# Computing with (indefinite) quadratic forms and quaternion algebras in PARI/GP 

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- There are lots of parallels to the work of Gross and Zagier on the factorization of the difference of $j$-values ([GZ85]).


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- In fact, we can descend to equivalence classes of PIBQFs, since the root geodesic in $\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}$ does not depend on the representative.


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- Possible ramifying primes were always "small", and missing certain primes, even when the discriminants grew.


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- Computations were valuable to help verify the more precise conjecture in some of the messier cases.


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- I am uploading the package to my Github (live version is 0.3 ): https://github.com/JamesRickards-Canada/Q-Quadratic


## Documentation excerpt

### 3.1 Discriminant methods

These methods deal with discriminant operations that do not involve quadratic forms.

| Name: | GEN disclist |
| :--- | :--- |
| Input: | GEN D1, GEN D2, int fund, GEN cop |
| Input format: | Integers D1, D2, fund $=0,1$, cop an integer |
| Output format: | Vector |
| Description: | Returns the set of discriminants (non-square integers equivalent to 0,1 <br> modulo 4) between D1 and D2 inclusive. If fund=1, only returns fundamental <br> discriminants, and if cop $\neq 0$, only returns discriminants coprime to cop. |


| Name: | GEN discprimeindex |
| :--- | :--- |
| Input: | GEN D, GEN facs |
| Input format: | Discriminant $D$, facs $=0$ or the factorization of D (the output of Z_factor) |
| Output format: | Vector |
| Description: | Returns the set of primes $p$ for which $D / p^{2}$ is a discriminant. |


| Name: | GEN discprimeindex_typecheck |
| :--- | :--- |
| Input: | GEN D |
| Input format: | Discriminant D |
| Output format: | Vector |
| Description: | Checks that $D$ is a discriminant, and returns discprimeindex (D, gen_0). |


| Name: | GEN fdisc |
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| Input: | GEN D |
| Input format: | Discriminant D |
| Output format: | Integer |
| Description: | Returns the fundamental discriminant associated to D. |

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$$
A x^{2}+B x y+C y^{2}+D x+E y=n
$$

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A X^{2}+B Y^{2}+C Z^{2}+D X Y+E X Z+F Y Z=n_{1}, \quad G X+H Y+I Z=n_{2}
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## Sample output

```
(12:21) gp > [Q, order]=qa_init_2primes(2, 7)
61 = [[0, [2, 7], [7, -1, 7], 14], [[1, 0, 0, 1/2; 0, 1, 0, 1/2; 0, 0, 1, 1/2; 0, 0, 0, 1/2], 0, [2, 2, 2, 2], 1, [], [1
0, 0, -1; 0, 1, 0, -1; 0, 0, 1, -1; 0, 0, 0, 2], [[0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 0, 1]]]]
(12:21) gp > d1s=qa_embeddablediscs(Q, order, 1, 200, 1, 2021)
62 = [5, 12, 13, 21, 24, 28, 40, 56, 61, 69, 76, 77, 101, 104, 124, 133, 136, 140, 152, 157, 168, 173, 181]
(12:21) gp > e1s=qa_sortedembed(Q, order, 61)
[] \([[1 / 2,-1 / 2,3 / 2,-3 / 2]]]\)
[2] \([[1 / 2,-1 / 2,3 / 2,3 / 2]]]\)
[7] \([[1 / 2,1 / 2,-3 / 2,-3 / 2]]]\)
\([[2,7] \quad[[1 / 2,1 / 2,-3 / 2,3 / 2]]]\)
(12:21) gp > e2s=qa_sortedembed( Q , order, 2021)
time \(=47 \mathrm{~ms}\).
[[] [[1/2, \(-1 / 2,3 / 2,-17 / 2],[1 / 2,-13 / 2,3 / 2,11 / 2],[1 / 2,-7 / 2,45 / 2,23 / 2],[1 / 2,-29 / 2,87 / 2,23 / 2],[1 / 2,-23 / 2,4\) \(5 / 2,7 / 2],[1 / 2,-11 / 2,3 / 2,13 / 2]]]\)
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%5 =[[[1/2, 3/2, 3/2, 1/2], [1/2, -1/2, 3/2, -17/2]], [[1/2, -5/2, -11/2, -1/2], [1/2, -1/2, 3/2, -17/2]], [[1/2, 7/2,
17/2,-1/2],[1/2,-1/2, 3/2,-17/2]], [[1/2,-15/2,-39/2, 1/2],[1/2,-1/2, 3/2,-17/2]], [[1/2, 17/2, 45/2,-3/2], [1
/2, -1/2, 3/2, -17/2]], [[1/2, -41/2, -109/2, 5/2], [1/2, -1/2, 3/2,-17/2]], [[1/2, 73/2, -193/2, -1/2], [1/2,-1/2, 3/
2,-17/2]], [[1/2, -33/2, 87/2, 1/2], [1/2,-1/2, 3/2,-17/2]], [[1/2, 15/2, -39/2, -1/2], [1/2, -1/2, 3/2, -17/2]], [[1
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(12:21) gp > length(%)
66 = 12
(12:21) gp > qa_inum_x(Q, order, e1s[1,2][1], e2s[1,2][1])
time = 31 ms.
67 = [[[1/2, -1/2, 3/2, -3/2], [1/2, 750167/2, -1986765/2, 33767/2]], [[1/2, -1/2, 3/2, -3/2], [1/2, -3601/2, 9537/2,
63/2]], [[1/2, -1/2, 3/2, -3/2], [1/2,-271/2, 717/2,-17/2]], [[1/2, -1/2, 3/2, -3/2], [1/2, 17/2, 45/2, -17/2]], [[1/2
, -1/2, 3/2,-3/2], [1/2, 2425/2,-6423/2, 115/2]], [[1/2, -1/2, 3/2, -3/2], [1/2, -985271/2, 2609421/2, -44345/2]], [[1
/2,-1/2,3/2,-3/2],[1/2, 127/2,-333/2,-1/2]],[[1/2,-1/2,3/2,-3/2], [1/2, -17/2, 3/2,-1/2]], [[1/2,-1/2, 3/2,
-3/2], [1/2,-145/2,381/2, 1/2]], [[1/2,-1/2, 3/2,-3/2], [1/2, 17/2, 3/2, 1/2]], [[1/2, -1/2, 3/2, -3/2], [1/2, 67290
5/2,-1782141/2, 30281/2]], [[1/2, -1/2, 3/2,-3/2], [1/2, -2887/2, 7647/2, -139/2]]]
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- Continue to implement useful basic quaternion algebra methods.


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