

# Review of: "Bent Functions and Strongly Regular Graphs"

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The paper addresses the connection between bent functions, a specialized class of Boolean functions essential in cryptography, and strongly regular graphs (SRGs). By examining Cayley graphs defined by the support of bent functions, the study lists parameters for these graphs and provides conditions for  $(n,m)(n,m)(n,m)$ -bent functions. This involves their components' support and  $n$ -ary symmetric differences. The paper contributes to both the theory of cryptography and graph theory, with implications for designing secure cryptographic systems.

## Strengths:

1. The call for further exploration of APN functions and odd- $n$  cases sets the stage for subsequent research.
2. The conclusion succinctly encapsulates the study's contributions.

**Weaknesses:** The paper could have provided preliminary insights into the challenges and potential methods for extending the work to odd- $n$  cases or APN functions.

**Overall Rating: 4/5** The paper makes a strong theoretical contribution to the study of bent functions and SRGs, but it could benefit from more practical examples, visual aids, and detailed future directions.