

## **Infinite classes of cyclotomic polynomials of order three and four**

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### **Abstract**

*The cyclotomic polynomials are used in many parts of mathematics. Several works have already treated them. Lenstra in [7], used the cyclotomic polynomials in discrete logarithm cryptosystems over Finite Fields. In 1883, Migotti [8] showed that all coefficients in  $\Phi_{p,q}$  the  $p,q$ -cyclotomic polynomials are in  $\{-1, 0, 1\}$  (where  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct primes numbers). Later, Lam [6], gave a quick and naturel construction of  $\Phi_{p,q}$ . For  $n > 2$  be an integer, let  $A(n)$  denote the maximum of the absolute value of the coefficients of  $\Phi_n$ . Beiter [2], characterized the pairs  $p$  and  $q$  in  $n = 3.p.q$  such that no coefficient of absolute value 2 can occur in  $\Phi_n$ . Beiter [3] conjectured that, for all  $p < q < r$  primes numbers,  $A(pqr) < (p + 1)/2$ . Kaplan [5], conjectured that, if  $A(n) > 1$  then for any prime  $p$ ,  $A(p.n) > 1$  and gave an infinite family of cyclotomic polynomials of degree four.*

*In this paper, we aim to characterize some infinite families of ternary cyclotomic polynomials, to characterized an infinite family of cyclotomic polynomials of degree four and using*

*some conjecture and theorems to give some others important results.*

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## 1 Introduction

Using a theorem in [5], we can characterize any cyclotomic polynomials. This is achieved through a successful iterative process. Let  $n > 2$  be a given integer, for which  $A(n)$  is known. If we consider  $m > n$  a prime number, such that  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$  then there exists  $n_m$  a unique positive integer number such that :  $n_m < n$  and  $n_m \equiv m \pmod{n}$ . If we denote by  $m_n > n$  the smallest prime number congruent to  $n_m$  then  $A(m.n) = A(m_n.n)$ . Nevertheless, this approach presents some technical difficulties, the congruence and the number  $m_n$  increases significantly. In the special case  $n = p.q$ , if we consider  $m$  a prime number, such that  $p < q < m$  and  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$  then there exists a unique  $n_m$  positive integer number such that  $n_m < \frac{n}{2}$  and  $n_m \equiv \pm m \pmod{n}$ . If we denote by  $m_n$  the smallest prime number congruent to  $n_m$  such that  $m_n > q$  then  $A(m.n) = A(m_n.n)$ .

In the first part, we give some definitions and some important results in the theory of cyclotomic polynomials. In the second part, we give characterization of some infinite families of ternary cyclotomic polynomials. In the third part, we give a characterization of an infinite family of cyclotomic polynomials of degree four. And in the last part, using some conjectures and theorems, we present some results for cyclotomic polynomials of higher degree.

## 2 Preliminary and notations

There are some many important results in this theory.

**Definition 2.1.** [1]

Let  $n \in \mathbf{N}^*$ . The  $n$ th cyclotomic polynomial is the monic polynomial whose roots are the primitive  $n$ th roots of unity and are all simple. It is defined by:

$$\Phi_n(x) = \prod_{k=1, (k,n)=1}^{k=n} (X - e^{2\pi i \frac{k}{n}}) = \sum_{k=0}^{k=\phi(n)} a_{n,i} x^k$$

- (1)  $\Phi_n(x)$  is a monic polynomial over integers.
- $\Phi_n(x)$  is an irreducible polynomial over  $\mathbf{Z}$ .

- where  $\phi$  is the Euler totient function and  $a_{n,\phi(n)} \neq 0$ .
- $(k, n)$  is the gcd of  $n$  and  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

We have the proof of (1), in the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.2.** [9]

The cyclotomic polynomial  $\Phi_n(x)$  is a monic polynomial over integers.

**Definition 2.3.** [5]

Let  $n \in \mathbf{N}^*$ . The largest absolute value of the coefficients of  $\Phi_n(x)$  is denoted by  $A(n) = \max\{|a_{n,k}| / 0 \leq k \leq \phi(n)\}$ .

If  $A(n) = 1$  we say that  $\Phi_n(x)$  is flat.

**Proposition 2.4.** [2]

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be two distinct prime numbers. The nonzero coefficients of  $\Phi_{pq}(x)$  alternate between 1 and  $-1$ .

