

THE CLASS NUMBER OF ORDERS IN A QUATERNION ALGEBRA OVER A DYADIC LOCAL FIELD

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ABSTRACT. We find the class number of orders in a quaternion algebra over a dyadic local field.

1. Introduction

A quaternion algebra over a field F means a semi simple algebra of dimension 4 over k . It is known that there are three kinds of primitive orders in quaternion algebras over a local field. An order R of a quaternion algebra A over a local field k is called primitive if it satisfies one of following conditions. If A is a division algebra, R contains the full ring of integers of a quadratic extension field of k . If A is isomorphic to $\text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(k)$, then R contains a subset which is isomorphic either to $\mathfrak{o}_k \oplus \mathfrak{o}_k$ where \mathfrak{o}_k is the ring of integers in k , or to the full ring of integers in a quadratic extension field of k . The arithmetic properties of first two types of primitive orders were studied in [4], [5]. For the remaining type was studied in [6] only for the nondyadic local field case. In this paper we study the remaining type over a dyadic local field and we compute the class number of primitive orders over a dyadic local field.

2. Orders

In this section, we summarize the arithmetic theory of a quaternion algebra and its order.

A lattice on A is a finitely generated \mathbb{Z} module containing a base of A over \mathbb{Q} . An order of A is a lattice on A which is also a subring with 1.

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The analogous definitions hold for lattices and orders in $A_p = A \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p$ for a prime p .

Throughout this paper we assume that k is a dyadic local field. Let \mathfrak{o} denote the ring of integers in k , \mathfrak{p} the maximal ideal of \mathfrak{o} . By $\Delta(\alpha)$, we denote the discriminant of α .

$$\Delta(\alpha) = \text{Tr}(\alpha)^2 - 4N(\alpha),$$

where Tr and N are the trace and norm of L over k respectively, where L is a quadratic extension field of k . If Γ is an \mathfrak{o} algebra of rank 2 contained in L , then $\Gamma = \mathfrak{o} + \mathfrak{o}x$ and the discriminant of Γ is

$$\Delta(\Gamma) = \Delta(x) \pmod{U^2},$$

where U is the set of all units in \mathfrak{o} .

Let $\mathfrak{o}^2 - 4\mathfrak{o} = \{s^2 - 4n \mid s, n \in \mathfrak{o}\}$. Then we consider the set of all possible discriminants $(\mathfrak{o}^2 - 4\mathfrak{o})/U^2$. Note that $\Delta_\sigma^* \neq \phi$ only if $\sigma = 2\rho, 0 \leq \rho \leq e$ or $\sigma = 2e + 1$ where $e = \text{ord}_k(2)$. Let

$$\Delta^* = \bigcup_{\sigma=0}^{\infty} \Delta_\sigma^* = \left(\bigcup_{\rho=0}^e \Delta_{2\rho}^* \right) \cup \Delta_{2e+1}^*.$$

Then we know Γ is a maximal order of a quadratic extension field of k if and only if $\Delta(\Gamma) \in \Delta^*$. If $e > 0$ and $1 \leq \rho \leq e$

$$\Delta_{2\rho}^* = \pi^{2\rho}(U^2 + \pi^{2e-2\rho+1}U)/U^2.$$

There is a bijective correspondence between elements of Δ^* and quadratic extension fields of k given by $\Delta(\Gamma) \rightarrow \Gamma \otimes \mathfrak{o}_k$ for $\Delta(\Gamma)$, an element of Δ^* .

Thus we can classify all quadratic extension fields of a dyadic local field k as follows: Δ_0^* contains one point which corresponds to a unique unramified quadratic extension of k and

$$\Delta_{2e+1}^* = \pi^{2e+1}U/U^2$$

contains $2q^2$ points representatives where $q = |\mathfrak{o}/\mathfrak{p}|$.

DEFINITION 1. Let L be a quadratic extension of k . We define

$$t = t(L) = \text{ord}_k(\Delta(L)) - 1.$$

REMARK. Note that if L is an unramified extension field of k , then $t = -1$. On the other hand, if L is a ramified extension field of a dyadic field k , then $t > 0$ (see 1.3 in [5]).

Let A be a rational quaternion algebra ramified precisely at the odd prime q and ∞ . That is, $A_q = A \otimes \mathbb{Q}_q$ and $A_\infty = A \otimes \mathbb{R}$ are division algebras. Otherwise, $A_p = A \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p$ is isomorphic to a 2×2 matrix algebra, $M_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ for a finite prime $p \neq q$ (see [6]).

Fix a prime $p \neq q$ and let L be a quadratic extension field of \mathbb{Q}_p . Then $\left\{ \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \bar{\alpha} \end{smallmatrix} \right) \middle| \alpha, \beta \in L \right\}$ is a quaternion algebra over \mathbb{Q}_p (see [7], [11]).

Let $\left\{ \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \bar{\alpha} \end{smallmatrix} \right) \middle| \alpha, \beta \in L \right\} = L + \xi L$, where $\xi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Then $\xi\alpha = \bar{\alpha}\xi, \xi^2 = 1$ and $\bar{\xi} = -\xi$.

