

## Determining the linear equivalent of NLFFS by using cyclotomic cose

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### ABSTRACT

Any given periodic sequence can be generated by a family of linear feedback shift registers (LFSR) . The member of this family with least number of stages is called the linear equivalent of the given periodic sequence. Nonlinear logic (multiplication of a chosen number of bits and modulo 2 addition of the resultant), when applied to the LFSR sequences gives an output sequence called the nonlinear feedforward sequence (NLFFS) with increased complexity .

The problem of finding the complexity (linear equivalent) of NLFFS has been studied by using cyclotomic costs for the case when feedback is a primitive polynomial .

### INTRODUCTION

Binary sequences generated through shift registers (see fig. 1) have been commonly used for security digital data either by bit-by-bit addition of the binary sequence to the data or by feedback encoding . In either case , the effective security provided through such devices is the complexity of the generated binary sequence. In the study of linear sequences and their characteristic polynomials , a major role is played by the so-called cyclotomic cosets [2] . although many of the principles involved apply to every Galois field , the case of greatest practical interest, for that reason , the most widely studied ,is that of sequences and polynomials over GF(2).Section II presents a necessary background of some well-known results on the mutual relationships , and pseudo-noise (PN) sequences . Section III presents Galois field representation , section IV presents a nonlinear generators and the full steps required to determining the linear equivalent of nonlinear feedforward generators .

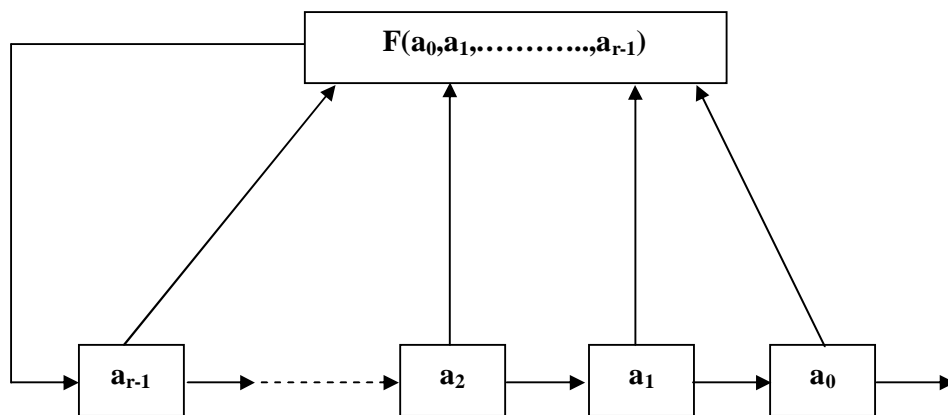
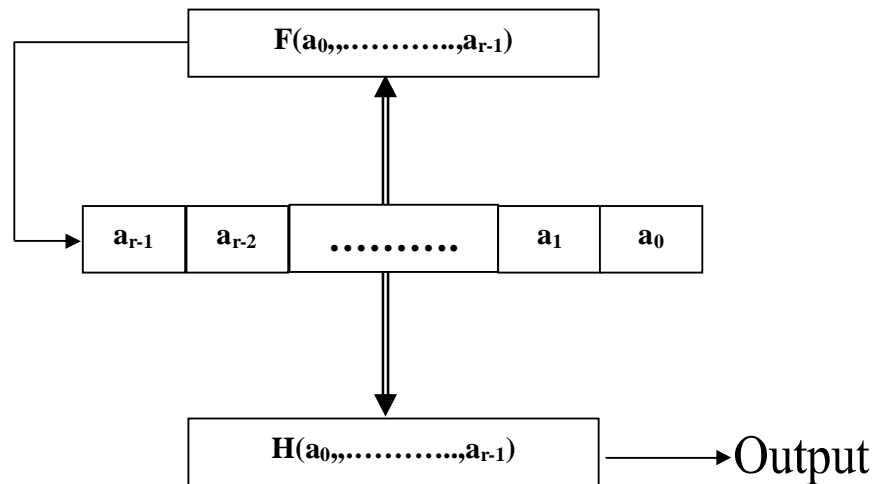


