO GENERATE

SECURE PSEUDO-RANDOM SEQUENCES

(FOR SOME APPLICATIONS, BLOCK CIPHERS

ARE CONSIDERED MORE SECURE)

# RANDOM BINARY SEQUENCES

## STREAM CIPHERS:

WE NEED A LONG PSEUDO-RANDOM  
BINARY SEQUENCE  
TO ENCRYPT OUR MESSAGES

MATH.

PROPERTIES OF A BINARY RANDOM SEQ.

BITS < STATISTICALLY IMP.  
EQUI-PROBABLE

IF WE OBSERVE A BINARY RANDOM  
SEQUENCE

WE HAVE THESE PROPERTIES:

LENGTH  $N$  LONG ENOUGH

$$N_0 = N_1 = \frac{N}{2}$$

# OF # OF  
ZEROS ONES

RUN OF LENGTH  $i$  IS A SEQUENCE  
OF  $i$  CONSECUTIVE EQUAL SYMBOLS

1 0 1 1 0 0 1 1 1 0  
 1 1 2 2 3

$$X_T = \text{TOTAL NUMBER OF RUNS} = \sum_{i=1}^N$$

$$X_i = \text{NUMBER OF RUNS OF LENGTH } i = \frac{X_T}{\sum_i}$$

$$X_i(0) = X_i(1) \quad [\# \text{ RUNS OF ZEROS OF LENGTH } i \\ = \# \text{ RUNS OF ONES OF LENGTH } l]$$

## AUTO-CORRELATION

$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$   
 $= \neq \neq =$

$\begin{array}{c} \vee \\ \backslash \\ \vee' \\ \backslash \end{array}$   
 BINARY SEQUENCE  
 BIPOLAR SEQUENCE  
 $1 \rightarrow +1$   
 $0 \rightarrow -1$

$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{cccc} \hline 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} = 0$

$$R(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} v'(i) v'(i-z)$$

$$0 \leq z \leq N-1$$

WE VIEW THE  
 SEQUENCE AS  
 PERIODIC WITH  
 PERIOD  $N$

$$0 \leq z \leq n-1$$

$z = 0$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ -1 \ 0 \ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ -1 \ 0 \ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \end{array} = 4$$

$n$

$z = 1$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ -1 \ 0 \ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ 0 \ -1 \ 1 \end{array}$$

$z = z$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ -1 \ 0 \ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ -1 \end{array}$$

FOR A BINARY RANDOM SEQUENCE

$$R(z) = \begin{cases} z=0 & R(z) = N \\ z \neq 0 & R(z) = 0 \end{cases}$$

WE NOW INTRODUCE AN ALGORITHM

THAT STARTING FROM A SEED

GENERATES A PSEUDO-RANDOM

BINARY SEQUENCE

WITH NEARLY OPTIMAL PROPERTIES

# SHIFT REGISTER

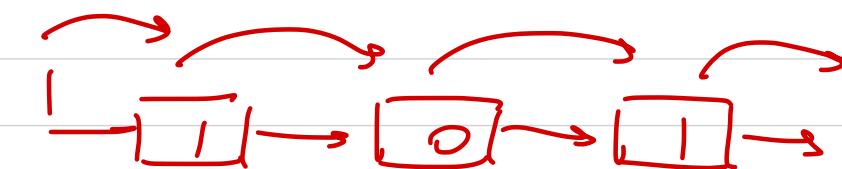
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CELL

