

# Nontrivial zeros of a pairing of $p$ -units in the $4p$ -cyclotomic field

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## Abstract

We study a pairing of  $p$ -units in the  $4p$ -cyclotomic field, following results on the  $p$ -cyclotomic field by McCallum–Sharifi. We discuss the distribution of the number of nontrivial zeros for each prime number  $p < 2^{16} = 65,536$  under a conjecture, which give a sufficient condition for Greenberg’s generalized conjecture. We also explain rare zeros which do not appear in the  $p$ -cyclotomic field.

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## 1 Introduction

We first explain the main purpose of the computation, i.e., Greenberg’s generalized conjecture. Let  $k$  be a finite extension of the rational number field  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $p$  an odd prime number. Let  $\tilde{k}$  be the maximal multiple  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extension of  $k$  with  $\text{Gal}(\tilde{k}/k) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p^d$ . Leopoldt’s conjecture for  $k$  and  $p$  implies that  $d = r_2(k) + 1$ , where  $r_2(k)$  is the number of complex places of  $k$ . Let  $k_n$  be the intermediate field in  $\tilde{k}/k$  such that  $\text{Gal}(k_n/k) \simeq (\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})^d$ ,  $A_n$  the  $p$ -part of the ideal class group of  $k_n$ , and  $X_\infty = \varprojlim A_n$ , where the inverse limit is taken with respect to norm maps. Further let  $\gamma_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq d$ ) be the topological generator of  $\text{Gal}(\tilde{k}/k)$  with  $\langle \overline{\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_d} \rangle \simeq \mathbb{Z}_p^d$ . We can consider  $X_\infty$  as a  $\tilde{\Lambda} = \mathbb{Z}_p[[T_1, T_2, \dots, T_d]]$ -module by the action of  $T_i = \gamma_i - 1$ .

**Conjecture 1.1** (Greenberg’s generalized conjecture). *For any  $k$  and  $p$ ,  $X_\infty$  is a pseudo-null  $\tilde{\Lambda}$ -module, i.e.,  $\text{ht}_{\tilde{\Lambda}}(\text{Ann}_{\tilde{\Lambda}} X_\infty) \geq 2$ .*

**Remark 1.1.** When  $d = 1$ ,  $k$  is a totally real number field, and  $k_\infty$  is the cyclotomic  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extension. By Iwasawa’s class number formula, we have  $\sharp A_n = p^{\lambda n + \mu p^n + \nu}$  for any sufficiently large  $n$ , where  $\lambda = \lambda_p(k_\infty/k)$ ,  $\mu_p(k_\infty/k) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  and  $\nu = \nu_p(k_\infty/k) \in \mathbb{Z}$  are the Iwasawa invariants. The above conjecture implies that  $X_\infty$  is finite, i.e.,  $\lambda_p(k_\infty/k) = \mu_p(k_\infty/k) = 0$ , which is called Greenberg’s conjecture for the Iwasawa invariants of totally real number fields.

**Remark 1.2.** For any  $\mathbb{Z}_p^r$ -extension, it is shown that  $X_\infty$  is a finitely generated torsion  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}_p[[T_1, T_2, \dots, T_r]]$ -module in [2] under some assumptions, which is known to be unnecessary.

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Hence we have  $\text{ht}_{\Lambda}(\text{Ann}_{\Lambda}X_{\infty}) \geq 1$  in general. Moreover, in [1], it is shown that  $\sharp A_n = p^{(ln+mp^n+O(1))p^{(r-1)n}}$  for any sufficiently large  $n$ .

In [3, 4, 5], a sufficient condition for the conjecture is given by using cup products of cyclotomic units of the  $p$ -cyclotomic field  $k = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_p)$ . Assume that the Kummer-Vandiver conjecture holds for  $p$ , i.e.,  $A_0^+ = \frac{1+J}{2}A_0$  is trivial, where  $J$  is the complex conjugate. Note that  $A_0^+$  is isomorphic to the  $p$ -part of the ideal class group of the maximal real subfield  $k^+$  of  $k$ . Put  $E'_{k,p} = \mathcal{O}_k[1/p]^{\times}/(\mathcal{O}_k[1/p]^{\times})^p$  and  $\mu_p = \langle \zeta_p \rangle$ . By the assumption on  $A_0^+$ ,  $E'_{k,p}$  is generated by cyclotomic  $p$ -units. We consider the following cup product:

$$H^1(G_{k,p}, \mu_p) \times H^1(G_{k,p}, \mu_p) \rightarrow H^2(G_{k,p}, \mu_p^{\otimes 2}),$$

where  $G_{k,p}$  is the Galois group of the maximal extension of  $k$  unramified outside  $p$ . This product can be represented as the following pairing:

$$E'_{k,p} \times E'_{k,p} \rightarrow (A_k/pA_k) \otimes \mu_p.$$

Let  $\Delta = \text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^{\times}$ , and let  $\omega$  be the Teichmüller character. Put  $J_p = \mathbb{Z}/(p-1)\mathbb{Z}$ . For  $j \in J_p$ , denote by  $Y^{(j)} = e_{\omega^j}Y$  the  $\omega^j$ -part of  $\mathbb{Z}_p[\Delta]$ -module  $Y$ , where  $e_{\omega^j} = \frac{1}{\sharp\Delta} \sum_{\delta \in \Delta} \omega^j(\delta)\delta^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_p[\Delta]$ . By decompositions, we can define the following pairing:

$$\begin{aligned} \bigoplus_{j \in 2J_p} \left\{ (E'_{k,p})^{(j)} \times (E'_{k,p})^{(2-i-j)} \right\} &\rightarrow (A_k/pA_k)^{(1-i)} \otimes \mu_p \\ (c_p^{(j)}, c_p^{(2-i-j)}) &\mapsto e_{i,j} = \langle c_p^{(j)}, c_p^{(2-i-j)} \rangle_i, \end{aligned}$$

where  $i \in 2J_p$  and  $c^{(j)} = [(1-\zeta_p)^{(j)}] \in (E'_{k,p})^{(j)}$ . Put  $I_p = \{i \in 2J_p \mid A_k^{(1-i)} \neq \{0\}\}$  and  $r_p = \sharp I_p$ .

