

About codes defined over skew polynomials.

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- The dual of a Gabidulin code (of linearized evaluation) is a Gabidulin code (of linearized evaluation).
- If $n = m$, if $y_i = \theta^{i-1}(y)$ normal basis of $\mathbb{F}_{q^n}/\mathbb{F}_q$, then the dual of $\mathcal{G}_{n,k}$ is a q -cyclic code.

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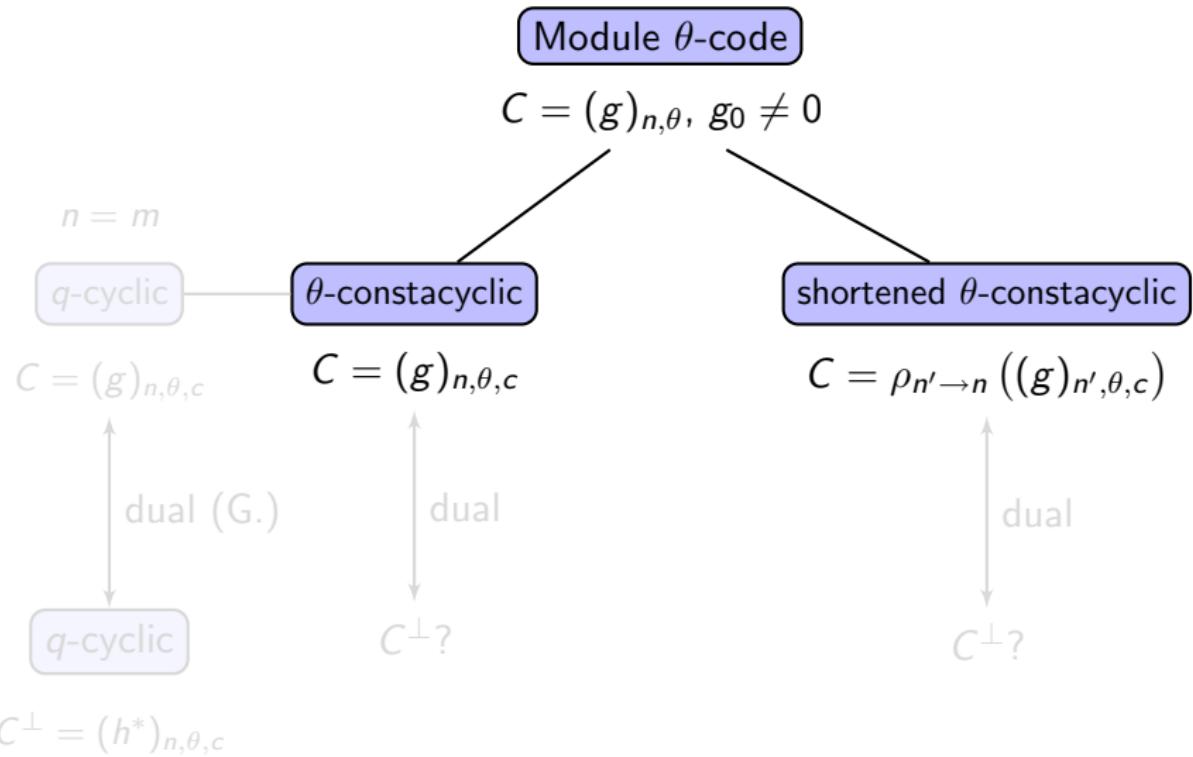
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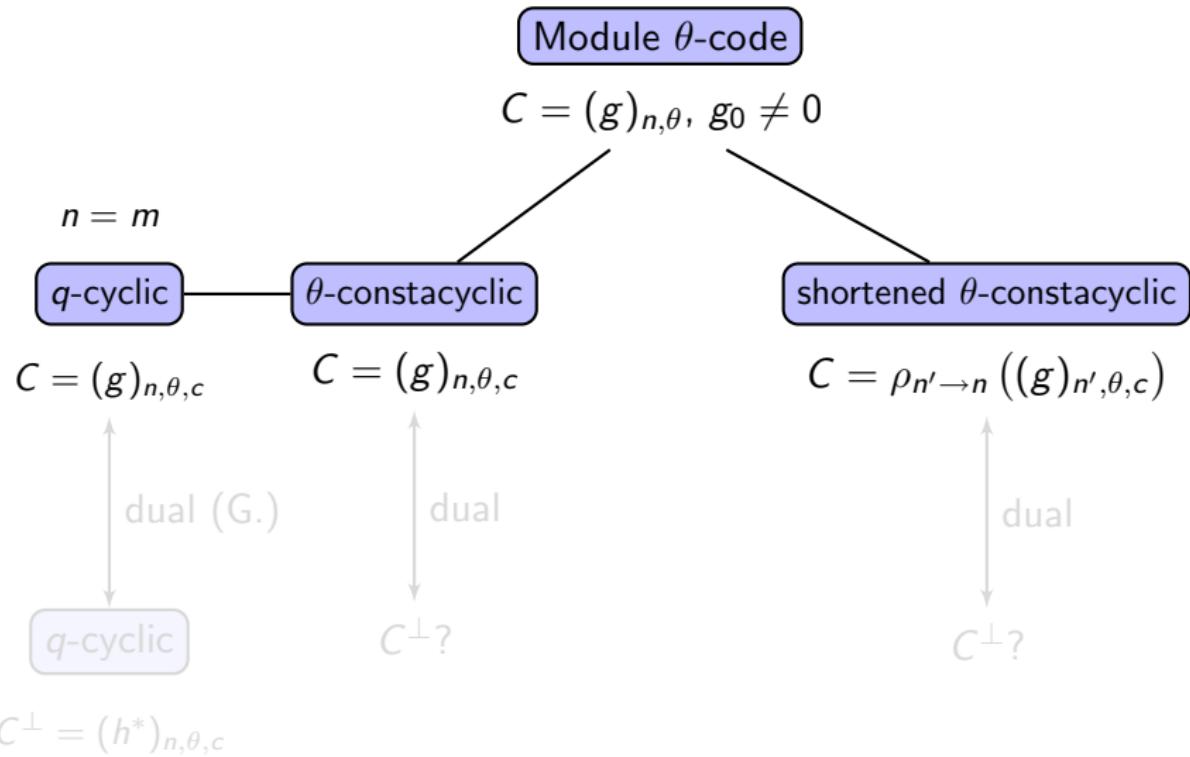
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