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Digit sequences of skew linear recurrences of maximal period over Galois rings

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A pseudo-random sequences constructed as a digit sequence of a skew linear recurrence of maximal period over Galois ring are studied. We find the periods of such sequences and lower bounds for their ranks as a sequences over field. A rank of the first digit sequence of a skew linear recurrence of maximal period is determined exactly under certain conditions on the digit set.

Key words: skew linear recurrences, Galois ring, digit sequence

Разрядные последовательности скрученных линейных рекуррент максимального периода над кольцами Галуа

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Аннотация. Изучаются свойства псевдослучайной последовательности, полученной из разрядной последовательности скрученной линейной рекурренты максимального периода над кольцом Галуа. Для такой последовательности найдены период и нижние оценки ее ранга как последовательности над полем. Для ранга первой разрядной последовательности скрученной линейной рекурренты максимального периода получено точное значение при определенных ограничениях на разрядное множество.

Ключевые слова: скрученная линейная рекуррента, кольцо Галуа, разрядная последовательность

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1. Introduction. Main results

In what follows, $R = GR(q^d, p^d)$ is a Galois ring, $S = GR(q^{nd}, p^d)$ is a Galois extension of dimension n of R [1]. It is known that the group $\text{Aut}(S/R)$ of automorphisms of S over R is a cyclic group of order n [2]. Let σ be a generator of this group and $\check{S} = S^\sigma \langle \sigma \rangle$ be a skew group ring of the group $\langle \sigma \rangle$ over the ring S , i.e. the set of formal sums $\psi = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} s_i \sigma^i$, $s_0, \dots, s_{n-1} \in S$, with natural addition and multiplication, which is introduced using distributive property by the identity $\forall s \in S : \sigma s = \sigma(s)\sigma$.

Each element $\psi \in \check{S}$ defines an endomorphism of the module ${}_R S$ such that $\psi(s) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} s_i \sigma^i(s)$ for every $s \in S$. So we have the isomorphisms $\check{S} \cong \text{End}({}_R S) \cong R_{n,n}$, where $R_{n,n}$ is a ring of $n \times n$ matrices over R . The equality $\psi \cdot s = \psi(s)$ defines on S a structure of the left \check{S} -module.

The set $S^{<1>}$ of all sequences over S is a left module over the ring of polynomials $\check{S}[x]$, where a product of the sequence $v \in S^{<1>}$ and the polynomial $A(x) = \sum_{i \geq 0} a_i x^i \in \check{S}[x]$ is defined by the equality

$$A(x)v = w \in S^{<1>} : w(j) = \sum_{i \geq 0} a_i (v(i+j)), j \geq 0.$$

Following [3], we say that a sequence $v \in S^{<1>}$ is a *skew linear recurrent sequence (LRS)* of order $m > 0$ over the ring S if it is an LRS of order m over the module ${}_S S$ [1, 4], i.e. $\Psi(x)v = 0$ for some monic polynomial

$$\Psi(x) = x^m - \psi_{m-1}x^{m-1} - \dots - \psi_0 \in \check{S}[x] \quad (1.1)$$

of degree m , called *characteristic polynomial of LRS v* . In other words, the sequence v satisfies the law of recursion

$$\forall i \in \mathbb{N}_0 : v(i+m) = \psi_{m-1}(v(i+m-1)) + \dots + \psi_0(v(i)). \quad (1.2)$$

We denote by $L_S(\Psi)$ the set of all LRS v over S with characteristic polynomial Ψ . If $\Psi(x) \in S[x]$, then we say that the sequences from $L_S(\Psi)$ are *classic LRS*.

Proposition 1 ([3]). *For any skew LRS v of order m over S there exists a monic polynomial $F(x) \in R[x]$ of degree mn with the following property $v \in L_S(F)$. Moreover, the relations hold:*

$$T(v)|T(F), \quad T(F) \leq \tau = (q^{nm} - 1)p^{d-1}.$$

If $T(v) = \tau$ we say that v is a skew LRS of *maximal period (MP LRS)*.

