

Recent development on M-ary sequence family construction using Sidelnikov sequences

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In The Beginning

■ (Sidelnikov-69)

Sidelnikov introduced two different types of non-binary (M -ary) sequences with **low non-trivial autocorrelation**.

- **Power Residue Sequences (PRS in short) of period p**
 - **Sidelnikov Sequences of period $q - 1$**
- ✓ V. M. Sidelnikov, "Some k -valued pseudo-random sequences and nearly equidistant codes," *Probl. Inf. Transm.*, vol. 5, pp. 12-16, 1969.

■ (Lempel-Cohn-Eastman-77)

Re-discovered binary "Sidelnikov sequences"

- ✓ Lempel-Cohn-Eastman, "A class of binary sequences with optimal autocorrelation properties," *IEEE Trans. Inform. Theory*, vol. 23, No. 1, pp. 38-42, Jan. 1977.
- ✓ Sarwate, Comments on... 1978.



Power Residue Sequences of period p

- $p =$ an odd prime
- $\beta =$ a primitive root mod p
- $M =$ a divisor of $p - 1$
- Coset Partition
 - ✓ C_0 : a set of M -th powers in the integers mod p
 - ✓ $C_k = \beta^k \cdot C_0$ for $0 \leq k \leq M-1$

◆ An M -ary PRS of period p is defined as, for $t = 0, 1, \dots, p-1$,

$$s(t) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{0}, & \text{if } t = \mathbf{0} \\ k, & \text{if } t \in C_k \end{cases}$$



Sidelnikov Sequences of period $q-1$

- $GF(q)$ = finite field of size q where $q = p^n$
- β = primitive element of $GF(q)$
- M = a divisor of $q - 1$
- **Coset Partition**
 - ✓ C_0 : a set of M -th powers in $GF(q)$
 - ✓ $C_k = \beta^k \cdot C_0$ for $0 \leq k \leq M-1$
- **An M -ary Sidelnikov sequence of period $q - 1$ is defined**

as, for $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, q-2$,

$$s(t) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{0}, & \text{if } \beta^t + 1 = \mathbf{0} \\ k, & \text{if } \beta^t + 1 \in C_k \end{cases}$$

Comparison

- An M -ary **Power Residue Sequence** of period p :

$$s(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t = 0 \\ k, & \text{if } t \in C_k \end{cases}$$

- An M -ary **Sidelnikov sequence** of period $q - 1$:

$$s(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \beta^t + 1 = 0 \\ k, & \text{if } \beta^t + 1 \in C_k \end{cases}$$

(Examples) $p = q = 13$, $M = 3$, $\beta = 2$

- $C_0 = 2^0 \cdot C_0 = \{1, 5, 8, 12\}$ = cubic residues mod 13
- $C_1 = 2^1 \cdot C_0 = \{2, 10, 3, 11\}$
- $C_2 = 2^2 \cdot C_0 = \{4, 7, 6, 9\}$

t	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
PRS	0	0	1	1	2	0	2	2	0	2	1	1	0
SS	1	1	0	2	2	2	0	0	1	2	1	0	

t	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
β^t	1	2	4	8	3	6	12	11	9	5	10	7
$\beta^t + 1$	2	3	5	9	4	7	0	12	10	6	11	8



Summary of this talk

- **QUESTION:** Can we construct a family of sequences with **GOOD auto- & cross-correlation** from these sequences?
- **Yes, we may...**
- **We have an interesting development here... for both Power Residue sequences and Sidelnikov sequences... including some new results.**

First Family

- **(Kim-Song-Gong-Chung - ISIT 06)** For PRS sequences, changing the primitive element yields another PRS sequence which are cyclically distinct, and having a **GOOD** crosscorrelation
 - The number of distinct PRS of period p obtainable by changing the primitive root is given as $\phi(M)$
 - a family!
 - **all obtainable by multiplying some constants term-by-term**
 - Crosscorrelation is upper bounded by $\sqrt{p} + 2$
- **(Kim-Song - IT Trans 07)** Crosscorrelation of a set which consists of an M -ary Sidel'nikov sequence $s(t)$ of length $q - 1$ and its constant multiple sequence is upper bounded by $\sqrt{q} + 3$
 - When $c \neq 1$, the resulting sequence is **NOT** a sidelnikov sequence in general.



