
ATTI ACCADEMIA NAZIONALE DEI LINCEI
CLASSE SCIENZE FISICHE MATEMATICHE NATURALI
RENDICONTI

JACOB T.B.JUN. BEARD, ALICE T. BULLOCK, MICKIE
SUE HARBIN

**Infinitely many perfect and unitary perfect
polynomials**

*Atti della Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei. Classe di Scienze Fisiche,
Matematiche e Naturali. Rendiconti, Serie 8, Vol. 63 (1977), n.5, p. 294–303.*
Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei

<http://www.bdim.eu/item?id=RLINA_1977_8_63_5_294_0>

L'utilizzo e la stampa di questo documento digitale è consentito liberamente per motivi di ricerca e studio. Non è consentito l'utilizzo dello stesso per motivi commerciali. Tutte le copie di questo documento devono riportare questo avvertimento.

*Articolo digitalizzato nel quadro del programma
bdim (Biblioteca Digitale Italiana di Matematica)
SIMAI & UMI*

<http://www.bdim.eu/>

Algebra. — *Infinitely many perfect and unitary perfect polynomials*^(*). Nota di JACOB T. B. BEARD Jr., ALICE T. BULLOCK e MICKIE SUE HARBIN, presentata^(**) dal Socio E. MARTINELLI a nome del compianto Socio B. SEGRE.

RIASSUNTO. — Dopo avere ottenuto vari casi per $q = p^d$ in cui su $\text{GF}(q)$ esistono infiniti polinomi irriducibili che sono unitari e perfetti, si studia il numero di tali polinomi in altri casi e si fa per esso una congettura.

1. INTRODUCTION AND NOTATION

The language of this paper is that of [1], [2]. Briefly, a monic polynomial $A = A(x) \in \text{GF}(q, x)$, $q = p^d$, $d \geq 1$, is called *perfect* over $\text{GF}(q)$ if and only if the sum $\sigma(A)$ of the distinct monic divisors in $\text{GF}(q, x)$ of A equals A . If $A, B \in \text{GF}(q, x)$ are monic, B is called a *unitary divisor* of A if and only if $(B, A/B) = 1$. The monic polynomial $A \in \text{GF}(q, x)$ is *unitary perfect* over $\text{GF}(q)$ if and only if the sum $\sigma^*(A)$ of the distinct unitary divisors in $\text{GF}(q, x)$ of A equals A . The polynomial $A \in \text{GF}(q, x)$ is a *splitting* polynomial over $\text{GF}(q)$ if and only if A factors in $\text{GF}(q, x)$ as the product of linear irreducibles; otherwise, A is a *non-splitting* polynomial over $\text{GF}(q)$. The monic polynomial $P \in \text{GF}(q, x)$ is *prime* if and only if P is irreducible over $\text{GF}(q)$. For brevity we write $A \rightarrow D$ to indicate $\sigma(A) = D$ or, in context, $\sigma^*(A) = D$, and recall that the functions σ and σ^* are multiplicative on their domains. Thus if $A \in \text{GF}(q, x)$ has the canonical decomposition $A = \prod_{i=1}^k P_i^{\alpha(i)}$ where the primes $P_i \in \text{GF}(q, x)$ are distinct and the $\alpha(i) > 0$, then

$$(1) \quad A \xrightarrow{\sigma} \prod_{i=1}^k \sigma(P_i^{\alpha(i)}) = \prod_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=0}^{\alpha(i)} P_i^j = \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{P_i^{\alpha(i)+1} - 1}{P_i - 1}$$

and

$$(2) \quad A \xrightarrow{\sigma^*} \prod_{i=1}^k \sigma^*(P_i^{\alpha(i)}) = \prod_{i=1}^k (P_i^{\alpha(i)} + 1).$$

From [2; Theorem 3] the number $\text{SP}(q)$ of splitting perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$ is infinite. Concerning the number $\text{NSP}(q)$ of non-splitting perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$, [2; Table I] established $\text{NSP}(2) \geq 11$,

(*) This research was partially supported by an Organized Research Grant from The University of Texas at Arlington.

