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Integer-valued polynomials on the Hurwitz ring of integral quaternions.

(English summary)

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Let \mathbb{H} denote the ring of Hurwitz quaternions, $\mathbb{H}(\mathbb{Q})$ the division algebra of rational quaternions, and $\text{Int}(\mathbb{H}) = \{f(x) \in \mathbb{H}(\mathbb{Q})[x] : f(\mathbb{H}) \subseteq \mathbb{H}\}$ the \mathbb{H} -algebra of quaternionic polynomials taking values in \mathbb{H} at elements of \mathbb{H} . For a fixed nonnegative integer n , let c_n denote a generator for the left ideal consisting of elements $c \in \mathbb{H}$ for which $c \cdot f(x) \in \mathbb{H}[x]$ if $f(x) \in \text{Int}(\mathbb{H})$ is of degree $\leq n$. There exists a unique integer k_n for which $c_n = (1+i)^{k_n} w_n$ and $w_n \in \mathbb{H}$ is not left divisible by the prime element $1+i$. The paper under review provides lower and upper bounds for this k_n . The authors establish that $k_n \geq \frac{2}{5}(n - \sum n_i) + \sum \bar{n}_i$ where $n = \sum n_i 6^i$ is the expression of n in base 6 and $\bar{n}_i = 0$ if $n_i < 4$ and $\bar{n}_i = 1$ if $n_i = 4$ or 5. A computational method is provided for producing an upper bound for k_n , and it is shown that the upper and lower bounds thus produced coincide for $n \leq 6$.

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