

THE QUATERNION PROBLEM

Applications and A

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Previous KULB seminars: Deuring corres
Passing between ideals and isogenies s
In this talk, we add *orientations* into the p
CSIDH, SCALLOP, ...
Extra data of an *imaginary quadratic* orde



We will look at orientations, purely on the
 Optimal embeddings, and quadratic/qu
 “In the quaternion world, everything is ea
 The central theme of today: The quatern

Problem

Given an order $\mathcal{O} \subset B_p \infty$ and an imaginary qu
 optimal embedding $\iota : \quad \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}$ or decide none

We'll finish / summarize with an “isogeny



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Imaginary Quadratic Fields

$K := \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$ for some $d \in \mathbb{Z}$.

2-dimensional \mathbb{Q} -algebra $\mathbb{Q} + \sqrt{d}\mathbb{Q}$.

An element $\alpha = x + \sqrt{d}y$ has a conjugate

Can define the trace

$$\text{tr}(\alpha) = \alpha + \bar{\alpha}$$

and norm

$$n(\alpha) = \alpha \bar{\alpha} = x^2 - dy^2$$

Every $\alpha \in K$ satisfies $\alpha^2 - \text{tr}(\alpha)\alpha + n(\alpha) = 0$



Imaginary Quadratic Fields

A *lattice* L in K is something of the form

$$L = \beta_1 \mathbb{Z} +$$

where β_1, β_2 is a \mathbb{Q} -basis of K .

An *order* is a lattice that is also a subring

$1 \in$ and is closed under multiplication

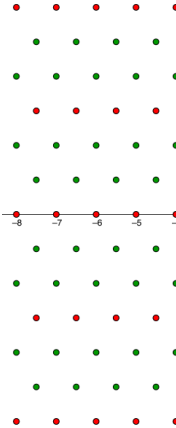
There is a *maximal* order $\mathcal{O}_K \subset K$, containing

The *conductor* of is $f := [\mathcal{O}_K :]$. In the



Example

The Eisenstein integers
and a suborder in $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$.



Background

A quaternion algebra B over \mathbb{Q} is a 4-dim \mathbb{Q} -algebra. $\mathbb{Q} + \mathbb{Q} + \mathbf{j}\mathbb{Q} + \mathbf{k}\mathbb{Q}$.

Multiplication defined by $i^2 = -q, \mathbf{j}^2 =$

Define the conjugate of $\alpha = t + x + \mathbf{j}y +$

The *reduced trace* of $\alpha \in B_{p,\infty}$ is

$$\mathrm{trd}(\alpha) := t +$$

The *reduced norm* of $\alpha \in B_{p,\infty}$ is

$$\mathrm{nrd}(\alpha) := \alpha \bar{\alpha} = t^2 + q.$$

Every $\alpha \in B_{p,\infty}$ satisfies $\alpha^2 - \mathrm{trd}(\alpha)\alpha + \mathrm{nrd}(\alpha) = 0$.



Lattices

A *lattice* L in $B_{p\infty}$ is something of the form

$$L = \beta_1\mathbb{Z} + \beta_2\mathbb{Z} +$$

where $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4$ is a \mathbb{Q} -basis of $B_{p\infty}$.

An *order* \mathcal{O} is a lattice that is also a subring.

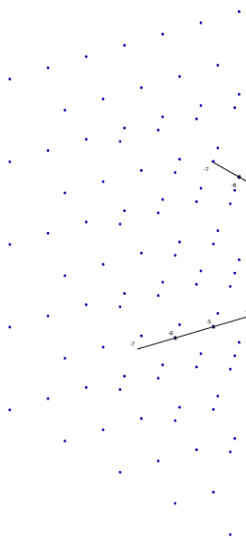
~~There is a maximal order containing all orders.~~
maximal orders in $B_{p\infty}$.

NB Sometimes in this talk, we might refer to *orders* that they don't have full rank.



