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On the combinatorial properties of shrinking sequences



We fix the following notation:

- ▶ $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ and $\mathbb{F}_2 = \{0, 1\}$
- ▶ A *binary sequence* (s_i) is a mapping from \mathbb{N}_0 to \mathbb{F}_2
- ▶ A sequence is periodic if $s_{i+T} = s_i$, for all $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Definition

A linear code C of length T over \mathbb{F}_2 is called a **cyclic code** if for every codeword (s_0, \dots, s_{T-1}) , the word obtained by a cyclic shift to the right, $(s_{T-1}, s_0, \dots, s_{T-2})$, is also a codeword in C .

- ▶ Cyclic codes can be defined with a single generator vector (s_0, \dots, s_{T-1})
- ▶ The main parameter that we investigate is *dimension*

Linear Complexity of Binary Sequences

Let L be a positive integer and $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{L-1} \in \mathbb{F}_2$. A binary sequence $s = (s_i)$ satisfying

$$s_{i+L} = \sum_{j=0}^{L-1} c_j s_{i+j}, \quad (1)$$

for all $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ is called an (L -th order) *linear recurring sequence* (*LRS*) and the monic polynomial

$$C(x) = x^L + \sum_{j=0}^{L-1} c_j x^j \in \mathbb{F}_2[x]$$

is the *characteristic polynomial* of the recurrence and we say that the sequence is generated by $C(x)$.

Correspondance between codes and sequences

- ▶ period \iff length
- ▶ linear complexity \iff dimension
- ▶ lattice structure \iff minimum distance
- ▶ m-sequences \iff $[2^n - 1, n]$ cyclic codes

Shrunk sequence

Given two m -sequences (a_i) and (b_i) with characteristic polynomials $p_1(x), p_2(x) \in \mathbb{F}_2[x]$ of degrees L_1 and L_2 , with $\gcd(L_1, L_2) = 1$. The *shrinking generator* is the decimation of (b_i) by (a_i) .

Example

$$p_1(x) = x^2 + x + 1, \quad p_2(x) = x^3 + x + 1$$

1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1
1	1		0	1		0	1		1	0		0	0		1	1		1

Theorem (Coppersmith et al., 93)

Given $p_1(x), p_2(x)$ of degrees L_1, L_2 , the corresponding shrunken sequence \mathbf{s} has period $(2^{L_2} - 1)2^{L_1 - 1}$. Moreover, the linear complexity satisfies $L_2 2^{L_1 - 2} < L(\mathbf{s}) \leq L_2 2^{L_1 - 1}$.

Some Computational Results regarding Linear Complexity

decimator/sequence	$x^3 + x + 1$
$x^5 + x^3 + 1$	80
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Interleave structure

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



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Folded array

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



Unfolded sequence

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Structure of shrunken sequence

Theorem (Gomez et al. 2021, Cardell et al. 2019)

Let L_1, L_2 be coprime positive integers with $\gcd(L_1, L_2) = 1$ and let $(a_i), (b_i)$ be m -sequences with (coprime) periods $T_1 = 2^{L_1} - 1$ and $T_2 = 2^{L_2} - 1$. Let $\delta \in \{1, \dots, T_2 - 1\}$ such that $T_1 \cdot \delta = 2^{L_1-1} \bmod T_2$. Denote by (i_j) the sequence of indices belonging to the set I defined previously, i.e. $a_{i_j} = 1$ and define the (2^{L_1-1}) -periodic sequence

$$t_j = \delta \cdot i_j - j \pmod{T_2}.$$

Then, the shrunken sequence is the result of unfolding the array given by the composition of (b_i) and (t_j) .

Linear complexity of a two-dimensional array

A polynomial $C = \sum_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in S \subset \mathbb{N}_0^2} c_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} x^{\alpha_1} y^{\alpha_2} \in \mathbb{F}_2[x, y]$ is *valid* for the two-dimensional array \mathbf{A} when the equation

$$\sum_S c_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} \mathbf{A}(\alpha_1 + \beta_1, \alpha_2 + \beta_2) = 0$$

for all α_1, α_2 . The set of all valid polynomials for \mathbf{A} forms an ideal, and its degree is *the linear complexity*.

Theorem (Arce-Nazario et al. 2020)

The linear complexity of any unfolded sequence s and its folded array \mathbf{A} are equal. Evenmore, the set of connection polynomials of s can be calculated from the ideal of valid polynomials of \mathbf{A} .

Facts about \mathbf{A}

- ▶ If a polynomial in $\mathbb{F}_2[x]$ is valid for \mathbf{A} , it is a multiple of the minimal polynomial of (b_i) .
- ▶ If a polynomial in $\mathbb{F}_2[y]$ is valid for \mathbf{A} , it is a multiple of $(y + 1)^\tau$.

Theorem

The linear complexity of a shrunken sequence s is

$$L(s) = L_2 \cdot 2^{L_1 - 1}, \quad \text{when } 2^{L_1} \cdot (2^{L_1} - 1) < L_2.$$

Idea of the proof

The number of columns of \mathbf{A} is $\tau = 2^{L_1-1}$, so a valid polynomial is

$$y^\tau + 1 = (y+1)^\tau = y^\tau - 1 \quad \text{and} \quad (y+1)^{\tau-1} = 1 + y + y^2 + \cdots + y^{\tau-1}.$$

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$$p_2(\alpha) = 0 = \sum_{j=0}^{\tau-1} \alpha^{j-\delta \cdot i_j} = \sum_{j=0}^{\tau-1} (\alpha')^{(2 \cdot \tau - 1) \cdot j - \tau \cdot i_j},$$

where $(\alpha')^{2\tau-1} = \alpha$. If the degree of the minimal polynomial $p_2(x)$ is bigger than the right hand, this is a contradiction.

Idea of the proof

For a general polynomial valid polynomial

$$C(x, y) = \sum_{i=0}^{\tau-1} C_i(x)(y+1)^i \quad (\deg C_i(x) < \deg p_2(x), \forall i),$$

which gives another valid polynomial

$$(y+1)^{\tau-1-n} C(x, y) = C_n(x)(y+1)^{\tau-1} + D(x, y)(y+1)^\tau,$$

which implies that $(y+1)^{\tau-1}$ is valid.

Conclusions and Open Problems

Our contribution is, for some set of parameters:

- ▶ the value of the linear complexity
- ▶ conditions on when the linear complexity is maximal
- ▶ the value of the linear complexity profile

We are working on determining

- ▶ The linear complexity and when it is maximal
- ▶ The linear complexity profile
- ▶ The k -error linear complexity
- ▶ Studying other pseudorandom tests using the composition structure