**Proposition 2.5.** [9]

Let  $p$  and  $p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_l$  is a sequence of prime numbers ( $l \in \mathbf{N}^*$ ). Let  $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdot p_2^{\alpha_2} \dots p_l^{\alpha_l}$ , where  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_l$  and  $N = p_1 p_2 \dots p_l$  are in  $\mathbf{N}^*$ . We have:

- $x^{\phi(n)} \Phi_n(1/x) = \Phi_n(x)$  (That is, the coefficients of cyclotomic polynomials are symmetric).
- $2 \nmid n \implies \Phi_{2n}(x) = \Phi_n(-x)$ .
- $p \nmid n \implies \Phi_{pn}(x) = \Phi_n(x^p) / \Phi_n(x)$ .
- $p \mid n \implies \Phi_{pn}(x) = \Phi_n(x^p)$ , so  $A(p.n) = A(n)$ .
- $\Phi_n(x) = \Phi_N(x^{\frac{n}{N}})$

**Proposition 2.6.** [9]:

$\mathbf{Z}$  is the set of all coefficients of all cyclotomics polynomials.

An important result is given by the following theorems :

**Theorem 2.7.** [2]:

If  $p$  and  $q$  are two distincts prime numbers, then  $\Phi_{pq}$  flat.

**Theorem 2.8.** [5]:

Let  $p, q$  and  $r$  prime numbers such that  $p < q < r$ . If  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{pq}$  then  $\Phi_{pqr}$  is flat.

**Remark 2.9.** :

The condition  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{pq}$  in the last theorem is not necessary. For examples:

- $23 \equiv 2 \pmod{3.7}$  and  $\Phi_{3.7.23}$  is flat.
- $53 \equiv -2 \pmod{5.11}$  and  $\Phi_{5.11.53}$  is flat.

**Theorem 2.10.** [5]:

Let  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_r$  be a prime numbers such that  $p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_r$  and  $n = p_1 \cdot p_2 \dots p_r$ .

If  $s, t$  are primes satisfying  $n < s < t$  and  $s \equiv t \pmod{n}$  then  $A(ns) = A(nt)$ .

**Definition 2.11.** [4]:

The Möbius function,  $\mu$ ; is defined in  $\mathbf{N}^*$  by :

- $\mu(1) = 1$ ,
- $\mu(p_1 \cdot p_2 \dots p_k) = (-1)^k$  for distinct primes  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k$ ,
- $\mu(p_1^{r_1} \cdot p_2^{r_2} \dots p_k^{r_k}) = 0$  for distinct primes  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k$ , such that  $\max\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k\} > 1$ .

We have the following lemma :

**Lemma 2.12.** [9]:

let  $n > 2$  be an integer positif number. If  $\mu(n)$  denotes the Möbius function, then  $\Phi_n = \prod_{d|n} (X^d - 1)^{\mu(n/d)}$ .

**Lemma 2.13.** [9]:

let  $p > 2$  be a prime number . We have  $\Phi_p = \sum_{i=0}^{i=p-1} X^i$ .

**Lemma 2.14.** :

let  $p > 2$  be a prime number . We have :  $\Phi_p(1) = p$  and  $\Phi_p(-1) = 1$

**Proposition 2.15.** :

Let  $k > 1$  be an integer and  $2 < p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_k$  prime numbers. We have,  $\Phi_{p_1 \cdot p_2 \dots p_k}(1) = \Phi_{p_1 \cdot p_2 \dots p_k}(-1) = 1$ .

*Proof.*

By recurrence on  $k$ .

- For  $k = 2$ , we know that  $\Phi_{p_1 \cdot p_2}(X) \cdot \Phi_{p_1}(X) = \Phi_{p_1}(X^{p_2})$ , then
  - $\Phi_{p_1 \cdot p_2}(1) \cdot \Phi_{p_1}(1) = \Phi_{p_1}(X^{p_2})(1)$ . Then  $\Phi_{p_1 \cdot p_2}(1) \cdot p_1 = p_1$   
 $\implies \Phi_{p_1 \cdot p_2}(1) = 1$ .
  - $\Phi_{p_1 \cdot p_2}(-1) \cdot \Phi_{p_1}(-1) = \Phi_{p_1}(X^{p_2})(-1)$ .  
Then  $\Phi_{p_1 \cdot p_2}(-1) \cdot 1 = 1 \implies \Phi_{p_1 \cdot p_2}(-1) = 1$ .

