

# Eichler orders, trees and representation fields

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The spinor class field for a genus of orders of maximal rank in a quaternion algebra  $a$  over a number field  $K$  is an abelian extension  $\mathcal{S}/K$  provided with a distance function associating elements of the corresponding Galois group to pairs of orders in that genus. If  $H \neq D$  are two orders in a quaternion algebra  $a$  with  $D$  of maximal rank, the representation field  $F = F(D | H)$  is a subfield of the spinor class field for the genus of  $D$  such that, the set of spinor genera of orders in that genus representing the order  $H$ , coincides with the set of spinor genera of orders whose distance to  $D$  fixes  $F$  pointwise. Previous works have focused on two cases: maximal orders  $D$  and commutative orders  $H$ . In this work, we give a method to compute the representation field  $F(D|H)$  when  $D$  is the intersection of a finite family of maximal orders, e.g., an Eichler order, and  $H$  is arbitrary. Examples are provided. © 2013 World Scientific Publishing Company.