MATH 400 Directed Reading

Due by 5pm on Friday, December 1. Do not forget to attach the honor code. There are five problems.

- (1) Show that the dual code of a cyclic code is cyclic.
- (2) Find all the possible monic generators for each of the following ideals:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{(a)} & I=\langle 1+x+x^3\rangle\subset \mathbb{F}_2[x]/(x^7-1);\\ \text{(b)} & I=\langle 1+x^2\rangle\subset \mathbb{F}_3[x]/(x^4-1). \end{array}$$

- (3) Determine whether the following polynomials are generator polynomials of cyclic codes of given lengths:
 - (a) $g(x) = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4$ for a binary cyclic code of length 7;
 - (b) $g(x) = 2 + 2x^2 + x^3$ for a ternary cyclic code of length 8;
 - (c) $g(x) = 2 + 2x + x^3$ for a ternary cyclic code of length 13.
- (4) Determine the smallest length for a binary cyclic code for which each of the following polynomials is the generator polynomial:
 - (a) $g(x) = 1 + x^4 + x^5$;
 - (b) $g(x) = 1 + x + x^2 + x^4 + x^6$.
- (5) Let $g(x) = 1 + x^4 + x^6 + x^7 + x^8 \in \mathbb{F}_2[x]$ be the generator polynomial of a binary [15, 7]-cyclic code C. Write down a generator matrix and a parity-check matrix for C. Construct a generator matrix of the form $(I_7|A)$.