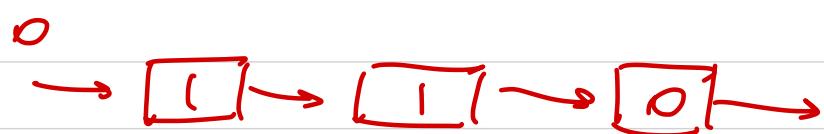


SHIFT  
REGISTER

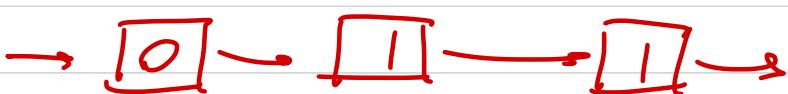
M CELLS



TIME IS SLOTTED

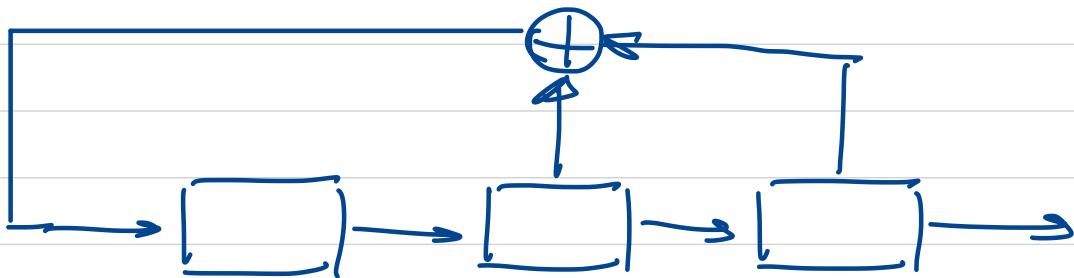


BITS MOVE



LEFT  $\rightarrow$  RIGHT

# LINEAR FEEDBACK SHIFT REGISTER (LFSR)

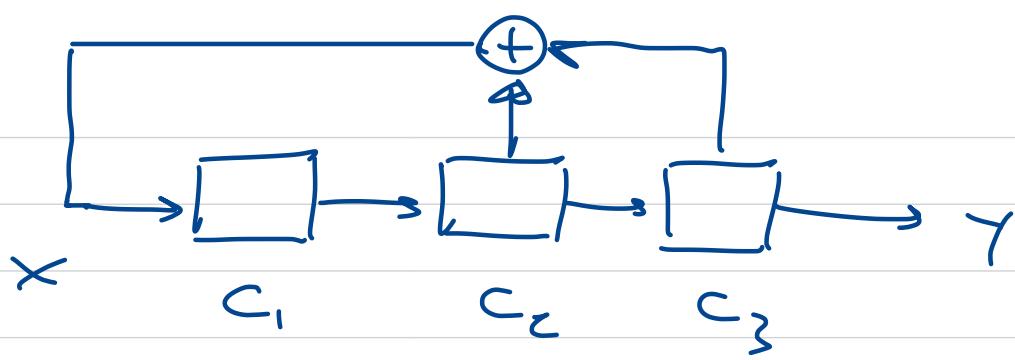


INPUT BIT IS GENERATED BY

THE CELL CONTENT

THE OUTPUT BIT IS TAKEN

FROM LAST CELL



$$X = C_2 \oplus C_3$$

	$C_1$	$C_2$	$C_3$	$Y = C_3$
1	0	0	-	1
0	1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	1

FROM THIS POINT THE SEQUENCE IS REPEATED

OUTPUT SEQ. = 1 0 0 1 0 1 1

PERIOD

$$N = 7$$

$$x = z - 1$$

THE ALL. ZERO STATE DUST BE

AVOIDED: IF WE ENTER IT

WE STAY THERE FOREVER

→ THE BITS GENERATED

ARE ALL ZEROS

→ NOT RANDOM !

MAXIMUM PERIOD

M

IS  $A = Z - 1$

NOTE:

IF WE START FROM ANOTHER

STARTING SEEQ

WE OBTAIN A CYCLIC SHIFT

OF THE SAME SEQUENCE

NUMBER OF ZEROS AND ONES

1 0 0 1 0 1 1

$$N = 7$$

$$N_1 = 4$$

$$N_0 = 3$$

$$N_1 = N_0 + 1$$

R U H S

100 10 11 | 1001011  
)( ) 3

- $H_1 = 2$

$$H_i = \frac{N_T}{z^i}$$

- $H_2 = 1$

$$H_3 = 1$$

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$$H_T = H_1 + H_2 + H_3 = 4$$

# AUTO-CORRELATION

$$R(z) = \begin{cases} N & z=0 \\ 0 & z \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

IDEAL

$$R(z) = \begin{cases} N & z=0 \\ -1 & z \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