The study of skew MP LRS over Galois rings was started in articles [3, 5], where, in particular, the results allowing to construct large classes of such sequences without brute force method was obtained. In papers [6]–[11] skew MP LRS were investigated over finite fields only.

A subset $\mathcal{B} \subset S$ is called *digit set (of the ring S)*, if $0 \in \mathcal{B}$ and for every $a \in S$ there exists a unique element $\varkappa^{\mathcal{B}}(a) \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $\bar{a} = \overline{\varkappa^{\mathcal{B}}(a)}$, where \bar{a} is an image of a under canonical epimorphism $\mu : S \rightarrow S/pS$. So, every element $a \in S$ has a unique decomposition

$$a = \varkappa_0^{\mathcal{B}}(a) + p\varkappa_1^{\mathcal{B}}(a) + \dots + p^{d-1}\varkappa_{d-1}^{\mathcal{B}}(a), \quad \varkappa_j^{\mathcal{B}}(a) \in \mathcal{B}, \quad j \in \overline{0, d-1}. \quad (1.3)$$

We call a function $\varkappa_t^{\mathcal{B}} : S \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ the *t -th digit function (in the digit set \mathcal{B})*. The set \mathcal{B} has a structure of the field of q^n elements with respect to operations $a \oplus b = \varkappa_0^{\mathcal{B}}(a + b)$, $a \odot b = \varkappa_0^{\mathcal{B}}(ab)$, $a, b \in \mathcal{B}$

An important example of a digit set is p -adic digit set

$$\Gamma(S) = \{\pi \in S : \pi^{q^n} = \pi\}.$$

For the t -th digit function $\varkappa_t^{\Gamma(S)} : S \rightarrow \Gamma(S)$ we will use the notation γ_t .

For any sequence $w \in S^{(1)}$ there exists a unique tuple w_0, \dots, w_{d-1} of its *digit sequences (in digit set \mathcal{B})*, which are defined by the relations

$$w(i) = w_0(i) + pw_1(i) + \dots + p^{d-1}w_{d-1}(i), \quad w_j(i) \in \mathcal{B}, \quad j \in \overline{0, d-1}.$$

Theorem 2. *Let $v \in L_S(\Psi)$ be a skew MP LRS of order m with characteristic polynomial (1.1) and v_j be its j -th digit sequence. Then v_j is a reversible sequence of period $T(v_j) = (q^{mn} - 1)p^j$.*

For classic MP LRS this result may be found, for example, in [12].

For any sequence $w \in \mathcal{B}^{(1)}$ we denote by $\text{rank}_{\mathcal{B}}w$ the rank (the degree of minimal polynomial) of the sequence w as LRS over the field \mathcal{B} [13].

Theorem 3. *Under conditions of Theorem 2 there exists a tuple (k_0, \dots, k_{d-1}) , where $k_j \in 1, n$, $j \in \overline{0, d-1}$, such that*

$$\text{rank}_{\mathcal{B}}v_0 = k_0m, \quad \text{rank}_{\mathcal{B}}v_j \geq k_jm(p^{j-1} + 1), \quad j \in \overline{1, d-1}. \quad (1.4)$$

It is known [3] that if $\overline{\Psi}[x] \notin \overline{S}[x]$, then in (1.4) a value k_0 is larger than 2. For classic MP LRS all values k_0, \dots, k_{d-1} in (1.4) are equal to one [12].

1.1. The first digit sequence

Let $\Gamma(S) = \{\pi_0 = 0, \dots, \pi_{q^n-1}\}$. In what follows we assume that if \mathcal{B} is an arbitrary digit set of S , $\mathcal{B} = \{\mu_0, \dots, \mu_{q^n-1}\}$, then $\mu_0 = 0$, $\bar{\mu}_t = \bar{\pi}_t$ for $t = 1, \dots, q^n - 1$. The following result is valid.

Lemma 4 ([14]). *There exists a unique polynomial $\Lambda_{\mathcal{B}}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{q^n-1} \lambda_j x^j$ over S such that $\Lambda(\pi_t) = \mu_t$, $t = 0, \dots, q^n - 1$. Moreover,*

$$\Lambda_{\mathcal{B}}(x) = x + p\Lambda_{\mathcal{B}}^*(x), \quad (1.5)$$

where $\Lambda_{\mathcal{B}}^*(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{q^n-1} \lambda_j^* x^j \in S[x]$ is a polynomial uniquely defined modulo p^{d-1} .