Comparison and Main Problem

- **For PRS sequences of period p**
 - Generating a family by using all different primitive elements
= taking all the distinct constant multiples of a sequence
 - Forms a family with GOOD cross correlation property
- **For Sidelnikov sequences of period $q-1$**
 - Taking a constant multiple does NOT result in a Sidelnikov sequence
 - But still, forms a family with GOOD cross correlation property
- **PROBLEM: The size is only $\phi(M)$ or M , which is sooo SMALL...**



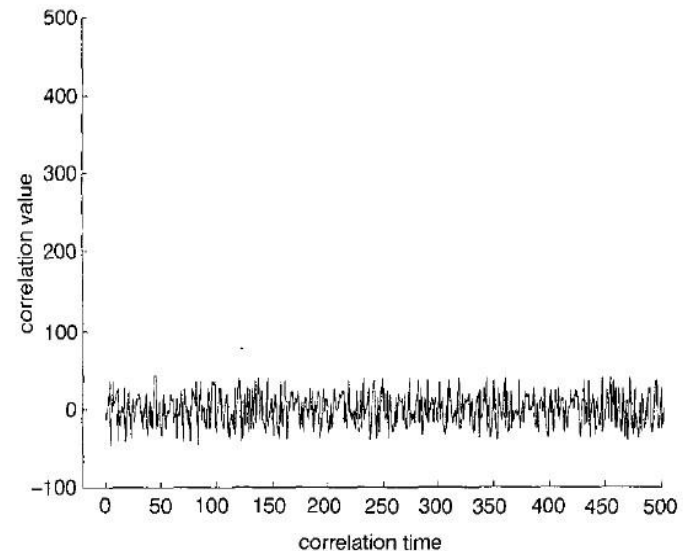
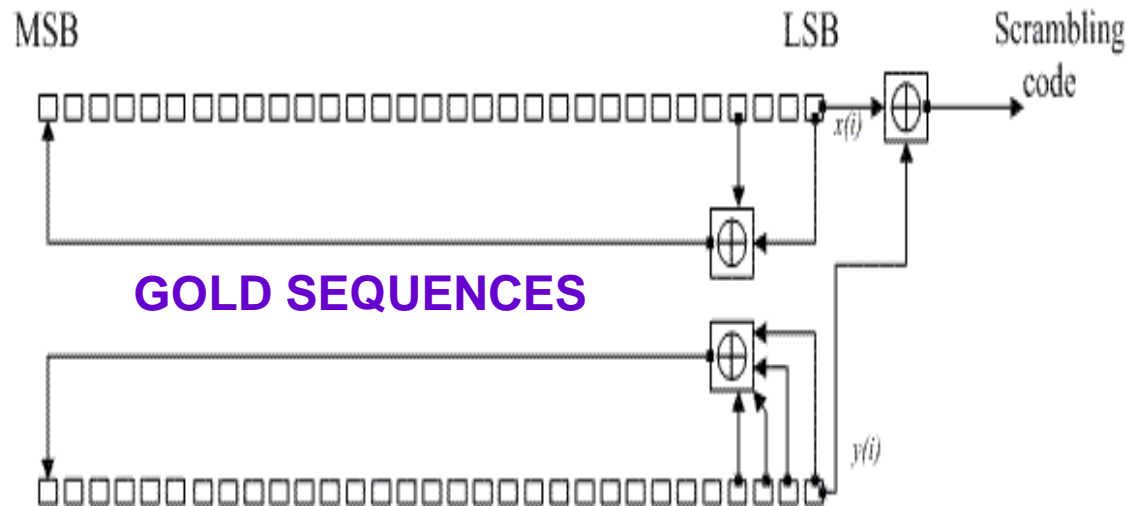
An improvement has started from somewhere else

- **Z. Guohua and Z. Quan**, “Pseudonoise codes constructed by Legendre sequence,” IEE Electronic Letters, vol. 38, no. 8, pp. 376-377, **2002**.