**Theorem 1.1** (Sharifi [4, 5]). *For  $s_p = \sharp\{j \mid e_{i,j} \neq 0 \text{ for any } i \in I_p\}$ ,*

$$\text{ht}_{\bar{\Lambda}}(\text{Ann}_{\bar{\Lambda}}X_{\infty}) \geq \frac{s_p}{r_p^2 - r_p + 1} + 1.$$

*In particular, data on  $(r_p, s_p)$  implies Greenberg's generalized conjecture for  $p < 1,000$ .*

The procedure to check the conjecture is as follows:

- (i) Compute  $r_p$  from the generating function of Bernoulli numbers modulo  $p$ .
- (ii) Check  $e_{i,i_0} \neq 0$  for some  $i_0$  by computation of an ideal of Hecke ring.
- (iii) Compute  $s_p$  from relations among  $e_{i,j}$ 's.
- (iv) Apply data on  $r_p$  and  $s_p$  to Theorem 1.1.

In [4, 5], (ii) (resp. (iii)) is computed for  $p < 1,000$  (resp. 25,000) in the  $p$ -cyclotomic field. A lower bound of  $s_p$  is obtained by the number of zeros:  $z_{p,i} = \sharp\{j \in 2J_p \mid e_{i,j} = 0\}$  for  $i \in I_p$ . In this paper, following the computation, we study the distribution of the number of zeros in the  $4p$ -cyclotomic field under a conjecture.

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $z'_{p,i}$ ,  $z'_{4p,i}$  and  $z'_{4p,\chi,i}$  be the half number of nontrivial zeros in the pairing defined in §3. For  $p < 2^{16}$ , under Conjecture 4.1 for these prime numbers, the distributions are given in Table 1:*

Table 1. The number of  $(p, i)$  with  $z' = m$ .

$m$	0	1	2	3	4	5
$z'_{p,i}$	2523	640	80	4	0	0
$z'_{4p,i}$	2515	656	69	7	0	0
$z'_{4p,\chi,i}$	2013	973	241	50	5	1

Each distribution is similar to the Poisson distribution  $Po(1/4)$  or  $Po(1/2)$ . We also obtain rare zeros which do not appear in the  $p$ -cyclotomic field.

## 2 Definition of maps and $K_2$ -groups

We recall some definitions and theorems (cf. [3, §3]). The Milnor  $K_2$ -group of a commutative ring  $R$  is defined as follows:

$$K_2^M(R) = (R^\times \otimes R^\times) / \langle a \otimes (1 - a); a, 1 - a \in R^\times \rangle.$$

Let  $K$  be a number field with  $K \supset \mu_p$ . In [6], a particular choice of isomorphisms is described as a Chern class map:

$$ch_p : K_2(O_K[1/p])/p \xrightarrow{\sim} H^2(G_{K,p}, \mu_p^{\otimes 2}).$$

By a classical result of Matsumoto, we may identify  $K_2^M(K)$  with  $K_2(K)$ . The group  $K_2(O_K[1/p])$  may be defined via the exact localization sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow K_2(O_K[1/p]) \rightarrow K_2(K) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{q}|p} k_{\mathfrak{q}}^\times \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $k_{\mathfrak{q}}$  denotes the residue field of  $K$  at  $\mathfrak{q}$ . Since two  $p$ -units pair trivially under the tame symbol, the image of

$$K_2^M(O_K[1/p]) \rightarrow K_2^M(K) = K_2(K)$$

is contained in  $K_2(O_K[1/p])$ . This yields  $K_2^M(O_K[1/p]) \rightarrow K_2(O_K[1/p])$  and

$$\kappa'_p : K_2^M(O_K[1/p])/p \rightarrow K_2(O_K[1/p])/p.$$

Here, the map

$$u_p : K_2^M(O_K[1/p])/p \rightarrow H^2(G_{K,p}, \mu_p^{\otimes 2})$$

coincides with  $(-ch_p) \circ \kappa'_p$ . Further, the natural map

$$n_p : E'_{K,p} \times E'_{K,p} \rightarrow K_2^M(O_K[1/p])/p$$

is surjective. Finally, define the map

$$\kappa_p : E'_{K,p} \times E'_{K,p} \rightarrow H^2(G_{K,p}, \mu_p^{\otimes 2}),$$

by  $\kappa_p = u_p \circ n_p = (-ch_p) \circ \kappa'_p \circ n_p$ .

**Conjecture 2.1** (McCallum-Sharifi). *For all  $p$  and  $k = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_p)$  which satisfy the Kummer-Vandiver conjecture,  $\kappa'_p$  is surjective, i.e., by the  $\Delta$ -decomposition,*

$$\kappa_{p,i} : (E'_{k,p} \times E'_{k,p})^{(2-i)} \rightarrow H^2(G_{k,p}, \mu_p^{\otimes 2})^{(2-i)},$$

is surjective for all  $i \in J_p$ .