We say that (1.5) is an *interpolation polynomial* of the digit set \mathcal{B} and put $L_{\mathcal{B}} = \{l \in \overline{2, q^n - 1} : \lambda_l \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p^2}\}$. Under certain restrictions on this polynomial one can exactly determine a rank of the first digit sequence of the skew linear recurrence of maximal period.

We define a *p-ary decomposition* of number $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ as an arithmetic sum $w_p(k) = \sum_{s \geq 0} \nu_s(k)$.

Let v be a skew MP LRS of order m over S and $K = GR(q^{nm}, p^d)$ be an extension of dimension m of the ring S . It is known [3] that the i -th term $v(i)$ of the sequence v has a representation

$$v(i) = \text{Tr}_S^K \left(\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \varepsilon_j \bar{\sigma}^j(\vartheta)^i \right) \quad (1.6)$$

for some $\varepsilon_0, \dots, \varepsilon_{n-1}, \vartheta \in K$, $\text{ord} \vartheta = (q^{mn} - 1)p^{d-1}$, where Tr_S^K is a trace-function from the ring K onto the ring S and $\bar{\sigma}$ is a generator of the group $\text{Aut}(K/R)$ [17]. We define

$$W_0 = \{j = \overline{0, n-1} : \gamma_0(\varepsilon_j) \neq 0\}, W_1 = \{j = \overline{0, n-1} \setminus W_0 : \gamma_1(\varepsilon_j) \neq 0\}.$$

The following results are announced here.

Theorem 5. *If $\Lambda(x) = x + p\Lambda^*(x)$ is an interpolation polynomial of the digit set \mathcal{B} such that*

$$\deg \Lambda(x) \leq q - 1, \quad (1.7)$$

and skew MP LRS v (1.6) satisfies the conditions $|W_0| = n_0, |W_1| = n_1$, then

$$\text{rank}_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{Z}_1^{\mathcal{B}}(v) = \sum_{l \in L_{\mathcal{B}}} \prod_{s=0}^{r-1} \binom{mn_0 + \nu_s(l) - 1}{\nu_s(l)} + \binom{mn_0 + p - 1}{p} + m(n_0 + n_1),$$

in particular,

$$\text{rank}_{\Gamma(S)} \gamma_1(v) = m(n_0 + n_1) + \binom{mn_0 + p - 1}{p}.$$

For comparison we list the following known result.

Theorem 6 ([14]). *Let polynomial (1.5) be an interpolation polynomial of the digit set \mathcal{B} . Then the rank of the first digit sequence of the classic MP LRS $u \in S^{(1)}$ of order m may be calculated by the formula*

$$\text{rank}_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{Z}_1^{\mathcal{B}}(u) = \sum_{l \in L_{\mathcal{B}}} \prod_{s=0}^{nr-1} \binom{m + \nu_s(l) - 1}{\nu_s(l)} + \binom{m + p - 1}{p} + m. \quad (1.8)$$

Corollary 7. *If conditions of Theorem 5 are satisfied and $n_0 = n$, then the rank of the first digit sequence of skew MP LRS v of order m over S is equal to the rank of the first digit sequence of classic MP LRS u of order mn over S .*

1.2. Proofs

Firstly we prove a series of auxiliary results.