- **Main Result + Conjecture:**

The technique of **shift-and-add** (as in the construction of GOLD sequences) using a given **Legendre sequence** (so called, quadratic residue sequence) can construct a sequence family with good crosscorrelation.

Crosscorrelation is (conjectured to be) upper bounded by $4 \lfloor 2\sqrt{p/4} \rfloor + 1$



It is proved by Rushanan at ISIT-06

- **J. Rushanan**, “Weil Sequences: A Family of Binary Sequences with Good correlation Properties,” *Proc. of IEEE Int. Symp. Information Theory (ISIT2006)*, Seattle, WA, USA, July **2006**.

- **Main Result:**

Crosscorrelation of the sequence family containing a Legendre sequence and its some shift-and-add sequences is upper bounded by $2\sqrt{p} + 5$.

- **Major Technique:**

$$\left| \sum_{x=0}^{p-1} \left(\frac{(x + a_1) \cdots (x + a_4)}{p} \right) \right| \leq 2\sqrt{p} + 1$$

product of 4 linear polynomials

quadratic character

What Yang and No have noticed:

(1) Weil Bound on Character Sum

- Kim-Chung-No-Chung, *IT Trans.* 2008
- Han-Yang, *IT Trans.* 2009
 - Rushanan's major tool is a famous and well-known technique for the proof of crosscorrelation of some sequences
 - ψ = multiplicative character of $GF(q)^*$ of order M , where $M|q - 1$:

$$\psi(x) = \exp\left(\frac{j2\pi}{M} \log_{\alpha} x\right) \text{ with } \psi(0) = 0$$

(Weil-48) Let ψ be a multiplicative character of $GF(q)$ of order M and $f(x)$ a monic polynomial of positive degree over $GF(q)$ that is not an M th power of a polynomial. Let d be the number of distinct roots of $f(x)$ in its splitting field $GF(q)$. Then for every $c \in GF(q)^*$, we have

$$\left| \sum_{x \in GF(q)} \psi(cf(x)) \right| \leq (d - 1)\sqrt{q}$$

What Yang and No have noticed:

(2) Shift-and-add sequences

■ Main Theorem (No-08, Yang-09)

Let $s(t)$ be an M -ary Sidelnikov sequence of period $q - 1$, with p odd.

Let $T = \lceil (q - 1)/2 \rceil$.

Let \mathcal{L} be the set of M -ary sequences of period $q - 1$ given as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \{ c_1 s(t) \mid 1 \leq c_1 \leq M - 1 \} \\ & \cup \{ c_1 s(t) + c_2 s(t + l) \mid 1 \leq c_1, c_2 \leq M - 1, 1 \leq l \leq T - 1 \} \\ & \cup \{ c_1 s(t) + c_2 s(t + T) \mid 1 \leq c_1 < c_2 \leq M - 1 \} \end{aligned}$$

⇒ ① Correlations of the family \mathcal{L} is upper bounded by

$$|\mathcal{C}(\tau)| \leq 3\sqrt{q} + 5$$

② Family size is $\frac{(M-1)^2(q-3)}{2} + \frac{M(M-1)}{2}$



Second Improvement by Yu-Gong

- **Yu-Gong – IT Trans 2010:** Multiplicative Characters, the Weil Bound, and Polyphase Sequence Families With Low Correlation
- **Fully generalize the family from both Power Residue Sequences of period p and Sidelnikov Sequences of period $q-1$**

COMPARISON OF WELL-KNOWN POLYPHASE SEQUENCE FAMILIES (p IS AN ODD PRIME)

