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# Well-rounded ideal lattices of cyclic cubic and quartic fields

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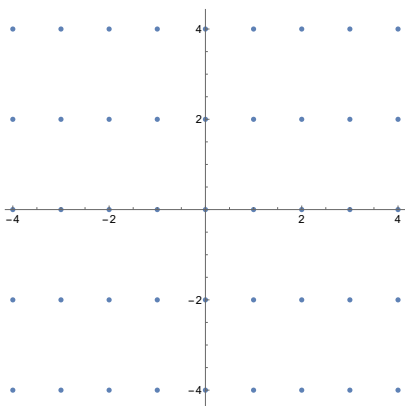
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- ▶ Denote by  $\Phi = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$ . Then

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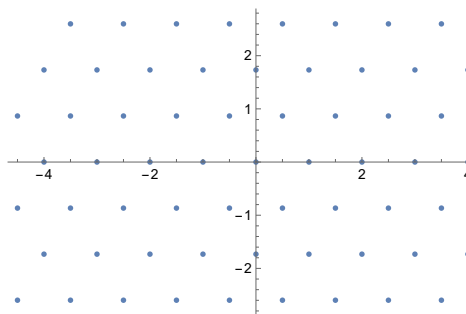
# Lattices

Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$  be a linearly independent set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

- ▶  $L = \{\sum_{i=1}^m a_i v_i \mid a_i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is called a **lattice** in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  of **rank**  $m$ .
- ▶  $\mathcal{B}$  is said to be a **basis** of  $L$ , we write  $L = \langle \mathcal{B} \rangle$ .
- ▶ In case  $m = n$ , we say that  $L$  is **full rank**.



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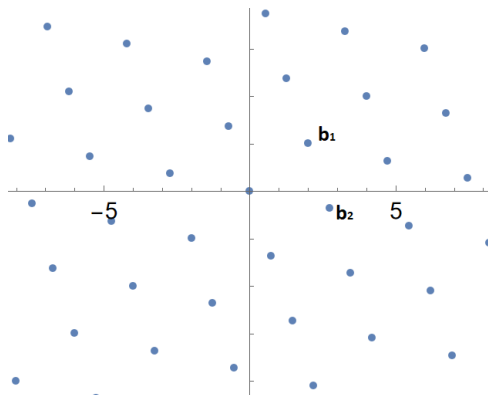
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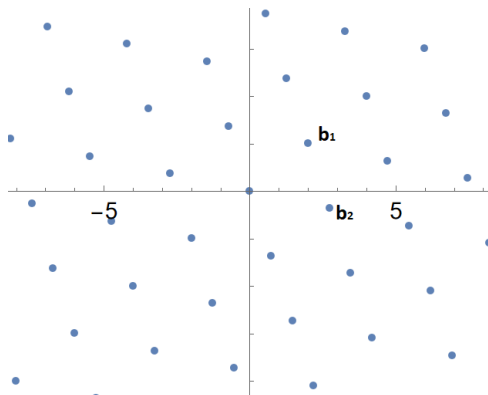
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Let  $I$  be a **fractional ideal** of  $F$ . Then  $\Phi(I)$  is a **lattice** in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

We call  $I$  an **ideal lattice**<sup>1</sup> of  $F$ .

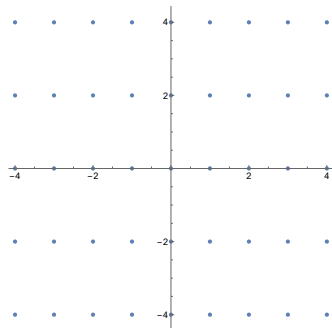
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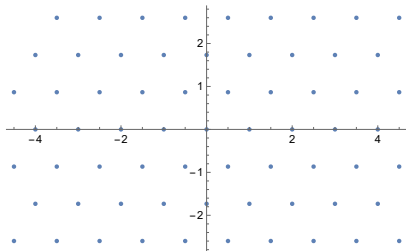
- ▶  $|L| = \min_{0 \neq u \in L} \|u\|^2$  is called the **minimum norm (length)** of  $L$ .
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$$S(L) := \{u \in L : \|u\|^2 = |L|\}.$$



