# Advances in Costas arrays 

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# Part 1: Cross-correlation 

[Drakakis et al. (2011?)]

## Cross-correlation results

We obtained these values for max max $\Psi_{A, B}(u, v)$ when $A, B$ are

$$
A \neq B(u, v)
$$

both either $W_{1}$ or $G_{2}$ Costas arrays:

| Prime | $W_{1}$ | $G_{2}$ | Prime | $W_{1}$ | $G_{2}$ | Prime | $W_{1}$ | $G_{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5 | 2 | 2 | 59 | 5 | 12 | 127 | 42 | 41 |
| 7 | 2 | 2 | 61 | 30 | 29 | 131 | 26 | 25 |
| 11 | 3 | 4 | 67 | 22 | 21 | 136 | 68 | 67 |
| 13 | 6 | 5 | 71 | 14 | 13 | 139 | 46 | 45 |
| 17 | 8 | 7 | 73 | 36 | 35 | 149 | 74 | 73 |
| 19 | 6 | 6 | 79 | 26 | 25 | 151 | 50 | 49 |
| 23 | 4 | 6 | 83 | 5 | 9 | 157 | 78 | 77 |
| 29 | 14 | 13 | 89 | 44 | 43 | 163 | 54 | 53 |
| 31 | 10 | 9 | 97 | 48 | 47 | 167 | 6 | 12 |
| 37 | 18 | 17 | 101 | 50 | 49 | 173 | 86 | 85 |
| 41 | 20 | 19 | 103 | 34 | 33 | 179 | 6 | 12 |
| 43 | 14 | 13 | 107 | 5 | 10 | 181 | 90 | 89 |
| 47 | 5 | 8 | 109 | 54 | 53 | 191 | 38 | 37 |
| 53 | 26 | 25 | 113 | 56 | 55 | 193 | 96 | 95 |

## Cross-correlation results - in color

| Prime | $W_{1}$ | $G_{2}$ | Prime | $W_{1}$ | $G_{2}$ | Prime | $W_{1}$ | $G_{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5 | 2 | 2 | 59 | 5 | 12 | 127 | 42 | 41 |
| 7 | 2 | 2 | 61 | 30 | 29 | 131 | 26 | 25 |
| 11 | 3 | 4 | 67 | 22 | 21 | 136 | 68 | 67 |
| 13 | 6 | 5 | 71 | 14 | 13 | 139 | 46 | 45 |
| 17 | 8 | 7 | 73 | 36 | 35 | 149 | 74 | 73 |
| 19 | 6 | 6 | 79 | 26 | 25 | 151 | 50 | 49 |
| 23 | 4 | 6 | 83 | 5 | 9 | 157 | 78 | 77 |
| 29 | 14 | 13 | 89 | 44 | 43 | 163 | 54 | 53 |
| 31 | 10 | 9 | 97 | 48 | 47 | 167 | 6 | 12 |
| 37 | 18 | 17 | 101 | 50 | 49 | 173 | 86 | 85 |
| 41 | 20 | 19 | 103 | 34 | 33 | 179 | 6 | 12 |
| 43 | 14 | 13 | 107 | 5 | 10 | 181 | 90 | 89 |
| 47 | 5 | 8 | 109 | 54 | 53 | 191 | 38 | 37 |
| 53 | 26 | 25 | 113 | 56 | 55 | 193 | 96 | 95 |

## A plausible conjecture

## Conjecture

Let $A, B$ be either both $W_{1}$ Costas arrays (not related by a shift) or both $G_{2}$ Costas arrays built in $\mathbb{F}(p)$, where $p \neq 19$ is a prime such that $\frac{p-1}{2}$ is not a prime (i.e. $p$ is not a safe prime); then,

$$
\max _{(u, v)} \max _{A \neq B} \Psi_{A, B}(u, v)=\max _{A \neq B} \Psi_{A, B}(0,0)
$$

## The central theorems

## Theorem

Let $A, B$ be distinct exponential $W_{1}$ Costas arrays built in $\mathbb{F}(p)$ not related by a shift; then,

$$
\max _{A \neq B} \Psi_{A, B}(0,0)=\frac{p-1}{r}
$$

where $r$ is the smallest prime such that $p \equiv 1 \bmod (2 r)$.

