

Algebraic number theory Assignment 03

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$$d = 58.$$

d and $-d$ are not $1 \pmod{4}$. So we consider the two rings $A = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{58}]$ and $B = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-58}]$.

Class group $Cl(A)$

Minkowski bound: $1 \times \sqrt{58} \simeq 7.62 \leq 8$.

So $Cl(A)$ is generated by prime ideals of norm at most 7. Then we consider the prime numbers 2, 3, 5 and 7.

• 2

$58 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, 0 is a square. So we consider the homomorphism:

$$h_2 : \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{58}] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$
$$a + b\sqrt{58} \mapsto \bar{a} + \bar{b} \cdot \bar{0} = \bar{a}.$$

We have $P_2 = \ker h_2 = (2, \sqrt{58})$ and $(2) = P_2^2$

• 3

$58 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$, 1 is a square. So we consider the two homomorphisms:

$$h_3 : \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{58}] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$$
$$a + b\sqrt{58} \mapsto \bar{a} + \bar{b} \cdot \bar{1} = \bar{a} + \bar{b}$$

$$h'_3 : \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{58}] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$$
$$a + b\sqrt{58} \mapsto \bar{a} + \bar{b} \cdot (-1) = \bar{a} - \bar{b}.$$

We have $P_3 = \ker h_3 = (3, \sqrt{58} - 1)$ and $Q_3 = \ker h'_3 = (3, \sqrt{58} + 1)$. So $(3) = P_3 Q_3$

• 5

$58 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$, 3 is not a square $\pmod{5}$. Thus 5 is inert.

• 7 $58 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$, 1 is a square. So we consider the two homomorphisms:

$$h_7 : \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{58}] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z}$$
$$a + b\sqrt{58} \mapsto \bar{a} + \bar{b} \cdot \bar{3} = \bar{a} + \bar{3}\bar{b}$$

$$h'_7 : \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{58}] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z}$$
$$a + b\sqrt{58} \mapsto \bar{a} + \bar{b} \cdot (-3) = \bar{a} - \bar{3}\bar{b}$$

We have $P_7 = \ker h_7 = (7, \sqrt{58} - 3)$ and $Q_7 = \ker h'_7 = (7, \sqrt{58} + 3)$. So $(7) = P_7 Q_7$

The irreducible polynomial of $\sqrt{58}$ in $\mathbb{Z}[X]$ is $f = X^2 - 58$.

We consider the table below giving the norm $N(k - \sqrt{58})$ of some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$:

k	2	3	4	8
f(k)	-54	-49	-42	6
f(k)	$-1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3^3$	$-1 \cdot 7^2$	$-1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7$	$2 \cdot 3$

From the table we have:

• $(8 - \sqrt{58})(8 + \sqrt{58}) = P_2^2 P_3 Q_3$. Moreover $h'_3(8 - \sqrt{58}) = 0$.

So $8 - \sqrt{58} \in Q_3$ and we have $(8 - \sqrt{58}) = P_2 Q_3$.

It follows that $[P_2] + [Q_2] = 0$ and we can delete Q_3 from the generators.

Since $[P_3] + [Q_3] = 0$ we also delete P_3 from the generators.

• $(4 - \sqrt{58})(4 + \sqrt{58}) = P_2^2 P_3 Q_3 P_7 Q_7$

As in the previous case, $4 - \sqrt{58}$ is an element of P_3 , and Q_7 .

So $(4 - \sqrt{58}) = P_2 P_3 Q_7$, implying $[P_2] + [P_3] + [Q_7] = 0$ and $[Q_7] = -[P_2] - [P_3]$. Then we delete Q_7 and P_7 from the generators.

As a result, P_3, Q_3, P_7, Q_7 have been deleted from the list of generators.

Therefore the only remaining generator is $P_2 = (2, \sqrt{58})$.

Now shall check if P_2 is principal.

Suppose it is the case. Then, either $\sqrt{58}$ is a multiple of 2 in which case $P_2 = (2)$, either (2) is a multiple of $\sqrt{58}$ in which case $P_2 = (\sqrt{58})$.

- If $\sqrt{58}$ is a multiple of 2, there is $\alpha = a + b\sqrt{58} \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{58}]$ such that $\sqrt{58} = 2\alpha$.

Then:

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{58} &= 2(a + b\sqrt{58}) \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sqrt{58} = 2b\sqrt{58} \\ 0 = 2a \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2b = 1 \\ 0 = 2a, \text{ there is a contradiction because } b \in \mathbb{Z} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

- If 2 is a multiple of $\sqrt{58}$, there is $\beta = c + d\sqrt{58} \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{58}]$ such that $2 = \beta\sqrt{58}$.

Then:

$$\begin{aligned}2 &= \sqrt{58}(c + d\sqrt{58}) \\ \Rightarrow 2 &= c\sqrt{58} + 58d \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c\sqrt{58} = 0 \\ 58d = 2 \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c = 0 \\ 58d = 2, \text{ there is a contradiction because } d \in \mathbb{Z} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore P_2 is not principal and since $P_2^2 = (2)$ is principal then $[P_2]$ is of order 2 in $Cl(A)$.