Fig.1: General feedback shift register



**Fig.2: Nonlinear feedforward generator**

**BACKGROUND:**

In the content of GF(2) and for a given degree n the sets referred to as cyclotomic cosets are obtained by partitioning the set  $N=(0,1,\dots,2^n-1)$  into subsets of the form

$$S(k)=\{k,2k,4k,\dots,2^{n-1}k\}, k \in n \tag{1}$$

Where the products  $2^i k$  are taken modulo  $p=2^n-1, 0 \leq i \leq n-1$ .  $(k, p)$  denote the greatest common divisor of  $k$  and  $p$ . when  $(k, p)=1, S(k)$  is a true coset, in the usual sense of group theory, subgroup  $S(1)=\{1, 2, 4, \dots, 2^{n-1}\}$  of the multiplicative group modulo  $p$ . Cyclotomic cosets of this type will be referred to as primitive cosets while primitive cosets always contain  $n$  distinct elements, the size of a nonprimitive cosets  $S(k), (k, p) \neq 1$ , may be either  $n$  or a divisor of  $n$  [2].

The partitioning of  $n$  into cyclotomic cosets is closely related to the factorization of  $x^{p+1}$  into irreducible factors over GF(2) that are the minimal polynomials for the non-zero elements of GF(2<sup>n</sup>) over GF(2).

Let  $\alpha$  be a primitive root of unity so that the powers  $\alpha^i, i \in N$  exhaust the nonzero elements of GF(2<sup>n</sup>), and let  $R$  be a set of distinct representative of the cyclotomic cosets. There exists a one-to-one correspondence between the minimal polynomials  $m_k(x)$  and the cyclotomic  $s(k), k \in R$ , under which the factorization of  $m_k(x)$  into linear factors over GF(2<sup>n</sup>) is given by [3]

$$m_k(x)=\prod_{i \in s(k)} (x+\alpha^i) \tag{2}$$

The degree of  $m_k(x)$  is equal to  $|s(k)|$ , the size of  $s(k)$ , and thus is either  $n$  or some divisor of  $n$ . (see example in section IV).

**III GALIOS FIELD REPRESENTATION:**

Consider a binary sequence  $\{a_n\}$  where  $a_n$  is the  $n$ th member of the sequence,  $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$  if the sequence generated by an  $r$ -stage LFSR, it is completely defined by the initial loading  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}$  and by the linear recursion that specified feedback.

$$a_n + \sum_{i=1}^r c_i a_{n-i} = 0, n \geq r \tag{3}$$

Where the sequence members  $a_n$  and the feedback constants  $c_i$  are members of  $GF(2)$ . Also the operations of (3) are the defined operations of  $GF(2)$ ; namely, addition and multiplication modulo 2. In all that follows, the constant  $C_r$  is one, otherwise the register would have only  $r-1$  effective stages. The linear recursion can be expressed as a linear difference equation

$$(E^r + \sum_{i=1}^r c_i E^{r-i}) a_n = 0, n \geq 0 \quad (4)$$

Where  $E$  is the shifting operation which operates on  $a_n$  to give  $a_{n+1}$ , i.e.,  $E a_n = a_{n+1}$ . Associated with (4) is the characteristic equation.

$$x^r + \sum_{i=1}^r C_i x^{r-i} = 0 \quad (5)$$

An equation such as (5) with coefficient  $c_i$  in  $GF(2)$  is said to be over  $GF(2)$ . Equation (5) is known to have roots in  $GF(2^m)$ , where  $m$  is the least common multiple of the degree of the irreducible factors of (5). Let  $\alpha$  be such a root. Then  $A\alpha^n$  is a solution of (3), where  $A$  is an arbitrary constant. Likewise, each distinct root of (5) has  $r$  roots, there are  $r$  linearly independent solutions with  $r$  arbitrary constants determined by the initial values  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}$  [4].

#### IV NONLINEAR GENERATORS :

From our prior discussion, it has been seen that the output sequence of an LFSR with irreducible polynomials is given by

$$a_n = \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} A_i (\alpha^{i^2})^n \quad (6)$$

Where  $\alpha$  is a root of the characteristic polynomial.