LFSR  
SEQUENCE

$  1001011$	$  -1 -1 1 -1 1 1$ $  1 1 -1 -1 1 -1$ <hr/> $  -1 1 -1 -1 -1   = -1$
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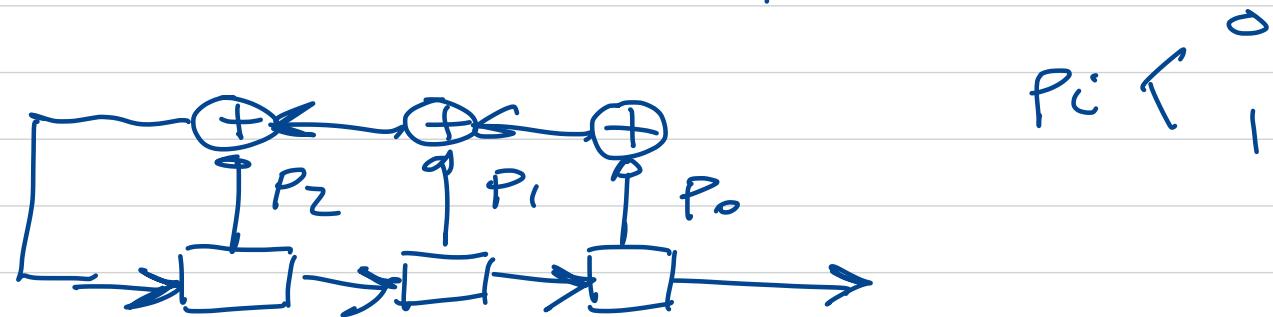
WITH  $M$  CELLS  
AN LFSR  $\checkmark$  GENERATES A BINARY

SEQUENCE WITH PERIOD  $K = 2^M - 1$

IF THE FEEDBACK IS PROPERLY

CHosen

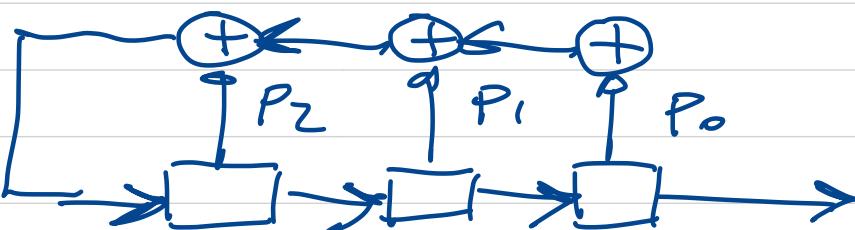
POLYNOMIAL DESCRIPTION



$$P(D) = D^3 + P_2 D^2 + P_1 D + P_0$$

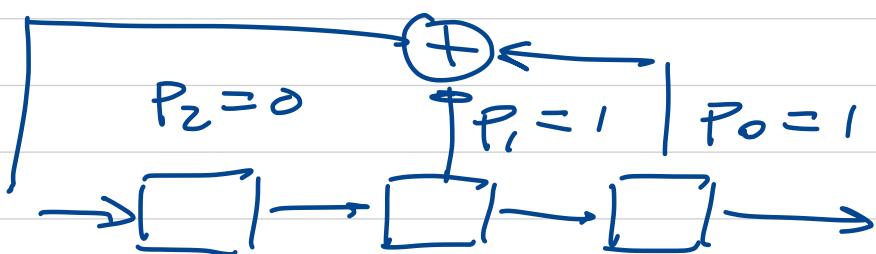
INDETERMINATE

## POLYNOMIAL DESCRIPTION



$$P_i \leftarrow 0$$

$$P(D) = D^3 + P_2 D^2 + P_1 D + P_0$$



$$D^3 + D + 1$$

## PRIMITIVE POLYNOMIAL

WHEN THE POLYNOMIAL IS  
PRIMITIVE

THE PERIOD IS MAXIMUM

$$N = 2^m - 1$$

AND THE BINARY SEQUENCE

IS CALLED

AN M-SEQUENCE

T

MAXIMAL

PERIOD

## LFSR AND STREAM CIPHERS

IN PRINCIPLE WE COULD USE AN LFSR FOR A STREAM CIPHER:

- WE START FROM A KEY OF  $N_k$  BITS
- WE USE IT AS THE STARTING SEED OF AN LFSR WITH  $m = N_k$  CELLS
- WE GENERATE THE M-SEQUENCE  $s$  OF  $N = Z^{N_k} - 1$  BIT J
- WE ENCRYPT OUR MESSAGE AS A STREAM CIPHER  $C = M \oplus s$

## THE LINEARITY PROBLEM

UNFORTUNATELY THERE IS A PROBLEM!