## Theorem (almost!)

Let $A^{\prime}, B^{\prime}$ be distinct $G_{2}$ Costas arrays built in $\mathbb{F}(p)$, sharing a common primitive root; then,

$$
\max _{A^{\prime} \neq B^{\prime}} \Psi_{A^{\prime}, B^{\prime}}(0,0)=\frac{p-1}{r}-1
$$

where $r$ is the smallest prime such that $p \equiv 1 \bmod (2 r)$.

## Proof sketch

- Let $A, B$ be exponential $W_{1}$ Costas arrays generated by $\alpha$ and $\alpha^{z}, \alpha \in \mathbb{F}(p)$ a primitive root, $(z, p-1)=1$, and by constants $c$ and $d$, respectively. We need the number of solutions of:
$\alpha^{i-1+c} \equiv \alpha^{z(i-1+d)} \bmod p \Leftrightarrow(z-1)(i-1+d) \equiv c-d \bmod (p-1)$
- The number of roots is independent of the exact value of $c-d$ : it is $(z-1, p-1)$ if $z-1 \mid c-d$ and 0 otherwise.
- It suffices to consider the number of roots of $(z-1) x \equiv 0 \bmod (p-1)$, which is necessarily a divisor of $p-1$.
- The maximum number of solutions possible is $\frac{p-1}{2}$ : we need $(z-1, p-1)=\frac{p-1}{2} \Leftrightarrow z=\frac{p+1}{2}$, assuming it is admissible:
- $(z, p-1)=1=\left(\frac{p+1}{2}, p-1\right)=\left(\frac{p+1}{2}, 2\right)$, since $2 \mid p-1$, hence we need $2 \nmid \frac{p+1}{2} \Leftrightarrow p \equiv 1 \bmod 4$.
- Henceforth, assume $p \equiv 3 \bmod 4$, and let $w$ be a prime such that $p \equiv 1 \bmod (2 w)$.
- It can be easily shown that $z=\lambda \frac{p-1}{w}+1, \lambda \in[w-1]$, is always admissible for $\lambda=1$ or 2 :
- Let $p=1+w k:(\lambda(p-1) / w+1, p-1)=(\lambda k+1, w k)$; unless $w \mid \lambda k+1$, this equals $(\lambda k+1, k)=(1, k)=1$.
- Assuming $w \mid k+1$ and $w \mid 2 k+1$, then $w \mid k$, so $w \mid 1$, a contradiction; so, either $\lambda=1$ or $\lambda=2$ is enough.
- When is $\lambda=2$ needed? When $w \mid k+1, k=l w-1$ for some $l$, so that

$$
p=1+(l w-1) w=l w^{2}-w+1 \leftrightarrow p \equiv w^{2}-w+1 \bmod w^{2} .
$$

- Hence, for any prime $w>2$ there exists a $z$ such that the congruence $(z-1) x \equiv 0 \bmod (p-1)$ has $\frac{p-1}{w}$ roots: clearly, this is maximum for $w=r$.
- Let $A, B$ be $G_{2}$ Costas arrays built in $\mathbb{F}(p)$, generated by $\alpha, \beta$, and $\alpha^{r}, \beta^{s}$, respectively, where $(r, p-1)=(s, p-1)=1$.
- We need the number of solutions $(i, j)$ of
$\alpha^{i}+\beta^{j}=1, \alpha^{r i}+\beta^{s j}=1, i, j=1, \ldots, p-2 \Leftrightarrow(1-x)^{r}+x^{s}=1$, where $x=\beta^{j} \neq 1$.
- Assuming $s=1,(1-x)^{r-1}=1 \Leftrightarrow(r-1) y=0 \bmod (p-1)$, where $1-x=\alpha^{y}$. This is the same equation as before, except that $x \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow y \neq 0$, so $y=0$ is rejected.
- Note that a conjecture has been made: the largest number of roots occurs for $s=1$. This remains open.