(**) Nella seduta del 18 novembre 1977.

$\text{NSP}(3) \geq 16$, $\text{NSP}(5) \geq 13$, the lower bound on $\text{NSP}(2)$ remaining that of Canaday [7]. Our present results (Section 4) on the infinitude of $\text{NSP}(2^d)$, $\text{NSP}(3^d)$, $\text{NSP}(5^d)$ are almost incidental. The primary results of this paper have followed the study of numerous examples, hand-constructed by Bullock and Harbin, of non-splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(p)$, $p = 2, 3, 5$. Previously [1; Theorems 6, 7] it was determined that for each q , there are infinitely many splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$, and that there exist at least 28 (3) non-splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(2)$ ($\text{GF}(3)$). Here (Theorem 1) it is established that $\text{GF}[q, x]$ contains infinitely many non-splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$ *provided it contains at least one*. This general existence question remains open, but the question it would answer is weak. A natural equivalence relation $\tilde{q}$ defined on $\text{GF}[q, x]$ (Section 2) illuminates the better question: to determine the number of distinct $\tilde{q}$ equivalence classes containing (non-splitting) unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$. E.g., the infinite set $\{x^{2^n}(1+x)^{2^n}\}$ of splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(2)$ is precisely the 2-equivalence class containing $x(1+x)$, while the 28 non-splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(2)$ given in [1] determine 18 2-equivalence classes as in Section 5. The numbers $\text{SUP}(q)$ and $\text{NSUP}(q)$ of distinct $\tilde{q}$ -classes containing splitting and non-splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$ respectively are discussed in Section 3. Not known to be deterministic, the algorithm used to construct the examples in [1; Table I], [2; Table I] and Table I of Section 5 is discussed briefly.

We gratefully acknowledge the comments and suggestions of Professors Leonard Carlitz and Robert M. McConnel.

2. q -EQUIVALENCE ON $\text{GF}[q, x]$

For all $A, B \in \text{GF}[q, x]$ we say that A is q -equivalent to B , written $A \tilde{q} B$, if and only if there exists an integer l (negative, zero, or positive) such that $A = B^{p^l}$ where $q = p^d$, $d \geq 1$. It is clear that $\tilde{q}$ is an equivalence relation on $\text{GF}[q, x]$, each $\tilde{q}$ -class $\bar{A}$ contains a unique polynomial C of minimum degree, and that $C \notin \text{GF}[q, x^p]$. We call C the *representative* of the $\tilde{q}$ -class $\bar{A}$, and emphasize $\bar{A} = \{C^{p^n}\}_{n \geq 0}$. The concept of q -equivalence is motivated by

THEOREM 1. *Let $A \in \text{GF}[q, x]$, $q = p^d$, $d \geq 1$, and let $n \geq 0$. Then A is unitary perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$ if and only if A^{p^n} is unitary perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$.*

Proof. From (2),

$$\begin{aligned} A^{p^n} &= \prod_{i=1}^k P_i^{\alpha(i)p^n} \xrightarrow{\sigma^*} \prod_{i=1}^k (P_i^{\alpha(i)p^n} + 1) = \prod_{i=1}^k (P_i^{\alpha(i)} + 1)^{p^n} \\ &= \left(\prod_{i=1}^k (P_i^{\alpha(i)} + 1) \right)^{p^n} = (\sigma^*(A))^{p^n}. \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 2. *Let $A, C \in \text{GF}[q, x]$, $q = p^d$, $d \geq 1$. If $A \tilde{q} C$, then A and C are simultaneously (splitting) ((non-splitting)) unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$.*

Proof. The results are evident from Theorem 1 and its proof.

