

# On algebraic graph theory and non-bijective multivariate maps in cryptography

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ABSTRACT. Special family of non-bijective multivariate maps  $F_n$  of  $Z_m^n$  into itself is constructed for  $n = 2, 3, \dots$  and composite  $m$ . The map  $F_n$  is injective on  $\Omega_n = \{x | x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n \in Z_m^*\}$  and solution of the equation  $F_n(x) = b, x \in \Omega_n$  can be reduced to the solution of equation  $z^r = \alpha, z \in Z_m^*, (r, \phi(m)) = 1$ . The “hidden RSA cryptosystem” is proposed.

Similar construction is suggested for the case  $\Omega_n = Z_m^{*n}$ .

## 1. Introduction

The RSA is one of the most popular cryptosystems. It is based on a number factorisation problem and Euler Theorem. Peter Shor discovered that factorisation problem can be effectively solved with the usage of theoretical quantum computer. It means that RSA could not be a security tool in the future postquantum era. One of the research directions which can lead to a postquantum secure public key is the Multivariate Cryptography which uses polynomial maps of affine space  $K^n$  defined over a finite commutative ring into itself as encryption tools (see [1]). This is a young promising research area with the current lack of known cryptosystems

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with the proven resistance against attacks with the use of Turing machines. Other important direction of Postquantum Cryptography is a study of Super-elliptic Curves cryptosystems.

Applications of Algebraic Graph Theory to Multivariate Cryptography were observed in my talk at Central European Conference on Cryptology 2014 (Alfred Renyi Institute, Budapest) [2]. This talk was dedicated to algorithms based on bijective maps of affine spaces into themselves. Applications of algebraic graphs to cryptography started from symmetric algorithms based on explicit constructions of extremal graph theory and their directed analogs (see survey [3], [4]). The main idea is to convert an algebraic graph in finite automaton and use the pseudorandom walks on the graph as encryption tools. This approach can be also used for the key exchange protocols. Nowadays the idea of “symbolic walks” on algebraic graphs when the walk on the graph depends on parameters given as special multivariate polynomials in variables depending on plainspace vector brings several public key cryptosystems. Other source of graphs suitable for cryptography is connected with finite geometries and their flag system (see [3], [5], [6] and further references).

This paper presents new cryptoalgorithm in terms of Algebraic Combinatorics which use non-bijective transformations of  $K^n$ .

Multivariate cryptography started from studies of potential for the special quadratic encryption multivariate bijective map of  $K^n$ , where  $K$  is an extension of finite field  $F_q$  of characteristic 2. One of the first such cryptosystems was proposed by Imai and Matsumoto, cryptanalysis for this system was invented by J. Patarin [1], [7]. The survey on various modifications of this algorithm and corresponding cryptanalysis the reader can find in [1]. Bijective multivariate sparse encryption maps of rather high degree based on walks in algebraic graphs were proposed in [8].

One of the first usage of non bijective map of multivariate cryptography was in *oil and vinegar* crptosystem proposed in [9] and analysed in [10]. Nowadays this general idea is strongly supported by the publication [11] dedicated to security analysis of direct attacks on modified unbalanced oil and vinegar systems. It looks like such systems and rainbow signatures schemes may lead to promising Public Key Schemes of Multivariate Encryption defined over finite fields. Non bijective multivariate sparse encryption maps of degree 3 and  $\geq 3$  based on walks on algebraic graphs  $D(n, K)$  defined over general commutative ring and their homomorphic images were proposed in [12].

The paper is dedicated to other constructions of non bijective maps. We introduce the concept of family of multivariate maps  $F = F_n$  of

the free modules  $K^n$  onto itself decomposed into transition functions  $F^1, F^2, \dots, F^{s(n)}$  of special symbolic vertex automata of linguistic graphs. In case  $K = Z_m$ , where  $m$  is composite, it allows us to construct partially invertible  $F_n$  respectively to subsets  $\Omega_n$  of  $Z_m^n$ . It means that the restriction of  $F$  on  $\Omega_n$  is injective and the decomposition above allows us to solve the equation  $F(x) = b$  for unknown  $(x) \in \Omega_n$  and  $b \in F(\Omega_n)$  in polynomial time. We are interested in the case of Eulerian maps  $F_n$  when the solution of the equation can be reduced to the study of equations of kind  $z^r = d$ , where  $z$  in  $Z_m^*$  and  $(r, \phi(m)) = 1$ . We construct infinite families of maps of kind  $H_n = \tau_1 F_n \tau_2$ , where  $\tau_i$  are bijective affine transformations of  $Z_m^n$ , with Eulerian  $F_n$  of bounded degree such that  $H_n$  is partially invertible for  $\Omega_n = Z_m^{*n}$  and  $\Omega_n = \{x \in Z_m^n | x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n \in Z_m^*\}$ .

So the following scheme of a cryptosystem can be used. Alice (the public key owner) uses special linguistic graph  $L_n(Z_m)$ , its symbolic automaton with a special symbolic key to generate the Eulerian map  $F_n$  and the list of transition functions  $F^1, F^2, \dots, F^{s(n)}$  of the symbolic computation. She chooses appropriate bijective affine transformations  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  and creates a deformation  $H_n = \tau_1 F_n \tau_2$  which is partially invertible for  $\Omega_n$  as above. Alice writes the following standard form for  $H_n$ :

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 \rightarrow h_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \quad x_2 \rightarrow h_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \quad \dots, \\ x_n \rightarrow h_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

where polynomials  $h_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are given by their lists of monomial terms with respect to the chosen order.

She announces the form and the plainspace  $\Omega_n$  in public way.

Notice that Alice keeps the transition functions generating  $F_n$  and *deformation rule*  $H_n = \tau_1 F_n \tau_2$  in secret. Cryptanalytic knows only the list of  $h_i$  and the graph  $L_n(Z_m)$ .

Public user (Bob) writes his message  $(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$  from the plainspace  $\Omega_n$ . He computes the ciphertext  $c = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$ ,  $c_i = h_i(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and sends it to Alice.

Alice solves the equation  $F_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$  due to her knowledge of symbolic key of the automaton. So she reads the plaintext.

