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# An Algorithm for Finding Self-Orthogonal and Self-Dual Codes Over Gaussian and Eisenstein Integer Residue Rings via Chinese Remainder Theorem

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**ABSTRACT** A code over Gaussian or Eisenstein integer residue ring is an additive group of vectors with entries in this integer residue ring which is closed under the action of constant multiplication by the Gaussian or Eisenstein integers. In this paper, we define the dual codes for the codes over the Gaussian and Eisenstein integer residue rings, and consider the construction of the self-dual codes. Because, in the Gaussian and Eisenstein integer rings, the uniqueness of the prime element decomposition holds in the same way as the one-variable polynomial rings over finite fields and the rational integer ring, we provide an efficient construction method for self-dual code generator matrices using that of moduli. As numerical examples, for Gaussian and Eisenstein integer rings, we enumerate and construct the self-dual codes for the actual moduli when the size of the generator matrices is two.

**INDEX TERMS** Codes over rings, dual codes, error-correcting codes, Euclidean domain.

## I. INTRODUCTION

There are various studies on the codes over the rational integer residue rings, summarized in [1]. In [8], the author considers the codes over quotient rings of Euclidean domains and investigates the properties of their generator matrices. On the other hand, in coding theory, the construction and search for various types of self-dual codes have been studied [3]. In [7], for codes over rational integer residue rings  $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the rational integer ring, the author proposes a method for efficiently obtaining a generator matrix for a self-dual code over  $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$  from generator matrices for self-dual codes over  $\mathbb{Z}/p_i^{e_i}\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, t$ , according to prime factorization  $m = p_1^{e_1} \cdots p_t^{e_t}$ . Recently, new applications have been proposed for codes over the Gaussian and Eisenstein integer residue rings in [2], [5], [11], [12], and [13]. It is expected that the construction and search of a class of codes according to the purposes become important for codes over the Gaussian and Eisenstein integer residue rings.

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In particular, in the Gaussian and Eisenstein integer rings, as in the rational integer ring, the uniqueness of the prime element factorization holds, where a prime element means an element whose quotient ring by the ideal it generates is a finite field, and their ideals are principal [4]. However, until now there has been no known method of constructing a global one from generator matrices of local self-dual codes, such as codes over the rational integer residue rings.

In this paper, we propose a method for efficiently obtaining generator matrices for self-dual codes over the Gaussian and Eisenstein integer residue rings using prime element factorization. From now on, we denote the Gaussian integer ring  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-1}]$  or Eisenstein integer ring  $\mathbb{Z}[(-1 + \sqrt{-3})/2]$  as  $R$ . Unlike rational integers, because Gaussian and Eisenstein integers have an involution from complex conjugate, the prime element  $\pi$  of  $R$  is classified into two types, i.e.,  $\pi R = \bar{\pi}R$  or  $\gcd(\pi, \bar{\pi}) = 1$ , where, for  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\bar{z}$  means its complex conjugate. Therefore, any  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$  can be decomposed into the product of prime elements uniquely except for the difference of units  $R^\times$  as follows (cf. Remark 6), where  $p_i, q_j, r_k \in R$  are prime elements,  $\epsilon \in R^\times$ , and  $e_i, f_j, g_k$  are

non-negative integers,

$$m = \epsilon \prod_{\gcd(p_i, \bar{p}_i)=1} p_i^{e_i} \prod_{q_j R = \bar{q}_j R} q_j^{f_j} \prod_{\gcd(r_k, \bar{r}_k)=1} r_k^{g_k} \bar{r}_k^{g_k}.$$

For simplicity, we assume  $e_i = 0$ , which means that  $m$  satisfies  $mR = \bar{m}R$  but does not mean that  $\epsilon m \in \mathbb{Z}$  for some  $\epsilon \in R^\times$ , e.g.,  $1 + \sqrt{-1} = -\sqrt{-1}(1 + \sqrt{-1})$  for  $1 + \sqrt{-1} \notin R^\times$ . Then we show that the self-dual code over  $R/mR$  gives those over  $R/q_j^f R$  and over  $R/(r_k \bar{r}_k)^{g_k} R$  for all  $j, k$ , and conversely, the self-dual codes over  $R/q_j^f R$  and over  $R/(r_k \bar{r}_k)^{g_k} R$  for all  $j, k$  give that over  $R/mR$ , and these correspondences are inverses of each other. Using these correspondences, we can efficiently construct and search the generator matrices of the self-dual codes over  $R/mR$  according to the purposes.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In Section II, as preliminaries we summarize facts about the Gaussian and Eisenstein integer rings used in this paper. Subsection II-A summarizes the residue rings of these rings and Subsection II-B summarizes the codes over these residue rings. Section III defines self-orthogonal and self-dual codes and, as their first property, describes the treatment of  $p_i^{e_i}$  above with  $e_i \neq 0$ . Section IV examines how the orthogonality condition of the generator matrices changes with the modulus and its decomposition. If a modulus  $m$  satisfies  $mR = \bar{m}R$  in Subsection IV-A, if  $m = m_1 m_2$  with  $\gcd(m_1, m_2) = 1$ ,  $m_1 R = \bar{m}_1 R$ , and  $m_2 R = \bar{m}_2 R$  in Subsection IV-B, and if  $m = w \bar{w}$  with  $\gcd(w, \bar{w}) = 1$  in Subsection IV-C, we derive the properties of each generator matrix. Using these results, we apply the prime element decomposition to self-orthogonal and self-dual codes in Section V. In Section VI, as numerical examples, when the size of the generator matrices is two, the self-dual codes are actually obtained. Subsection VI-A gives examples for Gaussian integer ring and Subsection VI-B for Eisenstein integer ring.

## II. PRELIMINARIES

### A. GAUSSIAN AND EISENSTEIN INTEGERS

Let  $R = \mathbb{Z}[i] = \{a + bi : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ , or  $R = \mathbb{Z}[\omega] = \{a + b\omega : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , where  $\omega = (-1 + \sqrt{-3})/2$ . If we denote an element  $z = a + bi \in \mathbb{C}$  or  $z = a + b\omega \in \mathbb{C}$ , then we suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and we denote  $\Re(z) = a$  and  $\Im(z) = b$ . For  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$ , let  $R/mR = \{f + mR : f \in R\}$  denote the quotient ring by an ideal  $mR$ .

For any  $w, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\Re(z) = x$  and  $\Im(z) = y$ , let  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow R$  be an arbitrary function satisfying  $\llbracket f + z \rrbracket = f + \llbracket z \rrbracket$  for all  $f \in R$ . An example of  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$  is  $\llbracket z \rrbracket$  with  $\Re(\llbracket z \rrbracket) = \lfloor x \rfloor$  and  $\Im(\llbracket z \rrbracket) = \lfloor y \rfloor$ , where  $\lfloor w \rfloor \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $w - 1 < \lfloor w \rfloor \leq w$ .

*Remark 1:* Let  $f, g, h, k \in R$  and  $g \neq 0$ .

- 1) If  $f = hg + k$ , then  $h = \llbracket f/g \rrbracket$  if and only if  $\llbracket k/g \rrbracket = 0$ .
- 2)  $(f \bmod g) \in R$  is defined by  $(f \bmod g) = f - \llbracket f/g \rrbracket g$ . Then  $(f \bmod g) = (k \bmod g)$  if and only if  $(f - k)/g \in R$ . The ‘if’ part is shown by, with  $f - k = hg$ ,  $(f \bmod g) = k + hg - \llbracket (k + hg)/g \rrbracket g = (k \bmod g)$ . We write  $f \equiv k \bmod g$  if  $(f \bmod g) = (k \bmod g)$ . Moreover, we write  $g \mid f$  if  $f \equiv 0 \bmod g$  and  $g \nmid f$  if  $f \not\equiv 0 \bmod g$ .