THE LFSR IS LINEAR  $\rightarrow$  IF WE OBSERVE

$2^m$  CONSECUTIVE BITS OF AN

M-SEQUENCE  $\therefore$  WE CAN COMPUTE

THE LFSR POLYNOMIAL COEFFICIENTS

$\rightarrow$  STARTING FROM THIS POINT WE

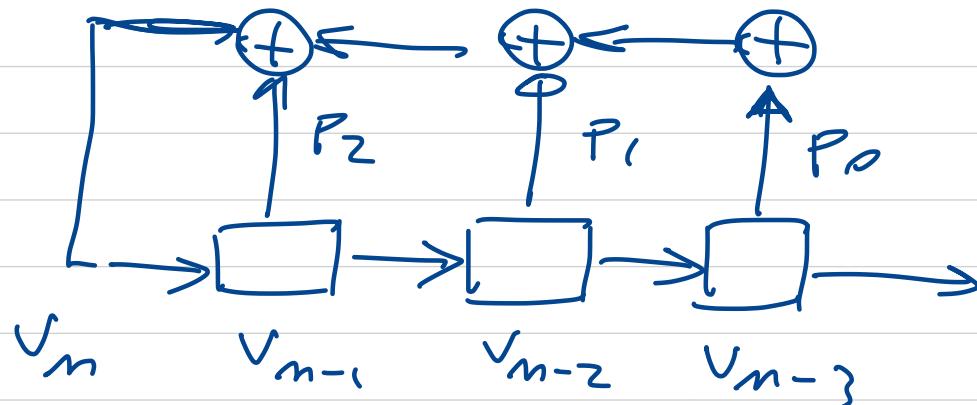
ARE ABLE TO GENERATE ALL

SUCCESSIVE BITS OF THE SEQUENCE  $\nwarrow$

THEN WE CAN DECRYPT THE

CIPHERTEXT!

# HOW TO BREAK A LINEAR LFSR



$v_{n-3} \ v_{n-2} \ v_{n-1} \ v_n \dots$

GIVEN THIS BINARY  
SEQUENCE WE  
WANT TO DETERMINE  
 $P_2 \ P_1 \ P_0$

$$v_m = P_2 v_{m-1} + P_1 v_{m-2} + P_0 v_{m-3}$$

SEQUENCE:  $v_0 \ v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3 \ v_4 \ v_5$  (2m BITS)

$$v_3 = P_2 v_2 + P_1 v_1 + P_0 v_0$$

$$v_4 = P_2 v_3 + P_1 v_2 + P_0 v_1$$

$$v_5 = P_2 v_4 + P_1 v_3 + P_0 v_2$$

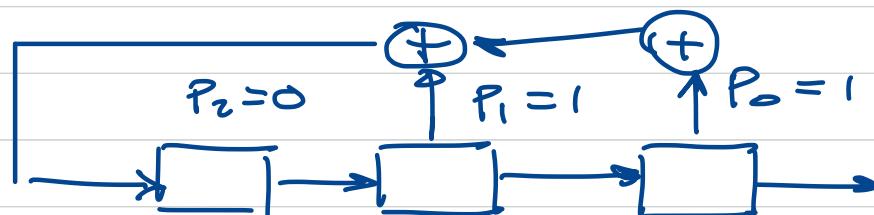
$$\begin{bmatrix} v_5 \\ v_4 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_4 & v_3 & v_2 \\ v_3 & v_2 & v_1 \\ v_2 & v_1 & v_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_2 \\ P_1 \\ P_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

SOLVE FOR  $\begin{bmatrix} P_2 \\ P_1 \\ P_0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{matrix} v_0 & v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & v_4 & v_5 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \times \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_5 \\ v_4 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_4 & v_3 & v_2 \\ v_3 & v_2 & v_1 \\ v_2 & v_1 & v_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_2 \\ p_1 \\ p_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_2 \\ p_1 \\ p_0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} p_1 = 1 \\ p_2 = 0 \\ p_0 = 1 \end{matrix}$$



