

# Isodual Cyclic Codes of rate 1/2 over GF(5)

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## Abstract

*A new classes of isodual cyclic codes of parameters  $[n, k]_5$ , are found for  $n$  singly even, not a multiple of 5.*

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## 1 Introduction

In the present work, we consider cyclic codes over  $F_5$  of rate 1/2. An important subclass of these is that of isodual codes, i.e. codes equivalent to their duals. We propose, in the case  $n = 2m$  with  $m$  odd, three constructions of isodual cyclic codes over  $F_5$ . The characterization of the generating polynomial of an isodual cyclic code is left as a challenging open problem.

## 2 Cyclic codes of rate 1/2 over $F_5$

Some familiarity with coding theory is in [6,7]. Let  $F_5$  denote the Galois field of five elements. Recall that the **rate** of a linear code of length  $n$  and dimension  $k$  is  $k/n$ . Two linear codes are said to be equivalent if one can be obtained from the other by permutation of coordinates. A linear code is said to be **isodual** iff it is equivalent to its dual. Recall that a cyclic code of length  $n$  over  $F_5$  can be regarded as an ideal in the principal ideal ring  $F_5[x]/(x^n - 1)$ . If  $g(x)$  denote the **generator** polynomial of a cyclic code  $C$ , then the generator of the dual code, denoted by  $h(x)$  is, up to sign, the reciprocal of its complement

$$h(x) = \frac{x^n - 1}{g(x)}$$

where the **reciprocal** polynomial  $f^*(x)$  of a polynomial  $f(x)$ , of degree  $n$  over  $F_5$ , is defined by

$$f^*(x) = x^n f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

The parameters of a 5–ary code are denoted by  $[n, k]_5$  and are length and dimension. In recent last years, good linear codes over  $GF(5)$  were constructed. In [3] a new minimum distance bounds for linear codes over  $GF(5)$  are discovered. Crassl and White presents 55 new codes in [1]. The classification of all optimal linear codes  $[n, n/2]$  over  $GF(5)$  and  $GF(7)$  is presented in [5] respectively to the length 12 and 8. Crassl maintains an electronic table(online) on upper and lower bounds of the minimum distance of linear codes in [2]. P. Gaborit, presents a table of self-dual codes over  $GF(5)$ , [tables; online] in [4]. The algorithm to compute the minimum distance of a cyclic codes is in [8].

## 2.1 Cyclic Codes of parameters $[22, 11]_5$

We begin our study of cyclic codes of parameters  $[n, \frac{n}{2}]$ ,  $n$  even, and not a multiple of 5. The following decomposition into irreducible factors

$$\begin{aligned} x^{22} - 1 &= (1+x)(4+x)(1+3x+4x^2+4x^3+x^4+x^5)(4+x+x^2+4x^3+2x^4 \\ &\quad + x^5)(1+x+4x^2+4x^3+3x^4+x^5)(4+3x+x^2+4x^3+4x^4+x^5) \end{aligned}$$

over  $F_5$  comprises 4 polynomials of degree 5 and two linear polynomials. Thus there are  $\binom{2}{4} \times \binom{1}{2} = 12$  possible generators polynomials of degree 11. All polynomials and the corresponding generated codes that are isodual are recorded in the following table.

Table 1

$n^\circ$	$g(x)$	$\begin{cases} u^*(x) = \\ v^*(x) = \end{cases}$	$\left[\frac{x^{22}-1}{g(x)}\right]^* =$
1	423233112341	$\begin{cases} u^*(x) = -v(x) \\ v^*(x) = -u(x) \end{cases}$	$[-g(-x)]^*$
2	100000000001	$\begin{cases} u^*(x) = v(x) \\ v^*(x) = u(x) \end{cases}$	$g(-x)$
3	441111442211	$\begin{cases} u^*(x) = v^*(-x) \\ v^*(x) = u^*(-x) \end{cases}$	$-g(-x)$
4	443311444411	$\begin{cases} u^*(x) = v^*(-x) \\ v^*(x) = u^*(-x) \end{cases}$	$-g(-x)$
5	122222222221	$\begin{cases} u^*(x) = -v(x) \\ v^*(x) = -u(x) \end{cases}$	$g(-x)$
6	412344223231	$\begin{cases} u^*(x) = -v(x) \\ v^*(x) = -u(x) \end{cases}$	$[-g(-x)]^*$
7	113314322221	$\begin{cases} u^*(x) = -v(x) \\ v^*(x) = -u(x) \end{cases}$	$[-g(-x)]^*$
8	423232323231	$\begin{cases} u^*(x) = v(x) \\ v^*(x) = u(x) \end{cases}$	$-g(-x)$