Notice that to make this scheme feasible we need to care about polynomiality of generation time, bound for the degree of  $H_n$ , Eulerian nature of the map  $F_n$ . We achieve it via special choice of linguistic graph (well known graphs  $D(n, K)$ ) and some restriction on symbolic keys.

Section 2 is dedicated to linguistic graphs and related to them automata. In Section 3 the reader can find information on chosen linguistic

graph  $D(n, K)$ . The properties of chosen computation of vertex automaton for graph  $D(n, Z_m)$  are justified in section 4. Last section gives precise description of cryptosystem.

## 2. Linguistic graphs and their vertex automata

The missing definitions of graph-theoretical concepts which appear in this paper can be found in [13]. All graphs we consider are *simple*, i.e. undirected without loops and multiple edges. Let  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$  denote the set of vertices and the set of edges of  $G$  respectively. Then  $|V(G)|$  is called the *order* of  $G$ , and  $|E(G)|$  is called the *size* of  $G$ . When it is convenient we shall identify  $G$  with the corresponding anti-reflexive binary relation on  $V(G)$ , i.e.  $E(G)$  is a subset of  $V(G) \times V(G)$  and write  $vGu$  for the adjacent vertices  $u$  and  $v$  (or neighbours). We assume that  $V(G)$  is a finite or an infinite set. The majority of examples will be *locally finite graphs*  $G$ , i.e. each vertex  $v$  has finite number of neighbours ( $x \in V(G)$ , such that  $xGv$ ). We refer to  $|\{x \in V(G) | xGv\}|$  as *degree of the vertex*  $v$ .

The sequence of distinct vertices  $v_0, v_1, \dots, v_t$ , such that  $v_i G v_{i+1}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, t - 1$  is a *path* in the graph. The path in  $G$  is called *simple* if all its vertices are distinct. The graph is *connected* if each two of its vertices are joined by some path. The length of the path is a number of its edges. The *distance* between two vertices  $u$  and  $v$  of the graph, denoted by  $\text{dist}(u, v)$ , is the length of the shortest path between them. The *diameter* of the graph, denoted by  $\text{diam}(G)$ , is the maximal distance between two vertices  $u$  and  $v$  of the graph. Let  $C_m$  denote the cycle of length  $m$ , i.e. the sequence of distinct vertices  $v_0, \dots, v_m$  such that  $v_i G v_{i+1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m - 1$  and  $v_m G v_1$ . The *girth* of a graph  $G$ , denoted by  $g = g(G)$ , is the length of the shortest cycle in  $G$ .

The *incidence structure* is the set  $V$  with partition sets  $P$  (*points*) and  $L$  (*lines*) and symmetric binary relation  $I$  such that the incidence of two elements implies that one of them is a point and another one is a line. We shall identify  $I$  with the simple graph of this incidence relation (*bipartite graph*).

We refer to a triple consisting of set  $V$ , its partition  $V = P \cup L$  and symmetric and antireflexive binary relation  $I$  (incidence) on the set  $V$ , such that  $xIy$  implies  $x \in P, y \in L$  or  $x \in L$  and  $y \in P$  as *incidence structure*. The pair  $\{x, y\}$ ,  $x \in P, y \in L$  such that  $xIy$  is called a *flag* of incidence structure  $I$ .

Let  $K$  be a finite commutative ring. We refer to an incidence structure with a point set  $P = P_{s,m} = K^{s+m}$  and a line set  $L = L_{r,m} = K^{r+m}$  as

linguistic incidence structure  $I_m$  if point

$$(x) = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s, x_{s+1}, x_{s+2}, \dots, x_{s+m})$$

is incident to line

$$[y] = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_r, y_{r+1}, y_{r+2}, \dots, y_{r+m}]$$

if and only if the following relations hold

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_1 x_{s+1} + \zeta_1 y_{r+1} &= f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_r) \\ \xi_2 x_{s+2} + \zeta_2 y_{r+2} &= f_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s, x_{s+1}, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_r, y_{r+1}) \\ &\dots \\ \xi_m x_{s+m} + \zeta_m y_{r+m} &= f_m(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{s+m-1}, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{r+m-1}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\xi_j$  and  $\zeta_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$  are not zero divisors, and  $f_j$  are multivariate polynomials with coefficients from  $K$ . Brackets and parenthesis allow us to distinguish points from lines (see [14]).

The colour  $\rho(x) = \rho((x))$  ( $\rho(y) = \rho([y])$ ) of point  $(x)$  (line  $[y]$ ) is defined as projection of an element  $(x)$  ( $[y]$ ) from a free module on its initial  $s$  (relatively  $r$ ) coordinates. As it follows from the definition of linguistic incidence structure for each vertex of incidence graph there exists unique neighbour of a chosen colour. We also consider a linguistic incidence structures defined by infinite number of equations.

We refer to  $\rho((x)) = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s)$  for  $(x) = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{s+m})$  and  $\rho([y]) = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_r)$  for  $[y] = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{s+m}]$  as the colour of the point and the colour of the line respectively. For each  $b \in K^r$  and  $(p) = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{s+m})$  there is a unique neighbour of the point  $[l] = N_b(p)$  with the colour  $b$ . Similarly for each  $b \in K^s$  and  $[l] = [l_1, l_2, \dots, l_{r+m}]$  there is a unique neighbour of the line  $[p] = N_b([l])$  with the colour  $b$ . Let  $S(K^n)$  be the semigroup of all polynomial maps from  $K^n$  into  $K^n$ , where  $K$  is a commutative ring.

Assume that the transformation  $F(n) \in S(K^n)$  is written in the form  $x_j \rightarrow f(n)_j(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  where each  $f(n)_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  is determined by the list of all monomial terms with the respect to some chosen order.

Let us refer to the sequence of maps  $F(n)$  from  $S(K^n)$ ,  $n = 2, 3, \dots$  as a family of bounded degree, if the degree of each transformation  $F(n)$  is bounded by some constant  $d$ ,  $d > 0$ .

Let  $\tau(n)_L$  and  $\tau(n)_R$  be affine transformations of kind  $x \rightarrow xA + b$ , where  $x \in K^n$ ,  $b \in K^n$ ,  $A = (a_{ij})$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ .

We assume, that the transformations  $\tau_L(i)$  and  $\tau_R(i)$  are invertible.

We refer to the sequence of  $G(n) = \tau_L(n)F(n)\tau_R(n)$  as the deformation of the family  $F(n)$ ,  $n = 2, 3, \dots$

Notice that  $\deg g(n) = \deg f(n)$ , but densities of the maps can be different. In fact densities of  $g(n)$  heavily depend on the choices of an affine transformation  $\tau_L$ .

Let us convert the bipartite graph of incidence relation  $I = I_m$  to vertex automaton  $VA(I_m)$  in the following way. We announce that vertices of the graph are states of  $VA(I_m)$ . If  $(p)I[l]$  and  $[l] = N_b(p)$  then we draw an arrow from  $(p)$  to  $[l]$  with the weight  $b \in K^r$ . If  $(p)I[l]$  and  $[p] = N_b(p)$  then we draw an arrow from  $[l]$  to  $(p)$  with the weight  $b \in K^s$ . We assume that all vertices of the bipartite graph are accepting states.

Let us assume that  $r = s = 1$  in all further considerations. We assume that graph  $I_m$  has connectivity invariants  $d_1(x), d_2(x), \dots, d_t(x)$  which are multivariate functions from  $K^{s+m}$  into  $K$  such that for two vertices  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  (points or lines) from the same connected component of the graph equalities  $d_i(v_2) = d_i(v_1)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, t$  hold.

We consider symbolic vertex automaton  $SV(I_m)$  corresponding to  $I_m$  defined in the following way. Its states are divided into points  $(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_{m+1})$  and lines  $[g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{m+1}]$  where  $f_i \in K[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1+m}]$  and  $g_i \in K[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1+m}]$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m + 1$ . There are two options for an by initial state: symbolic point  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1+m})$  or symbolic line  $[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1+m}]$ . The computation of  $SV(I_m)$  is given by its symbolic key  $h_j \in K[z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{1+t}]$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$  and its initial state (point for example) in the following way. One has to form the specialisation of a symbolic key  $\tilde{h}_j = h(x_1, d_1(x), d_2(x), \dots, d_t(x)) \in K[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1+m}]$  and compute the chain  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1+m})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\tilde{h}_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1+m})}(x) &= v_1, \\ N_{\tilde{h}_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1+m})}(v_1) &= v_2, \\ N_{\tilde{h}_3(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1+m})}(v_2) &= v_3, \\ &\dots, \\ N_{\tilde{h}_k(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1+m})}(v_{k-1}) &= v_k \end{aligned}$$

via symbolic computations. We refer to  $F = v_k$  as a result of symbolic computation with the given symbolic key and refer to a chain  $(x)$ ,  $v_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$  as decomposition of  $v_k$  into transition function of symbolic automaton  $SV(I_m)$ . We identify  $v_k$  with the corresponding multivariate map from  $S(K^{m+1})$ .

We refer to the deformation rule  $G = \tau_L v_k \tau_R$  and the chain  $v_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  as decomposition of  $G$  of rank  $k$  into transition function of symbolic vertex automaton of the graph  $I_m$ . We say that  $G$  is symbolically decomposed via linguistic graph  $I_m$ .

Notice that for  $F = (f_1, f_2, \dots, f_{m+1})$  polynomial  $f_1$  coincides with  $h_k(x_1, d_1(x), d_2(x), \dots, d_t(x))$ . Let us investigate the equation

$$F(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{m+1}) = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{m+1}).$$

Assume that  $(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{m+1})$  is an element of image of  $F$  and  $p_i$  are variables. Then  $h_k(p_1, d_1(p), d_2(p), \dots, d_t(p)) = b_1$ . We can rewrite it as  $h_k(p_1, d_1(b), d_2(b), \dots, d_t(b)) = b_1$ . Notice that here we use the fact that vertices  $(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{m+1})$  and  $(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{m+1})$  (points or lines) are in the same connected component of the graph. Let us assume that for the subset  $\Omega$  of  $K$  the equation  $h_k(p_1, d_1(b), d_2(b), \dots, d_t(b)) = b_1$ ,  $p_1 \in \Omega$  has at most one solution. If  $b \in F(\Omega \times K^m)$  then we can find the solution  $p_1 = p_1^*$ . After that we can compute

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{k-1} &= h_{k-1}(p_1^*, d_1(b), d_2(b), \dots, d_t(b)), \\ \beta_{k-2} &= h_{k-2}(p_1^*, d_1(b), d_2(b), \dots, d_t(b)), \\ &\dots \\ \beta_1 &= h_{k-2}(p_1^*, d_1(b), d_2(b), \dots, d_t(b)). \end{aligned}$$

It allows us to compute

$$\begin{aligned} u_{k-1} &= N_{\beta_{k-1}}(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{m+1}), \\ u_{k-2} &= N_{\beta_{k-2}}(u_{k-1}), \\ &\dots \\ u_1 &= N_{\beta_{k-2}}(u_2), \\ (p_1^*, p_2^*, \dots, p_{m+1}^*) &= N_{p_1^*}(u_1). \end{aligned}$$

So the restriction of the map  $F$  on  $\Omega \times K^m$  is injective. The equation  $F(x) = b$ , where  $x \in \Omega \times K^m$ ,  $b \in F(\Omega \times K^m)$  has a unique solution.

Let  $F' = \tau_L F \tau_R$  be the deformation of  $F$  and  $T = \tau_L^{-1}(\Omega \times K^m)$ . Then the equation  $F'(x) = b$  for  $x \in T$  and  $b \in F'(T)$  has a unique solution. We say that the multivariate transformation  $F'$  of  $K^{m+1}$  is partially invertible on  $T$ . Such maps  $F'$  together with deformation rule  $\tau_L F \tau_R$  and decomposition of  $F$  via transition functions of symbolic vertex automaton of linguistic graph can be used in symmetric cryptography. Let us consider two general examples in case  $K = Z_l$ ,  $l \geq 2$ .

