

# Repeated-root constacyclic codes of length $3lp^s$ and their dual codes \*

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**Abstract:** Let  $p \neq 3$  be any prime and  $l \neq 3$  be any odd prime with  $\gcd(p, l) = 1$ .  $F_q^* = \langle \xi \rangle$  is decomposed into mutually disjoint union of  $\gcd(q - 1, 3lp^s)$  coset over the subgroup  $\langle \xi^{3lp^s} \rangle$ , where  $\xi$  is a primitive  $(q - 1)$ th root of unity. We classify all repeated-root constacyclic codes of length  $3lp^s$  over the finite field  $F_q$  into some equivalence classes by the decomposition, where  $q = p^m$ ,  $s$  and  $m$  are positive integers. According to the equivalence classes, we explicitly determine the generator polynomials of all repeated-root constacyclic codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$  and their dual codes. Self-dual cyclic(negacyclic) codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$  exist only when  $p = 2$ . And we give all self-dual cyclic(negacyclic) codes of length  $3l2^s$  over  $F_{2^m}$  and its enumeration.

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## 1 Introduction

Constacyclic codes over finite fields play a very important role in the theory of error-correcting codes. More important, constacyclic codes have practical applications. As these codes have rich algebraic structures, so that they can be efficiently encoded and decoded using shift registers. They also have very good error-correcting properties. All of those explain their preferred role in engineering.

Repeated-root cyclic codes were first investigated in the most generality in the 1990s by Castagnoli in [1] and Van Lint in [2]. In their papers, they proved that repeated-root cyclic have a concatenated construction, and are asymptotically bad. But we know that there still exists a few optimal such codes by [12 – 14], which encourage many scholars to study the class of codes. For example, Dinh determined the generator polynomials of all constacyclic codes and their dual codes over  $F_q$ , of length  $2p^s, 3p^s$  and  $6p^s$ , in [3 – 5]. Since then, these results have been extended to more general code lengths. In 2012, G.K. Bakshi and M. Raka give the generator polynomials of all constacyclic codes of length  $2^t p^s$  over  $F_q$  in [6], where  $q$  is a power of an odd prime  $P$ . In 2014, B. Chen, H.Q. Dinh and H. Liu study all constacyclic codes of length  $lp^s$  over  $F_q$  in [7], where  $l$  is a prime different from  $p$ . In [7], all constacyclic codes of length  $lp^s$  over  $F_q$  and their dual codes are obtained. And given all self-dual and all linear complementary dual constacyclic codes. In resent, in [8], Anuradha Sharma explicitly determine the generator polynomials of all repeated-root constacyclic codes of length  $l^t p^s$  over  $F_{p^m}$  and their dual codes. Further, they listed all self-dual cyclic and negacyclic codes and also determine all self-orthogonal cyclic and negacyclic codes of length  $l^t p^s$  over  $F_{p^m}$ . What's more, B. Chen, H.Q. Dinh and H. Liu studied all constacyclic codes of length  $2l^m p^s$  over  $F_q$  of characteristic  $p$  in [9]. And they given the characterization and enumeration of all linear complementary dual and self-dual constacyclic codes of length  $2l^m p^s$  over  $F_q$ . In the conclusion of their paper, they said that it would be interesting to study all constacyclic codes of length  $kl^m p^s$  over  $F_q$ , where  $p$  is the characteristic of  $F_q$ ,  $l$  is an odd prime different from  $p$  and  $k$  is a prime different from  $l$  and  $p$ . However, this is very hard to work. In this paper, we study all

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constacyclic codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$ , where  $p \neq 3$  is any prime and  $l \neq 3$  is any odd prime with  $\gcd(p, l) = 1$ , which is helpful to study all constacyclic codes of more generate lengths for us.

In this paper, we decompose the multiplicative cyclic group  $F_q^* = \langle \xi \rangle$  into mutually disjoint union of coset of  $\langle \xi^{3lp^s} \rangle$ , which are one-to-one correspondence to the equivalence classes of all constacyclic in section 3. Based on the decomposition, we explicitly determine the generator polynomials of all  $\lambda$ -constacyclic codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$  and their dual codes in section 4, where  $\lambda$  is any none-zero element of  $F_q$  and  $q = p^m$  is a power of prime. As an application, we also give all self-dual cyclic(negacyclic) codes of length  $3l2^s$  over  $F_{2^m}$  and its enumeration in section 5.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let  $F_q$  be the finite field of order  $q$ , where  $q = p^m$ ,  $p \neq 3$  is a prime and the characteristic of the field,  $m$  is a positive integer. Let  $F_q^* = \langle \xi \rangle$  is the multiplicative cyclic group of none-zero elements of  $F_q$ , where  $\xi$  is a primitive  $(q - 1)$ th root of unity.

For any element  $\lambda \in F_q^*$ ,  $\lambda$ -constacyclic codes of length  $n$  over  $F_q$  are regarded as the ideals  $\langle g(x) \rangle$  of the quotient ring  $F_q[x]/(x^n - \lambda)$ , where  $g(x)|x^n - \lambda$ . Further, the definition of the dual code of code  $C$  as follows,

$$C^\perp = \{x \in F_q^n | x \cdot y = 0, \forall y \in C\},$$

where  $x \cdot y$  denotes the Euclidean inner product of  $x$  and  $y$  in  $F_q^n$ . The code  $C$  is called to be self-orthogonal code if  $C \subseteq C^\perp$  and self-dual code if  $C = C^\perp$ . Let  $C$  be a  $\lambda$ -constacyclic code of length  $n$  over  $F_q$  is generated by a polynomial  $g(x)$ , i.e  $C = \langle g(x) \rangle$ . As  $g(x)|x^n - \lambda$ , then there exists a polynomial  $h(x) \in F_q[x]$  such that  $h(x) = \frac{x^n - \lambda}{g(x)}$ . It's clear that  $h(x)$  is also monic if  $g(x)$  is monic. The polynomial  $h(x)$  is said the parity check polynomial of code  $C$ . And it's well known that the dual code  $C^\perp$  is generated by  $h(x)^*$ , where  $h(x)^*$  is the reciprocal polynomial of  $h(x)$ . For any  $f(x) \in F_q[x]$ , the reciprocal polynomial of  $f(x)$  is defined as  $f(x)^* = f(0)^{-1}x^{\deg(f(x))}f(\frac{1}{x})$ . It's obvious that  $(f_1f_2)^* = f_1^*f_2^*$ , and  $(f_1^*)^* = f_1$ , for any polynomials  $f_1(x), f_2(x) \in F_q[x]$ .

Let  $n$  be any positive integer. For any integer  $s$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq n-1$ , the definition of  $q$ -cyclotomic coset of  $s$  modulo  $n$  as follows:

$$C_s = \{s, sq, \dots, sq^{n_s-1}\}.$$

where  $n_s$  is the least positive integer such that  $sq^{n_s} \equiv s \pmod{n}$ . Then, it's easy to see that  $n_s$  is equal to the multiplicative order of  $q$  modulo  $\frac{n}{\gcd(s, n)}$ . If  $\alpha$  denotes a primitive  $n$ th root of unity in some extension field of  $F_q$ , then the polynomial  $M_s(x) = \prod_{i \in C_s} (x - \alpha^i)$  is the minimal polynomial of  $\alpha^s$  over  $F_q$  and

$$x^n - 1 = \prod M_s(x)$$

gives the factorization of  $(x^n - 1)$  into irreducible factors over  $F_q$ , where  $s$  runs over a complete set of representatives from distinct  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $n$ .

Obviously, when  $n = l$ , where  $l \neq 3$  is an odd prime with  $\gcd(l, p) = 1$ , we get that all the distinct  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $l$  are  $C_0 = \{0\}$  and  $C_k = \{g^k, g^kq, \dots, g^kq^{n_k-1}\}$ , for any integer  $k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq e = \frac{\phi(l)}{f}$ , by [15, *Theory1*], where  $g$  is a fixed generator of the cyclic group  $Z_l^*$ ,  $f = \text{ord}_l(q)$  is the multiplicative order of  $q$  in  $Z_l^*$ , and  $\phi$  is Euler's phi-function. Therefor, we have that the irreducible factorization of  $x^l - 1$  in  $F_q$  is given by

$$x^l - 1 = M_0(x)M_1(x)M_2(x)\dots M_e(x),$$

where  $M_i(x) = \prod_{j \in C_i} (x - \eta^j)$  with  $\eta$  is a primitive  $l$ th root of unity.

Further, we determine all the distinct  $q^3$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $l$ , which is needed to prove our main results. There exists two subcases. when  $gac(f, 3) = 1$ , it's easy to prove that  $f = ord_l(q) = ord_l(q^3)$ , then  $\langle q \rangle = \langle q^3 \rangle$  in  $Z_l^*$ . According to the definition of  $q^3$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $l$ , we have that  $C_0$  and  $C_k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq e = \frac{\phi(l)}{f}$ , are also all of the distinct  $q^3$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $l$ . When  $gac(f, 3) = 3$ , we prove that  $ord_l(q^3) = \frac{f}{3}$ . It's easy to verify that  $A_0 = \{0\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} A_k &= \{g^k, g^k q^3, \dots, g^k q^{3(\frac{f}{3}-1)}\}, \\ A_{kq} &= \{g^k q, g^k q q^3, \dots, g^k q q^{3(\frac{f}{3}-1)}\}, \\ A_{kq^2} &= \{g^k q^2, g^k q^2 q^3, \dots, g^k q^2 q^{3(\frac{f}{3}-1)}\}, \end{aligned}$$

consist of all the distinct  $q^3$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $l$ , where  $1 \leq k \leq e$ . Then, we have the irreducible factorization of  $x^l - 1$  in  $F_{q^3}[x]$  as follow:

$$x^l - 1 = A_0(x)A_1(x)A_q(x)A_{q^2}(X)A_2(x)A_{2q}(x)A_{2q^2}(x)\dots A_e(x)A_{eq}(x)A_{eq^2}(X),$$

where  $A_0(x) = (x - 1)$ ,  $A_k(x) = \prod_{s \in A_k} (x - \eta^s)$ ,  $A_{kq}(x) = \prod_{t \in A_{kq}} (x - \eta^t)$  and  $A_{kq^2} = \prod_{j \in A_{kq^2}} (x - \eta^j)$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq e$ .