Let  $a_n^*$  be a sequence from different stage,  $a_n^*$  have the same roots as in  $a_n$ . If it is multiplied  $a_n$ ,  $a_n$  it becomes a sequence with high complexity. In this section it is considered as sequence of that type and we present a full steps required to determine the linear equivalent of NLFFS as explained in the following example:

**Example:** consider the generator of Fig.3

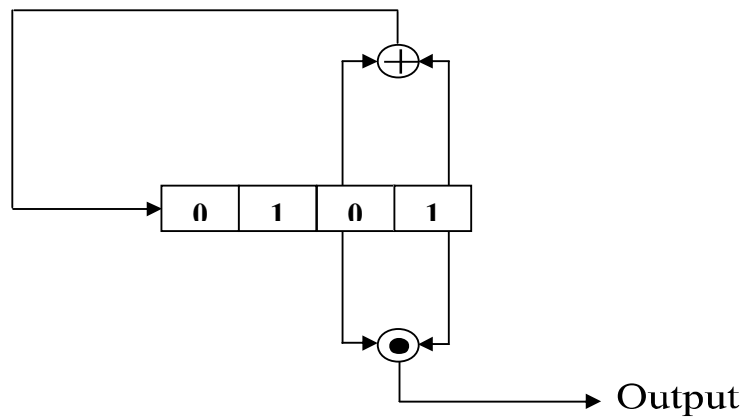


Fig .3: Nonlinear generator

To determine the linear equivalent of that generator follow the following steps:

**1. Identify the feedback relation of a given generator**

$$\begin{aligned} a_4 &= a_0 + a_1 \\ a_{n+4} &= a_n + a_{n+1} \\ a_n &= a_{n-4} + a_{n-3} \quad , n \geq 4 \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

**2. Identify the characteristic polynomial associated with (7)**

$$f(x) = x^4 + x + 1 \quad (8)$$

**3. Partition the length of shift register (r=4) to corresponding cyclotomic cosets**

K	s(k)	m <sub>k</sub> (x)	roots of m <sub>k</sub> (x)
0	0	X+1	α <sup>0</sup>
1	1,2,4,8	X <sup>4</sup> +X <sup>3</sup> +1	α, α <sup>2</sup> , α <sup>4</sup> , α <sup>8</sup>
3	3,6,12,9	X <sup>4</sup> +X <sup>3</sup> +X <sup>2</sup> +X+1	α <sup>3</sup> , α <sup>6</sup> , α <sup>12</sup> , α <sup>9</sup>
5	5, 10	X <sup>2</sup> +X+1	α <sup>5</sup> , α <sup>10</sup>
7	7,14,13,11	X <sup>4</sup> +X+1	α <sup>7</sup> , α <sup>14</sup> , α <sup>13</sup> , α <sup>11</sup>

**4. Use (8) to generate elements of GF(2<sup>4</sup>) as follows:**

α is the pth root of unity

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2 & \\ \alpha^3 & \\ \alpha^4 &= \alpha + 1 \\ \alpha^5 &= \alpha^2 + \alpha \\ \alpha^6 &= \alpha^3 + \alpha^2 \\ \alpha^7 &= \alpha^3 + \alpha + 1 \\ \alpha^8 &= \alpha^2 + 1 \\ \alpha^9 &= \alpha^3 + \alpha \\ \alpha^{10} &= \alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 \\ \alpha^{11} &= \alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + \alpha \\ \alpha^{12} &= \alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 \\ \alpha^{13} &= \alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + 1 \\ \alpha^{14} &= \alpha^3 + 1 \\ \alpha^{15} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

**5. Solve for A<sub>i</sub> 's the following system of equations :**

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= A_0 + A_1 + A_2 + A_3 \\ 0 &= A_0 \alpha + A_1 \alpha^2 + A_2(\alpha + 1) + A_3(\alpha^2 + 1) \\ 1 &= A_0 \alpha^2 + A_1(\alpha + 1) + A_2(\alpha^2 + 1) + A_3 \alpha \\ 0 &= A_0 \alpha^3 + A_1(\alpha^3 + \alpha^2) + A_2(\alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + \alpha + 1) + A_3(\alpha^3 + \alpha) \end{aligned}$$

the general solution is :

$$a_n = (\alpha^3 + \alpha + 1) \alpha^n + (\alpha^3 + 1) \alpha^{2n} + (\alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + 1)(\alpha + 1)^n + (\alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + \alpha)(\alpha^2 + 1)^n \quad (9)$$