### 3 Relations of a pairing in the $4p$ -cyclotomic fields

Put  $\zeta_{4p} = \zeta_4 \zeta_p = \sqrt{-1} \zeta_p$ ,  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{4p}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1}, \zeta_p)$ ,  $k = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_p)$ ,  $\tilde{\Delta} = \text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q})$  and  $\Delta = \text{Gal}(k/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq \text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1}))$ . We consider  $\Delta$  as the subgroup of  $\tilde{\Delta}$  by this isomorphism. The Dirichlet character group of  $\tilde{\Delta}$  is  $\{\chi^i \omega^j \mid i = 0, 1, j \in I_p\}$ , where  $\chi = \chi_{-4}$  is the Dirichlet character associated to  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1})$ . Let  $J$  be the complex conjugate in  $\Delta$ . We write  $A^\pm = \frac{1 \pm J}{2} A$ ,  $A^{(\chi^i, j)} = \tilde{e}_{\chi^i \omega^j} A$  for a  $\mathbf{Z}_p[\tilde{\Delta}]$ -module  $A$ , and  $A^{(j)} = e_{\omega^j} A$  for a  $\mathbf{Z}_p[\Delta]$ -module  $A$ , where  $\tilde{e}_{\chi^i \omega^j} = \frac{1}{\#\tilde{\Delta}} \sum_{\delta \in \tilde{\Delta}} \chi^i \omega^j(\delta) \delta^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_p[\tilde{\Delta}]$ . Note that  $\tilde{e}_{\chi^0 \omega^j} = \frac{1 + \tau}{2} e_{\omega^j}$ , where  $\langle \tau \rangle = \text{Gal}(K/k)$ . We also write  $\alpha^{(\chi^i, j)}$  and  $\alpha^{(j)}$  for an element of  $\alpha \in A$ .

Then, we have  $I_p = I_{4p, \chi^0} = \{i \in 2J_p \mid A_k^{(1-i)} \simeq A_K^{(\chi^0, 1-i)} \neq \{0\}\}$  and  $r_p = \#I_{4p, \chi^0}$ . Put  $I_{4p, \chi} = \{i \in J_p \setminus 2J_p \mid A_K^{(\chi, 1-i)} \neq \{0\}\}$  and  $r_{4p, \chi} = \#I_{4p, \chi}$ .

Even when  $p$  splits in  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1})$ , the  $p$ -part of the subgroup generated by the ideal classes of prime ideals above  $p$  is also trivial in  $A_K$ . Hence, as in [3, §2], we have the following exact sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow (A_K/pA_K) \otimes \mu_p \rightarrow H^2(G_{K,p}, \mu_p^{\otimes 2}) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{v|p} \mu_p \rightarrow \mu_p \rightarrow 0.$$

Since  $(A_K/pA_K)^{(\chi, 0)}$  is trivial, this sequence implies that

$$(A_K/pA_K)^{(\chi, 1-i)} \otimes \mu_p \simeq H^2(G_{K,p}, \mu_p^{\otimes 2})^{(\chi, 2-i)}$$

for any  $i \in I_{4p, \chi}$ . We also have

$$(A_k/pA_k)^{(1-i)} \otimes \mu_p \simeq H^2(G_{k,p}, \mu_p^{\otimes 2})^{(2-i)}$$

for any  $i \in I_p$ .

In §3.1 and §3.2, we consider a pairing whose image is contained in  $(A_K/pA_K)^{(\chi^0, 1-i)} \otimes \mu_p \simeq (A_k/pA_k)^{(1-i)} \otimes \mu_p$  for  $i \in I_p$ . In §3.3, we consider a pairing which are contained in  $(A_K/pA_K)^{(\chi, 1-i)} \otimes \mu_p$  for  $i \in I_{4p, \chi}$ .

#### 3.1 The $p$ -cyclotomic field

We fix  $p$  and  $i \in I_p \subset 2J_p$ . For  $j \in 2J_p$ , put

$$j' = 2 - i - j \in 2J_p.$$

In §1–2, we introduce the following pairing:

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_{p,i} : \bigoplus_{j \in 2J_p} \left\{ (E'_{k,p})^{(j)} \times (E'_{k,p})^{(j')} \right\} &\rightarrow (A_k/pA_k)^{(1-i)} \otimes \mu_p \\ (c_p^{(j)}, c_p^{(j')}) &\mapsto e_{i,j} = \langle c_p^{(j)}, c_p^{(j')} \rangle_i. \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 3.1.** (cf. [3, §5]) *For all even integers  $a$  with  $4 \leq a \leq p-1$ ,*

$$\sum_{j \in 2J_p} (1 + a^j - 2^j)(1 - 2^{j'})(1 - (a-1)^{j'}) e_{i,j} = 0.$$

Further, for any  $j \in 2J_p$ ,

$$e_{i,j} + e_{i,j'} = 0.$$

### 3.2 $4p$ -cyclotomic field I

We fix  $p$  and  $i \in I_p \subset 2J_p$ . For  $j \in I_p$ , put

$$j' = 2 - i - j.$$

As in §2, we consider the following pairing:

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_{4p,i} : \quad & \bigoplus_{j \in J_p \setminus 2J_p} \left\{ (E'_{K,p})^{(\chi,j)} \times (E'_{K,p})^{(\chi,j')} \right\} \\ & \oplus \bigoplus_{j \in 2J_p} \left\{ (E'_{K,p})^{(\chi^0,j)} \times (E'_{K,p})^{(\chi^0,j')} \right\} \rightarrow (A_K/pA_K)^{(\chi^0,1-i)} \otimes \mu_p \\ & \begin{array}{l} (c_{4p}^{(\chi,j)}, c_{4p}^{(\chi,j')}) \\ (c_p^{(j)}, c_p^{(j')}) \end{array} \mapsto f_{i,j} = \langle c_{4p}^{(\chi,j)}, c_{4p}^{(\chi,j')} \rangle_{4p,i}, \\ & \mapsto e_{i,j} = \langle c_p^{(j)}, c_p^{(j')} \rangle_{4p,i}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c^{(\chi,j)} = [(1 - \zeta_{4p})^{(\chi,j)}] \in (E'_{K,p})^{(\chi,j)}$ . For  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $j \in J_p$ , we define

$$u_{a,j} = \begin{cases} 1 & a \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ 2j - 1 & a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

**Proposition 3.2.** *For all odd integers  $a$  with  $3 \leq a \leq p - 2$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j \in J_p \setminus 2J_p} (1 - (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}} a^j) f_{i,j} \\ & + \sum_{j \in 2J_p} 2^{j-1} (2^j - 1) (a^j - 1) \left( 2^{j'-1} (1 - 2^{j'}) + u_{a,j'} (a - 1)^{j'} \right) e_{i,j} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Further, for any  $j \in J_p \setminus 2J_p$ ,

$$f_{i,j} + f_{i,j'} = 0.$$

### 3.3 $4p$ -cyclotomic field II

We fix  $p$  and  $i \in I_{4p,\chi} \subset J_p \setminus 2J_p$ . For  $j \in J_p$ , put

$$j' = 2 - i - j.$$

As in §2, we consider the following pairing:

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_{4p,\chi,i} : \quad & \bigoplus_{j \in J_p \setminus 2J_p} \left\{ (E'_{K,p})^{(\chi,j)} \times (E'_{K,p})^{(\chi^0,j')} \right. \\ & \left. \oplus (E'_{K,p})^{(\chi^0,j')} \times (E'_{K,p})^{(\chi,j)} \right\} \rightarrow (A_K/pA_K)^{(\chi,1-i)} \otimes \mu_p \\ & \begin{array}{l} (c_{4p}^{(\chi,j)}, c_p^{(j')}) \\ (c_p^{(j')}, c_{4p}^{(\chi,j)}) \end{array} \mapsto g_{i,j} = \langle c_{4p}^{(\chi,j)}, c_p^{(j')} \rangle_{4p,\chi,i} \\ & \mapsto g_{i,j'} = \langle c_p^{(j')}, c_{4p}^{(\chi,j)} \rangle_{4p,\chi,i}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c^{(j')} \in (E'_{k,p})^{(j')} \simeq (E'_{K,p})^{(j')}$ .

**Proposition 3.3.** *For all odd integers  $a$  with  $3 \leq a \leq p - 2$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j \in J_p \setminus 2J_p} \left\{ (1 - (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}} a^j) \left( 2^{j'-1} (1 - 2^{j'}) + u_{a,j'} (a - 1)^{j'} \right) g_{i,j} \right. \\ & \left. + 2^{j'-1} (2^{j'} - 1) (1 - a^{j'}) g_{i,j'} \right\} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

For all even integers  $a$  with  $4 \leq a \leq p-1$ ,

$$\sum_{j \in J_p \setminus 2J_p} \{2^{j'-1}(2^{j'} - 1) ((a-1)^{j'} - 1)g_{i,j} + (1 - (-1)^{\frac{a-2}{2}}(a-1)^j) \left(2^{j'-1}(1-2^{j'}) + u_{a+1,j'}a^{j'}\right) g_{i,j'}\} = 0.$$

Further, for any  $j \in J_p \setminus 2J_p$ ,

$$g_{i,j} + g_{i,j'} = 0.$$

### 3.4 Proofs of propositions

The anti-symmetry relation of each proposition is obtained from the anti-symmetry relation of  $K_2(K)$ . We prove the other relations by using special cyclotomic units. For  $n, a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$ , we define the following element of  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)$ :

$$\rho_{n,a} = \sum_{j=0}^{a-1} (-\zeta_n)^j = 1 - \zeta_n + \zeta_n^2 + \cdots + (-1)^{a-1} \zeta_n^{a-1}.$$

Then, we have

$$\rho_{n,a} = \frac{1 + (-1)^{a-1} \zeta_n^a}{1 + \zeta_n} = \begin{cases} \frac{1 - \zeta_n^a}{1 + \zeta_n} = \frac{(1 - \zeta_n^a)(1 - \zeta_n)}{1 - \zeta_n^2} & a \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \\ \frac{1 + \zeta_n^a}{1 + \zeta_n} = \frac{(1 - \zeta_n^{2a})(1 - \zeta_n)}{(1 - \zeta_n^a)(1 - \zeta_n^2)} & a \equiv 1 \pmod{2}. \end{cases} \quad (3.1)$$

For  $n = 4p$ , we have

$$1 - \zeta_{4p}^a = \begin{cases} 1 - \zeta_{4p}^a & a \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \\ \frac{1 - \zeta_p^{2a}}{1 - \zeta_p^a} & a \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ 1 - \zeta_p^a & a \equiv 0 \pmod{4}. \end{cases} \quad (3.2)$$

