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Let  $f(x,y)$  be a polynomial in  $Z_p[x,y]$  and  $p$  be a prime. For  $\alpha > 1$ , the exponential sums associated with  $f(x,y)$  modulo a prime  $p^\alpha$  is defined as  $S(f; p^\alpha) = e_{p^\alpha}(f(x,y))$ , where the sum is taken over a complete set of residues modulo  $p^\alpha$ . It has been shown that the exponential sums is depends on the cardinality of the set of solutions to the congruence equation associated with the polynomial  $f(x,y)$ . The objective of this research is to find an estimation of the exponential sums for some  $n^{\text{th}}$  degree polynomial at any point  $(x - x_0, y - y_0)$ . There are two conditions being considered, that is for  $\text{ord}_p b^2 \neq \text{ord}_p ac$  and  $\text{ord}_p b^2 = \text{ord}_p ac$ .

The  $p$ -adic methods and Newton polyhedron technique is used to estimate the  $p$ -adic sizes of common zeros of partial derivative polynomials associated with  $n^{\text{th}}$  degree polynomial, where  $n \geq 3$ . Then, construct the combination of indicator diagram associated with some  $n^{\text{th}}$  degree polynomial. The indicator diagram is then examined and analyzed.

The information of  $p$ -adic sizes of common zeros that obtained is applied to estimate the cardinality of the set  $V(f_x, f_y; p^\alpha)$ . The results of the cardinality is then used to estimate the estimation of exponential sums associated to  $n^{\text{th}}$  degree polynomial, where  $n \geq 3$ .

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## HASIL TAMBAH EKSPONEN BAGI BEBERAPA POLINOMIAL BERDARJAH $n$

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Katakan  $f(x, y)$  suatu polinomial dalam  $Z_p[x, y]$  dan  $p$  adalah suatu nombor perdana. Untuk  $\alpha > 1$ , hasil tambah eksponen yang disekutukan dengan  $f(x, y)$  modulo suatu perdana  $p^\alpha$  ditakrifkan sebagai  $S(f; p^\alpha) = e_{p^\alpha}(f(x, y))$ , dengan hasil yang dinilai di dalam set reja lengkap modulo  $p^\alpha$ . Ditunjukkan bahawa penganggaran hasil tambah eksponen adalah bersandarkan kepada kekardinalan set penyelesaian persamaan kongruen yang disekutukan dengan polinomial  $f(x, y)$ . Objektif kajian ini adalah untuk mendapatkan penganggaran hasil tambah eksponen bagi beberapa polinomial yang berdarjah ke- $n$  pada sebarang titik  $(x - x_0, y - y_0)$ . Terdapat dua keadaan yang dipertimbangkan iaitu untuk  $ord_p b^2 \neq ord_p ac$  dan  $ord_p b^2 = ord_p ac$ .

Kaedah  $p$ -adic dan teknik polihedron Newton digunakan untuk menganggarkan saiz  $p$ -adic pensifar sepunya polinomial terbitan separa yang disekutukan dengan beberapa polinomial yang berdarjah ke- $n$ , dengan  $n \geq 3$ . Kemudian, bina kombinasi gambar rajah penunjuk yang disekutukan dengan beberapa polinomial yang berdarjah ke- $n$ . Gambar rajah penunjuk kemudiannya diperiksa dan dianalisis.

Maklumat anggaran saiz  $p$ -adic pensifar sepunya yang diperoleh akan digunakan untuk mendapatkan anggaran kekardinalan bagi set  $V(f_x, f_y; p^\alpha)$ . Keputusan kekardinalan ini kemudiannya digunakan untuk mendapatkan penganggaran hasil tambah eksponen yang disekutukan dengan beberapa polinomial yang berdarjah ke- $n$ , dengan  $n \geq 3$ .