Hence, we can define the norm of an element in A as its determinant.

Let \mathfrak{o} and p be the ring of integers and the prime of k . Let L be a quadratic extension field of k and let P_L be the prime ideal of \mathcal{O}_L which is the ring of integers in L . Finally let Δ be the discriminant of L over k . In [7], we have computed that the possibilities of an order, R of A_2 containing \mathcal{O}_L . We state the results in the following theorem.

THEOREM 2.1. *Let the notations be as above. If an order R of A_2 contains \mathcal{O}_L , then R is one of the followings.*

- (i) *If 2 is a unramified prime in L , $R = \mathcal{O}_L + \xi P_L^\nu$.*
- (ii) *If 2 is a ramified prime in L , $R = \mathcal{O}_L + (1 + \xi)P_L^{\nu-t-1}$ or $\bar{R}_\nu = \mathcal{O}_L + (1 - \xi)P_L^{\nu-t-1}$, where $t = \text{ord}_L(\Delta)$.*

Here, ν is a nonnegative integer.

Proof. See [7]. □

DEFINITION 2. Let A be a rational quaternion algebra ramified precisely at one finite prime q and ∞ . An order M of A has level $\bar{N} = (q; L(2), \nu)$ if

- (i) $M \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ is the maximal order of $A \otimes \mathbb{Q}_p$ for an odd prime p ,
- (ii) there exists a quadratic extension field $L(2)$ of \mathbb{Q}_2 and a nonnegative integer ν (which is even if $L(2)$ is unramified) such that an order of A_2 containing the ring of integers of $L(2)$ is either R_ν or \bar{R}_ν .

If L is ramified, then an order of A_2 is either R_ν or \bar{R}_ν . The relation between R_ν and \bar{R}_ν is as follows. Let $e = \text{ord}_k 2$. Then $\text{ord}_L 2 = 2e$. Thus if $t < 2e$, then $R_0 = \bar{R}_0$. If $t = 2e$, $R_0 \neq \bar{R}_0$ and $R_1 = \bar{R}_1$ (see remark 1.8 in [4]).

Thus we have the following lemma.

LEMMA 2.2. *If R_ν is an order of A_2 containing the ring of integers of L , then*

1. if L is unramified,

$$R_{2\nu}(L) \subset R_{2\nu-2} \subset \cdots \subset R_0,$$

2. if L is ramified and $t < 2e$,

$$R_\nu(L) \subset R_{\nu-1} \subset \cdots \subset R_0,$$

3. if L is ramified and $t = 2e$,

$$\begin{aligned} R_\nu(L) \subset R_{\nu-1} \subset \cdots \subset R_1 \subset R_0 \\ \subset \overline{R_0}. \end{aligned}$$

REMARK. The level \tilde{N} can be generalized to arbitrary primes without any difficulties. In this paper, we consider only $p = 2$ case for the computational convenience.

DEFINITION 3. Let M be an order of level \tilde{N} in A . A left M ideal I is a lattice on A such that $I_p = M_p a_p$ (for some $a_p \in A_p^\times$) for all $p < \infty$. Two left M ideals I and J are said to belong to the same class if $I = Ja$ for some $a \in A^\times$. One has the analogous definition for right M ideals.

DEFINITION 4. The class number of the left ideals for any order M of level \tilde{N} is the number of distinct classes of such ideals. We denote this by $H(\tilde{N})$.

REMARK. Let A be a quaternion algebra and let M be any order of A . The ideal group of J_A of A is

$$J_A = \left\{ \tilde{a} = (a_p) \in \prod_p A_p^\times \mid a_p \in U(M_p) \text{ for almost all } p \right\},$$

where $U(M_p)$ is the set of all units in M_p .

Here the product is over all primes, finite and infinite. Note that since two orders M and N of A , $M_p = N_p$ for almost all p , J_A is independent of the particular used in this definition. J_A is a locally compact group with the topology induced by the product topology on the open set $\prod_{p \in S} A_p^\times \prod_{p \notin S} U(M_p)$, where S ranges over all finite subset of primes containing ∞ . If $\tilde{a} \in J_A$, we define the volume of \tilde{a} as $\text{vol}(\tilde{a}) = \prod_p |N(a_p)|_p$ where $|\cdot|_p$ is normalized such that $|p|_p = \frac{1}{p}$ for $p < \infty$ and $|\cdot|_\infty$ is the ordinary absolute value in \mathbb{R} . Let $J_A^1 = \{\tilde{a} \in J_A \mid \text{vol}(\tilde{a}) = 1\}$ and embed $A^\times \subset J_A^1$ along the diagonal. Finally, if M is an any order of A , let $\mathfrak{U}(M) = \{\tilde{a} \in J_A^1 \mid a_p \in U(M_p) \text{ for all } p < \infty\}$.