**Proposition 3.4.** (cf. [3, §5]) For  $n = p$  or  $4p$ , and  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $2 \leq a \leq p-1$ ,  $\rho_{n,a}$  and  $\rho_{n,a-1}$  are  $p$ -units in  $K$ . Further, the image  $\kappa_p([\rho_{n,a}, \rho_{n,a-1}])$  is trivial in  $H^2(G_{K,p}, \mu_p^{\otimes 2})$ , where  $[\rho_{n,a}, \rho_{n,a-1}]$  is the natural class of  $(\rho_{n,a}, \rho_{n,a-1})$  in  $E'_{K,p} \times E'_{K,p}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $1 - \zeta_p$  and  $1 - \zeta_{4p}$  are  $p$ -units in  $K$ , the first assertion follows immediately from the above expression. In the following,  $\{x, y\}$  denotes an element in  $K_2^M(K)/p$ . For  $n = p$ , it is easy to see that  $\{1 - \zeta_n^a, \zeta_n\} = a^{-1}\{1 - \zeta_n^a, \zeta_n^a\} = 0$  and  $\{\rho_{n,a}, \zeta_n\} = 0$ . For  $n = 4p$ , if  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ , we have  $\{1 - \zeta_n^a, \zeta_n\} = a^{-1}\{1 - \zeta_n^a, \zeta_n^a\} = 0$ . If  $a \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ , as  $\zeta_{4p} = \zeta_4 \zeta_p$ , we also have  $\{1 - \zeta_n^a, \zeta_n\} = \{1 - \zeta_n^a, \zeta_p\} = 0$  by the above expression. These imply that  $\{\rho_{n,a}, \zeta_n\} = 0$ . Since  $\zeta_n \rho_{n,a-1} = \zeta_n - \zeta_n^2 + \cdots + (-1)^{a-2} \zeta_n^{a-1} = 1 - \rho_{n,a}$ ,

$$\{\rho_{n,a}, \rho_{n,a-1}\} = \{\rho_{n,a}, \zeta_n\} + \{\rho_{n,a}, \rho_{n,a-1}\} = \{\rho_{n,a}, 1 - \rho_{n,a}\} = 0.$$

This implies the second assertion.  $\square$

Before the proofs of propositions, we give some equalities. For  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $(j, 4p) = 1$ , let  $\delta_j$  be an element of  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{4p})/\mathbb{Q})$  satisfying  $\zeta_{4p}^{\delta_j} = \zeta_{4p}^j$ . Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $1 \leq a \leq p-1$ . Then, there exists  $a' \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a' \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $a' \equiv a \pmod{p}$ . We have

$$[(1 - \zeta_p^a)^{(x^0:j)}] = [(1 - \zeta_p^a)^{\frac{1+x}{2}e\omega_j}] = [(1 - \zeta_p^a)^{(j)}] = [((1 - \zeta_p)^{\delta_{a'}})^{(j)}] = (c^{(j)})^{\omega^j(\delta_{a'})} = (c^{(j)})^{a^j} \quad (3.3)$$

and

$$[(1 - \zeta_p^a)^{(x;j)}] = [1]. \quad (3.4)$$

Further, if  $a \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ , we have

$$[(1 - \zeta_{4p}^a)^{(x^0;j)}] = [(1 - \zeta_{4p}^a)^{\frac{1+\tau}{2}e\omega_j}] = \left[ \left( \frac{1 - \zeta_p^{4a}}{1 - \zeta_p^{2a}} \right)^{(j)\frac{1}{2}} \right] = [(c^{(j)})^{2^{-1}(2a)^j(2^j-1)}] \quad (3.5)$$

and

$$[(1 - \zeta_{4p}^a)^{(x;j)}] = [((1 - \zeta_{4p})^{\delta_a})^{(x;j)}] = (c^{(x;j)})\chi\omega^{j(\delta_a)} = (c^{(x;j)})\chi(a)^{aj} = (c^{(x;j)})^{(-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}}a^j}. \quad (3.6)$$

**The first relation of Proposition 3.1.** By Proposition 3.4, we have

$$\{\rho_{p,a}, \rho_{p,a-1}\} = \left\{ \frac{(1 - \zeta_p^a)(1 - \zeta_p)}{1 - \zeta_p^2}, \frac{(1 - \zeta_p^{2(a-1)})(1 - \zeta_p)}{(1 - \zeta_p^{a-1})(1 - \zeta_p^2)} \right\} = 0.$$

By (3.3), the contribution of  $\rho_{p,a}^{(j)}$  to the coefficient is

$$a^j + 1 - 2^j,$$

and that of  $\rho_{p,a-1}^{(j')}$  is

$$(2(a-1))^{j'} + 1 - (a-1)^{j'} - 2^{j'} = (1 - 2^{j'})(1 - (a-1)^{j'}).$$

Therefore, we obtain the first relation.