- Let  $k > 1$  be an integer and suppose that for all  $2 < p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_k$  prime numbers, we have  $\Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k}(1) = \Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k}(-1) = 1$ .  
Let  $p_{k+1}$  be a prime number such that  $\forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\} : p_{k+1} \neq p_i$ .  
Without restriction, we can suppose that  $2 < p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_k < p_{k+1}$ .  
We know that  $\Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k.p_{k+1}}(X) \cdot \Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k}(X) = \Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k}(X^{p_{k+1}})$ , then

- $\Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k.p_{k+1}}(1)\Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k}(1) = \Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k}(1) = 1$ . Then, by recurrence hypothesis,  $\Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k.p_{k+1}}(1) = 1$ .
- $\Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k.p_{k+1}}(-1)\Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k}(-1) = \Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k}(-1) = 1$ . Then, by recurrence hypothesis,  $\Phi_{p_1.p_2\dots p_k.p_{k+1}}(-1) = 1$ .

□

Using this lemma, we can prove the following proposition :

**Proposition 2.16. :**

Let  $k > 1$  be an integer number and  $2 < p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_k$  be primes numbers. Set  $m = p_1.p_2\dots p_k$  and  $n = \phi(m)$ .

If  $\Phi_m = \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} a_i.X^i$ , then  $1 + a_{\frac{n}{2}} + 2\left(\sum_{i=1}^{i=\frac{n}{4}-1} a_{2i}\right) = 0$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^{i=\frac{n}{4}-1} a_{2i+1} = 0$ .

*Proof.*

According to the previous prop and the lemma, we have

$$\Phi_m(1) = \sum_{i=0}^{i=n} a_i = 1 \text{ and } \Phi_m(-1) = \sum_{i=0}^{i=n} (-1)^{-1} a_i = 1, \text{ as desired.} \quad \square$$

**Remark 2.17. :**

- As a remark, we have  $a_{\frac{n}{2}}$  is an odd number.
- If  $\Phi_m$  flat then:

$$a_{\frac{n}{2}} = -1 \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^{i=\frac{n}{4}-1} a_{2i} = 0$$

or

$$a_{\frac{n}{2}} = 1 \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^{i=\frac{n}{4}-1} a_{2i} = -1.$$

### 3 Characterization of infinite families of ternary cyclotomic polynomials

For ternary cyclotomic polynomials we have the following theorem :

**Theorem 3.1.** [5]:

Let  $p, q, r$  and  $s$  be prime numbers such that  $p < q < r < s$ .

If  $s \equiv \pm r \pmod{pq}$ , then  $A(p.q.s) = A(p.q.r)$ .

As a consequence of this theorem, we have :

**Corollary 3.2.** :

Let  $p$  and  $q$  be prime numbers such that  $p < q$ .

For each prime  $r$  such that  $r > q$  there exists a unique  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, \frac{n-1}{2}\}$  such that  $\gcd(n, i) = 1$  and  $i \equiv \pm r \pmod{n}$ , where  $n = pq$ .

If we denote by  $i_n$  the smallest prime number congruent to  $\pm i$  modulo  $n$  such that  $i_n > q$ , then:

$$A(p.q.r) = A(p.q.i_n).$$

*Proof.*

We have  $r \equiv \pm i \pmod{n}$  and  $i_n \equiv \pm i \pmod{n}$  then  $r \equiv \pm i_n \pmod{n}$ . Applying the previous theorem, we obtain  $A(p.q.r) = A(p.q.i_n)$ .

With this Corollary, we can characterize any ternary cyclotomic polynomial.

But the problem is to find the primes numbers  $i_n$ . We can do it with:

"[) for  $k$  from 1 to  $N$  do  $i + kn$ , type( $i + kn$ , prime) end do" and  $i_n$  is the first  $i + kn$  for witch type( $i + kn$ , prime) is true. ( $N = 1$  or  $2$  or ...)  $\square$

Let  $p, q$  and  $r$  be prime numbers such that  $p < q < r$ . As an applications, we have the following propositions:

**Proposition 3.3.** :

If  $r$  is a natural integer such that  $r > 5$ , then:

- $A(3.5.r) = 1$  [ i.e  $\Phi_{3.5.r}$  flat ] if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{15}$ .
- $A(3.5.r) = 2$  if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 2$  or  $\pm 4$  or  $\pm 7 \pmod{15}$ .

