

Twin H_4 s in Quaternions, Amalgamations and
Iwahori-Matsumoto Decompositions

(joint work with R. Moody)

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0. Abstract and Basic Notation

We find two root systems of type H_4 in quaternions. They create some infinite root system Σ . We will study it using amalgamations and Iwahori-Matsumoto decompositions.

$$\tau = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}, \quad \tau' = \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}, \quad p = 1 + i, \quad q = 1 - i$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \mathcal{R}' = \mathbb{Z}[\tau, \frac{1}{2}, i] = \mathbb{Z}[\tau, i, \frac{1}{p}] \\ & \nearrow \uparrow & \\ \mathbb{Z}[\tau, i] = \mathcal{D}' & & \mathcal{R} = \mathbb{Z}[\tau, \frac{1}{2}] \\ & \uparrow \nearrow & \\ \mathbb{Z}[\tau] = \mathcal{D} & & \end{array}$$

1. Quaternions

Let $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{R}1 \oplus \mathbb{R}i \oplus \mathbb{R}j \oplus \mathbb{R}k$ be the quaternion (division) algebra, satisfying $i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = -1$ and $ij = k = -ji$.

For $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \in \mathbb{H}$,

put $\tilde{x} = (x_1, -x_2, -x_3, -x_4)$

and $\|x\| = \sqrt{x\tilde{x}} = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_4^2}$.

Then, $(x, y) = x_1y_1 + x_2y_2 + x_3y_3 + x_4y_4$ and

$\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{R}^4$ is a Euclidean space.

Let $\mathbb{H}_1 = \{x \in \mathbb{H} \mid \|x\| = 1\}$.

2. Unitary Group $SU(2)$

$$\text{Let } E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad I = \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix}, \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then, $M = \mathbb{R}E \oplus \mathbb{R}I \oplus \mathbb{R}J \oplus \mathbb{R}K$ is a realization of \mathbb{H} .

For $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \in \mathbb{H}_1$, we see

$$x_1E + x_2I + x_3J + x_4K = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 + x_2i & x_3 + x_4i \\ -x_3 + x_4i & x_1 - x_2i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{belongs to } SU(2) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\bar{\beta} & \bar{\alpha} \end{pmatrix} \middle| \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}, |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1 \right\}.$$

Therefore, $SU(2)$ is a realization of \mathbb{H}_1 .

3. D_4 root system Δ''

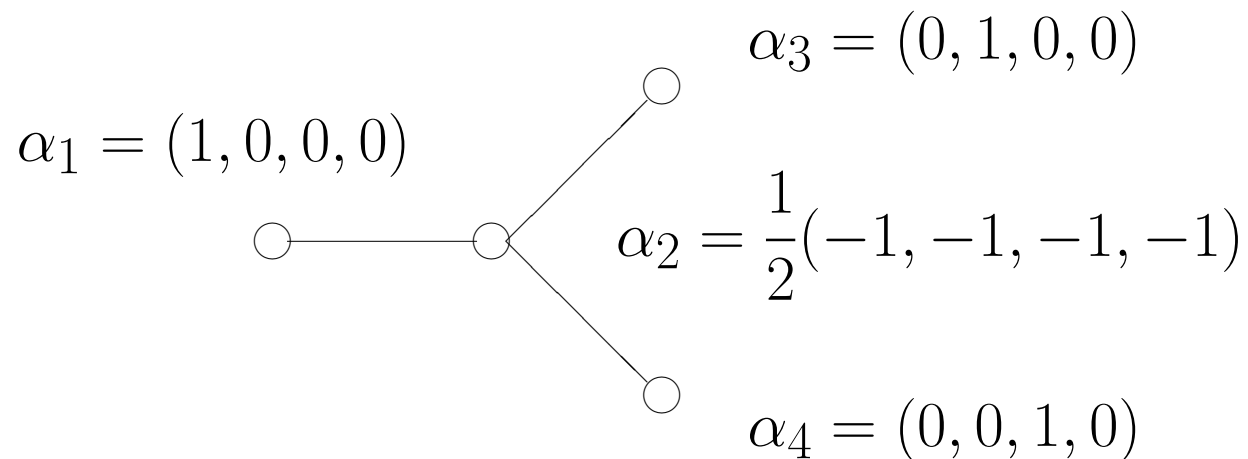
Let

$$\Delta_0 = \{(\pm 1, 0, 0, 0), (0, \pm 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, \pm 1, 0), (0, 0, 0, \pm 1)\},$$

$$\Delta_1 = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}(\pm 1, \pm 1, \pm 1, \pm 1) \mid \text{all signs} \right\} \text{ and}$$

$$\Delta'' = \Delta_0 \cup \Delta_1.$$

Then, Δ'' is a root system of type D_4 in \mathbb{H} .