What's more, we also give all the distinct  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $3l$ , which is necessary to determine our main results. As  $gac(q, 3) = 1$ , we have  $q^{\phi(3)} \equiv 1(mod 3)$  by Euler's Theory, i.e.  $q^2 \equiv 1(mod 3)$ . Then, it's simple to verify that

$$ord_{3l} = \begin{cases} f, & q \equiv 1(mod 3); \\ f, & q \equiv 2(mod 3) \text{ with } f \text{ even}; \\ 2f, & q \equiv 2(mod 3) \text{ with } f \text{ odd}. \end{cases}$$

From [16, Chapter 8], there exists a primitive root  $r$  modulo  $l$  such that  $gcd(\frac{r^{l-1}-1}{l}, l) = 1$ . Assume that  $g = r + (1-r)l^2$ , we have  $g^{l-1} - 1 \equiv (r + (1-r)l^2)^{l-1} - 1 \equiv r^{l-1} - 1(mod l^2)$ . Therefore,  $gcd(\frac{g^{l-1}-1}{l}, l) = gcd(\frac{r^{l-1}-1}{l}, l) = 1$ . It's clear that  $g$  is a primitive root modulo  $l^t$ ,  $1 \leq t$ , such that  $g \equiv 1(mod 3)$ .

We give all the distinct  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $3l$  by the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** (I) If  $q \equiv 1(mod 3)$ , then, we have that all the distinct  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $3l$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} B_0 &= \{0\}, B_l = \{l\}, B_{-l} = \{-l\}, \\ B_{ag^k} &= \{ag^k, ag^k q, \dots, ag^k q^{f-1}\}, \end{aligned}$$

for  $a \in R = \{1, -1, 3\}$  and  $0 \leq k \leq e - 1$ .

(II) If  $q \equiv 2(mod 3)$  and  $f$  is even, we have that all the distinct  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $3l$  are given by  $B_0 = \{0\}, B_l = \{l, lq\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} B_{g^{k'}} &= \{g^{k'}, g^{k'} q, \dots, g^{k'} q^{f-1}\}, \text{ for } 0 \leq k' \leq 2e - 1, \\ B_{3g^k} &= \{3g^k, 3g^k q, \dots, 3g^k q^{f-1}\}, \text{ for } 0 \leq k \leq e - 1. \end{aligned}$$

(III) If  $q \equiv 2(mod 3)$  and  $f$  is odd, we have that all the distinct  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $3l$  are given by

$$B_0 = \{0\}, B_l = \{l, lq\},$$

$$B_{g^k} = \{g^k, g^k q, \dots, g^k q^{2f-1}\},$$

$$B_{3g^k} = \{3g^k, 3g^k q, \dots, 3g^k q^{f-1}\},$$

for  $0 \leq k \leq e-1$ .

**Proof.** [I] Firstly, we prove that the cyclotomic coset  $B_{ag^k}, 0 \leq k \leq e-1$ , are distinct. If there exist some  $k_1, k_2, 0 \leq k_1, k_2 \leq e-1$ , such that  $B_{ag^{k_1}} = B_{ag^{k_2}}$ , then we have

$$a_1 g^{k_1} \equiv a_2 g^{k_2} q^j \pmod{3l},$$

for some integer  $j$ , where  $a_1, a_2 \in R = \{1, -1, 3\}$ . Therefor, we get

$$\gcd(a_1 g^{k_1}, 3l) = \gcd(a_2 g^{k_2} q^j, 3l) = \gcd(a_2 g^{k_2}, 3l).$$

From this, we can deduce  $a_1 = a_2$  or  $a_1 = -a_2 = \pm 1$ .

If  $a_1 = -a_2 = \pm 1$ , then

$$-g^{k_1} \equiv g^{k_2} q^j \pmod{3l}, \text{ i.e. } -1 \equiv g^{k_1-k_2} q^j \pmod{3l},$$

for some integer  $j$ . Due to  $g \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  and  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , we deduce  $-1 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ . This is a contradiction.

If  $a_1 = a_2$ , assume that  $a_1 = a_2 = a$ , then we have

$$a g^{k_1} \equiv a g^{k_2} q^j \pmod{3l}, \text{ i.e. } g^{k_1-k_2} \equiv q^j \pmod{l},$$

for some integer  $j$ . Further, we have  $g^{(k_1-k_2)f} \equiv q^{jf} \equiv 1 \pmod{l}$ . As  $g$  is a primitive root modulo  $l$ , we get  $\phi(l) | (k_1 - k_2)f$ , i.e.  $e = \frac{\phi(l)}{f} | k_1 - k_2$ . Since  $0 \leq k_1, k_2 \leq e-1$ , we must have  $k_1 = k_2$ . Secondly, we get

$$\begin{aligned} |B_0| + |B_l| + |B_{-l}| + \sum_{a \in R} \sum_{k=0}^{e-1} |B_{ag^k}| &= 3 + \sum_{a \in R} \sum_{k=0}^{e-1} f \\ &= 3 + \sum_{a \in R} ef \\ &= 3 + 3\phi(l) \\ &= 3l. \end{aligned}$$

So, the conclusion (I) holds. The conclusions (II) and (III) are also established in a similar way.

Assume that  $B_o(x), B_l(x), B_{-l}(x)$  and  $B_{ag^k}(x)$  are the minimal polynomials of the corresponding coset  $B_o, B_l, B_{-l}$  and  $B_{ag^k}$ . From the above lemma, we get the following theory immediately.

**Theory 2.2.** The irreducible factorization of  $x^{3l} - 1$  over  $F_q$  as follows:

(I) If  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , then

$$x^{3l} - 1 = B_0(x) B_l(x) B_{-l}(x) \prod_{a \in R} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} B_{ag^k}(x),$$

where  $a \in R = \{1, -1, 3\}$  and  $0 \leq k \leq e - 1$ .

(II) If  $q \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  and  $f$  is even, then

$$x^{3l} - 1 = B_0(x)B_l(x) \prod_{k'=0}^{2e-1} B_{g^{k'}}(x) \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} B_{3g^k}(x),$$

where  $0 \leq k \leq e - 1, 0 \leq k' \leq 2e - 1$ .

(III) If  $q \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  and  $f$  is odd, then

$$x^{3l} - 1 = B_0(x)B_l(x) \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} B_{g^k}(x) \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} B_{3g^k}(x),$$

where  $0 \leq k \leq e - 1$ .

The next two lemmas give the necessary and sufficient conditions for judging the reducibility of binomials and trinomial, which were given by Wan Z in [17].

**Lemma 2.3.** Suppose that  $n \geq 2$ , Let  $k = \text{ord}(a)$  be the multiplicative order of  $a$ , for any  $a \in F_q^*$ . Then, the binomial  $x^n - a$  is irreducible over  $F_q$  if and only if

- (i) Every prime divisor of  $n$  divides  $k$ , but does not divide  $\frac{(q-1)}{k}$ ;
- (ii) If  $4|n$ , then  $4|(q-1)$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $t$  be a positive integer, and  $H(x) \in F_q[x]$  be irreducible over  $F_q$  with  $\text{deg}(H(x)) = n$ ,  $x$  does not divide  $H(x)$ . and  $e$  denote the order of any root of  $H(x)$ . Then  $H(x^t)$  is irreducible over  $F_q$  if and only if

- (i) Each prime divisor of  $t$  divides  $e$ ;
- (ii)  $\text{gcd}(t, \frac{q^n-1}{e}) = 1$ ;
- (iii) If  $4|t$ , then  $4|(q^n - 1)$ .

### 3 A classification of constacyclic codes of length $3lp^s$

Let  $\xi$  be a primitive  $(q-1)$ th root of unity and  $F_q^* = \langle \xi \rangle$  be a cyclic group of order  $(q-1)$  as before. It's easy to verify that  $\langle \xi^{3lp^s} \rangle = \langle \xi^{3l} \rangle = \langle \xi^d \rangle$  and the index  $|F_q^* : \langle \xi^{3lp^s} \rangle| = d$ , where  $d = \text{gcd}(q-1, 3lp^s)$ . Thus, the multiplicative cyclic group  $F_q^*$  can be decomposed into mutually disjoint union of coset over the subgroup  $\langle \xi^{3lp^s} \rangle$  as follows:

**Lemma 3.1.**  $F_q^* = \langle \xi \rangle = \langle \xi^d \rangle \cup \xi^{p^s} \langle \xi^d \rangle \cup \dots \cup \xi^{p^s(d-1)} \langle \xi^d \rangle$ , where  $d$  is the great common divisor of  $q-1$  and  $3lp^s$ .

According to the properties of the coset, we obtain the following lemma immediately.

**Lemma 3.2.** For any two none-zero elements  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  of  $F_q$ , there exists some integer  $j, 0 \leq j \leq d-1$  such that  $\lambda, \mu \in \xi^{jp^s} \langle \xi^d \rangle$  if and only if  $\lambda^{-1}\mu \in \langle \xi^d \rangle$ , where  $d = \text{gcd}(q-1, 3lp^s)$ .

