

# On quantum codes from codes over $R_m$

Sobre códigos cuánticos a través de códigos sobre  $R_m$

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $R_m = \mathbb{F}_q[y]/\langle y^m - 1 \rangle$ , where  $m \mid q - 1$ . In this paper, we obtain the structure of linear and cyclic codes over  $R_m$ . Also, we introduce a preserving-orthogonality Gray map from  $R_m$  to  $\mathbb{F}_q^m$ . Among the main results, we obtain the exact structure of self-orthogonal cyclic codes over  $R_m$  to introduce parameters of quantum codes from cyclic codes over  $R_m$ .

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**RESUMEN.** Sea  $R_m = \mathbb{F}_q[y]/\langle y^m - 1 \rangle$  donde  $m \mid q - 1$ . En este artículo, obtenemos la estructura de códigos lineales y cíclicos sobre  $R_m$ . También introducimos una aplicación de Gray de  $R_m$  a  $\mathbb{F}_q^m$  que preserva la ortogonalidad. Entre los resultados principales, obtenemos la estructura exacta de los códigos cíclicos auto-ortogonales sobre  $R_m$  para introducir parámetros de los códigos cuánticos a través de los códigos cíclicos sobre  $R_m$ .

*Palabras y frases clave.* códigos auto-ortogonales, códigos cíclicos, códigos cuánticos.

## 1. Introduction

Quantum error correcting codes were introduced by Shor [10]. In a 1998 paper [3], the theory of finding quantum error-correcting codes is transformed into the problem of finding additive codes over the field  $\mathbb{F}_4$  which are self-orthogonal with respect to a certain trace inner product. Recently, codes over rings that serve as a source for QEC have also been of interest.

In [7], quantum codes from cyclic codes over  $F_2 + vF_2$  are studied. Also, in [1], a construction for quantum codes from cyclic codes over  $R = \mathbb{F}_3 + v\mathbb{F}_3$  where  $v^2 = 1$  was given. In [4], a method to obtain self-orthogonal codes over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  is given and the parameters of quantum codes which are obtained from

cyclic codes over  $R = \mathbb{F}_2 + u\mathbb{F}_2 + u^2\mathbb{F}_2 + \cdots + u^m\mathbb{F}_2$  are determined. Also the construction of quantum codes over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  from cyclic codes over a finite non-chain ring  $\mathbb{F}_q + v\mathbb{F}_q + v^2\mathbb{F}_q + v^3\mathbb{F}_q$ , where  $q = p^r$ ,  $p$  is a prime,  $3 \mid p - 1$  and  $v^4 = v$  was given in [5]. Recently, Sari and Siap extended the results of [1] over  $R_p = \mathbb{F}_p + v\mathbb{F}_p + \cdots + v^{p-1}\mathbb{F}_p$  where  $v^p = v$  and  $p$  is a prime [9].

In this paper, we introduce some classes of quantum codes over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  from linear and cyclic codes over the ring  $R_m = \mathbb{F}_q[y]/\langle y^m - 1 \rangle$ , where  $m \mid q - 1$ . In Section 2, we recall the definition of quantum codes and we provide some basic background. In Section 3, the structure of linear codes over  $R_m$  is given. In addition, we introduce a preserving-orthogonality gray map from  $R_m$  to  $\mathbb{F}_q^m$ . Also we obtain the parameters of quantum codes over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  from linear codes over  $R_m$ . In the last Section, the exact structure of self-orthogonal cyclic codes over  $R_m$  is given in Theorem 4.4. Using this exact structure, we obtain an exact relation between cyclic codes over  $R_m$  and quantum codes over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  these results are presented in Theorem 4.5. At the end of the paper, some examples of self-orthogonal cyclic codes and their relations with quantum codes are given.

## 2. Quantum codes

In [3], the problem of finding quantum-error-correcting codes is transformed into the problem of finding additive codes over the field  $\mathbb{F}_4$ . These quaternary codes are linear over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ . The natural generalization from  $\mathbb{F}_2$  to an arbitrary finite ground field  $\mathbb{F}_q$  was provided in [2, Definition 1] as follows.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $E = V(2, q)$  be the 2-dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . An  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear quantum code  $[[n, k, d]]_q$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -subspace  $C \subseteq E^n$ , which satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $C$  has  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -dimension  $n - k$ .
- (2)  $C \subseteq C^\perp$ . Here the dual is taken with respect to an  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear symplectic scalar product on  $E^n$ , where each copy of  $E$  is a hyperbolic plane.
- (3) The elements in  $C^\perp \setminus C$  have weight  $\geq d$ .

In above definition, a symplectic form is a non-degenerate bilinear form  $\beta$  such that  $\beta(x, y) = -\beta(y, x)$ . Also a hyperbolic plane is a 2-dimensional subspace  $H \subseteq E^n$ , such that the restriction of  $\beta$  to  $H$  is non-degenerate.