- 3) Two maps  $R/gR \rightarrow \{k \in R : \llbracket k/g \rrbracket = 0\}$ ,  $f + gR \mapsto (f \bmod g)$ , and  $\{k \in R : \llbracket k/g \rrbracket = 0\} \rightarrow R/gR$ ,  $k \mapsto k + gR$ , are inverse each other. Thus  $R/gR$  can be identified with  $\{k \in R : \llbracket k/g \rrbracket = 0\}$ .

*Example 1:* Let  $R = \mathbb{Z}[i]$  and  $\llbracket a + bi \rrbracket = \lfloor a \rfloor + \lfloor b \rfloor i$ . If  $g = 4$ , then  $\{k \in R : \llbracket k/g \rrbracket = 0\} = \{a + bi : a, b = 0, 1, 2, 3\}$ . If  $g = 2 + i$ , then  $\{k \in R : \llbracket k/g \rrbracket = 0\} = \{0, i, 2i, 1 + i, 1 + 2i\}$ .

*Remark 2 (Cf. [8]):* Let  $R = \mathbb{Z}[i]$ ,  $f, g \in R$ , and  $g \neq 0$ .

- 1) For an odd rational prime  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there exists  $a + bi \in R$  with  $p = |a + bi|^2 = a^2 + b^2$  if and only if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .
- 2)  $|R/gR| = |g|^2$  by  $g = a + bi$ ,  $gR = \mathbb{Z}(a + bi) + \mathbb{Z}(ai - b)$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} a + bi \\ ai - b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{vmatrix} = |g|^2$ .
- 3) For any  $w, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $z = x + iy$ , define  $\llbracket z \rrbracket \in R$  by  $\llbracket z \rrbracket = \lfloor x + 0.5 \rfloor + \lfloor y + 0.5 \rfloor i$ . Then  $\llbracket f + z \rrbracket = f + \llbracket z \rrbracket$ .
- 4) If  $\llbracket f/g \rrbracket = 0$ , then  $|\Re(f/g)|, |\Im(f/g)| \leq 1/2$  and  $|f|^2 \leq |g|^2/2$ .

Because of 4 in Remark 2, if we choose  $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$  as 3 in Remark 2, then  $\{k \in R : \llbracket k/g \rrbracket = 0\}$  is equal not only to the set of representatives of  $R/gR$  but also to all remainders of Euclidean division by  $g$ , i.e.,  $\{k \in R : f, h \in R, f = hg + k, |k| < |g|\}$ .

*Example 2:* In Example 1,  $k = 3 + 3i \in \{k \in R : \llbracket k/4 \rrbracket = 0\}$  and  $k = 1 + 2i \in \{k \in R : \llbracket k/(2 + i) \rrbracket = 0\}$  do not satisfy  $|k| < |4|$  and  $|k| < |2 + i|$ , respectively. If we adopt  $\llbracket z \rrbracket = \lfloor x + 0.5 \rfloor + \lfloor y + 0.5 \rfloor i$ , then  $\{k \in R : \llbracket k/4 \rrbracket = 0\} = \{a + bi : a, b = -2, -1, 0, 1\}$ ,  $\{k \in R : \llbracket k/(2 + i) \rrbracket = 0\} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm i\}$ , and all  $k \in \{k \in R : \llbracket k/4 \rrbracket = 0\}$  and  $k \in \{k \in R : \llbracket k/(2 + i) \rrbracket = 0\}$  satisfy  $|k| < |4|$  and  $|k| < |2 + i|$ , respectively.

*Remark 3 (Cf. [8]):* Let  $R = \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ ,  $f, g \in R$ , and  $g \neq 0$ .

- 1) For a rational prime  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there exists  $a + b\omega \in R$  with  $p = |a + b\omega|^2 = a^2 - ab + b^2$  if and only if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ .
- 2)  $|R/gR| = |g|^2$  by  $g = a + b\omega$ ,  $gR = \mathbb{Z}(a + b\omega) + \mathbb{Z}(-b + (a - b)\omega)$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} a + b\omega \\ -b + (a - b)\omega \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a - b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \omega \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a - b \end{vmatrix} = |g|^2$ .
- 3) For any  $w, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $z = x + y\omega$ , define  $\llbracket z \rrbracket \in R$  by  $\llbracket z \rrbracket = \lfloor x + 0.5 \rfloor + \lfloor y + 0.5 \rfloor \omega$ . Then  $\llbracket f + z \rrbracket = f + \llbracket z \rrbracket$ .
- 4) If  $\llbracket f/g \rrbracket = 0$ , then  $|\Re(f/g)|, |\Im(f/g)| \leq 1/2$  and  $|f|^2 \leq 3|g|^2/4$ .
- 5) It is shown in [8] that  $\llbracket z \rrbracket = \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor y \rfloor \omega$  also deduces  $|f|^2 < |g|^2$ . We adopt  $\llbracket z \rrbracket = \lfloor x + 0.5 \rfloor + \lfloor y + 0.5 \rfloor \omega$  because of our purpose in Remark 10.

*Remark 4 (Chinese Remainder Theorem in R):* For  $u_1, u_2 \in R$ , if there exist  $v_1, v_2 \in R$  such that  $v_1 u_1 + v_2 u_2 = 1$ , then we denote  $\gcd(u_1, u_2) = 1$ . If  $u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2 \in R$  and  $v_1 u_1 + v_2 u_2 = 1$ , then  $R/u_1 u_2 R = v_2 u_2 (R/u_1 R) + v_1 u_1 (R/u_2 R)$  and  $(R/u_1 u_2 R)^\times = v_2 u_2 (R/u_1 R)^\times + v_1 u_1 (R/u_2 R)^\times$ , where, e.g.,  $(R/u_1 u_2 R)^\times = \{f \in R/u_1 u_2 R : \gcd(f, u_1 u_2) = 1\}$ .

**B. CODES OVER QUOTIENT RINGS OF R**

For a positive  $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ , let  $\mathbb{L} = R^l = \{(c_1, \dots, c_l) : c_1, \dots, c_l \in R\}$  and, for  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$ , let  $\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L} = (R/mR)^l = \{(c_1, \dots, c_l) : c_1, \dots, c_l \in R/mR\}$ .

For a subset  $C \subset \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}$ , we say that  $C$  is a *code over a quotient ring modulo  $m$*  of  $R$  if and only if  $C$  is an  $R$ -submodule in  $\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}$ . If  $C$  is a code over a quotient ring modulo  $m$  of  $R$ , we call  $C \subset \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}$  an  $R$ -module in short.

For positive  $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$ , let  $M_{k,l}(R)$  denote a ring of all  $k$ -by- $l$  matrices with entries in  $R$  and let  $M_l(R) = M_{l,l}(R)$ . For  $G \in M_l(R)$ , we say that  $G$  is a *generator matrix* of an  $R$ -module  $C \subset \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}$  if and only if  $\mathbb{L}G \supset m\mathbb{L}$  and  $C = \mathbb{L}G/m\mathbb{L}$ .

*Lemma 1:* For any  $G_1, G_2 \in M_l(R)$ ,  $\mathbb{L}G_1 \subset \mathbb{L}G_2$  if and only if  $G_1 = MG_2$  for some  $M \in M_l(R)$ .