NOTE THAT WE CAN  
OBTAIN A SEGMENT OF 2M  
CONSECUTIVE BITS OF THE SEQUENCE  
 $S$  BY A KNOWN PLAINTEXT  
ATTACK ON A PORTION OF  
THE MESSAGE

$$C = n \oplus S \rightarrow S = n \oplus C$$

## NON-LINEARITY

TO HAVE A SECURE STREAM CIPHER

WE MUST ADD SOME NON-LINEARITY

TO THE LFSR

→ THIS WAY EVEN IF WE

ARE ABLE TO INTERCEPT

A PORTION OF THE SEQUENCE  $\{S_i\}$

WE ARE NOT ABLE TO

COMPUTE THE POLYNOMIAL COEFFICIENTS

AND BREAK THE SYSTEM

# Assignment 4

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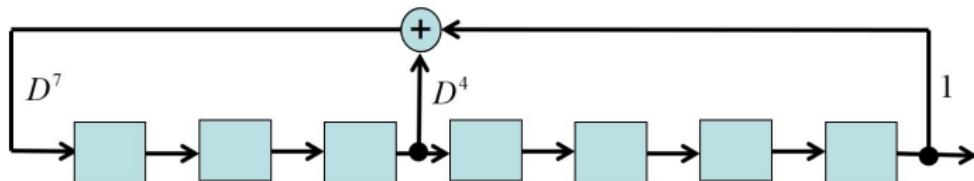
# Assignment 4

- Exercise 1 - Stream Ciphers - pt. XX

# Exercise 1 - Stream Ciphers - pt. XXX

# Exercise 1 - LFSR M-sequences

Study the M-sequence generated by this Linear Feedback Shift Register (LFSR):



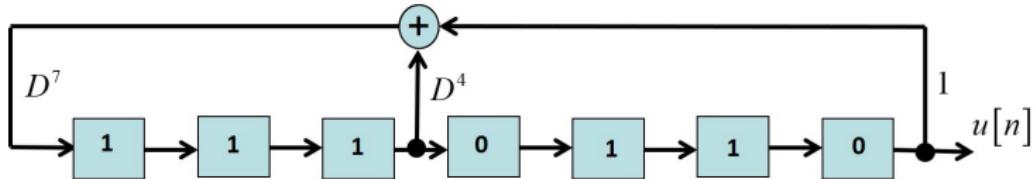
The LFSR is characterized by;

- $m=7$  cells
- polynomial  $D^7 + D^4 + 1$

(The association between the feedback connections and the polynomial coefficients is not unique, the reverse order is used too. The proposed one is the association used by Matlab in its functions.)

# Starting seed

Use the starting seed 1110110



The polynomial is primitive then the LFSR generates an m-sequence with

- period  $N = 2^m - 1 = 127$  bits
- first bits = 0110111100...

Denote the binary sequence by  $v(n)$  and the corresponding bipolar sequence  $(0 \rightarrow -1, 1 \rightarrow +1)$  by  $v'(n)$ , for  $0 \leq n \leq N - 1$ .

When needed, consider them as the principal periods of periodic sequences.

- ① (pt. XXX) Generate the 127-bit M-sequence  $v(n)$ , compute the values of  $N_1$  and  $N_0$  (number of bits equal to 1 or 0 in  $v(n)$ ), check if  $N_1 = N_0 + 1$ .
- ② (pt. XXX) Prove that for an M-sequence we always have  $N_1 = N_0 + 1$ .

$$\frac{N_T}{z^i}$$

- ③ (pt. XXX) Write a table with the values of  $NR_0(i)$  and  $NR_1(i)$  (number of runs of  $i$  consecutive 0 or 1 symbols in  $v(n)$ ).
- ④ (pt. XXX) Compare the values of  $NR(0)$  and  $NR(1)$  against the run properties of an ideal binary random sequence.
- ⑤ (pt. XXX) Prove that we cannot have a run of  $m$  zeros, or a run of  $m + 1$  ones.

# Autocorrelation

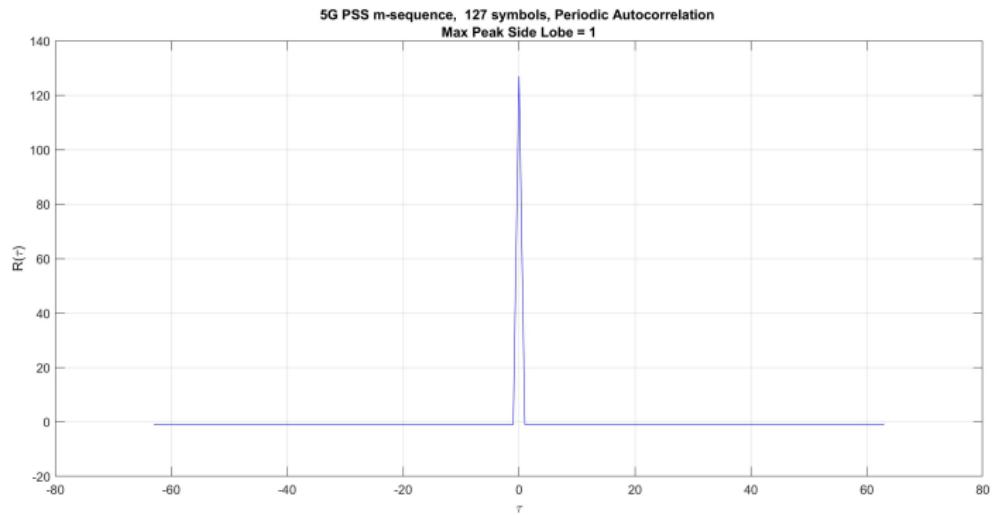
- ⑤ (pt. 0.5) Compute and plot the periodic autocorrelation function

