List of Standards

Bold headings are **standards**, with **topics** underneath. Labels such as [MT-N] will appear on all assessments. Keep this sheet as reference and to keep a record of your progress.

[MT] Mathematical tools (Each topic can be basic or advanced, depending on the assessment)

[MT-N] Numbers (Sets and numbers, functions, counting, divisibility)

[MT-P] Probability (Basics, random variables)

[MT-A] Algebraic structures (Congruences, groups, rings)

[MT-F] Fields (Definitions, construction, field extensions, etc.)

[MT-O] Polynomials (Polynomial algebra, factoring, irreducibility)

[MT-L] Linear Algebra (Vectors, matrices, subspaces, span, independence, cosets, etc.)

[NL] Noiseless Coding (Each topic can be basic or advanced, depending on the assessment)

[NL-F] Fundamentals (Definitions, code basics, uniquely decipherable, prefix-free)

[NL-I] Information (Entropy, Kraft-McMillan inequalities, Noiseless Coding Theorem)

[NL-C] Compression (Average length, constructing Huffman codes, other compression techniques)

[NY] Noisy Coding (Each topic can be basic or advanced, depending on the assessment)

[NY-F] Fundamentals (Hamming weight, BSC, capacity, Noisy Coding Theorem)

[NY-E] Basic examples (Parity checks, repetition, CRCs, etc.)

[NY-L] Linear codes (Definitions, duals, generator and parity-check matrices, minimum distance)

[NY-B] Bounds (Hamming bound, Hamming spheres, MDS codes, etc.)

[NY-D] Decoding (Nearest neighbor, syndrome)

[NY-C] Constructions (Via generators and PC matrices, Hamming codes, Cyclic codes, Vandermonde matrices, Reed-Solomon codes)

[CM] Communicating Math (Advanced mastery via "+" topics only. No exam proficiency required.)

[CM-J] Justify (Justify all answers appropriately)

[CM-O] Organize (Organize solutions in a helpful way, arrange work neatly)

[CM-C] Completeness (Fully address each issue)

[CM-M+] Mathematical style (Use proper mathematical language and writing style)

[CM-S+] Succinctness (Write concisely, avoid unnecessarily extraneous verbiage)

[CM-E+] Elegance (Write an especially clear and concise proof, choosing the best among several options or techniques)

[SS] Student Success (Advanced mastery via "+" topics only. No exam proficiency required.

Each week will count as one assessment of each topic.)

[SS-P] Prepare for class (Thoughtfully and fully complete pre-class readings and warm-ups)

[SS-A] Attend class regularly (What it says!)

[SS-H] Hand in all work on time (Or arrange for early drop-off)

[SS-I+] Interact with others during class (in a meaningful mathematical way)

[SS-Q+] Ask and answer thoughtful and relevant questions

(In class, in responses, during office hours, etc.)

[SS-W+] Who? Make yourself known to the instructor! (Visit office hours, talk with me during class, email with questions, etc.)