4. H_4 Root Systems Δ, Δ'

Let $\Xi = \{(0, \pm 1, \pm \tau', \pm \tau) \mid \text{all signs, all even permutations}\}$ and

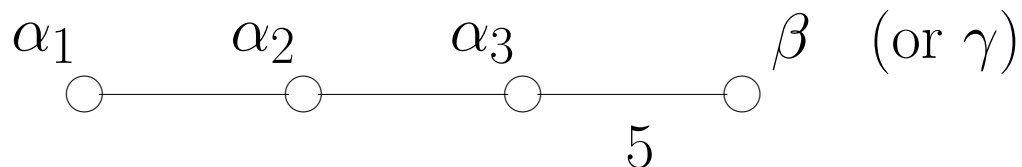
$\Xi' = \{(0, \pm 1, \pm \tau, \pm \tau') \mid \text{all signs, all even permutations}\}$.

Put $\Delta = \Delta'' \cup \Xi$, which is a root system of type H_4 in \mathbb{H} , and

$\Delta' = \Delta'' \cup \Xi'$, which is another root system of type H_4 in \mathbb{H} .

Define $\alpha_1 = (1, 0, 0, 0)$, $\alpha_2 = \frac{1}{2}(-1, -1, -1, -1)$, $\alpha_3 = (0, 0, 1, 0)$,

$\beta = \frac{1}{2}(0, -\tau', -\tau, 1)$, $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}(0, 1, -\tau, -\tau')$. ($\#\Delta = \#\Delta' = 120$)



5. Infinite Root System Σ

Let $W = W(H_4)$, $W' = W'(H_4)$, $W'' = W''(D_4)$ be the Weyl groups of Δ , Δ' , Δ'' , respectively.

Define $W^\infty = \langle W, W' \rangle \subset O(4, \mathcal{R})$ and

$$\Sigma = \{w(\alpha) \mid w \in W^\infty, \alpha \in (\Delta \cup \Delta')\}.$$

Known Facts. $\Delta, \Delta', \Delta''$ are subgroups of \mathbb{H}_1 .

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} SU(2) \\ \cup \\ \Delta, \Delta', \Delta'' \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} SO(3) \\ \cup \\ A_5, A_4 \end{array} \rightarrow 1$$

Δ and Δ' are binary icosahedral groups, and Δ'' is a binary tetrahedral group.

6. Amalgamations

$$\text{Put } SU(2, \mathcal{R}) = \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{cc} a + bi & c + di \\ -c + di & a - bi \end{array} \right) \middle| \begin{array}{l} a, b, c, d \in \mathcal{R} \\ a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 = 1 \end{array} \right\}.$$

Theorem. [R. Moody-J.M.,2018]

- (1) $\Sigma = \mathbb{H}_1 \cap \mathcal{R}^4 = SU(2, \mathcal{R}) = \Delta *_{\Delta''} \Delta'$ (amalgamation).
- (2) $W \cap W' = N_W(\Delta'') = N_{W'}(\Delta'')$.
- (3) $[W \cap W' : W''] = 3$.
- (4) $W^\infty = W *_{W \cap W'} W'$ (amalgamation).

Note $W = \langle \sigma_{\alpha_1}, \sigma_{\alpha_2}, \sigma_{\alpha_3}, \sigma_{\beta} \rangle$, $W' = \langle \sigma_{\alpha_1}, \sigma_{\alpha_2}, \sigma_{\alpha_3}, \sigma_{\gamma} \rangle$ and
 $W^\infty = \langle \sigma_{\alpha_1}, \sigma_{\alpha_2}, \sigma_{\alpha_3}, \sigma_{\beta}, \sigma_{\gamma} \rangle$.

7. Iwahori-Matsumoto Decompositions

Let A be a Euclidean domain, and $r \in A$ a nonzero prime element.

Suppose that the natural homomorphism $A^\times \rightarrow (A/rA)^\times$ is surjective.

Put $G = SL(2, A[\frac{1}{r}])$, and set

$$U_I = \left\langle \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ rs & 1 \end{pmatrix} \middle| s \in A \right\rangle,$$

$$T = \left\{ \left(\begin{pmatrix} u & 0 \\ 0 & u^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \middle| u \in A^\times \right\},$$

$$S = \left\{ w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1/r \\ r & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad N = T\langle S \rangle,$$

$B_I = U_I T$ (Iwahori subgroup) and $W = N/T$ (Weyl group).

Theorem. [E.Abe-J.M.,1988]

(Also for Chevalley groups over Dedekind domains, in general.)