$$R(\tau) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} v'(n)v'(n-\tau) \quad -\frac{N-1}{2} \leq \tau \leq \frac{N-1}{2}$$

Verify the property:

- $R(\tau) = N$  for  $\tau = 0$
- $R(\tau) = -1$  for  $\tau \neq 0$

# Autocorrelation plot



## LFSR

```
m=7; % number of cells  
Nb=2^m-1; % period  
pnSequence = comm.PNSequence('Polynomial',[7 4 0], ...  
'SamplesPerFrame',Nb,'InitialConditions',[1 1 1 0 1 1 0]);  
x1 = pnSequence();'
```

## Autocorrelation

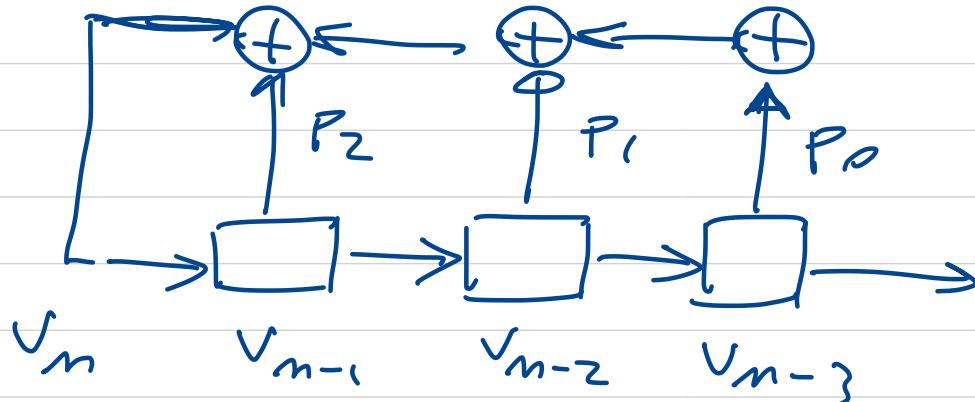
```
x1b=2*x1-1; % bipolar version 0 → -1 1 → +1  
R=ifft(fft(x1b).*conj(fft(x1b))); % non-normalized periodic autocorr.
```

# Breaking a linear LFSR

By a chosen plaintext attack, you manage to intercept this portion of the key:  
XXXXXXXXXX(40 bits)

**I sent the string by email to all the students who delivered Assignment 1.  
If you did not receive the email, contact me ([roberto.garello@polito.it](mailto:roberto.garello@polito.it)).**

- ⑥ (pt. XXX) Compute the primitive polynomial of the LFSR
- ⑦ (pt. XXX) Generate the next 20 bits of the key



$v_{m-3} \ v_{m-2} \ v_{m-1} \ v_m \dots$

GIVEN THIS BINARY  
SEQUENCE WE  
WANT TO DETERMINE  
 $P_2 \ P_1 \ P_0$

$$v_m = P_2 v_{m-1} + P_1 v_{m-2} + P_0 v_{m-3}$$

SEQUENCE:  $v_0 \ v_1 \ v_2 \ v_3 \ v_4 \ v_5$

$$v_3 = P_2 v_2 + P_1 v_1 + P_0 v_0$$

$$v_4 = P_2 v_3 + P_1 v_2 + P_0 v_1$$

$$v_5 = P_2 v_4 + P_1 v_3 + P_0 v_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_5 \\ v_4 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_4 & v_3 & v_2 \\ v_3 & v_2 & v_1 \\ v_2 & v_1 & v_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_2 \\ P_1 \\ P_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