3. THE NUMBERS $\text{SUP}(q)$ AND $\text{NSUP}(q)$

From Theorem 2, either all polynomials in a $\tilde{q}$ -class are unitary perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$ or else none are. Moreover, all of the polynomials in a $\tilde{q}$ -class split over $\text{GF}(q)$ or else all of them are non-splitting over $\text{GF}(q)$. Thus it is appropriate to define $\text{SUP}(q)$ as the number (perhaps infinite) of distinct $\tilde{q}$ -classes containing splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$, and $\text{NSUP}(q)$ as the number of distinct $\tilde{q}$ -classes containing non-splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$.

The splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(p)$ have been characterized [1; Theorem 8] as precisely those polynomials $A = \prod_{i=0}^{p-1} (x - i)^{Np^n}$ where $n \geq 0$ and either i) $p = 2$ and $N = 1$, or ii) $p > 2$ and $(p - 1)/N \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. Letting $\tau_e(m)$ denote the number of even positive divisors of the integer m , we have part of

THEOREM 3. *The number $\text{SUP}(q)$ of distinct $\tilde{q}$ -classes of splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$ is given by*

$$\text{SUP}(q) = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } q = 2 \\ \tau_e(q - 1) & , \text{ if } q = p > 2 \\ \infty & , \text{ if } q \neq p. \end{cases}$$

Proof. There remains only to show $\text{SUP}(q) = \infty$ whenever $q = p^d$ and $d > 1$. We generalize the example following Theorem 2 in [1]. Choose $a_1, \dots, a_{p^d-1} \in \text{GF}(q)$ such that $(a_k + \text{GF}(p)) \cap (a_j + \text{GF}(p)) = \emptyset$ for $k \neq j$. Then each polynomial $A_k = \prod_{i=0}^{p-1} (x - a_k - i)$ is unitary perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$ and the A_k are pairwise relatively prime. For all distinct sequences of integers $n(1), \dots, n(p^d-1) \geq 0$ such that at least one $n(k) = 0$, the polynomials of the form

$$(3) \quad A = \prod_{k=1}^{p^d-1} A_k^{p^{n(k)}} = \prod_{k=1}^{p^d-1} \prod_{i=0}^{p-1} (x - a_k - i)^{p^{n(k)}}$$

are the representatives of distinct splitting unitary perfect $\tilde{q}$ -classes.

The above proof-technique easily establishes

THEOREM 4. *Let $A, B \in \text{GF}[q, x]$ be unitary perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$, $q = p^d$, $d \geq 1$. If $(A, B) = 1$ and B does not split in $\text{GF}[q, x]$, then $\text{NSUP}(q) = \infty$.*

In constructing the polynomials A in (3), exactly one of the chosen a_k lies in $\text{GF}(p)$, call it a_1 . Then the polynomials (for any choices of $n(k) \geq 0$) of the form

$$(4) \quad A' = \prod_{k=2}^{p^d-1} \prod_{i=0}^{p-1} (x - a_k - i)^{p^{n(k)}}$$

are splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$ with $\left(A', \prod_{i=0}^{p-1} (x - i)\right) = 1$.

In Table I (Section 5) we note the non-splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(2)$:

$$(5) \quad B_1 = x^2(1+x)^3(1+x+x^2), \quad B_2 = x^4(1+x)^7(1+x+x^3)(1+x^2+x^3);$$

over $\text{GF}(3)$:

$$(6) \quad B_3 = x^2(1+x)^2(2+x)^2(2+x+x^2)(2+2x+x^2);$$

and over $\text{GF}(5)$:

$$(7) \quad B_4 = x^4(1+x)^2(2+x)^2(3+x)^2(4+x)^2(2+x^2)(3+x^2)^2.$$

Since the irreducible quadratic factors of $B_1(B_3)((B_4))$ over $\text{GF}(2)$ ($\text{GF}(3)$) ($\text{GF}(5)$) remain irreducible over $\text{GF}(2^d)$ ($\text{GF}(3^d)$) ($\text{GF}(5^d)$) for all odd integers $d \geq 1$, then $B_1(B_3)((B_4))$ is a non-splitting unitary perfect polynomial over $\text{GF}(2^d)$ ($\text{GF}(3^d)$) ($\text{GF}(5^d)$) for each odd $d \geq 1$. Similarly, B_2 is a non-splitting unitary perfect polynomial over $\text{GF}(2^d)$ for each (even) integer $d \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$.