**Example.** Correspondents (Alice and Bob) take a linguistic graph  $I_m$  in cases  $r = s = 1$  as above. Assume that they know the list of connectivity invariants  $d_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1})$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, t$ . They choose the type of an initial state. Without loss of generality we can take point  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1})$ . They set the length of computation of vertex symbolic automaton  $k$  and symbolic key

$$h_1(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{t+1}), h_2(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{t+1}), \dots, h_k(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{t+1}),$$

where  $h_k = ax^r + f(z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{t+1})$ ,  $a \in Z_l^*$ ,  $(r, \phi(l)) = 1$ . They choose affine transformation  $\tau_L$  of kind

$$x_1 \rightarrow x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{m+1}, x_j \rightarrow l_j(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}),$$

where  $l_j(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1})$  are general linear transformation of  $Z_l^{m+1}$  into  $Z_l$  for  $j = 2, 3, \dots, m+1$ , and general bijective affine transformation  $\tau_R$ .

We assume that the graph  $I_m$ , its connectivity invariants, and the plainspace  $T = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}) \in Z_l^{m+1} | x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n \in Z_l^*\}$  are known to public. Cryptanalytic knows the general algorithm which depends on some unknown  $\tau_L$ ,  $\tau_R$  and some symbolic key. Correspondents share the symbolic key  $h_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{t+1})$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  and affine transformations  $\tau_L$  and  $\tau_R$  as above. Alice writes her plaintext  $p = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{m+1})$ . She computes the tuple  $\tau_L(p) = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{m+1}) = u$ . She computes values of connectivity invariants  $\beta_i = d_i(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{m+1})$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, t$ . After that Alice gets the values of symbolic keys

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_1 &= h_1(u_1, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_t), \\ \gamma_2 &= h_2(u_1, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_t), \\ &\dots, \\ \gamma_k &= h_k(u_1, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_t). \end{aligned}$$

If chosen  $k$  is odd she takes the chain  $(u)$ ,  $N_{\gamma_1}(u) = [u^1]$ ,  $N_{\gamma_2}([u^1]) = (u^2)$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $N_{\gamma_k}([u^{k-1}]) = [u^k]$ . She takes  $\tau_R(u^k) = c$  as ciphertext. Notice that in case of even  $K$  Alice gets  $N_{\gamma_k}([u^{k-1}]) = (u^k)$ .

Let us consider the decryption process. For simplicity we take the case when  $k$  is odd. Bob takes  $c$ . He computes  $\tau_R^{-1}(c) = u^k$ . He takes  $[u^k] = [b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n]$ . Bob computes parameters  $\beta_i$  as  $d_i([b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n])$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, t$ .

Bob looks at expression  $ax^r + f(z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{t+1})$  and writes the equation  $ax^r + f(\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_t) = b_1$ . So he computes  $x^r =$



$(b_1 - f(\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_t))a^{-1} = \alpha$ . So Bob gets  $u_1$  as  $\alpha^{r'}$  where  $r'$  is a multiplicative inverse in  $Z_{\phi(l)}$ .

Now, Bob computes  $\gamma_i = h_i(u_1, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_t)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k - 1$ . So he gets

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\gamma_{k-1}}([u^k]) &= (u^{k-1}), & N_{\gamma_{k-2}}([u^{k-1}]) &= [u^{k-2}], \dots, \\ N_{\gamma_1}([u^2]) &= [u^1], & N_{u_1}([u^1]) &= (u). \end{aligned}$$

Finally Bob obtains  $\tau_L^{-1}(u) = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_s)$ .

**Remark 1.** It is easy to see that the scheme above can be easily modified in various ways. For instance, correspondents can use  $T = Z_l^{*m+1}$  and take  $\tau_L$  as linear monomial transformation  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}) \rightarrow (\lambda_1 x_1, \lambda_2 x_2, \dots, \lambda_{m+1} x_{m+1})$ , where  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{m+1}) \in Z_l^{*m+1}$ .

**Remark 2.** The above scheme can produce rather fast symmetric encryption algorithm in case of various linguistic graphs. It is easy to define linguistic graph  $I_m$  such that the neighbour of each vertex can be computed in time  $O(m)$ . We can take an empty list of connectivity invariants (parameter  $t$  is zero). Assume that we work with sparse affine transformation  $\tau_L$  and  $\tau_R$  which can be completed in  $O(m)$  elementary steps. Then the encryption algorithm above takes  $O(m)$  operations.

**Towards public key algorithm.** Alice can take a linguistic graph  $I_m$  in case  $r = s = 1$  as above. She knows the list of connectivity invariants  $d_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1})$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, t$ . She chooses the type of initial state. Without loss of generality we can take point  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1})$ . Alice chooses the length  $k$  of computation of vertex symbolic automaton  $k$  and symbolic key

$$h_1(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{t+1}), h_2(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{t+1}), \dots, h_k(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{t+1}),$$

where  $h_k = ax^r + f(z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{t+1})$ ,  $a \in Z_l^*$ ,  $(r, \phi(l)) = 1$ . She chooses affine transformation  $\tau_L$  of kind

$$x_1 \rightarrow x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{m+1}, x_j \rightarrow l_j(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}),$$

where  $l_j(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1})$  are general linear transformation of  $Z_l^{m+1}$  into  $Z_l$  for  $j = 2, 3, \dots, m + 1$ , and general bijective affine transformation  $\tau_R$ .

Alice takes the initial state  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1})$ . She computes the tuple  $\tau_L(x) = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{m+1}) = v$ , where  $v_i$  are linear expressions in variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}$ . Notice that  $v_1 = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{m+1}$ . After that

Alice takes computation of symbolic vertex automaton with symbolic key  $h_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  starting in a new initial state  $(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{m+1})$ . It means that Alice uses symbolic computations for the constructions of multivariate invariants  $d_t(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{m+1}) = d'_t(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}), i = 1, 2, \dots, t$ .

She computes  $\tilde{h}_1 = h_1(v_1, d'_2, \dots, d'_{t+1}), \tilde{h}_2 = h_2(v_1, d'_2, \dots, d'_{t+1}), \dots, \tilde{h}_k = h_k(v_1, d'_2, \dots, d'_{t+1})$ .