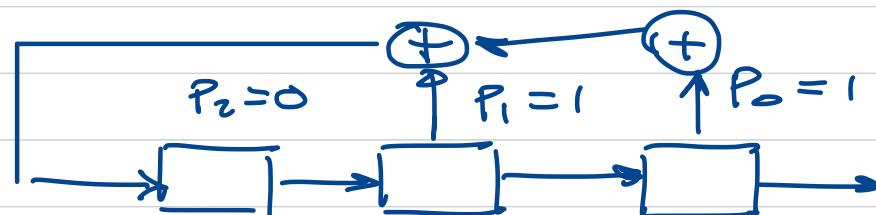
SOLVE  
FOR

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_2 \\ P_1 \\ P_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} v_0 & v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & v_4 & v_5 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \times \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_5 \\ v_4 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_4 & v_3 & v_2 \\ v_3 & v_2 & v_1 \\ v_2 & v_1 & v_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_2 \\ p_1 \\ p_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_2 \\ p_1 \\ p_0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} p_1 = 1 \\ p_2 = 0 \\ p_0 = 1 \end{matrix}$$



# Matlab

## How to solve equations in GF(2)

```
R = rank(gf(A)); % computes the rank of the binary matrix A  
[x,v] = gflineq(A,b,2); % solves the binary linear equation b=Ax  
(If v = 0 the equation has no solution.)
```

- START FROM  $m = 3$
- TRY TO COMPUTE  $b$
- IF  $b$  EXISTS CHECK IF SUCCESSIVE BITS ARE CORRECT
- IF YES GENERATE NEXT 20 BITS AND STOP
- OTHERWISE  $m = m + 1$  AND REPEAT

# SNOW

- 7 (pt. XXX) Consider the SNOW stream cipher (choose a version), and prepare no more than 3 slides as if you had to present them to your colleagues: scheme, high-level description, (no details,) give some info on applications and how non-linearity is achieved, list the references used.

THIS PART NOT FOR FINAL EXAM

A BINARY POLYNOMIAL OF DEGREE  $m$

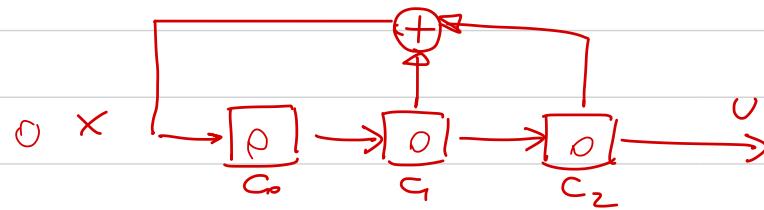
IS PRIMITIVE IF AND ONLY IF

- IT IS DIVISIBLE ONLY BY 1 AND ITSELF

- IT DIVIDES  $x^m - 1$  WITH  $x = 2 - 1$

AND DOES NOT DIVIDE  $x^\gamma - 1$  WITH  $\gamma < m$

# LFSR AND MATRIX REPRESENTATION · COLUMN MULTIPLICATION



SEED = INITIAL CONFIGURATION OF THE LFSR

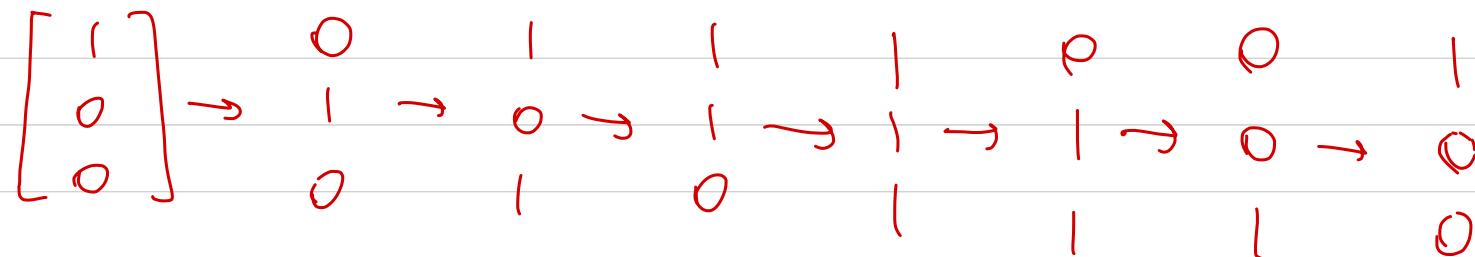
$X = C_1 + C_2$	$C_0 \quad C_1 \quad C_2$	$U = C_2$
0	1 0 0	0
1	0 1 0	0
1	0 0 1	1
1	1 1 0	0
0	1 1 1	1
0	0 1 1	1
1	0 0 1	1
1	1 0 0	