$n^\circ$	$g(x)$	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = \\ v^*(x) = \end{bmatrix}$	$\left[ \frac{x^{22}-1}{g(x)} \right]^* =$
9	144141143241	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = v^*(-x) \\ v^*(x) = u^*(-x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
10	142341141441	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = v^*(-x) \\ v^*(x) = u^*(-x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
11	4000000000001	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = -v(x) \\ v^*(x) = -u(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
12	122223413311	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = -v(x) \\ v^*(x) = -u(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$[-g(-x)]^*$

We summarize our first result by:

**Proposition 2.1** *All cyclic codes of parameters  $[22, 11]_5$  are isodual.*

## 2.2 Cyclic Codes of parameters $[26, 13]_5$

We have  $\binom{2}{1} \times \binom{6}{3} = 40$  possible choices for the generating polynomial of the cyclic codes  $C[26, 13]_5$ .

$$\begin{aligned} x^{26} - 1 &= (1+x)(4+x)(1+x+4x^2+x^3+x^4)(1+2x+2x^3+x^4)(1+2x+x^2+2x^3 \\ &\quad + x^4)(1+3x+3x^3+x^4)(1+3x+x^2+3x^3+x^4)(1+4x+4x^2+4x^3+x^4) \end{aligned}$$

All polynomials and the corresponding generated codes that are either isodual or not are recorded in the following table.

Table 2

$n^\circ$	$g(x)$	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = \\ v^*(x) = \end{bmatrix}$	$\left[ \frac{x^{26}-1}{g(x)} \right]^* =$
1	11314011041311	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
2	41202223330341	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
3	12121433412121	/	not isod
4	40133423122401	/	not isod
5	12210100101221	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
6	40010423104001	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
7	13433300333431	/	not isod
8	44014123414011	/	not isod
9	12222222222221	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
10	400000000000001	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
11	12312144121321	/	not isod
12	40431023042101	/	not isod
13	13040011004031	/	not isod
14	44422314233111	/	not isod
15	13240244204231	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$

n°	g(x)	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = \\ v^*(x) = \end{bmatrix}$	$\left[ \frac{x^{26}-1}{g(x)} \right]^* =$
16	44213032024311	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
17	14011133111041	/	not isod
18	43132300232421	/	not isod
19	14123344332141	/	not isod
20	43040041001021	/	not isod
21	13410111101431	/	not isod
22	44033141422011	/	not isod
23	13014222241031	/	not isod
24	44402000030111	/	not isod
25	14312022021341	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
26	43340214301221	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
27	14032111123041	/	not isod
28	43110141404421	/	not isod
29	10432433423401	/	not isod
30	42424423113131	/	not isod
31	10000000000001	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
32	42323232323231	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
33	14103000030141	/	not isod
34	43011232344021	/	not isod
35	10010433401001	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
36	42310100404231	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
37	10134033043101	/	not isod
38	42213114424331	/	not isod
39	11303233230311	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
40	41211041044341	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$

**Remark:** 40% of the cyclic codes  $[26, 13]_5$  are isodual.

**Proposition 2.2** If  $\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$  then the cyclic codes of parameters  $C[26, 13]_5$  are isodual.

### 2.3 Cyclic Codes of parameters $[38, 19]_5$

For cyclic codes of parameters  $[38, 19]_5$ , the factorization of  $x^{38} - 1$  yields  $12 = 2 \times \binom{2}{4}$  possible generators polynomials of degree  $19 = 1 + 2 \times 9$ .

$$x^{38} - 1 = (1 + x)(4 + x)(4 + 4x + 2x^2 + 4x^3 + 2x^4 + 2x^5 + 2x^6 +$$

$$3x^7 + x^9)(1 + 4x + 3x^2 + 4x^3 + 3x^4 + 2x^5 + 3x^6 + 3x^7 + x^9)(4 + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + 3x^4 + 3x^5 + x^6 + 3x^7 + x^8 + x^9) \\ (1 + 3x^2 + 3x^3 + 2x^4 + 3x^5 + 4x^6 + 3x^7 + 4x^8 + x^9)$$

In table 3, we note each generator polynomial of the cyclic code  $[38, 19]_5$  and the reciprocal of its complement.