Alice computes the chain of elements from  $Z_l[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}]^{m+1}$  (vertices of symbolic automaton, points and lines). The point  $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{m+1})$ , line  $[v_1] = N_{\tilde{h}_1}(v)$ , point  $(v_2) = N_{\tilde{h}_2}([v_1]), \dots, (v_{k-1}) = N_{\tilde{h}_{k-1}}((v_{k-2}))$ ,  $[v_k] = N_{\tilde{h}_k}(v_{k-1})$ . For simplicity we take odd  $k$ . Alice treats  $F = v_k$  as multivariate map and computes  $G = F\tau_R$  (composition of two maps).

Assume that Alice can complete all steps as above in polynomial time and get a resulting map  $G$  of finite degree. Then she can write the standard form of  $G$ :  $x_1 \rightarrow g_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}), x_2 \rightarrow g_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}), \dots, x_{m+1} \rightarrow g_{m+1}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1})$ , where  $g_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, m+1$  are given by the lists of their monomial terms with respect to some standard order.

Then Alice can announce the public rules  $g_i \in Z_l[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}], i = 1, 2, \dots, m+1$  to all of her correspondents together with the plainspace  $\Omega_{m+1} = \{x \in Z_l^{m+1} | x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m \in Z_l^*\}$ .

Public user (Bob) writes a message  $(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{m+1}) \in \Omega_{m+1}$  and computes the ciphertext  $(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{m+1})$  where  $c_i = g_i(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{m+1}), i = 1, 2, \dots, m+1$  and sends it to Alice.

Alice knows the deformation rule  $G = \tau_L F \tau_R$  and the symbolic key which gives the decomposition of  $F$  into transition functions of the symbolic vertex automaton of the graph. So she can use the decryption process of symmetric encryption algorithm above and restore the plaintext  $(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{m+1})$ .

**Remark 3.** Similarly to symmetric algorithm Alice can change  $\Omega_{m+1}$  for  $T = Z_l^{*m+1}$  and take  $\tau_L$  as linear monomial transformation

$$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}) \rightarrow (\lambda_1 x_1, \lambda_2 x_2, \dots, \lambda_{m+1} x_{m+1}),$$

where  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{m+1}) \in Z_l^{*m+1}$ .

**Remark 4.** One can assume that cryptanalytic knows the family of graphs  $I_m$  defined over  $Z_l$ , where  $l$  is known composite number.

We introduce free symbolic computation of odd case  $k$  for the general linguistic graph  $I_m$  over commutative ring  $K$  in case  $r = s = 1$  as the

sequence  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1})$  (initial state), line

$$\begin{aligned} N_{z_1}(\mathbf{x}) &= [\mathbf{u}_1], & \mathbf{u}_1 &\in K[z_1, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}]^{m+1}, \\ N_{z_2}([\mathbf{u}_1]) &= (\mathbf{u}_2), & \mathbf{u}_2 &\in K[z_1, z_2, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}]^{m+1}, \\ & \dots & & \\ N_{z_k}([\mathbf{u}_{k-1}]) &= [\mathbf{u}_k], & \mathbf{u}_k &\in K[z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m+1}]^{m+1}. \end{aligned}$$

### 3. On some extremal algebraic graphs

Recall that the girth is the length of minimal cycle in the simple graph. Studies of maximal size  $ex(C_3, C_4, \dots, C_{2m}, v)$  of the simple graph on  $v$  vertices without cycles of length  $3, 4, \dots, 2m$ , i. e. graphs of girth  $> 2m$ , form an important direction of Extremal Graph Theory.

As it follows from the famous Even Circuit Theorem by P. Erdős' we have inequality

$$ex(C_3, C_4, \dots, C_{2n}, v) \leq cv^{1+1/n},$$

where  $c$  is a certain constant. The bound is known to be sharp only for  $2n = 4, 6, 8$ . The first general lower bounds of kind  $ex(v, C_3, C_4, \dots, C_n) = \Omega(v^{1+c/n})$ , where  $c$  is some constant  $< 1/2$  were obtained in the 50th by Erdős' via studies of *families of graphs of a large girth*, i.e. infinite families of simple regular graphs  $\Gamma_i$  of degree  $k_i$  and order  $v_i$  such that  $g(\Gamma_i) \geq c \log_{k_i} v_i$ , where  $c$  is the independent of  $i$  constant. Erdős' proved the existence of such a family with arbitrary large but bounded degree  $k_i = k$  with  $c = 1/4$  by his famous probabilistic method.

One of the first examples of the family of graphs of large girth is the family of algebraic graphs  $CD(n, q)$  (see [15] and further references). Graphs  $CD(n, q)$  appear as connected components of graphs  $D(n, q)$  defined via system of quadratic equations [16].

Graphs  $D(n, q)$  and  $CD(n, q)$  have been used in symmetric cryptography together with their natural analogs  $D(n, K)$  and  $CD(n, K)$  over general finite commutative rings  $K$  since 1998 (see [17]). The theory of directed graphs and language of dynamical system were very useful for studies of public key and private key algorithms based on graphs  $D(n, K)$ ,  $CD(n, K)$  (see [18–25] and further references).

There are several implementations of symmetric algorithms for cases of fields ([26], [27], [30]) and arithmetical rings ([28], [29]). Some comparison of bijective multivariate maps based on  $D(n, K)$  and other graphs  $A(n, K)$  are considered in [31].

#### 4. Graphs $D(n, K)$ and new algorithms related to them

Let  $P$  and  $L$  be two copies of Cartesian power  $\mathbb{K}^{\mathbb{N}}$ , where  $\mathbb{K}$  is the commutative ring and  $\mathbb{N}$  is the set of positive integer numbers. Elements of  $P$  will be called *points* and these of  $L$  *lines*.