*Proof:* Let  $G_1 = (g_{r,s}^{(1)})$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{L}G_1 &\subset \mathbb{L}G_2 \\ \iff (g_{r,1}^{(1)}, \dots, g_{r,l}^{(1)}) &= m_r G_2, \exists m_r \in R^l, 1 \leq \forall r \leq l \\ \iff G_1 &= MG_2, \exists M \in M_l(R). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

It follows from Lemma 1 that, for  $G \in M_l(R)$ ,  $G$  is a generator matrix of some  $R$ -module in  $\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}$  if and only if  $\mathbb{L}G \supset m\mathbb{L}$  if and only if  $AG = mI$  for some  $A \in M_l(R)$ , where  $I \in M_l(R)$  is the identity matrix.

Let  $R^\times = \{\pm 1, \pm i\}$  if  $R = \mathbb{Z}[i]$  and  $R^\times = \{\pm 1, \pm \omega, \pm \omega^2\}$  if  $R = \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ . Let  $GL_l(R) = \{\delta \in M_l(R) : \det(\delta) \in R^\times\}$ . It follows from Lemma 1 that, for  $G_1, G_2 \in M_l(R)$ , if  $\mathbb{L}G_1 = \mathbb{L}G_2 \supset m\mathbb{L}$ , then  $G_1 = \delta G_2$  for some  $\delta \in GL_l(R)$ . Conversely, for  $G_1, G_2 \in M_l(R)$ , if  $G_1 = \delta G_2$  with  $\delta \in GL_l(R)$ , then  $\mathbb{L}G_1 = \mathbb{L}G_2$ . It is shown in [8] that, for a generator matrix  $G \in M_l(R)$  of an  $R$ -module  $C = \mathbb{L}G/m\mathbb{L}$ , among  $\delta G, \delta \in GL_l(R)$ , we can choose  $G = (g_{r,s}) \in M_l(R)$  which satisfies the following three conditions.

- a.  $G$  is upper triangular in the sense that  $g_{r,s} = 0$  for all  $1 \leq s < r \leq l$ .
- b. For all  $1 \leq r \leq l$ ,  $g_{r,r}$  is chosen appropriately among  $\{\epsilon g_{r,r} : \epsilon \in R^\times\}$ , cf. Remarks 9 and 10.
- c.  $|g_{r,s}| < |g_{s,s}|$  for all  $1 \leq r < s \leq l$ .

For  $G \in M_l(R)$  with  $\mathbb{L}G \supset m\mathbb{L}$ , we say that  $G$  is *reduced* if and only if  $G$  satisfies the above three conditions. It is also shown in [8] that, for any  $R$ -module  $C \subset \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}$ , there exists uniquely a reduced generator matrix  $G \in M_l(R)$  with  $C = \mathbb{L}G/m\mathbb{L}$ .

For  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$ , let  $\{G\}_m = \{G \in M_l(R) : \mathbb{L}G \supset m\mathbb{L} \text{ and } G \text{ is reduced}\}$ , i.e.,  $\{G\}_m$  is the set of the reduced generator matrices of all  $R$ -modules in  $\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}$ .

*Theorem 1 (Cf. [9]):* For  $m \in R \setminus (\{0\} \cup R^\times)$ , let  $m = \epsilon \prod_{x=1}^t m_x$ , where  $\epsilon \in R^\times, m_x \in R \setminus R^\times$ , and  $\gcd(m_x, m_y) = 1$  for all  $1 \leq x \neq y \leq t$ . Then there exists a one-to-one and onto map

$$\alpha : \{G\}_m \rightarrow \prod_{x=1}^t \{G_x\}_{m_x},$$

where  $\mathbb{L}G + m_x\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}G_x$  and  $\mathbb{L}G = \bigcap_{x=1}^t \mathbb{L}G_x$ . Moreover, if  $\alpha(G) = (G_x)_{1 \leq x \leq t}, G = (g_{r,s})$ , and  $G_x = (g_{r,s}^{(x)})$ , then  $g_{r,r} = \prod_{x=1}^t g_{r,r}^{(x)}$  for all  $1 \leq r \leq l$ .

*Remark 5:* By Theorem 1, an algorithm which computes  $G$  from  $(G_x)_{1 \leq x \leq t}$  is extracted as Algorithm 1 in [9]. If we estimate the computational complexity of Algorithm 1 as the total number of operations in  $R$ , it is evaluated approximately as  $O(l^3 t \log |m|)$ , which is the same order as that of multiplying generator matrices in [8].

For  $G = (g_{r,s}) \in M_{k,l}(R)$ , let  $G^\dagger = (\overline{g_{s,r}}) = \overline{G}^\top$ , where  $a + \overline{bi} = a - bi \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$  and  $a + \overline{b\omega} = a + b\omega^2 \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$  are their complex conjugates and, for  $G = (g_{r,s}) \in M_{k,l}(R)$ ,  $G^\top = (g_{s,r}) \in M_{l,k}(R)$  is its transposed matrix. We denote

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{C} &= \{a \in \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L} : m | a(b^\dagger), \forall b \in C\} \\ &= \{a \in \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L} : m | a(G^\dagger)\}, \end{aligned}$$

where, for  $A = (a_{r,s}) \in M_{k,l}(R)$ ,  $m | A$  means  $m | a_{r,s}$  for all  $1 \leq r \leq k$  and  $1 \leq s \leq l$ . Then an  $R$ -module  $\widehat{C}$  is called the *dual  $R$ -module* of  $C$ .

*Lemma 2 (Cf. [10]):* Consider a homomorphism of  $R$ -modules

$$\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}, \quad a \mapsto a(G^\dagger).$$

Let  $\widetilde{C} = (m\mathbb{L} + \mathbb{L}G^\dagger)/m\mathbb{L}$ , i.e., the image of this map. Then there exists an exact sequence of  $R$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow \widehat{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L} \rightarrow \widetilde{C} \rightarrow 0$$

and an equality  $|\widehat{C}| |\widetilde{C}| = |\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}|$ .

*Lemma 3 (Cf. [8]):* For any  $A \in M_l(R)$  with  $\det(A) \neq 0$ ,  $|\mathbb{L}/\mathbb{L}A| = |\det(A)|^2$ . In particular, if  $G \in M_l(R)$  is a generator matrix of an  $R$ -module  $C \subset \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}$ , then  $|C| = |\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}| / |\det(G)|^2 = |m|^{2l} / |\det(G)|^2$ .

**III. SELF-ORTHOGONAL AND SELF-DUAL CODES**

We say that an  $R$ -module  $C = \mathbb{L}G/m\mathbb{L}$  is *self-orthogonal* if and only if  $C \subset \widehat{C}$ , which is equivalent to  $m | G(G^\dagger)$ . We denote  $\{G\}_m^\dagger = \{G \in \{G\}_m : m | G(G^\dagger)\}$ .

*Remark 6:* Any  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$  can be decomposed into the product of prime elements uniquely except for the difference of units  $R^\times$  as follows, where  $p_i, q_j, r_k \in R$  are prime elements,  $\epsilon \in R^\times$ , and  $e_i, f_j, g_k$  are non-negative integers,

$$m = \epsilon \prod_{\gcd(p_i, \overline{p_i})=1} p_i^{e_i} \prod_{q_j R = \overline{q_j} R} q_j^{f_j} \prod_{\gcd(r_k, \overline{r_k})=1} r_k^{g_k} \overline{r_k}^{g_k} \quad (1)$$

because the prime element  $\pi$  of  $R$  is classified into two types, i.e.,  $\pi R = \overline{\pi} R$  or  $\gcd(\pi, \overline{\pi}) = 1$  and  $m$  can be factored as follows.