The following proposition gives a method to construct quantum codes over a finite ground field  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  be two linear codes such that  $C_2 \subseteq C_1$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , and be with the parameters  $[n, k_1, d_1]$  and  $[n, k_2, d_2]$ ; respectively. Then there exists a quantum error-correcting code with the parameters  $[[n, k_1 - k_2, \min\{d_1, d_2^\perp\}]]$ , where  $d_2^\perp$  denotes the minimum hamming distance of the dual code  $C_2^\perp$  of  $C_2$ . Further, if  $C_2 = C_1^\perp$ , then there exists a quantum error-correcting code with the parameters  $[[n, 2k_1 - n, d_1]]$ .

**Proof.** See Lemma 4 in [5].  $\checkmark$

We apply this proposition to obtain quantum codes. Note that the above proposition only introduces the parameters  $[[n, k, d]]_q$  of the existing quantum codes which can be constructed by linear codes over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . In other words, quantum codes as defined in Definition 2.1 are obtained by  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  which is not the purpose of this paper.

### 3. Quantum codes from linear codes over $R$

Throughout this paper let  $R = R_m = \mathbb{F}_q[y]/\langle y^m - 1 \rangle$ , where  $m \mid q - 1$ . A linear code  $C$  of length  $n$  over  $R$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $R^n$ . In this section, first we obtain the structure of linear codes over  $R$ . So we introduce a preserving-orthogonality gray map from  $R$  to  $\mathbb{F}_q^m$  and we obtain the parameters of quantum codes over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  from linear codes over  $R$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $\alpha$  be a primitive  $m$ th root of unity in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . If  $f_i = y - \alpha^i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , then  $y^m - 1 = \prod_{i=1}^m f_i$  is the unique factorization of  $y^m - 1$  into irreducible factors over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$ , it follows from Theorem 4.2 in [8].  $\checkmark$

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $y^m - 1 = \prod_{i=1}^m f_i$  be the unique factorization of  $y^m - 1$  in above lemma and  $\hat{f}_i = \prod_{j \neq i} f_j$ , then there are  $b'_i, b_i \in \mathbb{F}_q[y]$  such that  $b'_i \hat{f}_i + b_i f_i = 1$ . If  $e_i = b'_i \hat{f}_i + \langle y^m - 1 \rangle \in R$ , then*

- (1)  $e_1, \dots, e_m$  are mutually orthogonal non-zero idempotents of  $R$ .
- (2)  $e_1 + \dots + e_m = 1 \in R$ .
- (3) Let  $Re_i$  be the principal ideal of  $R$  generated by  $e_i$ . Then  $e_i$  is the identity of  $Re_i$ .
- (4)  $R = Re_1 \oplus \dots \oplus Re_m$ , where  $\oplus$  denotes the direct sum of rings.
- (5) For each  $i = 1, \dots, m$  let  $R_i = \mathbb{F}_q[y]/\langle f_i \rangle$ . Then the map

$$\varphi_i : R_i \rightarrow Re_i, g + \langle f_i \rangle \mapsto (g + \langle y^m - 1 \rangle)e_i$$

is an isomorphism of rings.

- (6) For each  $i = 1, \dots, m$  the map  $\psi_i : \mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow R_i, a \mapsto a + \langle f_i \rangle$  is an isomorphism of rings.

**Proof.** See Theorem 4.6 in [8].  $\checkmark$

For a positive integer  $n$ , let  $\psi_i : \mathbb{F}_q^n \rightarrow R_i^n$  and  $\varphi_i : (R_i)^n \rightarrow (Re_i)^n$  be the natural generalizations of  $\psi_i$  and  $\varphi_i$ . The following theorem gives the structure of linear codes over  $R$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** (1)  $R^n = (Re_1)^n \oplus \cdots \oplus (Re_m)^n$ .

(2)  $C$  is a linear code over  $R$  of length  $n$  if and only if

$$C = \varphi_1\psi_1(C_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m),$$

where  $C_i$  is a linear code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  of length  $n$ . In this case  $|C| = \prod_{i=1}^m |C_i|$ .

(3) Let  $C^\perp$  be the dual of  $C$  with respect to standard inner product in  $R$ . Then

$$C^\perp = \varphi_1\psi_1(C_1^\perp) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m^\perp),$$

where  $C_i^\perp$  is the dual of  $C_i$  with respect to standard inner product in  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

**Proof.** (1) It follows from Lemma 3.2, part 4.

(2) Let  $C \subseteq R^n$  be an  $R$ -submodule. By Item 1,  $C = \overline{C_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus \overline{C_m}$  where  $\overline{C_i}$  is an  $Re_i$ -submodule of  $(Re_i)^n$ . Consider the  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear isomorphisms  $\psi_i : (\mathbb{F}_q)^n \rightarrow (R_i)^n$  and  $\varphi_i : (R_i)^n \rightarrow (Re_i)^n$ . Since  $\overline{C_i}$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -submodule, for any  $i$  we have that  $\overline{C_i} = \varphi_i\psi_i(C_i)$  for some  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -submodule  $C_i$  of  $\mathbb{F}_q^n$ . Conversely let

