

# On the class group of an imaginary cyclic field of conductor $8p$ and 2-power degree

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## Abstract

Let  $p = 2^{e+1}q + 1$  be an odd prime number with  $2 \nmid q$ . Let  $K$  be the imaginary cyclic field of conductor  $p$  and degree  $2^{e+1}$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{F}$  the imaginary quadratic subextension of the imaginary  $(2, 2)$ -extension  $K(\sqrt{2})/K^+$  with  $\mathcal{F} \neq K$ . We determine the Galois module structure of the 2-part of the class group of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

## 1 Introduction

For a prime number  $p$  with  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , let  $F = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2p})$ . It is well known that the 2-part of the class group of  $F$  is nontrivial and cyclic by Gauss, and that  $4|h_F$  if and only if  $p$  splits in  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$  by Rédei and Reichardt [11]. Here,  $h_N$  denotes the class number of a number field  $N$ . There are many other papers and related results on the 2-part of the class group of a quadratic field such as [1, 6, 8, 9, 12, 15, 19].

In this paper, we give a generalization of the classical results on  $F = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2p})$  for a general odd prime number  $p$  and an imaginary cyclic field of conductor  $8p$  and 2-power degree. Let  $e \geq 0$  be a fixed integer, and let  $p = 2^{e+1}q + 1$  denote an odd prime number with  $2 \nmid q$ . Let  $K$  be the imaginary subfield of the  $p$ th cyclotomic field  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_p)$  of degree  $2^{e+1}$ . Here, for an integer  $m$ ,  $\zeta_m$  denotes a primitive  $m$ th root of unity. The extension  $K(\sqrt{2})/K^+$  is an imaginary  $(2, 2)$ -extension, where  $N^+$  denotes the maximal real subfield of a CM-field  $N$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_p$  the imaginary quadratic intermediate

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field of  $K(\sqrt{2})/K^+$  with  $\mathcal{F} \neq K$ . We see that  $\mathcal{F}$  is an imaginary cyclic field of conductor  $8p$  and degree  $2^{e+1}$ . For the case  $e = 0$ , we have  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-p})$  and  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2p})$ . For a number field  $N$ ,  $Cl_N$  and  $A_N = Cl_N(2)$  denote the ideal class group of  $N$  in the usual sense and its 2-part, respectively. When  $N$  is a CM-field, let  $Cl_N^-$  be the kernel of the norm map  $Cl_N \rightarrow Cl_{N^+}$  and  $h_N^- = |Cl_N^-|$  the relative class number of  $N$ . Further,  $A_N^-$  denotes the 2-part of  $Cl_N^-$ . We have  $A_{\mathcal{F}} = A_{\mathcal{F}}^-$  because  $F^+ = K^+$  and  $h_{K^+}$  is odd (Washington [13, Theorem 10.4(b)]). We study the Galois module structure of  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$ .

Let  $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(\mathcal{F}/\mathbb{Q})$  and  $R = \mathbb{Z}_2[\Gamma]$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  is the ring of 2-adic integers. We choose and fix a generator  $\gamma$  of the cyclic group  $\Gamma$  of order  $2^{e+1}$ . Let  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}_2[[T]]$  be the power series ring with indeterminate  $T$ . In all what follows, we identify  $R$  with  $\Lambda/((1+T)^{2^{e+1}} - 1)$  by the correspondence  $\gamma \leftrightarrow 1+T$ :

$$R = \Lambda/((1+T)^{2^{e+1}} - 1).$$

The group  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  is naturally regarded as a module over  $R$ , and hence as a module over  $\Lambda$ . The following assertion generalizes the classical fact due to Gauss that  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  is a cyclic group when  $e = 0$  and  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2p})$ .

**Proposition 1.** *Under the above setting, the class group  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  is cyclic over  $\Lambda$ .*

We denote by  $I_{\mathcal{F}} (\subseteq \Lambda)$  the annihilator of the cyclic  $\Lambda$ -module  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$ , so that we have an isomorphism  $A_{\mathcal{F}} \cong \Lambda/I_{\mathcal{F}}$  of  $\Lambda$ -modules. We see that

$$(1+T)^{2^e} + 1 \in I_{\mathcal{F}} \tag{1}$$

because the complex conjugation  $\gamma^{2^e} = (1+T)^{2^e}$  acts on  $A_{\mathcal{F}} = A_{\mathcal{F}}^-$  via  $(-1)$ -multiplication. When  $e = 0$ , the classical fact due to Gauss implies that  $I_{\mathcal{F}} = (2^s, 2+T)$  with  $s = \text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}})$  and hence

$$A_{\mathcal{F}} \cong \Lambda/(2^s, 2+T) (\cong \mathbb{Z}/2^s). \tag{2}$$

Here,  $\text{ord}_2(*)$  denotes the additive 2-adic valuation on  $\mathbb{Q}$  with  $\text{ord}_2(2) = 1$ .

We generalize the fact (2) for the case  $e \geq 1$ . To state our results, we need some more preliminaries. We denote by  $\kappa = \kappa_p$  the smallest nonnegative integer with  $0 \leq \kappa \leq e+1$  such that  $p$  splits completely in  $\mathbb{Q}(2^{1/2^{e-\kappa+1}})$ . By definition, we have  $\kappa_p = 0$  if and only if  $p$  splits completely in  $\mathbb{Q}(2^{1/2^{e+1}})$ . Thus, when  $e = 0$ , the condition  $\kappa_p = 0$  is nothing but the one in the old paper [11] which we mentioned at the beginning of this section. On the value  $\kappa_p$ , the following assertion holds.

**Lemma 1.** *When  $e = 1$ , we have  $\kappa_p = e + 1 = 2$ . When  $e \geq 2$ , for each  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq e$  (resp.  $i = e + 1$ ), there exist infinitely many (resp. no) prime numbers  $p$  such that  $p = 2^{e+1}q + 1$  with  $2 \nmid q$  and  $\kappa_p = i$ .*

We have  $\text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}}) = \text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}}^-)$  as  $h_{K^+}$  is odd. On the value  $\text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}})$ , we show the following assertion.

