# THE ASSOCIATED ORDERS OF RINGS OF INTEGERS IN LUBIN-TATE DIVISION FIELDS OVER THE *p*-ADIC NUMBER FIELD

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#### 1. Introduction

Let p be a prime number and let  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  denote the p-adic number field. The main aim of this article is to describe the associated orders of relative extensions of Lubin-Tate division fields over  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ . Let L/K be a Galois extension of number fields with Galois group  $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(L/K)$ . If L is a global field, let  $\mathfrak{D}_L$  denote the ring of integers in L. If L is a local field, we denote the valuation ring of L by  $\mathfrak{D}_L$ . We recall that the associated order of the extension L/K is the subset

$$\mathfrak{A}_{L/K} = \left\{ \lambda \in K[\Gamma] | \lambda \mathfrak{O}_L \subseteq \mathfrak{O}_L \right\}$$

of the group ring  $K[\Gamma]$ . It is indeed an order in  $K[\Gamma]$ , containing  $\mathfrak{O}_{K}[\Gamma]$ .

Currently, the associated order has been calculated in the following general situations:

- (a) K/k is a tamely ramified extension ([7]),
- (b) K is an absolutely abelian extension of k = Q [5],
- (c) (almost) maximally ramified Kummer extensions [2],
- (d) Kummer extensions of cyclotomic extensions of **Q** and some complex multiplication analogues [[8]),
- (e) 'Kummer' extensions of Lubin-Tate division fields [9].
- (f) Relative cyclotomic extensions in both the local and global situations ([1]).

Let  $\mathbf{Q}_{p,\pi}^n$  be the division field of level *n* and uniformizer  $\pi$  associated to some Lubin-Tate formal group, and let  $\mathfrak{O}_{\pi}^n$  denote its valuation ring. The recent work of (f) above, makes it possible to calculate the associated order of  $\mathfrak{O}_{\pi}^{m+r}$  in the extension  $\mathbf{Q}_{p,\pi}^{m+r}/\mathbf{Q}_{p,\pi}^r$ . Here *p* is any prime,  $r, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $1 \leq r, m$  if  $p \geq 3$  and  $2 \leq r, 1 \leq m$  if p = 2. Because of the dependence on [1], we are restricted to using  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  as base field. However, this represents an advance on [9] as we are no longer restricted by the 'Kummer' requirement. The results in this article and [1] are, as far as the authors are aware of, the

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first which give explicit Galois Module Structure information in non-'Kummer' situations.

Our main result is stated in the final section. Briefly, by adjoining an unramified extension to  $\mathbf{Q}_{p,\pi}^{r}$  we obtain a relative cyclotomic situation. We may then apply some of the ideas of [1], and with suitable modifications, obtain the associated order and a Galois generator. By 'descending' to the base field  $\mathbf{Q}_{p}$ , we can then determine the associated order in the relative Lubin-Tate situation.

This work represents one of the rare situations where the associated order can be determined independently of finding a Galois generator.

This paper is organised as follows:

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# 2. Review of Lubin-Tate theory

Let k be a local field in characteristic 0, i.e., a p-adic field. Let  $\pi \in k$  be a uniformizer and let q be the cardinality of the residue class field.

Let  $\mathfrak{O}_k$  denote the valuation ring of k. Let  $\overline{k}$  denote a fixed algebraic closure of k. Let f be a Lubin-Tate power series associated to the uniformizer  $\pi$ , i.e.,

$$f(X) \equiv \pi X \pmod{\deg 2},$$
  
$$f(X) \equiv X^q \pmod{\pi}.$$

The roots of  $f^n$  will be denoted by  $W_f^n$ . The division field of level n and uniformizer  $\pi$  is the field obtained by adjoining  $W_f^n$  to k. It is well known that this is a totally ramified abelian extension of k, depending only on n and  $\pi$ .