$$C = \varphi_1\psi_1(C_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m),$$

where  $C_i$  is a linear code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  of length  $n$ . Since  $\psi_i : \mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow R_i$  and  $\varphi_i : R_i \rightarrow Re_i$  are isomorphisms of rings,  $C_i \subseteq \mathbb{F}_q^n$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -submodule if and only if  $\varphi_i\psi_i(C_i) \subseteq (Re_i)^n$  is an  $Re_i$ -submodule. Hence  $C \subseteq R^n$  is an  $R$ -submodule. Clearly

$$|C| = \prod_{i=1}^m |\varphi_i\psi_i(C_i)| = \prod_{i=1}^m |C_i|.$$

(3) Let

$$a = \varphi_1\psi_1(a_1) + \cdots + \varphi_m\psi_m(a_m) \in \varphi_1\psi_1(C_1^\perp) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m^\perp)$$

and

$$b = \varphi_1\psi_1(b_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(b_m) \in C = \varphi_1\psi_1(C_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m),$$

where  $a_i = (a_{i1}, \dots, a_{in}) \in C_i^\perp$  and  $b_i = (b_{i1}, \dots, b_{in}) \in C_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . It is easy to see that  $\varphi_i\psi_i(a_i) \cdot \varphi_j\psi_j(b_j) = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} a \cdot b &= \sum_{i=1}^m \varphi_i\psi_i(a_i) \cdot \varphi_i\psi_i(b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^m \varphi_i\psi_i(a_i \cdot b_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \varphi_i\psi_i(0) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where in the last two lines we consider  $\psi_i : \mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow R_i$  and  $\varphi_i : R_i \rightarrow Re_i$  and also  $a_i.b_i$  denotes the standard inner product over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . So  $a \in C^\perp$  and hence

$$\varphi_1\psi_1(C_1^\perp) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m^\perp) \subseteq C^\perp.$$

Since  $R$  is a Frobenius ring,  $|C||C^\perp| = |R^n| = q^{mn}$ . So we have  $|C^\perp| = \frac{q^{mn}}{|C|}$ . On other hand

$$|\varphi_1\psi_1(C_1^\perp) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m^\perp)| = \prod_{i=1}^m |C_i^\perp| = \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{q^n}{|C_i|} = \frac{q^{mn}}{|C|}.$$

Thus

$$|\varphi_1\psi_1(C_1^\perp) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m^\perp)| = |C^\perp|.$$

Therefore

$$C^\perp = \varphi_1\psi_1(C_1^\perp) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m^\perp).$$

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By Part 4 of Lemma 3.2, for any  $\bar{g} = g + \langle y^m - 1 \rangle \in R$  there exist  $\bar{g}_1 = g_1 + \langle y^m - 1 \rangle, \dots, \bar{g}_m = g_m + \langle y^m - 1 \rangle \in R$  such that  $\bar{g} = \bar{g}_1 e_1 + \cdots + \bar{g}_m e_m$ . we define a gray map  $\phi : R \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^m$  by  $\phi(\bar{g}) = (g_1(\alpha), \dots, g_m(\alpha^m))$ .

**Definition 3.4.** Let  $\bar{g} = \bar{g}_1 e_1 + \cdots + \bar{g}_m e_m$  be an element of  $R$ . The Lee weight of  $\bar{g}$  is defined as follows:  $\omega_L(\bar{g}) = \omega_H(g_1(\alpha), \dots, g_m(\alpha^m))$ , where  $\omega_H(a)$  denotes the hamming weight of the vector  $a$  over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . We define the Lee weight of a vector  $c = (c_1, \dots, c_n) \in R^n$  to be the rational sum of Lee weights of its components, i.e.  $\omega_L(c) = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_L(c_i)$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $\phi : R^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^{mn}$  be the natural extension of the gray map  $\phi$  from  $R$  to  $\mathbb{F}_q^m$ . Then

- (1) The gray map  $\phi$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear isomorphism.
- (2)  $\phi$  is a distance-preserving map from  $R^n$  (Lee distance) to  $\mathbb{F}_q^{mn}$  (hamming distance).
- (3) If  $C \subseteq R^n$  is a linear code, then  $\phi(C^\perp) = \phi(C)^\perp$ .
- (4) If  $C = \varphi_1\psi_1(C_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m)$ , then

$$d_L(C) = \min\{d_H(C_i); i = 1, \dots, m\}$$

where  $d_L(C)$  is the Lee distance of  $C$  and  $d_H(C_i)$  is the hamming distance of  $C_i$ .