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

$p$	Prime number
$\alpha$	Exponent of prime numbers
$Z$	Positive integer
$Q$	Rational number
$C$	Complex coefficient
$R$	Real numbers
$Z_p$	Ring of $p$ -adic integer
$Q_p$	Field of rational $p$ -adic numbers
$\Omega_p$	Universal of $p$ -adic field
$\Omega_p^n$	Neighbourhood of points in the universal of $p$ -adic field
$S(f; q)$	Exponential Sums
$N(f_x, f_y; P^\alpha)$	Cardinality of set $V(f_x, f_y; P^\alpha)$
$f(x)$	Polynomial with One-Variable
$f(x, y)$	Polynomial with Two-Variable
$\min$	Minimum
$\max$	Maximum
$\text{ord}_p a$	Highest power of $p$ which divides $a$
$\inf$	Infimum
$\text{mod}$	Modulo
$\text{exp}$	Exponent



# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background

The exponential sums is defined as

$$S(P) = \sum_x e^{2\pi i f(x)} \quad (1.1.1)$$

where  $x$  runs all over integer from certain interval  $P$ , and  $f(x)$  is a polynomial taking on real values under integer  $x$ . It is well known that bounds for such sums imply the corresponding estimates for the number of solutions of certain congruences.

Estimation of exponential sums is related in analytic number theory especially in solving the Waring's problems (Korobov (1992)) and also in cryptographic research especially related to communication theory (Paterson (1999)).

Koblitz (1977) discussed the Newton polygon method for polynomials and power series in  $\Omega_p[x]$  where  $\Omega_p$  denotes the completion of the algebraic closure of the field of  $p$ -adic numbers  $Q_p$ . This studies is basically to develop some basic ideas of  $p$ -adic analysis and presenting some applications that is related to this field, which in turn has stimulating an interest in this field.

Deligne (1974) showed that for a prime  $p$ ,

$$|S(f; p)| \leq (m-1)^n p^{\frac{n}{2}} \quad (1.1.2)$$

where  $m$  denotes the total degree of polynomial  $f$ ,  $n$  is the number of variables such that  $n > 1$ . However, equation 1.1.2 is not really clear at presenting on how large the class of polynomials that can satisfy the equation. Estimation of  $|S(f; p)|$  has become more precise by using Deligne's results.

Then, Loxton and Smith (1982) upgrading the results of Deligne and shows that for a prime  $p$  and non-linear polynomial  $f$  in  $Z[x]$  of degree  $m+1$ , the estimation of exponential sums is defined as

$$|S_F(p^\alpha)| \leq m^n p^{\frac{n\alpha}{2}} (D(\nabla F)^5, p^\alpha)^{\frac{n}{2}} \quad (1.1.3)$$

such that  $D(\nabla F) \neq 0$  and  $\alpha > 1$ .

Later, Mohd Atan (1984) demonstrates the application of Newton polyhedron method in estimating the exponential sums associated with certain polynomials in  $Z_p(x, y)$ , where  $Z_p$  denotes the ring of  $p$ -adic integers. The polynomial that has been analyzed is

$$f(x, y) = ax^3 + bxy^2 + cx + dy + e.$$

It is found that if  $\delta = \max\{ord_p 3a, \frac{3}{2}ord_p b\}$ , then

$$|S(f; p^\alpha)| \leq 4p^{\min\{2\alpha, 3\alpha+2\delta+1\}}.$$

Then, Mohd Atan (1986a) considered in extending the Newton polygon idea in the  $p$ -adic case of polynomials in two-variables and it is called as Newton Polyhedron method. He proved that for a prime  $p$  and a polynomial  $f$  in  $\overline{\Omega}_p$ , if  $(\xi, \eta)$  is a zero of  $f$ , then  $(ord_p \xi, ord_p \eta, 1)$  is a normal to an edge in  $N_f$  and falls between the upward-pointing normals to the faces of  $N_f$  adjacent to this edges. He also proved that if  $\hat{n} = (\lambda, \mu, 1)$  is a normal to  $E$  (non-vertical edge of  $N_f$  common to adjacent faces  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ ) and lies between the upward-pointing normals to  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , then there exist  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  such that  $ord_p \xi = \lambda$ ,  $ord_p \eta = \mu$  and  $f(\xi, \eta) = 0$ .