PROPOSITION 2.3. Let M be any order of level \tilde{N} in A . Then

1. A^\times is a discrete subgroup of J_A^1 .
2. J_A^1/A^\times is compact.
3. $\mathfrak{U}(M)$ is an open compact subgroup of J_A^1 .

Proof. See Weil[13]. □

PROPOSITION 2.4. *The double coset $\mathfrak{U}(M)\backslash J_A^1/A^\times$ are in 1-1 correspondence with the ideal classes of left M ideals.*

Proof. If $J_A^1 = \bigcup_{i=1}^H \mathfrak{U}(M)\tilde{a}_i A^\times$, then $M\tilde{a}_i$, $i = 1, \dots, H$, represent the distinct left M ideal classes. □

PROPOSITION 2.5. *J_A^1 acts transitively (by conjugation) on orders of level \tilde{N} in A .*

Proof. The action is for $\tilde{a} \in J_A^1$ and M an order of level \tilde{N} : $M \leftrightarrow \{M_p\} \mapsto \{a_p^{-1}M_p a_p\} \leftrightarrow M'$ and we write $M' = \tilde{a}^{-1}M\tilde{a}$. The action is obviously transitive. □

3. The Selberg trace formula

Let G be a locally compact group with an open compact subgroup U and a discrete subgroup Γ with G/Γ compact. Then G is unimodular (i.e., every left Haar measure is right Haar measure) and we normalize Haar measure dx on G such that $\int_U dx = 1$. Let $L(G, U)$ be the set of complex valued continuous functions F on G with compact support such that $F(ugu') = F(g)$ for all $g \in G, u, u' \in U$. Let $L(U\backslash G/\Gamma)$ be the set of all complex valued continuous functions f on G such that $f(ug\gamma) = f(g)$ for all $u \in U, g \in G, \gamma \in \Gamma$. For any $\gamma \in \Gamma$, let $\{\gamma\}$ denote the conjugacy class of γ in Γ and let $\Gamma(\gamma)$ denote the centralizer of γ in Γ . For a discrete subgroup S of G , we also denote by dx the invariant quotient measure on G/S , i.e., if f is continuous with compact support on G , then

$$\int_G f(x)dx = \int_{G/S} \left(\sum_{s \in S} f(xs) \right) dx.$$

Any $F \in L(U, G)$ induces a linear transformation on the finite dimensional complex vector space $L(U\backslash G/\Gamma)$ by convolution,

$$(F(f))(x) = (F * f)(x) = \int_G F(xy^{-1})f(y)dy$$

and its trace is given by

PROPOSITION 3.1. (Selberg Trace Formula).

$$\text{Trace } F = \sum_{\{\gamma\}} \int_{G/\Gamma(\gamma)} \psi_\gamma(x) dx,$$

where $\psi_\gamma(x) = F(x\gamma x^{-1})$ and the sum is over representatives of all conjugacy classes in Γ .

Proof. See [12]. □

For the next lemmas, we let $G = J_A$, $U = \mathfrak{U}(M)$ and $\Gamma = A^\times$.

LEMMA 3.2. Let F be the characteristic function on U . Let dx be the measure on G normalized so that $\int_U dx = 1$. Then

$$H(\tilde{N}) = \sum_{\{\gamma\}} \int_{G/\Gamma(\gamma)} \psi_\gamma(x) dx,$$

where $\psi_\gamma(x) = F(x\gamma x^{-1})$.

Proof. It is easy to see that F induces the identity map on $L(U \backslash G/\Gamma)$. Thus $\text{Trace } F = \dim L(U \backslash G/\Gamma) = |U \backslash G/\Gamma|$. By Proposition 2.4, $\text{Trace } F$ is the class number of order M of level \tilde{N} . □

LEMMA 3.3. If

$$\int_{G/\Gamma(\gamma)} \psi_\gamma(x) dx \neq 0,$$

then $\gamma = \pm 1$, or has a minimal polynomial, $x^2 \pm 1$ or $x^2 \pm x + 1$.

Proof. Let $x \in G$. If $\psi_\gamma(x) \neq 0$, then $F(x\gamma x^{-1}) \neq 0$. That is,

$$x\gamma x^{-1} \in \mathfrak{U}(M) \Leftrightarrow \gamma \in \mathfrak{U}(x^{-1}Mx) \cap A^\times = \mathfrak{U}(x^{-1}Mx).$$

Thus γ is a unit of some order of A . If γ belongs to \mathbb{Q} , then $\gamma = \pm 1$. If $\gamma \notin \mathbb{Q}$, $N(\gamma)$ is a unit in \mathbb{Z} . The minimal polynomial of γ is $f(x) = x^2 - sx + n$ where $s \in \mathbb{Z}$, $n = \pm 1$. If $f(x)$ had a real root, it would mean that \mathbb{R} is a splitting field for A . Thus $s^2 - 4n < 0$, i.e., $n = 1$ and $s = 0$ or $s = \pm 1$. □

4. The class number

Let A be a rational quaternion algebra ramified precisely at the odd prime q and ∞ and let M be the order in a quaternion algebra of $\tilde{N} = (q; L(2), \nu)$ with $\nu > 1$, where $L(2)$ is the quadratic extension field of \mathbb{Q}_2 .