- (5) If  $C \subseteq R^n$  is an  $(n, A, d)$  linear code, then  $\phi(C)$  is an  $[mn, \log_q A, d]$  linear code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

**Proof.** (1) Since  $\phi : R^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^{mn}$  is the natural extension of  $\phi : R \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^m$ , it suffices to show that  $\phi : R \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^m$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear isomorphism. First we show that  $\phi$  is well defined. Let  $\bar{g} = \bar{g}_1 e_1 + \cdots + \bar{g}_m e_m = 0$ . Hence  $\bar{g}_i e_i = 0$  for any  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . But  $\bar{g}_i e_i = 0$  if and only if  $g_i \in \langle f_i \rangle$ . Since  $f_i(\alpha^i) = \alpha^i - \alpha^i = 0$ ,  $g_i(\alpha^i) = 0$ . Thus  $\phi(\bar{g}) = (g_1(\alpha), \dots, g_m(\alpha^m)) = 0$ . Now let  $\bar{g} = \bar{g}_1 e_1 + \cdots + \bar{g}_m e_m$  and  $\bar{h} = \bar{h}_1 e_1 + \cdots + \bar{h}_m e_m$  be elements of  $R$  and  $a \in \mathbb{F}_q$ . We have that

$$\bar{g} + \bar{h} = \sum_{i=1}^m (\bar{g}_i + \bar{h}_i) e_i = \sum_{i=1}^m \overline{(g_i + h_i)} e_i.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\bar{g} + \bar{h}) &= ((g_1 + h_1)(\alpha), \dots, (g_m + h_m)(\alpha^m)) \\ &= (g_1(\alpha), \dots, g_m(\alpha^m)) + (h_1(\alpha), \dots, h_m(\alpha^m)) = \phi(\bar{g}) + \phi(\bar{h}). \end{aligned}$$

Also  $a\bar{g} = \overline{ag_1} e_1 + \cdots + \overline{ag_m} e_m$ . Thus

$$\phi(a\bar{g}) = (ag_1(\alpha), \dots, ag_m(\alpha^m)) = a(g_1(\alpha), \dots, g_m(\alpha^m)) = a\phi(\bar{g}).$$

Therefore  $\phi$  is an  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -linear homomorphism. Now let  $\phi(\bar{g}) = 0$ . We have that  $g_i(\alpha^i) = 0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . Thus  $f_i = (y - \alpha^i)|_{g_i}$  and hence  $g_i \in \langle f_i \rangle$ . As a result  $\bar{g}_i e_i = 0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$  and consequently

$$\bar{g} = \bar{g}_1 e_1 + \cdots + \bar{g}_m e_m = 0.$$

Therefore  $\phi$  is injective. Since  $|R| = |\mathbb{F}_q^m|$ ,  $\phi$  is surjective. This completes the proof.

(2) Let  $c_1, c_2 \in R^n$ . By Part 1,  $\phi(c_1 - c_2) = \phi(c_1) - \phi(c_2)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} L(c_1, c_2) &= \omega_L(c_1 - c_2) \\ &= \omega_H(\phi(c_1 - c_2)) \\ &= \omega_H(\phi(c_1) - \phi(c_2)) = d_H(\phi(c_1), \phi(c_2)). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

(3) Let  $c = (c_1, \dots, c_n) \in C$  and  $c' = (c'_1, \dots, c'_n) \in C^\perp$  where

$$c_j = \overline{c_{j1}} e_1 + \cdots + \overline{c_{jm}} e_m$$

and

$$c'_j = \overline{c'_{j1}} e_1 + \cdots + \overline{c'_{jm}} e_m$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(c) &= (c_{11}(\alpha), c_{12}(\alpha^2), \dots, c_{1m}(\alpha^m), \dots, c_{n1}(\alpha), c_{n2}(\alpha^2), \dots, c_{nm}(\alpha^m)), \\ \phi(c') &= (c'_{11}(\alpha), c'_{12}(\alpha^2), \dots, c'_{1m}(\alpha^m), \dots, c'_{n1}(\alpha), c'_{n2}(\alpha^2), \dots, c'_{nm}(\alpha^m)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\phi(c').\phi(c) = \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \sum_{j=1}^n c'_{ji}(\alpha^i) c_{ji}(\alpha^i) \right).$$

Now since  $c' \in C^\perp$ ,  $c'.c = 0$ . Therefore

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \overline{\left( \sum_{j=1}^n c'_{ji} c_{ji} \right)} e_i = 0$$

and so

$$\overline{\left( \sum_{j=1}^n c'_{ji} c_{ji} \right)} e_i = 0.$$

Thus  $(\sum_{j=1}^n c'_{ji} c_{ji}) \in \langle f_i \rangle$ . Consequently,

$$\sum_{j=1}^n c'_{ji}(\alpha^i) c_{ji}(\alpha^i) = \left( \sum_{j=1}^n c'_{ji} c_{ji} \right)(\alpha^i) = 0.$$

Thus  $\phi(c').\phi(c) = 0$  which proves that  $\phi(c') \in \varphi(C)^\perp$ . Therefore  $\phi(C^\perp) \subseteq \phi(C)^\perp$ . Since  $R$  and  $\mathbb{F}_q$  are Frobenius rings, we have the following equality:

$$|\phi(C^\perp)| = |C^\perp| = \frac{|R|^n}{|C|} = \frac{|R|^n}{|\phi(C)|} = \frac{|\mathbb{F}_q|^{mn}}{|\phi(C)|} = |\phi(C)^\perp|.$$

Therefore  $\phi(C^\perp) = \phi(C)^\perp$ .