**The first relation of Proposition 3.2.** By Proposition 3.4, we have

$$\{\rho_{4p,a}, \rho_{4p,a-1}\} = \left\{ \frac{(1 - \zeta_{4p}^{2a})(1 - \zeta_{4p})}{(1 - \zeta_{4p}^a)(1 - \zeta_{4p}^2)}, \frac{(1 - \zeta_{4p}^{a-1})(1 - \zeta_{4p})}{1 - \zeta_{4p}^2} \right\} = 0.$$

By (3.4) and (3.6), the contribution of  $\rho_{4p,a}^{(x;j)}$  to the coefficient is

$$1 - \chi(a)a^j = 1 - (-1)^{(a-1)/2}a^j,$$

and that of  $\rho_{4p,a-1}^{(x;j')}$  is 1. On the other hand, by (3.2), (3.3) and (3.5), the contribution of  $\rho_{4p,a}^{(x^0;j)}$  is

$$(4a)^j - (2a)^j + 2^{-1}2^j(2^j - 1) - 2^{-1}(2a)^j(2^j - 1) - (4^j - 2^j) = 2^{j-1}(2^j - 1)(a^j - 1),$$

and that of  $\rho_{4p,a-1}^{(x^0;j')}$  is

$$\begin{cases} (a-1)^{j'} + 2^{-1}2^{j'}(2^{j'} - 1) - (4^{j'} - 2^{j'}) = 2^{j'-1}(1 - 2^{j'}) + (a-1)^{j'} & a \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ (2(a-1))^{j'} - (a-1)^{j'} + 2^{-1}2^{j'}(2^{j'} - 1) - (4^{j'} - 2^{j'}) \\ \quad = 2^{j'-1}(1 - 2^{j'}) + (2^{j'} - 1)(a-1)^{j'} & a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, \end{cases}$$

that is,  $2^{j'-1}(1 - 2^{j'}) + u_{a,j'}(a-1)^{j'}$ . Therefore, we obtain the first relation.

**The first and second relations of Proposition 3.3.** For an odd integer  $a$ , by Proposition 3.4, we have

$$\{\rho_{4p,a}, \rho_{4p,a-1}\} = \left\{ \frac{(1 - \zeta_{4p}^{2a})(1 - \zeta_{4p})}{(1 - \zeta_{4p}^a)(1 - \zeta_{4p}^2)}, \frac{(1 - \zeta_{4p}^{a-1})(1 - \zeta_{4p})}{1 - \zeta_{4p}^2} \right\} = 0.$$

By (3.4) and (3.6), the contribution of  $\rho_{4p,a}^{(\chi,j)}$  to the coefficient is

$$1 - \chi(a)a^j = 1 - (-1)^{(a-1)/2}a^j,$$

and that of  $\rho_{4p,a-1}^{(\chi^0,j')}$  is

$$2^{j'-1}(1 - 2^{j'}) + u_{a,j'}(a - 1)^{j'}$$

as in Proposition 3.2.

On the other hand, by (3.2), (3.3) and (3.5), the contribution of  $\rho_{4p,a}^{(\chi^0,j')}$  is

$$2^{j'-1}(2^{j'} - 1)(a^{j'} - 1),$$

and that of  $\rho_{4p,a-1}^{(\chi,j)}$  is 1. Therefore, we obtain the first relation.

For an even integer  $a$ , by Proposition 3.4, we have

$$\{\rho_{4p,a}, \rho_{4p,a-1}\} = \left\{ \frac{(1 - \zeta_{4p}^a)(1 - \zeta_{4p})}{1 - \zeta_{4p}^2}, \frac{(1 - \zeta_{4p}^{2(a-1)})(1 - \zeta_{4p})}{(1 - \zeta_{4p}^{a-1})(1 - \zeta_{4p}^2)} \right\} = 0.$$

By (3.4) and (3.6), the contribution of  $\rho_{4p,a}^{(\chi,j)}$  to the coefficient is 1, and that of  $\rho_{4p,a-1}^{(\chi^0,j')}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} (4(a-1))^{j'} - (2(a-1))^{j'} + 2^{-1}2^{j'}(2^{j'} - 1) - (2^{-1}(2(a-1))^{j'}(2^{j'} - 1)) - (4^{j'} - 2^{j'}) \\ = 2^{j'-1}(2^{j'} - 1)((a-1)^{j'} - 1). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by (3.2), (3.3) and (3.5), the contribution of  $\rho_{4p,a}^{(\chi^0,j')}$  is

$$\begin{cases} a^{j'} + 2^{-1}2^{j'}(2^{j'} - 1) - (4^{j'} - 2^{j'}) & = 2^{j'-1}(1 - 2^{j'}) + a^{j'} & a \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ (2a)^{j'} - a^{j'} + 2^{-1}2^{j'}(2^{j'} - 1) - (4^{j'} - 2^{j'}) & = 2^{j'-1}(1 - 2^{j'}) + (2^{j'} - 1)a^{j'} & a \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, \end{cases}$$

that is,  $2^{j'-1}(1 - 2^{j'}) + u_{a+1,j'}a^{j'}$ . By (3.2), (3.4) and (3.6), that of  $\rho_{4p,a-1}^{(\chi,j)}$  is

$$1 - (-1)^{\frac{a-2}{2}}(a-1)^j.$$

Therefore, we obtain the second relation.

## 4 Proof of Theorem 1.2

Theorem 1.2 is obtained from numerical results under the following conjecture.

**Conjecture 4.1.**  $\kappa_{p,i}$  and  $\kappa_{4p,i}$  (resp.  $\kappa_{4p,\chi,i}$ ) are nontrivial for all  $p$  and  $i \in I_p$ , (resp.  $I_{p,\chi}$ ).



## 4.1 The $p$ -cyclotomic field

Following computation in [5], we compute up to  $p < 2^{16} = 65,536$ .

Table 2. The distribution of  $p$  with  $r_p = r$ .

$r$	0	1	2	3	4	$\geq 5$
The number of $p$	3976	1979	497	86	4	0

Under Conjecture 4.1, we obtain the following table.

Table 3. The distribution of  $(p, i)$  with  $z_{p,i} = m$ .