| Prime power | $G_{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 4 | 1 |
| 8 | 3 |
| 9 | 3 |
| 16 | 5 |
| 25 | 11 |
| 27 | 6 |
| 32 | 6 |
| 49 | 23 |
| 64 | 20 |
| 81 | 39 |
| 121 | 59 |
| 125 | 61 |
| 128 | 9 |
| 169 | 83 |
| 243 | 21 |
| 256 | 84 |

## Extension to prime powers for $G_{2}$ Costas arrays

The results and conjectures for $G_{2}$ Costas arrays above extend verbatim to extension fields, with some caveats:

- For odd powers, the notion of a safe prime power needs to be introduced (e.g. $27=1+2 \cdot 13$ ).
- 16 is an exception analogous to 19 .
- Even powers $q$ lead to a new phenomenon: $q-1$ may be a Mersenne prime.


## Polynomials

Consider the polynomials $P_{r, s}(x)=(1-x)^{r}+x^{s}-1$ in $\mathbb{F}(q)$, such that $(r, q-1)=(s, q-1)=1$, and let $Z_{r, s}$ denote the number of roots of $P_{r, s}$.

- Conjecture: $\max _{r, s} Z_{r, s}=\max _{r} Z_{r, 1}$.
- Fact: $Z_{r, r} \leq(q+1) / 2$ (to be proved later).
- $P_{r, r}:=P_{r}$ is very interesting algebraically.


## An algebraically interesting case

For $p>2$, the set of roots of the polynomial
$P_{r}(x):=P_{r, r}(x)=(1-x)^{r}+x^{r}-1$ remains invariant under two transforms:

- If $x$ is a root, $S(x)=1-x$ is also a root.
- If $x \neq 0$ is a root, $R(x)=1 / x$ is also a root (note $r$ odd).
$R$ and $S$ generate a group of 6 elements (observe that $\left.R^{2}=S^{2}=I\right)$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
& I x=x, S x=1-x, R x=1 / x, \operatorname{SR} x=(x-1) / x \\
& \\
& \quad R S x=1 /(1-x), R S R x=x /(x-1) .
\end{aligned}
$$

The orbit of $x$ consists of 6 elements except for:

$$
O_{1}=\{0,1\}, O_{2}=\{1 / 2,2,-1\}, \text { and } O_{u}=\{u, 1 / u\}
$$

such that $u^{2}-u+1=0$.

For $\mathrm{p}=2, P_{r}(x)=(1+x)^{r}+x^{r}+1$, and its set of roots remains invariant under $S(x)=1+x$ and $R(x)=1 / x$. The orbit of $x$ is

$$
\begin{aligned}
& I x=x, S x=1+x, R x=1 / x, \operatorname{SR} x=(x+1) / x \\
& \\
& \quad R S x=1 /(1+x), \operatorname{RSR} x=x /(x+1),
\end{aligned}
$$

and consists of 6 elements except for:

$$
O_{1}=\{0,1\} \text { and } O_{u}=\{u, 1 / u\}
$$

such that $u^{2}+u+1=0$.

## Two related notes

- Assuming $r=p m$,

$$
P_{r}(x)=(1-x)^{p m}+x^{p m}-1=\left[(1-x)^{m}+x^{m}-1\right]^{p}:
$$

Root multiplicities of $P_{r}$ are $p$ times root multiplicities of $P_{m}$.

- For all $p$, unless $p \mid r, 0$ and 1 are single roots.


## More on $u$

## Theorem

For $p>2$, assuming $6 \mid q-1$ and that $p \nmid r, u$ is a single root, double root, or no root of $P_{r}$, according to whether $6|r+1,6| r-1$, or otherwise (equivalently, $r \equiv 5$, 1 , or $3 \bmod 6$ ), respectively. If, in addition, $p \mid r-1$, the former double root case leads now to higher multiplicity.