(4) Let  $c = (c_1, \dots, c_n) \in R^n$ . Then  $c = \sum_{i=1}^m \varphi_i \psi_i(a_i)$ , where

$$a_i = (a_{i1}, \dots, a_{in}) \in (\mathbb{F}_q)^n,$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . It is easy to see that

$$c_j = (a_{1j} + \langle y^m - 1 \rangle) e_1 + \dots + (a_{mj} + \langle y^m - 1 \rangle) e_m$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . So

$$\phi(c) = (a_{11}, \dots, a_{m1}, \dots, a_{1n}, \dots, a_{mn})$$

and hence  $\omega_L(c) = \sum_{i=1}^m \omega_H(a_i)$ . Now let  $\omega_L(C) = \omega_L(c)$  for some  $c \in C$ . We have that  $c = \sum_{i=1}^m \varphi_i \psi_i(a_i)$  for some  $a_i \in C_i$ . Let  $a_j \neq 0$ . Then

$$\omega_L(C) = \omega_L(c) = \sum_{i=1}^m \omega_H(a_i) \geq \omega_H(a_j) \geq \min\{\omega_H(C_i); i = 1, \dots, m\}.$$

On other hand if  $a_i \in C_i$ , then  $c' = \varphi_i \psi_i(a_i) \in C$ . But

$$\omega_L(C) \leq \omega_L(c') = \omega_H(a_i).$$

Hence

$$\omega_L(C) \leq \min\{\omega_H(C_i); i = 1, \dots, m\}.$$

Therefore

$$\omega_L(C) = \min\{\omega_H(C_i); i = 1, \dots, m\}.$$

Since the maps  $\varphi_i$ ,  $\psi_i$  and  $\phi$  are linear maps, we have the following equality that completes the proof

$$\begin{aligned} d_L(C) &= \omega_L(C) = \min\{\omega_H(C_i); i = 1, \dots, m\} \\ &= \min\{d_H(C_i); i = 1, \dots, m\}. \end{aligned}$$

(5) It is clear by the definition of the gray map  $\phi$ .

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The following theorem indicates the existence of some quantum codes.

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let*

$$C = \varphi_1\psi_1(C_1) \oplus \dots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m)$$

*be a linear code over  $R$ , where  $C_i$  is an  $[n, k_i, d_i]$  linear code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . If  $C_i^\perp \subseteq C_i$ , then there exists a quantum error-correcting code with the parameters*

$$[[mn, 2(\sum_{i=1}^m k_i) - mn, \min\{d_i; i = 1, \dots, m\}]].$$

**Proof.** By Theorem 3.3.3,

$$C^\perp = \varphi_1\psi_1(C_1^\perp) \oplus \dots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m^\perp).$$

Then  $C^\perp \subseteq C$  and so  $\phi(C^\perp) \subseteq \phi(C)$ . But  $\phi(C^\perp) = \phi(C)^\perp$ ; see Theorem 3.5.3. Hence  $\phi(C)^\perp \subseteq \phi(C)$ . Also by Theorem 3.5,  $\phi(C)$  is an

$$[mn, \sum_{i=1}^m k_i, \min\{d_i; i = 1, \dots, m\}]$$

linear code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . Now Proposition 2.2 proves the existence of a quantum error-correcting code with the following parameters

$$[[mn, 2(\sum_{i=1}^m k_i) - mn, \min\{d_i; i = 1, \dots, m\}]].$$

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Note that the above theorem only shows the existence of quantum codes with the help of self-orthogonal codes, but obtaining the exact structure of the self-orthogonal code  $C = \varphi_1\psi_1(C_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m\psi_m(C_m)$  may not be very efficient. In the next section, as a special case of such codes, we specify the exact structure of self-orthogonal cyclic codes over  $R_m$ . Therefore the structure of quantum codes can be obtained with the relation between self-orthogonal codes and quantum codes, mentioned in Proposition 2.2. Moreover, some examples of self-orthogonal cyclic codes are given.

#### 4. Quantum codes from cyclic codes over $R$

In this section, we obtain the structure of cyclic codes over  $R = R_m = \mathbb{F}_q[y]/\langle y^m - 1 \rangle$ . We determine the parameters of quantum codes over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  from cyclic codes over  $R$  and some examples are given. Consider the following correspondence.

$$\begin{aligned} \pi : R^n &\rightarrow R[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle, \\ (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}) &\mapsto a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \langle x^n - 1 \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly  $\pi$  is an  $R$ -module isomorphism. We will identify  $R^n$  with  $R[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$  under  $\pi$ . A nonempty subset  $C$  of  $R^n$  is a cyclic code if and only if  $\pi(C)$  is an ideal of  $R[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$ . Now consider the decomposition  $R = Re_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus Re_m$  in Lemma 3.2. The following theorem gives a decomposition for  $R[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** (1) *The following map is an isomorphism of rings;*

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi : \frac{R[x]}{\langle x^n - 1 \rangle} &\rightarrow \frac{Re_1[x]}{\langle e_1x^n - e_1 \rangle} \times \cdots \times \frac{Re_m[x]}{\langle e_mx^n - e_m \rangle} \\ \bar{h} &\mapsto (\overline{he_1}, \dots, \overline{he_m}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\bar{h} = h + \langle x^n - 1 \rangle$  and  $\overline{he_i} = he_i + \langle e_ix^n - e_i \rangle$ .