*Proof.*

It's easy to find that  $1_{15} = 31$ ,  $2_{15} = 17$ ,  $4_{15} = 19$  and  $7_{15} = 7$ .

And by the previous lemma, we prove the proposition.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.4.** :

If  $r$  is a naturel integer such that  $r > 7$ , then:

- $A(3.7.r) = 1$  [ i.e  $\Phi_{3.7.r}$  flat ] if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 1$  or  $\pm 2$  or  $\pm 10 \pmod{21}$ .
- $A(3.5.r) = 2$  if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 4$  or  $\pm 5$  or  $\pm 8 \pmod{21}$ .

*Proof.*

It's easy to find that  $1_{21} = 43$ ,  $2_{21} = 23$ ,  $10_{21} = 11$ ,  $4_{21} = 67$ ,  $5_{21} = 47$  and  $8_{21} = 29$ .

And by the previous lemma, we prove the proposition.  $\square$

**Remark 3.5. :**

*From the proposition, We can see that  $\Phi_{pqr}$  flat without the condition  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{21}$ . [ $r \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{21} \implies \Phi_{pqr}$  flat].*

**Proposition 3.6. :**

*If  $r$  is a natural integer such that  $r > 7$ , then:*

- $A(5.7.r) = 1$  [ i.e  $\Phi_{5.7.r}$  flat ] if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{35}$ .
- $A(5.7.r) = 2$  if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 2$  or  $\pm 3$  or  $\pm 4$  or  $\pm 6$  or  $\pm 8$  or  $\pm 9$  or  $\pm 12$  or  $\pm 13 \pmod{35}$ .
- $A(5.7.r) = 3$  if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 11$  or  $\pm 16$  or  $\pm 17 \pmod{35}$ .

*Proof.*

It's easy to find that  $1_{35} = 71$ ,  $2_{35} = 37$ ,  $3_{35} = 73$ ,  $4_{35} = 109$ ,  $6_{35} = 41$ ,  $8_{35} = 43$ ,  $9_{35} = 79$ ,  $11_{35} = 11$ ,  $12_{35} = 47$ ,  $13_{35} = 83$ ,  $16_{35} = 191$  and  $17_{35} = 17$ .  
And by the previous lemma, we prove the proposition.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.7. :**

*If  $r$  is a natural integer such that  $r > 11$ , then:*

- $A(5.11.r) = 1$  [ i.e  $\Phi_{5.11.r}$  flat ] if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 1$  or  $\pm 2 \pmod{55}$ .
- $A(5.11.r) = 2$  if and only if  $r$  is others.
- $A(5.11.r) = 3$  if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 7$  or  $\pm 17 \pmod{55}$ .

*Proof.*

We have :

$1_{55} = 109$ ,  $2_{55} = 53$ ,  $3_{55} = 107$ ,  $4_{55} = 59$ ,  $6_{55} = 61$ ,  $7_{55} = 103$ ,  $8_{55} = 47$ ,  
 $9_{55} = 101$ ,  $12_{55} = 43$ ,  $13_{55} = 13$ ,  $14_{55} = 41$ ,  $16_{55} = 71$ ,  $17_{55} = 17$ ,  $18_{55} = 37$ ,  
 $19_{55} = 19$ ,  $21_{55} = 89$ ,  $23_{55} = 23$ ,  $24_{55} = 31$ ,  $26_{55} = 29$ ,  $27_{55} = 83$ .

And by the previous lemma, we prove the proposition.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.8. :**

*If  $r$  is a natural integer such that  $r > 13$ , then:*

- $A(5.13.r) = 1$  [ i.e  $\Phi_{5.13.r}$  flat ] if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{65}$ .

- $A(5.13.r) = 2$  if and only if  $r$  is others.
- $A(5.13.r) = 3$  if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 7$  or  $\pm 8$  or  $\pm 9$  or  $\pm 19$  or  $\pm 22$  or  $\pm 23$  or  $\pm 24 \pmod{65}$ .