We use  $F_f$  to denote the unique formal group defined over  $\mathfrak{O}_k$  which admits f as an endomorphism. In the case  $k = \mathbf{Q}_p$  and  $\pi = p$ , we may take

$$f(X) = (1+X)^p - 1,$$

in which case

$$W_f^n = \left\{ \zeta_{p^n}^l - 1 | l \in \mathbf{Z} \right\}$$

and  $\mathbf{Q}_{p,\pi}^n = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{p^n})$ . It is standard that we have an  $\mathfrak{O}_k$ -module structure on the maximal ideal of the valuation ring of  $\overline{k}$ . In particular, the  $W_f^n$  are  $\mathfrak{O}_k$ -sub-modules.

Let  $\overline{k}_{ur}$  be the completion of the maximal unramified extension of k and let  $\overline{\mathfrak{D}}_{ur}$  be its valuation ring. Given two Lubin-Tate power series (possibly associated to different uniformizers) over  $\mathfrak{D}_k$ , by standard Lubin-Tate theory there is a unique power series defined over  $\overline{\mathfrak{D}}_{ur}$ ,  $\theta_{f,g}$ , which is an isomorphism of formal groups

$$\theta_{f,g}: F_f \to F_g.$$

In particular, we have a module isomorphism

$$\theta_{f,g}: W_f^n \to W_g^n, \xi \to \theta_{f,g}(\xi) \quad (n \ge 1).$$

Observe that  $\theta(\pi)$  is the uniformizer associated with g. For details, the reader may consult [4] or [6].

### 3. The Cyclotomic Case

We give a brief review of the local cyclotomic case which motivates much of what follows. Let p be a rational prime, and let  $m, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  with

(i)  $1 \le r, m$  if  $p \ge 3$ , while (ii)  $2 \le r, 1 \le m$  if p = 2.

Let n = m + r. We denote by  $\zeta$  a primitive  $p^n$ -th root of unity in an algebraic closure  $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}_p$  of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ .

DEFINITION 3.1. Let

$$\zeta_{p^k} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \zeta^{p^{n-k}} \quad (0 \le k \le n),$$

so that  $\zeta_{p^k}$  is a primitive  $p^k$ -th root of unity.

Let  $\Gamma$  denote the Galois group of the extension  $\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta)/\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta_{p'})$ .

DEFINITION 3.2. For  $r < k \le n$ , let

$$s(k) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \min(k-r,r).$$

For  $r < k \leq n$ , let

$$t(k) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \max(0, k - 2r).$$

DEFINITION 3.3. For  $r < k \le m$ , let  $T_k$  denote the trace element in  $\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^r})[\Gamma]$  of the extension  $\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta)/\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^k})$  by

$$T_k \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \operatorname{Tr}_{\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta)/\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta_p k)}.$$

DEFINITION 3.4. We define the idempotents  $E_r, \ldots, E_n$  in  $\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^r})[\Gamma]$  as follows:

(a) 
$$E_r \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{p^m} T_r.$$

(b) 
$$E_k \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{p^{n-k}} T_k - \frac{1}{p^{n-k+1}} T_{k-1}$$

for  $r < k \leq n$ .

DEFINITION 3.5. For any prime p, let  $\delta$  denote the generator of  $\Gamma$  satisfying

$$\zeta^{\delta} = \zeta^{1+p^r}.$$

DEFINITION 3.6. (a) For p odd,  $r < k \le n$ , or p = 2,  $r < k \le 2r$ , we define the square matrix  $M_k$  of order  $\phi(p^{s(k)})$  as follows:

$$M_{k}^{\text{def}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ \zeta_{p^{s(k)}} & \cdots & \zeta_{p^{s(k)}}^{l} & \cdots & \zeta_{p^{s(k)-1}}^{p^{s(k)}} \\ \zeta_{p^{s(k)}}^{2} & \cdots & \zeta_{p^{s(k)}}^{2l} & \cdots & \zeta_{p^{s(k)-1}}^{2(p^{s(k)-1})} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \zeta_{p^{s(k)}}^{\phi(p^{s(k)})-1} & \cdots & \zeta_{p^{s(k)}}^{l(\phi(p^{s(k)})-1)} & \cdots & \zeta_{p^{s(k)}}^{(p^{s(k)}-1)} \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) For p = 2 and  $2r < k \le n$  we define

