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Let  $K$  be a quadratic extension of  $\mathbf{Q}$ ,  $B$  a quaternion algebra over  $\mathbf{Q}$  and  $A = B \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}} K$ . Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be a maximal order in  $A$  extending an order in  $B$ . The projective norm one group  $P\mathcal{O}^1$  is shown to be isomorphic to the spinorial kernel group  $O'(L)$ , for an explicitly determined quadratic  $\mathbf{Z}$ -lattice  $L$  of rank four, in several general situations. In other cases, only the local structures of  $\mathcal{O}$  and  $L$  are given at each prime. Both definite and indefinite lattices are covered. Some results for quadratic global field extensions  $K/F$  and maximal  $S$ -orders are given. There is a description of the  $F$ -quaternion subalgebras of  $A$ , and also of their norm one groups as stabilizer subgroups and as unitary groups. Conjugacy classes of the Fuchsian subgroups of  $P\mathcal{O}^1$  corresponding to stabilizer subgroups are studied.

### 1. Introduction.

The Bianchi groups were described as the spinorial kernel groups  $O'(L)$  of certain specific rank four indefinite lattices  $L$  over  $\mathbf{Z}$  in [6]. This enabled local-global techniques on these orthogonal groups to be used, to classify up to conjugacy, the maximal Fuchsian subgroups of the Bianchi groups. Later, in [5], this was generalized to  $SL(2, D_S)$  where  $D_S$  is the ring of  $S$ -integers in a global field  $K$ , a quadratic extension of  $F$ , and used to classify up to conjugacy the unitary subgroups of  $SL(2, D_S)$ . This approach utilized a connection between the norm one group in the split quaternion algebra  $\mathbf{M}(2, K)$  and a spinor orthogonal group  $O'(V)$  over  $F$ . These techniques will now be extended to the corresponding norm one groups of  $S$ -orders  $\mathcal{O}_S$  in quaternion algebras  $A$  over global fields  $K$ . This work has evolved from questions asked by C. Maclachlan and W. Plesken about the Fuchsian subgroups of arithmetic Kleinian groups.

Let  $K/F$  be a quadratic extension of global fields, let  $B$  be a quaternion algebra over  $F$  and  $A = B \otimes_F K$ . For a Dedekind set of prime spots  $S$  for  $F$  (see [10]), let  $R_S$  be the ring of  $S$ -integers in  $F$ , and  $D_S$  its integral closure in  $K$ . For several explicit maximal  $S$ -orders  $\mathcal{L}_S$  in  $B$  we construct an exact

sequence

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} O'(L) \rightarrow 1$$

where  $\mathcal{O}_S^1$  is the multiplicative group of elements with norm one in the order  $\mathcal{O}_S = \mathcal{L}_S \otimes_{R_S} D_S$ , and  $O'(L)$  is the spinor kernel group of a  $S$ -lattice  $L$  in a quadratic space  $V$  over  $F$  that is explicitly determined by  $\mathcal{O}_S$ . In particular, the sequence is exact when  $S$  contains no dyadic primes so that 2 is a unit in  $R_S$  (see Theorem 5.1). Several rational examples with  $F = \mathbf{Q}$ , for explicit global orders  $\mathcal{O}$  and the corresponding Kleinian groups and  $\mathbf{Z}$ -lattices  $L$ , are given in §6. Since the arguments still hold in the split case we get new proofs of results in [5] and [6] on Hilbert modular and Bianchi groups. Other results where  $\Phi$  is surjective are given, but  $\mathcal{O}$  and  $L$  are only described locally. In particular, the dyadic primes give several difficulties. It appears necessary to assume that  $\mathcal{O}$  is a maximal order to show  $\Phi$  surjective (see Theorem 6.3 and other examples in §6). The proofs showing  $\Phi$  surjective use localization arguments and are independent of whether the underlying quadratic forms are definite or indefinite. The stabilizer subgroups  $\text{Stab}(v, O'(V))$ , for anisotropic  $v \in V$ , are isomorphic to the projective norm one groups of the  $F$ -quaternion subalgebras of  $A$ ; these groups are also unitary groups (see §4).

For  $K$  an imaginary quadratic field and  $R_S = \mathbf{Z}$ , the discrete groups  $\text{Stab}(v, O'(L))$  give examples of Fuchsian subgroups of the arithmetic Kleinian groups  $P\mathcal{O}^1$ . The conjugacy classes of these groups are studied in the final section using the local-global method of [6] (see also [9]).

## 2. Quaternion algebras.

Let  $F$  be a field, with characteristic not two, and  $K = F(\alpha)$  where  $\alpha \notin F$  and  $\alpha^2 \in F$ . Then  $K = \{a + \alpha b \mid a, b \in F\}$  has a galois automorphism  $\overline{a + \alpha b} = a - \alpha b$ . If we let  $\beta^J$  denote the standard conjugate of  $\beta$  in a quaternion algebra  $B$  over  $F$ , then the  $F$ -linear mapping

$$\tau : B \otimes_F K \rightarrow B \otimes_F K$$

induced by  $\tau(\beta \otimes x) = \beta^J \otimes \bar{x}$  is a conjugate linear map of the  $K$ -space  $A = B \otimes_F K$  and an anti-homomorphism with respect to multiplication of the quaternion algebra  $A$ . Thus, for  $\beta, \gamma \in A$  and  $a, b \in K$ ,

$$\tau(a\beta + b\gamma) = \bar{a}\tau(\beta) + \bar{b}\tau(\gamma) \text{ and } \tau(\beta\gamma) = \tau(\gamma)\tau(\beta).$$

The norm form  $n : A \rightarrow K$  is defined by  $n(\beta) = \beta\beta^J$  where now  $J$  is the extension of the standard conjugation to  $A$  over  $K$ . Then  $\tau(\beta^J) = \tau(\beta)^J$  so that  $n(\tau(\beta)) = \overline{n(\beta)}$ .

Let  $V = \{v \in A \mid \tau(v) = v\}$ . If  $1, i, j, ij = k$  is a standard basis of  $B$ , then  $V$  is a 4-dimensional  $F$ -space with basis  $\{1, \alpha i, \alpha j, \alpha k\}$ . Moreover, this is an

orthogonal basis with respect to the restriction of the norm form, so that  $V$  is a quadratic space with symmetric bilinear form

$$f(v, w) = n(v + w) - n(v) - n(w) = vw^J + wv^J$$

for  $v, w \in V$ . Note that

$$f(v, w) = \tau(f(v, w)) = \tau(vw^J + wv^J) = f(v^J, w^J).$$

If  $B = (\frac{a, b}{F})$  so that  $i^2 = a, j^2 = b, ji = -ij$ , and  $\alpha^2 = -d \in F$ , then  $V$  diagonalizes with  $f$ -matrix  $\langle 2, 2ad, 2bd, -2abd \rangle$ .

Let  $A_F^* = \{\beta \in A | n(\beta) \in F^*\}$  and note that the anisotropic vectors of  $V$  lie in  $A_F^*$ . Define  $\phi_\beta$  on  $V$  by

$$\phi_\beta(v) = n(\beta)^{-1} \beta v \tau(\beta).$$

Then  $\phi_\beta \in O(V)$ , the orthogonal group of  $V$ , and  $\Phi : A_F^* \rightarrow O(V)$ , with  $\Phi(\beta) = \phi_\beta$ , defines a homomorphism.

Now suppose that  $\beta \in \text{Ker } \Phi$ . Then  $n(\beta)^{-1} \beta v \tau(\beta) = v$  for all  $v \in V$ . Since  $1 \in V$ , we have that  $\tau(\beta) = \beta^J$  and hence  $\beta \in B$ . For  $v = \alpha i, \alpha j, \alpha k$ , the equality  $\beta v \beta^{-1} = v$  then implies that  $\beta \gamma = \gamma \beta$  for all  $\gamma \in B$ . Thus  $\beta \in Z(B)$ . Conversely if  $\beta \in Z(B)$ , then  $\beta \in \text{Ker } \Phi$ . Hence  $\text{Ker } \Phi = F^*$ .

