## Generalized partially bent functions and cocyclic Butson matrices

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(1) Preliminaries

## (2) Our contribution

## Boolean functions $f: \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{m} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{2}$ in Cryptography

## Symmetric Criptography



## Cryptographic Boolean functions

Some Cryptographic criteria for Boolean functions in order to design "secure" cryptosystems
(1) Balanced
(2) Higher-order nonlinearity: Bent functions.
(3) Correlation immunity
(9) etc.

Some of these criteria are antagonistic! Tradeoffs between all these criteria must be found.

## Cryptographic Boolean functions

Main problems to study:

- Interests are in four aspects:
(1) Characterization
(2) Constructions
(3) Classifications
(9) Enumerations
- Extensions of this theory to:
(1) Vectorial Boolean functions
(2) Generalized functions
(3) etc.


## Our motivation.

B. Schmidt. A survey of group invariant Butson matrices..., Radon Ser. Comput. Appl. Math. 23 (2019), 241-251.

## Theorem 1

Let $f: \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{h}$ be a map. The following are equivalent:
(1) $f$ is a Generalized Bent Function (GBF);
(2) $\left[\zeta_{h}^{f(x-y)}\right]_{x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m}} \in \mathrm{BH}\left(q^{m}, h\right)$ is equivalent to a coboundary matrix $M_{\partial f}$;
(3) $f$ is a perfect $h$-ary $(q, \ldots, q)$-array.

Additionally, if $h$ is prime and divides $q^{m}$, then (1)-(3) are equivalent to
(4) $\left\{(f(x), x) \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m}\right\}$ is a splitting $\left(q^{m}, h, q^{m}, q^{m} / h\right)$-relative difference set in $\mathbb{Z}_{h} \times \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m}$.

## Definitions

Let $q, m, h$ be positive integers, and let $\zeta_{k}$ be the complex $k^{\text {th }}$ root of unity $\exp (2 \pi \sqrt{-1} / k)$. Schmidt defines a map

$$
f: \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{h}
$$

to be a generalized bent function (GBF) if

$$
\left|\sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m}} \zeta_{h}^{f(x)} \zeta_{q}^{-v x^{\top}}\right|^{2}=q^{m} \text { for all } v \in \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m}
$$

where $|z|$ as usual denotes the modulus of $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

## Example of GBF

$$
\begin{aligned}
f: & \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2} \\
& \rightarrow \\
\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) & \mapsto
\end{aligned} x_{2} \cdot x_{2}
$$

| $v$ | $(0,0)$ | $(0,1)$ | $(1,0)$ | $(1,1)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2}}(-1)^{f(x)+v x^{\top}}$ | 2 | 2 | 2 | -2 |

Bent functions are of interest in cryptography, coding theory,...

## Example of GBF (nonlinearity of Boolean functions)

$$
\begin{array}{ccccc}
f: & \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2} & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z}_{2} & \\
& \left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) & \mapsto & x_{1} \cdot x_{2} & \\
& & & & \\
\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) & (0,0) & (0,1) & (1,0) & (1,1) \\
\hline f\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
x_{2} & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\
x_{1}+x_{2} & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0
\end{array}
$$

The Hamming distance of $f$ to the 8 affine Boolean functions is either 1,2 or 3 . Therefore the nonlinearity of $f$ is 1 .

## Example of GBF (Cryptography)

Boolean functions with large nonlinearity are difficult to approximate by linear functions and so provide resistance against linear cryptanalysis.

## Result

The largest nonlinearity of a Boolean function on $\mathbb{Z}_{2}$ is $2^{n-1}-2^{n / 2-1}$ for $n$ even. The functions attaining this bound, are called bent functions.

## Definitions

Let $H$ be a square matrix of order $n$ with entries in $\left\langle\zeta_{k}\right\rangle=$ $\left\{\zeta_{k}^{\prime}: I=0, \ldots, k-1\right\}$. We say that $H$ is a Butson Hadamard matrix if

$$
H H^{*}=n I_{n}
$$

where $I_{n}$ is the $n \times n$ identity matrix and $H^{*}$ is the complex conjugate transpose of $H$. We denote by $H \in \mathrm{BH}(n, k)$.

$$
H=\left[\begin{array}{rrrr}
1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\
1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\
1 & -1 & -1 & 1
\end{array}\right], \quad H H^{*}=\left[\begin{array}{llll}
4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 4
\end{array}\right]
$$

## Definitions: Cocyclic Butson matrix

$$
H=\left[\begin{array}{rrrr}
1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\
1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\
1 & -1 & -1 & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

indexing the rows and columns of $H$ with the element of $\mathbf{Z}_{2}^{2}=\{(0,0),(0,1),(1,0),(1,1)\}$. We have

$$
\psi(x, y)=H_{x, y}, \quad x, y \in \mathbf{Z}_{2}^{2}
$$

satisfies that

$$
\psi(x, y) \psi(x y, z)=\psi(x, y z) \psi(y, z), \forall x, y, z \in \mathbf{Z}_{2}^{2}
$$

- $\psi$ is a cocycle and $H$ is a cocyclic Butson matrix.
- The "simplest" cocycles are the coboundaries.


