

On the density of cyclotomic lattices constructed from codes

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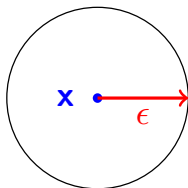
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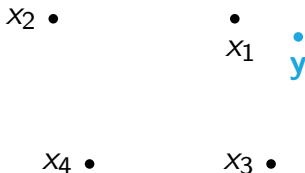
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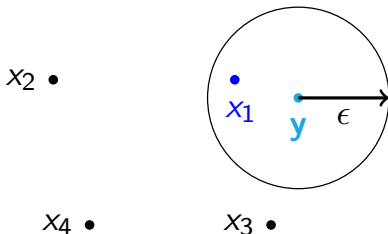
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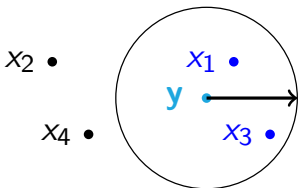
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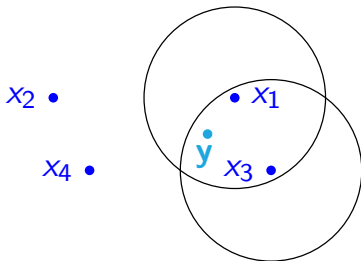
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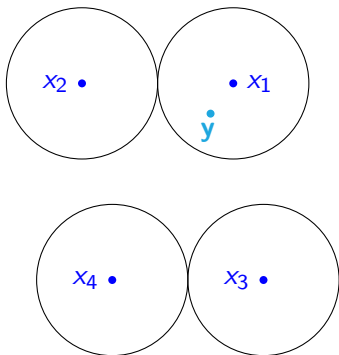
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This is equivalent to the fact that the balls of radius ϵ centred in the codewords do not intersect.