The group  $O(V)$  is generated by reflections  $\rho_y$ , for  $y$  an anisotropic vector in  $V$ , where for each  $v \in V$ ,

$$\rho_y(v) = -yv^J(y^J)^{-1} = v - f(y, v)n(y)^{-1}y.$$

Then  $\rho_{y_1} \rho_{y_2}(v) = y_1 y_2^{-1} v y_2^J (y_1^J)^{-1} = n(y_1 y_2^J)^{-1} (y_1 y_2^J) v \tau(y_1 y_2^J)$ . Thus  $\rho_{y_1} \rho_{y_2} = \phi_\beta$  for  $\beta = y_1 y_2^J$ . Since  $SO(V)$  consists of products of an even number of reflections, it follows that  $SO(V) \subseteq \Phi(A_F^*)$ . If the image of  $A_F^*$  properly contained  $SO(V)$  then each reflection would lie in the image. In particular,  $\rho_{\alpha i} = \phi_\beta$  for some  $\beta \in A_F^*$ , and

$$n(\beta)^{-1} \beta v \tau(\beta) = -\alpha i v^J ((\alpha i)^J)^{-1} = i v^J i^{-1}.$$

As before, taking  $v = 1$ , we obtain  $\beta \in B$ . Therefore,  $i \beta v^J = v i \beta$  for all  $v \in V$ , and hence  $\beta = 0$ . This contradiction shows that  $\rho_{\alpha i}$  is not in the image of  $A_F^*$ , and we have an exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow F^* \rightarrow A_F^* \xrightarrow{\Phi} SO(V) \rightarrow 1.$$

Clearly  $\Phi$  restricted to the norm one group  $A^1$  has kernel  $\{\pm 1\}$ . Let  $\Theta$  denote the spinor norm on  $SO(V)$ . If  $\beta = y_1 y_2^J$  as above, then

$$\Theta(\phi_\beta) = \Theta(\rho_{y_1}) \Theta(\rho_{y_2}) = n(y_1) n(y_2) = n(\beta)$$

viewed in  $F^*/F^{*2}$ . More generally, since  $SO(V)$  consists of products of an even number reflections,  $\Theta(\phi_\beta) = n(\beta)$  for  $\phi_\beta \in SO(V)$ . Given  $\varphi \in O'(V)$  the spinorial kernel, there exists  $\beta \in A_F^*$  with  $\Phi(\beta) = \varphi$ . Since  $\Theta(\varphi) = 1$  we have  $n(\beta) \in F^{*2}$  so we may choose  $\beta \in A^1$ . Thus  $\Phi(A^1) = O'(V)$ . This

establishes the following generalization of results in [5, 6] where only the split case  $A = \mathbf{M}(2, K)$  was treated.

**Theorem 2.1.** *With notation as above, the following sequence is exact*

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow A^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} O'(V) \rightarrow 1.$$

Other forms of this result are given in [2, p. 32] and [3, §7.3B]. The argument above is a variation of one by Colin Maclachlan, and is derived from that in [6] by avoiding a choice of basis.

### 3. $S$ -orders and integral groups.

Now assume that  $F$  is a global field, with characteristic not two, and let  $S$  be a Dedekind set of prime spots for  $F$  and  $R_S$  the ring of  $S$ -integers in  $F$  (see [10]). Denote the integral closure of  $R_S$  in  $K = F(\alpha)$  by  $D_S$ . Let  $B$  be a quaternion algebra over  $F$  and  $A = B \otimes_F K$ . Next let  $\mathcal{L}$  be an  $S$ -order in  $B$  so that  $\mathcal{L}^J = \mathcal{L}$ . Then  $\mathcal{O}_S = \mathcal{L} \otimes_{R_S} D_S$  is an  $S$ -order in  $A$  and  $\tau(\mathcal{O}_S) = \mathcal{O}_S$ . Put  $L = \mathcal{O}_S \cap V$ . Since  $\mathcal{O}_S$  is a finitely generated  $D_S$ -module and  $D_S$  is a finitely generated  $R_S$ -module,  $L$  is a lattice over  $R_S$ . Note that  $1, \alpha i, \alpha j, \alpha k \in L$  if  $\alpha \in D_S$  and  $a, b \in R_S$ .

Define a subgroup of  $A_F^*$  by

$$A_L = \{\beta \in A_F^* \mid \beta L = L\tau(\beta^J)\}.$$

Then there is a homomorphism

$$\Phi : A_L \rightarrow SO(L)$$

given by  $\Phi(\beta) = \phi_\beta$ , where  $\phi_\beta(v) = n(\beta)^{-1}\beta v\tau(\beta) \in L$  for all  $v \in L$ . This follows since  $\phi_\beta(L) = L$  if and only if  $\beta v\tau(\beta) \in \beta\beta^J L$ , that is,  $\beta v \in \tau(\beta^J L) = L\tau(\beta^J)$  for all  $v \in L$ . The kernel of  $\Phi$  is

$$\text{Ker } \Phi = \{\beta \in A_L \mid \beta v = v\tau(\beta^J) \text{ for all } v \in L\} = F^*$$

and so we have an exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow F^* \rightarrow A_L \xrightarrow{\Phi} SO(L).$$

Next we show that this mapping  $\Phi$  is locally surjective (under an assumption at dyadic primes). For non-dyadic primes  $p \in S$  the local group  $O(L_p)$  is generated by integral symmetries, even without going to the completion in the localization  $L_p$  (see [10, §92.4]). Hence we can modify the argument for the surjectivity of  $A_F^*$  onto  $SO(V)$ . Let  $L_p$  be the local lattice over the local ring  $R_p \subseteq F$  (not completed) at a non-dyadic prime  $p \in S$ . Define, for  $v \in L_p$ ,

$$\rho_y(v) = v - f(v, y)n(y)^{-1}y = -yv^J(y^J)^{-1}$$

where  $y \in L_p$  satisfies  $f(L_p, y) \subseteq n(y)R_p \neq 0$ . Then  $\rho_y \in O(L_p)$ , and  $SO(L_p)$  is generated by pairs of such integral symmetries. As before, for

anisotropic  $y_1, y_2 \in L_p$ , put  $\beta = y_1 y_2^J$  so that  $\rho_{y_1} \rho_{y_2} = \phi_\beta$ . Note that the condition  $y_1 y_2^J L_p = L_p \tau(y_2 y_1^J)$  follows from the restrictions on  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  assumed for integral symmetries. Now we have a local exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow F^* \rightarrow A_{L_p} \xrightarrow{\Phi} SO(L_p) \rightarrow 1$$

where  $A_{L_p} = \{\beta \in A_F^* \mid \beta L_p = L_p \tau(\beta^J)\}$ . Next restrict to the local exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow A_{L_p}^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} O'(L_p) \rightarrow 1$$

where  $A_{L_p}^1 = \{\beta \in A_{L_p} \mid n(\beta) = 1\}$ . The map  $\Phi$  remains surjective. For given  $\varphi \in O'(L_p)$ , there exists  $\beta \in A_{L_p}$  such that  $\Phi(\beta) = \varphi$ . Since  $\Theta(\varphi) = 1$ , we have  $n(\beta) = F^{*2}$  and hence we may choose  $\beta \in A_{L_p}^1$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{O}_S = \mathcal{L} \otimes_{R_S} D_S$  be the  $S$ -order in  $A$  defined above, and assume  $S$  contains no dyadic primes. Then, for  $L = \mathcal{O}_S \cap V$ , the following sequence is exact*

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow A_L^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} O'(L) \rightarrow 1.$$

*Proof.* The local surjectivity established above can be used to show global surjectivity onto  $O'(L)$  as follows. For  $v \in V$  we have  $v \in L$  if and only if  $v \in L_p$  for all  $p \in S$  (see [10]). Let  $\beta \in A^1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \beta \in A_L^1 &\iff \beta L \tau(\beta) = L \\ &\iff \beta L_p \tau(\beta) = L_p \text{ for all } p \in S \\ &\iff \beta \in A_{L_p}^1 \text{ for all } p \in S. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\varphi \in O'(L) \subseteq O'(V)$ , so there exists  $\beta \in A^1$  such that  $\Phi(\beta) = \varphi$ . Since  $\varphi$  is in  $O'(L_p)$ , there exists  $\beta_p \in A_{L_p}^1$  such that  $\Phi(\beta_p) = \varphi$ . Then  $\beta \beta_p^{-1} \in \text{Ker } \Phi = \{\pm 1\}$ , so that  $\beta \in A_{L_p}^1$  for each prime  $p \in S$ . Therefore,  $\beta \in A_L^1$ .

To handle dyadic primes, and study the primes where  $A$  is ramified, we go to the completions. Let  $\mathcal{P}$ , over the prime  $p \in S$ , be a prime where  $A$  is ramified or a dyadic prime, let  $K_{\mathcal{P}}$  be the completion of  $K$  at  $\mathcal{P}$ , and  $F_p$  the completion of  $F$  at  $p$ . The corresponding complete local rings of integers are denoted by  $D_{\mathcal{P}}$  and  $R_p$ .

*Ramified primes.* When  $A$  is ramified at  $\mathcal{P}$ ,  $A_{\mathcal{P}} = A \otimes_K K_{\mathcal{P}}$  is a division ring and, necessarily,  $B_p = B \otimes_F F_p$  is also a division ring. Then  $\nu(\beta) = \text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}} n(\beta)$  defines a discrete valuation on  $A_{\mathcal{P}}$ , and

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}} = \{\beta \in A_{\mathcal{P}} \mid \nu(\beta) \geq 0\}$$

is the unique maximal order of  $A_{\mathcal{P}}$ , assuming  $\mathcal{O}_S$  is locally maximal at  $\mathcal{P}$  (see Lemma 1.5 in [12, p. 34]). Put  $V_p = \{v \in A_{\mathcal{P}} \mid \tau(v) = v\}$ , an anisotropic quadratic space over  $F_p$ , and

$$L_p = V_p \cap \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}} = \{v \in V_p \mid n(v) \in R_p\}.$$

Then  $L_p$  is a maximal  $R_p$ -lattice in the sense of Eichler, and the integral group  $O(L_p) = O(V_p)$  (see [10, §91A, 91:15]). It follows that  $O(L_p)$  is generated by integral symmetries. Moreover, if  $\beta \in A_{L_p}^1$  then  $n(\beta) = 1$  so that  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$ , trivially. Hence  $A_{L_p}^1 \subseteq \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}^1$ .