**Proposition 2.** (I) *When  $e = 1$ , we have  $\text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}}) = 1$ .*

(II) *When  $e \geq 2$  and  $\kappa = \kappa_p \geq 1$ , we have  $\text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}}) = 2^{e-\kappa+1}$ .*

(III) *When  $\kappa = 0$ ,  $\text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}}) = 2^e + 1 = 5$  for the case  $e = 2$  and  $\text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}}) \geq 2^e + 2$  for the case  $e \geq 3$ .*

When  $e = 1$ , there is nothing to do on the structure of the class group  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  because of Proposition 2(I). So we let  $e \geq 2$  in the following. When  $e \geq 2$  and  $\kappa_p = 0$ , we put

$$s_p = \left\lceil \frac{\text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}})}{2^e} \right\rceil$$

and

$$a_p = 2^e s_p - \text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}}) \quad \text{and} \quad b_p = 2^e(1 - s_p) + \text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}}).$$

Here,  $\lceil x \rceil$  denotes the smallest integer  $\geq x$ . We easily see that  $s_p \geq 2$  by Proposition 2(III) and that  $a_p \geq 0$ ,  $b_p \geq 1$  and  $a_p + b_p = 2^e$ . Further, when  $e = 2$ , we have  $s_p = 2$ ,  $a_p = 3$  and  $b_p = 1$  by Proposition 2(III). The following assertions on  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  and its annihilator  $I_{\mathcal{F}}$  are the main results of the paper. They generalize the classical result (2).

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $e \geq 2$  and  $\kappa = \kappa_p \geq 1$ . Then*

$$I_{\mathcal{F}} = (2, T^{2^{e-\kappa+1}}), \quad \text{and hence} \quad A_{\mathcal{F}} \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus 2^{e-\kappa+1}}$$

*as abelian groups.*

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $e \geq 2$  and  $\kappa_p = 0$ . Then*

$$I_{\mathcal{F}} = (2^{s_p}, 2^{s_p-1}T^{b_p}, (1+T)^{2^e} + 1),$$

*and hence*

$$A_{\mathcal{F}} \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2^{s_p-1})^{\oplus a_p} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/2^{s_p})^{\oplus b_p} \tag{3}$$

*as abelian groups.*

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $e = 2$  and  $\kappa_p = 0$ . Then*

$$A_{\mathcal{F}} \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus 3} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/4$$

*as abelian groups.*

For a finite abelian group  $A$  and an integer  $t \geq 1$ , we denote by

$$r_t(A) = \dim_{\mathbb{F}_2}(2^{t-1}A/2^tA)$$

the  $2^t$ -rank of  $A$ . Here,  $\mathbb{F}_2$  is the finite field with two elements. The following assertion is an immediate consequence of Theorems 1 and 2. It is a generalization of the classical result of Rédei and Reichardt for the case  $e = 0$ .

**Corollary 2.** *When  $e \geq 2$ , the 4-rank  $r_4(A_{\mathcal{F}})$  is positive if and only if  $\kappa_p = 0$ .*

**Remark 1.** In [17, 18], Yue generalized a result of Rédei [12] and gave a formula for the 4-rank of the class group of a relative quadratic extension  $E/F$ . It is possible to show Corollary 2 using his formula.

**Remark 2.** Let  $e \geq 2$ . For  $x > 0$ , let  $P_e(x)$  be the set of prime numbers  $p = 2^{e+1}q + 1 < x$  with  $2 \nmid q$ . We put

$$\theta_e = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\{p \in P_e(x) \mid r_4(A_{\mathcal{F}}) > 0\}|}{|P_e(x)|}.$$

We see that  $\theta_e = 2^{-e}$  from Corollary 2 and the Chebotarev density theorem.

When  $e = 0$ , this type of density results are already obtained for prime numbers  $p$  such that  $(p \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \text{ and}) 2^s | h_{\mathcal{F}}$  with  $s = 2, 3$  and  $4$  by Rédei-Reichardt [11], Morton [9] and Milovic [8], respectively.

This paper is organized as follows. In §2, we show Lemma 1 and Proposition 2. We show Theorems 1 and 2, respectively, in §3 and §4. Proposition 1 is shown in §5. In §6, we consider which unramified quadratic extension over  $\mathcal{F}$  extends to an unramified cyclic quartic extension. In §7, we give some numerical data on  $\text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}})$  and the class group  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$ .

## 2 Proof of Proposition 2

Let  $p = 2^{e+1}q + 1$ ,  $K$ ,  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\kappa = \kappa_p$  be as in §1. We begin by showing Lemma 1 in §1.

*Proof of Lemma 1.* When  $e = 1$  (and hence  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ ),  $p$  does not split in  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$  and hence  $\kappa_p = e + 1 = 2$ . Let us deal with the case  $e \geq 2$ . As  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ ,  $p$  splits in  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$  and hence  $\kappa_p \leq e$ . Fixing  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq e$ , let  $k = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{2^{e+1}}, 2^{1/2^{e-i+1}})$ . We put

$$L = k(\zeta_{2^{e+2}}, 2^{1/2^{e-i+2}}), \quad L_1 = k(\zeta_{2^{e+2}}), \quad L_2 = k(2^{1/2^{e-i+2}}).$$

We see that  $L$  is a  $(2, 2)$ -extension over  $k$ , and that  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are two of the three quadratic intermediate fields of  $L/k$ . Let  $L_3$  be the third intermediate field of  $L/k$ . By the Chebotarev density theorem, there exist infinitely many prime ideals  $\mathfrak{P}$  of  $L_3$  which is degree one over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and remains prime in the quadratic extension  $L/L_3$ . Let  $\wp = \mathfrak{P} \cap k$ . Then the prime ideal  $\wp$  of  $k$  remains prime in  $L_1, L_2$  and splits in  $L_3$ . For the prime number  $p = \wp \cap \mathbb{Q}$ , we see that  $p = 1 + 2^{e+1}q$  with  $2 \nmid q$  and  $\kappa_p = i$ .  $\square$

To show Proposition 2 on the class number  $h_{\mathcal{F}}$ , it suffices to deal with the relative class number  $h_{\mathcal{F}}^-$  as  $h_{K^+}$  is odd. We see that the unit index of our imaginary abelian field  $\mathcal{F}$  is 1 by Conner and Hurrelbrink [2, Lemma 13.5]. Then it follows from the class number formula [13, Theorem 4.17] that

$$h_{\mathcal{F}}^- = 2 \times \prod_{\delta} \left( -\frac{1}{2} B_{1, \delta\psi} \right). \quad (4)$$

