

1125-VA-2230

**Christopher O'Neill\*** (coneill@math.ucdavis.edu), Department of Mathematics, UC Davis, One Shields Ave, Davis, CA 95616, and **Jacob Hartzler** (jacobhartzler@gmail.com), Mailstop 3368, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843. *On the periodicity of irreducible elements in arithmetical congruence monoids.*

Arithmetical congruence monoids, which arise in the study of non-unique factorization, are multiplicative submonoids  $M_{a,b} \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$  consisting of all positive integers  $n$  satisfying  $n \equiv a \pmod{b}$ . In this talk, we examine asymptotic properties of the set of irreducible elements of  $M_{a,b}$ , and present a characterization in terms of  $a$  and  $b$  when this set forms an eventually periodic sequence. (Received September 20, 2016)