By arguments similar to those above for non-dyadic primes, but now with  $A$  replaced by  $A_{\mathcal{P}}$ , and  $A_{L_p}^1$  modified accordingly, we get the following exact sequence for the completed groups

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow A_{L_p}^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} O'(L_p) \rightarrow 1.$$

*Dyadic primes.* We still need to consider dyadic primes  $\mathcal{P}$  where  $A$  is not ramified. Eichler transformations  $E(u, x)$  are now needed since there are cases in rank four where  $O(L_p)$  is not generated by symmetries (see [11]). Let  $u, x \in V_p$  satisfy  $n(u) = 0$  and  $f(u, x) = ux^J + xu^J = 0$ , and put  $\beta = 1 - xu^J \in A_{\mathcal{P}}^1$ . Then, for  $v \in V_p$ ,

$$\phi_{\beta}(v) = \beta v \tau(\beta) = E(u, x)(v)$$

where

$$E(u, x)(v) = v - f(u, v)x + f(x, v)u - n(x)f(u, v)u$$

since  $xu^Jv + vu^Jx = f(u, v)x - f(x, v)u$  and  $xu^Jvu^Jx = -n(x)f(u, v)u$ . We need the integrality conditions  $f(u, L_p)x \subseteq L_p$ ,  $f(x, L_p)u \subseteq L_p$  and  $n(x)f(u, L_p)u \subseteq L_p$  to get  $E(u, x) \in O'(L_p)$ . Then  $\Phi(A_{L_p}^1) = O'(L_p)$  follows whenever  $SO(L_p)$  is generated by integral Eichler transformations and double symmetries. In particular, Theorem 4.1 in [5] establishes this for the groups  $SO(L_p)$  associated with the maximal orders  $\mathbf{M}(2, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}})$  in the dyadic split case where  $A_{\mathcal{P}} \cong \mathbf{M}(2, K_{\mathcal{P}})$ , but nice generators for the general dyadic case are not known when  $L_p$  is not unimodular (see [11]).

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $\mathcal{O}_S = \mathcal{L} \otimes_{R_S} D_S$  be the  $S$ -order in  $A$  defined above and put  $L = \mathcal{O}_S \cap V$ . Assume the complete local group  $SO(L_p)$  is generated by integral Eichler transformations and double symmetries at all dyadic  $p \in S$ . Then the sequence*

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow A_L^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} O'(L) \rightarrow 1$$

*is exact.*

The proof is essentially the same as for Theorem 3.1.

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $\mathcal{O}_S$  be an  $S$ -order in  $A$  with  $\tau(\mathcal{O}_S) = \mathcal{O}_S$ . Then*

$$\mathcal{O}_S^1 \subseteq A_L^1.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_S^1$  so that  $n(\beta) = \beta\beta^J = 1$ . If  $v \in L$  we must prove  $\beta v \in L\tau(\beta^J)$ , that is,  $\beta v\tau(\beta) \in L = \mathcal{O}_S \cap V$ . Since  $\tau(\mathcal{O}_S^1) = \mathcal{O}_S^1$ , we have  $\beta v\tau(\beta) \in \mathcal{O}_S$  because  $v \in \mathcal{O}_S$ . Also  $\tau(\beta v\tau(\beta)) = \beta v\tau(\beta) \in V$ .

We give several examples in §§5,6 where  $\mathcal{O}_S^1 = A_L^1$ , but this is not true in general, as shown by 6.3 and the other examples in §6.

#### 4. Stabilizer subgroups and quaternion subalgebras.

Let  $F$  be any field with  $2 \neq 0$  and  $K = F(\alpha)$  with  $\alpha^2 = -d \in F^*$ . As before, assume  $A = B \otimes_F K$ . Take  $v \neq 0$  in  $V$ . Then, for  $\beta \in A^1$ , its image  $\Phi(\beta)$  is in  $\text{Stab}(v, O'(V)) = \{\phi \in O'(V) \mid \phi(v) = v\}$  if and only if  $\phi_\beta(v) = \beta v\tau(\beta) = v$ , or equivalently  $\beta v = v\tau(\beta^J)$ . Define

$$A(v) = \{\beta \in A \mid \beta v = v\tau(\beta^J)\}.$$

Then  $A(v)$  is a  $F$ -subalgebra of  $A$  with  $A(v)^J = A(v)$ . Moreover,

$$\Phi(A(v)^1) = \text{Stab}(v, O'(V)).$$

In particular,  $A(1) = B$  and  $\Phi(B^1) = \text{Stab}(1, O'(V))$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $v \in V$  with  $n(v) \neq 0$ . Then  $A(v)$  is a quaternion algebra over the field  $F$  with conjugation  $J$  induced from  $A$ . If  $V = Fv \perp W$  then  $A(v) \cong C^+(W)$ , the even Clifford algebra of  $W$ .*

*Proof.* Expand  $v$  to an orthogonal basis  $v, v_1, v_2, v_3$  of  $V$  and let  $\beta_1 = v_2 v_3^J, \beta_2 = v_3 v_1^J$  and  $\beta_3 = v_1 v_2^J$ . Since  $v_i v_j^J + v_j v_i^J = f(v_i, v_j) = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ , it follows that  $\beta_i^J = -\beta_i$  and  $\beta_i \beta_j = -\beta_j \beta_i$ . Also,

$$\beta_1 \beta_2 = v_2 v_3^J v_3 v_1^J = -n(v_3) \beta_3,$$

$$\beta_1^2 = v_2 v_3^J v_2 v_3^J = -v_2 v_3^J v_3 v_2^J = -n(v_2) n(v_3).$$

There are similar results for  $\beta_2^2$  and  $\beta_3^2$ . Also  $\phi_{\beta_1} = \rho_{v_2} \rho_{v_3}$ . Hence  $\phi_{\beta_i}(v) = v = n(\beta_i)^{-1} \beta_i v \tau(\beta_i)$  and consequently  $\beta_i \in A(v)$ . If we show that  $1, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$  are linear independent over  $F$  and span  $A(v)$ , it follows that  $A(v)$  is the quaternion algebra  $(\frac{-n(v_1 v_2), -n(v_2 v_3)}{F}) \cong C^+(W)$  (see [2, p. 29] or [10, §54]). Assume that  $a_0 + a_1 \beta_1 + a_2 \beta_2 + a_3 \beta_3 = 0$  with  $a_i \in F$ . Multiply through on the right by  $v_1$  and use  $\beta_1 v_1 = v_1 \tau(\beta_1^J)$  and  $\beta_i v_1 = -v_1 \tau(\beta_i^J)$  for  $i = 2, 3$ . Simplifying, subtracting and repeating variations of this shows that all  $a_i = 0$ . Finally, note that  $\alpha, \alpha \beta_i \notin A(v)$  and  $A$  is eight dimensional over  $F$  to complete the proof.

For example,  $A(\alpha i)$  has  $F$ -basis  $1, i, \alpha j, \alpha k$  and  $A(\alpha i) = \left( \frac{a, -db}{F} \right)$ .



**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $Q \subset A$  be a quaternion  $F$ -subalgebra of  $A$  with conjugation induced from  $A$ . Then  $Q = A(v)$  for some  $v \in V$  with  $n(v) \neq 0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $1, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$  be a standard basis for  $Q$  over  $F$  with  $\beta_i^J = -\beta_i$ ,  $n(\beta_i) = a_i \in F^*$ , and  $\beta_1\beta_2 = a\beta_3$ . If  $\Phi(\beta_1) = \pm I$ , then  $\Phi(\beta\beta_1) = \Phi(\beta_1\beta)$  for all  $\beta \in Q$  with  $n(\beta) \in F^*$ , and we get contradictions such as  $(\beta_1 + \beta_2)\beta_1 = \pm\beta_1(\beta_1 + \beta_2)$ . Since  $\beta_i\beta_j = -\beta_j\beta_i$  for  $i \neq j$ , the three maps  $\Phi(\beta_i)$  form a set of mutually commuting, extremal, non-central involutions in  $SO(V)$ . Hence there exists an orthogonal basis  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v$  of  $V$  with  $\Phi(\beta_1) = \rho_{v_2}\rho_{v_3}$ ,  $\Phi(\beta_2) = \rho_{v_1}\rho_{v_3}$  and  $\Phi(\beta_3) = \Phi(\beta_1)\Phi(\beta_2) = \rho_{v_1}\rho_{v_2}$ . Since  $\Phi(\beta_i)(v) = v = n(\beta_i)^{-1}\beta_i v \tau(\beta_i)$ , it follows that  $\beta_i \in A(v)$ . Hence  $Q = A(v)$  since both algebras are four dimensional over  $F$ .