Here,  $\delta$  runs over the odd Dirichlet characters of conductor  $p$  and order  $2^{e+1}$ , and  $\psi$  is the even Dirichlet character of conductor 8 and order 2. In the following, we regard these characters to be  $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}_2$ -valued, where  $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}_2$  is a fixed algebraic closure of the 2-adic rationals  $\mathbb{Q}_2$ . Let  $\omega = \omega_4$  be the Teichmüller character of conductor 4. We put  $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}[\delta] = \mathbb{Z}_2[\zeta_{2^{e+1}}]$ . Iwasawa constructed a power series  $G_{\delta\omega}(T)$  in the power series ring  $\mathcal{O}[[T]]$  related to the 2-adic  $L$ -function  $L_2(s, \delta\omega)$  by

$$G_{\delta\omega}((1+4p)^s - 1) = \frac{1}{2} L_2(s, \delta\omega) \quad (5)$$

for  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_2$ . The power series  $G_{\delta\omega}(T)$  also satisfies

$$G_{\delta\omega}(-(1+4p)^s - 1) = \frac{1}{2} L_2(s, \delta\psi\omega) \quad (6)$$

for  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_2$ . For (5) and (6), see Iwasawa [5, §6, Lemma 3] or [13, Theorem 7.10]. By a theorem of Ferrero and Washington ([13, Theorem 7.15]), we have  $2 \nmid G_{\delta\omega}$ . Then it follows that

$$G_{\delta\omega}(T) = P(T)u(T)$$

for some distinguished polynomial  $P(T) \in \mathcal{O}[T]$  and a unit  $u(T)$  of  $\mathcal{O}[[T]]$  from [13, Theorem 7.3]. The degree  $\lambda_p$  of  $P(T)$  is the Iwasawa lambda invariant of the power series  $G_{\delta\omega}$ . It follows from (5), (6) and [13, Theorem 5.11] that

$$\begin{aligned} G_{\delta\omega}(0) &= \frac{1}{2}L_2(0, \delta\omega) = -\frac{1}{2}(1 - \delta(2))B_{1,\delta} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(1 - \zeta_{2^{e+1}})B_{1,\delta} \times \frac{1 - \delta(2)}{1 - \zeta_{2^{e+1}}} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

and that

$$G_{\delta\omega}(-2) = \frac{1}{2}L_2(0, \delta\psi\omega) = -\frac{1}{2}(1 - \delta\psi(2))B_{1,\delta\psi} = -\frac{1}{2}B_{1,\delta\psi}. \quad (8)$$

Further, it is known that

$$\frac{1}{2}(1 - \zeta_{2^{e+1}})B_{1,\delta} \in \mathcal{O}^\times. \quad (9)$$

(See Hasse [3, Satz 32] or [4, Lemma 7].)

**Lemma 2.** *On the lambda invariant  $\lambda_p$ , we have*

$$\lambda_p = \begin{cases} 2^{\text{ord}_2(q+1)-1} - 1, & \text{for } e = 0 \\ 2^{e-1} - 1, & \text{for } e \geq 1. \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

*Proof.* Let  $K_\infty/K$  be the cyclotomic  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -extension over  $K$ , and let  $\lambda_K$  be the Iwasawa lambda invariant of the ideal class group of  $K_\infty$ . The invariant  $\lambda_K$  equals  $2^e \lambda_p$  by a theorem of Wiles [14, Theorem 6.2] (Iwasawa main conjecture). On the other hand, it is an immediate consequence of the formula (II) in Kida [7, §6] that  $\lambda_K$  equals  $2^e$  times of the right-hand side of (10). Thus we obtain the assertion.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $D_p$  be the decomposition field of the prime 2 in the cyclic extension  $K/\mathbb{Q}$  of degree  $2^{e+1}$ , and let  $i$  be an integer with  $0 \leq i \leq e + 1$ . Then the following three conditions are equivalent to each other.*

- (I) *The value  $\delta(2)$  is a primitive  $2^i$ th root of unity.*
- (II)  $[D_p : \mathbb{Q}] = 2^{e-i+1}$ .
- (III)  $\kappa_p = i$ .

*Proof.* As the character  $\delta$  has order  $2^{e+1}$ , the equivalence (I)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (II) follows immediately from the reciprocity law for  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_p)/\mathbb{Q}$ . The condition (I) is equivalent to the condition that the congruence  $x^{2^{e-i+1}} \equiv 2 \pmod{p}$  has a solution but (for the case  $i \geq 1$ )  $y^{2^{e-(i-1)+1}} \equiv 2 \pmod{p}$  has no solution. We easily see that the last condition is equivalent to  $\kappa_p = i$ .  $\square$

*Proof of Proposition 2(I).* Let  $e = 1$ . Then the power series  $G_{\delta\omega}$  is a unit of  $\mathcal{O}[[T]]$  by Lemma 2. Then it follows from (8) that  $\frac{1}{2}B_{1,\delta\psi}$  is a unit of  $\mathcal{O}$ . Therefore, we obtain the assertion from the class number formula (4).  $\square$

In the following, we assume that  $e \geq 2$ . Then the degree  $\lambda_p$  of  $P(T)$  is positive by Lemma 2. By (7) and Lemma 3, we obtain the following:

**Lemma 4.** *The polynomial  $P(T)$  is divisible by  $T$  if and only if  $\kappa_p = 0$ .*

*Proof of Proposition 2(II), (III).* For an integer  $i \geq 0$ , we put  $\pi_i = \zeta_{2^{i+1}} - 1$ . Then  $\pi_e$  is a uniformizer of  $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{Z}_2[\zeta_{2^{e+1}}]$ . First, let us show the assertion (II) for the case  $\kappa = \kappa_p \geq 1$ . It follows from (7), (9) and Lemma 3 that

$$P(0) \sim G_{\delta\omega}(0) \sim \alpha = \pi_{\kappa-1}/\pi_e.$$

Here, for elements  $x$  and  $y$  of  $\bar{\mathbb{Q}}_2^\times$ , we write  $x \sim y$  when  $x/y$  is a 2-adic unit. We see that  $P(-2) \sim P(0)$  because  $P(T) \in \mathcal{O}[T]$  and  $P(0) \sim \alpha$  is a divisor of  $2/\pi_e$ . Hence,  $G_{\delta\omega}(-2) \sim P(-2) \sim \alpha$ . Then we see from (4) and (8) that

$$h_{\mathcal{F}}^- \sim 2 \times (\pi_{\kappa-1}/\pi_e)^{2^e} \sim 2 \times 2^{2^{e-\kappa+1}} \times 2^{-1} = 2^{2^{e-\kappa+1}}.$$