$$M_{k} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ -\zeta_{p^{s(k)}} & \cdots & (-\zeta_{p^{s(k)}})^{l} & \cdots & (-\zeta_{p^{s(k)}})^{p^{s(k)}-1} \\ (-\zeta_{p^{s(k)}})^{2} & \cdots & (-\zeta_{p^{s(k)}})^{2l} & \cdots & (-\zeta_{p^{s(k)}})^{2(p^{s(k)}-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ (-\zeta_{p^{s(k)}})^{\phi(p^{s(k)})-1} & \cdots & (-\zeta_{p^{s(k)}})^{l(\phi(p^{s(k)})-1)} & \cdots & (-\zeta_{p^{s(k)}})^{(p^{s(k)}-1)(\phi(p^{s(k)})-1)} \end{pmatrix}$$

In both (a) and (b), l runs over the values between 1 and  $p^{s(k)} - 1$  inclusive which are co-prime to p.

DEFINITION 3.7. For each k with  $r < k \le n$ , we define the polynomials

$$P_{k,i}(X) \in \mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^r})[X], \qquad 1 \le i \le \phi(p^{s(k)}),$$

by means of the matrix equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} P_{k,1}(X) \\ P_{k,2}(X) \\ \vdots \\ P_{k,\phi(p^{s(k)})}(X) \end{pmatrix}^{def} = M_k^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ X \\ \vdots \\ X^{\phi(p^{s(k)})} - 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

THEOREM 3.1. If  $\mathfrak{A}$  denotes the order in  $\mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^r})[\Gamma]$  generated over  $\mathbf{Z}_p[\zeta_{p^r}][\Gamma]$  by the elements

$$\{E_r\} \cup \left\{P_{k,j}(\delta^{p^{t(k)}})E_k\right\}_{\substack{r < k \le n \\ 1 \le j \le \phi(p^{s(k)})}},$$

then  $\mathbf{Z}_p[\zeta_{p^n}]$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -free of rank one with Galois generator  $\beta$  given by

$$\beta = b_{r,1} + \sum_{r < k \le n} \sum_{\substack{l=1\\(l,p)=1}}^{p^{s(k)}-1} b_{k,l} \zeta_p^l ,$$

where  $b_{k,l} \in \mathbb{Z}_p[\zeta_{p'}]^{\times}$  for all k, l.

Remark. A result similar to Theorem 3.1 holds in the global situation.

# 4. Definitions and notation

Let  $M = \mathbf{Q}_{p,\pi}^{m+r}$  and  $L = \mathbf{Q}_{p,\pi}^{r}$ .

By local class field theory, we can choose an unramified extension F of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  such that

(i) LF contains the  $p^r$ -th roots of unity.

(ii) FM contains the  $p^{m+r}$ -th roots of unity and

(iii) FM is generated over FL by a primitive  $p^{m+r}$ -th root of unity (which we denote by  $\zeta$ ).

Let  $L' = \mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^r})$  and  $M' = \mathbf{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^n})$ . We will continue to use the definitions of the previous section. In what follows, we will frequently identify  $\operatorname{Gal}(FM/FL)$  with both  $\operatorname{Gal}(M/L)$  and  $\operatorname{Gal}(M'/L')$ .

Let  $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(FM/FL)$  and, by abuse of notation, we will also use  $T_k$  to denote the trace element in  $LF[\Gamma]$  of the extension  $FM/FL(\zeta_{p^k})$ :

$$T_k = \mathrm{Tr}_{FM/FL(\zeta p^k)}.$$

So  $T_k$  is 'lifted' from  $L'\Gamma$ .

DEFINITION 4.2. Similarly, we 'lift' the idempotents from  $L'[\Gamma]$  to  $FL[\Gamma]$ . We define  $E_r, \ldots, E_{m+r}$ , as follows:

$$E_k = \frac{1}{p^{m+r-k}} T_k - \frac{1}{p^{m+r-k+1}} T_{k-1}$$

where  $r < k \le m + r$ , and

$$E_r = \frac{1}{p^m} T_r,$$

where the  $T_k$  now represent the trace elements in  $FL[\Gamma]$ .

