

# SOME RESEARCH PROBLEMS ON THE PERMUTATION BEHAVIOUR OF REVERSED DICKSON POLYNOMIALS

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Find the conditions on  $k$  and  $l$  explicitly for which  $D_{p^l+3,k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .

**Theorem 0.1.** *Assume that*

- (1)  $p = 5$  and  $k \neq 2$ ,
- (2)  $p > 5$  and  $k \neq 0, 2$ , or
- (3)  $p > 7$  and  $k \neq 7$ .

*Then  $D_{p^l+3,k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if*

$$(2 - k)x^{\frac{p^l+3}{2}} + 6x^{\frac{p^l+1}{2}} + kx^{\frac{p^l-1}{2}} + 2(3 - k)x$$

*is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .*

Find the conditions on  $k$  and  $l_i$ 's explicitly for which  $D_{n,k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .

**Theorem 0.2.** *Let  $k = 1$ ,  $p = 3$ , and  $n = p^{l_1} + p^{l_2} + p^{l_3}$ . Assume that  $l_1 \neq 0$ ,  $l_2 \neq 0$  and  $l_3 \neq 0$ . Then  $D_{n,k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if*

$$g(x) = x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^l_2+p^l_3-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^l_2}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^l_3}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2+p^l_3}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_3-1}}{2}}.$$

*is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .*

**Theorem 0.3.** *Let  $k = 2$ ,  $p = 3$ , and  $n = p^{l_1} + p^{l_2} + p^{l_3}$ . Assume that  $l_1 \neq 0$ ,  $l_2 \neq 0$  and  $l_3 \neq 0$ . Then  $D_{n,k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if*

$$g(x) = x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^l_2+p^l_3-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_3-1}}{2}}.$$

*is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .*

**Theorem 0.4.** *Let  $p > 3$ ,  $k \neq 3$ , and  $\frac{3k}{2(k-3)}$  be a quadratic non-residue of  $p$ . Then  $D_{p^{l_1+p^l_2+p^l_3},k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if*

$$kx^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^l_2+p^l_3-1}}{2}} + (2 - k)[x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^l_2}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^l_3}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2+p^l_3}}{2}}] + k[x^{\frac{p^{l_1-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_3-1}}{2}}].$$

*is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .*

**Theorem 0.5.** *Let  $k = 0$ ,  $p = 3$ , and  $n = p^{l_1} + p^{l_2} + p^{l_3} + p^{l_4}$ . Assume that exactly two of  $l_1, l_2, l_3$ , and  $l_4$  are zero and the two non zero  $l_i$  have different parity. Then  $D_{n,k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if*

$$g(x) = x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^l_2}}{2}+1} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^l_2}}{2}} + 2x^{\frac{p^{l_1+1}}{2}} + 2x^{\frac{p^{l_2+1}}{2}} + x$$

*is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .*

**Theorem 0.6.** Let  $k = 1$ ,  $p = 3$ , and  $n = p^{l_1} + p^{l_2} + p^{l_3} + p^{l_4}$ . Assume that exactly two of  $l_1, l_2, l_3$ , and  $l_4$  are zero and the two non-zero  $l_i$  are both even. Then  $D_{n,k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if

$$g(x) = x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}}}{2}+1} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2-1}}{2}} + x$$

is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .

**Theorem 0.7.** Let  $k = 0$ ,  $p = 3$ , and  $n = p^{l_1} + p^{l_2} + p^{l_3} + p^{l_4}$ . Assume that exactly one of  $l_1, l_2, l_3$ , and  $l_4$  is zero. Assume that non-zero  $l_i$  are all odd or exactly one of them is odd. Then  $D_{n,k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if

$$g(x) = x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}+p^{l_3}+1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_3}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2+p^{l_3}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2+1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_3+1}}{2}}$$

is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .

**Theorem 0.8.** Let  $k = 0$ ,  $p = 3$ , and  $n = p^{l_1} + p^{l_2} + p^{l_3} + p^{l_4}$ . Assume that  $l_1 \neq 0, l_2 \neq 0, l_3 \neq 0$ , and  $l_4 \neq 0$ . Further assume that either exactly one of  $l_1, l_2, l_3$  and  $l_4$  is odd or exactly three of  $l_1, l_2, l_3$  and  $l_4$  are odd. Then  $D_{n,k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if

$$g(x) = x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}+p^{l_3}+p^{l_4}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_3}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2+p^{l_3}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_4}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2+p^{l_4}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_3+p^{l_4}}}{2}}.$$

is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .

**Theorem 0.9.** Let  $p \geq 5$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq p-1$  with  $k \neq 2$ . Assume that  $\frac{2(k-6)}{(2-k)}$  is a quadratic non-residue of  $p$  and at least two of  $l_1, l_2, l_3$ , and  $l_4$  are non-zero. Then  $D_{n,k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} & (2-k)x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}+p^{l_3}+p^{l_4}}}{2}} + k[x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}+p^{l_3}-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}+p^{l_4}-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_3}+p^{l_4}-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2+p^{l_3}+p^{l_4}-1}}{2}}] \\ & + (2-k)[x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_3}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2+p^{l_3}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_4}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2+p^{l_4}}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_3+p^{l_4}}}{2}}] \\ & + k[x^{\frac{p^{l_1-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_3-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_4-1}}{2}}]. \end{aligned}$$

is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .

**Theorem 0.10.** Let  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $k = 2$ . Then  $D_{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}+p^{l_3}+p^{l_4}},k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if

$$h(x) = x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}+p^{l_3}-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}+p^{l_4}-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_3}+p^{l_4}-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2+p^{l_3}+p^{l_4}-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_1-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_3-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_4-1}}{2}}$$

is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .

0.1. Permutation behaviour of  $D_{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}},k}$ .

$$D_{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}},k}(1, x) = \frac{(2-k)}{4}(1-4x)^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}}}{2}} + \frac{k}{4}(1-4x)^{\frac{p^{l_1-1}}{2}} + \frac{k}{4}(1-4x)^{\frac{p^{l_2-1}}{2}} + \frac{(2-k)}{4}.$$

**Corollary 0.11.** Let  $p = 3$  and  $k = 2$ . Assume that both  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  are odd. Then  $D_{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}},k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if the binomial  $x^{\frac{p^{l_1-1}}{2}} + x^{\frac{p^{l_2-1}}{2}}$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

**Corollary 0.12.** Let  $k \neq 0, 2$  and  $p > 3$ . Assume that  $\frac{2k}{(k-2)}$  is a quadratic non-residue of  $p$ . Then  $D_{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}},k}(1, x)$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$  if and only if the trinomial  $(2-k)x^{\frac{p^{l_1+p^{l_2}}}{2}} + kx^{\frac{p^{l_1-1}}{2}} + kx^{\frac{p^{l_2-1}}{2}}$  is a PP of  $\mathbb{F}_{p^e}$ .

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