Quaternion Orders

A “quaternion order”

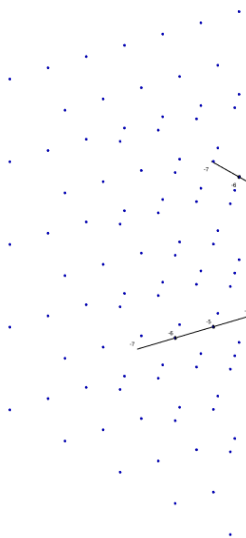


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Quaternion Orders

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(caveat: $3 = 4$)



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Embeddings

The central theme of this talk is embeddings

Of course, $\iota(1_K) = 1_{B_p}$

Let $K := \mathbb{Q}(\omega)$. What should $\iota(\omega)$ be?

Recall $\omega^2 - \text{tr}(\omega)\omega + \text{n}(\omega) = 0$.

Enough to find $\iota(\omega) \in B_p$ with $\text{trd}(\iota(\omega)) = \text{tr}(\omega)$

ι is uniquely defined by $\iota(\omega)$.



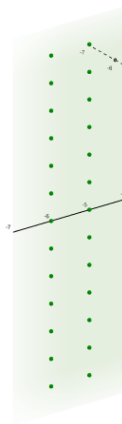
Embedding

$\iota : \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1}) \hookrightarrow B$ defined by
 $\iota(\sqrt{-1}) = i.$



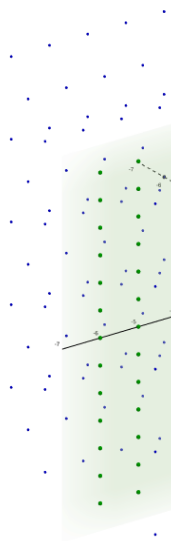
Embedding

Adding $\iota(K)$,
 $K = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{1}]$.



Adding back the quaternion Order

We add back the quaternion order \mathcal{O} , and can ask, what is $\iota(K) \cap \mathcal{O}$?

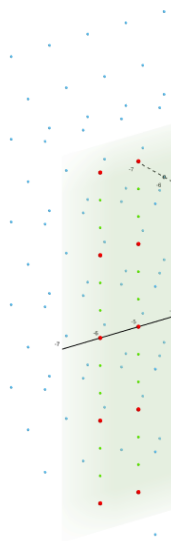


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An optimal embedding

$$\iota(K) \cap \mathcal{O} = \iota(\mathbb{Z} + 3 \cdot K).$$



Primitively Oriented Orders

We say that $\iota : \quad \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}$ is an *optimal embedding*

$$\iota(K) \cap \mathcal{O} = \iota(\quad).$$

Given an embedding $\iota : K \hookrightarrow B_{p\infty}$, we call ι an *optimal embedding* into a p -oriented order \mathcal{O} , if $\iota(K) \cap \mathcal{O} = \iota(\quad)$.



Correspondence of ideals

Let (\mathcal{O}, ι) be a primitively ι -oriented order.

Given an ι -ideal \mathfrak{l} , we can look at the con

Correspondingly, given a left \mathcal{O} -ideal I , w

How are these operations related?

Proposition

Given an invertible ι -ideal \mathfrak{l} we have that

Given a left \mathcal{O} -ideal I we have that $I \supseteq \mathcal{O}\langle$



Horizontal and vertical ideals

Assume $n(I)$ is prime. Three cases:

$$\mathcal{O}\langle I \cap \iota(K) \rangle = \mathcal{O}\langle n(I) \rangle$$



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I is a *horizontal* ideal if

$n(I) \nmid f$, the conductor.

I is an *ascending* ideal if

$n(I) \mid f$, the conductor.



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What is missing?

Given two primitively \mathbb{Q} -oriented maximal orders $\mathcal{O}_1, \mathcal{O}_2$, is there an isomorphism between them.

Vectorization reduces to endomorphism rings.

From [CVP20]¹, this was first shown for \mathbb{Q} -oriented maximal orders.

Later generalised to *almost* arbitrary orders.

Exponential in the number of distinct primes dividing n .

However, we can *almost* get it “for free”.

¹Rational isogenies from irrational endomorphisms

¹Orientations and the supersingular endomorphism ring



A new reduction

The new reduction follows from the following

Proposition

Let $(\mathcal{O}_1, \iota), (\mathcal{O}_2, \iota)$ be two primitively ∞ -oriented ∞ -manifolds. If I is horizontal.