- Note: in finite fields, derivatives of non-constant polynomials can be identically 0!!!
- Note first that
$u^{2}-u+1=0 \Leftrightarrow u+1 / u=1 \Rightarrow u^{3}=-1 \Rightarrow u^{6}=1$.
- Since $u^{q-1}=1$, it follows that, if $u$ is a root of $P_{r}, 6 \mid q-1$.
- $u$ is a root of $P_{r}$ iff $(1-u)^{r}+u^{r}=1$, hence $0=\left(-u^{2}\right)^{r}+u^{r}-1=-\left(u^{r}\right)^{2}+u^{r}-1$, whence both $u^{r}$ and $u$ are roots of $x^{2}-x+1$.
- Either then $u^{r}=u \Leftrightarrow u^{r-1}=1$ or $u^{r}=1 / u \Leftrightarrow u^{r+1}=1$; equivalently, either $6 \mid r-1$ or $6 \mid r+1$.
- $P_{r}^{\prime}(x)=r\left[x^{r-1}-(1-x)^{r-1}\right] \Rightarrow P_{r}^{\prime}(u)=0$ iff either $p \mid r$ or $u^{r-1}=(1-u)^{r-1}$.
- $u$ is then (at least) a double root of $P_{r}$ iff $(1-u)^{r}+u^{r}=1$, $u^{r-1}=(1-u)^{r-1}$, which is equivalent to $(1-u)^{r-1}=u^{r-1}=1$; as $u^{6}=1$ too, $6 \mid r-1$ and hence $6 \mid(r-1, q-1)$ (but remember that $(r, q-1)=1$ as well).
- $u$ is (at least) a triple root iff, additionally,
$P_{r}^{\prime \prime}(u)=r(r-1)\left[(1-u)^{r-2}+u^{r-2}\right]=$
$r(r-1)\left[(1-u)^{-1}+u^{-1}\right]=r(r-1)\left[u+u^{-1}\right]=r(r-1)=0$
as well. This occurs iff either $p \mid r$ (uninteresting) or $p \mid r-1$.


## Theorem

For $p=2$, assuming $3 \mid q-1$ and that $2 \nmid r$ ( $r$ odd $), u$ is a single root, at least a triple root, or no root of $P_{r}$, according to whether $3 \mid r+1$, $3 \mid r-1$, or otherwise (equivalently, $r \equiv 2,1$, or $0 \bmod 3$ ), respectively.

- Note first that $u^{2}+u+1=0 \Leftrightarrow u+1 / u=1 \Rightarrow u^{3}=1$.
- Since $u^{q-1}=1$, it follows that, if $u$ is a root of $P_{r}, 3 \mid q-1$.
- $u$ is a root of $P_{r}$ iff $(1+u)^{r}+u^{r}=1$, hence $0=\left(u^{2}\right)^{r}+u^{r}+1=\left(u^{r}\right)^{2}+u^{r}+1$, whence both $u^{r}$ and $u$ are roots of $x^{2}+x+1$.
- Either then $u^{r}=u \Leftrightarrow u^{r-1}=1$ or $u^{r}=1 / u \Leftrightarrow u^{r+1}=1$; equivalently, either $3 \mid r-1$ or $3 \mid r+1$.
- $P_{r}^{\prime}(x)=r\left[x^{r-1}+(1+x)^{r-1}\right] \Rightarrow P_{r}^{\prime}(u)=0$ iff either $2 \mid r$ (rejected) or $u^{r-1}=(1+u)^{r-1}$.
- $u$ is then (at least) a double root of $P_{r}$ iff $(1+u)^{r}+u^{r}=1$, $u^{r-1}=(1+u)^{r-1}$, which is equivalent to $(1-u)^{r-1}=u^{r-1}=1$; as $u^{3}=1$ too, $3 \mid r-1$ and hence $3 \mid(r-1, q-1)$.
- $u$ is (at least) a triple root iff, additionally, $P_{r}^{\prime \prime}(u)=r(r-1)\left[(1-u)^{r-2}+u^{r-2}\right]=$ $r(r-1)\left[(1-u)^{-1}+u^{-1}\right]=r(r-1)\left[u+u^{-1}\right]=r(r-1)=0$ as well. As $2 \mid r-1$, this always occurs.