REMARK. We define the normalizer of an order M as

$$\mathfrak{N}(M) = \{ \tilde{a} \in J_A^1 \mid \tilde{a}^{-1} M \tilde{a} = M \}$$

locally, $\mathcal{N}(M_p) = \{ a_p \in A_p^\times \mid a_p^{-1} M_p a_p = M_p \}$.

In order to compute the normalizer of orders, we first compute the normalizer of orders locally. For the nondyadic case, the normalizer of orders were computed in [6], [8]. Here, we will compute the only dyadic local field case, i.e. $p = 2$ case.

Recall the definition of orders, R_ν . For the computational convenience, we introduce a new notation :

$$M(R_\nu) = \{ x \in R_0(L)^\times \mid x^{-1} R_\nu x = R_\nu \}.$$

THEOREM 4.1. Let L be a unramified quadratic extension field of k and $k = \mathbb{Q}_2$. Then for an order of $A_2 = A \otimes k$, $R_\nu(L)$, we have

$$M(R_\nu) = \begin{cases} R_0^\times, \\ R_\nu^\times \cup \xi R_\nu^\times & \text{for } \nu > 0. \end{cases}$$

Proof. $\nu = 0$ case is trivial. Hence assume that $\nu > 0$. Let $\alpha + \xi\beta \in R_\nu(L) = \mathcal{O}_L + \xi P_L^\nu$ and $g \in R_0^\times = (\mathcal{O}_L + \xi \mathcal{O}_L)^\times$.

$$\begin{aligned} g(\alpha + \xi\beta)\bar{g} &= (\gamma + \xi\delta) \cdot (\alpha + \xi\beta) \cdot (\overline{\gamma + \xi\delta}) \\ &= (\alpha\gamma + \beta\bar{\delta} + \xi(\alpha\delta + \beta\bar{\gamma})) \cdot (\bar{\gamma} - \xi\delta) \\ &= \alpha\gamma\bar{\gamma} + \beta\bar{\gamma}\delta - \bar{\alpha}\delta\delta - \bar{\beta}\gamma\delta + \xi(\alpha\bar{\gamma}\delta + \beta\bar{\gamma}^2 - \bar{\alpha}\bar{\gamma}\delta - \beta\delta^2) \\ &\in \mathcal{O}_L + \xi P_L^\nu. \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha\bar{\gamma}\delta + \beta\bar{\gamma}^2 - \bar{\alpha}\bar{\gamma}\delta - \beta\delta^2 \in P_L^\nu$ implies that $\text{ord}_k((\alpha - \bar{\alpha})\bar{\gamma}\delta) \geq \nu$. Hence either $\text{ord}_L(\delta) \geq \nu$ and $\gamma \in \mathcal{O}_L^\times$, or $\text{ord}_L(\gamma) \geq \nu$ and $\delta \in \mathcal{O}_L^\times$. This implies that $M(R_\nu(L)) = R_\nu(L)^\times \cup \xi R_\nu(L)^\times$. \square

COROLLARY 4.2. Let L be a unramified quadratic extension field of k and $k = \mathbb{Q}_2$. Then $M(R_\nu)/R_\nu^\times \approx \{1, \xi\}$ as a set theoretical equivalence for $\nu > 0$.

Proof. This is immediate from the above theorem. \square

THEOREM 4.3. Let L be a ramified quadratic extension field of k and $k = \mathbb{Q}_2$. Then for an order of $A_2 = A \otimes k$, $R_\nu(L)$, we have

$$M(R_\nu) = \begin{cases} R_\nu^\times & \text{if } \nu = 0, \\ R_{[\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]}^\times & \text{if } 0 < \nu \leq 2t + 2, \\ R_{\nu-t-1}^\times \cup \xi R_{\nu-t-1}^\times & \text{if } 2t + 2 < \nu, \end{cases}$$

where $[x]$ is the largest integer not greater than x .

Proof. If $\nu = 0$, R_0 is a maximal order. $M(R_0) = R_0^\times$ clear from the definition.

Now assume that L is ramified. Let $g \in M(R_\nu)$. Then gR_1g^{-1} contains R_ν and gR_1g^{-1} is the second largest order containing R_ν , which implies $gR_\nu g^{-1} = R_\nu$. Without loss of generality, we assume that $M(R_\nu) \subset M(R_1) = R_1^\times$. Let $g = c + d + \xi d \in R_1^\times$ and $a + b + \xi b \in R_\nu = \mathcal{O}_L + (1 + \xi)P_L^{\nu-t-1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} & g(\alpha + \xi\beta)\bar{g} \\ &= (c + d + \xi d) \cdot (a + b + \xi b) \cdot \overline{(c + d + \xi d)} \\ &= (c + d + \xi d) \cdot (a + b + \xi b) \cdot \overline{(c + d) - \xi d} \\ &= ((c + d)(a + b) + b\bar{d} + \xi((a + b)d + b\overline{(c + d)})) \cdot \overline{(c + d) - \xi d} \\ &= N(c + d)(a + b) + b\bar{d}\overline{(c + d)} - \overline{(a + b)}\bar{d}d - \bar{b}(c + d)d \\ &\quad + \xi((a + b)\overline{(c + d)}d + b\overline{(c + d)}^2 - \overline{(c + d)}(a + b)d - \bar{b}d^2) \\ &\in \mathcal{O}_L + (1 + \xi)P_L^{\nu-t-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we need two conditions,