So, given $(\mathcal{O}_1, \iota_1), (\mathcal{O}_2, \iota_2)$, we need only fix the

Find an element $\beta \in B_p \infty$ such that $(\beta \mathcal{O}_2$

Solve $\beta \iota_2(\omega) - \iota_1(\omega) \beta = 0$.

Compute the connecting ideal $I := \mathcal{O}_1 \mathcal{O}_2$

Find the solution as $\iota_1(\mathfrak{l}) = I \cap \iota_1(K)$.

Computing equivalent ideals of a g

Computing isogenies of fixed degree d : Comp
look for ideals equivalent to the connecting i

Let I be the connecting ideal.

$d < p^{1/2}$: Compute reduced basis of I .

$d > p^{15/4}$: KLPT.

For d in between here, the problem seem

Connected to the quaternion embedding

³Improved algorithms for finding fixed-degree isoge
curves

Computing equivalent ideals of a g

We are trying to find an ideal
equivalent to $\mathcal{O}_0\mathcal{O}$ of norm d .

\mathcal{O} is primitively oriented by \mathfrak{f} ,
an ideal I of norm d induces a
(not necessarily primitive)
 $\mathbb{Z} + d\mathfrak{f}$ -orientation on $\mathcal{O}_R(I)$

\mathfrak{D} -orien

$\mathbb{Z} + 2\mathfrak{f}$

$\mathbb{Z} + 2^2\mathfrak{f}$

$\mathbb{Z} + 2^3\mathfrak{f}$



Computing equivalent ideals of a g

$\mathbb{Z}[i]$ -or

Important special case: \mathcal{O}_0
oriented by $\mathbb{Z}[i]$.

Computed a primitive
 $\mathbb{Z}[2^5]$ -orientation on \mathcal{O} .

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The ascending ideal is easily
computed.

$\mathbb{Z}[i]$ -o

$\mathbb{Z}[2i]$ -c

$\mathbb{Z}[2^2i]$ -

$\mathbb{Z}[2^3i]$ -

$\mathbb{Z}[2^4i]$ -

$\mathbb{Z}[2^5i]$ -



Computing equivalent ideals of a g

Later: can compute embeddings of \mathcal{O} into \mathbb{Q}_p whenever $\text{disc}(\mathcal{O}) < p^{4/3}$.

Corollary: We can compute ideals of norm p^n if they exist (with \mathcal{O}_0 special).

In general: computing these ideals of norm p^n embeddings of $\mathbb{Z}[di]$.

For generic \mathcal{O}_0 , the reduction only works for computing optimal embeddings up to disc



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Relation to ternary quadratic forms

In general the quaternion embedding problem

Wlog. we can assume that $\text{tr}(\alpha) = 0$, so

Voigt, Chp 22: There is a discriminant-pr

Quaternion orders $\left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} \text{up to isomorphism} \end{matrix}} \right\} \Leftrightarrow$ Ternary quadratic forms

that can be given by sending \mathcal{O} to the norm

i.e. if $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$ is a basis of (\mathcal{O}) , the assoc

$Q(x, y, z) := \text{nrd}(x\beta_1 + y\beta_2 + z\beta_3)$.

Our case: The quaternion embedding pr

by a positive definite ternary quadratic fo



A very easy special case algorithm

From this point forward, we will think of the order $\mathcal{O} \subset B_{p^\infty}$ and an integer n , find $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ with $N(\alpha) = n$.
Special case: Let $i^2 = -1$, $j^2 = -p$, and $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{Z}$.

The associated norm form is $Q(x, y, z) = x^2 + py^2 + pz^2$.

Solve it modulo p to find x_0 , with $x_0^2 \equiv n \pmod{p}$.

Find y, z satisfying $y^2 + z^2 = (n - x_0^2)/(p)$ (Cornacchia).

Then $\alpha = (x_0 + kp) + jy + kz$ is a solution.