Henceforth, we fix a uniformizer  $\pi$  of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ , and a Lubin-Tate power series f associated to  $\pi$ .

DEFINITION 4.3. Let  $\mathcal{O}_k$  denote the valuation ring in the division field,  $\mathbf{Q}_{p,\pi}^k$ , of level k associated to  $\pi$ .

We define the polynomials  $P_{k,j}$  in the same way as Definition 3.7.

**PROPOSITION 4.1.** The associated order of FM/FL is generated over  $\mathfrak{O}_{FL}[\Gamma]$  by

$$\{E_r\} \cup \left\{P_{k,j}(\delta^{p^{t(k)}})E_k\right\}_{\substack{r < k \le n \\ 1 \le j \le \phi(p^{s(k)})}}$$

*Proof.* This follows from the fact that  $\mathfrak{O}_{FM} = \mathfrak{O}_f \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathfrak{O}_{M'}$  and, by Noether's Theorem,  $\mathfrak{A}_{FM/FL} = \mathfrak{O}_F \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathfrak{A}_{M'/L'}$ .  $\Box$ 

## 5. The Descent Lemma

Throughout this section, let F denote a finite non-ramified extension of  $\mathbf{Q}_p$ , M be a finite totally ramified abelian extension of K, and let L be a subfield of M. Let  $\mathfrak{O}_F$ , etc. denote the valuation ring of F, etc.

LEMMA 5.1. There is a root of unity  $\eta$  of order prime to p such that

$$\begin{split} \mathfrak{O}_{F} &= \mathbf{Z}_{p}[\boldsymbol{\eta}], \\ \mathfrak{O}_{FL} &= \mathfrak{O}_{L}[\boldsymbol{\eta}] = \mathfrak{O}_{F}\mathfrak{O}_{L}, \\ \mathfrak{O}_{FM} &= \mathfrak{O}_{M}[\boldsymbol{\eta}] = \mathfrak{O}_{F}\mathfrak{O}_{M}. \end{split}$$

*Proof.* The first equality follows directly from the general theory of local fields.

Let  $\xi$  denote a prime element of *L*. Since *FL/F* is a totally ramified extension, we may choose a set of representatives for  $\mathfrak{O}_{FL}$  modulo  $\xi \mathfrak{O}_{FL}$  consisting of powers of  $\eta$ . Denoting the prime ideal of  $\mathfrak{O}_L$  by  $\mathfrak{P}$ , we have

$$\mathfrak{O}_{FL} = \mathfrak{O}_L[\eta] + \mathfrak{PO}_{FL}.$$

By Nakayama's Lemma, it follows that

$$\mathfrak{O}_{FL} = \mathfrak{O}_L[\eta] = \mathfrak{O}_F \mathfrak{O}_L.$$

The third equality can be proved similarly.  $\Box$ 

Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  denote the associated orders of the extensions FM/FL and M/L respectively.

LEMMA 5.2. We have (a)  $\mathfrak{A} \cap L[\Gamma] = \mathfrak{B},$ (b)  $\mathfrak{A} = \mathfrak{O}_F \mathfrak{O}_L \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}_L} \mathfrak{B}.$ In fact,

$$\mathfrak{A} = \bigoplus_{j} (\eta^{j} \otimes \mathfrak{B}),$$

where the sum is taken over powers of  $\eta$  which collectively form an  $\mathfrak{O}_L$ -basis of  $\mathfrak{O}_L[\eta]$ .