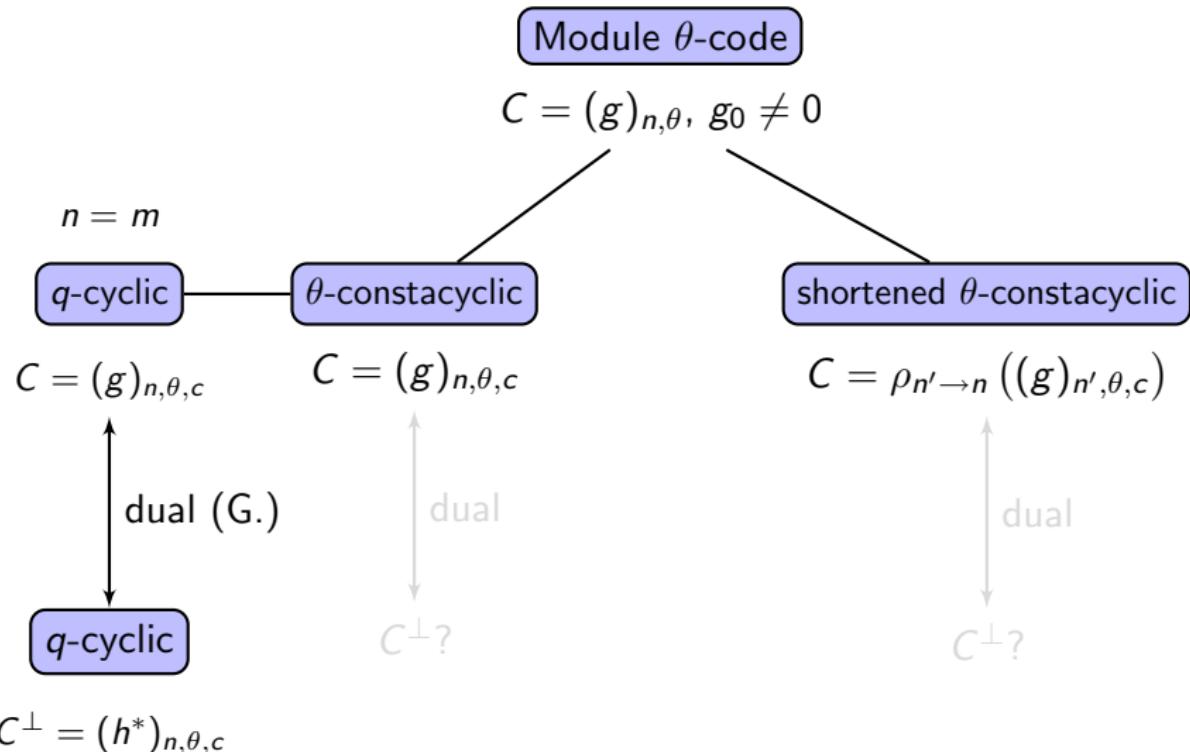
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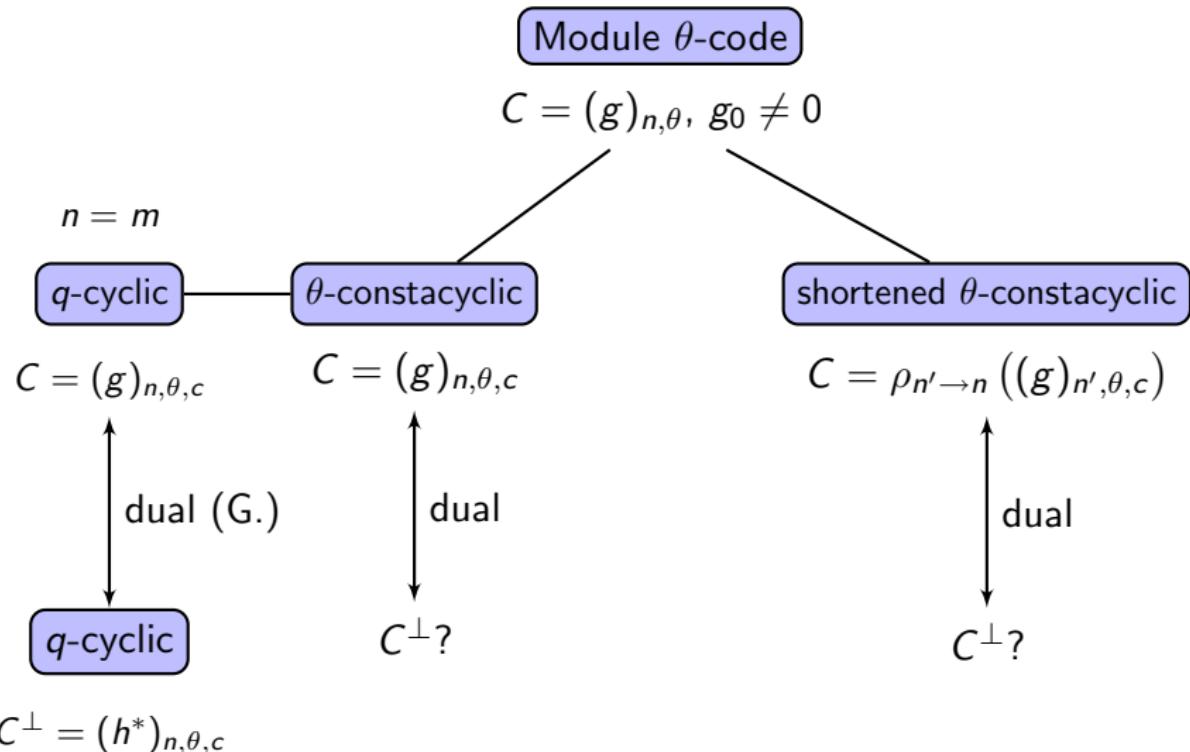


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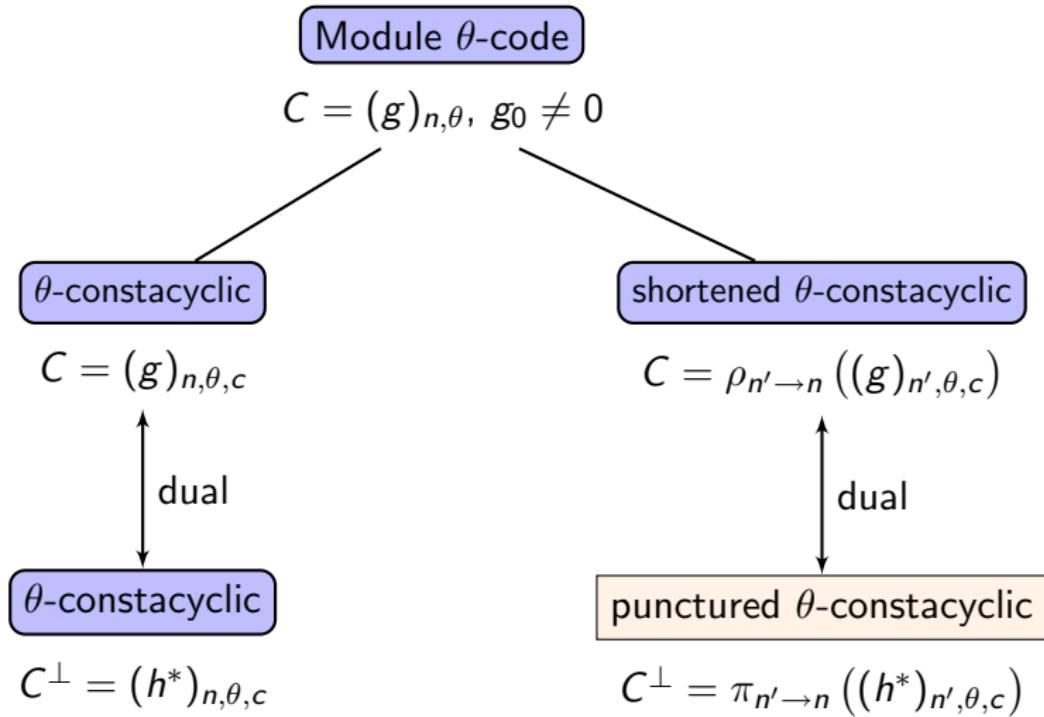
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