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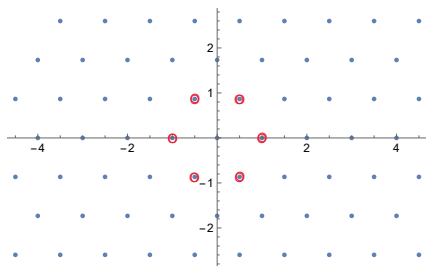
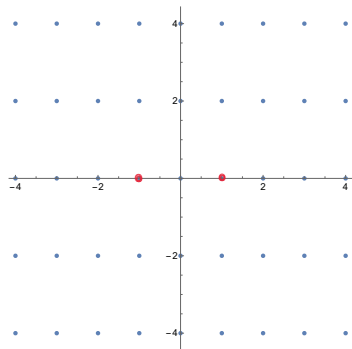
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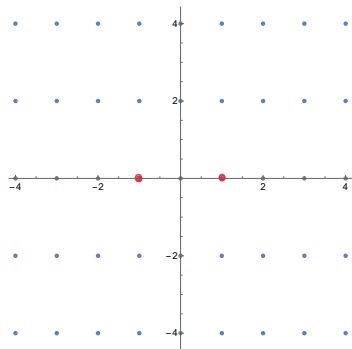
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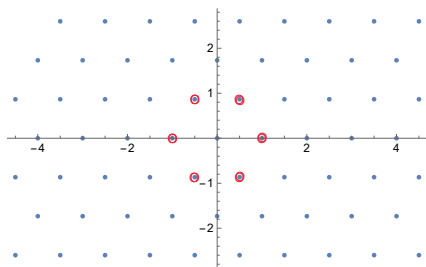


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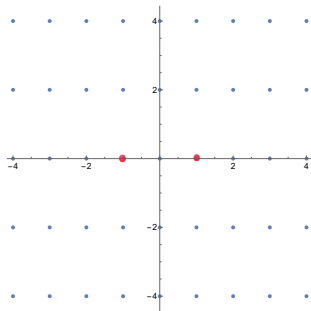


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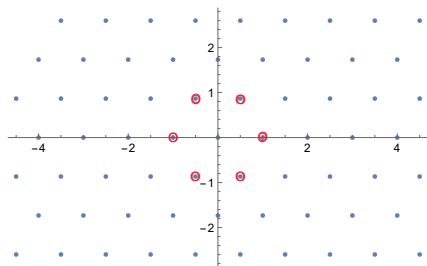
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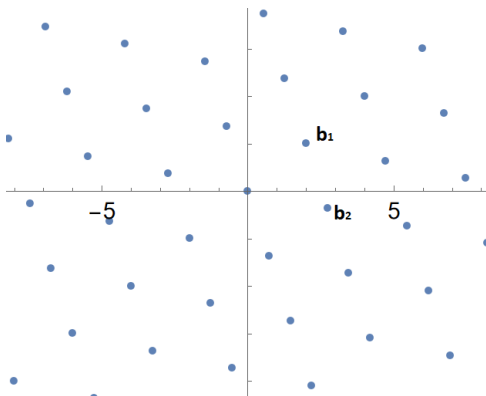


The hexagonal lattice is (strongly) WR.

# Well-rounded ideal lattices

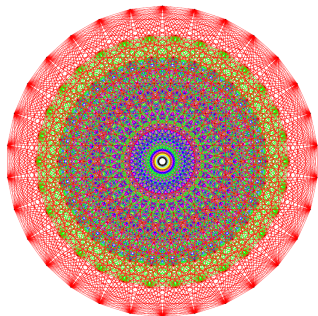
- ▶ An ideal  $I$  of a number field  $F$  is called **WR** if the lattice  $\Phi(I)$  is WR.

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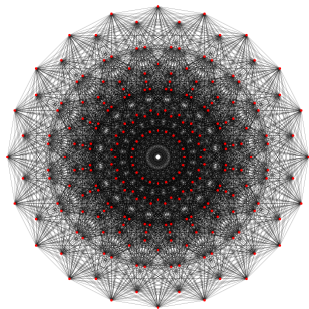


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- ▶ Many well known lattices are WR:  $E_8$ , the Leech lattice, etc.
- ▶ WR ideal lattices can be used to investigate various problems:
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  - ▶ kissing numbers,
  - ▶ sphere packing problems, etc.