## $Z_{r, r} \leq(q+1) / 2:$ a proof (by J. Sheekey)

- Let $P_{r, r}(x)=P_{r, r}(y)=0$ : then $\frac{x}{y}$ is a root iff $\frac{1-x}{1-y}$ is a root (assume $x, y \neq 0,1$ ). This is because

$$
(1-x)^{r}+x^{r}=1=(1-y)^{r}+y^{r} \Rightarrow x^{r}-y^{r}=(1-y)^{r}-(1-x)^{r}
$$

so that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{r}+\left(1-\frac{x}{y}\right)^{r}=1 \Leftrightarrow & x^{r}+(y-x)^{r}=y^{r} \Leftrightarrow \\
x^{r}-y^{r}=(x-y)^{r} & =(1-y)^{r}-(1-x)^{r} \Leftrightarrow \\
& \left(\frac{1-x}{1-y}\right)^{r}+\left(1-\frac{1-x}{1-y}\right)^{r}=1
\end{aligned}
$$

- As $x^{-1}$ and $y^{-1}$ are also roots, $\frac{x^{-1}}{y^{-1}}=\frac{y}{x}$ is a root iff $\frac{1-x^{-1}}{1-y^{-1}}=\frac{y}{x} \frac{1-x}{1-y}$ is a root.
- $\frac{y}{x}$ is a root iff $\frac{x}{y}$ is a root.
- To sum up,

$$
\begin{aligned}
P_{r, r}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)=0 \Leftrightarrow & P_{r, r}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)=0 \Leftrightarrow \\
& P_{r, r}\left(\frac{1-x}{1-y}\right)=0 \Leftrightarrow P_{r, r}\left(\frac{y}{x} \frac{1-x}{1-y}\right)=0
\end{aligned}
$$

Let $R$ be the set of nonzero roots of $P_{r, r}, c$ be such that $P_{r, r}(c) \neq 0$ (such a $c$ definitely exists, as the degree of $P_{r, r}$ is at most $r<q$ ). Considering the sets $R$ and $c^{-1} R$, there are two possibilities:

- If $R \cap c^{-1} R=\emptyset$, then

$$
\left|R \cup c^{-1} R\right|=2|R| \leq q-1 \Leftrightarrow|R| \leq \frac{q-1}{2}
$$

- If $R \cap c^{-1} R \neq \emptyset$, then if $x \in R \cap c^{-1} R$, i.e. if $x$ and $y=c x$ are
roots, then $\frac{y}{x}=c$ is not a root, hence neither are $c \frac{1-x}{1-c x}$
and $\frac{1-x}{1-c x}: \frac{1-x}{1-c x}$ does not lie in $R \cup c^{-1} R$. However,
$x \rightarrow \frac{1-x}{1-c x}, x \in R \cap c^{-1} R$ is bijective. Denoting its range by
$U,\left(R \cup c^{-1} R\right) \cap U=\emptyset$, namely
$\left|\left(R \cup c^{-1} R\right) \cup U\right|=\left|R \cup c^{-1} R\right|+|U|=$
$\left|R \cup c^{-1} R\right|+\left|R \cap c^{-1} R\right|=|R|+\left|c^{-1} R\right|=2|R| \leq q-1$,
whence $|R| \leq \frac{q-1}{2}$.


# Part 2: Generalizations 

[Drakakis (2010)]

## Motivation

- Isotropic RADAR: a Costas array leads to the optimal detection of the radial velocity and the distance of the target.
- No directionality: this RADAR is spherically blind. Instead, it can be directional and rotate or...
- a RADAR array can be used!
- Linear array: Target Position Ambiguity Surface (TPAS) is a circle.
- Square array: TPAS is 2 points (front or back).
- Cubic array: TPAS is a point (no ambiguity).

This needs a 5D Costas "array"!