Table 3

n°	$g(x)$	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = \\ v^*(x) = \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} x^{38}-1 \\ g(x) \end{bmatrix}^* =$
1	44002233333311331111	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = v^*(-x) \\ v^*(x) = u^*(-x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
2	12222222222222222221	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = -v(x) \\ v^*(x) = -u(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
3	43321324124303204001	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = v(x) \\ v^*(x) = u(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$[-g(-x)]^*$
4	40010320213413243221	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = -v(x) \\ v^*(x) = -u(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$[-g(-x)]^*$
5	10000000000000000000000001	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = v(x) \\ v^*(x) = u(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
6	44442244222222330011	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = v^*(-x) \\ v^*(x) = u^*(-x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
7	14003223232341234141	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = v^*(-x) \\ v^*(x) = u^*(-x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$
8	4000000000000000000000001	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = -v(x) \\ v^*(x) = -u(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
9	10010330312443342231	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = v(x) \\ v^*(x) = u(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$[-g(-x)]^*$
10	13224334421303301001	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = -v(x) \\ v^*(x) = -u(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$[-g(-x)]^*$
11	42323232323232323231	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = v(x) \\ v^*(x) = u(x) \end{bmatrix}$	$-g(-x)$
12	14143214323232230041	$\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = v^*(-x) \\ v^*(x) = u^*(-x) \end{bmatrix}$	$g(-x)$

**Proposition 2.3** All cyclic codes of parameters  $[38, 19]_5$  are isodual.

## 2.4 Cyclic Codes of parameters [42, 21]5

The factorization of  $x^{42} - 1$  into irreducible factors yields 80 possible generators polynomials of degree 21 of the cyclic codes of parameters  $[42, 21]_5$ .

$$\begin{aligned} x^{42} - 1 &= (1+x)(4+x)(1+x+x^2)(1+4x+x^2)(1+2x^2+2x^3+2x^4 \\ &\quad +x^6)(1+2x^2+3x^3+2x^4+x^6)(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4+x^5 \\ &\quad +x^6)(1+x+3x^2+4x^3+3x^4+x^5+x^6)(1+4x+x^2+4x^3 \\ &\quad +x^4+4x^5+x^6)(1+4x+3x^2+x^3+3x^4+4x^5+x^6) \end{aligned}$$

We give some polynomials and the corresponding generated code with the possibility that are isodual or not in the table 4. For the isodual codes  $[42, 21]_5$  we have always:  $u^*(x) = u(x)$ ,  $v^*(x) = v(x)$ .

Table 4

n°	g(x)	$[\frac{x^{42}-1}{g(x)}]^* =$
1	1343441034004301443431	not isodual
2	1101434141441414341011	not isodual
3	4101131111144444244041	not isodual
4	4313144024001301142421	not isodual
5	1434433001441003344341	$g(-x)$
6	4233122324411323342231	$-g(-x)$
7	1223423334114333243221	$g(-x)$
8	4424132001144003241311	$-g(-x)$
9	1301323321441233231031	not isodual
10	1112441241001421442111	not isodual
11	4142144211004431143141	not isodual
12	4301222331144223334021	not isodual

**Proposition 2.4** If  $\begin{bmatrix} u^*(x) = u(x) \\ v^*(x) = v(x) \end{bmatrix}$  then the cyclic codes of parameters  $C[42, 21]_5$  are isodual.

### 3 Isodual Cyclic Codes

We give three constructions of isodual cyclic codes. We suppose that  $n = 2m$  with  $m$  odd and not a multiple of 5. In that case the factorization

$$x^m - 1 = (x - 1)u(x)v(x)$$

yields, by changing  $x$  into  $-x$  the factorization

$$x^m + 1 = (x + 1)u(-x)v(-x).$$

We choose

$$g(x) = (x - 1)u(x)v(-x).$$

We consider the following three cases

1.  $u^*(x) = u(x), v^*(x) = v(x)$
2.  $u^*(x) = \epsilon v(x), v^*(x) = \eta u(x)$
3.  $u^*(x) = v^*(-x), v(x)^* = u^*(-x)$

with  $\epsilon, \eta = \pm 1$ .

**Proposition 3.1** *Keep the above notation. In the three cases the cyclic code of generator  $g(x)$  is isodual.*

**Proof.** In each case we compute the generator of the dual code. First

$$(x^n - 1)/g(x) = (x + 1)u(-x)v(x).$$

Taking reciprocals of both sides, we obtain in the three cases:  $\pm g(-x)$  or  $[-g(-x)]^*$ . The result follows.

## 4 Open Problem

The characterization of the generating polynomial of an isodual cyclic code over GF(5) is now known. Is it possible to extend these result to other finite fields ?

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