The group  $A(v)^1 = \{\beta \in A^1 | \beta v \tau(\beta) = v\}$  can be viewed as a subgroup of a unitary group. The special case  $a = -b = 1$ , where  $B$  is the matrix algebra  $\mathbf{M}(2, F)$ , was considered in [5, §5]. We now give a very different approach.

For fixed  $v \neq 0$  in  $V$ , set  $f_v(x, y) = xv\tau(y)$  for  $x, y \in A$ . Then  $f_v(ax, by) = af_v(x, y)b^J$  for  $a, b \in B$ . Define  $h : A \times A \rightarrow B$  by

$$h(x, y) = f_v(x, y) + f_v(y, x)^J.$$

Then  $h(x, y)^J = h(y, x) = \tau(h(x, y))$  so that  $h(x, y) \in B$  and  $h(x, x) \in F$ . Thus  $h$  is an hermitian form on the  $B$ -module  $A$  (see [3, §5.1B]). Note that  $h$  is singular when  $n(v) = 0$  since then  $h(v^J, A) = 0$ .

Let  $U(A, h)$  be the unitary group of this form. For  $\beta \in A(v)^1$ , so that  $\beta v \tau(\beta) = v$ , define a linear map  $\psi_\beta : A \rightarrow A$  by  $\psi_\beta(x) = x\beta$ . Then, for  $x, y \in A$ ,

$$h(\psi_\beta(x), \psi_\beta(y)) = h(x\beta, y\beta) = h(x, y)$$

and hence  $\psi_\beta \in U(A, h)$ . Hence  $\Psi(\beta) = \psi_\beta$  defines an anti-monomorphism  $\Psi : A(v)^1 \rightarrow U(A, h)$ .

To determine the image of  $\Psi$  first note that  $n(\psi_\beta(x)) = n(x)$  and also  $f_v(\psi_\beta(x), \psi_\beta(y)) = f_v(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in A$ . Therefore, define the special unitary group  $SU(A, h)$  to consist of those  $\psi \in U(A, h)$  with the two properties  $n(\psi(x)) = n(x)$  and  $f_v(\psi(x), \psi(y)) = f_v(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in A$ .

**Theorem 4.3.** *Assume  $h$  is non-singular. Then the map*

$$\Psi : A(v)^1 \rightarrow SU(A, h)$$

*is an anti-isomorphism.*

*Proof.* It remains to show that  $\Psi$  is surjective. Let  $\psi \in SU(A, h)$  and put  $\psi(1) = \beta \in A$ . Then  $n(\beta) = n(\psi(1)) = 1$  so that  $\beta \in A^1$ . From  $f_v(\psi(1), \psi(1)) = f_v(1, 1)$  we get  $\beta v \tau(\beta) = v$ , so that  $\beta \in A(v)^1$ . Replacing  $\psi$  by  $\psi_\beta \psi$  we may assume that  $\beta = 1$ . Since  $\psi$  is  $B$ -linear and  $1, \alpha$  is a

basis of  $A$  over  $B$ , it now suffices to show  $\psi(\alpha) = \alpha$ . Put  $\gamma = \psi(\alpha)$ . From  $f_v(\alpha, \alpha) = f_v(\gamma, \gamma)$  and  $n(\gamma) = -d$  it follows that  $v\tau(\gamma) = -\gamma^J v$ . Then  $f_v(\alpha, 1) = f_v(\gamma, 1)$  yields  $\alpha v = \gamma v$ . Hence  $\alpha = \gamma$  provided  $n(v) \neq 0$ .

## 5. Norm one groups.

Let  $F$  be a global field with  $2 \neq 0$ , and let  $S$  be a Dedekind set of prime spots for  $F$  that contains no dyadic primes. For  $a, b \in R_S$ , let  $B = \left(\frac{a, b}{F}\right)$  and take  $\mathcal{L}_S = R_S 1 + R_S i + R_S j + R_S k = R_S[i, j]$ , an order in  $B$ . Let  $K = F(\alpha)$  with  $\alpha^2 = -d \in R_S$ , and assume that locally  $0 \leq \text{ord}_p(abd) \leq 1$  for all  $p \in S$ . Note that  $D_S = R_S[\alpha]$  since 2 is a unit in  $R_S$ . Denote by  $R_p$  the localization of  $R_S$  at  $p \in S$ , with completion not assumed, and by  $D_p$  the localization of  $D_S$  at a prime  $\mathcal{P}$  over  $p$ .

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{O}_S = \mathcal{L}_S \otimes_{R_S} D_S$  be an  $S$ -order in  $A$ , with  $\mathcal{L}_S$  as above, and assume  $S$  excludes all dyadic primes. Then  $\mathcal{O}_S^1 = A_L^1$  where*

$$L = \mathcal{O}_S \cap V = R_S 1 \perp R_S \alpha i \perp R_S \alpha j \perp R_S \alpha k \cong \langle 2, 2ad, 2bd, -2abd \rangle$$

and there exists an exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} O'(L) \rightarrow 1.$$

*Proof.* Since  $\mathcal{O}_S^1 \subseteq A_L^1$  by 3.3, it remains to prove  $A_L^1 \subseteq \mathcal{O}_S$ ; then the result follows from 3.1. Let

$$\beta = x + yi + zj + wk \in A_L^1.$$

It suffices to prove that  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$ , the localization of  $\mathcal{O}_S$  at  $\mathcal{P}$ , for all primes  $\mathcal{P}$  over  $p \in S$ , by using  $\beta v \tau(\beta) \in L$  for all  $v \in L$ , and

$$n(\beta) = \beta \beta^J = x^2 - ay^2 - bz^2 + abw^2 = 1.$$

Let  $\text{Tr} : K \rightarrow F$  denote the trace. Taking  $v = \alpha i$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} \beta \alpha i \tau(\beta) &= \alpha(x + yi + zj + wk)(\bar{x}i - a\bar{y} - \bar{z}k - a\bar{w}j) \\ &= -a\text{Tr}(\alpha x \bar{y} + \alpha b z \bar{w}) + (x\bar{x} - ay\bar{y} + bz\bar{z} - abw\bar{w})\alpha i \\ &\quad - a\text{Tr}(x\bar{w} + y\bar{z})\alpha j - \text{Tr}(x\bar{z} + ay\bar{w})\alpha k \in L. \end{aligned}$$

Similar results, but with different sign patterns, follow for  $v = 1, \alpha j, \alpha k$ . Thus,  $x\bar{x} + ay\bar{y} - bz\bar{z} - abw\bar{w}$ ,  $\text{Tr}(x\bar{y} - bz\bar{w})$ ,  $b\text{Tr}(x\bar{w} - y\bar{z}) \in R_S$  follow from  $v = \alpha j$ . Hence  $x\bar{x}, ay\bar{y}, bz\bar{z}$  and  $abw\bar{w}$  are in  $R_S$ . Also,  $a\text{Tr}(x\bar{y})$ ,  $b\text{Tr}(x\bar{z})$ ,  $ab\text{Tr}(x\bar{w})$ ,  $ab\text{Tr}(y\bar{z})$ ,  $ab\text{Tr}(y\bar{w})$  and  $ab\text{Tr}(z\bar{w})$  are in  $R_S$ .

First let  $p \in S$  be a prime that is either inert or ramified in  $K$  with  $\mathcal{P}$  the prime ideal in  $K$  over  $p$ . Then  $\text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}} x = \text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}} \bar{x}$ . Hence  $x \in D_{\mathcal{P}}$  since  $x\bar{x} \in R_S$ . Similarly  $y, z, w$ , are all locally integral at  $\mathcal{P}$  since  $0 \leq \text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}} ab \leq 1$ . Note also, if  $p$  is ramified in  $K$ , then  $\text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}} d = 1$  so that  $ab$  is a unit in  $R_{\mathcal{P}}$ . Thus  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$ .

Finally let  $p \in S$  be a prime that splits in  $K$  into two ideals  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\bar{\mathcal{P}}$ . Consider first  $a \in R_p$  a unit. Assume locally  $x \notin D_{\mathcal{P}}$ , so that  $\bar{x} \in \mathcal{P}$  then follows from  $x\bar{x} \in R_S$ . Since  $x\bar{y} + y\bar{x} \in R_S$  it follows that locally  $\bar{y} \in \mathcal{P}$  (for if  $\bar{y} \notin \mathcal{P}$ , then  $y\bar{x}$  and  $y$  are not locally integral, forcing  $\bar{y} \in \mathcal{P}$ ). If, however,  $\text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}} a = 1$ , we still get  $\bar{y} \in D_{\mathcal{P}}$  from  $a(x\bar{y} + y\bar{x}) \in R_S$ . Hence  $a\bar{y} \in \mathcal{P}$ . Similarly,  $b\bar{z}, ab\bar{w} \in \mathcal{P}$  which contradicts  $1 = \overline{n(\beta)}$ . Thus  $x \in D_{\mathcal{P}}$ . Likewise  $y, z, w \in D_{\mathcal{P}}$ . Therefore  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}} \cap \mathcal{O}_{\bar{\mathcal{P}}}$ , completing the proof.