If  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  in the same coset, we build a one-to-one correspondence between  $\lambda$ -constacyclic code and  $\mu$ -constacyclic code of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$  as following theory, which shows that  $\lambda$ -constacyclic code and  $\mu$ -constacyclic code are equivalent.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  be any two elements of  $F_q^*$ . then there exists some integer  $a \in F_q^*$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi : F_q[x]/(x^{3lp^s} - \mu) &\rightarrow F_q[x]/(x^{3lp^s} - \lambda) \\ f(x) &\mapsto f(ax)\end{aligned}$$

is an isomorphism, if and only if  $\lambda, \mu \in \xi^{jp^s} \langle \xi^d \rangle$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq d-1$

**Proof.**  $\implies$  " If  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism, then we have

$$\mu = \varphi(\mu) = \varphi(x^{3lp^s}) = (\varphi(x))^{3lp^s} = (ax)^{3lp^s} = a^{3lp^s} x^{3lp^s} = a^{3lp^s} \lambda$$

i.e.  $\lambda^{-1}\mu = a^{3lp^s}$ .

As  $a = \xi^k \in F_q^*$ , for some positive integer  $k$ , then  $\lambda^{-1}\mu = \xi^{k \cdot 3lp^s} \in \langle \xi^d \rangle$ . By Lemma 3.2, we get that there exists  $j$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq d-1$ , such that  $\lambda, \mu \in \xi^{jp^s} \langle \xi^d \rangle$ .

"  $\Leftarrow$  " If there exists  $j$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq d-1$ , such that  $\lambda, \mu \in \xi^{jp^s} \langle \xi^d \rangle$ , then we have  $\lambda^{-1}\mu \in \langle \xi^d \rangle = \langle \xi^{3lp^s} \rangle$  by Lemma 3.2 again. Thus,  $\lambda^{-1}\mu = \xi^{k \cdot 3lp^s}$ , for some integer  $k$ . Set  $a = \xi^k$ , then  $\lambda a^{3lp^s} = \mu$ . Further, we can easy prove that the following map is an isomorphism:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi : F_q[x]/(x^{3lp^s} - \mu) &\rightarrow F_q[x]/(x^{3lp^s} - \lambda) \\ f(x) &\mapsto f(ax).\end{aligned}$$

From Theory 3.3, we get the following obvious corollaries.

**Corollary 3.4.** For any two elements  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  of  $F_q^*$ ,  $\lambda$ -constacyclic code is equivalent to  $\mu$ -constacyclic code if and only if there exists  $j$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq d-1$ , such that  $\lambda, \mu \in \xi^{jp^s} \langle \xi^d \rangle$ . Further,  $\lambda$ -constacyclic code and  $\mu$ -constacyclic code are both equivalent to  $\xi^{jp^s}$ -constacyclic code.

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $\lambda$  be any element of  $F_q^*$ , then there exists some integer  $j$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq d-1$ , such that  $\lambda$ -constacyclic code is equivalent to  $\xi^{jp^s}$ -constacyclic code.

Obviously, the Theory 3.3 and its two corollaries show that all constacyclic codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$  are classified into  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s)$  mutually disjoint classes. And it's enough to consider  $\lambda$ -constacyclic codes, where  $\lambda = \xi^{jp^s}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq d-1$ , and  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s)$ , if we want to determine all constacyclic codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$ . Therefore, we mainly study  $\lambda$ -constacyclic codes in the section 4.

## 4 All constacyclic codes of length $3lp^s$ over $F_q$

Let  $f(x)$  be any polynomial of  $F_q[x]$  and leading coefficient  $a_n \neq 0$ , we denote  $\widehat{f}(x) = a_n^{-1}f(x)$ . Then,  $\widehat{f}(x)$  is called to be the monic polynomial of  $f(x)$ .

From the above discussion in the section 3, we know that the number of equivalence constacyclic classes are equal to  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s)$ . Apparently, there are many cases may occur about  $d$ . They are respectively the following four cases arise:

- (i)  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = 1$ .
- (ii)  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = 3$ .
- (iii)  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = l$ .
- (iv)  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = 3l$ .

#### 4.1 All constacyclic codes of length $3lp^s$ over $F_q$ when $d = 1$

From Lemma 3.1, we see that  $F_q^* = \langle \xi \rangle$  is the decomposition of coset over the subgroup  $\langle \xi^d \rangle$ , when  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = 1$ . In this situation, it's clear that all constacyclic codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$  are equivalent to the cyclic codes. Therefore, we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = 1$ , then  $\lambda$ -constacyclic codes  $C$  of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$  are equivalent to the cyclic codes, for any  $\lambda \in F_q^*$ , i.e. there exists a unique element  $a \in F_q^*$  such that  $a^{3lp^s} \lambda = 1$ . And the map

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_a : F_q[x]/(x^{3lp^s} - 1) &\rightarrow F_q[x]/(x^{3lp^s} - \lambda) \\ f(x) &\mapsto f(ax) \end{aligned}$$

is an isomorphism.

Further, we have the irreducible factorization of  $x^{3lp^s} - \lambda$  in  $F_q[x]$  as follows:

(i) if  $f$  is even, then

$$x^{3lp^s} - \lambda = \widehat{B}_0(ax)^{p^s} \widehat{B}_l(ax)^{p^s} \prod_{k'=0}^{2e-1} \widehat{B}_{g^{k'}}(ax)^{p^s} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} \widehat{B}_{3g^k}(ax)^{p^s},$$

where  $0 \leq k \leq e-1, 0 \leq k' \leq 2e-1$ .

Therefore, we have

$$C = \langle \widehat{B}_0(ax)^{\varepsilon_0} \widehat{B}_l(ax)^{\rho_l} \prod_{k'=0}^{2e-1} \widehat{B}_{g^{k'}}(ax)^{\tau_{k'}} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} \widehat{B}_{3g^k}(ax)^{v_k} \rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \langle \widehat{B}_0(a^{-1}x)^{p^s - \varepsilon_0} \widehat{B}_l(a^{-1}x)^{p^s - \rho_l} \prod_{k'=0}^{2e-1} \widehat{B}_{g^{k'}}(a^{-1}x)^{p^s - \tau_{k'}} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} \widehat{B}_{3g^k}(a^{-1}x)^{p^s - v_k} \rangle$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_0, \rho_l, \tau_{k'}, v_k \leq p^s$ , for any  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, e$ , and  $k' = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 2e$ .

(ii) If  $f$  is odd, then

$$x^{3lp^s} - \lambda = \widehat{B}_0(ax)^{p^s} \widehat{B}_l(ax)^{p^s} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} \widehat{B}_{g^k}(ax)^{p^s} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} \widehat{B}_{3g^k}(ax)^{p^s},$$

where  $0 \leq k \leq e-1$ .

Therefore, we have

$$C = \langle \widehat{B}_0(ax)^{\varepsilon_0} \widehat{B}_l(ax)^{\rho_l} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} \widehat{B}_{g^k}(ax)^{\tau_k} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} \widehat{B}_{3g^k}(ax)^{v_k} \rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \langle \widehat{B}_0(a^{-1}x)^{p^s - \varepsilon_0} \widehat{B}_l(a^{-1}x)^{p^s - \rho_l} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} \widehat{B}_{g^k}(a^{-1}x)^{p^s - \tau_k} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} \widehat{B}_{3g^k}(a^{-1}x)^{p^s - v_k} \rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_0, \rho_l, \tau_k, v_k \leq p^s$ , for any  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, e$ .

**Proof.** Proof is trivial.

## 4.2 All constacyclic codes of length $3lp^s$ over $F_q$ when $d = 3$

In the section, we consider the second case, i.e.  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = 3$ . In this situation, we have that  $F_q^* = \langle \xi \rangle = \langle \xi^3 \rangle \cup \xi^{p^s} \langle \xi^3 \rangle \cup \xi^{2p^s} \langle \xi^3 \rangle$  is the decomposition of coset of  $F_q^*$  over subgroup  $\langle \xi^{3lp^s} \rangle$ , by Lemma 3.1. Therefore, it's enough to consider the cyclic codes,  $\xi^{p^s}$ -constacyclic codes and  $\xi^{2p^s}$ -constacyclic codes if we want to determine all constacyclic codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$ , when  $\gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = 3$ .

From the section 2, we have that the irreducible factorization of  $x^l - 1$  is given by  $x^l - 1 = \prod_{i=0}^{e-1} M_i(x)$ , where  $M_i(x) = \prod_{j \in C_i} (x - \eta^j)$  with  $\eta$  is a primitive  $l$ th root of unity. According to this, we deduce the following lemma immediately, which gives the irreducible factorization of  $x^{lp^s} - \xi^j$  in  $F_q[x]$ , when  $\gcd(q-1, l) = 1$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** Let  $\gcd(q-1, l) = 1$ . Then, for any  $\xi^j \in F_q^*$ , there exists a unique element  $b_j \in F_q^*$  such that  $b_j^{lp^s} \xi^j = 1$ . Further, the irreducible factorization of  $x^{lp^s} - \xi^j$  is given by

$$x^{lp^s} - \xi^j = \prod_{i=0}^{e-1} \widehat{M}_i(b_j x)^{p^s},$$

where  $M_i(x)$  is the minimal polynomial of the  $q$ -cyclotomic coset  $C_i$  modulo  $l$ .

**Proof.** Similar to Lemma 3.1, we have the decomposition of coset of  $F_q^* = \langle \xi \rangle$  over the subgroup  $\langle \xi^{lp^s} \rangle$  is given by  $F_q^* = \langle \xi \rangle$ , when  $\gcd(q-1, l) = 1$ . Next, proof is trivial, by Theorem 3.3.