THEOREM 5. $\text{NSUP}(2^d) = \infty$ for each odd integer $d > 1$ and for each (even) integer $d \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$. $\text{NSUP}(3^d) = \infty = \text{NSUP}(5^d)$ for each odd integer $d > 1$.

Proof. Apply Theorem 3, taking $A = A'$ in (4) and $B = B_i$ in (5), (6), (7).

4. THE NUMBER $\text{NSP}(q)$

We are without a "perfect" analog of Theorem 1, but are still able to mimic the preceding arguments beginning with the identified portion of the proof of Theorem 2. In the place of Theorem 1, we appeal to [2; Theorem 1]: the polynomial $A = \prod_{a \in \text{GF}(q)} (x - a)^{p^n - 1}$ is perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$ for each $n \geq 0$.

Modifying the polynomials in (4) only by changing the exponents on the linear factors, we generalize the example in [2; Section 3], obtaining polynomials

$$(8) \quad A'' = \prod_{k=2}^{p^d-1} \prod_{i=0}^{p-1} (x - a_k - i)^{p^{n(k)}-1}$$

which are splitting perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$ with $\left(A'', \prod_{i=0}^{p-1} (x-i)\right) = 1$, for all choices of the $n(k) \geq 0$. Since the product of relatively prime perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$ is perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$, the non-splitting perfect polynomials [2] over $\text{GF}(2)$:

$$x(1+x)^2(1+x+x^2) \quad , \quad x^3(1+x)^6(1+x+x^3)(1+x^2+x^3);$$

over $\text{GF}(3)$:

$$x(1+x)^3(2+x)^2(2+2x+x^2);$$

and over $\text{GF}(5)$:

$$x^3(1+x)^2(2+x)^2(3+x)^2(4+x)(2+x^2)(3+x^2)(3+3x+x^2) \\ (4+3x+x^2)(3+2x+x^2)(4+2x+x^2);$$

together with the appropriate A'' in (8), yield

THEOREM 6. $\text{NSP}(2^d) = \infty$ for each odd integer $d > 1$ and for each (even) integer $d \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$. $\text{NSP}(3^d) = \infty = \text{NSP}(5^d)$ for each odd integer $d > 1$.

5. UNITARY PERFECT q -EQUIVALENCE CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

In Table I, the $\tilde{p}$ -class representatives are given for all currently known non-splitting unitary perfect $\tilde{p}$ -classes over $\text{GF}(p)$ establishing $\text{NSUP}(2) \geq 33$, $\text{NSUP}(3) \geq 16$, and $\text{NSUP}(5) \geq 6$. The polynomials which are starred (*) here are the $\tilde{p}$ -class representatives of the $\tilde{p}$ -classes determined by the examples in [1; Table 1]. (Several of the starred representatives do not appear in [1] as they were discovered, inexplicably, only after Theorem 1 was realized). In the construction of non-splitting perfect [2] and unitary perfect polynomials, we have relied heavily on [3]–[6] and the algorithm to follow (modified in the obvious fashion to obtain perfect polynomials):

Step 1. Compute and factor $\sigma^*(x^n)$ obtaining

$$(9) \quad x^n \xrightarrow{\sigma^*} \prod_{i=1}^k P_i^{\alpha(i)}.$$

Step 2. If the left and right sides of the statement (9) are equal, stop. Otherwise, replace the left side of (9) by the *l.c.m.* of the left and right sides of (9) and compute the new right side of (9). Repeat Step 2.