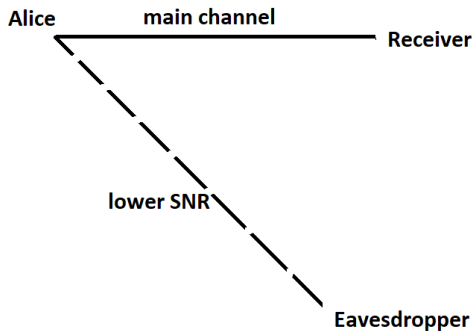
$E_8$  lattice (Peter McMullen)



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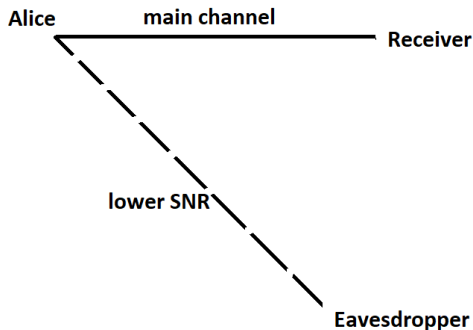
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Let  $F$  be a cyclic cubic field with conductor  $m$ .

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where  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

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where  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  and  $q_1, \dots, q_r$  are distinct integers from the set

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*Let  $q$  be a square-free divisor of the conductor  $m$  of a cyclic cubic field  $F$ . There is a unique ideal  $Q$  of  $O_F$  such that  $N(Q) = q$ . In this case,  $Q$  is WR if and only if  $\left(\frac{m}{4} \leq q^2 \leq 4m \text{ when } 3 \nmid m\right)$  and  $\left(3 \mid q, \frac{m}{4} \leq q^2 \leq 4m \text{ when } 3 \mid m\right)$ .*

# Our results: cyclic cubic fields

## Theorem 3

*Let  $m = 9p_1p_2 \cdots p_r$  ( $r \geq 2$ ) be the conductor  $m$  of a cyclic cubic field  $F$  and  $q, q'$  be two coprime divisors of  $p_1p_2 \cdots p_r$ . The unique ideal of norm  $3q^2q'$  is WR if and only if  $\frac{m}{36} \leqq qq'^2 \leqq \frac{4m}{9}$ .*

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### Theorem 4

Let  $F$  be a cyclic quartic field defined by  $a, b, c, d$  and  $D \mid d, A \mid a$  such that  $d$  is a quadratic non-residue (mod  $q$ ) for each prime divisor  $q$  of  $A$ . Then there are unique ideals of norm  $D$  and  $A$ , denoted by  $P_D$  and  $Q_A$  respectively. Let

$$\mathcal{M} = \{16A^2d, 8|a|d, 4D^2d+4|a|d, 16D^2A^2, 4D^2A^2+4|a|d, 4D^2Q_A^2+4A^2d\}.$$

Then the ideal  $P_DQ_A$  is WR if and only if  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $b \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,  $a + b \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $D^2A^2 + A^2d + 2|a|d \leq \min \mathcal{M}$ .

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## Theorem 5

With the notation given in Theorem 4, the following hold.

- i) The ideal  $P_D$  is WR if and only if  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $b \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $a + b \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and one of the following conditions is satisfied.
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  - ▶  $|a| = 3$  and  $d \leq D^2 \leq 9d$ ,
  - ▶  $|a| = 5$  and  $\frac{7}{3}d \leq D^2 \leq 5d$ .
- ii) The lattice  $Q_A$  is WR if and only if  $d = 5$ ,  $b = 2$ ,  $c = 1$  and  $|a| \leq A^2 \leq 5|a|$ .

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### Theorem 6

*Let  $F$  be a cyclic quartic field defined by  $a, b, c, d$  and a prime  $p$ . There is a unique prime ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_F$  above  $p$  if and only one of the following conditions is satisfied.*

- i)  $p \mid d$ .*
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- iii)  $p \nmid abcd$  and  $d$  is a quadratic non-residue  $(\text{mod } p)$ .*

*Moreover, let  $P$  denote the unique prime ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_F$  above  $p$ . Then  $P$  is WR if and only if the conditions in Theorem 5 are satisfied.*

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## Conclusion

- ▶ We establish the conditions for the existence of WR ideal lattices in cyclic number fields of degrees 3 and 4.
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- ▶ We give families of cyclic cubic and cyclic quartic fields that admit WR ideals and explicitly construct minimal integral bases of these ideals.

Thank you so much for your attention!