*Proof.* Part (a) is trivially true. In view of (a), to prove (b), it suffices to show that

$$\mathfrak{A} \subseteq \mathfrak{O}_F \mathfrak{O}_L \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}_I} \mathfrak{B}.$$

Let

$$\phi = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} A_{\gamma} \gamma \quad (A_{\gamma} \in FL)$$

by in  $\mathfrak{A}$ , and write

$$A_{\gamma} = \sum_{j} A_{j}^{(\gamma)} \eta^{j} \quad \left( A_{j}^{(\gamma)} \in L \right)$$

where the sum is taken over only those powers of  $\eta$  which collectively form an  $\mathfrak{O}_L$ -basis of  $\mathfrak{O}_L[\eta]$ . Then we have

$$\phi = \sum_{j} \eta^{j} \otimes \left\{ \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} A_{j}^{(\gamma)} \gamma \right\}.$$

Applying  $\phi$  to an integral element  $\rho$  in  $\mathfrak{O}_F \mathfrak{O}_M$ , we see that

$$\eta^{j} \otimes \left\{ \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} A_{j}^{(\gamma)} \gamma(\rho) \right\} \in \mathfrak{O}_{F} \mathfrak{O}_{M}$$

for each *j*. Hence

$$\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} A_j^{(\gamma)} \gamma(\rho) \in \mathfrak{O}_M$$

for an arbitrary  $\rho \in \mathfrak{O}_L$ . It follows that

$$\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} A_j^{(\gamma)} \gamma \in \mathfrak{B}. \quad \Box$$

## 6. The main theorem

We maintain the notation of §4.

DEFINITION 6.1. We define the polynomials  $Q_{i,k,j}$  through the identity:

$$P_{k,j}(X) = \sum_{i} \eta^{i} Q_{i,k,j}(X).$$

The sum is over a  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -basis of  $\mathfrak{O}_F$  (see Lemma 5.1 for the definition of the  $\eta^i$ ) and the  $Q_{i,k,j}$  are polynomials belonging to L[X].

Then we have the main result of this article:

THEOREM 6.1. The associated order of M/L is the order in  $L[\Gamma]$  generated over  $\mathfrak{O}_L[\Gamma]$  by

$$\{E_r\} \cup \left\{Q_{i,k,j}(\delta^{p^{\iota(k)}})E_k\right\}_{\substack{r < k \le n \\ \le j \le \phi(p^{s(k)})}},$$

where i runs over the set of indices so that  $\{\eta^i\}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -basis for  $\mathfrak{O}_F$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathfrak{B}'$  denote the subring of  $L[\Gamma]$  generated over  $\mathfrak{O}_L[\Gamma]$  by

$$\{E_r\} \cup \left\{Q_{i,k,j}(\delta^{p^{t(k)}})E_k\right\}_{\substack{r < k \le n \\ 1 \le j \le \phi(p^{s(k)})}}.$$

From the fact that  $\mathfrak{O}_{FM} = \mathfrak{O}_F \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}_p} \mathfrak{O}_M$ , and Proposition 4.1, we have that  $Q_{i,k,j}(\delta^{p^{i(k)}})E_k$  sends  $\mathfrak{O}_M$  to  $\mathfrak{O}_M$ . Hence

(1) 
$$\mathfrak{B}' \subset \mathfrak{B},$$

where  $\mathfrak{B}$  denotes the associated order of M/L.

However, from the way the polynomials  $Q_{i,k,j}$  are defined, we have

$$\mathfrak{A} \subset \mathfrak{O}_{FL} \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}_L} \mathfrak{B}',$$

where  $\mathfrak{A}$  denotes the associated order in FM/FL.

By Lemma 5.1 and the facts that  $\mathbf{Q}_p[\eta]$  and L are linearly disjoint, and  $\mathfrak{B}' \subset L[\Gamma]$ ,

(2) 
$$\mathfrak{O}_{FL} \otimes_{\mathfrak{O}_L} \mathfrak{B}' = \sum_j (\eta^j \otimes \mathfrak{B}')$$

$$(3) \qquad = \bigoplus_{j} (\eta^{j} \otimes \mathfrak{B}'),$$

as abelian groups. By Lemma 5.2,

(4) 
$$\mathfrak{A} = \bigoplus (\eta^{j} \otimes \mathfrak{B}').$$

Combining equations 1, 2, and 4, we obtain the inclusion  $\mathfrak{B} \subseteq \mathfrak{B}'$  and hence we have the desired equality:  $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{B}'$ .  $\Box$ 

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