- If  $\gcd(\pi, \overline{\pi}) = 1, \pi^h | m, \pi^{h+1} \nmid m$ , and  $\overline{\pi} \nmid m$  for positive  $h \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $p_i^{e_i} = \pi^h$ .
- If  $\pi R = \overline{\pi} R, \pi^h | m$ , and  $\pi^{h+1} \nmid m$  for positive  $h \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $q_j^{f_j} = \pi^h$ .
- If  $\gcd(\pi, \overline{\pi}) = 1, \pi^h | m, \pi^{h+1} \nmid m, \overline{\pi}^h | m, \overline{\pi}^{h+1} \nmid m$  for positive  $h \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $r_k^{g_k} = \pi^h$ .

- If  $\gcd(\pi, \bar{\pi}) = 1$ ,  $\pi^h \mid m$ ,  $\pi^{h+1} \nmid m$ ,  $\bar{\pi}^l \mid m$ ,  $\bar{\pi}^{l+1} \nmid m$  for positive  $h, l \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $h < l$ , then  $r_k^{sk} = \pi^h$  and  $p_i^{ei} = \bar{\pi}^{l-h}$ .

Furthermore, any  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$  satisfy  $m = uvw\bar{w}$  for some  $u, v, w \in R$  with  $vR = \bar{v}R$  and  $\gcd(u, \bar{u}) = \gcd(w, \bar{w}) = \gcd(u, v\bar{w}) = \gcd(v, m/v) = \gcd(w, m/w) = \gcd(\bar{w}, m/\bar{w}) = 1$  by  $u = \prod p_i^{e_i}$ ,  $v = \prod q_j^{f_j}$ , and  $w = \prod r_k^{s_k}$ .

*Proposition 1:* Let  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$  satisfy  $m = uvw\bar{w}$  as in Remark 6. Then  $\{G\}_m^\dagger = \{uG' : G' \in \{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger\}$ . In particular,

for  $u \in R \setminus \{0\}$  with  $\gcd(u, \bar{u}) = 1$ ,  $\{G\}_u^\dagger = \{uI\}$ .

*Proof.* Consider a map  $\{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger \rightarrow \{G\}_m^\dagger$ ,  $G' \mapsto uG'$ . For  $G' \in \{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger$ , because  $A'G' = (m/u)I$  for some  $A' \in M_l(R)$  and  $(m/u) \mid G'(G'^\dagger)$ ,  $A'uG' = mI$  and  $m \mid uG'(uG'^\dagger)$ . Thus  $uG' \in \{G\}_m^\dagger$ . Conversely, for  $G \in \{G\}_m^\dagger$ , because  $AG = mI$  for some  $A \in M_l(R)$  and  $m \mid G(G^\dagger)$ ,  $m \mid G(G^\dagger)(A^\dagger) = G\bar{m}$  and  $u \mid G\bar{u}$ . It follows from  $\gcd(\bar{u}, u) = 1$  that  $u \mid G$ . Then  $A(G/u) = (m/u)I$  and  $(m/u) \mid (G/u)((G/u)^\dagger)\bar{u}$ . It follows from  $\gcd(\bar{u}, v\bar{w}) = 1$  that  $v\bar{w} \mid (G/u)((G/u)^\dagger)$ , which leads  $(m/u) \mid (G/u)((G/u)^\dagger)$  and  $G/u \in \{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger$ .  $\square$

*Example 3:* If  $l = 1$ ,  $\pi = 2 + i$ , and  $m = \pi\bar{\pi}^2$ , then  $m = uvw\bar{w}$  with  $u = \bar{\pi}$ ,  $v = 1$ , and  $w = \pi$ . Then  $\{G'\}_{m/u} = \{1, \pi, \bar{\pi}, 5\}$  and  $\{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger = \{\pi, \bar{\pi}, 5\}$ . On the other hand,  $\{G\}_m = \{1, \bar{\pi}, \bar{\pi}^2, \pi, \pi\bar{\pi}, \pi\bar{\pi}^2\}$  and  $\{G\}_m^\dagger = \{\bar{\pi}^2, \pi\bar{\pi}, \pi\bar{\pi}^2\}$ . Thus  $u\{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger = \{G\}_m^\dagger$ .

We say that  $C$  is *self-dual* if and only if  $C = \widehat{C}$ . We denote  $\{G\}_m^\ddagger = \{G \in \{G\}_m^\dagger : C = \mathbb{L}G/m\mathbb{L} = \widehat{C}\}$ .

*Remark 7:* The self-dual version of Proposition 1 does not hold in general. In Example 3,  $\{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger = \{\pi, \bar{\pi}\}$  but  $\{G\}_m^\ddagger = \{\bar{\pi}^2\}$  because, for  $G' = \pi$ ,  $uG' = 5$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{C} &= \{c \in R/5\bar{\pi}R : 5\bar{\pi} \mid c5 \Leftrightarrow \bar{\pi} \mid c\} \\ &= \bar{\pi}R/5\bar{\pi}R = R/5R \not\supseteq C = R\pi\bar{\pi}/5\bar{\pi}R = \pi R/5R, \end{aligned}$$

for  $G' = \bar{\pi}$ ,  $uG' = \bar{\pi}^2$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{C} &= \{c \in R/5\bar{\pi}R : 5\bar{\pi} \mid c\pi^2 \Leftrightarrow \bar{\pi}^2 \mid c\} \\ &= \bar{\pi}^2R/5\bar{\pi}R = R/\pi R = C = R\bar{\pi}^2/5\bar{\pi}R = R/\pi R, \end{aligned}$$

and, for  $G' = 5$ ,  $uG' = \bar{\pi}5$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{C} &= \{c \in R/5\bar{\pi}R : 5\bar{\pi} \mid c\pi5 \Leftrightarrow \bar{\pi} \mid c\} \\ &= \bar{\pi}R/5\bar{\pi}R = R/5R \not\supseteq C = R\bar{\pi}5/5\bar{\pi}R = \{0\}. \end{aligned}$$

However, if  $\gcd(u, v\bar{w}) = 1$  in  $m = uvw\bar{w}$ , then  $u\{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger = \{G\}_m^\ddagger$  as shown in Corollary 1.

*Lemma 4:* Let the assumption be as in Proposition 1. Suppose  $\gcd(u, m/u) = 1$ . If  $G' \in \{G'\}_{m/u}$ , then  $\widehat{C}' \rightarrow \widehat{C}$ ,  $c' \mapsto uc'$ , is one to one and onto, where

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{C}' &= \left\{c' \in \mathbb{L}/(m/u)\mathbb{L} : (m/u) \mid c'(G'^\dagger)\right\}, \\ \widehat{C} &= \left\{c \in \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L} : m \mid c\bar{u}(G'^\dagger)\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof:* For  $c' \in \widehat{C}'$ ,  $uc' \in u\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L} \subset \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}$ ,  $(m/u) \mid c'(G'^\dagger)$ , and  $m \mid uc'(G'^\dagger) \mid uc'\bar{u}(G'^\dagger)$  imply  $uc' \in \widehat{C}$ .

Conversely, for  $c \in \widehat{C}$ , it follows from  $m \mid c\bar{u}(G'^\dagger)$  and  $\gcd(\bar{u}, m) = 1$  that  $m \mid c(G'^\dagger)$ . Then  $m \mid c(G'^\dagger)(A'^\dagger) = cm/u$  implies  $u \mid c$ . If  $c' = c/u$ , then  $c' \in \mathbb{L}/(m/u)\mathbb{L}$ ,  $m \mid c(G'^\dagger) = uc'(G'^\dagger)$ ,  $(m/u) \mid c'(G'^\dagger)$ , and  $c' \in \widehat{C}'$ .  $\square$

*Corollary 1:* Let the assumption be as in Proposition 1. Suppose  $\gcd(u, m/u) = 1$ . Then  $\{G\}_m^\ddagger = \{uG' : G' \in \{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger\}$ . In particular, for  $u \in R \setminus \{0\}$  with  $\gcd(u, \bar{u}) = 1$ ,  $\{G\}_u^\ddagger = \{uI\}$ .