$$(a + b)\overline{(c + d)}d + b\overline{(c + d)}^2 - \overline{(c + d)}(a + b)d - \bar{b}d^2 \in P_L^{\nu-t-1}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & N(c + d)(a + b) + b\bar{d}\overline{(c + d)} - \overline{(a + b)}\bar{d}d - \bar{b}(c + d)d \\ & - \{(a + b)\overline{(c + d)}d + b\overline{(c + d)}^2 - \overline{(c + d)}(a + b)d - \bar{b}d^2\} \in \mathcal{O}_L. \end{aligned}$$

For the first one, we have the followings.

$$\begin{aligned} & (a + b)\overline{(c + d)}d + b\overline{(c + d)}^2 - \overline{(c + d)}(a + b)d - \bar{b}d^2 \\ &= ((a + b) - \overline{(a + b)})\overline{(c + d)}d + b\overline{(c + d)}^2 - \bar{b}d^2 \\ &= ((a - \bar{a})\overline{(c + d)}d + (b - \bar{b})\overline{(c + d)}d + b\bar{c}^2 + 2b\bar{c}\bar{d} + b\bar{d}^2 - \bar{b}d^2) \\ &= ((a - \bar{a})\overline{(c + d)}d + (b - \bar{b})\bar{c}d + b\bar{c}^2 + 2b\bar{c}\bar{d} + b\bar{d}^2 - \bar{b}d^2 + (b - \bar{b})d\bar{d}) \\ &= ((a - \bar{a})\overline{(c + d)}d + (b - \bar{b})\bar{c}d + b\bar{c}^2 + 2b\bar{c}\bar{d} + (b\bar{d} - \bar{b}d)(d + \bar{d})). \end{aligned}$$

Since $d \in P_L^{-t}$, $\text{Tr}(d) = d + \bar{d} \in \mathcal{O}_L$. Hence, $b \in P_L^{\nu-t-1}$ implies that $\text{ord}_L((a - \bar{a})\overline{(c + d)}d) = t + 1 + 2\text{ord}_L(d) \geq \nu - t - 1$ is necessary. That is, $\text{ord}_L(d) \geq \frac{1}{2}\nu - t - 1$ and the second condition is easily satisfied if $\text{ord}_L(d) \geq \frac{1}{2}\nu - t - 1$. Thus $M(R_\nu(L)) = R_{[\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]}(L)$, where $[x]$ is the largest integer not greater than x .

$$M(R_\nu) = R_{[\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]}^\times.$$

On the other hand, if $d \in \mathcal{O}_L$ i.e. $\text{ord}_L(d) \geq 2t + 2$, then $\text{ord}_L((a - \bar{a})(c + \bar{d})d) = t + 1 + \text{ord}_L(d) \geq \nu - t - 1$. That is $d \in P_L^{\nu - 2t - 2}$. Since $\xi \in M(R_\nu)$ for every $\nu > t + 1$,

$$M(R_\nu) = R_{\nu-t-1}^\times \cup \xi R_{\nu-t-1}^\times. \quad \square$$

COROLLARY 4.4. *Let L be a ramified quadratic extension field of k and $k = \mathbb{Q}_2$. Then for an order of $A_2 = A \otimes k$, $R_\nu(L)$,*

$$M(R_\nu)/R_\nu^\times \approx \begin{cases} \{1\} & \text{if } \nu = 0, \\ R_{[\frac{\nu+1}{2}]}^\times/R_{[\frac{\nu+1}{2}]+1}^\times \times \cdots \times R_{\nu-1}^\times/R_\nu^\times & \text{if } 0 < \nu \leq 2t + 2, \\ R_{\nu-t-1}^\times/R_{\nu-t}^\times \times \cdots \times R_{\nu-1}^\times/R_\nu^\times & \text{if } 2t + 2 < \nu, \end{cases}$$

where \approx is the set theoretical bijective relation.