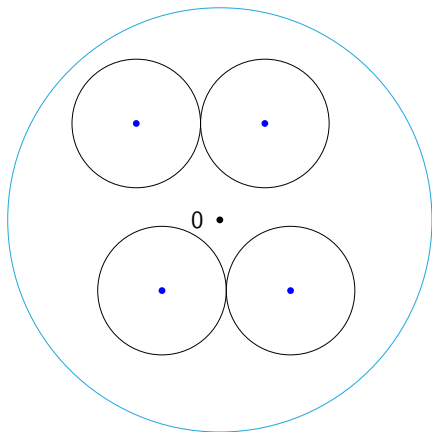
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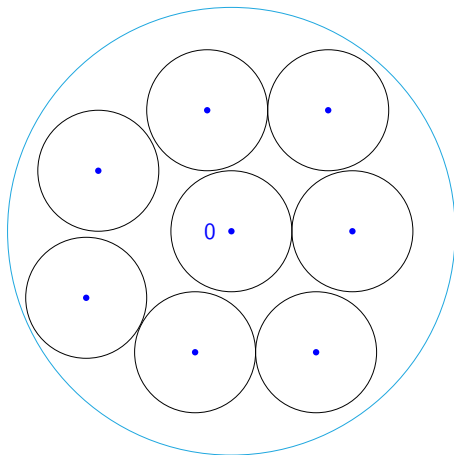
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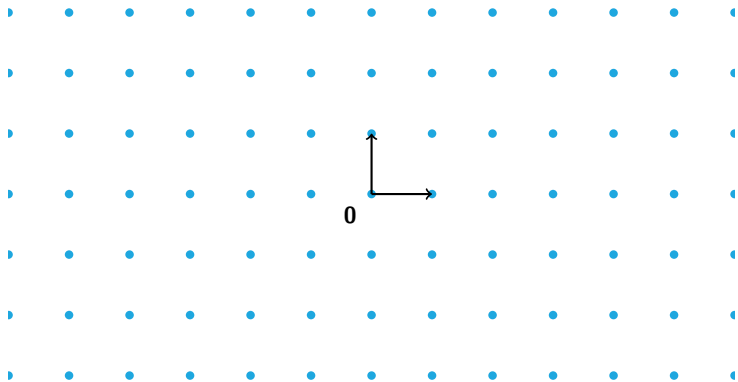
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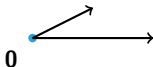
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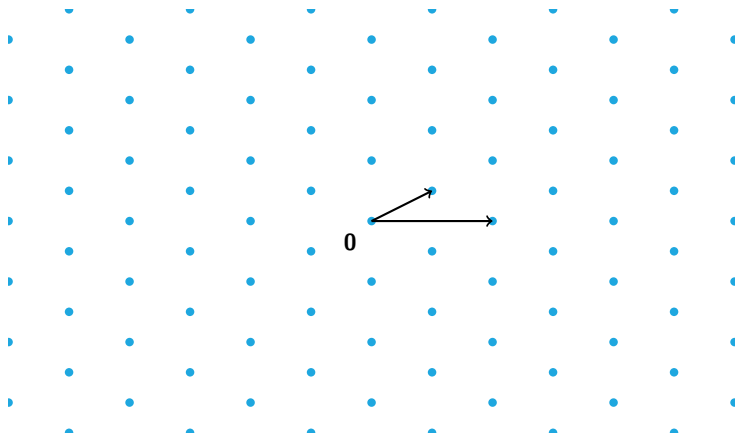
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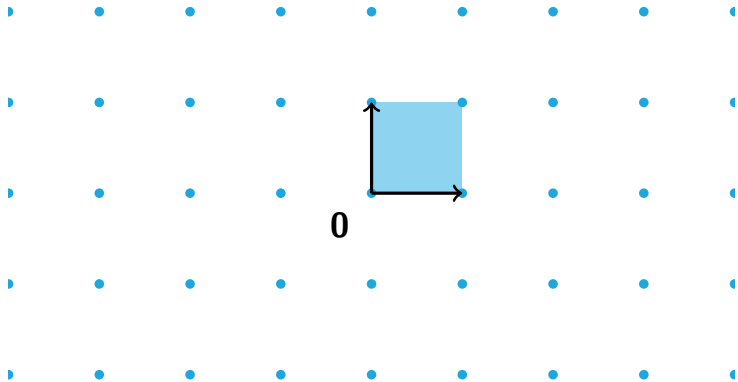
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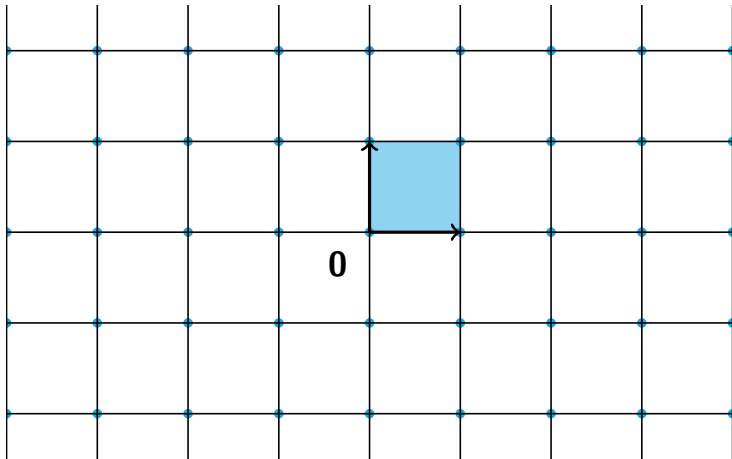
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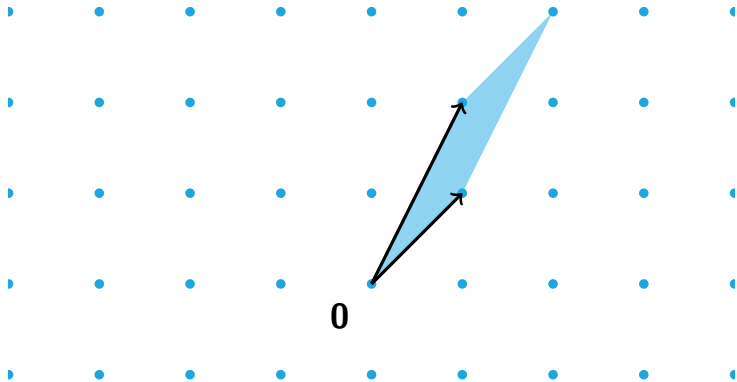
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Translating \mathcal{P}_B by the points of the lattices, we get a partition of \mathbb{R}^n into equivalent cells. \mathcal{P}_B is called a **fundamental region** of Λ .



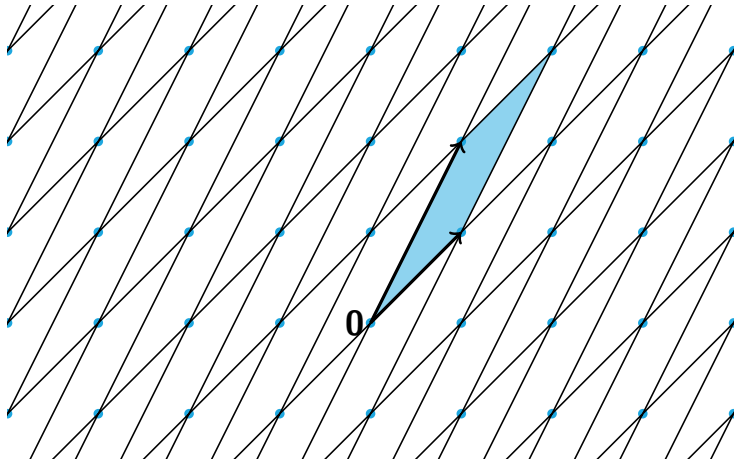
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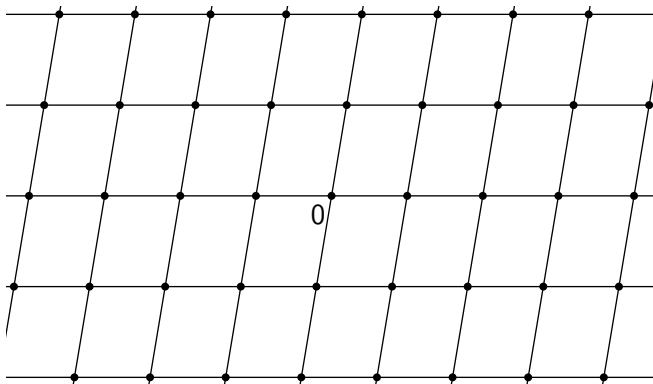
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Every fundamental region has the same volume. This is the **volume** of the lattice Λ .