The trial balloon built into Step 2 frequently has drastic effects, and the algorithm is not thought to be deterministic. Other examples have been found by initiating the algorithm at $x^n(1+x)^n$, etc., motivated originally by having obtained examples divisible by both $x^n(1+x)^m$ and $x^m(1+x)^n$. The ineffec-

tiveness of the algorithm is clear on noting the 2-equivalence class representatives of degrees 23 and 29 divisible by $x^4(1+x)^9$ and $x^9(1+x)^4$, yet only one known representative divisible by $x^9(1+x)^9$. (The two 2-equivalence class representatives involving $x^3(1+x)^5$ were found by an exhaustive computer search [1; Section 3]). In fact, the four examples involving the form $x^4(1+x)^9$ or $x^9(1+x)^4$ were not all determined using the algorithm. Professor Carlitz has reminded us to expect, as in the case of perfect polynomials, the polynomials $A(x), A(x+1), \dots, A(x+p-1)$ to be simultaneously unitary perfect over $\text{GF}(p)$, and two of the aforementioned examples (as well as several others) have been so determined after using the algorithm to discover $A(x)$. The more general expectation holds as well, as in

THEOREM 7. *Let $A(x) \in \text{GF}[q, x]$, $q = p^d$, $d \geq 1$. If $A(x)$ is perfect (unitary perfect) over $\text{GF}(q)$ and $b \in \text{GF}(q)$, then $B(x) = A(x+b)$ is perfect (unitary perfect) over $\text{GF}(q)$.*

Proof. We prove the result in the case $A(x)$ is unitary perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$, a similar argument sufficing in the event $A(x)$ is perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$.

Let $A(x) = \prod_{i=1}^k (P_i(x))^{\alpha(i)}$ where the primes $P_i(x) \in \text{GF}[q, x]$ are distinct and the $\alpha(i) > 0$. Let $\text{GF}(q^e)$ be a splitting field for $A(x)$ over $\text{GF}(q)$. Then there exist $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \text{GF}(q^e)$ such that for each i , $1 \leq i \leq k$, we have

$$(P_i(x))^{\alpha(i)} = \prod_{j=0}^{\beta(i)-1} (x - a_i^{q^j})^{\alpha(i)},$$

where $\deg P_i(x) = \beta(i)$. Since the $P_i(x)$ are pairwise relatively prime over $\text{GF}(q)$, the $P_i(x)$ are pairwise relatively prime over $\text{GF}(q^e)$ [9; p. 119]. Moreover, for each $b \in \text{GF}(q)$,

$$P_i(x+b) = \prod_{j=0}^{\beta(i)-1} (x+b - a_i^{q^j}) = \prod_{j=0}^{\beta(i)-1} [x - (a_i - b)^{q^j}].$$

Since each $a_i - b$ has degree $\beta(i)$ [8; Lemma 3.3], it follows that each $Q_i(x) = P_i(x+b)$ is prime of degree $\beta(i)$ in $\text{GF}[q, x]$, the $Q_i(x)$ are pairwise relatively prime in $\text{GF}[q, x]$ and, hence, the primes $Q_i(x)$ are distinct. Thus if $A(x)$ is unitary perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$,

$$(10) \quad A(x) = \prod_{i=1}^k (P_i(x))^{\alpha(i)} \xrightarrow{\sigma^*} \prod_{i=1}^k [(P_i(x))^{\alpha(i)} + 1] = \prod_{i=1}^k (P_i(x))^{\alpha(i)},$$

and from the right-most equality in (10) we obtain the right-most equality in

$$B(x) = A(x+b) = \prod_{i=1}^k (Q_i(x))^{\alpha(i)} \xrightarrow{\sigma^*} \prod_{i=1}^k [(Q_i(x))^{\alpha(i)} + 1] = \prod_{i=1}^k (Q_i(x))^{\alpha(i)},$$

so that $B(x) = A(x+b)$ is unitary perfect over $\text{GF}(q)$.