This result generalizes Theorem 4.2 in [5]. The theorem applies to the rational function field  $F = \mathbf{F}(X)$  where  $\mathbf{F}$  is a finite field with characteristic not two. Let  $B = (\frac{a,b}{\mathbf{F}(X)})$  where  $a, b \in \mathbf{F}[X] = R_S$ . Then  $\mathcal{L} = \mathbf{F}[X, i, j]$  is an order in  $B$ . For  $K = F(\alpha)$  with  $\alpha^2 = d \in \mathbf{F}[X]$  and  $abd$  square-free, Theorem 5.1 then holds. In particular, one can take  $d \in \mathbf{F}$  with  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{F}(\alpha)$  a quadratic extension of  $\mathbf{F}$  so that  $D_S = \mathbf{K}[X]$  and  $\mathcal{O} = \mathbf{K}[X, i, j]$ .

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let  $B = (\frac{a,b}{\mathbf{Q}})$  and  $\mathcal{L}_S$  be as in 5.1. Then*

$$P\mathcal{L}_S^1 \cong O'(M)$$

*is a subgroup of  $PO_S^1$ , where  $M$  is the  $R_S$ -lattice with  $f$ -form  $\langle a, b, -ab \rangle$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $d$  be a unit in  $R_S$  such that  $\alpha \notin R_S$ . From the previous section,  $\Phi(B_L^1) = \text{Stab}(1, O'(L)) = O'(M)$  where  $M \cong \langle a, b, -ab \rangle$  after scaling out  $2d$ . Since  $\mathcal{O}_S \cap B = \mathcal{L}_S$ , we have  $\mathcal{L}_S^1 \subseteq B_L^1 \subseteq A_L^1 = \mathcal{O}_S^1$  and so  $\mathcal{L}_S^1 = B_L^1$ . Thus  $P\mathcal{L}_S^1 \cong O'(M)$ .

This generalizes [3, §7.3A] where  $a = b = 1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_S^1 = SL(2, R_S)$ .

## 6. Kleinian groups and $\mathbf{Z}$ -lattices.

We now consider the rational case where  $F = \mathbf{Q}$ ,  $R_S = \mathbf{Z}$  and  $B = (\frac{a,b}{\mathbf{Q}})$  with  $a, b$  square-free integers. Let  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\alpha)$  with  $\alpha^2 = -d$  a square-free integer. When  $d \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4}$ , so that 2 is ramified in  $K$ , the integers  $\mathbf{Z}_K = \mathbf{Z}[\alpha]$ ; but for  $d \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , so that 2 is inert or split in  $K$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_K = \mathbf{Z}[\omega]$  with  $\omega = (1 + \alpha)/2$ . The next result generalizes the isomorphism theorems for Hilbert modular and Bianchi groups in [5, 6], since  $\mathcal{O}^1 = SL(2, \mathbf{Z}_K)$  when  $a = -b = 1$ .

**Theorem 6.1.** *Let  $B = (\frac{a,b}{\mathbf{Q}})$  with  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $ab \neq 0$  square-free. Then  $\mathcal{L} = \mathbf{Z}[1, (1+i)/2, j, (j+k)/2]$  is a maximal order in  $B$ . For  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\alpha)$  with  $\alpha^2 = -d$  and  $(ab, d) = 1$ , put  $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{L} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}_K$  and  $L = \mathcal{O} \cap V$ . Then  $\mathcal{O}^1 = A_L^1$ , and the sequence*

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} O'(L) \rightarrow 1$$

is exact when  $d \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4}$ ,  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ,  $b$  is odd, and

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \mathbf{Z}1 \perp \mathbf{Z}\alpha i \perp (\mathbf{Z}\alpha j + \mathbf{Z}\alpha(j+k)/2) \\ &\cong \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2ad \end{pmatrix} \perp bd \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & (1-a)/2 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

The sequence is also exact when  $d \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  with  $b$  odd, or when  $d \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$ ,  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  with  $b$  even, but now

$$\begin{aligned} L &= (\mathbf{Z}1 + \mathbf{Z}(1 + \alpha i)/2) \perp (\mathbf{Z}\alpha j + \mathbf{Z}\alpha(j+k)/2) \\ &\cong \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & (1+ad)/2 \end{pmatrix} \perp bd \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & (1-a)/2 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We already know  $\mathcal{O}^1 \subseteq A_L^1$ . It remains to prove  $A_L^1 \subseteq \mathcal{O}$ , and then the result follows from 3.2 since the complete group  $O(L_2)$  is generated by symmetries and Eichler transformations (see [5, 10]). Let  $\beta = x + yi + zj + wk \in A_L^1$ . It suffices to prove that  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$ , the localization of  $\mathcal{O}$  at  $\mathcal{P}$ , for all finite primes  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $K$ . The odd primes are treated as in 5.1. It remains to show  $x \pm y, z \pm w$  are integral at each dyadic prime  $\mathcal{P}$ , for then

$$\beta = (x - y) + 2y(1 + i)/2 + (z - w)j + 2w(j + k)/2 \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}.$$

As in 5.1,  $x\bar{x} - ay\bar{y} + bz\bar{z} - abw\bar{w}$  and traces like  $a\text{Tr}(x\bar{w} + y\bar{z})$  are now in  $2^{-1}\mathbf{Z}$ . Similar results, but with different sign patterns, are obtained by taking  $v = 1, \alpha j$  and  $\alpha k$ . Hence  $8x\bar{x}, 8ay\bar{y}, 8bz\bar{z}$  and  $8abw\bar{w}$  are in  $\mathbf{Z}$ . Also,  $4a\text{Tr}(x\bar{y}), 4b\text{Tr}(x\bar{z}), 4ab\text{Tr}(x\bar{w}), 4ab\text{Tr}(y\bar{z}), 4ab\text{Tr}(y\bar{w})$  and  $4ab\text{Tr}(z\bar{w})$  are all in  $\mathbf{Z}$ , as are traces like  $4ab\text{Tr}(\alpha x\bar{w})$ . From the coefficient of  $\alpha j$  in  $\beta\alpha k\tau(\beta)$  we also have

$$(1) \quad 2a\text{Tr}(x\bar{y} + bz\bar{w}) \in \mathbf{Z}.$$

Adding the coefficients of  $\alpha j$  and  $\alpha k$  in  $\beta\alpha(j+k)\tau(\beta) \in 2L$  gives

$$(2) \quad 2(x\bar{x} + ay\bar{y}) + \text{Tr}((a+1)x\bar{y} + b(a-1)z\bar{w}) \in \mathbf{Z}$$

and subtracting these two coefficients gives

$$(3) \quad 2b(z\bar{z} + aw\bar{w}) - \text{Tr}((a-1)x\bar{y} + b(a+1)z\bar{w}) \in \mathbf{Z}.$$

From the  $\alpha k$  coefficient of  $\beta\alpha(j+k)\tau(\beta) \in 2L$ , we have

$$(4) \quad x\bar{x} + ay\bar{y} + bz\bar{z} + abw\bar{w} + \text{Tr}(x\bar{y} - bz\bar{w}) \in \mathbf{Z}.$$

First consider 2 inert in  $K$  so that  $d \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$ . Then  $2x, 2y$  are locally integral at 2, and hence in  $\mathbf{Z}[\omega]$  since, for example,  $8x\bar{x} \in \mathbf{Z}$  and  $\text{ord}_2 x = \text{ord}_2 \bar{x}$ . Since  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , it follows from (2) that  $2(x+y)(\bar{x} + \bar{y})$  is locally integral at 2. Therefore  $x \pm y \in \mathbf{Z}[\omega]$ . Then  $\beta\beta^J = 1$  gives  $b(z^2 - aw^2) \in \mathbf{Z}[\omega]$ . For  $b$  odd we have  $z \pm w \in \mathbf{Z}[\omega]$  and hence  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}^1$ , since  $2z, 2w \in \mathbf{Z}[\omega]$ . For  $b$  even and  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , from (4) and since  $(x+y)(\bar{x} + \bar{y})$  is integral, it follows that  $b(z\bar{z} + w\bar{w} - \text{Tr}(z\bar{w})) = b(z-w)(\bar{z} - \bar{w})$  is integral. Hence  $z-w$  is integral, and similarly, from (1) and (4),  $z+w$  is integral. Thus  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}^1$ .

