

# Math 129 Problem Set 10

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**Problem 6.11.** Show that if  $\mathcal{O}_K = \mathbb{Z}$  and  $m$  is any nonzero integer, then  $G_{(m)}^+$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_m^\times$ .

First let's describe the equivalence relation  $\sim_{(m)}^+$ . Two ideals  $I, J \subset \mathcal{O}_K$  are equivalent under this relationship if there exist  $\alpha I = \beta J$  where  $\alpha \equiv \beta \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$ . Since  $\mathcal{O}_K = \mathbb{Z}$  is a PID, ideals are of the form  $I = (a), J = (b)$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Since  $(\alpha a) = (\beta b)$  is equivalent to  $\alpha a = \pm \beta b$ , and this implies that  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ , there is a one to one correspondence between elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_m^\times$  and equivalence classes under  $\sim_{(m)}^+$ . This correspondence behaves well with respect to multiplication so  $G_{(m)}^+ \cong \mathbb{Z}_m^\times$ .

**Problem 6.12.** Let  $U_M^+$  denote the group of totally positive units in  $\mathcal{O}_K$  satisfying  $u \equiv 1 \pmod{M}$ . Show that  $U_M^+$  is a free abelian group of rank  $r + s - 1$ .

In Problem 6.5, it is proved that if the field  $K$  has at least one real embedding, then  $U^+$ , the group of all totally positive units is a free abelian group of rank  $r + s - 1$ . Let  $u_1, \dots, u_{r+s-1}$  be some basis for  $U^+$ . For every  $u_i$ , there is some  $k_i \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $u_i^{k_i} \equiv 1 \pmod{M}$ . Then the free module generated by  $u_i^{k_i}$  has rank  $r + s - 1$ , and since  $U_M^+ \subset U_+$  which has rank  $r + s - 1$ , it follows that  $U_M^+$  also has rank  $r + s - 1$ .

**Problem 6.13.** Modify the proof of Theorem 39 to yield the following improvement: If  $C$  is any ray class (equivalence under  $\sim_M^+$ ), then (with the obvious notation) we have

$$i_C(t) = \kappa_M^+ t + \varepsilon_C(t)$$

where  $\kappa_M^+$  is independent of  $C$  and  $\varepsilon_C(t)$  is  $O(t^{1-1/n})$ .

The proof is essentially unchanged, we know that  $U_M^+$  is a free abelian group of rank  $r + s - 1$ , and we get the same lattice behavior and properties as for the non ray class group. The only crucial difference is that  $\kappa_M^+$  would be smaller since ray classes are smaller than ordinary ideal classes.

**Problem 6.14.** Let  $u_1, \dots, u_{r+s-1}$  be any  $r+s-1$  units in a number ring  $\mathcal{O}_K$  and let  $G$  be the subgroup of  $U = \mathcal{O}_K^\times$  generated by all  $u_i$  and all roots of unity in  $\mathcal{O}_K$ . Let  $\Lambda_G$  be the sublattice of  $\Lambda_U$  consisting of the log vectors of units in  $G$ .

- (a) Prove that the factor groups  $U/G$  and  $\Lambda_U/\Lambda_G$  are isomorphic.
- (b) Prove that the log vectors of the  $u_i$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{R}$  iff  $U/G$  is finite.
- (c) Define the regulator  $\text{reg}(u_1, \dots, u_{r+s-1})$  to be the absolute value of the determinant formed from the log vectors of the  $u_i$  along with any vector having coordinate sum 1. Show that  $U/G$  is finite iff  $\text{reg}(u_1, \dots, u_{r+s-1}) \neq 0$ .
- (d) Assuming that  $\text{reg}(u_1, \dots, u_{r+s-1}) \neq 0$ , prove that

$$\text{reg}(u_1, \dots, u_{r+s-1}) = |U/G| \cdot \text{reg}(R).$$

(a) Recall that we have an (injective) embedding of  $K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{r+2s}$  which restricts to an embedding  $\lambda : \mathcal{O}_K \rightarrow \Lambda_K$ , where  $\Lambda_K$  is the fundamental lattice of the number field. This embedding is also an additive homomorphism, so we have a surjective map  $U \rightarrow \Lambda_U/\Lambda_G$  which takes an  $\alpha$  and maps it to  $\lambda(\alpha) + \Lambda_G$ . The kernel of this map is the set of  $\alpha$  such that  $\lambda(\alpha) \in \Lambda_G$ , which is exactly  $G$ . So the first isomorphism theorem gives us a canonical isomorphism  $U/G \rightarrow \Lambda_U/\Lambda_G$ .