Our failure to obtain examples of non-splitting unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(p)$ for $p \geq 7$ is felt to be due solely to the limited extent

of our factorization tables. Likewise, we expect there are non-splitting perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(p)$ for each $p \geq 7$. Several other conjectures appear reasonable, though strong. Among them are the following:

- i) For each q and each prime polynomial $P \in \text{GF}[q, x]$, P divides some unitary perfect polynomial over $\text{GF}(q)$.
- ii) For each p and each unitary perfect polynomial A over $\text{GF}(p)$, the polynomial $\prod_{i=0}^{p-1} (x - i)$ divides A .
- iii) For each p and each odd integer $d \geq 1$, $\text{NSUP}(p^d) = \infty$.
- iv) For each p and each integer $d \geq 1$, the polynomial $\prod_{i=0}^{p-1} (x - i)^d$ divides some unitary perfect polynomial over $\text{GF}(p)$.

As observed in [1], the statement (ii) holds for $p = 2$.

TABLE I

Some Distinct Non-Splitting Unitary Perfect $\tilde{p}$ -Class Representatives

$\tilde{p}$	Degree	Complete Factorization
2	7	* $x^2(1+x)^3(1+x+x^2)$
		* $x^3(1+x)^2(1+x+x^2)$
	10	* $x^3(1+x)^3(1+x+x^2)^2$
	13	* $x^4(1+x)^5(1+x^3+x^4)$
		* $x^5(1+x)^4(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4)$
	16	* $x^3(1+x)^3(1+x+x^2)^3(1+x+x^4)$
	17	* $x^4(1+x)^7(1+x+x^3)(1+x^2+x^3)$
		* $x^7(1+x)^4(1+x+x^3)(1+x^2+x^3)$
	18	* $x^5(1+x)^5(1+x^3+x^4)(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4)$
	19	* $x^5(1+x)^6(1+x+x^2)^2(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4)$
		* $x^6(1+x)^5(1+x+x^2)^2(1+x^3+x^4)$
	20	* $x^4(1+x)^6(1+x+x^2)^3(1+x+x^4)$
		* $x^6(1+x)^4(1+x+x^2)^3(1+x+x^4)$
	22	* $x^5(1+x)^7(1+x+x^3)(1+x^2+x^3)(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4)$
		* $x^7(1+x)^5(1+x+x^3)(1+x^2+x^3)(1+x^3+x^4)$
	23	* $x^4(1+x)^9(1+x+x^2)^2(1+x+x^3+x^4+x^6)$
		* $x^6(1+x)^7(1+x+x^2)^2(1+x+x^3)(1+x^2+x^3)$
		* $x^7(1+x)^6(1+x+x^2)^2(1+x+x^3)(1+x^2+x^3)$
		* $x^9(1+x)^4(1+x+x^2)^2(1+x^3+x^6)$
	26	* $x^7(1+x)^7(1+x+x^3)^2(1+x^2+x^3)^2$

TABLE I (Cont.)

p	Degree	Complete Factorization
2	29	$x^4(1+x)^9(1+x+x^2)^3(1+x+x^4)(1+x+x^3+x^4+x^6)$
	*	$x^9(1+x)^4(1+x+x^2)^3(1+x+x^4)(1+x^3+x^6)$
	37	$x^8(1+x)^{11}(1+x^3+x^4)^2(1+x+x^2+x^7+x^8+x^9+x^{10})$
	*	$x^{11}(1+x)^8(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4)^2$
		$(1+x+x^3+x^3+x^4+x^5+x^6+x^7+x^8+x^9+x^{10})$
	38	$x^9(1+x)^9(1+x+x^2)^4(1+x^3+x^6)(1+x+x^3+x^4+x^6)$
	39	$x^8(1+x)^{15}(1+x+x^2)^2(1+x+x^4)(1+x^3+x^4)(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4)$
	*	$x^{15}(1+x)^8(1+x+x^2)^2(1+x+x^4)(1+x^3+x^4)(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4)$
	41	$x^8(1+x)^{13}(1+x+x^2)^4(1+x^3+x^4+x^7+x^8+x^{11}+x^{12})$
	*	$x^{13}(1+x)^8(1+x+x^2)^4$
		$(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4+x^5+x^6+x^7+x^8+x^9+x^{10}+x^{11}+x^{12})$
	58	$x^{11}(1+x)^{11}(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4)^2(1+x^3+x^4)^2$
3		$(1+x+x^2+x^7+x^8+x^9+x^{10})$
		$(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4+x^5+x^6+x^7+x^8+x^9+x^{10})$
	62	$x^{15}(1+x)^{15}(1+x+x^2)^4(1+x+x^4)^3(1+x^3+x^4)^2$
		$(1+x+x^3+x^3+x^4)^2$
	66	$x^{13}(1+x)^{13}(1+x+x^2)^8(1+x^3+x^4+x^7+x^8+x^{11}+x^{12})$
		$(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4+x^5+x^6+x^7+x^8+x^9+x^{10}+x^{11}+x^{12})$
	86	$x^{17}(1+x)^{17}(1+x+x^2)^3(1+x+x^3)(1+x^2+x^2)(1+x^2+x^5)$
		$(1+x+x^2+x^4+x^5)(1+x+x^2+x^4+x^6+x^7+x^8)$
		$(1+x^2+x^3+x^5+x^8)(1+x^3+x^4+x^5+x^8)$
		$(1+x^2+x^3+x^4+x^5+x^7+x^8)$
		