*Proof:* For  $G' \in \{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger$ , because  $C' = \mathbb{L}G'/(m/u)\mathbb{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{L}uG'/m\mathbb{L} = C$ ,  $c' \mapsto uc'$ , is one to one and onto, it follows from Lemma 4 that  $uG' \in \{G\}_m^\ddagger$ . Conversely, for  $G \in \{G\}_m^\ddagger$ , it follows from Proposition 1 and Lemma 4 that  $G/u \in \{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger$ .  $\square$

As shown in Proposition 1 and Corollary 1, under certain conditions,  $u\{G'\}_{m/u}^\dagger = \{G\}_m^\ddagger$  and  $u\{G'\}_{m/u}^\ddagger = \{G\}_m^\ddagger$ . Because the decision of  $\{G\}_m^\dagger$  and  $\{G\}_m^\ddagger$  results in the decision of  $\{G\}_{m/u}^\dagger$  and  $\{G\}_{m/u}^\ddagger$ , from now on we assume  $e_i = 0$  in (1), in other words,  $mR = \bar{m}R$ .

#### IV. PROPERTIES OF GENERATOR MATRICES

##### A. THE CASE OF $mR = \bar{m}R$

*Assumption 1:* In this subsection, we assume that a fixed  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$  is conjugate-invariant, i.e.,  $\bar{m}R = mR$ , if and only if  $\bar{m} = \epsilon m$  for some  $\epsilon \in R^\times$ .

*Proposition 2:* A generator matrix of  $\widehat{C}$  is equal to  $G^\dagger$ , in other words,  $\widehat{C} = \mathbb{L}G^\dagger/m\mathbb{L}$ . In particular,  $|\widehat{C}| |C| = |\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}|$ .

*Proof:* It follows from  $AG = GA = mI$  that  $G^\dagger A^\dagger = A^\dagger G^\dagger = \bar{m}I = \epsilon mI$ . Then  $\widehat{C} = (m\mathbb{L} + \mathbb{L}G^\dagger)/m\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}G^\dagger/m\mathbb{L}$ .  $\square$

*Remark 8:* If  $mR \neq \bar{m}R$ , then  $|\widehat{C}| |C| \neq |\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}|$  in general. For example, if  $l = 1$  and  $G = 2 + i \in \{G\}_{2+i}$ , then  $\mathbb{L}G/(2+i)\mathbb{L} = \{0\} \subset \mathbb{L}/(2+i)\mathbb{L} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm i\}$ . Moreover  $\widehat{C} = \{a \in \mathbb{L}/(2+i)\mathbb{L} : (2+i) \mid a(2-i)\} = \{0\}$ . Thus  $1 = |\widehat{C}| |C| \neq |\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}| = 5$ .

*Proposition 3:* A generator matrix of  $\widehat{C}$  is equal to  $A^\dagger$ , in other words,  $\widehat{C} = \mathbb{L}A^\dagger/m\mathbb{L}$ .

*Proof:* It follows from  $A^\dagger G^\dagger = G^\dagger A^\dagger = \epsilon mI$  that  $(m\mathbb{L} + \mathbb{L}A^\dagger)/m\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}A^\dagger/m\mathbb{L} \subset \widehat{C}$ . On the other hand, it follows from  $G^\dagger A^\dagger = \epsilon mI$  and Proposition 2 that  $|\mathbb{L}A^\dagger/m\mathbb{L}| = |\det(G^\dagger)|^2 = |\det(G)|^2 = |\mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}|/|C| = |\widehat{C}|$ . Thus  $\mathbb{L}A^\dagger/m\mathbb{L} = \widehat{C}$ .  $\square$

*Proposition 4:* Assume that  $m = p$  is a rational prime and  $R/mR$  is a finite field, which occurs if and only if  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  if  $R = \mathbb{Z}[i]$  and  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  if  $R = \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ . If we identify  $R/mR = \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ , then, for  $f \in R/mR$ ,  $\bar{f} = f^p$ . In particular, if  $m$  satisfies the assumptions, then  $\widehat{C}$  agrees with the Hermitian dual code  $C^{\perp H} = \{c \in (\mathbb{F}_{p^2})^l : c((d^p)^\top) = 0, \forall d \in C\}$  of  $C$  as  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ -linear codes, where  $c \in (\mathbb{F}_{p^2})^l$  is identified to the vector  $c = (c_1, \dots, c_l) \in \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L} = (R/mR)^l$  and  $d^p = ((d_1)^p, \dots, (d_l)^p) \in (\mathbb{F}_{p^2})^l$ .



*Proof:* Because  $f \mapsto \bar{f}$  belongs to the Galois group of  $R/mR = \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  which is generated by  $f \mapsto f^p$  and the order of  $f \mapsto \bar{f}$  is equal to two,  $\bar{\bar{f}} = f^p$ .  $\square$

**B. THE CASE OF  $m = m_1m_2$ ,  $m_1R = \bar{m}_1R$ ,  $m_2R = \bar{m}_2R$ , AND  $\gcd(m_1, m_2) = 1$**

*Assumption 2:* In this subsection, we assume that a fixed  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$  satisfies  $m = m_1m_2$  for some  $m_1, m_2 \in R$  with  $m_1R = \bar{m}_1R$ ,  $m_2R = \bar{m}_2R$ , and  $\gcd(m_1, m_2) = 1$ .

*Proposition 5:* Suppose that  $G_1 \in \{G_1\}_{m_1}$ ,  $G_2 \in \{G_2\}_{m_2}$ , and  $G \in \{G\}_m$  satisfy  $\mathbb{L}G = \mathbb{L}G_1 \cap \mathbb{L}G_2$ . Then  $m \mid G(G^\dagger)$  if and only if  $m_1 \mid G_1(G_1^\dagger)$  and  $m_2 \mid G_2(G_2^\dagger)$ .

*Proof:* We first show the ‘if’ part. It follows from  $\mathbb{L}G = \mathbb{L}G_1 \cap \mathbb{L}G_2$  that  $G = BG_1 = DG_2$  for some  $B, D \in M_l(R)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} m_1 \mid G(G^\dagger) &= (BG_1)((G_1^\dagger)(B^\dagger)) \\ m_2 \mid G(G^\dagger) &= (DG_2)((G_2^\dagger)(D^\dagger)). \end{aligned}$$

It follows from  $\gcd(m_1, m_2) = 1$  that  $m \mid G(G^\dagger)$ .

We next show the ‘only if’ part. It follows from Theorem 1 that  $\mathbb{L}G + m_1\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}G_1$ , which implies  $BG + m_1D = G_1$  for some  $B, D \in M_l(R)$ . Then it follows from  $m \mid G(G^\dagger)$  that

$$m_1 \mid G_1(G_1^\dagger) = (BG + m_1D)((G^\dagger)(B^\dagger) + \bar{m}_1(D^\dagger)). \quad \square$$

**C. THE CASE OF  $m = w\bar{w}$  AND  $\gcd(w, \bar{w}) = 1$**

*Assumption 3:* In this subsection, we assume that a fixed  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$  satisfies  $m = w\bar{w}$  for some  $w \in R$  with  $\gcd(w, \bar{w}) = 1$ .