**Lemma 4.3.** Let  $\gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = 3$ . Then there exists an element  $\alpha = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{3}}$  be a primitive 3-th root of unity. Further, the irreducible factorization of  $x^{3lp^s} - 1$  is given by

$$x^{3lp^s} - 1 = \prod_{i=0}^{e-1} M_i(x)^{p^s} \widehat{M}_i(b_{\frac{q-1}{3}} x)^{p^s} \widehat{M}_i(b_{\frac{2(q-1)}{3}} x)^{p^s},$$

where  $M_i(x)$  is the minimal polynomial of the  $q$ -cyclotomic coset  $C_i$  modulo  $l$  and  $b_{\frac{q-1}{3}}, b_{\frac{2(q-1)}{3}} \in F_q^*$ .

**Proof.** As  $\gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = 3$ , then it's clear that  $\alpha = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{3}} \in F_q^*$  is a primitive 3-th root of unity. Hence, we have

$$x^{3lp^s} - 1 = (x^l - 1)^{p^s} (x^l - \xi^{\frac{q-1}{3}})^{p^s} (x^l - \xi^{\frac{2(q-1)}{3}})^{p^s}.$$

Further, by Lemma 4.2, we get

$$x^{3lp^s} - 1 = \prod_{i=0}^{e-1} M_i(x)^{p^s} \widehat{M}_i(b_{\frac{q-1}{3}} x)^{p^s} \widehat{M}_i(b_{\frac{2(q-1)}{3}} x)^{p^s},$$

where  $M_i(x)$  is the minimal polynomial of the  $q$ -cyclotomic coset  $C_i$  modulo  $l$  and  $b_{\frac{q-1}{3}}, b_{\frac{2(q-1)}{3}} \in F_q^*$ .

Before determine  $\langle \xi^{ip^s} \rangle$ -constacyclic codes,  $i = 1, 2$ , we must explicitly factory the polynomial  $x^{3lp^s} - \xi^{ip^s}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , into monic irreducible factors product. Obviously, we only need



determine the irreducible factorization of  $x^{3l} - \xi^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Firstly, we consider the polynomial  $x^3 - \xi^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Since,  $x^3 - \xi^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , is irreducible in  $F_q[x]$ , we get that  $F_{q^3}$  is a splitting field for  $x^3 - \xi^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , over  $F_q$ . Thus, there exists  $\nu_i \in F_{q^3}$  such that  $\nu_i^3 = \xi^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Further, it's easy to get that  $\nu_i, \alpha\nu_i$ , and  $\alpha^2\nu_i$  are all the roots of  $x^3 - \xi^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $F_{q^3}$ , where  $\alpha$  is a primitive 3–th root of unity. In addition, we see that  $\nu_i \in F_{q^3}$  but  $\nu_i$  not in  $F_q$ , and  $\nu_i$  is primitive  $3(q-1)$ –th roots of unity,  $i = 1, 2$ .

As  $\gcd(3(q-1), l) = 1$ , we can find a bijection  $\theta$  from the set  $D$  to itself such that  $\theta(\nu) = \nu^l$ , for any  $\nu \in D$ , where  $D$  consist of all the primitive  $3(q-1)$ –th roots of unity of  $F_{q^3}$ . Therefore, there exists a unique element  $\omega_i \in D$  such that  $\nu_i^{-1} = \theta(\omega_i) = \omega_i^l$ , i.e.  $\omega_i^l \nu_i = 1$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .

From the above discussion, we have the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 4.4.** The irreducible factorization of  $x^{3l} - \xi$  over  $F_q$  as follows:

(I) If  $\gcd(f, 3) = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x^{3l} - \xi &= (x^l - \nu_1)(x^l - \alpha\nu_1)(x^l - \alpha^2\nu_1) \\ &= \prod_{i=0}^e \widehat{M}_i(\omega_1 x) \widehat{M}_i(\alpha\omega_1 x) \widehat{M}_i(\alpha^2\omega_1 x) \\ &= \prod_{i=0}^e R_i(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\nu_1$  is a root of  $x^3 - \xi$ ,  $\omega_1$  is a primitive  $3(q-1)$ –th root of unity,  $\alpha$  is a primitive 3–th root of unity, and  $R_i(x) = \widehat{M}_i(\omega_1 x) \widehat{M}_i(\alpha\omega_1 x) \widehat{M}_i(\alpha^2\omega_1 x)$  for any  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, e$ .

(II) If  $\gcd(f, 3) = 3$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x^{3l} - \xi &= (x^l - \nu_1)(x^l - \alpha\nu_1)(x^l - \alpha^2\nu_1) \\ &= (x - \omega_1^{-1})(x - \alpha\omega_1^{-1})(x - \alpha^2\omega_1^{-1}) \prod_{i=1}^e \widehat{A}_i(\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq}(\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\omega_1 x) \\ &\quad \widehat{A}_i(\alpha\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq}(\alpha\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\alpha\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_i(\alpha^2\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq}(\alpha^2\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\alpha^2\omega_1 x) \\ &= P(x) \prod_{i=1}^e Q_i(x) U_i(x) Z_i(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\nu_1$  is a root of  $x^3 - \xi$ ,  $\omega_1$  is a primitive  $3(q-1)$ –th root of unity,  $\alpha$  is a primitive 3–th root of unity, and  $P(x) = (x - \omega_1^{-1})(x - \alpha\omega_1^{-1})(x - \alpha^2\omega_1^{-1})$ ,  $Q_i(x) = \widehat{A}_i(\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq}(\alpha\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\alpha^2\omega_1 x)$ ,  $U_i(x) = \widehat{A}_i(\alpha\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq}(\alpha^2\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\omega_1 x)$ , and  $Z_i(x) = \widehat{A}_i(\alpha^2\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq}(\omega_1 x) \widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\alpha\omega_1 x)$  for any  $i = 1, 2, \dots, e$ .

**Proof.** (I) If  $\gcd(f, 3) = 1$ , we get  $C_0$  and  $C_k, 1 \leq k \leq e = \frac{\phi(l)}{f}$  are all the  $q^3$ –cyclotomic coset modulo  $l$ , from the section 2. Let  $\nu_1$  be a root of  $x^3 - \xi$ , i.e.  $\nu_1^3 = \xi$ , and  $\alpha$  be a primitive 3–th root of unity. Then, we have  $\nu_1, \alpha\nu_1$ , and  $\alpha^2\nu_1$  are all the roots of  $x^3 - \xi$ , over  $F_{q^3}$ , i.e.

$$x^{3l} - \xi = (x^l - \nu_1)(x^l - \alpha\nu_1)(x^l - \alpha^2\nu_1).$$

By above discussion, we know that there exists  $\omega_1$  such that  $\omega_1^l \nu_1 = 1$ , where  $\omega_1$  is a primitive  $3(q-1)$ –th root of unity and  $\omega_1^q = \alpha\omega_1$ . As  $\gcd(3, l) = 1$ , we know  $l \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  or  $l \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . When  $l \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ , we have  $(\alpha\omega_1)^l \alpha\nu_1 = \alpha^{l+1} = 1$  and  $(\alpha^2\omega_1)^l \alpha^2\nu_1 = \alpha^{2(l+1)} = 1$ . When  $l \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , we have  $(\alpha^2\omega_1)^l \alpha\nu_1 = \alpha^{2l+1} = 1$  and  $(\alpha\omega_1)^l \alpha^2\nu_1 = \alpha^{l+2} = 1$ . Hence, there always

exist  $\omega_1, \alpha\omega_1$  and  $\alpha^2\omega_1$  such that  $\omega_1^l\nu_1 = 1$ ,  $(\alpha\omega_1)^l\alpha\nu_1 = 1$  and  $(\alpha^2\omega_1)^l\alpha^2\nu_1 = 1$  or  $\omega_1^l\nu_1 = 1$ ,  $(\alpha^2\omega_1)^l\alpha\nu_1 = 1$  and  $(\alpha\omega_1)^l\alpha^2\nu_1 = 1$ . Further, by Lemma 4.2, we get

$$x^{3l} - \xi = \prod_{i=0}^e \widehat{M}_i(\omega_1 x) \widehat{M}_i(\alpha\omega_1 x) \widehat{M}_i(\alpha^2\omega_1 x),$$

which is the monic irreducible factorization of  $x^{3l} - \xi$  over  $F_{q^3}$ . And we have  $\widehat{M}_i(\omega_1 x) = \prod_{k \in C_i} (x - \omega_1^{-1}\eta k)$ ,  $\widehat{M}_i(\alpha\omega_1 x) = \prod_{k \in C_i} (x - \alpha^2\omega_1^{-1}\eta k)$  and  $\widehat{M}_i(\alpha^2\omega_1 x) = \prod_{k \in C_i} (x - \alpha\omega_1^{-1}\eta k)$ . Obviously, when  $k$  runs over  $C_i$ ,  $\omega_1^{-1}\eta^k$  gives all the roots of  $\widehat{M}_i(\omega_1 x)$ . As  $\omega_1^q = \alpha\omega_1$  and  $kq, kq^2 \in C_i$ , we have  $(\omega_1^{-1}\eta^k)^q = \alpha^2\omega_1^{-1}\eta^{kq}$  and  $(\omega_1^{-1}\eta^k)^{q^2} = \alpha\omega_1^{-1}\eta^{kq^2}$ , which gives a root of  $\widehat{M}_i(\alpha\omega_1 x)$  and  $\widehat{M}_i(\alpha^2\omega_1 x)$  respectively. Therefore, it's easy to deduce that  $\widehat{M}_i(\omega_1 x)\widehat{M}_i(\alpha^2\omega_1 x)\widehat{M}_i(\alpha\omega_1 x)$  is irreducible polynomial over  $F_q$ .