Proposition 8. *Let $v \in L_S(\Psi)$ be a skew MP LRS of order m with a characteristic polynomial (1.1) and $\text{Ann}_{\check{S}[x]} v = \{H(x) \in \check{S}[x] : H(x)v = 0\}$ be its annihilator in the ring $\check{S}[x]$. Then*

$$\text{Ann}_{\check{S}[x]} v = \check{S}[x]\Psi(x). \quad (1.9)$$

Proof. Every linear transform $\psi \in \check{S}$ of the module ${}_R S$ induces a linear transform $\bar{\psi} \in \check{\check{S}}$ of the space ${}_R \bar{S}$ by the rule $\forall \alpha \in S : \bar{\psi}(\bar{\alpha}) = \overline{\psi(\alpha)}$. The correspondence $\psi \rightarrow \bar{\psi}$ gives an epimorphism of rings $\check{S} \rightarrow \check{\check{S}}$ with kernel $p\check{S}$, and canonical isomorphism $\check{\check{S}} \cong \check{S}/p\check{S}$ allows to consider $\bar{\psi}$ as an element of

the quotient ring $\check{S}/p\check{S}$, i.e. allows to use the equality $\bar{\psi} = \psi + p\check{S}$. The natural epimorphism $\mu : S \rightarrow S/pS$ induces an epimorphism

$$\hat{\mu} : \check{S}[x] \rightarrow \check{\check{S}}[x] \text{ such that } \hat{\mu} \left(\sum_{j \geq 0} \psi_j x^j \right) = \sum_{j \geq 0} \bar{\psi}_j x^j.$$

In what follows, for the polynomial $\Phi(x) = \sum_{j \geq 0} \varphi_j x^j \in \check{S}[x]$ and for the sequence u over S we put $\bar{\Phi}(x) = \sum_{j \geq 0} \bar{\varphi}_j x^j$, $\bar{u} = \omega \in \bar{S}^{(1)}$, $\omega(i) = \bar{u}(i)$.

Lemma 9. *The following relation holds: $\text{Ann}_{\check{\check{S}}[x]} \bar{v} = \check{\check{S}}[x] \bar{\Psi}(x)$.*

Proof. Let us divide with the remainder any polynomial $H(x) \in \text{Ann}_{\check{\check{S}}[x]} \bar{v}$ from the right side by the polynomial $\bar{\Psi}(x)$ in the ring $\check{\check{S}}[x]$

$$H(x) = Q(x) \bar{\Psi}(x) + \rho(x), \rho(x) \in \check{\check{S}}[x], \deg \rho(x) < m. \quad (1.10)$$

Multiplying the both sides of equality (1.10) by \bar{v} we obtain $\rho(x) \bar{v} = 0$. The polynomial $\rho(x)$ has the form $\rho(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \rho_j x^j$. Since for every $a \in S$ there exists $i = i(a) \in \mathbb{N}_0$ with the property $\bar{v}[i, i+m-1] = (0, \dots, 0, \bar{a})$, we have from the equality $\rho(x) \bar{v} = 0$ that $\rho_{m-1} = 0$. If $m = 1$, then Lemma is proved. If $m > 1$, then one can analogously show that $\rho_j = 0$ for $j = \overline{0, m-2}$. \square

The polynomial $A(x) \in \text{Ann}_{\check{S}[x]} \bar{v} \setminus \{0\}$ may be represented as

$$A(x) = p^k A_1(x), k \in \overline{0, d-1}, \bar{A}_1(x) \neq 0,$$

where $A_1(x) \in \check{S}[x]$ is a polynomial uniquely determined modulo p^{d-k} . Then $\bar{A}_1(x) \bar{v} = 0$ and by Lemma 9 we obtain

$$A(x) = B(x) \bar{\Psi}(x) + pC(x), \deg C(x) < m. \quad (1.11)$$

If $C(x) \in p^{d-1} \check{S}[x]$, then Theorem is proved. Let $C(x) \notin p^{d-1} \check{S}[x]$. The polynomial $C(x)$ may be represented as

$$C(x) = p^j C_1(x), j < d-1, C_1(x) \in \check{S}[x], \deg C_1(x) < m, \bar{C}_1(x) \neq 0.$$

From the last equation and condition (1.11) we have $\bar{C}_1(x) \bar{v} = 0$, $\bar{C}_1(x) \neq 0$. So, we obtain a contradiction with Lemma 9.