(b) Suppose first that the log vectors of the  $u_i$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then letting  $\log : \Lambda_K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{r+s}$  be the standard log map, it follows that  $\log(u_1, \dots, u_{r+s-1})$  is a  $r+s-1$  dimensional sublattice of  $\log \Lambda_K$ . Thus the quotient is finite. If the quotient is infinite, we get a clear contradiction which shows that the log vectors aren't linearly independent.

**Problem 7.1.** Fill in details in the proof of Theorem 42:

- (a) Show that

$$1 - \frac{1}{2^s} + \frac{1}{3^s} - \frac{1}{4^s} + \dots = (1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s)$$

for  $s > 1$ .

- (b) Verify that  $1 - 2^{1-s}$  has a simple zero at  $s = 1$ .

- (a) Observe that

$$(1 - 2^{1-s})\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)^s} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^s} + \frac{1}{3^s} - \frac{1}{4^s} + \dots$$

- (b) First we'll expand  $1 - 2^{1-s}$  as a power series. Note that

$$2^z = e^{z \log 2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z \log 2)^n}{n!}$$

so  $1 - 2^{1-s}$  has the power series

$$1 - 2^{1-s} = 1 - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^n \log^n 2}{n!} = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^n \log^n 2}{n!} = (s-1) \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-s)^{n-1} \log^n 2}{n!} \right).$$

The second part of the factor has simple form, and the power of  $(s-1)$  is one, so the zero at 1 is simple.

**Problem 7.3.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be disjoint sets of primes in a number field. Show that

$$\delta(A \cup B) = \delta(A) + \delta(B)$$

if all of these polar densities exist, and that if any two of them exist, then so does the third.

First suppose all the polar densities exist. By definition, we have  $\zeta_{K,A}(s) = (s-1)^{n\delta(A)}g_A(s)$  for some analytic function  $g_A(s)$  which is defined and nonzero at  $s = 1$ . We have the same for  $\zeta_{K,B}(s)$ . Then,

$$\zeta_{K,A \cup B}(s) = \prod_{\mathfrak{p} \in A \cup B} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\|\mathfrak{p}\|^s}\right)^{-1} = \prod_{\mathfrak{p} \in A} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\|\mathfrak{p}\|^s}\right)^{-1} \prod_{\mathfrak{p} \in B} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\|\mathfrak{p}\|^s}\right)^{-1}$$

which can be extended to a function  $(s-1)^{n(\delta(A)+\delta(B))}g_A(s)g_B(s)$ , and so  $\delta(A \cup B) = \delta(A) + \delta(B)$ . Now suppose that two of them exist; there are two cases to consider. If both  $\delta(A)$  and  $\delta(B)$  exist, then the above argument shows that  $\delta(A \cup B)$  must also exist. To address the other case, suppose without loss of generality that  $\delta(A)$  and  $\delta(A \cup B)$  exist. Then

$$\zeta_{K,B}(s) = \frac{\zeta_{K,A \cup B}(s)}{\zeta_{K,A}(s)}$$

so any extension of the two that exist gives an extension to  $\zeta_{K,B}(s)$  giving a well defined density.

**Problem 7.6.** Let  $H$  be a proper subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}_m^*$ . Give an elementary proof, using nothing more than the Chinese remainder theorem that there are infinitely many primes  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\bar{p} \notin H$ .

Suppose for the sake of contradiction that there were a finite number of primes  $p_1, \dots, p_k$  with  $\bar{p}_i \notin H$ . Let  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  be an integer congruent to 1 mod  $p_i$  for all  $i$  (This works by Chinese remainder theorem) and  $\bar{x} \notin H$ . We can ensure the second part since all  $x + np_1 \cdots p_k$  are solutions for some fundamental solution  $x < p_1 \cdots p_k$ . Then