Proof. $\nu = 0$ case is trivial. Assume that $\nu > 0$. By Theorem 4.3, $M(R_\nu)/R_\nu^\times = R_{[\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]}^\times/R_\nu^\times$.

$$R_{[\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]}^\times/R_\nu^\times \approx R_{[\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]}^\times/R_{[\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]+1}^\times \times R_{[\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]+1}^\times/R_\nu^\times$$

and inductively, we can prove

$$M(R_\nu)/R_\nu^\times \approx R_{[\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]}^\times/R_{[\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]+1}^\times \times \cdots \times R_{\nu-1}^\times/R_\nu^\times$$

for $0 < \nu \leq 2t + 2$. Similarly,

$$M(R_\nu)/R_\nu^\times = R_{\nu-t-1}^\times/R_\nu^\times \approx R_{\nu-t-1}^\times/R_{\nu-t}^\times \times \cdots \times R_{\nu-1}^\times/R_\nu^\times$$

for $\nu > 2t + 2$. □

REMARK. If $k = \mathbb{Q}_2$, $|R_\nu^\times/R_{\nu+1}^\times| = 2$ was proved for each $\nu > 0$ (see [7]). This will be used in Theorem 4.7 later.

DEFINITION 5. Let K be a quadratic field extension of \mathbb{Q} contained in A . If \mathcal{O} is an order of K and M is an order of A . \mathcal{O} is optimally embedded in M if $K \cap M = \mathcal{O}$.

REMARK. It is well known that

$$K \cap M = \mathcal{O} \Leftrightarrow K_p \cap M_p = \mathcal{O}_p \quad \text{for all } p < \infty.$$

Any order M' of level \tilde{N} can be written as $M' = \tilde{b}^{-1}M\tilde{b}$ with some $\tilde{b} \in J_A^1$, where M is the canonical order of level \tilde{N} . Suppose $K \cap \tilde{b}^{-1}M\tilde{b} = \mathcal{O}$. If $\tilde{c} \in \mathfrak{N}(M)$, then $K \cap \tilde{b}^{-1}\tilde{c}^{-1}M\tilde{c}\tilde{b} = \mathcal{O}$. Hence it suffices to consider $\tilde{b} \pmod{\mathfrak{N}(M)}$. Further, if $\tilde{a} \in J_K^1$, then we have $K \cap \tilde{a}^{-1}\tilde{b}^{-1}M\tilde{b}\tilde{a} = \mathcal{O}$. Thus $D(\mathcal{O})$ will denote that the number of double cosets $\mathfrak{N}(M)\tilde{b}J_K^1$ in J_A^1 such that $K \cap \tilde{b}^{-1}M\tilde{b} = \mathcal{O}$.

Locally, we define $D(\mathcal{O})$ as followings.

DEFINITION 6. $D(\mathcal{O}_p)$ is the number of double cosets $\mathcal{N}(M_p)b_pK_p^\times$ in A_p^\times such that $K_p \cap b_p^{-1}M_pb_p = \mathcal{O}_p$.

$D(\mathcal{O}_p)$ is the number of essentially different orders (of level \tilde{N}) of A_p in which \mathcal{O}_p is optimally embedded.

The number $D(\mathcal{O}_p)$ can be determined as follows.

THEOREM 4.5. Let K and A be as above and let M be an order of A with level $\tilde{N} = (q; L(2), \nu(2))$. Then we have the followings.

1. $p = q$. $D(\mathcal{O}_q) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathcal{O}_p \text{ is maximal in } K_p, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$
2. $p \nmid 2q$. $D(\mathcal{O}_p) = 1$.
3. $p = 2$. $D(\mathcal{O}_2) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if both } K \text{ and } L(2) \text{ are ramified or} \\ & \text{both unramified,} \\ 0 & \text{if one of } K_2 \text{ and } L(2) \text{ is ramified and} \\ & \text{the other is unramified extension field.} \end{cases}$

Proof. We prove three cases separately.

1. $p = q$. $K_p \cap M_p$ is the maximal order of K_p and $\mathcal{N}(M_p) = A_p^\times$. Thus $D(\mathcal{O}_p) = 1$ or 0 according as \mathcal{O}_p is maximal in K_p or not.
2. $p \nmid 2q$. Chevalley-Hasse-Noether implies $D(\mathcal{O}_p) = 1$ always. See [3, p.97].
3. $p = 2$. We divide into three cases. First, one of K_2 and $L(2)$ is ramified and the other is unramified extension field. In this case, there does not exist optimal embedding from K_2 into an order R_ν . Second, both K_2 and $L(2)$ are unramified. By Lemma 2.2, there is a unique chain of orders, $R_{2i} \subset R_{2i-2} \subset \dots \subset R_0$. Hence, there is a unique order of level 2ν , i.e. $D(\mathcal{O}_2) = 1$. Finally, both K_2 and $L(2)$ are ramified. By Lemma 2.2, if $\nu > 0$, then there exists a unique order containing \mathcal{O}_L . Hence $D(\mathcal{O}_2) = 1$. \square

LEMMA 4.6. Assume that $\gamma \neq \pm 1$ and suppose that $\psi_\gamma(x)$ is not identically zero. Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\gamma)$. Then the support of $\psi_\gamma(x)$ in G consists of the disjoint union of the double cosets $\mathfrak{N}(M)\tilde{b}J_K^1$ satisfying $K \cap \tilde{b}^{-1}M\tilde{b} = \mathcal{O}_K$ for some order \mathcal{O}_K of K containing γ .