*Proof.*

We have :

$1_{65} = 131, 2_{65} = 67, 3_{65} = 127, 4_{65} = 61, 6_{65} = 59, 7_{65} = 137, 8_{65} = 73,$   
 $9_{65} = 139, 11_{65} = 271, 12_{65} = 53, 14_{65} = 79, 16_{65} = 179, 17_{65} = 17, 18_{65} = 47,$   
 $19_{65} = 19, 21_{65} = 109, 22_{65} = 43, 23_{65} = 23, 24_{65} = 41, 27_{65} = 103, 28_{65} = 37,$   
 $29_{65} = 29, 31_{65} = 31, 32_{65} = 97.$

And by the previous lemma, we prove the proposition.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.9. :**

*If  $r$  is a natural integer such that  $r > 11$ , then:*

- $A(7.11.r) = 1$  [ i.e  $\Phi_{7.11.r}$  flat ] if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{77}$ .
- $A(7.11.r) = 2$  if and only if  $r$  is others.
- $A(7.11.r) = 3$  if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 4$  or  $\pm 5$  or  $\pm 9$  or  $\pm 16$  or  $\pm 17$  or  $\pm 19$  or  $\pm 25$  or  $\pm 27$  or  $\pm 30 \pmod{77}$ .
- $A(7.11.r) = 4$  if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 18$  or  $\pm 20$  or  $\pm 24$  or  $\pm 37 \pmod{77}$ .

*Proof.*

We have :

$1_{77} = 463, 2_{77} = 79, 3_{77} = 151, 4_{77} = 73, 5_{77} = 149, 6_{77} = 71, 8_{77} = 223,$   
 $9_{77} = 163, 10_{77} = 67, 12_{77} = 89, 13_{77} = 13, 15_{77} = 139, 16_{77} = 61, 17_{77} = 17,$   
 $18_{77} = 59, 19_{77} = 19, 20_{77} = 97, 23_{77} = 23, 24_{77} = 53, 25_{77} = 179, 26_{77} = 103,$   
 $27_{77} = 127, 29_{77} = 29, 30_{77} = 47, 31_{77} = 31, 32_{77} = 109, 34_{77} = 43, 36_{77} = 41,$   
 $37_{77} = 37, 38_{77} = 193.$

And by the previous lemma, we prove the proposition.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.10. :**

*If  $r$  is a natural integer such that  $r > 13$ , then:*

- $A(7.13.r) = 1$  [ i.e  $\Phi_{7.13.r}$  flat ] if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{91}$ .
- $A(7.13.r) = 2$  if and only if  $r$  is others.
- $A(7.13.r) = 3$  if and only if  $r \equiv \pm 9$  or  $\pm 16$  or  $\pm 19$  or  $\pm 31$  or  $\pm 32$  or  $\pm 44 \pmod{91}$ .

*Proof.*

We have :

$1_{91} = 181, 2_{91} = 89, 3_{91} = 179, 4_{91} = 269, 5_{91} = 359, 6_{91} = 97, 8_{91} = 83,$   
 $9_{91} = 173, 10_{91} = 101, 11_{91} = 193, 12_{91} = 103, 15_{91} = 167, 16_{91} = 107,$   
 $17_{91} = 17, 18_{91} = 73, 19_{91} = 19, 20_{91} = 71, 22_{91} = 113, 23_{91} = 23, 24_{91} = 67,$   
 $25_{91} = 157, 27_{91} = 337, 29_{91} = 29, 30_{91} = 61, 31_{91} = 31, 32_{91} = 59, 33_{91} = 149,$   
 $34_{91} = 239, 36_{91} = 127, 37_{91} = 37, 38_{91} = 53, 40_{91} = 131, 41_{91} = 41, 43_{91} = 43,$   
 $44_{91} = 47, 45_{91} = 137.$

And by the previous lemma, we prove the proposition.  $\square$

## 4 Characterization of an infinite familie of cyclotomic polynomials of degree four

**Lemma 4.1. :**

Let  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_r$  and  $s$  be prime numbers such that  $p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_r,$   
 $n = p_1.p_2...p_r < s.$

There exists  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n - 1\}$  such that  $\gcd(n, i) = 1$  and  $s \equiv i \pmod n.$   
 If we denote by  $i_n$  the smallest prime number congruent to  $i$  modulo  $n$  and  $i_n > n,$  then:

$$A(n.r) = A(ni_n).$$

*Proof.*

We have  $s \equiv i \pmod n$  and  $i_n \equiv i \pmod n$  then  $s \equiv i_n \pmod n.$  Applying the previous theorem (2.3), we obtain  $A(n.r) = A(n.i_n).$

With this lemma, we can characterize any cyclotomic polynomial. But the problem is to find the primes numbers  $i_n.$  We can do it with:

" $\lceil$  for  $k$  from 1 to  $N$  do  $i + kn,$  type( $i + kn,$  prime) end do" and  $i_n$  is the first  $i + kn$  for witch type( $i + kn,$  prime) is true. ( $N = 1$  or  $2$  or ...)  $\square$

As an applications, we have the following proposition :

**Proposition 4.2. :**

If  $s$  is a natural integer such that  $s > 105$  then

- $A(3.5.7.s) = 2$  if and only if  $s \equiv \pm 1$  or  $\pm 4 \pmod{105}.$
- $A(3.5.7.s) = 3$  if and only if  $s \equiv \pm 2$  or  $\pm 11$  or  $\pm 16$  or  $\pm 29$  or  $\pm 46$  or  $\pm 47$  or  $\pm 52 \pmod{105}.$
- $A(3.5.7.s) = 4$  if and only if  $s \equiv \pm 8$  or  $\pm 13$  or  $\pm 19$  or  $\pm 22$  or  $\pm 23$  or  $\pm 31$  or  $\pm 32$  or  $\pm 41$  or  $\pm 43$  or  $\pm 44 \pmod{105}.$
- $A(3.5.7.s) = 5$  if and only if  $s \equiv \pm 17$  or  $\pm 37$  or  $\pm 38 \pmod{105}.$

- $A(3.5.7.s) = 6$  if and only if  $s \equiv \pm 26 \pmod{105}$ .
- $A(3.5.7.s) = 7$  if and only if  $s \equiv \pm 34 \pmod{105}$ .

*Proof.*

For this theorem, we have the same result for  $s \equiv i_n \pmod{n}$  or  $s \equiv -i_n \pmod{n}$ . It's easy to find that :

$1_{105} = 211, 2_{105} = 107, 4_{105} = 109, 8_{105} = 113, 11_{105} = 431, 13_{105} = 223,$   
 $16_{105} = 331, 17_{105} = 227, 19_{105} = 229, 22_{105} = 127, 23_{105} = 233, 26_{105} = 131,$   
 $29_{105} = 239, 31_{105} = 241, 32_{105} = 137, 34_{105} = 139, 37_{105} = 457, 38_{105} = 353,$   
 $41_{105} = 251, 43_{105} = 463, 44_{105} = 149, 46_{105} = 151, 47_{105} = 257, 52_{105} = 157,$   
 $53_{105} = 263, 58_{105} = 163, 59_{105} = 269, 61_{105} = 271, 62_{105} = 167, 64_{105} = 379,$   
 $67_{105} = 277, 68_{105} = 173, 71_{105} = 281, 73_{105} = 283, 74_{105} = 179, 76_{105} = 181,$   
 $79_{105} = 499, 82_{105} = 397, 83_{105} = 293, 86_{105} = 191, 88_{105} = 193, 89_{105} = 509,$   
 $92_{105} = 197, 94_{105} = 199, 97_{105} = 307, 101_{105} = 311, 103_{105} = 313, 104_{105} =$   
 $419.$

And by the previous lemma, we prove the proposition.  $\square$

## 5 About some conjecture

**Remark 5.1.** :

In the paper [5], we have :

**Conjecture** $[C_0]$

If  $A(n) > 1$  then for any prime  $p$ ,  $A(pn) > 1$ .

And a very important result is given in [1], by the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.2.** :

For any constant  $c > 0$ , there exists  $n$  such that  $A(n) > n^c$ .

If we use the conjecture  $[C_0]$  and the last theorem, we have a new conjecture :

**Conjecture** $[C_1]$ :

There exists  $n_0$  such that  $A(n) > 1$  for each  $n$  a nonzero multiples of  $n_0$ .

*Proof.*

If we apply the theorem for  $c = 1$  then there exists  $n_0$  such that  $A(n_0) > n_0 \implies A(n_0) > 1$ . And by the conjecture  $[C_0]$ ,  $A(n_0) > 1 \implies A(p.n_0) > 1$  for each  $p$  prime number. Then  $A(n) > 1$  for each  $n$  a nonzero multiples of  $n_0$ .  $\square$

In [5], all flat cyclotomic polynomials  $\Phi_n$  of order four with  $n < 3.10^8$  are all of the form  $n = p.q.r.s$  where  $q \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q}$  and  $s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q.r}$ . This suspects that all flat cyclotomic polynomials of order four are of this form. If we conjecture this remark then:

**Conjecture:**[C<sub>2</sub>]

Let  $p, q, r$  and  $s$  be prime numbers such that  $2 < p < q < r < s$ .