(II) When  $\gcd(f, 3) = 3$ , we have that  $A_0, A_k, A_{kq}, A_{kq^2}$  consist of all the distinct  $q^3$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $l$ , where  $1 \leq k \leq e$ . Then, the irreducible factorization of  $x^l - 1$  over  $F_{q^3}$  is given by

$$x^l - 1 = A_0(x)A_1(x)A_q(x)A_{q^2}(x)A_2(x)A_{2q}(x)A_{2q^2}(x)\dots A_e(x)A_{eq}(x)A_{eq^2}(x).$$

Next, in the same way with (I), we can proved the conclusion (II) holds.

Using arguments similar to the Proof in Lemma 4.3, we have the following lemma, and we omit its proof here.

**Lemma 4.5.** The irreducible factorization of  $x^{3l} - \xi^2$  over  $F_q$  as follows:

(I) If  $\gcd(f, 3) = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x^{3l} - \xi^2 &= (x^l - \nu_2)(x^l - \alpha\nu_2)(x^l - \alpha^2\nu_2) \\ &= \prod_{i=0}^e \widehat{M}_i(\omega_2 x) \widehat{M}_i(\alpha\omega_2 x) \widehat{M}_i(\alpha^2\omega_2 x) \\ &= \prod_{i=0}^e R'_i(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\nu_2$  is a root of  $x^3 - \xi^2$ ,  $\omega_2$  is a primitive  $3(q-1)$ -th root of unity,  $\alpha$  is a primitive 3-th root of unity, and  $R'_i(x) = \widehat{M}_i(\omega_2 x)\widehat{M}_i(\alpha\omega_2 x)\widehat{M}_i(\alpha^2\omega_2 x)$  for any  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, e$ .

(II) If  $\gcd(f, 3) = 3$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x^{3l} - \xi^2 &= (x^l - \nu_2)(x^l - \alpha\nu_2)(x^l - \alpha^2\nu_2) \\ &= (x - \omega_2^{-1})(x - \alpha\omega_2^{-1})(x - \alpha^2\omega_2^{-1}) \prod_{i=1}^e \widehat{A}_i(\omega_2 x) \widehat{A}_{iq}(\omega_2 x) \widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\omega_2 x) \\ &\quad \widehat{A}_i(\alpha\omega_2 x) \widehat{A}_{iq}(\alpha\omega_2 x) \widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\alpha\omega_2 x) \widehat{A}_i(\alpha^2\omega_2 x) \widehat{A}_{iq}(\alpha^2\omega_2 x) \widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\alpha^2\omega_2 x) \end{aligned}$$

$$= P'(x) \prod_{i=1}^e Q'_i(x) U'_i(x) Z'_i(x),$$

where  $\nu_2$  is a root of  $x^3 - \xi^2$ ,  $\omega_2$  is a primitive  $3(q-1)$ -th root of unity,  $\alpha$  is a primitive 3-th root of unity, and  $P'(x) = (x - \omega_2^{-1})(x - \alpha\omega_2^{-1})(x - \alpha^2\omega_2^{-1})$ ,  $Q'_i(x) = \widehat{A}_i(\omega_2 x)\widehat{A}_{iq}(\alpha\omega_2 x)\widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\alpha^2\omega_2 x)$ ,  $U'_i(x) = \widehat{A}_i(\alpha\omega_2 x)\widehat{A}_{iq}(\alpha^2\omega_2 x)\widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\omega_2 x)$ , and  $Z'_i(x) = \widehat{A}_i(\alpha^2\omega_2 x)\widehat{A}_{iq}(\omega_2 x)\widehat{A}_{iq^2}(\alpha\omega_2 x)$  for any  $i = 1, 2, \dots, e$ .

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $\gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = 3$ , and  $\alpha = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{3}}$  is a primitive 3-th root of unity. For any element  $\lambda$  of  $F_q^*$  and  $\lambda$ -constacyclic code  $C$  of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$ , one of the following cases holds:

(I) If  $\lambda \in \langle \xi^3 \rangle$ , then there exists some element  $c \in F_q^*$  such that  $c^{3lp^s} \lambda = 1$ , and we have

$$C = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^e \widehat{M}_i(cx)^{\varepsilon_i} \widehat{M}_i(cb_{\frac{q-1}{3}}x)^{\sigma_i} \widehat{M}_i(cb_{\frac{2(q-1)}{3}}x)^{\tau_i} \right\rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^e \widehat{M}_{-i}(c^{-1}x)^{p^s - \varepsilon_i} \widehat{M}_{-i}(c^{-1}b_{\frac{q-1}{3}}^{-1}x)^{p^s - \sigma_i} \widehat{M}_{-i}(c^{-1}b_{\frac{2(q-1)}{3}}^{-1}x)^{p^s - \tau_i} \right\rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_i, \sigma_i, \tau_i \leq p^s$  for any  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, e$ .

(II) If  $\lambda \in \xi^{p^s} \langle \xi^3 \rangle$ , then there exists some element  $c_1 \in F_q^*$  such that  $c_1^{3lp^s} \lambda = xi^{p^s}$ , and one of the following holds:

(i) If  $\gcd(f, 3) = 1$ ,

$$C = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^e \widehat{R}_i(c_1x)^\varepsilon \right\rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^e \widehat{R}_{-i}(c_1^{-1}x)^{p^s - \varepsilon} \right\rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon \leq p^s$ ,  $R_{-i}(x) = \widehat{M}_{-i}(\omega_1^{-1}x) \widehat{M}_{-i}(\alpha^2 \omega_1^{-1}x) \widehat{M}_{-i}(\alpha \omega_1^{-1}x)$  for any  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, e$ .

(ii) If  $\gcd(f, 3) = 3$ ,

$$C = \left\langle \widehat{P}(c_1x)^\varepsilon \prod_{i=1}^e \widehat{Q}_i^{\varepsilon_i}(c_1x) \widehat{U}_i^{\sigma_i}(x) \widehat{Z}_i^{\tau_i}(c_1x) \right\rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \left\langle \widehat{P}^*(c_1^{-1}x)^{p^s - \varepsilon} \prod_{i=1}^e \widehat{Q}_{-i}^{p^s - \varepsilon_i}(c_1^{-1}x) \widehat{U}_{-i}^{p^s - \sigma_i}(c_1^{-1}x) \widehat{Z}_{-i}^{p^s - \tau_i}(c_1^{-1}x) \right\rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_i, \sigma_i, \tau_i \leq p^s$ ,  $P^*(x) = (x - \omega_1)(x - \alpha^2 \omega_1)(x - \alpha \omega_1)$ ,  $Q_{-i}(x) = \widehat{A}_{-i}(\omega_1^{-1}x) \cdot \widehat{A}_{-iq}(\alpha^2 \omega_1^{-1}x) \widehat{A}_{-iq^2}(\alpha \omega_1^{-1}x)$ ,  $U_{-i}(x) = \widehat{A}_{-i}(\alpha^2 \omega_1^{-1}x) \widehat{A}_{-iq}(\alpha \omega_1^{-1}x) \widehat{A}_{-iq^2}(\omega_1^{-1}x)$ , and  $Z_{-i}(x) = \widehat{A}_{-i}(\alpha \omega_1^{-1}x) \widehat{A}_{-iq}(\omega_1^{-1}x) \widehat{A}_{-iq^2}(\alpha^2 \omega_1^{-1}x)$ , for any  $i = 1, 2, \dots, e$ .

(II) If  $\lambda \in \xi^{2p^s} \langle \xi^3 \rangle$ , then there exists some element  $c_2 \in F_q^*$  such that  $c_2^{3lp^s} \lambda = xi^{2p^s}$ , and one of the following holds:

(i) If  $\gcd(f, 3) = 1$ ,

$$C = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^e \widehat{R}'_i(c_2x)^{\varepsilon_i} \right\rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^e \widehat{R}'_{-i}(c_2^{-1}x)^{p^s - \varepsilon_i} \right\rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon \leq p^s$ ,  $R'_{-i}(x) = \widehat{M}_{-i}(\omega_2^{-1}x) \widehat{M}_{-i}(\alpha^2 \omega_2^{-1}x) \widehat{M}_{-i}(\alpha \omega_2^{-1}x)$  for any  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, e$ .

(ii) If  $\gcd(f, 3) = 3$ ,

$$C = \left\langle \widehat{P}'(c_2x)^\varepsilon \prod_{i=1}^e \widehat{Q}'_i(c_2x)^{\varepsilon_i} \widehat{U}'_i(c_2x)^{\sigma_i} \widehat{Z}'_i(c_2x)^{\tau_i} \right\rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \langle \widehat{P}^* (c_2^{-1}x)^{p^s - \varepsilon} \prod_{i=1}^e \widehat{Q}'_{-i} (c_2^{-1}x)^{p^s - \varepsilon_i} \widehat{U}'_{-i} (c_2^{-1}x)^{p^s - \sigma_i} \widehat{Z}'_{-i} (c_2^{-1}x)^{p^s - \tau_i} \rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_i, \sigma_i, \tau_i \leq p^s$ ,  $P'^*(x) = (x - \omega_2)(x - \alpha^2\omega_2)(x - \alpha\omega_2)$ ,  $Q'_{-i}(x) = \widehat{A}_{-i}(\omega_2^{-1}x) \cdot \widehat{A}_{-iq}(\alpha^2\omega_2^{-1}x)\widehat{A}_{-iq^2}(\alpha\omega_2^{-1}x)$ ,  $U'_{-i}(x) = \widehat{A}_{-i}(\alpha^2\omega_2^{-1}x)\widehat{A}_{-iq}(\alpha\omega_2^{-1}x)\widehat{A}_{-iq^2}(\omega_2^{-1}x)$ , and  $Z'_{-i}(x) = \widehat{A}_{-i}(\alpha\omega_2^{-1}x)\widehat{A}_{-iq}(\omega_2^{-1}x)\widehat{A}_{-iq^2}(\alpha^2\omega_2^{-1}x)$  for any  $i = 1, 2, \dots, e$ .