To distinguish points from lines we use parentheses and brackets. If  $x \in V$ , then  $(x) \in P$  and  $[x] \in L$ . It will also be advantageous to adopt the notation for co-ordinates of points and lines introduced in [16] for the case of general commutative ring  $\mathbb{K}$ :

$$(p) = (p_{0,1}, p_{1,1}, p_{1,2}, p_{2,1}, p_{2,2}, p'_{2,2}, p_{2,3}, \dots, p_{i,i}, p'_{i,i}, p_{i,i+1}, p_{i+1,i}, \dots),$$

$$[l] = [l_{1,0}, l_{1,1}, l_{1,2}, l_{2,1}, l_{2,2}, l'_{2,2}, l_{2,3}, \dots, l_{i,i}, l'_{i,i}, l_{i,i+1}, l_{i+1,i}, \dots].$$

The elements of  $P$  and  $L$  can be thought as infinite ordered tuples of elements from  $\mathbb{K}$ , such that only finite number of components are different from zero.

We now define a linguistic incidence structure  $(P, L, I)$  defined by infinite system of equations as follows. We say the point  $(p)$  is incident with the line  $[l]$ , and we write  $(p)I[l]$ , if the following relations between their co-ordinates hold:

$$\begin{aligned} l_{i,i} - p_{i,i} &= l_{1,0}p_{i-1,i}, \\ l'_{i,i} - p'_{i,i} &= l_{i,i-1}p_{0,1}, \\ l_{i,i+1} - p_{i,i+1} &= l_{i,i}p_{0,1}, \\ l_{i+1,i} - p_{i+1,i} &= l_{1,0}p'_{i,i}. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

(These four relations are defined for  $i \geq 1$ ,  $p'_{1,1} = p_{1,1}$ ,  $l'_{1,1} = l_{1,1}$ ). The incidence structure  $(P, L, I)$  we denote as  $D(\mathbb{K})$ . We speak now of the *incidence graph* of  $(P, L, I)$ , which has the vertex set  $P \cup L$  and edge set consisting of all pairs  $\{(p), [l]\}$  for which  $(p)I[l]$ .

For each positive integer  $k \geq 2$  we obtain a symplectic quotient  $(P_k, L_k, I_k)$  as follows. Firstly,  $P_k$  and  $L_k$  are obtained from  $P$  and  $L$ , respectively, by simply projecting each vector into its  $k$  initial coordinates. The incidence  $I_k$  is then defined by imposing the first  $k - 1$  incidence relations and ignoring all others. The incidence graph corresponding to the structure  $(P_k, L_k, I_k)$  is denoted by  $D(k, \mathbb{K})$  (see [17]).

To facilitate notation in the future results on "connectivity invariants", it will be convenient for us to define  $p_{-1,0} = l_{0,-1} = p_{1,0} = l_{0,1} = 0$ ,  $p_{0,0} = l_{0,0} = -1$ ,  $p'_{0,0} = l'_{0,0} = -1$ ,  $p'_{1,1} = p_{1,1}$ ,  $l'_{1,1} = l_{1,1}$  and to assume that (1) are defined for  $i \geq 0$ .

Notice, that for  $i = 0$ , the four conditions (6) are satisfied by every point and line, and, for  $i = 1$ , the first two equations coincide and give  $l_{1,1} - p_{1,1} = l_{1,0}p_{0,1}$ .

Let  $k \geq 6$ ,  $t = [(k + 2)/4]$ , and let  $u = (u_\alpha, u_{11}, \dots, u_{tt}, u'_{tt}, u_{t,t+1}, u_{t+1,t}, \dots)$  be a vertex of  $D(k, \mathbb{K})$  ( $\alpha \in \{(1, 0), (0, 1)\}$ , it does not matter whether  $u$  is a point or a line). For every  $r$ ,  $2 \leq r \leq t$ , let

$$a_r = a_r(u) = \sum_{i=0,r} (u_{ii}u'_{r-i,r-i} - u_{i,i+1}u_{r-i,r-i-1}),$$

and  $a = a(u) = (a_2, a_3, \dots, a_t)$ . Similarly, we assume  $a = a(u) = (a_2, a_3, \dots, a_t, \dots)$  for the vertex  $u$  of infinite graph  $D(\mathbb{K})$ .

Let  $\eta_m(\eta)$  be the equivalence relation:

$$u\eta_n v \Leftrightarrow a(u) = a(v) \quad (u\tau v \Leftrightarrow a(u) = a(v))$$

on the vertex set of graph  $D(k, \mathbb{K})$  ( $D(\mathbb{K})$ ), respectively.

**Proposition 1** (see [19] and further references).

- (i) For any  $t - 1$  ring elements  $x_t \in \mathbb{K}$ ,  $2 \leq t \leq [(k + 2)/4]$ , there exists a vertex  $v$  of  $D(n, \mathbb{K})$  for which  $a(v) = (x_2, \dots, x_t) = (x)$ .
- (ii) The equivalence class  $C_n$  for the equivalence relation  $\tau$  on the set  $\mathbb{K}^n \cup \mathbb{K}^n$  is an isomorphic to the affine variety  $\mathbb{K}^t \cup \mathbb{K}^t$ ,  $t = [4/3n] + 1$  for  $n = 0, 2, 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $t = [4/3n] + 2$  for  $n = 1 \pmod{4}$ .
- (iii) the vertex set  $C_n$  is the union of several connected components of  $D(n, \mathbb{K})$ .

Let  $C$  be the equivalence class on  $\tau$  on the vertex set  $D(\mathbb{K})$ , then the induced subgraph with the vertex set  $C$  is the union of several connected components of  $D(\mathbb{K})$ .

We shall use notation  $C(t, \mathbb{K})$  ( $C(\mathbb{K})$ ) for the induced subgraph of  $D(n, \mathbb{K})$  ( $D(\mathbb{K})$ ) with the vertex set  $C_n$  (vertex set  $C$  respectively).

The graph  $C(t, \mathbb{K})$  in the case of  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}_q$  coincides with  $CD(n, q)$  which was introduced in [17].

The following statement was proven in [32].

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be commutative ring with unity of characteristic  $d$ ,  $d \neq 2$ . Then graphs  $C(t, \mathbb{K})$ ,  $t \geq 6$  and  $C(\mathbb{K})$  are connected.

If  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $q$  is odd, then graph  $C(\mathbb{F}_q)$  is a  $q$ -regular tree. In cases  $\text{char}(\mathbb{K}) = 2$  the questions of the description of connected components of  $C(t, \mathbb{K})$  and  $C(\mathbb{K})$  are open.