## Example of GBF: Butson Hadamard matrix

$$
\begin{gathered}
f: \begin{array}{cl}
\mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2} & \rightarrow \\
\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) & \mapsto \\
& \mapsto x_{1} \cdot x_{2}
\end{array} \\
M=\left[\zeta_{2}^{f(x-y)}\right]_{x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2}}=\left[\begin{array}{rrrr}
1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\
1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\
1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\
-1 & 1 & 1 & 1
\end{array}\right]
\end{gathered}
$$

Observe

$$
H=P M Q^{T}, \quad \text { with } \quad P=Q=\left[\begin{array}{rrrr}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & -1
\end{array}\right]
$$

## Definitions

Let $E$ be a group with a normal subgroup $N$ of order $m$ and index $v$. A $(v, m, k, \lambda)$-relative difference set in $E$ relative to $N$ (the forbidden subgroup) is a $k$-subset $R$ of a transversal for $N$ in $E$ such that

$$
|R \cap x R|=\lambda \quad \forall x \in E \backslash N
$$

That is, $x$ can be written as $r_{1} r_{2}^{-1}$ for $\lambda$ different pairs $\left(r_{1}, r_{2}\right) \in R^{2}$.

We call $R$ abelian if $E$ is abelian, and splitting if $N$ is a direct factor of $E$.

## Example of GBF: relative difference set

$$
\begin{aligned}
& f: \quad \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2} \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathbb{Z}_{2} \\
& \left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) \mapsto x_{1} \cdot x_{2} \\
& R=\{(0,0,0),(0,0,1),(0,1,0),(1,1,1)\} \subset \mathbb{Z}_{2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2} \\
& E=\mathbb{Z}_{2}^{3} \quad \text { and } \quad N=\{(0,0,0),(1,0,0)\}
\end{aligned}
$$

$R$ is a $(4,2,4,2)$-RDS in $\mathbb{Z}_{2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2}$.

## Definitions

Let $\mathbf{s}=\left(s_{1}, \ldots, s_{m}\right)$ be an $m$-tuple of integers $s_{i}>1$, and let $G=\mathbb{Z}_{s_{1}} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_{m}}$. A $h$-ary $\mathbf{s}$-array is merely a set map

$$
\phi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{h}
$$

When $h=2$, the array is binary.

For $w \in G$, we define the periodic autocorrelation at shift $w$ of an array $\phi$, denoted $A C_{\phi}(w)$, by

$$
A C_{\phi}(w)=\sum_{g \in G} \zeta_{h}^{\phi(g)-\phi(g+w)}
$$

If $A C_{\phi}(w)=0$ for all $w \neq 0$, then $\phi$ is called perfect.

## Example of GBF: perfect array

$$
\begin{aligned}
f: & \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2}
\end{aligned} \quad \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{2}=\begin{array}{rlr}
\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right) & \mapsto x_{1} \cdot x_{2}
\end{array}
$$

can be written as

$$
M_{f}=[f(x, y)]_{x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_{2}}=\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 0 \\
0 & 1
\end{array} .
$$

Then:

| $w$ | $(0,0)$ | $(0,1)$ | $(1,0)$ | $(1,1)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $A C(w)$ | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

## Example of GBF: perfect array (Cryptography)

The absolute indicator of $f: \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{2}$ is

$$
\delta(f)=\frac{1}{2^{n / 2}} \max _{w \neq 0}\left|A C_{f}(w)\right|
$$

This measures the resistance of a Boolean function against differential cryptanalysis.

## Our contribution

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## Our contribution: Cocycles in stead of coboundaries

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## Our contribution: Cocycles in stead of coboundaries

## Theorem 2

Let $h$ be a prime divisor of $q$, and let $\phi: \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{h}$ be an array with expansion $\phi^{\prime}$ of type $\mathbf{z} \neq \mathbf{0}$.
(a) The following are equivalent:
(i) $\mu_{\mathrm{z}} \partial \phi$ is orthogonal, i.e., $M_{\mu_{z} \partial \phi} \in \mathrm{BH}\left(q^{m}, h\right)$;
(ii) $\phi$ is a $\operatorname{GPh} A\left(q^{m}\right)$ of type $\mathbf{z}$;
(iii) $\left\{g+K \in E / K \mid \phi^{\prime}(g)=0\right\}$ is a non-splitting
( $q^{m}, h, q^{m}, q^{m} / h$ )-relative difference set in $E / K$ with forbidden subgroup $H / K$.