**Proof.** From Lemma 4.3, Lemma 4.4 and Lemma 4.5, we see that the theorem is straightforward.

### 4.3 All constacyclic codes of length $3lp^s$ over $F_q$ when $d = l$

Let  $d = \gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = l$ , i.e.  $l|(q-1)$ , and  $\gcd(q-1, 3) = 1$ . Then there is an element  $\eta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{l}} \in F_q^*$ , which is a primitive  $l$ -th root of unity. Therefor, we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.7.** Assume that  $\gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = l$ , and let  $\eta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{l}}$  be a primitive  $l$ -th root of unity in  $F_q$ . Then, the irreducible factorization of  $x^{3lp^s} - 1$  over  $F_q$  as follows:

$$x^{3lp^s} - 1 = \prod_{k=1}^l (x - \eta^k)^{p^s} (x^2 + \eta^k x + \eta^{2k})^{p^s}.$$

**Proof.** As  $\gcd(q-1, 3) = 1$ , there is not any primitive 3-th root of unity in  $F_q$ , which implies  $x^2 + x + 1$  is irreducible. By this, we can deduce that  $x^2 + \eta^k x + \eta^{2k}$  is irreducible, for any  $k = 1, 2, \dots, l$ . Because if  $x^2 + \eta^k x + \eta^{2k}$  is reducible, then  $\eta^{-2k}(x^2 + \eta^k x + \eta^{2k}) = (\eta^{-k}x)^2 + \eta^{-k}x + 1$  is reducible. Set  $x = \eta^{-k}x$ , then  $x^2 + x + 1$  is reducible which is a contradiction. Since  $\eta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{l}}$  be a primitive  $l$ -th root of unity, then  $\eta^3$  is also a primitive  $l$ -th root of unity. Hence, the irreducible factorization of  $x^{3lp^s} - 1$  over  $F_q$  is given by

$$x^{3lp^s} - 1 = (x^{3l} - 1)^{p^s} = \prod_{k=1}^l (x^3 - \eta^{3k})^{p^s} = \prod_{k=1}^l (x - \eta^k)^{p^s} (x^2 + \eta^k x + \eta^{2k})^{p^s}.$$

**Lemma 4.8.** Assume that  $\gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = l$ , then the irreducible factorization of  $x^{3lp^s} - \xi^j p^s$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq l-1$  over  $F_q$  as follows:

(I) When  $(3, j) = 3$ , i.e.  $3|j$ , let  $j = 3k$ , for some integer  $k$ . Then we have

$$x^{3lp^s} - \xi^j p^s = (x^{3l} - \xi^{3k})^{p^s} = (x^l - \xi^k)^{p^s} (x^{2l} + \xi^k x^l + \xi^{2k})^{p^s}.$$

(II) When  $(3, j) = 1$ , there must exists some integer  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq q-1$ , such that  $3i = j + q - 1$  or  $3i = j + 2(q-1)$ . Then one of the following conclusions holds:

(i) When  $3i = j + q - 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} x^{3lp^s} - \xi^j p^s &= x^{3lp^s} - \xi^{(j+q-1)p^s} \\ &= (x^{3l} - \xi^{(j+q-1)})^{p^s} \\ &= (x^{3l} - \xi^{3i})^{p^s} \\ &= (x - \xi^i)^{p^s} (x^{2l} + \xi^i x^l + \xi^{2i})^{p^s}. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) When  $3i = j + 2(q - 1)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
x^{3lp^s} - \xi^{jp^s} &= x^{3lp^s} - \xi^{(j+2(q-1))p^s} \\
&= (x^{3l} - \xi^{(j+2(q-1))})^{p^s} \\
&= (x^{3l} - \xi^{3i})^{p^s} \\
&= (x - \xi^i)^{p^s} (x^{2l} + \xi^i x^l + \xi^{2i})^{p^s}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** (I) Obviously,  $\gcd(l, k) = 1$ . From Lemma 2.3, it's very easy to verify that  $x^l - \xi^k$  is irreducible. By the proof of Lemma 4.5, we see that  $x^2 + \xi^k x + \xi^{2k}$  is irreducible over  $F_q$ . Now, we suppose that  $\delta$  is any root of  $x^2 + \xi^k x + \xi^{2k}$  in some extended field of  $F_q$ , and  $e$  is the order of  $\delta$ . Then, we have  $\delta^3 = \xi^{3k}$ . Further, we deduce that  $\frac{e}{(e,3)} = \frac{q-1}{(q-1,3k)}$ , i.e.  $\frac{e}{(e,3)} = \frac{q-1}{(q-1,k)}$ , as  $\gcd(q-1, 3) = 1$ . By the reduction again, we get  $e = \frac{(q-1)(e,3)}{(q-1,k)}$ . From Lemma 2.4, we can verify that  $x^{2l} + \xi^k x^l + \xi^{2k}$  is irreducible.

(II) When  $(3, j) = 1$ , we get that  $x^3 - \xi^j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq l-1$ , are all reducible, from Lemma 2.3. Therefor, there must exist some  $\xi^i \in F_q^*$  is a root of  $x^3 - \xi^j$ , for any  $j = 1, 2, \dots, l-1$ . Then,  $\xi^{3i} - \xi^j = 0$ , i.e.  $\xi^{3i} = \xi^j$ . As  $1 \leq i \leq q-1$  and  $1 \leq j \leq l-1$ , we deduce that  $3i = j + q - 1$  or  $3i = j + 2(q-1)$  and  $\gcd(l, i) = 1$ . Next, working similar to the proof of (I), we get that conclusion (i) and conclusion (ii) hold.

From above lemmas, we get the following theory immediately.

**Theorem 4.9.** Assume that  $\gcd(q-1, 3lp^s) = l$ , and let  $\eta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{l}}$  be a primitive  $l$ -th root of unity in  $F_q$ . For any element  $\lambda$  of  $F_q^*$  and  $\lambda$ -constacyclic code  $C$  of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$ , one of the following cases holds:

(I) If  $\lambda \in \langle \xi^l \rangle$ , then there exists  $c_1 \in F_q^*$  such that  $c_1^{3lp^s} \lambda = 1$ , and we have

$$\begin{aligned}
C &= \left\langle \prod_{k=1}^l (x - c_1^{-1} \eta^k)^{\varepsilon_k} (x^2 + c_1^{-1} \eta^k x + c_1^{-2} \eta^{2k})^{\tau_k} \right\rangle, \\
C^\perp &= \left\langle \prod_{k=1}^l (x - c_1 \eta^{-k})^{p^s - \varepsilon_k} (x^2 + c_1 \eta^{-k} x + c_1^2 \eta^{-2k})^{p^s - \tau_k} \right\rangle,
\end{aligned}$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_k, \tau_k \leq p^s$ , for any  $k = 1, 2, \dots, l$ .

(II) If  $\lambda \in \langle \xi^{jp^s} \rangle$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq l-1$ , then there exists  $c_2 \in F_q^*$  such that  $c_2^{3lp^s} \lambda = \xi^{jp^s}$ , and one of the following holds:

(i) When  $(3, j) = 3$ , i.e.  $3|j$ , let  $j = 3k$ , for some integer  $k$ . we have

$$\begin{aligned}
C &= \left\langle (x^l - c_2^{-1} \xi^k)^{\varepsilon_k} (x^{2l} + c_2^{-1} \xi^k x^l + c_2^{-2} \xi^{2k})^{\tau_k} \right\rangle, \\
C^\perp &= \left\langle (x^l - c_2 \xi^{-k})^{p^s - \varepsilon_k} (x^{2l} + c_2 \xi^{-k} x^l + c_2^2 \xi^{-2k})^{p^s - \tau_k} \right\rangle,
\end{aligned}$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_k, \tau_k \leq p^s$ .

(ii) When  $(3, j) = 1$ , there must exists some integer  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq q-1$ , such that  $3i = j + q - 1$  or  $3i = j + 2(q-1)$ . Then one of the following conclusions holds:

(a) When  $3i = j + q - 1$ , we have

$$C = \left\langle (x - c_2^{-1} \xi^i)^{\varepsilon_i} (x^{2l} + c_2^{-1} \xi^i x^l + c_2^{-2} \xi^{2i})^{\tau_i} \right\rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \langle (x - c_2 \xi^{-i})^{p^s - \varepsilon_i} (x^{2l} + c_2 \xi^{-i} x^l + c_2^2 \xi^{-2i})^{p^s - \tau_i} \rangle.$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_i, \tau_i \leq p^s$ .

(b) When  $3i = j + 2(q - 1)$ , we have

$$C = (x - c_2^{-1} \xi^i)^{\varepsilon_i} (x^{2l} + c_2^{-1} \xi^i x^l + c_2^{-2} \xi^{2i})^{\tau_i},$$

$$C^\perp = (x - c_2 \xi^{-i})^{p^s - \varepsilon_i} (x^{2l} + c_2 \xi^{-i} x^l + c_2^2 \xi^{-2i})^{p^s - \tau_i},$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_i, \tau_i \leq p^s$ .

#### 4.4 All constacyclic codes of length $3lp^s$ over $F_q$ when $d = 3l$

In the section, we assume that  $d = \gcd(3lp^s, q - 1) = 3l$ , namely  $3l|q - 1$ . Clearly, there exists an element  $\gamma = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{3l}} \in F_q^*$ , which is a primitive  $3l$ -th root of unity. Further, Due to  $l|q - 1$ , and  $3|q - 1$ , it's easy to know that  $\eta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{l}}$  and  $\beta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{3}}$  are primitive  $l$ -th and  $3$ -th root of unity respectively.

