# Space-Time Codes <br> from Quotients of Division Algebras 

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## Space-Time Coding: Model

$$
\mathbf{Y}=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
h_{11} & h_{12} \\
h_{21} & h_{22}
\end{array}\right) \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{ll}
x_{1} & x_{2} \\
x_{3} & x_{4}
\end{array}\right)}_{\text {space-time }}+\mathbf{W}
$$

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- Central simple division algebras have been used to design space-time codes, in particular cyclic division algebras and crossed products, over number fields.


## Cyclic Division Algebras and Natural Order

- Let $K / F$ be a number field extension of degree $n$ with cyclic Galois group $\langle\sigma\rangle$, and respective rings of integers $\mathcal{O}_{K}$ and $\mathcal{O}_{F}$.
- Consider the cyclic $F$-algebra $A$ defined by

$$
K \oplus K e \oplus \cdots K e^{n-1}
$$

where $e^{n}=u \in F$, and $e k=\sigma(k) e$ for $k \in K$.

- We assume that $u^{i}, i=0, \ldots, n-1$, are not norms in $K / F$ so that the algebra is division, and that $u \in \mathcal{O}_{F}$.
- Then

$$
\Lambda=\mathcal{O}_{K} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{K} e \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathcal{O}_{K} e^{n-1}
$$

is an $\mathcal{O}_{F}$-order of $A$, which is typically not maximal.

## Quotients of Cyclic Division Algebras

The questions are:

- Determine the structure of $\Lambda / \mathcal{J}$ when $\Lambda=\oplus_{i=0}^{n-1} \mathcal{O}_{K} e^{i}$ and $\mathcal{J}$ is a two-sided ideal of $\Lambda$.
- Construct codes over $\Lambda / \mathcal{J}$ and relate them to the original space-time code.


## The Structure of $\Lambda / \mathcal{J}$

- Lemma. Let $\mathcal{J}$ be a non zero two-sided ideal of $\Lambda$. Then $\mathcal{J} \cap \mathcal{O}_{F} \neq 0$.
- The intersection $\mathcal{I}=\mathcal{J} \cap \mathcal{O}_{F}$ is a nonzero ideal of $\mathcal{O}_{F}$.
- An ideal $\mathcal{I} \neq 0$ of $\mathcal{O}_{F}$ lies in the center of $\Lambda$, and generates In.
- We have $\mathcal{J} \supseteq \mathcal{I}$ if and only if $\mathcal{J} \supseteq \mathcal{I} \wedge$. There is then a one-to-one correspondence between ideals of $\Lambda$ that contain $\mathcal{I} \Lambda$ and ideals of the quotient $\Lambda / \mathcal{I} \Lambda$ (the ideal $\mathcal{J} \supseteq \mathcal{I} \Lambda$ of $\Lambda$ corresponds to the ideal $\mathcal{J} / \mathcal{I} \Lambda$ of $\Lambda / \mathcal{I} \Lambda$ ).
- To determine all quotient rings $\Lambda / \mathcal{J}$, it is enough to determine the ideal structure of $\Lambda / \mathcal{I} \Lambda$ for $\mathcal{I}$ a nonzero ideal of $\mathcal{O}_{F}$.
[O.-Sethuraman, Quotients of Orders in Cyclic Algebras and Space-Time Codes]


## The Structure of $\Lambda / \mathcal{I} \Lambda$

- We have

$$
\Lambda / \mathcal{I} \Lambda \cong \oplus_{i=0}^{n-1}\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathcal{I} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right) e^{i}
$$

- Lemma.

$$
\Lambda / \mathcal{I} \Lambda \cong \mathcal{R}_{1} \times \cdots \times \mathcal{R}_{t}
$$

where $\mathcal{R}_{i}$ is the ring $\oplus_{j=0}^{n-1}\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p}_{i}^{\boldsymbol{s}_{i}} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right) e^{j}$ is subject to $e\left(k+\mathfrak{p}_{i}^{s_{i}} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)=\left(\sigma(k)+\mathfrak{p}_{i}^{s_{i}} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right) e$ and $e^{n}=u+\mathfrak{p}_{i}^{s_{i}}$.