## 5. The cryptosystem

We can rewrite result of [33] in the following form.

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $F_n$  be a regular computation of free symbolic automaton of linguistic graph  $D(n, Z_l)$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k$ , where  $k$  is even, are fixed elements of  $Z_l$ . Then the map  $\tilde{F}_n$  corresponding to a specialisation of  $z_2 = y + \alpha_1, z_3 = z_1 + \alpha_1, z_4 = y + \alpha_3, z_5 = z_1 + \alpha_5, \dots, z_{k-1} = z_1 + \alpha_{k-1}, z_k = y + \alpha_k$  is cubical multivariate map from  $K[z_1, y, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^{m+1}$ .*

**Remark 5.** Similar proposition is true for odd  $k$ . The map  $\tilde{F}_n$  corresponding to a specialisation of  $z_2 = y + \alpha_1, z_3 = z_1 + \alpha_1, z_4 = y + \alpha_3, z_5 = z_1 + \alpha_5, \dots, z_{k-1} = y + \alpha_{k-1}, z_k = z_1 + \alpha_k$  is cubical transformation of  $Z_l^n$ .

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $F_n$  be a regular computation of an odd length  $s$  of a symbolic vertex automaton of  $D(n, K)$  corresponding to symbolic key  $h(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_t) + \alpha_1, z_1 + \alpha_2, h(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_t) + \alpha_3, z_1 + \alpha_4, \dots, z_1 + \alpha_{s-1}, h(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_t) + \alpha_s$ , where  $h \in K[z_1, z_2, \dots, z_t]$  has finite degree and  $\alpha_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, s$  are constants from  $K$ . Then the degree of  $F_n$  is bounded by  $3 \deg h(x_{01}, a_2(x), a_3(x), \dots, a_t(x))$ .*

We say that the map  $F_n$  of  $Z_l^n$  to itself is Eulerian partially invertible map on the domain  $\Omega_n = \{x | \lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2 + \dots + \lambda_n x_n + \alpha_{n+1} \in Z_l^*\}$  if it is partially invertible on  $\Omega_n$  and solution of equation  $F_n(x) = b, x \in \Omega$  and  $b \in F_n(\Omega_n)$  can be reduced to a solution of  $z^r = a, z \in Z_l^*, r \neq 1, (r, \phi(l)) = 1$ .

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $K = Z_l, n$  be a natural number  $\geq 2, s$  is an odd number  $\geq 3$ . For each domain of kind  $\Omega_n = \{x | \lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2 + \dots + \lambda_n x_n + \lambda_{n+1} \in Z_l^*\}$  in  $Z_l^n$ , where  $\lambda_i \neq 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  there is Eulerian map  $F_n$  of finite degree which has a symbolic decomposition of rank  $s$ . If  $l$  is a prime number, then Eulerian map  $F_n$  is a bijection.*

*Proof.* Let us consider a symbolic vertex automaton constructed for the family of graphs  $D(n, Z_l)$ . Let  $a_2(x), a_3(x), \dots, a_t(x), t = [(n+2)/4]$  be the list of quadratic connectivity invariants of the graph. We shall use polynomials from  $Z_l[u_1, u_2, \dots, u_t]$  to form special symbolic key. For  $f \in Z_l[u_1, u_2, \dots, u_t]$  we define  $\tilde{f}$  as  $f(z_1, a_2(z), a_3(z), \dots, a_t(z))$ , where  $(z) = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n)$  is initial point of the symbolic vertex automaton of graph  $D(n, Z_l)$ . We avoid double indexes for points and lines here. We have a free choice to take  $H \in Z_l[u_1, u_2, \dots, u_t]$  to form a sequence of

weights  $\alpha_1(z) = \tilde{H} + \beta_1, \alpha_2(z) = z_1 + \beta_2, \alpha_3(z) = \tilde{H} + \beta_3, \alpha_4(z) = z_1 + \beta_4, \dots, \alpha_{s-1}(z) = z_1 + \beta_{s-1}, \alpha_s(z) = \tilde{H} + \beta_s$ , where  $\beta_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, s$  are fixed elements of  $Z_l$ . Let  $F = F_n : Z_l^n \rightarrow Z_l^n$  be the multivariate map generated by symbolic computation above. We assume that  $H(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_t)$  is written in the form  $u_1^r + S(u_2, u_3, \dots, u_t)$ , where  $S$  is arbitrary element of  $Z_l[u_2, u_3, \dots, u_t]$  and  $r, r \neq 1$  is a parameter such that  $(r, \phi(m)) = 1$ . Symbol  $\phi$  standardly stands for Euler function. Let us consider non-singular linear transformation  $\tau_L : Z_l^n \rightarrow Z_l^n$  of kind

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 &\rightarrow \lambda_1 z_1 + \lambda_2 z_2 + \dots + \lambda_n z_n + \lambda_{n+1}, \\ z_2 &\rightarrow l_2(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n), \\ z_3 &\rightarrow l_3(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n), \\ &\dots \\ z_n &\rightarrow l_n(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n), \end{aligned}$$

where  $l_i$  are linear expressions from  $Z_l[z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n]$  of general kind. We form a composition  $G_n = \tau_L F_n$ .

Assume that  $z = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n)$  is an element of  $\Omega_n$ . Let us identify  $\tau_L(z) = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$  with the point of the graph  $D(n, Z_l)$ . Notice that  $y_1 \in Z_l^*$ . Let us show that the reimage of  $G_n(z)$  is uniquely determined. We write the equation  $G_n(z) = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ . It is clear that  $b_1 = y_1^r + S(u_2, u_3, \dots, u_t) + \beta_s$ . Notice that tuples  $y$  (point) and  $b$  (line) are located in the same connected component of the graph. So we have  $a_i(y) = a_i(b) = \gamma_i, i = 2, 3, \dots, t$ . Thus  $y_1^r + S(\gamma_2, \gamma_3, \dots, \gamma_t) + \beta_s = b_1$ .

Let  $r'$  be the multiplicative inverse of  $r$  in  $Z_{\phi(l)}$ . We have  $y_1 = (b_1 - S(\gamma_2, \gamma_3, \dots, \gamma_t) - \beta_s)^{r'} = \alpha$ .