Proof. Suppose $\tilde{y} \in \text{Support } \psi_\gamma$. Then $\psi_\gamma(\tilde{y}) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{y}\gamma\tilde{y}^{-1} \in \mathfrak{U}(M) \Leftrightarrow \gamma \in K \cap \tilde{y}^{-1}M\tilde{y} = \mathcal{O}_K$ for some order \mathcal{O}_K in K . Conversely, if $\gamma \in \mathcal{O}_K = K \cap \tilde{y}M\tilde{y}^{-1}$ for some $\tilde{y} \in J_A^1$, then $\tilde{y}^{-1}\gamma\tilde{y} \in \mathfrak{U}(M)$. which implies that $\psi_\gamma(\tilde{y}) = 1$. That is $\tilde{y} \in \text{Support } \psi_\gamma$. \square

THEOREM 4.7. Assume $\gamma \in A^\times$, $\gamma \notin \mathbb{Q}$ and the minimal polynomial of γ is $x^2 + sx + n$ with $s, n \in \mathcal{O}$. Finally, assume $\gamma \in \mathfrak{N}(\tilde{b}M\tilde{b}^{-1})$. Then $\mathfrak{N}(M)\tilde{b}J_K^1$ consists of the disjoint union of $E(\mathcal{O})$ translates of $\mathfrak{U}(M)\tilde{b}J_K^1$, where $E(\mathcal{O}) = \prod_{p < \infty} E(\mathcal{O}_p)$ and

$$E(\mathcal{O}_q) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } q \text{ ramifies in } K, \\ 2 & \text{if } q \text{ remains prime in } K, \end{cases}$$

$$E(\mathcal{O}_2) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \nu = 0, \\ 2 & \text{if } L(2) \text{ is unramified and } \nu > 0, \\ 2^{\nu - [\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]} & \text{if } L(2) \text{ is ramified and } 0 < \nu \leq 2t + 2, \\ 2^{t+2} & \text{if } L(2) \text{ is ramified and } \nu > 2t + 2, \end{cases}$$

$$E(\mathcal{O}_p) = 1 \text{ if } p \nmid 2q.$$

Proof. We will compute this locally. For a prime q , $E(\mathcal{O}_q)$ is given at Proposition 22 in [8]. If $\pi_q \in K^\times$, i.e., q is ramified in K , then $\mathcal{N}(R_0(L(q))) = R_0^\times(L(q))K^\times$. If q is unramified in K , then $\pi_q \notin K^\times$. There is no split case for q in K contained in A .

Next, for $p = 2$, $\mathcal{N}(R_0(L(2))) = R_0^\times(L(2))K^\times$. Now assume that $\nu > 0$. By Corollary 4.4, if $L(2)$ is ramified and $1 \leq \nu < 2t + 2$, then $|M(R_\nu)/R_\nu^\times| = 2^{\nu - [\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]}$. Otherwise, $\mathcal{N}(R_\nu(L(2))) = R_\nu^\times(L(2))K^\times \cup \xi R_\nu^\times(L(2))K^\times$. Thus $|M(R_\nu)/R_\nu^\times| = 2 \cdot 2^{t+1}$. Finally, if $p \nmid 2q$, then M_p is a maximal order in A_p . Thus $E(M_p) = 1$ was computed in [9], [7]. \square

THEOREM 4.8. Let M be an order of level \tilde{N} . Then

$$\text{Mass}(M) = \frac{1}{12}(q - 1)\delta,$$

where $\delta = \begin{cases} (p^2 - p)p^{\nu-2} & \text{if } L(2) \text{ is unramified,} \\ (p + 1)p^{\nu-1} & \text{if } L(2) \text{ is ramified.} \end{cases}$

Proof. See [7]. \square

REMARK. As we mentioned at the remark of Lemma 2.2, $p = 2$.

LEMMA 4.9. Let M be an order of level \tilde{N} and let K be a quadratic extension field of k . Then

$$\text{vol}(\mathfrak{U}(M)\tilde{b}J_K^1/K^\times) = \frac{h(\mathcal{O})}{w(\mathcal{O})},$$

where $h(\mathcal{O})$ is the class number of locally principal \mathcal{O} ideals in K . i.e., $h(\mathcal{O}) = |J_K^1/\mathfrak{U}(\mathcal{O})K^\times|$ and $w(\mathcal{O}) = |U(\mathcal{O})|$. Here, $\mathfrak{U}(\mathcal{O}) = \mathfrak{U}(M) \cap J_K^1 =$

$(\prod_{p<\infty} U(\mathcal{O}_p) \times K_\infty^\times) \cap J_K^1$. The volume is taken with respect to the quotient measure on J_A^1/K^\times .