- Characterization for the inertial case ( $\mathcal{I}=\mathfrak{p}$ and $\mathcal{I}=q^{s}, s>1, g=e=1, f=n$ ) and the split case ( $\mathcal{I}=\mathfrak{p}$ and $\left.\mathcal{I}=q^{s}, s>1, g>1, e=1, f=n / g\right)$, for $u \in \mathfrak{p}$ and $u \notin \mathfrak{p}$.
- For example, when $\mathcal{I}=\mathfrak{p}$ and $u \notin \mathfrak{p}, \Lambda / \mathcal{I} \Lambda \cong \operatorname{Mat}_{n}\left(\mathcal{O}_{F} / \mathfrak{p}\right)$.


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Characterization partially answered (the ramified case is still open).
- Construct codes over $\Lambda / \mathcal{J}$ and relate them to the original space-time code.


## Skew-polynomial Rings

- Given a ring $S$ with a group $\langle\sigma\rangle$ acting on it, the skew-polynomial ring $S[x ; \sigma]$ is the set of polynomials $s_{0}+s_{1} x+\ldots+s_{n} x^{n}, s_{i} \in S$ for $i=0, \ldots, n$, with $x s=\sigma(s) x$ for all $s \in S$.
- Lemma. There is an $\mathbb{F}_{p^{f} \text {-algebra isomorphism between } \Lambda / \mathfrak{p} \Lambda} \Lambda$ and the quotient of $\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)[x ; \sigma]$ by the two-sided ideal generated by $x^{n}-u$.


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What about a Construction A from division algebras?

## Ingredients

$$
\begin{array}{rc}
\left.\right|_{K} ^{A} & \wedge \supset \mathfrak{p} \wedge \\
\langle\sigma\rangle \mid & \\
F & \mathcal{O}_{K} \supset \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K} \\
\mid & \\
\mathbb{O} & \\
\mathbb{Q} & \mathbb{Z} \supset \mathfrak{p}
\end{array}
$$

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- Let $K / F$ be a cyclic number field extension of degree $n$, and rings of integers $\mathcal{O}_{K}$ and $\mathcal{O}_{F}$. Consider the cyclic division algebra

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where $e^{n}=u \in \mathcal{O}_{F}$, and $e k=\sigma(k) e$ for $k \in K$.

- Let $\Lambda$ be its natural order

$$
\Lambda=\mathcal{O}_{K} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{K} e \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathcal{O}_{K} e^{n-1}
$$

- Let $\mathfrak{p}$ be a prime ideal of $\mathcal{O}_{F}$ so that $\mathfrak{p} \wedge$ is a two-sided ideal of $\Lambda$.


## Quotients

$$
\begin{array}{cc}
\wedge \supset \mathfrak{p} \wedge & \wedge / \mathfrak{p} \wedge \\
\mathcal{O}_{K} \supset \mathfrak{p} & \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K} \\
\langle\sigma\rangle \mid & \\
\mathcal{O}_{F} & \mathcal{O}_{F} \supset \mathfrak{p} \\
& \\
\mathbb{Z} \supset p & \mathbb{Z} / p \mathbb{Z}
\end{array}
$$

## Quotients

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- There is an $\mathbb{F}_{p^{f} \text {-algebra }}$ isomorphism

$$
\mathcal{O}_{K} \supset \mathfrak{p} \quad \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}
$$

$$
\left.\langle\sigma\rangle\right|^{\left\langle\mathcal{O}_{F}\right.} \quad \mathcal{O}_{F} \supset \mathfrak{p}
$$

$$
\psi: \Lambda / \mathfrak{p} \Lambda \cong\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)[x ; \sigma] /\left(x^{n}-u\right)
$$