(2)  *$C$  is an ideal of  $R[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$  if and only if  $\varphi(C) = J_1 \times \cdots \times J_m$ , where  $J_i$  is an ideal of  $Re_i[x]/\langle e_ix^n - e_i \rangle$ .*

(3) *If  $J_i = \langle \bar{h_i} \rangle$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , then  $C = \langle \overline{h_1 + \cdots + h_m} \rangle$ .*

**Proof.** (1) Let  $\bar{h} \in R[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{h} = 0 &\Leftrightarrow h \in \langle x^n - 1 \rangle \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists g \in R[x]; \ h = g(x^n - 1) \\ &\Leftrightarrow he_i = g(e_ix^n - e_i) \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, m \\ &\Leftrightarrow \overline{he_i} = 0 \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, m. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\varphi$  is well defined and injective. Now let

$$(\overline{h_1}, \dots, \overline{h_m}) \in \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{Re_i[x]}{\langle e_i x^n - e_i \rangle}.$$

Since  $e_i$  is the identity of  $Re_i[x]$ ,  $h_i = h_i e_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . Also for  $i \neq j$ ,  $h_i e_j = h_i e_i e_j = 0$ . Hence  $\varphi(\overline{h_1 + \dots + h_m}) = (\overline{h_1}, \dots, \overline{h_m})$ . Thus  $\varphi$  is surjective. It is easy to see that  $\varphi(\overline{h}.\overline{h'}) = \varphi(\overline{h}).\varphi(\overline{h'})$  and  $\varphi(\overline{h + h'}) = \varphi(\overline{h}) + \varphi(\overline{h'})$  for  $\overline{h}, \overline{h'} \in R[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$ . Therefore  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism of rings.

(2) It is clear by Item 1.

(3) By the proof of Part 1, we have that

$$\varphi(\overline{h_1 + \dots + h_m}) = (\overline{h_1}, \dots, \overline{h_m}).$$

Hence

$$\varphi(C) = J_1 \times \dots \times J_m = \langle \varphi(\overline{h_1 + \dots + h_m}) \rangle = \varphi(\langle \overline{h_1 + \dots + h_m} \rangle).$$

Therefore  $C = \langle \overline{h_1 + \dots + h_m} \rangle$ .

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Now we want to obtain the structure of cyclic codes over  $R$ . First we remind the following lemma that gives the structure of cyclic codes over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $C$  be a nonzero cyclic code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  of length  $n$ . There exists a polynomial  $g(x) \in C$  with the following properties:*

- (1)  $p(x)$  is the unique monic polynomial of minimum degree in  $C$ ,
- (2)  $C = \langle p(x) \rangle$ , and
- (3)  $p(x) | (x^n - 1)$ .
- (4)  $|C| = q^{n - \deg p(x)}$ .
- (5) If  $\ell(x) = (x^n - 1)/p(x)$  then  $C^\perp = \langle \ell^*(x) \rangle$  where  $\ell^*(x)$  is the reciprocal polynomial of  $\ell(x)$ .
- (6)  $C$  contains its dual code if and only if  $(x^n - 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{p(x)p^*(x)}$ , where  $p^*(x)$  is the reciprocal polynomial of  $p(x)$ .

**Proof.** Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4 follow from Theorem 4.2.1 in [6]. Item 5 follows from Theorem 5.6 in [8]. We have Part 6 by Lemma 8 in [5].

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Now let

$$\overline{\psi}_i : \mathbb{F}_q[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle \rightarrow R_i[x]/\langle 1_{R_i}x^n - 1_{R_i} \rangle$$

and

$$\overline{\varphi}_i : R_i[x]/\langle 1_{R_i}x^n - 1_{R_i} \rangle \rightarrow Re_i[x]/\langle e_ix^n - e_i \rangle$$

be the natural extension of isomorphisms  $\psi_i$  and  $\varphi_i$  in Lemma 3.2. It easy to see that  $\overline{\varphi}_i$  and  $\overline{\psi}_i$  are isomorphisms of rings. The following theorem gives the structure of cyclic codes over  $R$ .

**Theorem 4.3.** (1)  $C$  is an ideal of  $R[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$  if and only if

$$\varphi(C) = \overline{\varphi}_i \overline{\psi}_i(C_1) \times \cdots \times \overline{\varphi}_i \overline{\psi}_i(C_m),$$

where  $C_i$  is a cyclic code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  of length  $n$ ;  $C_i$  is an ideal of  $\mathbb{F}_q[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$ .