If  $\Phi_{p.q.r.s}$  is a flat cyclotomic polynomials then  $q \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q}$  and  $s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q.r}$ .

As a direct consequence of this conjecture, and using the conjecture [C<sub>1</sub>], we have the following result :

**Conjecture:** [C<sub>3</sub>]

Let  $p, q, r, s$  and  $t$  be prime numbers such that  $2 < p < q < r < s < t$ .

If  $\Phi_{p.q.r.s.t}$  is a flat cyclotomic polynomials then  $q \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $r \equiv -1 \pmod{p.q}$ ,  $s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q.r}$  and  $t \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q.r.s}$ .

*Proof.*

Let  $p, q, r, s$  and  $t$  be prime numbers such that  $2 < p < q < r < s < t$ .

By [C<sub>0</sub>] and [C<sub>2</sub>]:

- $\Phi_{p.q.r.s}$  is a flat cyclotomic polynomials then  $q \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q}$  and  $s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q.r}$ .
- $\Phi_{p.q.r.t}$  is a flat cyclotomic polynomials then  $q \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $r \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q}$  and  $t \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q.r}$ .
- $\Phi_{p.q.s.t}$  is a flat cyclotomic polynomials then  $q \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q}$  and  $t \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q.t}$ .
- $\Phi_{p.r.s.t}$  is a flat cyclotomic polynomials then  $r \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ ,  $s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.r}$  and  $t \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.r.s}$ .
- $\Phi_{q.r.s.t}$  is a flat cyclotomic polynomials then  $r \equiv -1 \pmod{q}$ ,  $s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q.r}$  and  $t \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{q.r.s}$ .

We have  $r \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$  then,  $r \equiv 1 \pmod{p.q} \implies \exists(k, k') \in \mathbf{Z} :$

$r = -1 + kp = 1 + k'pq \implies 2|p$ , which it is false. So,  $r \equiv -1 \pmod{p.q}$ .

We have  $s \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q.r}$ .

We have  $t \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.q.r}$  and  $t \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p.r.s}$ , then :

- if  $t \equiv 1 \pmod{p.q.r} \implies t \equiv 1 \pmod{p.r.s} \implies t \equiv 1 \pmod{p.q.r.s}$ .
- if  $t \equiv -1 \pmod{p.q.r} \implies t \equiv -1 \pmod{p.r.s} \implies t \equiv -1 \pmod{p.q.r.s}$ .

□

**Remark 5.3.** :

We can give a very important remark about flat cyclotomic polynomials  $\Phi_{p_1.p_2...p_n}$  of big order  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  where  $2 < p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_n$  are prime numbers. From the conjecture  $[C_1]$ , for all prime number  $p$ ,  $A(p.m) > 1$  once we have  $A(m) > 1$  for an integer numbers.

Suppose that  $\Phi_{p_1.p_2...p_n}$  flat, i.e  $A(p_1.p_2...p_n) = 1$ . Let  $\sigma$  be an increasing permutation over  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Applying the contraposition of the conjuncture  $[C1]$ , for every  $r \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that  $r \geq 4$   $A(p_{\sigma(1)}.p_{\sigma(2)}...p_{\sigma(r)}) = 1$ .

Therefore, we have a reason to believe the following result :

Conjuncture:  $[C_4]$

If the cyclotomic polynomials  $\Phi_{p_1.p_2...p_n}$  is flat then :

- $\forall i \in \{2, 3, \dots, n-2\} : p_i \equiv -1 \pmod{\prod_{j=1}^{j=i-1} p_j}$
- $p_{n-1} \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{\prod_{j=1}^{j=n-2} p_j}$ .
- $p_n \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{\prod_{j=1}^{j=n-1} p_j}$ .

*Proof.*

By recurrence on  $n \geq 4$  and using the same idea in the proof of conjuncture  $[C_3]$ . □

## 6 Open Problem

**Remark 6.1.** :

- Many other conditions are necessary to have  $\Phi_{p_1.p_2...p_n}$  flat. This remark suggests that for a sufficiently large degree there will probably be no cyclotomic polynomial that are flat.
- If we suppose that the conjuncture  $[C_0]$  is true and there are no cyclotomic polynomial of order five which are flat, then there are no flat cyclotomic polynomial of order bigger than five.

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