Proof. Let $J_K^1 = \bigcup_{i=1}^{h(\mathcal{O})} \tilde{x}_i \mathfrak{U}(\mathcal{O}) K^\times$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{vol}(\mathfrak{U}(M) \tilde{b} J_K^1 / K^\times) \\ &= \text{vol}(\tilde{b}^{-1} \mathfrak{U}(M) \tilde{b} J_K^1 / K^\times) \\ &= \text{vol}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{h(\mathcal{O})} \tilde{x}_i \mathfrak{U}(\tilde{b}^{-1} M \tilde{b}) K^\times\right) \\ &= h(\mathcal{O}) \text{vol}(\mathfrak{U}(\tilde{b}^{-1} M \tilde{b}) / \mathfrak{U}(\tilde{b}^{-1} M \tilde{b}) \cap K^\times) \\ &= \frac{h(\mathcal{O})}{w(\mathcal{O})}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 4.10. Let γ, K be as in Lemma 4.6 and let \mathcal{O} be a fixed order of K containing γ . Then $\Gamma(\gamma) = K^\times$ and the volume in $G/\Gamma(\gamma)$ of the support of $\psi_\gamma(x)$ attached to \mathcal{O} , that is, the sum of volumes of $\mathfrak{N}(M) \tilde{b} J_K^1 / K^\times$ over all double cosets satisfying $K \cap \tilde{b}^{-1} M \tilde{b} = \mathcal{O}$ is $D(\mathcal{O})E(\mathcal{O}) \frac{h(\mathcal{O})}{w(\mathcal{O})}$.

Proof. See [8]. □

THEOREM 4.11. The class number $H(\tilde{N})$ of orders of level \tilde{N} is given by

$$H(\tilde{N}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{12}(q-1)(2^2-2)2^{\nu-2} + \frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \left(\frac{-3}{q}\right)\right) & \text{if } L(2) \text{ is unramified,} \\ \frac{1}{12}(q-1)(2+1)2^{\nu-1} + \frac{1}{4} \left(1 + \left(\frac{-1}{q}\right)\right) \delta(L(2)) & \text{if } L(2) \text{ is ramified,} \end{cases}$$

where

$$\delta(L(2)) = \begin{cases} 2^{\nu - [\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]} & \text{for } \nu \leq 2t + 2, \\ 2^{t+1} & \text{for } \nu > 2t + 2. \end{cases}$$

Here (\cdot) is the Kronecker symbol.

Proof. By Selberg trace formula, we need to compute $\int_{G/\Gamma(\gamma)} \psi_x(x) dx$ for each value of γ . The possible value of γ is by Lemma 3.3, ± 1 , a root of $x^2 + 1$ or $x^2 \pm x + 1$.

Case 1: $\gamma = 1$. $\Gamma(\gamma) = \Gamma$ implies that $\int_{G/\Gamma(\gamma)} \psi_x(x)dx = \text{vol}(G/\Gamma) = \text{Mass}(M)$. By Theorem 4.5, $\text{Mass}(M)$ was computed.

Case 2: γ is a root of $x^2 + 1$. Let $K = \mathbb{Q}_2(\gamma)$ and assume that K is embedded in A . By Lemma 4.6, it suffices to compute the number of elements \tilde{b} satisfying $\tilde{b}^{-1}M\tilde{b} \cap K = \mathcal{O}_K$. That is, the number of optimal embeddings from γ into R_ν . Since $K = \mathbb{Q}_2(\gamma)$ is a ramified extension field of \mathbb{Q}_2 , if $L(2)$ is unramified, no optimal embedding exists unless R_ν is a maximal order. On the other hand, if $L(2)$ is ramified, then $D(\mathcal{O}_2)$ is given at Theorem 4.5. Hence by Lemma 4.7,

$$\frac{h(\mathcal{O})}{w(\mathcal{O})} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$D(\mathcal{O}_2)E(\mathcal{O}_2) = D(\mathcal{O}_2)E(\mathcal{O}_2) \cdot \begin{cases} 2^{\nu - [\frac{1}{2}(\nu+1)]} & \text{for } \nu \leq 2t + 2, \\ 2^{t+1} & \text{for } \nu > 2t + 2, \end{cases}$$

$$D(\mathcal{O}_q)E(\mathcal{O}_q) = 1 \cdot \left(1 + \left(\frac{-1}{q} \right) \right).$$

Here (\cdot) is the Kronecker symbol.

Case 3: γ is a root of $x^2 \pm x + 1$. Let $K = \mathbb{Q}_2(\gamma)$. Then K is a unramified quadratic extension field of \mathbb{Q}_2 . As in the case 2, we should compute the number of optimal embeddings from K into R_ν where $L(2)$ is the unramified extension field of \mathbb{Q}_2 . The number of optimal embeddings is 1. Hence, $D(\mathcal{O}_q) = 1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{h(\mathcal{O})}{w(\mathcal{O})} &= \frac{1}{6}, \\ D(\mathcal{O}_2)E(\mathcal{O}_2) &= \delta(L(2)), \\ D(\mathcal{O}_q)E(\mathcal{O}_q) &= 1 \cdot \left(1 - \left(\frac{-3}{q} \right) \right), \end{aligned}$$

where $\delta(L(2)) = 1$ if $L(2)$ is unramified and -1 if $L(2)$ is ramified. Here (\cdot) is the Kronecker symbol. □

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