*Proposition 6:* Suppose that  $G_1 \in \{G_1\}_w$ ,  $G_2 \in \{G_2\}_{\bar{w}}$ , and  $G \in \{G\}_m$  satisfy  $\mathbb{L}G = \mathbb{L}G_1 \cap \mathbb{L}G_2$ . Then  $m \mid G(G^\dagger)$  if and only if  $w \mid G_1(G_1^\dagger)$ .

*Proof:* We first show the ‘if’ part. It follows from  $\mathbb{L}G = \mathbb{L}G_1 \cap \mathbb{L}G_2$  that  $G = BG_1 = DG_2$  for some  $B, D \in M_l(R)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} w \mid G(G^\dagger) &= (BG_1)((G_2^\dagger)(D^\dagger)) \\ \bar{w} \mid G(G^\dagger) &= (DG_2)((G_1^\dagger)(B^\dagger)). \end{aligned}$$

It follows from  $\gcd(w, \bar{w}) = 1$  that  $m \mid G(G^\dagger)$ .

We next show the ‘only if’ part. It follows from Theorem 1 that  $\mathbb{L}G + w\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}G_1$ , which implies  $BG + wD = G_1$  for some  $B, D \in M_l(R)$ . It follows from Theorem 1 that  $\mathbb{L}G + \bar{w}\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}G_2$ , which implies  $EG + \bar{w}F = G_2$  for some  $E, F \in M_l(R)$ . Then it follows from  $m \mid G(G^\dagger)$  that

$$w \mid G_1(G_2^\dagger) = (BG + wD)((G^\dagger)(E^\dagger) + w(F^\dagger)). \quad \square$$

*Corollary 2:* Let the assumption be as in Proposition 6. Suppose  $G_1(G_2^\dagger) = wM$  for some  $M \in M_l(R)$ . Then  $|\det(M)| = 1$  if and only if  $|\det(G)|^2 = |m|^l$ .

*Proof:* It follows from the assumption of Proposition 6 and Theorem 1 that  $\det(G_1) \det(G_2) = \det(G)$ , and moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} |\det(M)| = 1 &\iff |\det(G_1)| \left| \det(G_2^\dagger) \right| = |w|^l \\ \iff |\det(G)| = |w|^l &\iff |\det(G)|^2 = |m|^l. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**V. APPLICATION OF PRIME ELEMENT DECOMPOSITION**

*Theorem 2 (Cf. [9], [10]):* For  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$ , let  $m = \prod_{x=1}^t v_x \prod_{y=t+1}^{t+z} w_y \bar{w}_y$ , where  $v_x, w_y \in R$ ,  $\gcd(v_x, m/v_x) = \gcd(w_y, m/w_y) = \gcd(\bar{w}_y, m/\bar{w}_y) = \gcd(w_y, \bar{w}_y) = 1$ , and  $v_xR = \bar{v}_xR$  for all  $1 \leq x \leq t$  and  $t < y \leq t + z$ . Then there exists a one-to-one and onto map

$$\begin{aligned} \beta : \{G\}_m^\dagger &\rightarrow \prod_{x=1}^t \{G_x\}_{v_x}^\dagger \\ &\times \prod_{y=t+1}^{t+z} \left\{ \left( G_y^{(1)}, G_y^{(2)} \right) \left| \begin{array}{l} G_y^{(1)} \in \{G\}_{w_y}, G_y^{(2)} \in \{G\}_{\bar{w}_y}, \\ G_y^{(1)} \left( G_y^{(2)\dagger} \right) \equiv 0I \pmod{w_y} \end{array} \right. \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where  $\mathbb{L}G + v_x\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}G_x$ ,  $\mathbb{L}G + w_y\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}G_y^{(1)}$ ,  $\mathbb{L}G + \bar{w}_y\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}G_y^{(2)}$ , and

$$\mathbb{L}G = \left( \bigcap_{x=1}^t \mathbb{L}G_x \right) \cap \left( \bigcap_{y=t+1}^{t+z} \left( \mathbb{L}G_y^{(1)} \cap \mathbb{L}G_y^{(2)} \right) \right).$$

*Proof:* Define  $\beta$  as  $\alpha$  which is paired the factors of  $\{G_x\}_{m_x}$  for  $m_x = v_x, \bar{w}_y$  in Theorem 1 if they are included. Then it follows from Propositions 5,6 that the images of  $\beta$  and  $\beta^{-1}$  are included in both sides of (2), respectively.  $\square$

For  $m \in R \setminus \{0\}$  with  $mR = \bar{m}R$  and self-orthogonal  $C$ , because  $|C| \leq |\bar{C}|$  and  $|C|^2 \leq |\mathbb{L}m/\mathbb{L}|$  by Proposition 2,  $C$  is self-dual if and only if  $|C|^2 = |\mathbb{L}m/\mathbb{L}|$ , which is equivalent to  $|\det(G)|^2 = |m|^l$  by Lemma 3. Thus, if  $mR = \bar{m}R$ ,  $\{G\}_m^\dagger = \{G \in \{G\}_m^\dagger : |\det(G)|^2 = |m|^l\}$ .

*Corollary 3 (Cf. [9], [10]):* Let the assumption be as in Theorem 2. Then there exists a one-to-one and onto map  $\gamma : \{G\}_m^\dagger \rightarrow \prod_{x=1}^t \{G_x\}_{v_x}^\dagger \prod_{y=t+1}^{t+z} \{G_y\}_{w_y}$ , where  $\mathbb{L}G + v_x\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}G_x$ ,  $\mathbb{L}G + w_y\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}G_y$ ,  $A_y G_y = w_y I$ , and  $\mathbb{L}G = \left( \bigcap_{x=1}^t \mathbb{L}G_x \right) \cap \left( \bigcap_{y=t+1}^{t+z} \left( \mathbb{L}G_y \cap \mathbb{L}A_y \right) \right)$ .

*Proof:* If  $G_y^{(1)} \left( G_y^{(2)\dagger} \right) = wM$  for some  $M \in M_l(R)$  with  $|\det(M)| = 1$ , then it follows from  $G_y^{(1)} A_y^{(1)} = wI$  that  $G_y^{(2)} = M^\dagger \left( A_y^{(1)\dagger} \right)$ , which implies that, for any  $G_y^{(1)} \in \{G_y\}_{w_y}$ ,  $G_y^{(2)}$  is uniquely determined. Conversely, it similarly follows from  $G_y^{(2)} \left( G_y^{(1)\dagger} \right) = \bar{w}M^\dagger$  that, for any  $G_y^{(2)} \in \{G_y\}_{\bar{w}_y}$ ,  $G_y^{(1)}$  is uniquely determined. Thus, if  $\beta$  is restricted to  $\{G\}_m^\dagger$ , then  $\left( G_y^{(1)}, G_y^{(2)} \right) = \left( G_y^{(1)}, M^\dagger \left( A_y^{(1)\dagger} \right) \right)$ ,  $\mathbb{L}G_y^{(1)} \cap \mathbb{L}G_y^{(2)} = \mathbb{L}G_y^{(1)} \cap \mathbb{L}A_y^{(1)\dagger}$ , and  $\beta$  can be identified with  $\gamma$ .  $\square$

**VI. EXAMPLES**

**A. THE CASE OF  $R = \mathbb{Z}[i]$**

*Remark 9 (Cf. b of the Definition of Reduced G):* The simplest method to decide  $\epsilon \in R^\times$  of  $\epsilon_{g,r,r}$  uniquely in the reduced generator matrix  $G = (g_{r,s})$  is to be  $\Re(\epsilon_{g,r,r}) > 0$  and  $\Im(\epsilon_{g,r,r}) \geq 0$ , which is not preserved, however, by multiplication, e.g.,  $(1 + 2i)(2 + 3i) = -4 + 7i$ . A congruence equation  $\epsilon_{g,r,r} \equiv 1 \pmod t$  is often used for appropriate  $t \in R$  to decide  $\epsilon \in R^\times$ . In [4],  $t = (1 + i)^3$  is adopted.