Next consider 2 ramified in  $K$  so that  $2\mathbf{Z}_K = \mathcal{P}^2$  and  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  (so that, in essence,  $a = 1$ ). By combining the coefficients of 1 and  $\alpha i$  in  $\beta\alpha(j+k)\tau(\beta) \in 2L$ , we have  $\alpha b(x+y)(\bar{w} - \bar{z})$  is locally integral, since  $4b\text{Tr}(\alpha x\bar{w} - \alpha y\bar{z})$  and  $8\alpha by\bar{w}$  are locally integral. Since  $b$  is odd, it follows that either  $x+y$  or  $z-w$  is locally integral. A similar calculation, using  $\beta\alpha(j-k)\tau(\beta) \in 2L$ , gives either  $x-y$  or  $z+w$  is integral at  $\mathcal{P}$ . From (4), as with 2 inert, if  $x+y$  is locally integral, so is  $z-w$ , and conversely. Similarly for the pair  $x-y$  and  $z+w$ . Now all four are integral and  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}^1$ .

Finally consider  $d \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$  so that 2 splits in  $K$  and  $2\mathbf{Z}_K = \mathcal{P}\bar{\mathcal{P}}$ . From (2),  $2(x+y)(\bar{x} + \bar{y})$  is locally integral, and hence either  $\text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}}(x+y) \geq 0$  or  $\text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}}(\bar{x} + \bar{y}) \geq 0$ . Since  $4a\text{Tr}(x\bar{y}) \in \mathbf{Z}$ , also  $\text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}}(x-y) \geq 0$  or  $\text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}}(\bar{x} - \bar{y}) \geq 0$ . A similar argument, using the coefficients of 1 and  $\alpha i$  in  $\beta(1+\alpha i)\tau(\beta) \in 2L$ , and  $\alpha^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , shows that  $2(x-y)(\bar{x} + \bar{y})$  is integral at  $\mathcal{P}$ ; hence  $\text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}}(x-y) \geq 0$  or  $\text{ord}_{\mathcal{P}}(\bar{x} + \bar{y}) \geq 0$ . Now either  $x \pm y$  are both locally integral at  $\mathcal{P}$ , or  $\bar{x} \pm \bar{y}$  are both integral at  $\mathcal{P}$  so that  $x \pm y$  are locally integral at  $\bar{\mathcal{P}}$ . Since  $b$  is odd, from (3) either  $z \pm w$  are both integral at  $\mathcal{P}$ , or both are integral at  $\bar{\mathcal{P}}$ . If  $x \pm y, z \pm w$  are all locally integral at  $\mathcal{P}$ , then  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}^1$ . Assume, therefore,  $x \pm y, \bar{z} \pm \bar{w}$  are locally integral at  $\mathcal{P}$ . Since  $4(x\bar{x} + bz\bar{z}), 4b\text{Tr}(x\bar{z}) \in \mathbf{Z}$ , it follows that  $4(x+z)(\bar{x} + \bar{z})$  is locally integral at  $\mathcal{P}$  and hence  $2(x+z)$  is integral at  $\mathcal{P}$  or  $\bar{\mathcal{P}}$ . In the first case,  $2z$  is now integral at  $\mathcal{P}$ ; from  $n(\beta) = 1$  we then have  $z \pm w$  integral at  $\mathcal{P}$ , and again  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}^1$ . In the second case,  $2x$  is integral at  $\bar{\mathcal{P}}$  so that  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\bar{\mathcal{P}}}^1$ . By symmetry, we may now assume  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\bar{\mathcal{P}}}^1$ . But  $\beta\tau(\beta) \in L \subseteq \mathcal{O}$  so that  $\tau(\beta) \in \beta^J\mathcal{O}^1 \subseteq \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}^1$ . Hence  $\beta \in \tau(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}^1) = \mathcal{O}_{\bar{\mathcal{P}}}^1$ .

**Remarks.** Let  $B$  be a quaternion algebra over a number field  $F$  with  $\mathcal{L}_S$  a maximal  $S$ -order in  $B$ . Let  $A = B \otimes_F K$  for a quadratic extension  $K/F$ . Assume the order  $\mathcal{O}_S = \mathcal{L}_S \otimes_{R_S} D_S$  is maximal and put  $L = \mathcal{O}_S \cap V$ . Then is  $A_L^1 = \mathcal{O}_S^1$  so that  $\Phi : \mathcal{O}_S^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}'(L)$  is surjective? The main difficulty is with the dyadic primes since 5.1 essentially covers non-dyadic primes. As observed in §3, for primes  $\mathcal{P}$  where  $A$  is ramified,  $A_{L_{\mathcal{P}}}^1 \subseteq \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  since  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  is now maximal. In general, the order  $\mathcal{O}$  and the lattice  $L$  will have to be given locally. In particular, 5.1 can be easily generalized by giving  $\mathcal{O}_S$  and  $L$  locally, but then the explicitness of the global data is lost. Also, what is the index  $[\mathcal{O}'(L) : \Phi(\mathcal{O}_S^1)]$  when  $\mathcal{O}_S$  is not maximal? The orders in 5.1 and 6.1 are maximal although the proofs only use this indirectly. Some restrictions on the orders  $\mathcal{L}_S$  and  $\mathcal{O}_S$  are necessary as the following examples show. Similar examples could be given with the values of  $a, b, d$  changed modulo 8 since this has little effect dyadically, and the odd primes are well behaved when  $abd$  is square-free.

**Example 1.** Let  $a = 1 = -b$  and  $\mathcal{L}' = \mathbf{Z}[1, i, j, k] \subset \mathcal{L}$ , as in 6.1, so that  $\mathcal{L}'$  is not maximal. Take  $d = 3$  and  $\beta = x + yi + \bar{x}j + \bar{y}k$  in  $A$  with  $2x = 1 + \omega, 2y = 1 - \omega$  and  $\omega = (1 + \alpha)/2$ . Then  $n(\beta) = 1$  and  $\beta \notin \mathcal{O}' = \mathcal{L}' \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}[\omega]$ .

However, from  $x\bar{x} = 3/4, y\bar{y} = 1/4, \text{Tr}(x\bar{y}) = 0$  and  $2\text{Tr}(\alpha y\bar{x}) = 3$  it can be checked that  $\beta \in A_{L'}$  where  $L' = \mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}\alpha i + \mathbf{Z}\alpha j + \mathbf{Z}\alpha k = \mathcal{O}' \cap V$ . Hence  $\mathcal{O}'^1 \neq A_{L'}^1$ .

**Example 2.** Let  $d = a = 1, b = -2$  and  $\beta = (j + \alpha k)/2$  with  $\mathcal{O}, L$  as in 6.1. Then  $n(\beta) = 1, \beta\tau(\beta) = \alpha i, \beta\alpha i\tau(\beta) = 1, \beta\alpha j\tau(\beta) = \alpha j$  and  $\beta\alpha k\tau(\beta) = -\alpha k$ . Hence  $\beta \in A_L^1$ . Put  $\pi = \alpha - 1$  so that  $\pi\bar{\pi} = 2$ . Then  $\beta = 2^{-1}(j+k) + \bar{\pi}^{-1}k \notin \mathcal{O}$  and  $A_L^1 \neq \mathcal{O}^1$ . Since  $\mathcal{O}[\beta] = \mathbf{Z}_K[(1+i)/2, \beta, k/\pi]$  is an order,  $\mathcal{O}$  is not maximal in  $A$ .

The next three theorems extend our approach to other explicit situations.

**Theorem 6.2.** Let  $B = \left(\frac{a,b}{\mathbf{Q}}\right)$  with  $a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $b$  even, and  $ab$  square-free. Then  $\mathcal{L} = \mathbf{Z}[1, i, (1+i+j)/2, (j+k)/2]$  is a maximal order in  $B$ . Let  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\alpha)$  with  $\alpha^2 = -d \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  and  $(ab, d) = 1$ . Put  $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{L} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}_K$  and

$$\begin{aligned} L = \mathcal{O} \cap V &= \mathbf{Z}1 + \mathbf{Z}\alpha i + \mathbf{Z}\alpha(j+k)/2 + \mathbf{Z}(1 + \alpha i + \alpha j)/2 \\ &\cong \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2ad & 0 & ad \\ 0 & 0 & (1-a)bd/2 & bd/2 \\ 1 & ad & bd/2 & (1+ad+bd)/2 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\mathcal{O}^1 = A_L^1$ , and the following sequence is exact

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} \mathcal{O}'(L) \rightarrow 1.$$

*Proof.* Locally, for odd primes the proof is essentially the same as in 5.1, but again 2 needs careful treatment. Let  $\beta \in A_L^1$  be as in 6.1. Then (1)–(4) still hold since they are derived from  $\alpha(j+k) \in 2L$ . Also 2 is inert in  $\mathbf{Z}_K = \mathbf{Z}[\omega]$ , and hence  $2x, 2y, 4z, 4w \in \mathbf{Z}_K$  as in 6.1. Again from (1) and (2), since  $a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x \pm y$  are integral at 2, and  $x^2 - y^2 \in \mathbf{Z}_K$ . It follows from  $n(\beta) = 1$  that  $(a-1)y^2 + bz^2 - abw^2$  is integral. Therefore,  $\text{ord}_2 z = -2$  if and only if  $\text{ord}_2 w = -2$ . Moreover, if  $2z$  and  $2w$  are integral, then  $2(y^2 + z^2 + w^2) \in \mathbf{Z}_2$  so that  $y + z + w$  is integral. Therefore,

$$\beta = x - y + 2y\frac{1+i+j}{2} + (z - y - w)j + 2w\frac{j+k}{2} \in \mathcal{O}^1.$$

Finally  $\text{ord}_2 z = -2$  is not possible. For let  $4z \equiv z_0 + 2z_1 \pmod{4}$  where  $z_i \in \{0, 1, \omega, \bar{\omega}\}$  (the residue class field is  $\mathbf{F}_4$ ), with a similar 2-adic expression for  $4w$ . Then  $(4z)^2 \equiv z_0^2 \pmod{4}$ . Since  $8bz^2 \equiv 8abw^2 \pmod{4}$ , it follows that  $z_0^2 \equiv -w_0^2 \pmod{4}$ , and then  $z_0 = w_0 = 0$ , completing the proof.