	Period L	Alphabet	C_{\max}	Family size
$\mathcal{S}_r^{(0)}$ (or $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_r$ [24])	p	M	$2\sqrt{L} + 5$	$\left(\frac{L+1}{2}\right) \cdot (M-1)$
\mathcal{L}_r (or \mathcal{F}_r [24])	p	M	$3\sqrt{L} + 4$	$M-1 + \frac{(M-1)^2(L-1)}{2}$
$\mathcal{G}_r^{(\delta,2)}, \delta \neq 0$ (in this paper)	p	M	$4\sqrt{L} + 7$	$(M-1) + \left(\frac{L-1}{2}\right)(M-1)^2$ $+ \frac{(L-1)(L-3)}{8} \cdot (M^2 - 3M + 3)$
$\mathcal{H}_r^{(2)}$ (in this paper)	p	M	$5\sqrt{L} + 6$	$(M-1) + \left(\frac{L-1}{2}\right)(M-1)^2$ $+ \frac{(L-1)(L-3)}{8} \cdot (M-1)^3$
$\mathcal{S}_s^{(0)}$ (or $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_s$ [24])	$p^m - 1$	M	$2\sqrt{L+1} + 6$	$(M-1) \cdot \left(\frac{L}{2}\right) + \lfloor \frac{M-1}{2} \rfloor$
\mathcal{L}_s (or \mathcal{L} [23])	$p^m - 1$	M	$3\sqrt{L+1} + 5$	$\frac{(M-1)^2(L-2)}{2} + \frac{M(M-1)}{2}$
$\mathcal{G}_s^{(\delta,2)}, \delta \neq 0$ (in this paper)	$p^m - 1$	M	$4\sqrt{L+1} + 8$	$(M-1) + \left(\frac{L-2}{2}\right)(M-1)^2$ $+ \frac{(L-2)(L-4)}{8} \cdot (M^2 - 3M + 3)$
$\mathcal{H}_s^{(2)}$ (in this paper)	$p^m - 1$	M	$5\sqrt{L+1} + 7$	$(M-1) + \left(\frac{L-2}{2}\right)(M-1)^2$ $+ \frac{(L-2)(L-4)}{8} \cdot (M-1)^3$



New Direction by Yu-Gong

- Yu-Gong – IT Trans 2010: New Construction of M-ary Sequence Families With Low Correlation From the Structure of Sidelnikov Sequences
 - Only for family from Sidelnikove sequences of period $q-1$
 - Introduced **ARRAY STRUCTURES** of a longer Sidelnikov sequence of period $q^2 - 1$ by listing it as an array of size $(q-1) \times (q+1)$
 - Now, the family consists of **some of its column sequences, their constant multiples, and their shift-and-add sequences.**
 - They generalize **the Weil Bound** for the computation of the crosscorrelation.



- Use $\psi(0) = 1$ from now on.
- **(Refined Weil bound by Yu-Gong-10)**
 - Let $f_1(x), \dots, f_l(x)$ be l monic and irreducible polynomial over $GF(q)$ which have positive degrees d_1, \dots, d_l , respectively. Let d be the number of distinct roots of $f(x) = \prod_{i=1}^l f_i(x)$ in its splitting field over \mathbb{F}_q . Let e_i be the number of distinct roots in \mathbb{F}_q of $f_i(x)$.
 - Let ψ_1, \dots, ψ_l be multiplicative characters of \mathbb{F}_q . Assume that the product character $\prod_{i=1}^l \psi_i(f_i(x))$ is nontrivial.
 - If $\psi_i(0) = 1$, then, for every $a_i \in \mathbb{F}_q \setminus \{0\}$,

$$\left| \sum_{x \in \mathbb{F}_q} \psi_1(a_1 f_1(x)) \cdots \psi_l(a_l f_l(x)) \right| \leq (d - 1)\sqrt{q} + \sum_{i=1}^l e_i.$$

Sidelnikov Sequences (again)

- $p = \text{prime}$, and $q = p^n = \text{prime power with a positive integer } n$
- M is a divisor of $q - 1$
- $GF(q) = \text{finite field of order } q$
- $\beta = \text{primitive element of } GF(q)$
- $D_k = \{\beta^{Mi+k} - 1 \mid 0 \leq i < \frac{q-1}{M}\}$ for $0 \leq k \leq M - 1$.
- **The M -ary Sidelnikov sequence of period $q - 1$ is defined by**

$$s(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \beta^t = -1 \\ k, & \text{if } \beta^t \in D_k \end{cases}$$

- **(Yu-Gong-10) Equivalently, $s(t)$ is defined by**

$$s(t) \equiv \log_{\beta}(\beta^t + 1) \pmod{M}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq q - 2$$

$$s(t) \equiv \log_{\beta}(\beta^t + 1) \pmod{M}$$

■ Is this the **ADDONE table (Zech Log)** of finite field?