(1) (G, B_I, N, S) is a Tits system.

(2) $SL(2, A[\frac{1}{r}]) = \bigcup_{w \in W} B_I w B_I$ (Iwahori-Matsumoto decomposition).

(3) $W \simeq D_\infty$ (Infinite dihedral group, Affine Weyl group $A_1^{(1)}$).

Examples.

(1) $A = \mathbb{C}[t]$ and $r = t$. Then, $SL(2, \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}]) = \bigcup_{w \in W} B_I w B_I$.

(2) $A = \mathcal{D}'$ and $r = 1 + i$. Then, $SL(2, \mathcal{R}') = \bigcup_{w \in W} B_I w B_I$.

8. Additional Remarks (New Results)

Let $A = \mathcal{D}'$ and $r = p = 1 + i$. Then, $\mathcal{R}' = \mathcal{D}'\left[\frac{1}{p}\right]$.

Note $\Sigma = SU(2, \mathcal{R}) \subset SL(2, \mathcal{R}') = \bigcup_{w \in W} B_I w B_I$.

For each $w \in W$, we need to check $\Sigma \cap (B_I w B_I) \neq \emptyset$ or not.

Put

$$\mathcal{X}_n = \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{cc} a/p^n & b/q^n \\ -\bar{b}/p^n & \bar{a}/q^n \end{array} \right) \middle| a, b \in \mathcal{D}', |a|^2 + |b|^2 = 2^n, \gcd(a, b) = 1 \right\}.$$

[R.Moody-J.M.,2022]

(1) $\Sigma = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{X}_n$ (disjoint).

(2) $\Sigma \cap (B_I w B_I) \neq \emptyset \Leftrightarrow w \in \{1, (w_1 w_2)^n w_1 \mid n \geq 0\}$.

(3) $\mathcal{X}_0 = \Sigma \cap (B_I \cup B_I w_1 B_I) = \Sigma \cap SL(2, \mathcal{D}')$.

(4) $\mathcal{X}_n = \Sigma \cap (B_I (w_1 w_2)^n w_1 B_I)$ for $n \geq 1$.

(5) $\#\mathcal{X}_0 = 8, \#\mathcal{X}_1 = 16, \#\mathcal{X}_n = 3 \cdot 2^{2n+2}$ for $n \geq 2$.

$SL(2, \mathcal{R}') = \bigcup_{w \in W} B_I w B_I$	$B_I \cup B_I w_1 B_I$	$B_I (w_1 w_2)^n w_1 B_I$
$SU(2, \mathcal{R}) = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{X}_n$	\mathcal{X}_0	$\mathcal{X}_n \ (n \geq 1)$

9. Applications

Fact.

- (1) Σ is dense in $SU(2)$.
- (2) $[O(4, \mathcal{R}) : W^\infty] = 2$ and $O(4, \mathcal{R})$ is dense in $O(4, \mathbb{R})$.

Quantum bit.

A quantum bit is of the form $\lambda|0\rangle + \mu|1\rangle$ for $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{C}$, $|\lambda|^2 + |\mu|^2 = 1$.

Σ is dense in the set of all quantum bits.

Discretization and Approximation.

- (1) There is an approximation in $O(4, \mathbb{R})$ using 5 generators of W^∞ .
- (2) There is an application of Σ as transformation of quantum bits.

Let $G = \Sigma = SU(2, \mathcal{R})$, and put

$$v_+ = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{V} = Gv_+ \leftrightarrow \Sigma, \quad \mathcal{V}_n = \mathcal{X}_n v_+ \leftrightarrow \mathcal{X}_n.$$

Then,

$$\mathcal{V} = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{V}_n \leftrightarrow \Sigma = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \mathcal{X}_n \subset \mathbb{H}_1,$$

and

(G, \mathcal{V}) is an approximation of $(SU(2), Q\text{-bits})$.

Furthermore,

$$\# \mathcal{V}_n = \# \mathcal{X}_n = 3 \cdot 2^{2n+2} \quad \text{for } n \geq 2.$$

In particular, $(SU(2), Q\text{-bits})$ can be discretized.

Note $\mathcal{X}_0 = \Delta_0$, $\mathcal{X}_1 = \Delta_1$, $\mathcal{X}_2 = \Xi \cup \Xi'$, $\mathcal{X}_0 \cup \mathcal{X}_1 \cup \mathcal{X}_2 = \Delta \cup \Delta'$,

and recall $\# \mathcal{X}_0 = 8$, $\# \mathcal{X}_1 = 16$, $\# \mathcal{X}_2 = 192$.

Happy 70th Birthday, Kolya !

Please be healthy,
please be safe, and
please be peaceful !!