## Costas property in higher dimensions

## Definition

Let $m \in \mathbb{N}$, consider a sequence $f: \mathbb{Z}^{m} \rightarrow\{0,1\}$, and suppose further that $f(i)=0, i \notin[N], N \in \mathbb{N}^{m}$, where $i=\left(i_{1}, \ldots, i_{m}\right)$, $N=\left(N_{1}, \ldots, N_{m}\right),[N]=\left[N_{1}\right] \times \ldots \times\left[N_{m}\right]$, and the vector $N$ has the smallest possible entries (for the given sequence $f$ ). Let the autocorrelation of $f$ be

$$
A_{f}(k)=\sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}^{m}} f(i) f(i+k), k \in \mathbb{Z}^{m}
$$

Then, $f$ will be a Costas hyper-rectangle iff

$$
\forall k \in \mathbb{Z}^{m}-\{0\}, A_{f}(k) \leq 1
$$

## What about permutations?

In even dimensions, a satisfactory generalization of a permutation can be found:

## Definition

Let $m=2 s, s \in \mathbb{N}$, and let $g:[n]^{s} \rightarrow[n]^{s}$ be a bijection, that is a permutation on vectors in general. Let $f: \mathbb{Z}^{m} \rightarrow\{0,1\}$ be a sequence such that $f(i)=1$ iff
$\left(i_{s+1}, \ldots, i_{2 s}\right)=g\left(i_{1}, \ldots, i_{s}\right),\left(i_{1}, \ldots, i_{s}\right) \in[n]^{s}$, and such that it has the Costas property; then, $f$ will be called a permutation Costas hypercube in $m$ dimensions with side length $n$.

In odd dimensions, no such result is available: we can "cut the dimension in half", if the side length is a square (see below).

## Example of a Costas hypercube

$m=4$ dimensions, $n=3$ side length:

| 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 |

$\begin{array}{llll}2 & 1 & 2 & 3\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llll}2 & 2 & 1 & 2\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llll}2 & 3 & 1 & 3\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llll}3 & 1 & 3 & 2\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llll}3 & 2 & 3 & 1\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llll}3 & 3 & 1 & 2\end{array}$

Each vector with 2 coordinates taking values 1,2,3 (9 of them in total) appears exactly once on each side; the Costas property holds.

## Reshaping: the main construction method

## Theorem

Let $m, n \in \mathbb{N}^{*}, n=\prod^{m} n_{i}, n_{i}>1, i \in[m]$, and let

$$
i=1
$$

$g:[n]-1 \rightarrow[n]-1$ be a Costas permutation of order $n$. Expand
$i=\sum_{j=1}^{m} v_{j}(i) \prod_{l=j+1}^{m} n_{l}$, so that i gets mapped bijectively to
$V(i)=\left(v_{1}(i), \ldots, v_{m}(i)\right)$, where $v_{j} \in\left[n_{j}\right]-1, j \in[m]$; similarly, $g(i)$ gets mapped bijectively to $V(g(i))=\left(v_{1}(g(i)), \ldots, v_{m}(g(i))\right)$. Then, the hyper-rectangle of side length $n_{i}$ in dimension $i$ and $i+m$, $i \in[m]$, whose dots ( $n$ in total) lie at the points
$(V(i), V(g(i))):=\left(v_{1}(i), \ldots, v_{m}(i), v_{1}(g(i)), \ldots, v_{m}(g(i))\right)$, $i \in[n]-1$, is actually a permutation Costas hyper-rectangle.

Choose 2 values for $i$, say $i_{1}$ and $i_{2}$; the corresponding distance vector is:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(V\left(i_{1}\right)-V\left(i_{2}\right), V\left(g\left(i_{1}\right)\right)-V\left(g\left(i_{2}\right)\right)\right)= \\
& =\left(v_{1}\left(i_{1}\right)-v_{1}\left(i_{2}\right), \ldots, v_{m}\left(i_{1}\right)-v_{m}\left(i_{2}\right),\right. \\
& \left.\quad v_{1}\left(g\left(i_{1}\right)\right)-v_{1}\left(g\left(i_{2}\right)\right), \ldots, v_{m}\left(g\left(i_{1}\right)\right)-v_{m}\left(g\left(i_{2}\right)\right)\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