Next, we show the assertion (III) when  $\kappa = 0$  and  $e \geq 3$ . Then  $\lambda_p \geq 3$  by Lemma 2. It follows from Lemma 4 that  $P(T) = TQ(T)$  for some distinguished polynomial  $Q(T) \in \mathcal{O}[T]$  of degree  $\lambda_p - 1 \geq 2$ . Since  $Q(-2)$  is divisible by  $\pi_e$ , it follows from (4) and (8) that  $h_{\mathcal{F}}^-$  is divisible by

$$2 \times (-2)^{2^e} \times \pi_e^{2^e} \sim 2^{2^e+2}.$$

Finally, we show (III) when  $\kappa = 0$  and  $e = 2$ . We have  $P(T) = T$  by Lemmas 2 and 4. Then we obtain the assertion from (4) and (8).  $\square$

### 3 Proof of Theorem 1

First, we recall a formula for the number of “ambiguous” classes of a CM-field. Let  $N$  be a CM-field. An ideal class  $c \in Cl_N$  is ambiguous when  $c^J = c$ , where  $J$  is the nontrivial automorphism of  $N$  over  $N^+$  (the complex conjugation). Let  $a(N)$  be the number of ambiguous classes of  $N$ . For a number field  $L$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{O}_L$  and  $E_L = \mathcal{O}_L^\times$  the ring of integers and the group of units of  $L$ , respectively. It is known that

$$a(N) = h_{N^+} \times \frac{2^{t_N-1}}{[E_{N^+} : E_{N^+} \cap \mathcal{N}(N^\times)]}. \quad (11)$$

Here,  $t_N$  is the number of prime divisors of  $N^+$  (finite or infinite) which are ramified in  $N$ , and  $\mathcal{N}$  is the norm map from  $N$  to  $N^+$ . For this formula, see Yokoi [16] for example.

**Lemma 5.** *The 2-rank  $r_2(A_{\mathcal{F}})$  equals  $2^e$  or  $2^{e-\kappa+1}$  according as  $\kappa = \kappa_p = 0$  or  $\kappa \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* We use the above formula for  $N = \mathcal{F}$  noting that  $\mathcal{F}^+ = K^+$ . We put  $r = r_2(A_{\mathcal{F}})$  for brevity. Let  $B_{\mathcal{F}}$  be the ambiguous classes in  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$ . Then  $b(\mathcal{F}) = |B_{\mathcal{F}}|$  is nothing but the 2-part of  $a(\mathcal{F})$ . We see that a class  $c$  in  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  is ambiguous ( $c^J = c$ ) if and only if  $c^2 = 1$  as  $A_{\mathcal{F}} = A_{\mathcal{F}^-}$ . It follows that  $b(\mathcal{F}) = 2^r$ . As  $\mathcal{F}$  is a CM-field, every element  $x \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}^\times)$  is totally positive. It follows that

$$(E_{K^+})^2 \subseteq E_{K^+} \cap \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}^\times) \subseteq \{\epsilon \in E_{K^+} \mid \epsilon \text{ is totally positive}\}.$$

As  $h_K$  is odd ([13, Theorem 10.4(b)]), we see from [2, Corollary 13.10] that a unit  $\epsilon$  of  $K^+$  is totally positive if and only if  $\epsilon$  is a square in  $K^+$ . Therefore,  $E_{K^+} \cap \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}^\times)$  coincides with  $(E_{K^+})^2$ , and hence

$$[E_{K^+} : E_{K^+} \cap \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}^\times)] = 2^{2^e} \quad (12)$$

by the Dirichlet unit theorem. The primes of  $K^+ = \mathcal{F}^+$  ramified in  $\mathcal{F}$  are those over  $p$  or 2 and the infinite prime divisors. By Lemma 3, we see that  $2\mathcal{O}_{K^+}$  is a product of  $2^e$  (resp.  $2^{e-\kappa+1}$ ) prime ideals of  $K^+$  when  $\kappa = 0$  (resp.  $\kappa \geq 1$ ). Hence, it follows that

$$t_{\mathcal{F}} = 1 + 2^e + 2^e \text{ or } 1 + 2^{e-\kappa+1} + 2^e$$

according as  $\kappa = 0$  or  $\kappa \geq 1$ . Accordingly, we obtain from (11) and (12) that  $b(\mathcal{F}) = 2^{2^e}$  or  $2^{2^{e-\kappa+1}}$ . Thus we have shown that  $r = 2^e$  or  $2^{e-\kappa+1}$  according as  $\kappa = 0$  or  $\kappa \geq 1$ .  $\square$



*Proof of Theorem 1.* By Proposition 2(II) and Lemma 5, we see that the abelian group  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  is isomorphic to  $2^{e-\kappa+1}$  copies of  $\mathbb{Z}/2$ . The assertion on the annihilator  $I_{\mathcal{F}}$  of the cyclic  $\Lambda$ -module  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  follows from this.  $\square$

## 4 Proof of Theorem 2

Let  $e \geq 2$  and  $\kappa = \kappa_p = 0$ . We already know that

$$r_2(A_{\mathcal{F}}) = 2^e \quad \text{and} \quad A_{\mathcal{F}} = A_{\mathcal{F}}^-.$$

The proof of Theorem 2 is based upon Propositions 1, 2 and the following purely algebraic assertion.

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $A$  be a cyclic module over  $R = \Lambda/((1+T)^{2^e} - 1)$  with a generator  $g$ , and let  $I_A$  be the annihilator of the  $\Lambda$ -module  $A$  (so that  $A \cong \Lambda/I_A$  as  $\Lambda$ -modules). Assume that  $g\gamma^{2^e} = g^{-1}$  and that*

$$A \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus \ell} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus m}$$

with  $m \geq 1$  and  $1 \leq \ell + m \leq 2^e$ . Then we have  $\ell + m = 2^e$  and

$$I_A = (4, 2T^m, (1+T)^{2^e} + 1).$$

*Proof of Theorem 2.* We write

$$A_{\mathcal{F}} = A_{\mathcal{F}}^- \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^s (\mathbb{Z}/2^i)^{t_i}$$

for some integers  $s \geq 1$  and  $t_i \geq 0$  ( $1 \leq i \leq s$ ) with  $t_s \geq 1$ . As  $r_2(A_{\mathcal{F}}) = 2^e$ , these integers  $s$  and  $t_i$  satisfy

$$\sum_{i=1}^s t_i = 2^e \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^s it_i = \text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}}).$$