- If $\mathfrak{p}$ is inert, $\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}$ is a finite field

$$
\mathbb{Z} \supset p \quad \mathbb{Z} / p \mathbb{Z}
$$

## Codes over Finite Fields

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\Lambda / \mathfrak{p} \Lambda & \mathbb{F}_{q}^{n} \\
\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} & \mathbb{F}_{p^{f}}^{N} \\
\mathbb{Z} / p \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{F}_{p}^{N}
\end{array}
$$

## Codes over Finite Fields

- Let $\mathcal{I}$ be a left ideal of $\Lambda, \mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{O}_{F} \supset \mathfrak{p}$. Then $\mathcal{I} / \mathfrak{p} \Lambda$ is an ideal of $\Lambda / \mathfrak{p} \Lambda$ and $\psi(\mathcal{I} / \mathfrak{p} \Lambda)$ a left ideal of $\mathbb{F}_{q}[x ; \sigma] /\left(x^{n}-u\right)$.
- Let $f \in \mathbb{F}_{q}[x ; \sigma]$ be a polynomial of degree $n$. If $(f)$ is a two-sided ideal of $\mathbb{F}_{q}[x ; \sigma]$, then a $\sigma$-code consists of codewords $a=\left(a_{0}, a_{1}, \ldots, a_{n-1}\right)$, where $a(x)$ are left multiples of a right divisor $g$ of $f$.
- Using $\psi: \Lambda / \mathfrak{p} \Lambda \cong \mathbb{F}_{q}[x ; \sigma] /\left(x^{n}-u\right)$, for every left ideal $\mathcal{I}$ of $\Lambda$, we get a $\sigma$-code $C=\psi(\mathcal{I} / \mathfrak{p} \Lambda)$ over $\mathbb{F}_{q}$.
[D. Boucher and F. Ulmer, Coding with skew polynomial rings]


## Codes over Finite Rings

$\wedge / \mathfrak{p} \wedge\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)^{n}$

## $\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p}\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)^{N}$

$$
\mathbb{Z} / p \mathbb{Z} \quad \mathbb{F}_{p}^{N}
$$

## Codes over Finite Rings

$\Lambda / \mathfrak{p} \wedge\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)^{n} \bullet$ Let $g(x)$ be a right divisor of $x^{n}-u$. The ideal $(g(x)) /\left(x^{n}-u\right)$ is an $\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}$-module, isomorphic to a submodule of $\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)^{n}$. It forms a $\sigma$-constacyclic code of length $n$ and dimension $k=n-\operatorname{degg}(x)$, consisting of codewords $a=\left(a_{0}, a_{1}, \ldots, a_{n-1}\right)$, where $a(x)$ are left multiples of $g(x)$.
$\mathbb{Z} / p \mathbb{Z} \quad \mathbb{F}_{p}^{N}$

- A parity check polynomial is computed.
- A dual code is defined.
[ Ducoat-O., On Skew Polynomial Codes and Lattices from Quotients of Cyclic Division Algebras]


## Lattices

$\wedge / \mathfrak{p} \wedge\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)^{n} \supset C$
$\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \quad \mathbb{F}_{p}^{N} \supset \mathcal{C}$
$\mathbb{Z} / p \mathbb{Z} \quad \mathbb{F}_{p}^{N} \supset C$

## Lattices

$\wedge / \mathfrak{p} \wedge\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)^{n} \supset \mathcal{C}$

- Set the map :

$$
\rho: \Lambda \rightarrow \psi(\Lambda / \mathfrak{p} \Lambda)=\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)[x ; \sigma] /\left(x^{n}-u\right)
$$

$\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \quad \mathbb{F}_{p}^{N} \supset C$ compositum of the canonical projection $\Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda / \mathfrak{p} \Lambda$ with $\psi$.

- Set

$$
L=\rho^{-1}(C)=\mathcal{I}
$$

- Then $L$ is a lattice, that is a $\mathbb{Z}$-module of rank $n^{2}[F: \mathbb{Q}]$.