We conclude that $Cl(A) = \langle [P_2] \rangle$ is a group of order 2 and is therefore isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$.

Unit group A^*

From the table, we have $N(2 - \sqrt{58}) = -2 \times 3^3$. So $(2 - \sqrt{58})(2 + \sqrt{58}) = P_2^2 P_3^3 Q_3^3$.

But $h'_3(2 - \sqrt{58}) = 0$ and so $2 - \sqrt{58} \in Q_3$.

Thus $(2 - \sqrt{58}) = P_2 Q_3^3$ and then $(2)(2 - \sqrt{58}) = (4 - 2\sqrt{58}) = P_2^2 P_2 Q_3^3 = P_2^3 Q_3^3$.

We saw above that $(8 - \sqrt{58}) = P_3 Q_3$. So $(4 - 2\sqrt{58}) = (8 - \sqrt{58})^3$.

It follows that $\frac{(8 - \sqrt{58})^3}{4 - 2\sqrt{58}}$ is a unit.

Let's compute that unit. We have:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{(8 - \sqrt{58})^3}{4 - 2\sqrt{58}} &= \frac{(64 - 16\sqrt{58} + 58)(8 - \sqrt{58})}{4 - 2\sqrt{58}} \\ &= \frac{1904 - 250\sqrt{58}}{4 - 2\sqrt{58}} \\ &= \frac{(1904 - 250\sqrt{58})(4 + 2\sqrt{58})}{-216} \\ &= -\frac{7616 + 3808\sqrt{58} - 1000\sqrt{58} - 29000}{216} \\ &= \frac{21384 - 2808\sqrt{58}}{216} \\ &= 99 - 13\sqrt{58}\end{aligned}$$

Verification:

$$\begin{aligned}(99 - 13\sqrt{58}) \times (99 + 13\sqrt{58}) &= 99^2 - 13^2 \times 58 \\ &= 9801 - 9802 \\ &= -1\end{aligned}$$

We conclude that

$$A^* = \left\{ \pm \epsilon^k : k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}, \text{ with } \epsilon = 99 - 13\sqrt{58}$$

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Class group $Cl(B)$

Minkowski bound: $\frac{4}{\pi} \times \sqrt{58} \simeq 9.7 \leq 10$.

So $Cl(B)$ is generated by prime ideals of norm at most 9. Then we consider the prime numbers 2, 3, 5 and 7.

• 2

$-58 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, 0 is a square. So we consider the homomorphism:

$$H_2 : \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-58}] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

$$a + b\sqrt{-58} \mapsto \bar{a} + \bar{b}\bar{0} = \bar{a}.$$

We have $P_2 = \ker H_2 = (2, \sqrt{-58})$ and $(2) = P_2^2$

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So $Cl(B)$ is generated by $P_2 = (2, \sqrt{-58})$.

Let's check if P_2 is principal.

Suppose P_2 is principal. Then, either $\sqrt{-58}$ is a multiple of 2 in which case $P_2 = (2)$, either (2) is a multiple of $\sqrt{-58}$ in which case $P_2 = (\sqrt{-58})$.

• If $\sqrt{-58}$ is a multiple of 2, there is $\alpha = a + b\sqrt{-58} \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-58}]$ such that $\sqrt{-58} = 2\alpha$.

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{-58} &= 2(a + b\sqrt{-58}) \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sqrt{-58} &= 2b\sqrt{-58} \\ 0 &= 2a \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2b &= 1 \\ 0 &= 2a, \text{ there is a contradiction because } b \in \mathbb{Z} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

• If 2 is a multiple of $\sqrt{-58}$, there is $\beta = c + d\sqrt{-58} \in \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-58}]$ such that $2 = \beta\sqrt{-58}$.

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &= \sqrt{-58}(c + d\sqrt{-58}) \\ \Rightarrow 2 &= c\sqrt{-58} - 58d \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c\sqrt{-58} &= 0 \\ -58d &= 2 \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c &= 0 \\ -58d &= 2, \text{ there is a contradiction because } d \in \mathbb{Z} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore P_2 is not principal and since $P_2^2 = (2)$ is principal then $[P_2]$ is of order 2 in $Cl(B)$.

We conclude that $Cl(B) = \langle [P_2] \rangle$ is a group of order 2 and is therefore isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$.

Unit group B^*

Let $X = x + y\sqrt{-58} \in B$.

Note in our case the norm is positive.

So we have:

$$\begin{aligned} X \in B^* &\Leftrightarrow N(X) = 1 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^2 + 58y^2 = 1 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x = \pm 1 \\ y = 0 \end{cases} \\ &\Leftrightarrow X = \pm 1 \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that

$$B^* = \left\{ \pm 1 \right\}$$