	12	* $x^2(1+x)^2(2+x)^2(1+x^2)(2+x+x^2)(2+2x+x^2)$
	18	$x^3(1+x)^3(2+x)^5(2+x+x^2+x^3)(2+2x+x^2+x^3+x^4)$
		$x^3(1+x)^5(2+x)^3(1+2x+x^2+x^3)(1+2x+x^2+x^4)$
		$x^5(1+x)^3(2+x)^3(2+x^2+x^3)(1+2x+x^2+2x^3+x^4)$
	25	$x^2(1+x)^3(2+x)^8(1+x^2)(2+x+x^2)(1+x^2+2x^3+x^4)$
		$(2+x+2x^2+2x^3+x^4)$
		$x^3(1+x)^8(2+x)^2(2+x+x^2)$
		$(2+2x+x^3)(1+x^2+x^3+x^4)(2+2x+2x^2+x^3+x^4)$
	*	$x^8(1+x)^2(2+x)^3(1+x^2)(2+2x+x^2)(2+x^2+x^4)(2+2x^2+x^4)$
	36	$x^4(1+x)^4(2+x)^4(1+x^2)^2(2+x+x^2)^2(2+2x+x^2)^2(2+2x^2+x^4)$
		$(2+x+2x^2+2x^3+x^4)(2+2x+2x^2+x^3+x^4)$
		$x^5(1+x)^5(2+x)^5(2+x^2+x^3)(1+2x+x^2+x^3)(2+x+x^2+x^3)$
		$(1+2x+x^2+x^4)(1+2x+x^2+2x^3+x^4)(2+2x+x^2+x^3+x^4)$

TABLE I (Cont.)