CURRENT STATE	.	NEXT STATE
$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	.	$\begin{bmatrix} C'_0 \\ C'_1 \\ C'_2 \end{bmatrix}$
$\begin{bmatrix} C_0 \\ C_1 \\ C_2 \end{bmatrix}$	=	$\begin{bmatrix} C'_0 \\ C'_1 \\ C'_2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$C'_0 = C_1 \oplus C_2$$

$$C'_1 = C_0$$

$$C'_2 = C_1$$



BINARY MATRIX  $\times$  BINARY VECTOR

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G^A = I$$

$A$  = ORDER OF  
THE MATRIX

NOW WE SHOW THAT  $p(\sigma)$  REPRESENTING  
THE LFSR MUST BE A PRIMITIVE  
POLYNOMIAL

## LFSR AND MATRIX - ROW MULTIPLICATION

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(x_2 \ x_1 \ x_0) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(0 \ 0 \ 1) \circ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = [0 \ 0]$$

$$(0 \ 0) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = (1 \ 0 \ 0)$$

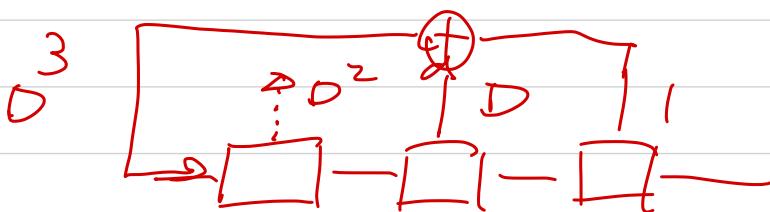
$x=2$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G^H = I$$

$$(001) \rightarrow (010) \rightarrow (100) \rightarrow (011) \rightarrow (110)$$

$$\rightarrow (111) \rightarrow (101) \rightarrow (001)$$



$$P(D) = D^3 + D^2 + 1$$

$$(x_2 x_1 x_0) = x_2 D^2 + x_1 D + x_0 = \text{polynomial representation of vector } (x_2 x_1 x_0)$$

$$x(D) \cdot D \bmod P(D)$$



ROW MULTIPLICATION  
CORRESPONDS TO  
THIS OPERATION

$$(001) \xrightarrow{} (\overline{010}) \xrightarrow{} (\overline{100}) \xrightarrow{} (\overline{011}) \xrightarrow{} (\overline{110})$$

$$\xrightarrow{} (\overline{111}) \xrightarrow{} (\overline{101}) \xrightarrow{} (\overline{001})$$

$$(x_2, x_1, x_0) = x_2 D^2 + x_1 D + x_0$$

$$p(D) = D^3 + D + 1$$

$$1 \rightarrow D \rightarrow D^2 \rightarrow D^3 = D + 1 \rightarrow D^2 + D \rightarrow$$

$$\leftarrow D^3 + D^2 = D^2 + D + 1 \rightarrow D^3 + D^2 + D = D^2 + 1 \rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow D^3 + D = 1 \rightarrow \text{SINCE WE HAVE PERIOD } N$$

$$x(D) \cdot D^N \bmod p(D) = x(D)$$

$$x(D) \cdot D^N \bmod p(D) = x(D)$$

$$x(D) (D^N + 1) \bmod p(D) = 0$$

$p(D)$  DIVIDES  $D^N + 1$

### PRIMITIVE POLYNOMIAL

CAN BE DIVIDED ONLY BY 1 AND ITSELF  
+ DIVIDES  $D^N + 1$  WITH

$$\alpha = z^m - 1$$

$$m = \text{degree } (p(D))$$

AN LFSR MUST HAVE  
FEEDBACK COEFFICIENTS  
CORRESPONDING TO A  
PRIMITIVE POLYNOMIAL  
→ THIS WAY THE PERIOD  $N$  IS  
MAXIMUM  
 $X^m = z - 1$   
AND THE BINARY SEQUENCE  
HAS THE DESIRED PROPERTIES.