Further, we see that  $s \geq 2$  since  $\text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}}) \geq 2^e + 1$  by Proposition 2(III). Assume that  $t_i \geq 1$  for some  $i$  with  $i \leq s - 2$ . Then it follows that

$$A_{\mathcal{F}}^{2^{s-2}} \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus t_{s-1}} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus t_s}$$

and  $t_{s-1} + t_s < 2^e$ . This is impossible by Proposition 3 because  $A_{\mathcal{F}} = A_{\mathcal{F}}^-$  is cyclic over  $\Lambda$  by Proposition 1. Therefore, we observe that

$$A_{\mathcal{F}} \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2^{s-1})^{\oplus a} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/2^s)^{\oplus b}$$

for some integers  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $a \geq 0$ ,  $b \geq 1$ ,  $a+b = 2^e$  and  $(s-1)a+sb = \text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}})$ . We see that  $s = s_p$ ,  $a = a_p$  and  $b = b_p$  from the last four conditions, and thus we obtain the second assertion (3) of Theorem 2. Further, by Proposition 3, the annihilator of  $A_{\mathcal{F}}^{2^{s-2}}$  equals  $(4, 2T^{b_p}, (1+T)^{2^e} + 1)$ . It follows from this and (1) that the ideal  $I$  of  $\Lambda$  generated by  $2^{s_p}$ ,  $2^{s_p-1}T^{b_p}$  and  $(1+T)^{2^e} + 1$  is contained in the annihilator  $I_{\mathcal{F}}$  of  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$ . Since  $\Lambda/I \cong A_{\mathcal{F}}$  as abelian groups by (3), we obtain  $I = I_{\mathcal{F}}$ .  $\square$

*Proof of Proposition 3.* As  $m \geq 1$ , the module  $A^2$  is nontrivial. Let  $J_1$  be the annihilator of the  $\Lambda$ -module  $A^2 = \Lambda \cdot g^2$ . As  $A^2$  is isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus m}$  as abelian groups, we see that  $J_1 = (2, T^m)$  and that

$$A^2 = \langle g^2 \rangle \times \langle g^{2T} \rangle \times \cdots \times \langle g^{2T^{m-1}} \rangle. \quad (13)$$

Here,  $\langle * \rangle$  denotes the cyclic group generated by  $*$ . It follows that  $g^{2T^m} = 1$  and hence  $2T^m \in I_A$ . The assumption  $g^{2^e} = g^{-1}$  implies that  $(1+T)^{2^e} + 1 \in I_A$ . As the ideal  $I_A$  contains 4 and  $2T^m$ , it follows that

$$T^{2^e} \equiv 2 + \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} 2a_i T^i \pmod{I_A} \quad (14)$$

for some  $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Let  ${}_2A$  be the elements  $x$  of  $A$  with  $x^2 = 1$ . Then, noting that  $A^2 \subseteq {}_2A$ , we put  $B = {}_2A/A^2$ . We see from  $J_1 = (2, T^m)$  that  $m$  is the smallest integer with  $g^{T^m} \in {}_2A$ , and hence that the  $\Lambda$ -module  $B$  is generated by the class  $[g^{T^m}]$ . Further,  $B \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus \ell}$  as abelian groups. Let  $J_2$  be the annihilator of  $B$ . Then, from the above, we observe that

$$J_2 = \{\alpha \in \Lambda \mid g^{T^m \alpha} \in A^2\} = (2, T^\ell)$$

and that  $g^{T^{m+\ell}} \in A^2 = \Lambda \cdot g^2$ . Because of (13), this implies that

$$T^{m+\ell} \equiv \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} 2b_i T^i \pmod{I_A}$$

for some  $b_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Now assume that  $m + \ell < 2^e$ . Then, as  $2T^m \in I_A$ , we observe that

$$T^{2^e} = T^{m+\ell}T^{2^e-(m+\ell)} \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} 2c_i T^i \pmod{I_A}$$

for some  $c_i \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $1 \leq i \leq m-1$ . It follows from (14) that

$$2 \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} 2d_i T^i \pmod{I_A}$$

for some  $d_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and hence

$$2f(T) \in I_A \quad \text{with} \quad f(T) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} d_i T^i.$$

This implies that  $2 \in I_A$  because the polynomial  $f(T)$  is a unit of  $\Lambda$ . However, this contradicts the assumption  $m \geq 1$ . Thus we obtain  $m + \ell = 2^e$ .

Let  $I = (4, 2T^m, (1+T)^{2^e} + 1)$ . We already know that  $I \subseteq I_A$ . Using  $m+\ell = 2^e$ , we see that  $\Lambda/I$  is isomorphic to  $A$  as an abelian group. Therefore, we obtain  $I_A = I$ .  $\square$

## 5 Proof of Proposition 1

In this section, we construct the class field corresponding to  $A_{\mathcal{F}}/A_{\mathcal{F}}^2$  and show Proposition 1. We begin with the following lemma.

**Lemma 6.** *Let  $k$  be a totally real number field of degree  $n$ . Assume that the narrow class number  $\tilde{h}_k$  of  $k$  is odd and that the prime number 2 splits completely in  $k$ ;  $2 = \mathfrak{L}_1 \cdots \mathfrak{L}_n$ . Then the natural map*

$$\varphi : E_k \rightarrow (\mathcal{O}_k/4\mathcal{O}_k)^\times = \bigoplus_{j=1}^n (\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{L}_j^2)^\times$$

*induced by reduction modulo 4 is surjective.*

*Proof.* We write  $E = E_k$  for brevity. By the second assumption, we see that  $(\mathcal{O}_k/4\mathcal{O}_k)^\times$  is isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\oplus n}$  as an abelian group. If a unit  $\epsilon \in E$  satisfies  $\epsilon \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , then  $k(\sqrt{\epsilon})/k$  is unramified outside the infinite prime

divisors by [13, Exercise 9.3]. As  $\tilde{h}_k$  is odd, this implies that  $\epsilon$  is a square in  $k$ . It follows that  $\ker \varphi = E^2$ . Now, we see that  $\varphi$  is surjective because  $E/E^2$  is isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\oplus n}$  as an abelian group by the Dirichlet unit theorem.  $\square$

Let  $p = 2^{e+1}q + 1$  be an odd prime number, and we use the same notation as in the previous sections. We choose and fix a totally negative element  $d$  of  $K^+$  with  $(d, 2) = 1$  and  $K = K^+(\sqrt{d})$ . We have

$$d \equiv u^2 \pmod{4} \quad (15)$$

for some  $u \in K^+$  by [13, Exercise 9.3] since  $K/K^+$  is unramified at the primes over 2. Let  $\wp$  be the unique prime ideal of  $K^+$  over  $p$ . We put  $h^+ = h_{K^+}$  for brevity. In addition to (15), we may as well assume that

$$(d) = \wp^{h^+}$$

since  $h^+$  is odd and  $K/K^+$  is ramified only at  $\wp$  (and the infinite prime divisors). We see that  $\mathcal{F} = K^+(\sqrt{2d})$  from the definition of  $\mathcal{F}$  and that the quadratic extension  $\mathcal{F}(\sqrt{2}) = \mathcal{F}(\sqrt{d})$  over  $\mathcal{F}$  is unramified.