- Consider the case $q = 13$ with a primitive element $\beta = 2$

t	β^t	$\beta^t + 1$	$\log_{\beta}(\beta^t + 1) \pmod{12}$	$\pmod{3}$
*	0	1	0	0
0	1	2	1	1
1	$\beta = 2$	3	4	1
2	$\beta^2 = 4$	5	9	0
3	$\beta^3 = 8$	9	8	2
4	$\beta^4 = 16 = 3$	4	2	2
5	$\beta^5 = 6$	7	11	2
6	$\beta^6 = 12$	0	0	0
7	11	12	6	0
8	9	10	10	1
9	5	6	5	2
10	10	11	7	0
11	7	8	3	0

Array structure of Sidelnikov sequences

■ (Yu-Gong-10)

Write a sidelnikov sequence of period $q^2 - 1$ as an array of size $(q - 1) \times (q + 1)$.

- 1) the first column sequence is always a multiple of a Sidelnikov sequence of period $q - 1$.
 - 2) other column sequences (not necessarily a sidelnikov sequence) have GOOD correlations.
- They used cyclically distinct column sequences in the array to construct a new family, with the set size comparable to those in (No-08, Yang-09).
 - The construction is still a combination of adopting **constant multiples** and **shift-and-add sequences of a sidelnikov sequence of period $q - 1$** in addition to **column sequences and their constant multiples from the array structure of a sidelnikov sequence of period $q^2 - 1$** .



Example (Yu-Gong-10)

- Let $q = 7$, $M = 6$. A 6-ary Sidelnikov sequence $s(t)$ of period $q^2 - 1 = 48$ is represented by 6×8 array as follows:

$$s(t) = [v_0(t), v_1(t), v_2(t), v_3(t), v_4(t), v_5(t), v_6(t), v_7(t)]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 5 & 0 & 5 & 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 4 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 & 3 & 5 & 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- $v_l(t) = s((q + 1)t + l)$ for $0 \leq t \leq q - 2$ and each $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, q$.
 - $v_0(t) = 2s'(t)$, where $s'(t) = (2, 4, 1, 0, 5, 3)$ is a 6-ary Sidelnikov sequence of period 6.
 - $v_l(t) = v_{q+1-l}(t + 1 - l)$ for $0 \leq t \leq q - 2$ and each $l = 1, 2, \dots, q$.

◆ Theorem (Yu-Gong-10)

Column sequences $v_l(t)$ of the array can be represented as

$$v_l(t) = \mathbf{log}_\beta V_l(\beta^t)$$

where $V_l(x) = \beta^l x^2 + Tr_q^{q^2}(\alpha^l)x + 1$.

◆ Theorem (Yu-Gong-10)

Let \mathcal{U} be the set of sequences of period $q - 1$ given as follows:

$$\mathcal{U} = \{cs(t) \mid 1 \leq c \leq M - 1\}$$

$$\cup \left\{ c_0 s(t) + c_1 s(t + l_1) \mid 1 \leq l_1 \leq \left\lfloor \frac{q-1}{2} \right\rfloor \right\}$$

$$\cup \{c_2 v_{l_2}(t) \mid 1 \leq l_2 \leq \lfloor q/2 \rfloor\}$$

① The maximum correlation of \mathcal{U} is upper bounded by $3\sqrt{q} + 5$.

② This family have size $\frac{M(M-1)(q-2)}{2} + M - 1$.

Recently (2010-current) by **Kim-Song**

- **D.S. Kim, 2010:** A family of sequences with large size and good correlation property arising from M -ary Sidelnikov sequences of period $q^d - 1$, [arXiv:1009.1225v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/1009.1225v1) [cs.IT]
 - Why not considering a sidelnikov sequence of period $q^3 - 1$, $q^4 - 1$ or $q^k - 1$ in general in the first place and then using an array of size $(q - 1) \times \left(\frac{q^k - 1}{q - 1}\right)$?