Mohd Atan (1986b) examined the combination of the indicator diagram that generated from both polynomials and proved that the  $p$ -adic sizes of both polynomials gives the coordinates of certain intersection points of segment of the indicator diagram. Besides, the author also proved a converse of an assertion in his previous studies in Mohd Atan (1986a) and written the following conjecture :

**Conjecture 1.1.1** *Mohd Atan (1986b) Let  $f$  and  $g$  be a polynomials in  $\overline{\mathcal{Q}}_p[x, y]$  and let  $(\lambda, \mu)$  be a point of intersection of their indicator diagram and suppose the edges through  $(\lambda, \mu)$  do not coincide. Then, there are  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  in  $\overline{\mathcal{Q}}_p$  satisfying  $f(\xi, \eta) = g(\xi, \eta) = 0$  and  $ord_p \xi = \lambda$  and  $ord_p \eta = \mu$ .*

Mohd Atan (1988) focused in the use of Newton Polyhedron method to arrive at the estimates of cardinality. By considering the polynomials of  $f(x, y) = 3ax^2 + by^2 + c$ , it is showed that the cardinality are as follows :

$$card V_i(f; g; p^\alpha) \leq p^{\alpha+\delta}.$$

Mohd Atan (1990) discussed a method to estimate the exponential sums of a given polynomials. It is found that the exponential sums is depending on the cardinality of the set of solutions to the congruences equations modulo  $p^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}$  for  $\alpha > 0$ . The estimation is obtained by using the newton polyhedron methods when  $\alpha$  is an even. The exponential sums is as follows

$$|S(f; q)| \leq p^{n\theta+n(\gamma-\theta)}N(f; p^\theta).$$

However,

$$|S(f; q)| \leq \begin{cases} p^{\frac{n\alpha}{2}} N(f; p^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}) & \text{if } \alpha = \text{even}, \\ p^{n\alpha} \sum_{u \pmod{p^\alpha}} |G(u)| & \text{if } \alpha = \text{odd}. \end{cases}$$

where  $|G(u)|$  is the Gaussian Sums of quadratic form.

Mohd Atan and Abdullah (1993) used Newton polyhedron method to find the solu-

tion of  $f(x, y) = ax^3 + bx^2y + cxy^2 + dy^3 + kx + my + n$  in  $Z_p[x, y]$ . The polynomial is differentiated with respect to  $x$  and  $y$ . It is found that the intersection point on the indicator diagram is at the point  $(\frac{1}{2}ord_p(3a + b\alpha), \infty)$  for  $\alpha > 0$ .

By referring to the study of Deligne (1974) and Loxton and Smith (1982), Mohd Atan (1995) deduced that if  $\alpha$  is even, let  $\alpha = 2\theta$  then

$$|S(f; p^\alpha)| \leq p^{2(\alpha-\theta)} \min\{p^{2\theta}, 4p^{\theta+\delta}\}.$$

While if  $\alpha$  is an odd, let  $\alpha = 2\theta + 1$ , then

$$|S(f; p^\alpha)| \leq p^{\alpha+\frac{1}{2}} \min\{p^{2\theta}, 4p^{\theta+\delta}\}$$

for a polynomial of  $f(x, y) = ax^3 + bx^2y + cxy^2 + dy^3ex + my + n$ .

Heng and Mohd Atan (1999) found that the cardinality of the set of solutions associated with a polynomial of cubic form  $f(x, y) = ax^3 + bx^2y + cx + dy + e$  is

$$N(f_x, f_y; p^\alpha) = \begin{cases} p^{2\alpha} & \text{if } \alpha \leq \delta \\ 2p^{\alpha+\delta} & \text{if } \alpha > \delta \end{cases}$$

with  $p > 3$ ,  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\delta = \min\{ord_p 3a, \frac{3}{2}ord_p b\}$ .