We need to show that all of these vectors are distinct:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(V\left(i_{1}\right)-V\left(i_{2}\right), V\left(g\left(i_{1}\right)\right)-V\left(g\left(i_{2}\right)\right)\right)= \\
& \quad=\left(V\left(i_{3}\right)-V\left(i_{4}\right), V\left(g\left(i_{3}\right)\right)-V\left(g\left(i_{4}\right)\right)\right) \Rightarrow i_{1}=i_{2}, i_{3}=i_{4}
\end{aligned}
$$

Extend $V^{-1}$ by $V^{-1}\left(v_{1}, \ldots, v_{m}\right)=\sum_{j=1}^{m} v_{j} \prod_{l=j+1}^{m} n_{l}$ on the class of vectors where $\left|v_{j}\right|<n_{j}, j \in[m]$. It follows that $V^{-1}\left(V\left(i_{1}\right)-V\left(i_{2}\right)\right)=i_{1}-i_{2}$, as $V\left(i_{1}\right)-V\left(i_{2}\right)$ falls within this class of vectors. Then:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left(V\left(i_{1}\right)-V\left(i_{2}\right), V\left(g\left(i_{1}\right)\right)-V\left(g\left(i_{2}\right)\right)\right)= \\
=\left(V\left(i_{3}\right)-V\left(i_{4}\right), V\left(g\left(i_{3}\right)\right)-V\left(g\left(i_{4}\right)\right)\right) \Rightarrow \\
V^{-1}\left(V\left(i_{1}\right)-V\left(i_{2}\right), V\left(g\left(i_{1}\right)\right)-V\left(g\left(i_{2}\right)\right)\right)= \\
=V^{-1}\left(V\left(i_{3}\right)-V\left(i_{4}\right), V\left(g\left(i_{3}\right)\right)-V\left(g\left(i_{4}\right)\right)\right) \Leftrightarrow \\
\left(V^{-1}\left(V\left(i_{1}\right)-V\left(i_{2}\right)\right), V^{-1}\left(V\left(g\left(i_{1}\right)\right)-V\left(g\left(i_{2}\right)\right)\right)\right)= \\
=\left(V^{-1}\left(V\left(i_{3}\right)-V\left(i_{4}\right)\right), V^{-1}\left(V\left(g\left(i_{3}\right)\right)-V\left(g\left(i_{4}\right)\right)\right)\right) \Leftrightarrow \\
\left(i_{1}-i_{2}, g\left(i_{1}\right)-g\left(i_{2}\right)\right)=\left(i_{3}-i_{4}, g\left(i_{3}\right)-g\left(i_{4}\right)\right) \Leftrightarrow \\
i_{1}-i_{2}=i_{3}-i_{4}, g\left(i_{1}\right)-g\left(i_{2}\right)=g\left(i_{3}\right)-g\left(i_{4}\right) \Rightarrow \\
i_{1}=i_{3}, i_{2}=i_{4}
\end{gathered}
$$

In the last step we used the fact that $g$ is Costas; the construction is clearly a permutation.

## Odd dimensions

## Heuristic

Let $\sqrt{n} \in \mathbb{N}$, and let $g:[n]^{m} \times[\sqrt{n}]-1 \rightarrow[n]^{m} \times[\sqrt{n}]-1$ be a Costas permutation of order $n^{m} \sqrt{n}$. Expand
$i=v_{0}(i) n^{m}+\sum_{j=1}^{m} v_{j}(i) n^{m-j} \Leftrightarrow i \leftrightarrow V(i)=\left(v_{0}(i), v_{1}(i), \ldots, v_{m}(i)\right)$,
where $v_{j} \in[n]-1, j \in[m]$ and $v_{0} \in[\sqrt{n}]-1$;
$g(i) \leftrightarrow V(g(i))=\left(v_{0}(g(i)), v_{1}(g(i)), \ldots, v_{m}(g(i))\right)$. This process forms a Costas hyper-rectangle in $2 m+2$ dimensions, whose side length in $2 m$ dimensions is $n$ and in the remaining 2 dimensions $\sqrt{n}$. Set $\left(v_{0}(i), v_{0}(g(i))\right) \longrightarrow \sqrt{n} v_{0}(g(i))+v_{0}(i), i \in\left[n^{m} \sqrt{n}\right]-1$, which takes values in the range $[n]-1$. Then, the hypercube of side length $n$ whose dots ( $n^{m} \sqrt{n}$ in total) lie at the points
$\left(\sqrt{n} v_{0}(g(i))+v_{0}(i), v_{1}(i), \ldots, v_{m}(i), v_{1}(g(i)), \ldots, v_{m}(g(i))\right)$, $i \in\left[n^{m} \sqrt{n}\right]-1$ may be a Costas hypercube.