For polynomials $A(x), B(x), C(x) \in \check{S}[x]$ we say that $A(x)$ is right congruent modulo $C(x)$ to $B(x)$, if there exists a polynomial $D(x) \in \check{S}[x]$ such that $A(x) - B(x) = D(x)C(x)$; in this case we will use the notation

$$A(x) \equiv B(x) \pmod{C(x)}. \quad (1.12)$$

Note that since the ring $\check{S}[x]$ is noncommutative, we obtain that the equality $A(x) - B(x) = C(x) \bar{D}(x)$ for some polynomial $\bar{D}(x) \in \check{S}[x]$ doesn't follow from (1.12). In what follows, $\tau_s = (q^{mn} - 1)p^s$, $s = \overline{0, d-1}$.

Lemma 10. For any skew MP-polynomial $\Psi(x) \in \check{S}[x]$ of degree m the next conditions are fulfilled

$$x^{\tau_s} \equiv e + p^{s+1}\Phi^{(s)}(x) \pmod{\Psi(x)}, \quad s = \overline{0, d-1}, \quad (1.13)$$

where $\Phi^{(s)}(x) \in \check{S}[x]$, $\deg\Phi^{(s)}(x) < m$, wherein $\overline{\Phi^{(s)}(x)} \neq 0$.

Proof. If $v \in L_S(\Psi)$ is a skew MP LRS of order m , then by Proposition 1 there exists an MP-polynomial $F(x) \in R[x]$, $\deg F(x) = mn$ such that $v \in L_S(F)$.

Lemma 11 ([15]). For $s \in \{0, 1, \dots, d-1\}$ the following relations hold:
 $x^{\tau_s} \equiv e + p^{s+1}U^{(s)}(x) \pmod{F}$, $U^{(s)}(x) \in R[x]$, $\deg U^{(s)}(x) < mn$, $\overline{U^{(s)}(x)} \neq 0$.

Proof. By Proposition 8 there exists a polynomial $\Phi(x) \in \check{S}[x]$ with the property $F(x) = \Phi(x)\Psi(x)$. By Lemma 11 there exist polynomials $H_s(x) \in R[x]$ with the property

$$x^{\tau_s} = e + p^{s+1}U^{(s)}(x) + H_s(x)\Phi(x)\Psi(x). \quad (1.14)$$

Let us divide with the remainder polynomials $U^{(s)}(x)$ from the right side by $\Psi(x)$

$$U^{(s)}(x) = B_s(x)\Psi(x) + \Phi^{(s)}(x), \quad \deg\Phi^{(s)}(x) < m. \quad (1.15)$$

Substituting (1.15) in (1.14), we obtain $x^{\tau_s} \equiv e + p^{s+1}\Phi^{(s)}(x) \pmod{\Psi(x)}$. Let us show that $\overline{\Phi^{(s)}(x)} \neq 0$. Assume the contrary, that is there exists $t \in \overline{0, d-1}$ with the property $\overline{\Phi^{(t)}(x)} = 0$. Then from relation (1.15) for $s = t$ we get $\overline{U^{(t)}(x)} = \overline{B_t(x)\Psi(x)}$. Since polynomials $\overline{U^{(t)}(x)}$, $\overline{F(x)}$ are coprime over \overline{R} , we obtain that there exist polynomials $C(x), D(x) \in \overline{R}[x]$ such that $C(x)\overline{U^{(t)}(x)} + D(x)\overline{F(x)} = \overline{e}$. Using the equality $\overline{F(x)} = \overline{\Phi(x)\Psi(x)}$, we get $(C(x)\overline{B_t(x)} + D(x)\overline{\Phi(x)})\overline{\Psi(x)} = \overline{e}$. The last equality is impossible since $\overline{\Psi(x)}$ is a monic polynomial and $\deg\overline{\Psi(x)} \geq 1$. So we have a contradiction.

Proof of Theorem 2. In what follows, for $j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in S^{(1)}$ we will use the notation

$$\omega_1 \equiv \omega_2 \pmod{p^j} \iff \omega_1(i) - \omega_2(i) \in p^j S, \quad i \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

Lemma 12. Under conditions of Theorem 2 the following relations hold:
 $T(v_j) | \tau_j, j = \overline{0, d-1}$.