Sapar and Mohd Atan (2002) continue the study on estimation of the cardinality of the set of solutions to congruences equations for some polynomials. The chosen cases is on the overlapping occurs on the vertices and the line segments in the indicator diagram associated with the second and third degree polynomials.

Sapar and Mohd Atan (2006) considering a polynomial of the form

$$f(x, y) = ax^5 + bx^4y + cx^3y^3 + dx^2y^3 + exy^4 + mx + ty + k$$

such that  $ord_p b^2 > ord_p ac$  and  $ord_p (10cm - 2de)^2 > ord_p (10dm - 4e^2)(2ce - d^2)$ , then  $p$ -adic sizes of common zeros of partial derivatives of this polynomial is

$$ord_p \xi \geq \frac{1}{4}(\alpha - \delta), \quad ord_p \eta \geq \frac{1}{4}(\alpha - \delta)$$

with  $\xi = \max\{ord_p a, ord_p b, ord_p c, ord_p d, ord_p e, ord_p m\}$  and  $ord_p f_x(0, 0), ord_p f_y(0, 0) \geq \alpha > \xi$ .

Later, Sapar and Mohd Atan (2007) investigated a polynomial of degree six by using the same technique. It is found that the  $p$ -adic sizes of common zeros are

$$ord_p \xi = ord_p x_0 \geq \frac{1}{5}(\alpha - \delta), \quad ord_p \eta = ord_p y_0 \geq \frac{1}{5}(\alpha - \delta)$$

for a polynomial

$$f(x, y) = ax^6 + bx^5y + cx^4y^2 + dx^3y^3 + ex^2y^4 + mxy^5 + ny^6 + sx + ty + k.$$

Then, Sapar and Mohd Atan (2009) found that if  $p$  is a prime,  $p > 5$ ,  $f(x, y) = ax^5 + bx^4y + cx^3y^2 + sx + ty + k$  a polynomial in  $Z_p[x, y]$ ,  $\alpha > \delta$  with  $\delta = \max\{ord_p a, ord_p b, ord_p c\}$  and  $ord_p b^2 > ord_p ac$ , then subject to certain conditions, the  $p$ -adic sizes of a common zeros  $(\xi, \eta)$  of partial derivatives of this polynomial is

$$ord_p \xi \geq \frac{1}{4}(\alpha - \delta)$$

and

$$ord_p \eta \geq \frac{1}{4}(\alpha - \delta)$$

or

$$ord_p \eta \geq \frac{1}{4}(\alpha - \delta - \varepsilon)$$

for some  $\varepsilon \geq 0$ .

Yap (2010) focus is given on cases where the  $p$ -adic orders of common zeros occur on the overlapping segments of the indicator diagram. It is found that for the case involving one and two overlapping segment of the indicator diagram associated with the polynomial, the estimate of the associated multiple exponential sums is

$$|S(f; p^\alpha)| \leq \min\{p^{2\alpha}, 4p^{\frac{3}{2}\alpha + \delta}\}$$

and

$$|S(f; p^\alpha)| \leq \min\{p^{2\alpha}, 4p^{\frac{3}{2}\alpha + \delta + \varepsilon}\}$$

respectively for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Yap et al. (2011) showed that  $p$ -adic sizes of such common zeros can be found explicitly on the overlapping segment of the indicator diagram associated with the polynomial. In this case, they considered a polynomial in a cubic form.