## Example: $25 \rightarrow 5^{4}$

| 0 | 10 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1 | 7 |
| 2 | 6 |
| 3 | 9 |
| 4 | 17 |
| 5 | 23 |
| 6 | 21 |
| 7 | 2 |
| 8 | 20 |
| 9 | 11 |
| 10 | 15 |
| 11 | 3 |
| 12 | 12 |
| 13 | 22 |
| 14 | 1 |
| 15 | 16 |
| 16 | 18 |
| 17 | 19 |
| 18 | 5 |
| 19 | 0 |
| 20 | 13 |
| 21 | 24 |
| 22 | 14 |
| 23 | 8 |
| 24 | 4 |


| 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 3 | 0 | 4 | 1 |
| 4 | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 |
| 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| 2 | 4 | 4 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| 4 | 4 | 4 | 0 |

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## Example: $27 \rightarrow 9 \times 3 \times 3 \times 9 \rightarrow 9^{3}$

| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 2 | 18 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 |
| 3 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| 4 | 22 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 4 |
| 5 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 4 |
| 6 | 24 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| 7 | 19 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 1 |
| 8 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 0 |
| 9 | 15 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 6 |
| 10 | 12 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| 11 | 26 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 8 |
| 12 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| 13 | 14 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 5 |
| 14 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| 15 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 8 |
| 16 | 13 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 4 |
| 17 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 7 |
| 18 | 20 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 2 |
| 19 | 21 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 3 |
| 20 | 17 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 5 | 8 |
| 21 | 16 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 5 | 7 |
| 22 | 25 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 7 |
| 23 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 5 |
| 24 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 3 |
| 25 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 6 |
| 26 | 23 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 5 |

## The extended Welch construction

## Theorem

Let $p$ be a prime, $m \in \mathbb{N}^{*}, \alpha$ a primitive root of $\mathbb{F}(q)$ where $q=p^{m}$, and $c \in[q-1]-1$. Then:

- The function $f:[q-1] \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^{*}(q)$, where $f(i)=\alpha^{i-1+c} \bmod P(x), i \in[q-1], P(x)$ an irreducible polynomial over $\mathbb{F}(p)$ of degree $m$, is a permutation over $\mathbb{F}^{*}(q)$.
- The hyper-rectangle in $m+1$ dimensions with side length $q-1$ in the first dimension and $p$ in the others, whose dots lie at $\{(i, f(i)) \mid i \in[q-1]\}$, has the Costas property.
- The hypercube in $2 m$ dimensions with side length $p$, whose dots lie at $\{(V(i), f(i)) \mid i \in[q-1]\}$, has the Costas property; $V$ denotes the base pexpansion.

Example: $\alpha=x, c=1, P(x)=x^{3}+2 x+1$ in $\mathbb{F}(27)$

| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 21 |
| 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 7 |
| 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 23 |
| 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 13 |
| 7 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 25 |
| 8 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 20 |
| 9 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 12 |
| 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 4 |
| 11 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 22 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 12 | 19 |
| 13 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 13 | 18 |
| 14 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 14 | 6 |
| 15 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 2 |
| 16 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 16 | 15 |
| 17 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 5 |
| 18 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 18 | 16 |
| 19 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 26 |
| 20 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 20 | 14 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 21 | 10 |
| 22 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 22 | 24 |
| 23 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 23 | 8 |
| 24 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 24 | 17 |
| 25 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 25 | 11 |
| 26 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 26 | 9 |

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