For brevity, we put

$$r = 2^e \quad \text{or} \quad 2^{e-\kappa+1}$$

according as  $\kappa = 0$  or  $\kappa = \kappa_p \geq 1$ . By Lemma 5,  $r = r_2(A_{\mathcal{F}})$ . Let  $k$  be the intermediate field of the cyclic extension  $K^+/\mathbb{Q}$  with  $[k : \mathbb{Q}] = r$ . The cyclic group  $\text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q})$  of order  $r$  is generated by  $\rho = \gamma|_k$  where  $\gamma$  is the generator of  $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(\mathcal{F}/\mathbb{Q})$  fixed in §1. By Lemma 3, the prime 2 splits completely in  $k$ . We choose a prime ideal  $\mathfrak{q}$  of  $k$  over 2. We put  $\mathfrak{q}_i = \mathfrak{q}^{\rho^{i-1}}$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq r$ , so that we have a decomposition  $2 = \mathfrak{q}_1 \cdots \mathfrak{q}_r$  in  $k$ . As  $h_K$  is odd, the narrow class number  $\tilde{h}_k$  of  $k$  is odd. Therefore, by Lemma 6, we can choose a generator  $w = w_1 \in k^\times$  of the principal ideal  $\mathfrak{q}_1^{h^+}$  such that

$$\frac{w}{2^{h^+}} \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{q}_1^2} \quad \text{and} \quad w \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{q}_j^2} \quad \text{for } 2 \leq j \leq r.$$

We put  $w_i = w^{\rho^{i-1}}$  for each  $i$  with  $1 \leq i \leq r$ . Then we see that for each  $i$ ,

$$\frac{w_i}{2^{h^+}} \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{q}_i^2}, \quad \text{and} \quad w_i \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{q}_j^2} \quad \text{for any } j \neq i, \quad (16)$$

and that

$$2^{h^+} = w_1 \cdots w_r. \quad (17)$$

As  $\mathcal{F} = K^+(\sqrt{2d})$  and  $h^+$  is odd,  $\mathcal{F}(\sqrt{w_i}) = \mathcal{F}(\sqrt{w_i/2^{h^+}d})$ . Therefore, we see from (15) and (16) that

$$L = \mathcal{F}(\sqrt{w_i} \mid 1 \leq i \leq r)$$

is an unramified extension over  $\mathcal{F}$  by [13, Exercise 9.3].

We put  $X = \mathcal{F}^\times/(\mathcal{F}^\times)^2$  for brevity, and let  $V$  be the subgroup of  $X$  generated by  $r$  elements  $[w_i]$  ( $1 \leq i \leq r$ ). Here,  $[x]$  denotes the class in  $X$  containing an element  $x \in \mathcal{F}^\times$ . These groups are naturally regarded as vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ .

**Lemma 7.** *Under the above setting, the demension of the vector space  $V$  equals  $r$ .*

*Proof.* We put

$$x = \prod_{i=1}^r w_i^{s_i}$$

with  $0 \leq s_i \leq 1$ . If  $x$  is a square in  $\mathcal{F}$ , then we see that  $x$  or  $2dx$  is a square in  $K^+$  because  $x \in K^+$  and  $\mathcal{F} = K^+(\sqrt{2d})$ . If  $x$  is a square in  $K^+$ , then  $\prod_i (\mathfrak{q}_i \mathcal{O}_{K^+})^{h^+ s_i}$  is a square of an ideal of  $K^+$ . It follows that  $s_i = 0$  since  $h^+$  is odd and the prime ideal  $\mathfrak{q}_i$  remains prime in  $K^+/k$ . If  $2dx$  is a square in  $K^+$ , then we obtain  $K = K^+(\sqrt{d}) = K^+(\sqrt{2x})$ . However, this is impossible because  $K/K^+$  is ramified at  $\wp$  but  $K^+(\sqrt{2x})/K^+$  is unramified at  $\wp$ . Thus we obtain the assertion.  $\square$

From Lemmas 5 and 7, we obtain:

**Proposition 4.** *Under the above setting, the unramified extension  $L/\mathcal{F}$  corresponds to the class group  $A_{\mathcal{F}}/A_{\mathcal{F}}^2$ .*

*Proof of Proposition 1.* The group  $X$  is naturally regarded as a module over  $R = \mathbb{Z}_2[\Gamma]$ . Then  $V$  is a cyclic  $R$ -submodule of  $X$  generated by  $[w]$ . By Proposition 4, the class group  $A_{\mathcal{F}}/A_{\mathcal{F}}^2$  is isomorphic to the Galois group  $G = \text{Gal}(L/\mathcal{F})$  via the reciprocity law map which is compatible with the action of  $\Gamma$ . The Kummer pairing

$$G \times V \rightarrow \mu_2; (g, [v]) \rightarrow \langle g, v \rangle = (\sqrt{v})^{g-1}$$

is nondegenerate and satisfies  $\langle g^\delta, v^\delta \rangle = \langle g, v \rangle$  for  $g \in G$ ,  $[v] \in V$  and  $\delta \in \Gamma$ . Therefore, we obtain an isomorphism

$$G \cong H = \text{Hom}(V, \mu_2)$$

of  $R$ -modules. Here,  $\delta \in \Gamma$  acts on  $f \in H$  by the rule  $f^\delta([v]) = f([v]^{\delta^{-1}})$ . As  $V$  is cyclic over  $R$ , so is the Galois group  $G$ . Therefore, we see that  $A_{\mathcal{F}}/A_{\mathcal{F}}^2$  is cyclic over  $R$  from the above. This implies that  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  is cyclic over  $R$  by Nakayama's lemma ([13, Lemma 13.16]).  $\square$