In this subsection, we adopt  $t = 2 + i$  to treat it similarly in  $\mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ . Because  $\{k \in R : \llbracket k/(2+i) \rrbracket = 0\} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm i\} = \{0\} \cup R^\times$ , it is shown that, for  $g \in R$  with  $(2+i) \nmid g$ , there exists a unique  $\epsilon \in R^\times$  such that  $\epsilon g \equiv 1 \pmod{2+i}$ , and for  $g = \epsilon(2+i)^e$  with  $\epsilon \in R^\times$ , we choose  $\epsilon^{-1}g = (2+i)^e$ . By the unique factorization in  $R$ , for  $g \in R \setminus \{0\}$ , there exists a unique  $\epsilon$  such that  $\epsilon g = (2+i)^{e_0} g_1^{e_1} \cdots g_a^{e_a}$  with positive  $e_0, \dots, e_a \in \mathbb{Z}$ , where, for  $1 \leq b \leq a$ ,  $g_b \equiv 1 \pmod{2+i}$  and  $R/g_b R$  is a finite field. For example,  $1+2i \equiv -i$ ,  $2+3i \equiv 1 \pmod{2+i}$  and  $i(1+2i)(2+3i) = -7-4i \equiv 1 \pmod{2+i}$ .

*Example 4:* We determine the self-dual  $R$ -modules in  $\mathbb{L}/3\mathbb{L}$  for  $l = 2$ . If  $C = \mathbb{L}G_1/3\mathbb{L}$  is self-dual, then  $|\det(G_1)| = 3$ . Thus  $G_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -3i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $G_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & -3i \end{pmatrix}$  for some  $g \in R$ , but  $\begin{pmatrix} -3i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -3i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^\dagger \not\equiv 0I \pmod{3}$ . On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} G_1 G_1^\dagger &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & -3i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \bar{g} & 3i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 + |g|^2 & 3ig \\ -3i\bar{g} & 9 \end{pmatrix} \equiv 0I \pmod{3} \end{aligned}$$

if and only if  $|g|^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . If we choose  $R/3R = \{g_1 + g_2 i : g_1, g_2 = 0, \pm 1\}$  by 3 of Remark 1,  $|g|^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  if and only if  $g = \pm 1 \pm i$  and  $\pm 1 \mp i$ . Thus there exist four self-dual  $R$ -modules  $\mathbb{L}G_1/3\mathbb{L}$  with

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 G_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \pm 1 \mp i & \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \pm 1 \pm i \\ 0 & -3i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 \mp 1 \mp i & \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \pm 1 \mp i \\ 0 & -3i \end{pmatrix} = 3I. \end{aligned}$$

*Example 5:* We determine the self-dual  $R$ -modules in  $\mathbb{L}/5\mathbb{L}$  for  $l = 2$ . Because  $5 = (2+i)(2-i)$  with  $-(2+i) + (1+i)(2-i) = 1$ , we have to determine first all  $R$ -modules in  $\mathbb{L}/(2+i)\mathbb{L}$  and second the self-dual ones in  $\mathbb{L}/5\mathbb{L}$  by Corollary 3. If we choose  $R/(2+i)R = \{0, \pm 1, \pm i\}$  by 3 of Remark 1, all  $R$ -modules in  $\mathbb{L}/(2+i)\mathbb{L}$  are  $\mathbb{L}G_0/(2+i)\mathbb{L}$  with

$$\begin{aligned} A_0 G_0 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2+i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2+i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2+i & 0 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2+i & 0 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2+i \mp 1 & \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \pm 1 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2+i \mp i & \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \pm i \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (2+i)I. \end{aligned}$$

Consider  $G_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2+i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $A_0^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2-i \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\mathbb{L}G_2 = \mathbb{L}G_0 \cap \mathbb{L}A_0^\dagger$  with  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2+i & 0 \\ 0 & -2+i \end{pmatrix}$ . Similarly, if we consider  $G_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2+i & 0 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $G_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2+i & 0 \\ 0 & -2+i \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $G_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2+i & 0 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2+i & 0 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix}$ .

Next, consider  $G_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \pm 1 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $A_0^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 2-i & 0 \\ \mp 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2-i & \mp 1 \\ \mp 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mp 1 \\ 0 & -2+i \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $\mathbb{L}G_2 = \mathbb{L}G_0 \cap \mathbb{L}A_0^\dagger$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & -2+i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \pm 1 \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mp 1 \\ 0 & -2+i \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

then  $g = \pm 1 + a(2+i) = \mp 1 + b(-2+i)$ , i.e.,  $\pm 2i = \pm 1 + (\pm i)(2+i) = \mp 1 + (\mp i)(-2+i)$ . Thus  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \pm 2i \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Finally, consider  $G_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \pm i \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $A_0^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 2-i & 0 \\ \pm i & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2-i & \mp i \\ \pm i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mp i \\ 0 & -2+i \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $\mathbb{L}G_2 = \mathbb{L}G_0 \cap \mathbb{L}A_0^\dagger$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & -2+i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \pm i \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 2+i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mp i \\ 0 & -2+i \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

then  $g = \pm i + a(2+i) = \mp i + b(-2+i)$ , i.e.,  $\mp 2 = \pm i + (\mp i)(2+i) = \mp i + (\pm i)(-2+i)$ . Thus  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mp 2 \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$ . Thus there exist eight self-dual  $R$ -modules  $\mathbb{L}G_2/5\mathbb{L}$  with

$$\begin{aligned} A_2 G_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} \pm 2 - i & 0 \\ 0 & \mp 2 - i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \pm 2 + i & 0 \\ 0 & \mp 2 + i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \pm 2 - i & 0 \\ 0 & \pm 2 - i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \pm 2 + i & 0 \\ 0 & \pm 2 + i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 5 \pm 2i & \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \pm 2i \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \pm 2 & \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \pm 2 \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix} = 5I. \end{aligned}$$

*Example 6:* Because  $15 = 3(2+i)(2-i)$ , all self-dual  $R$ -modules  $\mathbb{L}G/15\mathbb{L}$  are derived from self-dual  $R$ -modules  $\mathbb{L}G_1/3\mathbb{L}$  and  $\mathbb{L}G_2/5\mathbb{L}$  by  $\mathbb{L}G = \mathbb{L}G_1 \cap \mathbb{L}G_2$ . We compute  $G$  with  $G_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1+i \\ 0 & -3i \end{pmatrix}$  and  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $\mathbb{L}G = \mathbb{L}G_1 \cap \mathbb{L}G_2$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & 15i \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1+i \\ 0 & -3i \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & -3i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

then  $g = 1+i-a3i = 2-b5$ , i.e.,  $7-5i = 1+i-(2+2i)3i = 2 - (-1+i)5$ . Thus  $G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 7-5i \\ 0 & 15i \end{pmatrix}$  and

$$AG = \begin{pmatrix} 15 & 5+7i \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 7-5i \\ 0 & 15i \end{pmatrix} = 15I.$$

### B. THE CASE OF $R = \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$

*Remark 10 (Cf.  $b$  of the Definition of Reduced  $G$ ):* In [4], a congruence equation  $\epsilon g \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  is used to decide  $\epsilon \in R^\times$  of  $\epsilon g$  uniquely for  $g \in R$  with  $\gcd(g, 3) = 1$ .