Generalization of the Array Structure

■ Theorem

Let $k \geq 2$, and write a Sidelnikove sequence of length $q^k - 1$ as an array of size $(q - 1) \times \left(\frac{q^k - 1}{q - 1}\right)$.

Then, the column sequences $v_l(t)$ of the array can be represented as

$$v_l(t) = \log_{\beta} f_l(\beta^t) \pmod{M}$$

where

$$f_l(x) = N(\alpha^l x + 1).$$

■ Main result

Assume that $(k, q - 1) = 1$, $k < \frac{\sqrt{q} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{q}} + 1}{2}$.

Construct a family

$$\Sigma = \{ cv_l(t) \mid 1 \leq c < M \text{ and } l \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\} \}$$

where Λ is the set of all the representatives from each q -cyclotomic coset mod $\frac{q^k - 1}{q - 1}$.

Then

① $|C_{max}(\Sigma)| \leq (2k - 1)\sqrt{q} + 1.$

② The asymptotic size of the family is $\frac{(M-1)q^{k-1}}{k}$ as $q \rightarrow \infty$.

■ Example

Let $q = 7, M = 6, k = 3$. Consider finite field $GF(343)$.

Then 6-ary Sidelnikov sequence $s(t)$ of period 342 is

represented by the 6×57 array as follows:

$$s(t) = [v_0(t), v_1(t), \dots, v_{55}(t), v_{56}(t)]$$

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0	4	0	1	5	4	3	4	0	4	1	5	5	0	0	3	4	2	4	3	2	1	3	0	1	1	4	0	5	4	0	3	4	2	0	4	3	2	1	2	1	2	3	3	2	3	0	5	3	4	0	3	3	4	3	3	0
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- $v_l(t) = v_{lq}(t)$.

- If $l_1 \equiv l_2 \pmod{\frac{q^k-1}{q-1}}$, then $v_{l_1}(t)$ and $v_{l_2}(t)$ are cyclically equivalent.



Asymptotic size is $\frac{q^{k-1}}{k} (M - 1)$.

■ Roughly, $k < \frac{\sqrt{q}}{2}$.

■ Size of some column sequence families

q	$7^2 = 49$	$11^2 = 121$	$13^2 = 169$	$3^5 = 243$	$2^8 = 256$	$17^2 = 289$	$7^3 = 343$
$k = 2$	24	60	84	121	128	144	171
Asymp.	24	60	84	121	128	144	171
$k = 3$	816	4921	9577	19764	21931	27937	39331
Asymp.	800	4880	9520	19683	21845	27840	39216
$k = 4$	X	446581	1213885	3602050	4210752	6055345	10117900
Asymp.	X	442890	1206702	3587226	4194304	6034392	10088401

In all the values of the table, the constant factor $M - 1 = 5$ is omitted.



Comparison of the Families so far

- The following M -ary sequence families have period $q - 1$:

Family	Size	C_{max}	Remark
Song-07	$M - 1$	$\sqrt{q} + 3$	Constant multiples
Yang-09, No-08	$\frac{(q - 3)}{2} (M - 1)^2 + \frac{M(M - 1)}{2}$	$3\sqrt{q} + 5$	+ Shift-and-add
Yu-Gong-10 (1)	$\frac{(q - 3)(q - 5)}{8} (M - 1)^3 + \dots$	$5\sqrt{q} + 7$	+ more Shift-and-add
Yu-Gong-10 (2)	$\frac{(q - 2)}{2} M(M - 1) + M - 1$	$3\sqrt{q} + 5$	+ array structure
Kim-10	$\frac{q^{k-1}}{k} (M - 1)$ as q approached ∞	$(2k - 1)\sqrt{q} + 1$	Generalization of array

Still More to Come: Decimation Sequences

- **Definition:** Let $a(t)$ be a sequence of period L . Then d -decimation sequence $b(t)$ of $a(t)$ is

$$b(t) = a(dt), \text{ for } t = 0, 1, \dots$$

- **Can we add some decimations of the members (either sidelnikov sequence or column sequences of the array structure) without increasing the max correlation (around $3\sqrt{q} + 5$) ?**
 - Yes, we may....
 - will be coming soon $\wedge.\wedge$