## 6 Unramified cyclic quartic extension

In this section, we consider which unramified quadratic extension over  $\mathcal{F}$  extends to an unramified cyclic quartic extension when  $r_4(A_{\mathcal{F}}) \geq 1$ . We use the same notation as in the previous sections. In the following, we let  $e \geq 2$  and  $\kappa = \kappa_p = 0$  in view of Corollary 2. Let  $\Gamma^+ = \text{Gal}(K^+/\mathbb{Q})$ ,  $\rho = \gamma|_{K^+}$  and  $R^+ = \mathbb{F}_2[\Gamma^+]$ . Let  $W$  be the subgroup of  $X^+ = (K^+)^\times / ((K^+)^\times)^2$  generated by the classes  $[w_i]$  in  $X^+$ . The group  $X^+$  is naturally regarded as a module over  $R^+$ , and  $W$  as an  $R^+$ -submodule of  $X^+$ . In this section, we use  $\Gamma^+$ ,  $R^+$  and  $W$  instead of  $\Gamma$ ,  $R$  and  $V$ . This is justified because the inclusion map  $K^+ = \mathcal{F}^+ \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  induces an isomorphism between the abelian groups  $W$  and  $V$  because of Lemma 7. The module  $W$  is cyclic over  $R^+$  with a generator  $[w]$  similar to  $V$ . Further, it follows from Lemma 7 that  $\dim_{\mathbb{F}_2} W = \dim_{\mathbb{F}_2} R^+ = 2^e$ . Hence, the cyclic  $R^+$ -module  $W$  is also free over  $R^+$ . Namely we have

$$W = R^+ \cdot [w] \cong R^+. \quad (18)$$

This is the advantage of using  $W$  in place of  $V$ .

Let  $U_i$  be the principal ideal of  $R^+$  generated by  $(1 + \rho)^i$  for  $0 \leq i \leq 2^e$ . We have a filtration

$$U_0 = R \supset U_1 \supset \cdots \supset U_{2^e-1} \supset U_{2^e}. \quad (19)$$

We see that

$$(1 + \rho)^{2^e-1} = \sum_{t=0}^{2^e-1} \rho^t \quad (:= \text{Tr}) \quad \text{and} \quad (1 + \rho)^{2^e} = 0. \quad (20)$$

It follows that

$$U_{2^e-1} = \{0, \text{Tr}\} \quad \text{and} \quad U_{2^e} = \{0\}. \quad (21)$$

**Lemma 8.** *The ideals  $U_i$  are all the ideals of  $R^+$  and  $\dim_{\mathbb{F}_2} U_i = 2^e - i$ .*

*Proof.* We see from (20) that the homomorphism  $\varphi : \mathbb{F}_2[T] \rightarrow R^+$  sending  $1 + T$  to  $\rho$  induces an isomorphism

$$\mathbb{F}_2[T]/(T^{2^e}) \cong R^+.$$

From this we obtain the assertion.  $\square$

For each  $j$  with  $0 \leq j \leq 2^e$ , letting  $i = 2^e - j$ , we put

$$L_j = \mathcal{F}(\sqrt{w^x} \mid x \in U_i).$$

From (17) with  $r = 2^e$ , (19) and (21), we have

$$L_0 = \mathcal{F} \subset L_1 = \mathcal{F}(\sqrt{2}) \subset \cdots \subset L_{2^e-1} \subset L_{2^e} = L.$$

**Proposition 5.** *Let  $e \geq 2$  and  $\kappa_p = 0$ .*

- (I) *When  $r_4(A_{\mathcal{F}}) = j$  with  $1 \leq j \leq 2^e$ , an unramified quadratic extension  $E/\mathcal{F}$  extends to an unramified quartic cyclic extension if and only if  $E \subseteq L_j$ .*
- (II) *The unramified extension  $\mathcal{F}(\sqrt{2})/\mathcal{F}$  extends to an unramified quartic cyclic extension.*

*Proof.* First we show the assertion (I). Let  $E_1/\mathcal{F}$  and  $E_2/\mathcal{F}$  be quadratic extensions contained in  $L$  with  $E_1 \neq E_2$ , and let  $E_3/\mathcal{F}$  be the third quadratic extension in the  $(2, 2)$ -extension  $E_1E_2/\mathcal{F}$ . We see that if both of  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  extend to unramified quartic cyclic extensions, then  $E_3$  has the same property. Let  $N_j$  be the composite of all unramified quadratic extensions  $E/\mathcal{F}$  which extends to an unramified quartic cyclic extension. Then, from the above and  $j = r_4(A_{\mathcal{F}})$ , we see that  $\text{Gal}(N_j/\mathcal{F}) \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus j}$ . Further, we see that  $N_j$  is Galois over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Let  $W_j$  be the submodule of  $W$  such that

$$N_j = \mathcal{F}(\sqrt{v} \mid [v] \in W_j).$$

As  $N_j$  is Galois over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $W_j$  is an  $R^+$ -submodule of  $W$  with  $\dim_{\mathbb{F}_2}(W_j) = j$ . Then we see from (18) and Lemma 8 that  $W_j = U_i W = U_i \cdot [w]$  with  $i = 2^e - j$ . Therefore, we obtain  $N_j = L_j$ . Thus we have shown the assertion (I). The assertion (II) follows from (I) because  $r_4(A_{\mathcal{F}}) \geq 1$  by Corollary 2.  $\square$

## 7 Numerical data

In the previous sections, we were working with a fixed  $e$  and various prime numbers  $p$  of the form  $p = 2^{e+1}q + 1$ . In this section, we deal with various  $e$

and various prime numbers  $p < 10^6$  (or  $10^7$ ), and we put  $e_p = \text{ord}_2(p-1) - 1$  so that  $p = 2^{e_p+1}q + 1$  with  $2 \nmid q$ . Further,  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_p$ ,  $\kappa = \kappa_p$ ,  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  and  $h_{\mathcal{F}}$  are the same as in §1. In Table 1, we give the number of prime numbers  $p$  with  $(e_p, \kappa_p) = (e, \kappa)$  for  $p < 10^6$ . For instance, on the row for  $e = 4$ , we see that the ratio  $155 : 150 : 312 : 621 : 1218$  is approximately equal to  $1 : 1 : 2 : 4 : 8$ . This is because of the Chebotarev density theorem on the ray class group of  $M_e = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{2^{e+1}})$  corresponding to the abelian extension  $M_e(2^{1/2^{e+1}})/M_e$ .

