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## Algebra and Number Theory Seminar

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will speak on

## Linear recurring sequence subgroups and automorphisms of cyclic codes

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Location: Mathematical Sciences Seminar Room

Let  $q = p^r$  be a prime power, and let  $f(x) = x^m - f_{m-1}x^{m-1} - cdots - f_1x - f_0$  be an irreducible polynomial over the finite field GF(q) of size q. A zero xi of f is called em nonstandard/ if the recurrence relation  $[u_m = f_{m-1}u_{m-1} + cdots + f_1u_1 + f_0u_0]$  can generate the powers of xi in an ontrivial way, that is, with  $u_0 =$ 1 and  $f(u_1)eq0$ . In 2003, Brison and Nogueira asked for a characterisation of all nonstandard cases in the case m = 2, and solved this problem for q a prime. The problem is still open for m = 2 and general q.

In this talk, we first relate this classification problem to the problem of determining which cyclic codes over GF(q) possess extra permutation automorphisms.

Then we discuss two classes of examples of nonstandard finite field elements. Finally, we use the known classification of the subgroups of PGL(2,q) in a first step towards showing that these examples exhaust all possibilities in the case where m = 2.

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