$m$	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$\#\{p, i \equiv (1, 0) \pmod{4}\}$	642	0	155	0	19	0	0	0	0
$\#\{p, i \equiv (1, 2) \pmod{4}\}$	0	0	597	0	165	0	19	0	2
$\#\{p, i \equiv (3, 0) \pmod{4}\}$	0	636	0	154	0	22	0	0	0
$\#\{p, i \equiv (3, 2) \pmod{4}\}$	0	648	0	166	0	20	0	2	0

Put  $z_{p,i} = \#\{j \in 2J_p \mid e_{i,j} = 0\}$ . First, we note that there are pairs of zeros by anti-symmetry  $e_{i,j} = -e_{i,j'}$  when  $j \neq j'$ . In this paper, “index zeros” mean the pair of zeros which come from the index  $i$ , and “self zeros” mean zeros which come from the relation  $\langle c, c \rangle = 0$ . The other zeros are called “nontrivial zeros”. We denote by  $2z'_{p,i}$  the number of “nontrivial zeros” for  $p$  and  $i$ . By definition, we have

$$z_{p,i} = \#\{\text{nontrivial zeros}\} + \#\{\text{index zeros}\} + \#\{\text{self zeros}\}.$$

Since the number of index zeros is 2, we have

$$z_{p,i} = 2z'_{p,i} + 2 + \begin{cases} 0 & (p, i) \equiv (1, 0) \pmod{4} \\ 2 & (p, i) \equiv (1, 2) \pmod{4} \\ 1 & p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

The distribution of  $z'_{p,i}$  is similar to the Poisson distribution  $Po(1/4)$  as follows.

Table 4. The distribution of  $(p, i)$  with  $z'_{p,i} = m$ .

$m$	0	1	2	3
The number of $(p, i)$	2523	640	80	4
ratio	0.77702	0.19711	0.02464	0.00123
$Po(1/4)$	0.77880	0.19470	0.02434	0.00203

In the following examples, we write the ratio of  $e_{i,j}/e_{i,0}$ . There is no pair  $(p, i)$  with  $e_{i,0} = 0$  in  $p < 2^{16}$ . We add the subscript  $j$  to zeros.

### Example 4.1.

(1)  $z_{101,68} = 4 = 2 + 2 + 0$  (nontrivial: 46-88, index: 66-68)

1, 84, 84, 89, 35, 29, 48, 15, 70, 31, 86, 53, 72, 66, 12, 17, 17, 100, 45, 61, 5, 75, 38,  $0_{46}$ , 40, 20, 30, 66, 9, 28, 37, 95, 13,  $0_{66}$ ,  $0_{68}$ , 88, 6, 64, 73, 92, 35, 71, 81, 61,  $0_{88}$ , 63, 26, 96, 40, 56.

(2)  $z_{379,100} = 3 = 0 + 2 + 1$  (index: 100-180, self: 140)

1, 97, ..., 279, 159,  $0_{100}$ , 258, ..., 168,  $0_{140}$ , 211, 173, ..., 140, 121,  $0_{180}$ , 220, ..., 140, 206.

(3)  $z_{379,174} = 3 = 0 + 2 + 1$  (index: 32-174, self: 292)

1, 310, ..., 51,  $0_{32}$ , 44, 143, ..., 236, 335,  $0_{174}$ , 328, 270, ..., 325, 2,  $0_{292}$ , 377, 54, ..., 91, 63.

## 4.2 The $4p$ -cyclotomic field I

Put  $z_{4p,i} = \#\{j \in J_p \setminus 2J_p \mid f_{i,j} = 0\}$ . Under Conjecture 4.1, we obtain the following tables.

Table 5. The distribution of of  $(p, i)$  with  $z_{4p,i} = m$ .

$m$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$\#\{(p, i) \equiv (1, 0) \pmod{4}\}$	0	0	617	0	180	0	16	0	3
$\#\{(p, i) \equiv (1, 2) \pmod{4}\}$	612	0	152	0	17	0	2	0	0
$\#\{(p, i) \equiv (3, 0) \pmod{4}\}$	0	620	0	171	0	20	0	1	0
$\#\{(p, i) \equiv (3, 2) \pmod{4}\}$	0	666	0	153	0	16	0	1	0

We can classify zeros into three types of zeros as in the  $p$ -cyclotomic case. Then, since the number of index zeros is 0,  $z_{4p,i} = \#\{\text{nontrivial zeros}\} + \#\{\text{self zeros}\}$ :

$$z_{4p,i} = 2z'_{4p,i} + \begin{cases} 2 & (p, i) \equiv (1, 0) \pmod{4} \\ 0 & (p, i) \equiv (1, 2) \pmod{4} \\ 1 & p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

The distribution of  $z'_{4p,i}$  is also similar to the Poisson distribution  $Po(1/4)$  as follows.

Table 6. The distribution of  $(p, i)$  with  $z'_{4p,i} = m$ .

$m$	0	1	2	3
The number of $(p, i)$	2515	656	69	7
ratio	0.77456	0.20203	0.02125	0.00216
$Po(1/4)$	0.77880	0.19470	0.02434	0.00203

In the following examples, we write the ratio of  $f_{i,j}/e_{i,0}$ . We add the subscript  $j$  to zeros.