## Our contribution in the general case ( $h$-ary arrays)

## Theorem 2 (continued)

(b) If $\mathbf{z}=\mathbf{1}$ then (i)-(iii) are equivalent to
(iv) $\phi^{\prime}$ is a generalized plateaued function, i.e.,

$$
\left|\sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}_{h q}^{m}} \zeta_{h}^{\phi^{\prime}(x)} \zeta_{h q}^{-v \cdot x}\right|^{2}=\left\{\begin{array}{cc}
\left(h^{2} q\right)^{m} & v \in \mathcal{F} \\
0 & \text { otherwise }
\end{array}\right.
$$

where $\mathcal{F}=\left\{v \in \mathbb{Z}_{h q}^{m} \mid v \equiv \mathbf{1} \bmod h\right\}$.
(c) Let $h=q$ and $\mathbf{z}=\mathbf{1}$. Suppose that, for all $y \in \mathbb{Z}_{h}^{m} \backslash\{\mathbf{0}\}$ with $\sum_{i} y_{i} \equiv 0 \bmod h$, there exists $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{h}^{m}$ satisfying $\left(^{*}\right)$. Then (i)-(iv) are equivalent to
(v) $\phi^{\prime}$ is a GPBF.

## Our contribution in the general case ( $h$-ary arrays)

## Remark

If $h=q$ in Theorem 2, then $|L| \cdot|\mathcal{F}|=(h q)^{m}$. This identity is the condition under which in the literature a $\operatorname{map} f: \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{q}$ is called a generalized partially bent function.

## Definition

A generalized partially bent function (GPBF) is a map $f: \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{h}$ such that $\left|A C_{f}(x)\right| \in\left\{0, q^{m}\right\}$ for all $x \in \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{m}$.

## Example 1

The map $\phi=\left[\begin{array}{lll}0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 1\end{array}\right]$ on $\mathbb{Z}_{3}^{2}$ is a $\operatorname{GP} 3 A(3,3)$ of type $\mathbf{z}=(1,1)$.
Its expansion $\phi^{\prime}: \mathbb{Z}_{9}^{2} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{3}$ is defined by

$$
\left[\begin{array}{lllllllll}
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\
2 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\
1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\
2 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\
1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2
\end{array}\right] .
$$

We have

$$
A C_{\phi^{\prime}}\left(v_{1}, v_{2}\right)=\left\{\begin{array}{cl}
81 \zeta_{3}^{-\left(v_{1}+v_{2}\right) / 3} & v \in L \\
0 & v \notin L
\end{array}\right.
$$

where
$L=\{(0,0),(0,3),(0,6),(3,0),(3,3),(3,6),(6,0),(6,3),(6,6)\}$.
Therefore, $\phi^{\prime}$ is a generalized partially bent function.

The cocyclic $\mathrm{BH}(9,3), M_{f_{z}} \partial \phi$, (represented in logarithmic form) is:

$$
\left[\begin{array}{lllllllll}
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\
0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\
0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\
0 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\
0 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1
\end{array}\right] .
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
R=\{ & (0,0)+K,(0,1)+K,(0,2)+K,(1,0)+K,(1,2)+K, \\
& (1,7)+K,(2,3)+K,(2,4)+K,(2,8)+K\}
\end{aligned}
$$

is a $(9,3,9,3)$-RDS in $E / K$ with forbidden subgroup $L / K$ for $K=\{(0,0),(3,6),(6,3)\}$.

Finally,

$$
\mathcal{F}=\{(1,1),(1,4),(1,7),(4,1),(4,4),(4,7),(7,1),(7,4),(7,7)\}
$$

and

$$
\left|\sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}_{9}^{2}} \zeta_{3}^{\phi^{\prime}(x)} \zeta_{9}^{-v x^{\top}}\right|^{2}=\left\{\begin{array}{cl}
729 & v \in \mathcal{F} \\
0 & v \notin \mathcal{F} .
\end{array}\right.
$$

## Example 2

Let $\phi$ be the map on $\mathbb{Z}_{2}^{3}$ with layers

$$
A_{0}=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 1 \\
1 & 1
\end{array}\right] \quad \text { and } \quad A_{1}=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 1 \\
0 & 0
\end{array}\right]
$$

Here $A_{i}$ is the layer on $\{i\} \times \mathbb{Z}_{2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{2}$, and $\phi(i, j, k)=A_{i}(j, k)$. Then $\phi$ is a $\operatorname{GPBA}(2,2,2)$ of type $\mathbf{1}$. In particular, the expansion of $\phi$ is a GPBF; whereas no GBF $f: \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{3} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{2}$ exists.

## Result (By a iterative procedure)

For all $k \geq 3$ there exists a map from $\mathbb{Z}_{2}^{k}$ to $\mathbb{Z}_{2}$ whose expansion is a GPBF; whereas for odd $k$, no Bent function exists.

## Thank you!!!

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