B-b-b-bonus application

Finding a curve oriented by a given order \mathcal{O} :

When $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{Z} + f\mathbb{Z}[i]$, this is solved by Set

Computes a random descending f -isoge
an endomorphism of degree fN with N

For general \mathcal{O} , another existing algorithm
quaternion side, then standard KLPT + tr

This used to be in Seta's key generation,

New algorithm: "as efficient as the first, b

Compute an embedding of $\mathbb{Z} + g$ in \mathcal{O}
a optimal embedding of $\mathbb{Z} + g$ into End

Compute the ascending isogeny of degr

The generic case

Given a “random” quaternion order \mathcal{O} , compute $\text{nrd}(\) = n$.

First result [Wes22]: Computing a reduced norm
(Really works up to $n < p^{2/3}$).

Again [BKM23]: Techniques applied to the
works conjecturally up to $n < p^{4/5}$.

This summer [ACD23]⁴: Generic algorithm for
cases.

New: Improving previous algorithm up to
orders, not just maximal) with the same
improvements assuming factorisation.

⁴Finding orientations of supersingular elliptic curves

A first algorithm - HNF basis

Given a quaternion order \mathcal{O} , compute an element $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ such that

This algorithm works with the order in H defined by

$$\mathcal{O} = \langle e_{00} + e_{01} + e_{02} + e_{03} + e_{11} + e_{12} + e_{13} + e_{22} + e_{23} + e_{33} \rangle$$

Solving for trace and mod p , we get $\alpha_0 =$

For increasing k , solve for y, z , such that
solution $\alpha_0 + \alpha_1$



Improving the HNF basis algorithm

Notice that when β_0 is set, we are looking

$$\beta_1 = k \cdot p\beta_2 + y \cdot$$

This defines a new lattice Λ in $B_p \infty$.

In fact, this lattice Λ is exactly the trace-
 \mathcal{O} -ideal of norm p .

Whenever $n < p^{4/3}$, we have that β_1 is the

A new algorithm using a reduced basis

For any solution α , and any $\beta \in \mathcal{O} \setminus \mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$, the trace of β is revealed mod $\Delta = \text{discrd}(\mathcal{O})$ (and upper bound)

Found by computing the discriminant of \mathcal{O}

Let $1, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$ be a reduced basis of \mathcal{O} . If α is known exactly, and one finds α by solving

Again, for maximal orders, this “usually” works

Exploit the fact that this works for any order



Similarity with CVP improvement?

Compute any solution β_0 with

$$\text{trd}(\beta_0 \beta_i) = \text{trd}(\beta_i)$$

Again: Look for an $\beta_1 := \beta_0$ in the un

Hence, given any (not necessarily reduced) basis, we can improve it to a reduced basis with the same complexity by doing a CVP search for



Pathological cases

All these except HNF-algorithm, relies on
somewhat uniform

$$1, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \text{ with } \text{nrd}(\beta_i) \approx p^{2/3}$$

Previous two: Runtime dominated by ma

However, with factorization, we get a run

Again, reduces to solving a principal qua

Unlike the HNF-basis method, there's se
this.



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A magic trick

Just like a magic trick, this is as cool as it
Let $p \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$. We compute the sh
and $j(E_2) = 1728$ in the 2-isogeny graph.



A magic trick

Let $p = 2^{55} \cdot 3$. $-1 \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$. We work

$$B_p \infty = \mathbb{Q} + \mathbb{Q} +$$

where $i^2 = -1$ and $j^2 = -p$.

The standard order $\mathcal{O} \cong \text{End}(E_2)$ is

$$\mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z} + \frac{+j}{2} \mathbb{Z}$$

We want the smallest k such that $\mathbb{Z}[2^k \omega]$

A magic trick

For $k = 54$, we find the embedding

$$\iota(2^{54}\omega) = 9007199254740992 + \frac{19924704230}{2}$$

Translating the ideal $I := \mathcal{O}\langle \iota(2^{54}\omega), 2^{54} \rangle$ to

$$E_2 : y^2 = x^3$$

reveals that the point $K \in E_2$ with

$$x(K) = 86739268981076750i + 692$$

generates a 2^{54} -isogeny $\varphi : E_2 \rightarrow E_1$ with

Thank you for you