### Example 4.2.

- (1)  $z_{4 \cdot 379, 100} = 3 = 2 + 1$  (nontrivial: 317-341, self: 329)  
2, 98, ..., 137,  $0_{317}$ , 212, 13, 262, 310, 227,  $0_{329}$ , 152, 69, 117, 366, 167,  $0_{341}$ , 242, ..., 45, 5.
- (2)  $z_{4 \cdot 379, 174} = 3 = 2 + 1$  (nontrivial: 267-317, self: 103)  
306, 29, ..., 193, 121,  $0_{103}$ , 258, ..., 225,  $0_{267}$ , 89, ..., 347, 290,  $0_{317}$ , 154, 124, ..., 36, 141.
- (3)  $z_{4 \cdot 929, 820} = 6 = 4 + 2$  (nontrivial: 1-109, 139-899, self: 55, 519)  
 $0_1$ , 383, ..., 68,  $0_{55}$ , 861, 670, 750, ..., 7, 546,  $0_{110}$ , 110, 75, ..., 69, 394,  $0_{139}$ , 272, 299, ..., 804, 829, 104, 461,  $0_{519}$ , 468, 825, ..., 630, 657,  $0_{899}$ , 535, 860, ..., 854, 819.

The zeros  $0_{317}$  in (1) and (2) are very rare, because they come from the nontriviality of the  $p$ -part of the ideal class group of  $K^+$ . In other words, they come from the nontriviality of  $\chi_{-4}$ -part of  $K_{4m+2}(\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-1}])[p]$ , where  $p = 379$  is the unique prime number satisfying the nontriviality in  $p < 20,000,000$  (cf. [7, 8, 9]).

The zeros  $0_1$  in (3) is rare, because there is only one pair  $(p, i) = (929, 820)$  satisfying the condition in  $p < 2^{16}$  and  $i \in I_p$ .

## 4.3 The $4p$ -cyclotomic field II

Table 7. The distribution of  $p$  with  $r_{4p,\chi} = r$ .

$r$	0	1	2	3	4	5	$\geq 6$
The number of $p$	3960	1993	492	80	14	3	0

Put  $z_{4p,\chi,i} = \#\{j \in J_p \mid g_{i,j} = 0\}$ . Under Conjecture 4.1, we obtain the following tables except for  $(p, i) = (9511, 2221)$ ,  $(12073, 7547)$ ,  $(13367, 5331)$ ,  $(30241, 19981)$ ,  $(31649, 8903)$ , for which the relations in Proposition 3.2 is clearly insufficient, because  $2^{2-i} \equiv 1$  or  $2 \pmod{p}$  (cf. [3, §5]).

Table 8. The distribution of of  $(p, i)$  with  $z_{4p, \chi, i} = m$ .

$m$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$\#\{p, i\} \equiv (1, 1) \pmod{4}$	0	0	478	0	244	0	58	0	16	0	1
$\#\{p, i\} \equiv (1, 3) \pmod{4}$	0	0	504	0	235	0	63	0	11	0	1
$\#\{p, i\} \equiv (3, 1) \pmod{4}$	0	0	511	0	259	0	64	0	10	0	2
$\#\{p, i\} \equiv (3, 3) \pmod{4}$	0	0	520	0	235	0	56	0	13	0	1

Here  $z_{4p, \chi, i}$  is even, because  $g_{i, j} = -g_{i, j'}$  with  $j \not\equiv j' \pmod{2}$ . We can classify zeros into three types of zeros as in the  $p$ -cyclotomic case. Then, since the number of self zeros is 0,  $z_{4p, \chi, i} = \#\{\text{nontrivial zeros}\} + \#\{\text{index zeros}\}$ :

$$z_{4p, \chi, i} = 2z'_{p, \chi, i} + 2.$$

The distribution of  $z'_{4p, \chi, i}$  is similar to the Poisson distribution  $Po(1/2)$  as follows.

Table 9. The distribution of  $(p, i)$  with  $z'_{4p, \chi, i} = m$ .

$m$	0	1	2	3	4	5
The number of $(p, i)$	2013	973	241	50	5	1
ratio	0.61316	0.29638	0.07341	0.01523	0.00152	0.00030
$Po(1/2)$	0.60653	0.30327	0.07582	0.01264	0.00158	0.00016

In the following examples, we write the ratio of  $g_{i, j}/g_{i, 1}$  (resp.  $g_{i, j}/g_{i, p-2}$ ) if  $g_{i, 1} \neq 0$  (resp.  $g_{i, 1} = 0$ ). We add the subscript  $j$  to zeros.

**Example 4.3.**

(1)  $z_{4 \cdot 379, \chi, 317} = 2 = 0 + 2$  (index: 317-317')

1, 109, ..., 285, 369,  $0_{317}$ , 331, 119, ..., 354, 222,

-1, -109, ..., -285, -369,  $0_{317'}$ , -331, -119, ..., -354, -222.

(2)  $z_{4 \cdot 941, \chi, 687} = 2 = 0 + 2$  (nontrivial 1-1', index: 687-687')

$0_1$ , 413, 589, 110, ..., 257, 437,  $0_{687}$ , 314, 569, 300, 212, ..., 462, 331, 596, 13, 1,

$0_{1'}$ , -413, -589, -110, ..., -257, -437,  $0_{687'}$ , -314, -569, -300, -212, ..., -462, -331, -596, -13, -1.

The zero  $0_1$  in (2) is rare, because there is only one pair  $(p, i) = (941, 887)$  satisfying the condition in  $p < 2^{16}$  and  $i \in I_{4p, \chi}$ . There is no zero  $0_j$  with  $j \equiv 2 - i \pmod{p-1}$  and  $j' \equiv 0 \pmod{p-1}$  in the range.

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