In this subsection, if  $\gcd(g_{r,r}, 3 + \omega) = 1$ , we adopt  $\epsilon_{g_{r,r}} \equiv 1 \pmod{3 + \omega}$  to decide  $\epsilon \in R^\times$  of  $\epsilon_{g_{r,r}}$  uniquely in the reduced generator matrix  $G = (g_{r,s})$ . Because  $\{k \in R : \llbracket k/(3 + \omega) \rrbracket = 0\} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm \omega, \pm(1 + \omega)\} = \{0\} \cup R^\times$ , it is shown that, for  $g \in R$  with  $(3 + \omega) \nmid g$ , there exists a unique  $\epsilon \in R^\times$  such that  $\epsilon g \equiv 1 \pmod{3 + \omega}$ , and for  $g = \varepsilon(3 + \omega)^e$  with  $\varepsilon \in R^\times$ , we choose  $\varepsilon^{-1}g = (3 + \omega)^e$ . By the unique factorization in  $R$ , for  $g \in R \setminus \{0\}$ , there exists a unique  $\epsilon$  such that  $\epsilon g = (3 + \omega)^{e_0} g_1^{e_1} \cdots g_a^{e_a}$  with positive  $e_0, \dots, e_a \in \mathbb{Z}$ , where, for  $1 \leq b \leq a$ ,  $g_b \equiv 1 \pmod{3 + \omega}$  and  $R/g_b R$  is a finite field.

*Example 7:* We determine the self-dual  $R$ -modules in  $\mathbb{L}/2\mathbb{L}$  for  $l = 2$ . If  $C = \mathbb{L}G_1/2\mathbb{L}$  is self-dual, then  $|\det(G_1)| = 2$ . Thus  $G_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2\omega & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $G_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & 2\omega \end{pmatrix}$  for some  $g \in R$ , but  $\begin{pmatrix} 2\omega & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2\omega & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^\dagger \not\equiv 0I \pmod{2}$ . On the other hand,

$$G_1 G_1^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & 2\omega \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \bar{g} & 2\omega^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + |g|^2 & 2\omega^2 g \\ 2\omega \bar{g} & 4 \end{pmatrix} \equiv 0I \pmod{2}$$

if and only if  $|g|^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . If we choose  $R/(2\omega)R = \{0, -\omega, 1, 1 + \omega\}$  by 3 of Remark 1,  $|g|^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$  if and only if  $g = -\omega, 1, 1 + \omega$ . Thus there exist three self-dual  $R$ -modules  $\mathbb{L}G_1/2\mathbb{L}$  with

$$A_1 G_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 + \omega \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2\omega \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\omega \\ 0 & 2\omega \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \omega \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 + \omega \\ 0 & 2\omega \end{pmatrix} = 2I.$$

*Example 8:* We determine the self-dual  $R$ -modules in  $\mathbb{L}/3\mathbb{L}$  for  $l = 2$ . Note that  $R/3R$  is not a field because  $(-2 - \omega)^2 = 3(1 + \omega)$ . All  $R$ -modules  $C \subset \mathbb{L}/3\mathbb{L}$  with  $|C|^2 = |\mathbb{L}/3\mathbb{L}|$  are  $\mathbb{L}G_2/3\mathbb{L}$  for

$$A_2 G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -\omega & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3(1 + \omega) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 + \omega & f\omega \\ 0 & -1 + \omega \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 - \omega & f \\ 0 & -2 - \omega \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & g\omega \\ 0 & -\omega \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & 3(1 + \omega) \end{pmatrix} = 3I,$$

where  $f \in R/(-2 - \omega)R$  and  $g \in R/(3(1 + \omega))R$ . Consider  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3(1 + \omega) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Because

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3(1 + \omega) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3(1 + \omega) & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^\dagger \not\equiv 0I \pmod{3},$$

$\mathbb{L}G_2/3\mathbb{L}$  is not self-dual.

Next, consider  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 - \omega & f \\ 0 & -2 - \omega \end{pmatrix}$ . If

$$G_2 G_2^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} -2 - \omega & f \\ 0 & -2 - \omega \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{-2 - \omega} & 0 \\ \bar{f} & -2 - \omega \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 + |f|^2 & f\overline{-2 - \omega} \\ \bar{f}(-2 - \omega) & 3 \end{pmatrix} \equiv 0I \pmod{3},$$

then  $f\overline{-2 - \omega} \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  and  $f = 0$ .

Finally, consider  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & 3(1 + \omega) \end{pmatrix}$ . If

$$G_2 G_2^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g \\ 0 & 3(1 + \omega) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \bar{g} & 3\overline{1 + \omega} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + |g|^2 & g\overline{3(1 + \omega)} \\ \bar{g}3(1 + \omega) & 9 \end{pmatrix} \equiv 0I \pmod{3}$$

and we choose  $R/3(1 + \omega)R = \{0, \pm 1, \pm \omega, \pm(1 + \omega), \pm(2 + \omega)\}$  by 3 of Remark 1, then there is no such  $g$  with  $|g|^2 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ .

Thus there exist one self-dual  $R$ -module  $\mathbb{L}G_2/3\mathbb{L}$  with

$$A_2 G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 + \omega & 0 \\ 0 & -1 + \omega \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 - \omega & 0 \\ 0 & -2 - \omega \end{pmatrix} = 3I.$$

*Example 9:* All self-dual  $R$ -modules  $\mathbb{L}G/6\mathbb{L}$  are derived from self-dual  $R$ -modules  $\mathbb{L}G_1/2\mathbb{L}$  and  $\mathbb{L}G_2/3\mathbb{L}$  by  $\mathbb{L}G = \mathbb{L}G_1 \cap \mathbb{L}G_2$ . We compute  $G$  with  $G_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 + \omega \\ 0 & 2\omega \end{pmatrix}$  and  $G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 - \omega & 0 \\ 0 & -2 - \omega \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $\mathbb{L}G = \mathbb{L}G_1 \cap \mathbb{L}G_2$ , then

$$G = G_1 G_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 - \omega & -1 - 2\omega \\ 0 & 2 - 2\omega \end{pmatrix},$$

$$AG = \begin{pmatrix} -2 + 2\omega & -1 - 2\omega \\ 0 & 2 + \omega \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 - \omega & -1 - 2\omega \\ 0 & 2 - 2\omega \end{pmatrix} = 6I.$$

## VII. CONCLUSION

In this paper, for codes over the residue ring with modulo  $m \in R$  of Gaussian or Eisenstein integer ring  $R$ , we have proposed a method of constructing self-orthogonal and self-dual codes from codes modulo powers of prime elements appearing in the prime-element decomposition of  $m$ . In particular, in Proposition 4, we have shown that, if  $R/mR = \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ , the dual code  $\widehat{C} \subset \mathbb{L}/m\mathbb{L}$  corresponds to the Hermitian dual code over  $\mathbb{F}_{p^2}$ . Thus Corollary 3 is an analogue of [6, Theorem 4.2] and [10, Propositions 3,4] for quasi-cyclic codes over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  in the sense that the conjugation in  $R$  corresponds to reciprocal polynomials in  $\mathbb{F}_q[x]$ , and Theorem 2 can be said to be its generalization to self-orthogonal codes. As future works, concerning recent applications using codes over the residue rings of Gaussian and Eisenstein integers, we should specifically find useful codes of this types with high error correction capability according to the communication channels.

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