(2) If  $C_i = \langle \overline{p_i(x)} \rangle$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , then

$$C = \langle \overline{p_1(x)e_1 + \cdots + p_m(x)e_m} \rangle.$$

In this case  $|C| = q^{mn - \sum_{i=1}^m \deg(p_i(x))}$ .

(3) If  $\ell_i(x) = (x^n - 1)/p_i(x)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , then

$$C^\perp = \langle \overline{\ell_1^*(x)e_1 + \cdots + \ell_m^*(x)e_m} \rangle$$

where  $\ell_i^*(x)$  is the reciprocal polynomial of  $\ell_i(x)$ .

(4)  $R[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$  is a principal ideal ring.

**Proof.** (1) Since  $\overline{\varphi}_i$  and  $\overline{\psi}_i$  are isomorphisms of rings, it follows from Theorem 4.1.2.

(2) It is easy to see that

$$\overline{\varphi}_i \overline{\psi}_i(\overline{p_i(x)}) = \overline{p_i(x)e_i}.$$

Hence

$$\overline{\varphi}_i \overline{\psi}_i(C_i) = \overline{\varphi}_i \overline{\psi}_i(\langle \overline{p_i(x)} \rangle) = \langle \overline{\varphi}_i \overline{\psi}_i(\overline{p_i(x)}) \rangle = \langle \overline{p_i(x)e_i} \rangle.$$

Now by Theorem 4.1.3,

$$C = \langle \overline{p_1(x)e_1 + \cdots + p_m(x)e_m} \rangle.$$

By Lemma 4.2.4,  $|C_i| = q^{n - \deg p_i(x)}$ . Hence

$$|C| = \prod_{i=1}^m |C_i| = q^{mn - \sum_{i=1}^m \deg(p_i(x))}.$$

(3) Consider the isomorphisms

$$\pi : R^n \rightarrow \frac{R[x]}{\langle x^n - 1 \rangle}$$

and

$$\pi_i : (Re_i)^n \rightarrow \frac{Re_i[x]}{\langle e_i x^n - e_i \rangle}.$$

Let  $C = \pi(C')$  and  $C_i = \pi_i(C'_i)$ , where  $C' \subseteq R^n$  and  $C'_i \subseteq (Re_i)^n$ . By these correspondences,  $C$  and  $C'$  have the same dual as linear codes. Also  $C_i$  and  $C'_i$  have the same dual. Denote the dual of these linear codes by  $C^\perp$ ,  $C'^\perp$ ,  $C_i^\perp$  and  $C'_i{}^\perp$ . It is easy to see that

$$C'^\perp = \varphi_1 \psi_1(C'_1{}^\perp) \oplus \cdots \oplus \varphi_m \psi_m(C'_m{}^\perp)$$

if and only if

$$\varphi(C^\perp) = \overline{\varphi_1 \psi_1}(C_1^\perp) \times \cdots \times \overline{\varphi_m \psi_m}(C_m^\perp).$$

But by Lemma 4.2.5,  $C_i^\perp = \langle \ell_i^*(x) \rangle$ . Hence by Item 2,

$$C^\perp = \langle \overline{\ell_1^*(x)e_1 + \cdots + \ell_m^*(x)e_m} \rangle.$$

(4) By Lemma 3.2,  $\mathbb{F}_q[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$  is a principal ideal ring. So by Part 2,  $R[x]/\langle x^n - 1 \rangle$  is a principal ideal ring.

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**Theorem 4.4.** *Let*

$$C = \langle \overline{p_1(x)e_1 + \cdots + p_m(x)e_m} \rangle$$

*be a cyclic code of length  $n$  over  $R$ . Then  $C^\perp \subseteq C$  if and only if for any  $i = 1, \dots, m$  we have that*

$$(x^n - 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{p_i(x)p_i^*(x)}.$$

**Proof.** By above theorem  $\varphi(C) = \overline{\varphi_1 \psi_1}(C_1) \times \cdots \times \overline{\varphi_m \psi_m}(C_m)$ , where  $C_i = \langle \overline{p_i(x)} \rangle$ . Clearly

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(C^\perp) &= \overline{\varphi_1 \psi_1}(C_1^\perp) \times \cdots \times \overline{\varphi_m \psi_m}(C_m^\perp) \subseteq \varphi(C) \\ &= \overline{\varphi_1 \psi_1}(C_1) \times \cdots \times \overline{\varphi_m \psi_m}(C_m) \end{aligned}$$

if and only if

$$\overline{\varphi_i \psi_i}(C_i^\perp) \subseteq \overline{\varphi_i \psi_i}(C_i),$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . Hence  $C^\perp \subseteq C$  if and only if  $C_i^\perp \subseteq C_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . But by Lemma 4.2.6,  $C_i^\perp \subseteq C_i$  if and only if  $(x^n - 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{p_i(x)p_i^*(x)}$ . This completes the proof. ✓