Table 1: The number of prime numbers with  $(e_p, \kappa_p) = (e, \kappa)$ .

$e \backslash \kappa$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	total
0	19669	19653	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39322
1	0	0	19623	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19623
2	2471	2426	4894	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9791
3	600	609	1206	2434	0	0	0	0	0	0	4849
4	155	150	312	621	1218	0	0	0	0	0	2456
5	38	34	69	174	294	624	0	0	0	0	1233
6	11	12	24	29	71	149	322	0	0	0	618
7	0	1	3	11	22	41	83	146	0	0	307
8	3	1	1	0	7	18	18	33	72	0	153
9	0	0	1	2	2	2	2	10	19	34	72

$e \backslash \kappa$	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	total
10	1	0	1	1	1	5	7	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
11	0	0	1	2	1	1	1	4	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
12	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	9
13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	4
14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
15	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

In the following, we let  $e_p \geq 2$  because  $2 \parallel h_{\mathcal{F}}$  when  $e_p = 1$  by Proposition 2(I). When  $\kappa_p \geq 1$ , we have  $A_{\mathcal{F}} \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus r}$  with  $r = 2^{e_p - \kappa_p + 1}$  and the 4-rank  $r_4(A_{\mathcal{F}}) = 0$  by Theorem 1. On the other hand, when  $\kappa_p = 0$ , we have  $r_4(A_{\mathcal{F}}) > 0$  by Corollary 2. Therefore, we see from Table 1 that there are  $3278 = 2471 + 600 + 155 + 38 + 11 + 3$  prime numbers  $p$  with  $r_4(A_{\mathcal{F}}) > 0$  in the range  $p < 10^6$ .

We already know the precise structure of  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  when  $\kappa_p = 0$  and  $e_p = 2$



by Corollary 1. When  $e_p \geq 3$ , to know the structure of  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$ , we need to know the value  $t_p = \text{ord}_2(h_{\mathcal{F}})$  in view of Theorem 2. By Proposition 2(III),  $t_p \geq 2^{e_p+2}$ . We computed  $t_p$  for  $p < 10^6$  with  $e_p \geq 3$  and  $\kappa_p = 0$  by the class number formula (4). Let  $n_{e,t}$  be the number of prime numbers  $p$  with  $(e_p, \kappa_p, t_p) = (e, 0, t)$  in the range. Let  $p_{e,t}$  be the minimum prime number  $p$  satisfying  $(e_p, \kappa_p, t_p) = (e, 0, t)$ . In Table 2, we give  $n_{e,t}$  and  $p_{e,t}$  for each  $e$  and  $t$ .

Table 2: The exponent of 2-class number and the minimum primes.

$e$	$t$	$n_{e,t}$	$p_{e,t}$	$e$	$t$	$n_{e,t}$	$p_{e,t}$	$e$	$t$	$n_{e,t}$	$p_{e,t}$
3	10	309	337	4	18	85	2593	5	34	18	15809
	11	112	43441		19	31	26849		35	8	131009
	12	80	39761		20	21	10657		36	1	868801
	13	49	28657		21	13	68449		37	6	83777
	14	25	12049		22	8	138977		38	4	92737
	15	5	79889		23	2	598817		39	1	470081
	16	11	34961		24	6	31649				
	17	7	44497		25	1	476513				
	18	2	57457		26	2	572321				

$e$	$t$	$n_{e,t}$	$p_{e,t}$	$e$	$t$	$n_{e,t}$	$p_{e,t}$
6	66	6	266369	8	258	3	115201
	67	2	195457				
	68	2	299393				
	70	1	710273				

By Theorem 2, the 8-rank  $r_8(A_{\mathcal{F}})$  is positive if and only if  $t > 2^{e+1}$ . In Table 2, we see that the condition  $t > 2^{e+1}$  is satisfied only when  $(e, t) = (3, 17)$  or  $(3, 18)$  and that there are  $9 = 7 + 2$  prime numbers with  $r_8(A_{\mathcal{F}}) > 0$  in the range  $p < 10^6$ . These prime numbers are  $p = 44497, 79697, 103409, 162257, 717841, 797201$  and  $921841$  with  $(e, t) = (3, 17)$ , and  $p = 57457$  and  $875377$  with  $(e, t) = (3, 18)$ . By Theorem 2, we have

$$A_{\mathcal{F}} \cong (\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 7} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/8 \quad \text{or} \quad A_{\mathcal{F}} \cong (\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 6} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/8)^{\oplus 2}.$$

according as  $t = 17$  or  $18$ .

Further, we computed  $t_p$  for  $p < 10^7$  with  $e_p = 3$  and  $\kappa_p = 0$ . Let  $n'_{3,t}$  be the number of prime numbers with  $(e_p, \kappa_p, t_p) = (3, 0, t)$  in the range. In Table 3, we give  $n'_{3,t}$ ,  $p_{3,t}$  and the structure of  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  for each  $t$ .

Table 3: The exponent of 2-class number ( $p < 10^7$ ).

$t$	$n'_{3,t}$	$p_{3,t}$	$A_{\mathcal{F}}$
10	2610	337	$(\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus 6} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 2}$
11	1164	43441	$(\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus 5} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 3}$
12	707	39761	$(\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus 4} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 4}$
13	321	28657	$(\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus 3} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 5}$
14	194	12049	$(\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus 2} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 6}$
15	94	79889	$(\mathbb{Z}/2) \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 7}$
16	75	34961	$(\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 8}$
17	37	44497	$(\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 7} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/8)$
18	7	57457	$(\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 6} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/8)^{\oplus 2}$
19	10	2347409	$(\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 5} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/8)^{\oplus 3}$
20	3	3295249	$(\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 4} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/8)^{\oplus 4}$
21	3	3238801	$(\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 3} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/8)^{\oplus 5}$
22	1	5897329	$(\mathbb{Z}/4)^{\oplus 2} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/8)^{\oplus 6}$
26	1	6765169	$(\mathbb{Z}/8)^{\oplus 6} \oplus (\mathbb{Z}/16)^{\oplus 2}$

Among 5227 prime numbers, there is only one prime number such that the 16-rank of  $A_{\mathcal{F}}$  is positive.

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