p	Degree	Complete Factorization
3	37	$x^6 (1+x)^6 (2+x)^7 (1+x^2)^3 (2+2x+x^2)^3 (1+2x^2+x^3+2x^5+x^6)$ $(2+2x^2+x^3+2x^5+x^6)$
		$x^6 (1+x)^7 (2+x)^6 (1+x^2)^3 (2+x+x^2)^3 (1+x^3+2x^4+2x^5+x^6)$ $(2+x^3+2x^4+2x^5+x^6)$
		$x^7 (1+x)^6 (2+x)^6 (2+x+x^2)^3 (2+2x+x^2)^3$ $(1+2x+x^2+2x^3+x^4+2x^5+x^6)$ $(2+2x+x^2+2x^3+x^4+2x^5+x^6)$
54		$x^8 (1+x)^8 (2+x)^8 (1+x^2) (2+x+x^2) (2+2x+x^2) (2+x^2+x^4)$ $(2+2x^2+x^4) (1+x^2+x^3+x^4) (1+x^2+2x^3+x^4)$ $(2+2x+2x^2+x^3+x^4) (2+x+2x^2+2x^3+x^4)$
57		$x^7 (1+x)^7 (2+x)^7 (1+2x+x^2+2x^3+x^4+2x^5+x^6)$ $(1+2x^2+x^3+2x^5+x^6) (1+x^3+2x^4+2x^5+x^6)$ $(2+2x+x^2+2x^3+x^4+2x^5+x^6) (2+2x^2+x^3+2x^5+x^6)$ $(2+x^3+2x^4+2x^5+x^6)$
60		$x^{10} (1+x)^{10} (2+x)^{10} (1+x^2) (2+x+x^2) (2+2x+x^2)$ $(1+2x+x^3+x^4) (1+x+2x^3+x^4) (2+x+x^4) (2+2x+x^4)$ $(2+x^3+x^4) (2+2x^3+x^4)$
90		$x^{11} (1+x)^{11} (2+x)^{11} (1+x^2) (2+x+x^2) (2+2x+x^2)$ $(1+2x^2+x^3) (1+x+2x^2+x^3) (2+2x+2x^2+x^3)$ $(1+2x+x^3+x^4) (2+x+x^4) (2+2x^3+x^4) (1+2x+2x^2+2x^3+x^5)$ $(1+2x^2+2x^3+2x^4+x^5) (2+2x+2x^4+x^5)$ $(2+2x+2x^3+x^4+x^5) (1+x^2+x^4+x^5) (2+2x+x^2+x^3+x^5)$
.....		
5	18	$x^2 (1+x)^2 (2+x)^2 (3+x)^2 (4+x)^4 (3+3x+x^2) (4+3x+x^2)^2$ $x^2 (1+x)^2 (2+x)^2 (3+x)^4 (4+x)^2 (1+x+x^2) (2+x+x^2)^2$ $x^2 (1+x)^2 (2+x)^4 (3+x)^2 (4+x)^2 (1+4x+x^2) (2+4x+x^2)^2$ $x^2 (1+x)^4 (2+x)^2 (3+x)^2 (4+x)^2 (3+2x+x^2) (4+2x+x^2)^2$ $x^4 (1+x)^2 (2+x)^2 (3+x)^2 (4+x)^2 (2+x^2) (3+x^2)^2$
35		$x^3 (1+x)^3 (2+x)^3 (3+x)^3 (4+x)^3 (2+x^2) (3+x^2) (1+x+x^2)$ $(2+x+x^2) (3+2x+x^2) (4+2x+x^2) (3+3x+x^2)$ $(4+3x+x^2) (1+4x+x^2) (2+4x+x^2)$

REFERENCES

- [1] J. T. B. BEARD, JR. (1977) - *Unitary perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$* , « Rend. Accad. Lincei », 62, 417-422.
- [2] J. T. B. BEARD, J. R. O'CONNELL, JR. and K. I. WEST (1977) - *Perfect polynomials over $\text{GF}(q)$* , « Rend. Accad. Lincei », 62, 283-291.
- [3] J. T. B. BEARD and K. I. WEST (1974) - *Factorization tables for $x^n - 1$ over $\text{GF}(q)$* , « Math. Comp. », 28, 1167-1168 + microfiche.
- [4] J. T. B. BEARD and K. I. WEST - *Factorization tables for binomials over $\text{GF}(q)$* , « Math. Comp. », to appear.
- [5] J. T. B. BEARD and K. I. WEST (1976) - *Factorization tables for trinomials over $\text{GF}(q)$* , « Math. Comp. », 30, 179-183 + microfiche.
- [6] J. T. B. BEARD and K. I. WEST - *Factorization tables for $\text{GF}[q, x]$* , unpublished.
- [7] E. F. CANADAY (1941) - *The sum of the divisors of a polynomial*, « Duke Math. J. », 7, 721-737.
- [8] A. F. LONG, JR. (1973) - *Factorization of irreducible polynomials over a finite field with the substitution $x^{p^r} - x$ for x* , « Duke Math. J. », 40, 63-76.
- [9] S. PERLIS (1952) - *Theory of Matrices*, Reading, Mass.