Note that  $dL = -a^2b^2d^3$ . Locally at odd  $p$ ,  $L_p \cong \langle 1, ad, bd, -abd \rangle$ . At the prime 2, the vectors 1 and  $(1 + \alpha i + \alpha j)/2$  span a binary even unimodular lattice  $J_0$  with discriminant  $dJ_0 = (a+b)d$  which splits  $L_2 = J_0 \perp J_1$  where  $J_1$  is the 2-modular even lattice spanned by  $\alpha k$  and  $\alpha(bi - aj - ak)/2$ , with discriminant  $dJ_1 = -4(a+b)$ . Since  $a+b \equiv 1, 5 \pmod{8}$ , either  $J_0$  or  $J_1$  is

isotropic in the completion when  $d \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$ . Thus  $A$  is not dyadically ramified when  $d \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$  (see [10, §58.7]). Again the dyadic condition for 3.2 follows as in [5].

**Example 3.** The analogue of 6.2 fails when  $d = 1$ . Take  $b = 2a = -2$  and  $\beta = 1 + (j + \alpha k)/2$ . Then  $n(\beta) = 1$  and  $\beta \in A_L^1$  where now  $L = \mathcal{O} \cap V$  is as in 5.1. But  $\beta \notin \mathcal{O}^1$ , and again  $\mathcal{O}$  is not maximal.

In Example 3, and also in the next result,  $B$  is ramified at the dyadic prime, but  $A$  is not dyadically ramified, and  $\Phi$  is not surjective. The algebra  $B$  is ramified at the prime 2 whenever the Hilbert symbol  $(a, b)_2 = -1$ ; for example when  $a \equiv b \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

**Theorem 6.3.** Let  $B = \left(\frac{a, b}{\mathbf{Q}}\right)$  with  $a \equiv b \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $ab$  square-free, and with  $a, b$  not both negative. Then  $\mathcal{L} = \mathbf{Z}[i, j, (1 + i + j + k)/2]$  is a maximal order in  $B$ . Let  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\alpha)$  with  $\alpha^2 = -d \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $abd$  square-free. Then for  $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{L} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}_K$  and

$$L = \mathcal{O} \cap V = \mathbf{Z}1 \perp \mathbf{Z}\alpha i \perp \mathbf{Z}\alpha j \perp \mathbf{Z}\alpha k \cong \langle 2, 2ad, 2bd, -2abd \rangle$$

the index

$$[A_L^1 : \mathcal{O}^1] = [O'(L) : \Phi(\mathcal{O}^1)] = 2.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\beta \in A_L^1$  be as in 6.1. Locally, for odd primes the proof is essentially the same as in 5.1 and  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  at all non-dyadic primes. The condition in 3.2 on  $SO(L_2)$  follows from [5, 11]. The prime 2 is ramified in  $\mathbf{Z}_K$  with  $2\mathbf{Z}_K = \mathcal{P}^2$ . Since  $L$  has an orthogonal basis,  $x\bar{x} \pm ay\bar{y} \pm bz\bar{z} \pm abw\bar{w} \in \mathbf{Z}$  for all choices of an even number of negative signs. Hence, for example,  $4x\bar{x} \in \mathbf{Z}$  and therefore  $2x, 2y, 2z, 2w \in \mathbf{Z}_K$ . Also, all traces such as  $2a\text{Tr}(x\bar{y})$  and  $2b\text{Tr}(x\bar{z})$  are in  $\mathbf{Z}$ . Since  $a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,

$$2(x - y)(\bar{x} + \bar{y}) = 2(x\bar{x} - y\bar{y}) - 4y\bar{x} + 2\text{Tr}(x\bar{y}) \in \mathbf{Z}$$

and thus  $\pi(x - y) \in \mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}$  where  $\mathcal{P} = \pi\mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . Similarly,  $\pi(x - z)$  and  $\pi(x - w)$  are in  $\mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . Let  $2x \equiv x_0 + x_1\pi + 2x_2 \pmod{2\mathcal{P}}$  where  $x_0, x_1, x_2 \in \{0, 1\}$ . Then

$$(2x)^2 \equiv x_0^2 + x_1^2\pi^2 + 2x_0x_1\pi + 4x_2^2 + 4x_0x_2 \pmod{4\mathcal{P}}$$

with similar expressions for  $2y, 2z$  and  $2w$ . Then  $x_0 = y_0 = z_0 = w_0$  follows from  $\pi(x - y) \in \mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}$  and similar facts. Put

$$s_i = s_i(\beta) = x_i + y_i + z_i + w_i.$$

Substituting into  $4n(\beta) \equiv 4 \pmod{4\mathcal{P}}$  gives  $s_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . If  $x_0 = 1$ , since  $(1 - a)(1 - b) \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$ , we get the stronger result  $4|s_1$ , so that  $x_1 = y_1 = z_1 = w_1$ . Thus  $x - w, y - w, z - w \in \mathbf{Z}_K$  and

$$\beta = (x - w) + (y - w)i + (z - w)k + 2w(1 + i + j + k)/2 \in \mathcal{O}.$$

It remains to consider  $\beta$  with  $x_0 = 0$  and  $s_1(\beta) = 2$ . Use the surjectivity argument in [6, 4.1B] to construct various  $\gamma \in A_L^1$  with  $s_1(\gamma) = 2$  so that

each  $\gamma \notin \mathcal{O}^1$ . The assumptions ensure that the norm form is indefinite so that the strong approximation theorem can be applied. Thus, if  $x_1 = y_1 = 1$  for  $\beta$ , we can find  $\gamma \in A_L^1$  with  $x_1(\gamma) = z_1(\gamma) = 1$ . Then  $s_0(\beta\gamma) = 4$  and as above  $\beta\gamma \in \mathcal{O}^1$ . It easily follows if  $\beta, \beta' \in A_L^1$  with  $\beta, \beta' \notin \mathcal{O}^1$ , then  $\beta' \in \beta\mathcal{O}^1$ . Hence  $[A_L^1 : \mathcal{O}^1] = 2$ .

The order  $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{L} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}_K$  in 6.3 is not maximal. By enlarging to a maximal order we can get  $\Phi$  surjective, but then both  $\mathcal{O}$  and  $L$  have to be prescribed locally.

**Theorem 6.4.** *Let  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\alpha)$  with  $\alpha^2 = -d \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ , and let  $A$  be the quaternion algebra  $\left(\frac{a,b}{K}\right)$  where  $a, b \in \mathbf{Z}$  with  $ab(a+b)d$  square-free,  $a \equiv b \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $a+b \equiv d \pmod{8}$ . Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be the maximal order in  $A$  with localizations*

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}} = \mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}[1, (i+j)/\alpha, (j+k)/\alpha, (1+i+j+k)/2]$$

*at the dyadic prime  $\mathcal{P} = \alpha\mathbf{Z}_K + 2\mathbf{Z}_K$ , and  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{Q}} = \mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{Q}}[i, j]$  for each odd prime  $\mathcal{Q}$ . Put  $L = \mathcal{O} \cap V$ . Then  $\mathcal{O}^1 = A_L^1$  and the following sequence is exact*

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} O'(L) \rightarrow 1.$$

*Proof.* It remains to check the result locally at the dyadic prime where

$$L_{\mathcal{P}} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}} \cap V = \mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}1 \perp \mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}\alpha^{-1}(i+j) \perp \mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}\alpha^{-1}(bi-aj) \perp \mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}\alpha k.$$

Let  $a+b=cd$  where  $c \in \mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . Put  $i' = (i+j)/\alpha, j' = (bi-aj)/\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  so that  $i'^2 = -c \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $j'^2 = -abc \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $i'j' = ck = k' = -j'i'$ . Let  $\beta = x + yi' + zj' + wk' \in A_L^1$  and repeat the line of argument in 6.3 to show  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . As before  $2x, 2y, 2z, 2w, \alpha(x-y), \alpha(x-z), \alpha(x-w)$  are all in  $\mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . From  $n(\beta) = 1$  we again conclude that  $s_0(\beta) = 4$  when  $x_0 = 1$ , and hence  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}^1$ . Finally consider  $x_0 = y_0 = z_0 = w_0 = 0$  and  $s_1(\beta) = 2$ . But now  $(i' + j')/\alpha = ((1+b)i + (1-a)j)/\alpha^2 \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  since  $a, b$  are odd. Then  $(1+k')/\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . Also, if  $\gamma = (1+i')/\alpha$ , then  $\gamma(i' + j')/\alpha = (-c + i' + j' + k')/\alpha^2 \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  (as already shown in the  $x_0 = 1$  case). Since  $n((i' + j')/\alpha) = -c(1+ab)/d$  is invertible in  $\mathbf{Z}_{\mathcal{P}}$ , it follows that  $\gamma \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . Thus  $(1+j')/\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  and hence  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}^1$ , completing the proof.

