

Maximum Arcs in a Projective Plane $PG(2,9)$ Over Galois Field

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المستخلص

في هذا البحث، قمنا بإنشاء الاقواس العظمى الكاملة في المستوى الاسقاطي (k, n) على حقل كالوا $GF(9)$ ، وجدنا الاقواس $(10,2)$ و $(16,3)$ و $(23,4)$ و $(32,5)$ و $(40,6)$ و $(48,7)$ و $(59,8)$ و $(71,9)$ جميع هذه الاقواس عظمى في المستوى الاسقاطي $PG(2,9)$ على $GF(9)$.

Abstract

In this work, we construct complete and maximum (k,n) -arcs in projective plane over Galois field $GF(9)$, where $2 \leq n \leq 9$, by using geometrical method. We found $(10,2)$ -arc, $(16,3)$ -arc, $(23,4)$ -arc, $(32,5)$ -arc, $(40,6)$ -arc, $(48,7)$ -arc, $(59,8)$ -arc and $(71,9)$ -arc, all of them are maximum arc in $PG(2,9)$ over $GF(9)$.

Introduction

Ban in 2001 (5) gave the maximum of (k,n) -arcs and Ahmed, A.M., Al-Mukhtar, A.Sh. and Kadhum, S.J. in 2002 (6) gave the maximum arcs in the projective plane $PG(2,5)$ over Galois field $GF(5)$.

The aim of this paper is to find the maximum arcs in a projective plane $PG(2,9)$ over Galois field $GF(9)$.

This paper is divided into ten section, section one consists of the basic theorems and definition of projective plane. The additions and multiplications operations of $GF(9)$ explained in section two. In section three to section ten, the construction maximum complete (k,n) -arcs for $n=2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9$ in $PG(2,9)$.

1.1 Definition "Projective plane" (1)

A projective plane $PG(2,p)$ over Galois field $GF(p)$, where p is prime number, consists of $p^2 + p + 1$ points and $p^2 + p + 1$ lines, every line contains $p + 1$ points and every point is on $p + 1$ lines. Any point of the plane has the form of a triple (x_0, x_1, x_2) , where x_0, x_1, x_2 are elements

in $GF(p)$ with the exception of a triple consisting of three zero elements. Two triples (x_0, x_1, x_2) and (y_0, y_1, y_2) represent the same point if there exists λ in $GF(p) \setminus \{0\}$, s.t. $(y_0, y_1, y_2) = \lambda (x_0, x_1, x_2)$.

There exists one point of the form $(1, 0, 0)$, there exists p points of the form $(x, 1, 0)$, there exists p^2 points of the form $(x, y, 1)$, similarly for the lines.

A point $P(x_0, x_1, x_2)$ is incident with the line $[y_0, y_1, y_2]$ iff:

$$x_0 y_0 + x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 = 0.$$

The projective plane $PG(2, p)$ satisfies the following axioms:

- a) Any two distinct lines intersected in a unique point.
- b) Any two distinct points are contained in a unique line.
- c) There exists at least four points such that no three of them are collinear.

The projective plane $PG(2, 9)$ contains 91 points, 91 lines, 10 points on every line and 10 lines through every point. Let p_i and L_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, 91$ be the points and lines of $PG(2, 9)$ respectively, all the points and lines of $PG(2, 9)$ are given in table (1).

1.2 Definition (3)

A (K, n) -arc K in $PG(2, p)$ is a set of K points such that some n , but no $n + 1$ of them are collinear.

1.3 Definition (3)

A (K, n) -arc K in $PG(2, p)$ is complete if it is not contained in a $(K+1, n)$ -arc.

1.4 Definition (1)

The i -secant of a (k, n) -arc K is a line intersects the arc K in exactly i points, a 0-secant is called an external line of K , a 1-secant is called a unisecant line, a 2-secant is called a bisecant line and 3-secant is called a trisecant line.

1.5 Definition (1)

A point N which is not on a (k, n) -arc K has index I denoted by N_i , if there are exactly i (n -secant) of K through N . Let $C_i = |N_i|$ be the number of the points N_i of index i .

1.6 Remark (2)

The (k, n) -arc K is complete if and only if $C_0 = 0$, thus K is complete if every point of $PG(2, p)$ lies on some n -secant of K .

1.7 Definition (3)

A (k, n) -arc K in $PG(2, p)$ is maximal arc if $k = (n - 1)p + n$.

1.8 Definition (1)

The maximum number of points that came (k,2)-arc have is $m(2,p)$ -this arc called an oval

1.9 Definition (3)

A polynomial F in $K[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$ is homogenous or form of degree d if all its terms have the same degree g . A subset V of $PG(n,k)$ is a variety over K if there exists forms F_1, F_2, \dots, F_r in $K[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$ such that

$$V = \{P(A) \text{ in } PG(n,k) / F_1(A) = F_2(A) = \dots = F_r(A) = 0\} = V(F_1, F_2, \dots, F_r).$$

1.10 Definition (3)

A variety $V(F)$ in $PG(n,k)$ is called a primal. The order or degree of a primal $V(F)$ is the degree of F .

1.11 Definition (3)

A quadric Q in $PG(n - 1, p)$ is a primal of order two, so if Q is a quadric, then $Q = V(F)$ where F is quadric form, that is

$$= a_{11}x_1^2 + a_{12}x_1x_2 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n^2 + \sum_{\substack{i \leq j \\ i, j=1}}^n a_{ij}x_i x_j \quad F =$$

1.12 Definition (3) (Conic)

Let $Q(2,p)$ be the set of quadrics in $PG(2,p)$ that is the varieties $V(F)$, where

$$= a_{11}x_1^2 + a_{22}x_2^2 + a_{33}x_3^2 + a_{12}x_1x_2 + a_{13}x_1x_3 + a_{23}x_2x_3 \quad F$$

is non-singular, then the quadric is a conic. $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$ If

1.13 Theorem (1)

In $PG(2,p)$, with p odd, every oval is a conic.

1.14 Theorem (4)

Let m be a point of a $(k,2)$ -arc K and let $t(m)$ be the number of unisecants through m in $PG(2,p)$ then $t = t(m) = p + 2 - k$.

1.15 Corollary (4)

If k is an oval then $t(m) = 1$.

1.16 Theorem (3)