From Lemma 3.1, we get that the  $F_q^* = \langle \xi \rangle = \langle \xi^{3l} \rangle \cup \xi^{p^s} \langle \xi^{3l} \rangle \cup \xi^{2p^s} \langle \xi^{3l} \rangle \cup \dots \cup \xi^{(3l-1)p^s} \langle \xi^{3l} \rangle$ . Therefore, any element  $\lambda$  of  $F_q^*$  belongs to exactly one of the cosets, i.e. there is a unique integer  $j$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq 3l - 1$ , such that  $\lambda \in \xi^{jp^s} \langle \xi^{3l} \rangle$ , namely  $\lambda$ -constacyclic codes are equivalent to  $\xi^{jp^s}$ -constacyclic codes. Hence, we just need to determine  $\xi^{jp^s}$ -constacyclic codes, where  $0 \leq j \leq 3l - 1$ .

**Lemma 4.10.** Let  $d = \gcd(3lp^s, q - 1) = 3l$  and  $\gamma = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{3l}}$ . Then irreducible factorization of  $x^{3lp^s} - 1$  over  $F_q$  as follow:

$$x^{3lp^s} - 1 = \prod_{i=0}^{3l-1} (x - \gamma^i)^{p^s}.$$

**Proof.** proof is trivial.

**Lemma 4.11.** Let  $\eta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{l}}$  and  $\beta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{3}}$ . Then the irreducible factorization of  $x^{3lp^s} - \xi^{jp^s}$  over  $F_q$  as follows:

(I) when  $\gcd(3l, j) = l$ , we have

$$x^{3lp^s} - \xi^{jp^s} = (x^{3l} - \xi^{tl})^{p^s} = \prod_{i=0}^{l-1} (x^3 - \xi^t \eta^i)^{p^s},$$

where  $t = 1$  or  $2$ .

(II) when  $\gcd(3l, j) = 3$ , we have

$$x^{3lp^s} - \xi^{jp^s} = (x^{3l} - \xi^{3k})^{p^s} = \prod_{i=0}^2 (x^l - \xi^k \beta^i)^{p^s},$$

where  $k$  is some integer such that  $j = 3k$ .

(III) Otherwise, we can see that  $\gcd(3l, j) = 1$ . Then we have

$$x^{3lp^s} - \xi^{jp^s} = (x^{3l} - \xi^j)^{p^s}$$

**Proof.** (I) As  $\gcd(3l, j) = l$  and  $1 \leq j \leq 3l - 1$ , we have  $j = tl$ , where  $t = 1, 2$ . Obviously,  $\eta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{t}}$  is a primitive  $l$ -th root of unity in  $F_q$ . Therefore, we get

$$x^{3lp^s} - \xi^{jp^s} = (x^{3l} - \xi^{tl})^{p^s} = \prod_{i=0}^{l-1} (x^3 - \xi^t \eta^i)^{p^s},$$

Next, we prove that the polynomial  $x^3 - \xi^t \eta^i$ , for any  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, l-1$ , is irreducible in  $F_q[x]$ . Firstly, we know that the multiplicative order of  $\xi^t \eta^i = \xi^{t + \frac{i(q-1)}{t}}$ ,  $t = 1, 2$ , is  $e_i = \frac{q-1}{(q-1, t + \frac{i(q-1)}{t})}$ . As  $3|q-1$  but  $\gcd(3, t) = 1$  and  $\gcd(3, l) = 1$ , we get that  $(3, t + \frac{i(q-1)}{t}) = 1$ . Thus, 3 divides  $e_i$  but not  $\frac{q-1}{e_i} = (q-1, t + \frac{i(q-1)}{t})$ . From Lemma 2.3, we get the polynomial  $x^3 - \xi^t \eta^i$ , for any  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, l-1$ , is irreducible in  $F_q[x]$ . In the same way, we have conclusions (II) and (III) hold.

In the following theorem, we determine all constacyclic codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$  and their dual codes, when  $d = \gcd(3lp^s, q-1) = 3l$ .

**Theorem 4.12.** Assume that  $\gcd(3lp^s, q-1) = 3l$ , let  $\gamma = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{3l}}$ ,  $\eta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{l}}$  and  $\beta = \xi^{\frac{q-1}{3}}$  be primitive  $3l$ -th,  $l$ -th and 3-th root of unity in  $f_q$  respectively. For any element  $\lambda$  of  $F_q^*$  and  $\lambda$ -constacyclic codes  $C$  of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$ . One of the following holds:

(I) If  $\lambda \in \langle \xi^{3l} \rangle$ , then there exists  $d_1 \in F_q^*$  such that  $d_1^{3lp^s} \lambda = 1$ , and we have

$$C = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^{3l-1} (x - d_1^{-1} \gamma^i)^{\varepsilon_i} \right\rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^{3l-1} (x - d_1 \gamma^{-i})^{p^s - \varepsilon_i} \right\rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_i \leq p^s$ , for any  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 3l-1$ .

(II) If  $\lambda \in \xi^{jp^s} \langle \xi^{3l} \rangle$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq 3l-1$ , then there exist  $d_2 \in F_q^*$  such that  $d_2^{3lp^s} \lambda = \xi^{jp^s}$ , and one of the following holds:

(i) when  $\gcd(3l, j) = l$ , we have

$$C = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^{l-1} (x^3 - d_2^{-3} \xi^t \eta^i)^{\varepsilon_i} \right\rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^{l-1} (x^3 - d_2^3 \xi^{-t} \eta^{-i})^{p^s - \varepsilon_i} \right\rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_i \leq p^s$ , for any  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, l-1$ .

(ii) when  $\gcd(3l, j) = 3$ , we have

$$C = \left\langle \prod_{i=0}^2 (x^l - d_2^{-l} \xi^k \beta^i)^{\varepsilon_i} \right\rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \langle \prod_{i=0}^2 (x^l - d_2^l \xi^{-k} \beta^{-i})^{p^s - \varepsilon_i} \rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon_i \leq p^s$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2$ . And  $k$  is some integer such that  $j = 3k$ .

(iii) When  $\gcd(3l, j) = 1$ . Then we have

$$C = \langle (x^{3l} - d_2^{3l} \xi^j)^\varepsilon \rangle,$$

$$C^\perp = \langle (x^{3l} - d_2^{3l} \xi^{-j})^{p^s - \varepsilon} \rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon \leq p^s$ .

## 5 All self-dual cyclic codes of length $3lp^s$ over $F_q$

In section 4, we have given the generator polynomials of all the constacyclic codes and their dual codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$ . Further, we more detailed determine all the self-dual cyclic(negacyclic) codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$ , in this section.

It's well known that there exist self-dual cyclic codes of length  $N$  over  $F_q$  if and only if  $N$  is even and the characteristic of  $F_q$  is  $p = 2$  [10, 11]. Therefore, we get that self-dual cyclic codes of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$  exist only when  $p = 2$ , in this paper. What's more, when  $p = 2$ , cyclic codes are the same with negacyclic codes of length  $3l2^s$  over  $F_{2^m}$ . Therefore, aim to obtain self-dual cyclic and negacyclic codes, we just need to work on cyclic(negacyclic) codes.

Let  $x^{3lp^s} - 1 = (x^{3l} - 1)^{p^s} = f_1(x)^{p^s} f_2(x)^{p^s} \cdots f_a(x)^{p^s} h_1(x)^{p^s} h_1^*(x)^{p^s} \cdots h_j(x)^{p^s} h_b^*(x)^{p^s}$  be the irreducible factorization of  $x^{3lp^s} - 1$ , where  $f_i(x)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq a$ , is monic irreducible self-reciprocal polynomial over  $F_q$ ,  $h_j(x)$  and its reciprocal polynomial  $h_j^*(x)$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq b$ , are also monic irreducible polynomial over  $F_q$ . Further, for any cyclic code  $C = \langle g(x) \rangle$  of length  $3lp^s$  over  $F_q$ , we suppose that

$$g(x) = f_1(x)^{\tau_1} f_2(x)^{\tau_2} \cdots f_a(x)^{\tau_a} h_1(x)^{\delta_1} h_1^*(x)^{\sigma_1} \cdots h_b(x)^{\delta_b} h_b^*(x)^{\sigma_b},$$

where  $0 \leq \tau_i, \delta_j, \sigma_k \leq p^s$ . Then, we have

$$h(x) = f_1(x)^{p^s - \tau_1} f_2(x)^{p^s - \tau_2} \cdots f_a(x)^{p^s - \tau_a} h_1(x)^{p^s - \delta_1} h_1^*(x)^{p^s - \sigma_1} \cdots h_b(x)^{p^s - \delta_b} h_b^*(x)^{p^s - \sigma_b},$$

Therefore,

$$h^*(x) = f_1(x)^{p^s - \tau_1} f_2(x)^{p^s - \tau_2} \cdots f_a(x)^{p^s - \tau_a} h_1(x)^{p^s - \sigma_1} h_1^*(x)^{p^s - \delta_1} \cdots h_b(x)^{p^s - \sigma_b} h_b^*(x)^{p^s - \delta_b},$$

If  $C$  is a self-dual cyclic code, we get the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.1.** With the above notations, we have that  $C$  is a self-dual cyclic code if and only if  $2\tau_i = p^s$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq a$ , and  $\delta_j + \sigma_j = p^s$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq b$ .

**Proof.**  $C$  is a self-dual cyclic code if and only if  $g(x) = h^*(x)$ , i.e.  $2\tau_i = p^s$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq a$ , and  $\delta_j + \sigma_j = p^s$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq b$ .