Proof. We will prove this by induction on j . For $j = 0$ the sequence $\overline{v_0}$ is a skew MP LRS of order m over the field \overline{S} and has period $T(\overline{v_0}) = T(v_0) = \tau_0$. Assume that conditions $T(v_j) | \tau_j$ are valid for $j < t$ and prove it for $j = t$.

By (1.13) for $j = t$ we obtain $(x^{\tau_t} - e)v = p^{t+1}\Phi^{(t)}(x)v$. On the other hand, by the induction hypothesis

$$(x^{\tau_t} - e)v = \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} p^j(x^{\tau_t} - e)v_j \equiv p^t(x^{\tau_t} - e)v_t \pmod{p^{t+1}}. \quad (1.16)$$

Hence, $(x^{\tau_t} - e)v_t \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, i.e. $T(v_t) | \tau_t$. Lemma is proved.

We will prove Theorem 2 by induction on j . As was shown in the proof of Lemma 12, $T(v_0) = \tau_0$. Assume that conditions $T(v_j) = \tau_j$ are valid for $j < t$. By Lemma 12 to prove the Theorem it is sufficient to establish the equality $T(v_{t+1}) > \tau_t$. Let us consider the sequence $(x^{\tau_t} - e)v$ modulo p^{t+2} . By Lemma 12

$$p^{t+1}(x^{\tau_t} - e)v_{t+1} \equiv p^{t+1}\Phi^{(t)}(x)v \pmod{p^{t+2}}. \quad (1.17)$$

Using (1.17) we obtain

$$(x^{\tau_t} - \bar{e})\bar{v}_{t+1} = \overline{\Phi^{(t)}}(x)\bar{v}. \quad (1.18)$$

We have $\overline{\Phi^{(t)}}(x) \neq 0$, $\deg \overline{\Phi^{(t)}}(x) < m$ by Lemma 10 and $\overline{\Phi^{(t)}}(x)\bar{v} \neq 0$ by Lemma 9. So, using equality (1.18) we get $T(v_{t+1}) > \tau_t$. The proof is complete.

Proof of Theorem 3. The first equality follows from [3]. By Proposition 1 there exists an MP-polynomial $F(x) \in R[x]$ of degree mn such that $F(x)v = 0$. For every $t \in \overline{0, d-2}$ define a sequence $\omega = \overline{\Phi^{(t)}}(x)\bar{v}$ and consider $\overline{F}(x)\omega$:

$$\overline{F}(x)\omega = \overline{F}(x)\overline{\Phi^{(t)}}(x)\bar{v} = \overline{\Phi^{(t)}}(x)\overline{F}(x)\bar{v} = 0. \quad (1.19)$$

Hence $\omega \in L_{\overline{S}}(\overline{F})$ and $\omega \neq 0$ by Lemma 10. The polynomial $\overline{F}(x)$ has the following canonical decomposition over \overline{S} [16]: $\overline{F}(x) = G_0(x) \cdot \dots \cdot G_{n-1}(x)$, where $G_0(x), \dots, G_{n-1}(x)$ are MP-polynomials of degree m over S . Hence the equalities $\text{rank}_{\overline{S}}(\omega_t) = k_{t+1}m$, $1 \leq k_{t+1} \leq n$, are valid. Let $G(x)$ and $H(x)$ be minimal polynomials of the sequences ω_t and \bar{v}_{t+1} over \overline{S} , correspondingly. If $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$ is a value such that $G(x)^l | H(x)$, $G(x)^{l+1} \nmid H(x)$, then $\text{rank}_{\overline{S}}\bar{v}_{t+1} \geq lk_{t+1}m$. Relation (1.18) may be written in the form $(x^{\tau_0} - \bar{e})p^t\bar{v}_{t+1} = \omega_t$. From the last equality we obtain $G(x) = \frac{H(x)}{(H(x), (x^{\tau_0} - \bar{e})p^t)}$ [13]. Since $G(x) | (x^{\tau_0} - \bar{e})$, we have $l = p^t + 1$, hence $\text{rank}_{\overline{S}}\bar{v}_{t+1} = \text{rank}_{\overline{S}}\bar{v}_{t+1} \geq k_{t+1}m(p^t + 1)$, $1 \leq k_{t+1} \leq n$.

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