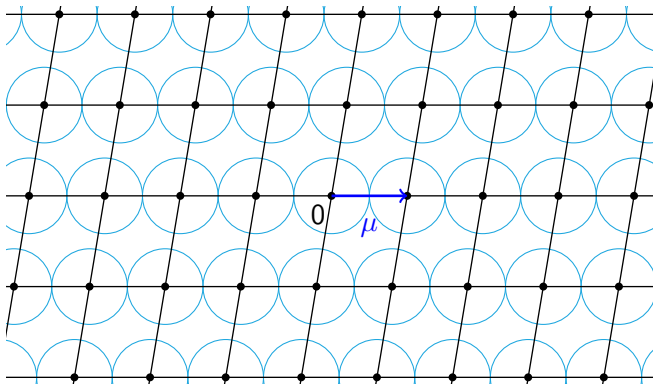
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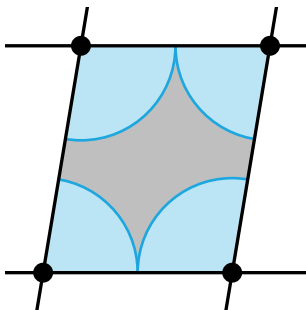
For a given lattice Λ , the best sphere packing associated is given by balls of radius $\mu/2$, where $\mu = \min\{\|\lambda\|, \lambda \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}\}$.



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The *density* of this packing is

$$\Delta(\Lambda) = \frac{\text{Vol}(B(\mu))}{2^n \text{Vol}(\Lambda)}$$

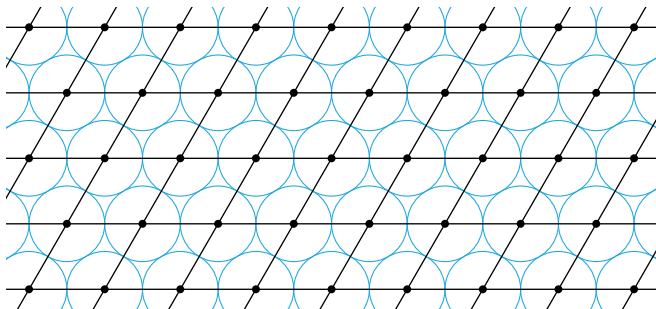


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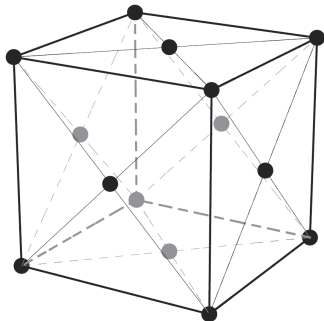


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For $n = 3$, it is the faced-centered cubic lattice which provides the best density $\frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{6} \approx 0.74048$ (Kepler conjecture, 1611, Gauss, 1832, best lattice, and Hales, 1998, 2014, best packing).



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- Here we are interested in lower bounds for the best packing density Δ_n in dimension n **when n goes to infinity**.

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Our result

We prove an **effective** version of Venkatesh's theorem:

Theorem

For infinitely many dimension n , one can find a lattice $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying

$$\Delta(\Lambda) > \frac{0.89n \log \log n}{2^n}$$

with $\mathcal{O}(\exp(7.8n \log n))$ binary operations.

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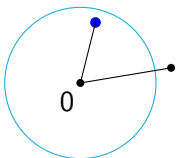
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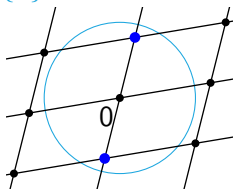
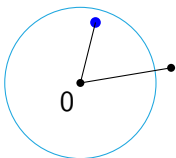


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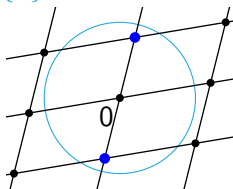
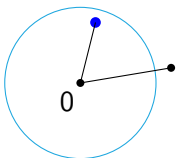
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For every $1 > \varepsilon > 0$, if $\phi(m)^2 m = o(q_m^{\frac{1}{\phi(m)}})$, then for m big enough, the family of lattices \mathcal{L}_C contains a lattice $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^{2\phi(m)}$ satisfying

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