When  $d = \pm 2$  with  $a+b=cd$ , the order and lattice in 6.4 can be given globally, since now  $\mathcal{O} = \mathbf{Z}_K[1, (i+j)/\alpha, (j+k)/\alpha, (1+i+j+k)/2]$  and

$$\begin{aligned} L = \mathcal{O} \cap V &= \mathbf{Z}1 \perp \mathbf{Z}\alpha^{-1}(i+j) \perp \mathbf{Z}\alpha^{-1}(bi-aj) \perp \mathbf{Z}\alpha k \\ &\cong \langle 2, 2c, 2abc, -2abd \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

In general, the global lattice  $L$  in 6.4 need not have an orthogonal basis. For the special case where  $a = b = -1, c = 1$  and  $\alpha^2 = 2$ , the definite  $\mathbf{Z}$ -lattice  $L$  diagonalizes uniquely as  $\langle 2, 2, 2, 4 \rangle$ . It follows that  $|O'(L)| = 24$  and  $|\mathcal{O}^1| = 48$ , as in [12, p. 141].



**Theorem 6.5.** *Let  $B = \left(\frac{a,b}{\mathbf{Q}}\right)$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  be as in 6.1 with  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , and  $ab$  square-free. Then the sequence*

$$1 \rightarrow \{\pm 1\} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} O'(M) \rightarrow 1$$

*is exact, where*

$$M \cong (2a) \perp b \left( \begin{array}{cc} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & (1-a)/2 \end{array} \right).$$

The proof is the same as for Theorem 5.2 (take  $d = 1$  if  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  with  $b$  odd, otherwise take  $d = 3$  and scale  $M$ ). There is a similar result for the order  $\mathcal{L}$  in Theorem 6.2. Note, for  $a$  and  $b$  both negative, the group  $O'(M)$  is finite since the underlying quadratic form is then definite. For example, for  $a = -3$  and  $b = -1$ , both  $P\mathcal{L}^1$  and  $O'(M)$  can be shown directly to be cyclic groups of order 6.

## 7. Fuchsian subgroups.

Again assume that  $F$  is a global field and  $L = \mathcal{O}_S \cap V$ . Define

$$A_L(v) = A_L \cap A(v)$$

where  $v \in L$  is primitive. Then, assuming the dyadic conditions in 3.2,

$$\Phi(A_L(v)^1) = \text{Stab}(v, O'(L)).$$

Therefore  $\Phi(B_L^1) = \text{Stab}(1, O'(L))$  where  $B_L^1 = \{\beta \in B^1 \mid \beta L = L\beta\}$ .

Let  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-d})$  with  $d > 0$  so that  $K$  is an imaginary quadratic number field. Assume  $a > 0$  in  $B = \left(\frac{a,b}{\mathbf{Q}}\right)$  so that the space  $V$  has signature  $(3,1)$ . Take  $v \in V$  with  $n(v) = D > 0$ . Then  $V = Fv \perp W$  with  $W$  an indefinite space. Now  $A(v) \cong C^+(W)$  is a quaternion algebra over  $\mathbf{Q}$  with an indefinite norm, and  $A_L(v)^1$  is an infinite Fuchsian subgroup of the arithmetic Kleinian group  $A_L^1$ , since  $\text{Stab}(v, O'(L))$  is infinite when  $D > 0$ . The conjugacy classes of these non-elementary Fuchsian subgroups correspond to the orbits of primitive  $v \in L$  under the action of  $O'(L)$ , with the length  $n(v) = D$  an invariant of an orbit. The number of orbits is finite for fixed  $D > 0$ , and can be determined via a product formula by using the strong approximation theorem to relate the global orbits under  $O'(L)$  to local orbits under  $O'(L_p)$ , provided the local structure of  $L_p$  is known, as in [6]. We now give another example of this. See [8, 9] for more connections between quaternion algebras, arithmetic Kleinian groups and Fuchsian groups.

Let  $N(L_p, D)$  denote the number of spinor equivalence classes of primitive representations of  $D$ , and  $N(L, D)$  the corresponding global number.

**Theorem 7.1.** *Let  $L_p = J_0 \perp J_1$  where  $J_0$  is unimodular of rank two and  $J_1$  is  $p$ -modular of rank two. Assume either  $p$  is odd, or  $p = 2$  with  $J_0, J_1$  both even lattices. Then:*

1.  $N(L_p, D) = 0$  when  $\text{ord}_p D \geq 2$  and  $J_0, J_1$  are both anisotropic.
2.  $N(L_p, D) = 2$  when  $J_0$  is hyperbolic with  $p|D$ , and either  $J_1$  is hyperbolic or  $\text{ord}_p D = 1$ .
3.  $N(L_p, D) = 1$  otherwise, including  $(p, D) = 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $v \in L_p$  be primitive with  $n(v) = D$ . When  $(p, D) = 1$ , we may assume  $v \in J_0$ . The group  $O(L_p)$  acts transitively on such  $v$  with the same norm, and since rank two even modular components have isometries with spinor norms of all possible values (see [10, §92:5]), it follows that  $N(L_p, D) = 1$ . When  $p|D$ ,  $v$  can be embedded in either  $J_0$  or  $J_1$ , and these two possibilities are not equivalent under the action of  $O(L)$  (see [4], [7]). Therefore  $N(L_p, D) \leq 2$ , since not all these primitive representations of  $D$  need exist.

If  $J_0$  is hyperbolic, then  $J_0$  primitively represents all  $D$ . Otherwise,  $J_0$  only primitively represent units. Likewise, if  $J_1$  is hyperbolic, then  $J_1$  primitively represents all  $D$  with  $\text{ord}_p D \geq 1$ ; otherwise only the values  $D$  with  $\text{ord}_p D = 1$  are represented primitively. This then converts into the values given for  $N(L_p, D)$ .

For the lattices in 6.1 and 6.2 with  $p$  odd and  $p|b$  so that  $(p, d) = 1$ , the local discriminants  $dJ_0 = ad$  and  $dJ_1 = -p^2a$ . Hence  $J_0$  is hyperbolic when  $(\frac{-ad}{p}) = 1$ , and  $J_1$  is hyperbolic when  $(\frac{a}{p}) = 1$ . For  $p = 2$ , the even lattice  $J_0$  in 6.1 or 6.2 is isotropic only when the discriminant  $dJ_0 = ad \equiv -1 \pmod{8}$ , and  $J_1$  is isotropic only when  $2^{-2}dJ_1 = -a \equiv -1 \pmod{8}$ . When the two even Jordan components of  $L_p$  in 6.1 are anisotropic, the lattice  $L_p$  is maximal and anisotropic. Then, for odd  $p$ ,  $(\frac{-d}{p}) = 1$  so that  $p$  splits in the extension  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\alpha)$  into  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\bar{\mathcal{P}}$ . The space  $V_p$  is now anisotropic over  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  if and only if the norm form of  $A_{\mathcal{P}}$  is anisotropic (see [10, §58:7]), so that  $A$  is then ramified at  $\mathcal{P}$ . We already observed in §3 that  $N(L_p, D) \leq 1$  for these  $p$  since  $L_p$  is a maximal lattice. The algebra  $A$  can not ramify at any other odd prime since the norm form is isotropic.

Some other values for  $N(L_p, D)$  are given in [6, §5]. Note, however, in [6] we consider  $n(v) = dD$  and a slightly different form of primitivity. The general problem for  $p = 2$  splits into many cases. For an analogue of 7.1 with  $J_0$  or  $J_1$  odd, use Proposition 10 in [4] together with Theorem 3.14 in [1] to get at spinor equivalence.

**Theorem 7.2.** *Let  $L$  be the lattice in Theorem 6.1, 6.2 or 6.4. Assume  $d, D > 0$  and either  $a$  or  $b$  is positive. Then almost all  $N(L_p, D) = 1$  and*

$$N(L, D) = \prod_p N(L_p, D).$$

The proof is the same as for Theorem 4.1 in [6], since the sign assumptions ensure that the strong approximation theorem can be applied.

The number of conjugacy classes of the subgroups  $\text{Stab}(v, O'(L))$  with  $n(v) = D$ , under the action of  $O'(L)$ , is also  $N(L, D)$ . To determine the number of conjugacy classes of the maximal Fuchsian subgroups corresponding to  $\text{Stab}(\pm v, O'(L))$  it is necessary to also take into account the action of  $-I$  on the local  $O'(L_p)$  orbits, as in [6].

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