Recently, Sapar et al. (2013) investigated polynomial of degree nine. By using Newton polyhedron method, they found that there exist  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  such that  $f_x(\xi, \eta) = 0$  and  $f_y(\xi, \eta) = 0$ . Sapar et al. (2014b) consider a polynomial of  $f(x, y) = ax^3 + bx^2y + cxy^2 + dy^3 + \frac{3}{2}ax^2 + bxy + \frac{1}{2}cy^2 + sx + ty + k$  such that  $ord_p b^2 \neq ord_p ac$ . By using Newton polyhedron technique, if  $ord_p f_x(0, 0), ord_p f_y(0, 0) \geq 2\delta$ , then there exist  $(\xi, \eta)$  in  $\Omega_p^2$  such that  $f_x(\xi, \eta) = 0, f_y(\xi, \eta) = 0$  and

$$ord_p \xi \geq \alpha - \delta \quad \text{or} \quad ord_p \xi \geq \alpha - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad ord_p \eta \geq \alpha - \delta \quad \text{or}$$

$$ord_p \eta \geq \alpha - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon \quad \text{or} \quad ord_p \eta \geq \alpha - 2\delta \quad \text{or} \quad ord_p \eta \geq \alpha - 2\delta - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon$$

for some  $\varepsilon \geq 0, \alpha > 0, \delta = \max\{ord_p a, ord_p b, ord_p c, ord_p d\}$  and  $ord_p bc > ord_p ad$ .

Then, Sapar et al. (2014c) consider all cases from the results above and found that the cardinality are as follow :

$$N(f_x, f_y; p^\alpha) = \begin{cases} p^{2\alpha} & \text{if } \alpha \leq \delta \\ 4p^{4\delta+\varepsilon} & \text{if } \alpha > \delta \end{cases}$$

for some  $\varepsilon \geq 0$  as asserted.

## 1.2 Research Objectives

This study is to find the estimations of the exponential sums associated with polynomial in two variables,  $f(x, y)$ . The polynomial that we consider are of the form  $f(x, y) = ax^n + bx^{n-1}y + cx^{n-2}y^2 + sx + ty + k$  where  $n \geq 3$ . Firstly, we have to find the  $p$ -adic sizes of common zeros of partial derivatives polynomials by examining the two following conditions :

- $ord_p b^2 \neq ord_p ac$ .
- $ord_p b^2 = ord_p ac$ .

The estimation of the cardinality of the sets of solutions to congruence equations associated to  $n^{th}$  degree polynomial will depends on the  $p$ -adic sizes that we obtained. Then, we can proceed to estimate the exponential sums of the polynomials by using the results of cardinality.

## 1.3 Research Methodology

The objective of this research is to find the estimation of exponential sums associated with some  $n^{th}$  degree polynomial. Newton polyhedron technique is the method used in finding the  $p$ -adic sizes of the polynomials. Then, indicator diagram is constructed and analyzed. After that, we estimate the cardinality of the polynomial that will be in turn used to estimate the exponential sums.

## 1.4 Outline of Thesis

This thesis covers six chapters as follows :

Chapter 1 gives a brief introduction of this study. The previous work done by many researchers also been mentioned in this chapter as well as the problem statement and the objectives of the research.

Chapter 2 focused on the method that is used in this research. A brief explanation on Newton polyhedron and indicator diagram will be discussed in this chapter. In order to understand the Newton polyhedron technique easily, one example of the

polynomial is given.

Then, Chapter 3 will give the finding of the results of  $p$ -adic sizes of polynomials that we consider by using Newton polyhedron technique. We consider two conditions in this research, that are  $ord_p b^2 \neq ord_p ac$  and  $ord_p b^2 = ord_p ac$ . Both conditions will give different estimation of the  $p$ -adic sizes.

Chapter 4 will give the estimating of the cardinality associated with the polynomials. The result of  $p$ -adic sizes of common zeros from Chapter 3 are being used in order to estimate the cardinality of the associated polynomials.

By using the result of the cardinality in Chapter 4, we will estimate the exponential sums of the associated polynomials in Chapter 5. There are two conditions that needed to be considered, that are when  $\alpha$  is an even, and  $\alpha$  is an odd.

Last but not least, Chapter 6 will discuss an application of exponential sums, briefly on BCH Codes in cryptography. Then, we come up with summary of the research and finally suggestion for future research.

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