**6. Achieve the multiplication of binary sequences  $a_n, a_{n+1}$**

$$a_{n+1} = (\alpha^2 + 1) \alpha^n + \alpha \alpha^{2n} + \alpha^2 (\alpha + 1)^n + (\alpha + 1) (\alpha^2 + 1)^n \quad (10)$$

$$a_n \cdot a_{n+1} = \alpha^n + \alpha^{2n} + (\alpha + 1)^n + (\alpha^2 + 1)^n + (\alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + \alpha) \alpha^{3n} + (\alpha^2 + \alpha) (\alpha^2 + \alpha)^n + (\alpha^3 + \alpha + 1) (\alpha^3 + \alpha^2)^n + (\alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + 1) (\alpha^3 + \alpha)^n + (\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1) (\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1)^n + (\alpha^3 + 1) (\alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + \alpha + 1)^n \quad (11)$$

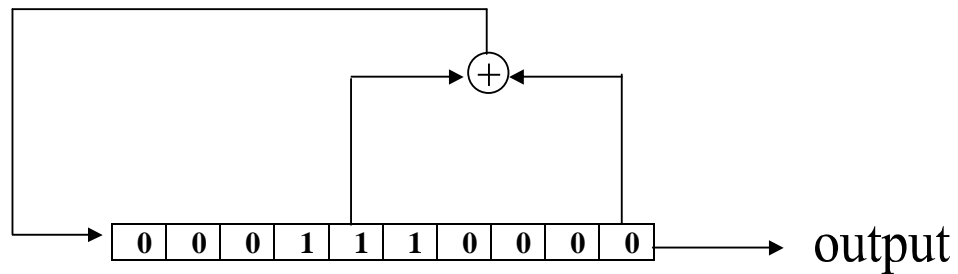
**7. Achieve multiplication of polynomials associated with roots present in (11)  $m_1(x), m_5(x), m_7(x)$**

$g(x) = m_1(x) \cdot m_5(x) \cdot m_7(x) = x^{10} + x^5 + 1$   
 $g(x)$  is a connection polynomial of a linear equivalent.

**8. Identify initial state of a linear equivalent using**

- $e_n = a_n \cdot a_{n+1}$
- $e_0 = a_0 \cdot a_1 = 1 \cdot 0 = 0$
- $e_1 = a_1 \cdot a_2 = 0 \cdot 1 = 0$
- $e_2 = a_2 \cdot a_3 = 1 \cdot 0 = 0$
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- $e_9 = a_9 \cdot a_{10} = 0 \cdot 0 = 0$

Finally the connection of linear equivalent shown in Fig.4



**Fig.4 Linear equivalent of generator shown in fig.3**

**SUMMARY AND COLCLUSIONS:**

The security achieved through the addition of binary sequence to a text depends upon the complexity of the added sequence. As linear operations cannot increase the complexity, a feedforward logic based on nonlinear operation (multiplication of bits) can be used to produce sequences of any desired complexity. In this paper a unified method has been formulated for determining the complexity of a nonlinear feedforward binary sequence with the a primitive feedback polynomial. The method is based on the enumeration of the cyclotomic cosets, also it can be used to determine the complexity of feedforward sequences with any level of nonlinear logic, and in addition provides the minimal generators of these sequences.

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### **ملخص البحث :**

أي متتابعة دورية periodic sequence يمكن توليدها بواسطة مسجل زاحف ذو تغذية مرتدة خطية (LFSR). اقصر مسجل زاحف أي يحوي اقل عدد من الخزانات Stages ويولد المتتابعة الدورية المعطاة يسمى بالمكافئ الخطي لتلك المتتابعة . في حالة ضرب عدد من الثنائيات bits من المسجل الزاحف ذو التغذية المرتدة الخطية وجميع الثنائيات الناتجة بالمعيار 2 نحصل على متتابعات يصطلح لها متتابعات التغذية الأمامية اللاخطية NLFFS وهذا النوع من المتتابعات يكون على درجة عالية من التعقيد . إن مسألة إيجاد التعقيد ( أي المكافئ الخطي ) لمتتابعات التغذية الأمامية اللاخطية تم دراستها باستخدام cyclotomic cosets عندما تكون دالة التغذية المرتدة للمسجل الزاحف عبارة عن متعدد حدود بدائي.