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $C = \overline{\langle p_1(x)e_1 + \cdots + p_m(x)e_m \rangle}$  be a cyclic code of length  $n$  over  $R$  with  $d_L(C) = d$ . If  $(x^n - 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{p_i(x)p_i^*(x)}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , then there exists a quantum error-correcting code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$  with the following parameters

$$[[mn, mn - 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \deg(p_i(x)), d]].$$

**Proof.** By Theorem 4.4,  $C^\perp \subseteq C$ . Also  $|C| = q^{mn - \sum_{i=1}^m \deg(p_i(x))}$  by Theorem 4.3.2. Apply the gray map  $\phi$  on  $C$ . Then  $\phi(C)$  is an

$$[mn, mn - \sum_{i=1}^m \deg(p_i(x)), d]$$

linear code over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . Now by Proposition 2.2, we have the result.  $\square$

**Example 4.6.** Let  $R = \mathbb{F}_7[y]/\langle y^3 - 1 \rangle$  and  $n = 7$ . Then  $x^7 - 1 = (x - 1)^7$  over  $\mathbb{F}_7$ . Consider the polynomials  $p_1(x) = x - 1$ ,  $p_2(x) = (x - 1)^2$  and  $p_3(x) = (x - 1)^3$ . Let

$$C = \overline{\langle p_1(x)e_1 + p_2(x)e_2 + p_3(x)e_3 \rangle}.$$

By Theorem 3.5.4 and Theorem 4.32, it is easy to see that  $C$  is a  $(7, 7^{15}, 2)$  cyclic code over  $R$ . By Theorem 4.4,  $C^\perp \subseteq C$ . Now by Theorem 4.5 there exists a quantum error-correcting code with parameters  $[[21, 9, 2]]$  over  $\mathbb{F}_7$ .

**Example 4.7.** Let  $R = \mathbb{F}_{11}[y]/\langle y^5 - 1 \rangle$  and  $n = 11$ . Then  $x^{11} - 1 = (x - 1)^{11}$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{11}$ . Consider the polynomials  $p_1(x) = p_2(x) = (x - 1)^4$  and  $p_3(x) = p_4(x) = p_5(x) = (x - 1)^5$ . Let  $C = \overline{\langle \sum_{i=1}^5 p_i(x)e_i \rangle}$ . Then  $C$  is a  $(11, 11^{32}, 5)$  cyclic code over  $R$  where  $C^\perp \subseteq C$ . So there exists a quantum error-correcting code with parameters  $[[55, 9, 5]]$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{11}$ .

**Example 4.8.** Let  $R_m = \mathbb{F}_{13}[y]/\langle y^m - 1 \rangle$  where  $m \in \{2, 3, 4, 6\}$ . Then

$$x^8 - 1 = (x + 1)(x + 5)(x + 8)(x + 12)(x^2 + 5)(x^2 + 8)$$

over  $\mathbb{F}_{13}$ . We obtain some quantum error-correcting codes from cyclic codes over  $R_m$ .

(1) Let  $m = 2$ ,  $p_1(x) = (x + 8)(x^2 + 8)$  and  $p_2(x) = (x + 5)(x^2 + 5)$ . Then

$$C = \overline{\langle \sum_{i=1}^2 p_i(x)e_i \rangle}$$

is a  $(8, 13^{10}, 3)$  cyclic code over  $R$  where  $C^\perp \subseteq C$ . Thus we have a quantum error-correcting code with parameters  $[[16, 4, 3]]$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{13}$ .

- (2) Let  $m = 3$ ,  $p_1(x) = x + 8$ ,  $p_2(x) = x^2 + 8$  and  $p_3(x) = x^2 + 5$ . Then

$$C = \overline{\langle \sum_{i=1}^3 p_i(x)e_i \rangle}$$

is a  $(8, 13^{19}, 2)$  cyclic code over  $R$  where  $C^\perp \subseteq C$ , which proves the existing of a quantum error-correcting code with parameters  $[[24, 14, 2]]$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{13}$ .

- (3) Let  $m = 4$ ,

$$p_1(x) = p_2(x) = (x + 8)(x^2 + 8)$$

and

$$p_3(x) = p_4(x) = (x + 5)(x^2 + 5).$$

Then  $C = \overline{\langle \sum_{i=1}^4 p_i(x)e_i \rangle}$  is a  $(32, 13^{20}, 3)$  cyclic code over  $R$  where  $C^\perp \subseteq C$ . Therefore there exists a quantum error-correcting code with parameters  $[[32, 8, 3]]$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{13}$ .

- (4) Let  $m = 6$ ,

$$p_1(x) = (x + 8),$$

$$p_2(x) = (x + 5),$$

$$p_3(x) = p_4(x) = (x^2 + 8),$$

$$p_5(x) = p_6(x) = (x^2 + 5).$$

Then

$$C = \overline{\langle \sum_{i=1}^6 p_i(x)e_i \rangle}$$

is a  $(48, 13^{38}, 2)$  cyclic code over  $R$  where  $C^\perp \subseteq C$ . Hence there exists a quantum error-correcting code with parameters  $[[48, 28, 2]]$  over  $\mathbb{F}_{13}$ .

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