The knowledge of parameter  $\alpha$  allows us to compute all coordinates of tuple  $y$ . Really, we can compute values  $\alpha_{s-1} = \alpha + \beta_{s-1}, \alpha_{s-2} = H(\alpha, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \dots, \gamma_t) + \beta_{s-2}, \alpha_{s-3} = \alpha + \beta_{s-3}, \dots, \alpha_1 = H(\alpha, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \dots, \gamma_t) + \beta_1, \alpha_0 = \alpha$ .

The value of  $y$  can be computed recursively  $y^{s-1} = N_{\alpha_{s-1}}([b]), y^{s-2} = N_{\alpha_{s-2}}((y^{s-1})), \dots, y^1 = N_{\alpha_1}((y^2)), y^0 = N_{\alpha}((y^1)) = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$ . The tuple  $z$  equals  $\pi^{-1}(y^0)$ .

The Proposition 3 establishes that the degree of  $G_n$  or  $F_n$  is bounded by  $3 \deg(\tilde{H}(z))$ . If  $d = \deg(\tilde{S}) > r$  then the degree of  $G_n$  is bounded by  $3d$ . Notice, that in case of prime  $l$  the equation  $y_1^r + S(\gamma_2, \gamma_3, \dots, \gamma_t) + \beta_s = b_1, r \neq 0 \pmod{p-1}$  is always solvable for  $y_1$ . So maps  $F_n$  and  $G_n$  are bijections. □

**Remark 6.** In the theorem above we can change domain  $\Omega_n$  for  $Z_l^{*n}$ .

Really we have to change a transformation  $\tau_L$  in the proof for a linear monomial map  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \rightarrow (\lambda_1 x_{\pi(1)}, \lambda_2 x_{\pi(2)}, \dots, \lambda_n x_{\pi(n)})$ , where  $\lambda_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are elements of  $Z_l^*$  and  $\pi$  is a permutation from  $S_n$ .

**The cryptosystem.** Assume that Alice is the holder of a public key based on the family of maps used in the constructive proof of the previous theorem. So she takes  $l, l \geq 2$  and parameter  $r$ , such that  $(r, \phi(l)) = 1$ . She chooses the odd length  $s, s \geq 3$  of symbolic key for practical use we set size  $O(n)$  for value of  $s$ . For example, Alice chooses the area  $\Omega_n = \{x | x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n \in Z_l^*\}$  which will be a domain for Eulerian map of  $G = Z_l^n$ . Alice has a rather wide choice to pick the function  $S \in Z_l[u_2, u_3, \dots, u_t], t = \lfloor (n+2)/4 \rfloor$  and parameters  $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_s$  to form the symbolic key. She has set  $l_1 = x_1 + x_2 + \dots, x_n$  and may choose various linear functions  $l_i \in Z_l[x_1, x_3, \dots, x_n], i = 2, 3, \dots, n$  to form bijective affine map  $\tau_l$  of  $Z_l^n$  to itself. Finally, she has a free choice for another affine map  $\tau_R$ .

So in polynomial time Alice generates map  $F_n$  via computation of symbolic vertex automaton of linguistic graph  $D(n, Z_l)$  with the symbolic key:  $\alpha_1(z) = \tilde{H} + \beta_1, \alpha_2(z) = z_1 + \beta_2, \alpha_3(z) = \tilde{H} + \beta_3, \alpha_4(z) = z_1 + \beta_4, \dots, \alpha_{s-1}(z) = z_1 + \beta_{s-1}, \alpha_s(z) = \tilde{H} + \beta_s$ , where  $\beta_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, s$  are fixed elements of  $Z_l$ . She computes the deformation  $G_n = \tau_L F_n \tau_R$  in standard form  $x_1 \rightarrow g_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), x_2 \rightarrow g_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \dots, x_n \rightarrow g_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ , where  $g_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are given by list of their monomial terms in some chosen order. Notice, that the degree of  $G_n$  is bounded by constant.

Alice announces the public the standard form of  $G_n$  and keeps data described above in secret. Cryptanalytic knows used graph and general form of a symbolic key.

Assume that a public user (Bob) creates an open text  $p = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$ . He computes  $G_n((p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)) = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$ . Bounded degree of  $G_n$  insures that the computation of ciphertext can be computed in a polynomial time  $O(n^c)$  for some positive constant  $c$ .

The knowledge of deformation rule  $G_n = \tau_L F_n \tau_R$  and the decomposition of  $F_n$  into transition functions of symbolic vertex automaton of  $D(n, Z_l)$  allows her to decrypt in polynomial time with the algorithm described in a previous section.

**Remark 7.** Alice can use  $Z_l^{*n}$  instead of  $\Omega_n = \{x | x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n \in Z_l^*\}$ . In this case  $\tau_L$  has to be chosen as monomial transformation.

**Remark 8.** In case of prime  $l$  we can change function  $H + b_s$  for much more sophisticated expression. For instance  $Z(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t) f(x_1) +$



$S(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t)$  where  $Z(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t) = 0$  has no solution but  $f(x_1) = d$  has exactly one solution in variable  $x_1$  for each  $d$ .

Let  $h(x) \in Z_p[x]$  has no linear divisors. Then  $Z(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t) = h(M(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t))$  is always different from zero for each  $M \in K[x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t]$ .

The simplest case where we can use  $M(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t)(x_1^r) + S(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t)$ , where  $(r, p-1) = 1$  and the equation  $M(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t) = 0$  has no solution. We say that such a cryptosystem is based on *hidden discrete logarithm problem*. For general parameter  $l$  we use the term hidden Eulerian equation. We can use recurrent expressions

$$\begin{aligned} M_k(\dots (M_2(M_1(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t)(x_1^{r_1}) + S_1(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t))^{r_2} \\ + S_2(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t)) + \dots M_{k-1}(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t)(x_1^{r_{k-1}}) \\ + S_{k-1}(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t))^{r_k} + S_k(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t)), \end{aligned}$$

where  $M_i(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_t) = 0$  have no solutions for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ .

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