According to this theorem, we see that it's enough to determine the irreducible factorization of  $x^{3lp^s} - 1$  as above. And if we do this, we can give all the self-dual cyclic codes immediately.

Similar to the definition of reciprocal polynomials, we give the following definition.



**Definition 5.2.** Let  $C_s = (s, sq, \dots, sq^{f-1})$  be any  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $l$ , then

$$C_s^* = (-s, -sq, \dots, -sq^{f-1})$$

is said to be the reciprocal coset of  $C_s$ . And  $C_s$  is called self-reciprocal if  $C_s = C_s^*$ .

Obviously,  $C_s^*$  is still a  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $l$ . And the reciprocal polynomial of the minimal polynomial of  $C_s$  is the minimal polynomial of  $C_s^*$ . Hence, the minimal polynomial of  $C_s$  is also self-reciprocal if  $C_s$  is self-reciprocal.

**Lemma 5.3.** When  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , For the  $q$ -cyclotomic coset, which have been described in Lemma 2.1, one of the following holds:

(I) If  $f = \text{ord}_l(q)$  is even, we have

$$B_0^* = B_0, B_l^* = B_{-l}, B_{g^k}^* = B_{-g^k}, B_{3g^k}^* = B_{3g^k},$$

where  $0 \leq k \leq e-1$ .

(II) If  $f = \text{ord}_l(q)$  is odd, we have

$$B_0^* = B_0, B_l^* = B_{-l}, B_{g^k}^* = B_{-g^k}, B_{3g^{k'}}^* = B_{-3g^{k'}}$$

where  $\{B_{3g^k}\} = \{B_{3g^{k'}}\} \cup \{B_{-3g^{k'}}\}$  and  $0 \leq k \leq e-1, 0 \leq k' \leq \frac{e}{2}-1$ .

**Proof.** (I) Obviously, we only need to prove  $B_{3g^k}^* = B_{3g^k}$ . If  $f = \text{ord}_l(q)$  is even, we deduce that  $q^{\frac{f}{2}} \equiv -1 \pmod{l}$ . According to this, we get there exist  $i, j, 0 \leq i, j \leq f-1$ , and  $|j-i| = \frac{f}{2}$ , such that  $3g^k q^i \equiv -3g^k q^j \pmod{3l}$ , for any  $3g^k q^i \in B_{3g^k}, 0 \leq k \leq e-1$ . Therefore, we have  $B_{3g^k}^* = B_{3g^k}$ , for any  $k = 0, 1, \dots, e-1$ .

(II) In the same way with Lemma 2.1, we get  $B_0, B_l, B_{-l}, B_{g^k}, B_{-g^k}, B_{3g^{k'}}^*$  and  $B_{-3g^{k'}}^*, 0 \leq k \leq e-1, 0 \leq k' \leq \frac{e}{2}-1$ , are all the distinct  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $3l$ . Next, the result is obvious.

**Lemma 5.4.** If  $q \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  and  $f$  is even, For the  $q$ -cyclotomic coset, which have been described in Lemma 2.1, one of the following holds:

(I) When  $f = 2t$  and  $t$  is even, we have

$$B_0^* = B_0, B_l^* = B_l, B_{g^k}^* = B_{-g^k}, B_{3g^k}^* = B_{3g^k},$$

where  $\{B_{g^{k'}}\} = \{B_{g^k}\} \cup \{B_{-g^k}\}, 0 \leq k \leq e-1$  and  $0 \leq k' \leq 2e-1$ .

(II) When  $f = 2t$  and  $t$  is odd, we have

$$B_0^* = B_0, B_l^* = B_l, B_{g^{k'}}^* = B_{g^{k'}}, B_{3g^k}^* = B_{3g^k},$$

where  $0 \leq k \leq e-1$  and  $0 \leq k' \leq 2e-1$ .

**Proof.** (I) In the same way with Lemma 2.1, we get  $B_0, B_l, B_{g^k}, B_{-g^k}$  and  $B_{3g^k}, 0 \leq k \leq e-1$ , are all the distinct  $q$ -cyclotomic coset modulo  $3l$ . Next, We first prove that  $B_l^* = B_l$ , i.e.  $\{l, lq\}^* = \{l, lq\}$ . As  $q \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ , i.e.  $q \equiv -1 \pmod{3}$ , then  $lq \equiv -l \pmod{3}$ . Since  $\gcd(3, l) = 1$ , we have  $lq \equiv -l \pmod{3l}$ , which implies  $B_l^* = B_l$ . Otherwise, similar to the proof in (II) of Lemma 5.3, we get the other results immediately.

(II) According to (I), it's obvious that we only need to prove  $B_{g^{k'}}^* = B_{g^{k'}}$ . As  $t$  is odd, we have  $q^t \equiv -1 \pmod{3}$ . Since  $q^t \equiv -1 \pmod{l}$  and  $\gcd(3, l) = 1$ , we get  $q^t \equiv -1 \pmod{3l}$ . Then, we deduce that there exist  $i, j, 0 \leq i, j \leq f-1$ , and  $|j-i| = t$ , such that  $g^{k'} q^i \equiv -g^{k'} q^j \pmod{3l}$ , for any  $g^{k'} q^i \in B_{k'}, 0 \leq k' \leq 2e-1$ , i.e.  $B_{g^{k'}}^* = B_{g^{k'}}$ .

**Lemma 5.5.** If  $q \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  and  $f$  is odd, For the  $q$ -cyclotomic coset, which have been described in Lemma 2.1, we have

$$B_0^* = B_0, B_l^* = B_l, B_{g^{k'}}^* = B_{-g^{k'}}, B_{3g^{k'}}^* = B_{-3g^{k'}},$$

where  $\{B_{g^k}\} = \{B_{g^{k'}}\} \cup \{B_{-g^{k'}}\}$ ,  $\{B_{3g^k}\} = \{B_{3g^{k'}}\} \cup \{B_{-3g^{k'}}\}$  and  $0 \leq k \leq e-1, 0 \leq k' \leq \frac{e}{2}-1$ .

From the above lemmas, we can give all the self-dual cyclic(negacyclic) codes of length  $3l2^s$  over  $F_{2^m}$  and its enumeration in the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.6.** let  $l \neq 3$  be an odd prime,  $p = 2, f = \text{ord}_l(2^m)$ , and  $e = \frac{l-1}{f}$ . Then, for cyclic(negacyclic) self-dual codes of length  $3l2^s$  over  $F_{2^m}$ , we have

(I) When  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , one of the following hold:

(i) If  $f = \text{ord}_l(q)$  is even, then there exist  $(2^s + 1)^{e+1}$  cyclic self-dual codes of length  $3l2^s$  over  $F_{2^m}$ . And they are given by

$$\langle (x-1)^{2^{s-1}} B_l(x)^\delta B_{-l}(x)^{2^s-\delta} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} B_{g^k}(x)^{\delta_k} B_{-g^k}(x)^{2^s-\delta_k} B_{3g^k}(x)^{2^{s-1}} \rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \delta, \delta_k \leq 2^s$ , for any  $0 \leq k \leq e$ .

(ii) If  $f = \text{ord}_l(q)$  is odd, then there exist  $(2^s + 1)^{\frac{3e}{2}+1}$  cyclic self-dual codes of length  $3l2^s$  over  $F_{2^m}$ . And they are given by

$$\langle (x-1)^{2^{s-1}} B_l(x)^\delta B_{-l}(x)^{2^s-\delta} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} B_{g^k}(x)^{\delta_k} B_{-g^k}(x)^{2^s-\delta_k} \prod_{k=0}^{\frac{e}{2}-1} B_{3g^k}(x)^{\sigma_k} B_{-3g^k}(x)^{2^s-\sigma_k} \rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \delta, \delta_k, \sigma_k \leq 2^s$ , for any  $0 \leq k \leq e$ .

(II) When  $q \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ , we have

(i) If  $f = 2t$  and  $t$  is even, then there exist  $(2^s + 1)^e$  cyclic self-dual codes of length  $3l2^s$  over  $F_{2^m}$ . And they are given by

$$\langle (x-1)^{2^{s-1}} B_l(x)^{2^{s-1}} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} B_{g^k}(x)^{\delta_k} B_{-g^k}(x)^{2^s-\delta_k} B_{3g^k}(x)^{2^{s-1}} \rangle,$$

where  $0 \leq \delta_k \leq 2^s$ , for any  $0 \leq k \leq e$ .

(ii) if  $f = 2t$  and  $t$  is odd, then there exists only one cyclic self-dual codes of length  $3l2^s$  over  $F_{2^m}$ . And they are given by

$$\langle (x-1)^{2^{s-1}} B_l(x)^{2^{s-1}} \prod_{k=0}^{2e-1} B_{g^{k'}}(x)^{2^{s-1}} \prod_{k=0}^{e-1} B_{3g^k}(x)^{2^{s-1}} \rangle.$$

(iii) If  $f$  is odd, then there exist  $(2^s + 1)^e$  cyclic self-dual codes of length  $3l2^s$  over  $F_{2^m}$ . And they are given by

$$\langle (x-1)^{2^{s-1}} B_l(x)^{2^{s-1}} \prod_{k'=0}^{\frac{e}{2}-1} B_{g^{k'}}(x)^{\delta_{k'}} B_{-g^{k'}}(x)^{2^s - \delta_{k'}} B_{3g^{k'}}(x)^{\sigma_{k'}} B_{-3g^{k'}}(x)^{2^s - \sigma_{k'}} \rangle.$$

where  $0 \leq \delta_{k'}, \sigma_{k'} \leq 2^s$ , for any  $0 \leq k' \leq e$ .

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