## Example (I)

- Let $K=\mathbb{Q}(i)$ and $F=\mathbb{Q}$. Then $\mathcal{O}_{F}=\mathbb{Z}$ and $\mathcal{O}_{K}=\mathbb{Z}[i]$.
- Set $p=3$, inert in $\mathbb{Q}(i)$, and $\mathbb{Z}[i] / 3 \mathbb{Z}[i] \simeq \mathbb{F}_{9}$.
- Let $\mathfrak{Q}$ be the quaternion division algebra

$$
\mathfrak{Q}=\mathbb{Q}(i) \oplus \mathbb{Q}(i) e, e^{2}=-1
$$

- Set $\Lambda=\mathbb{Z}[i] \oplus \mathbb{Z}[i] e$ and $\mathcal{I}=(1+i+e) \Lambda$.
- Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}_{9}$ over $\mathbb{F}_{3}$ satisfy $\alpha^{2}+1=0$.
- We have

$$
\psi((1+i+e) \bmod 3)=1+\alpha+x
$$

which is a right divisor of $x^{2}+1$ in $\mathbb{F}_{9}[x ; \sigma]$. Therefore, the left ideal $(x+1+\alpha) \mathbb{F}_{9}[x ; \sigma] /\left(x^{2}+1\right)$ is a central $\sigma$-code.

- Taking the pre-image by $\psi$, it corresponds to the left-ideal $\mathcal{I} / 3 \Lambda$, with $\mathcal{I}=\Lambda(1+i+e)$.


## Example (II)

- For $q=a+b e$ in $\mathbb{Z}[i] \oplus \mathbb{Z}[i] e \subset \mathfrak{Q}, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$

$$
M(q)=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
a & -\bar{b} \\
b & \bar{a}
\end{array}\right]
$$

where ${ }^{-}$is the non-trivial Galois automorphism of $\mathbb{Q}(i) / \mathbb{Q}$.

- $M(q)$ used as codeword for space-time coding.
- Let $t=(a+b e)(1+i+e)$ be an element of $\mathcal{I}=\Lambda(1+i+e)$. Then

$$
M(t)=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
a(1+i)-b & -(\bar{a}+\bar{b}(1+i)) \\
a+b(1-i) & \bar{a}(1-i)-\bar{b}
\end{array}\right] .
$$

- Then $\mathcal{I}=\rho^{-1}(C)$ is a real lattice of rank 4 embedded in $\mathbb{R}^{8}$.


## Coset Encoding

- Let $v=\left(v_{1}, \ldots, v_{n}\right)$ be an information vector to be mapped to a lattice point in $L$.
- The lattice $L=\rho^{-1}(C)=\mathcal{I} \Lambda$ is a union of cosets of $\mathfrak{p} \Lambda$, each codeword in $C$ is a coset representative.
- Coset encoding: $v_{1}, \ldots, v_{k}$ are encoded using the code $C$, and the rest of the information coefficients are mapped to a point in the lattice $\mathfrak{p} \wedge$.
- Coset encoding is necessary for wiretap codes: information symbols are mapped to a codeword in $C$, while random symbols are picked uniformly at random in the lattice $\mathfrak{p} \wedge$ to confuse the eavesdropper.
- The lattice $L=\rho^{-1}(C)=\mathcal{I}$ thus enables coset encoding for wiretap space-time codes.


## Thank You

- Cyclic division algebras are useful for space-time coding. Some applications require to understand quotients of cyclic division algebras.
- Characterization of $\Lambda / \mathcal{J}$ (apart for the ramified case).
- The view point of skew-polynomial rings.
- Construction A of lattices from codes over skew-polynomial rings.
- Further work:

1. Study the lattice properties inherited from codes.
2. Study the space-time codes obtained.
3. Study constacyclic codes over $\left(\mathcal{O}_{K} / \mathfrak{p} \mathcal{O}_{K}\right)[x ; \sigma] /(f(x))$, and duality with respect to a Hermitian inner product.
