

Stanislav Jakubec

On divisibility of the class number of real octic fields of a prime conductor

$p = n^4 + 16$ by p

Archivum Mathematicum, Vol. 30 (1994), No. 4, 263--270

Persistent URL: <http://dml.cz/dmlcz/107512>

Terms of use:

© Masaryk University, 1994

Institute of Mathematics of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic provides access to digitized documents strictly for personal use. Each copy of any part of this document must contain these *Terms of use*.



This paper has been digitized, optimized for electronic delivery and stamped with digital signature within the project *DML-CZ: The Czech Digital Mathematics Library* <http://project.dml.cz>

ON DIVISIBILITY OF THE CLASS
 NUMBER OF REAL OCTIC FIELDS
 OF A PRIME CONDUCTOR $p \equiv n^4 \pmod{16}$ BY p

STANISLAV JAKUBEC

ABSTRACT. The aim of this paper is to prove the following Theorem

Theorem. Let K be an octic subfield of the field $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_p + \zeta_p^{-1})$ and let $p = n^4 + 16$ be prime. Then p divides h_K if and only if p divides B_j for some $j = \frac{p-1}{8}, 3\frac{p-1}{8}, 5\frac{p-1}{8}, 7\frac{p-1}{8}$.

INTRODUCTION

Let K be an octic subfield of the field $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_p + \zeta_p^{-1})$ and let $p = n^4 + 16$ be prime. Then p divides h_K if and only if p divides B_j for some $j = \frac{p-1}{8}, 3\frac{p-1}{8}, 5\frac{p-1}{8}, 7\frac{p-1}{8}$.

Let β_i be the roots of the polynomial $x^4 - \beta_i x^2 + \frac{n^2-1}{4}$.

Let ζ_p be a primitive p -th root of unity. Let ζ_p^{-1} be its inverse.

Let K be an octic subfield of the field $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_p + \zeta_p^{-1})$.

Let h_K be the class number of K .

Let $p = n^4 + 16$ be prime.

Let B_j be the number of roots of the polynomial $x^4 - \beta_j x^2 + \frac{n^2-1}{4}$ in K .

1991 Mathematics Subject Classification: Primary 11R29.

Received September 28, 1993.

Research supported by Slovak Academy of Sciences Grant 363.

Theorem. Let K be a quintic subfield of the field $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_p, \zeta_p^{-1})$ and let p be prime. Then p divides h_K if and only if p divides B_j for some $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$.

$$N_0 \dots \dots \dots K/\mathbf{Q}$$

$$F_n(X) = X^8 - n^2 X^7 + (p - X^6 - p - n^2) X^5 - p n^2 X^4 - (n^2 - p n^2 - X^3 - p - X^2 - p - n^2) X^3 + \dots$$

$$a^k \equiv g \pmod{p} \quad \beta_0 \equiv k \pmod{p} \quad \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_{n-1} \pmod{p}$$

$$\beta_i \equiv \beta_{i+2} - \frac{n^2 - \dots}{p} \pmod{p}$$

$$p, p \equiv \dots \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_p) \quad \sigma \zeta_p \quad \zeta_p^a \quad \dots \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_p)/K$$

$$a^k \equiv g \pmod{p} \quad \beta_0 \equiv k \pmod{p} \quad \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_{n-1} \pmod{p} \quad K/\mathbf{Q}$$

Theorem 1. There is a number $\pi \in K, \pi \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} N_{K/\mathbf{Q}}(\pi) &\equiv \pi^{n+1} \pmod{p}, \\ \sigma(\pi) &\equiv g\pi \pmod{p}, \\ \beta_0 &\equiv k \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{1}{(k-i)!} \pi^i \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

□

$$f(X) = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_r \quad \mathbf{Q}^* X$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & s_j f(X) = \overline{\lambda_1^j} \overline{\lambda_2^j} \cdots \overline{\lambda_r^j}. \\
 U_K & \dots \dots \dots K \dots \dots \dots \varepsilon \in U_K \\
 & \varepsilon \equiv a_0 + a_1\pi + \dots + a_n\pi^n + \dots + \pi^{n+1}. \\
 \varepsilon \not\equiv & \dots \dots \dots \pi \dots \dots \dots \varepsilon \dots \dots \dots \\
 & f(X) = a_0 + a_1X + \dots + a_nX^n. \\
 & s_j \varepsilon = s_j f(X). \\
 & ii_K(p) = i(\varepsilon) \dots \dots \dots \\
 ii_K(p) & = \{j, j, \dots, n - \dots, B_{kj} \equiv \dots p\}, \\
 i(\varepsilon) & = \{j, j, \dots, n - \dots, s_j \varepsilon \equiv \dots p\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2. Let $K \subset \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_p, \zeta_p^{-1})$, $K = \mathbf{Q}(\dots)$, $n, k \equiv \frac{p-1}{n}$ and let h_K be the class number of K .

Then there holds

If there exist a unit ε and a number j such that $B_{kj} \equiv \dots p$ and $s_j \varepsilon \not\equiv \dots p$, then p divides h_K .

Let ε be a unit. Then

$$p^{ii_K(p) - i(\varepsilon)} | h_K.$$

Lemma 1. Let K be an octic subfield of the field $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_p, \zeta_p^{-1})$ and let $p = n^4$ be prime. If $B_j \equiv \dots p$ for some $j = \frac{p-1}{8}, \frac{p-1}{8}, \frac{p-1}{8}, \frac{p-1}{8}$, then p divides h_K .

Proof.

$$\varepsilon = \beta_0 + \beta_2 \pi - \frac{n^2 - \dots}{\dots}$$

$$k \equiv \frac{p-1}{8} \pmod{p}, \quad a \equiv \frac{p-1}{8} \pmod{p}$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{p-n^2}{k} + \frac{g^2}{k} \pi + \frac{k-g^2}{k} \pi^3 + \frac{k}{k} \pi^4 + \frac{k-g^2}{k} \pi^5 + \frac{k-g^2}{k} \pi^7 + \dots + k\pi^8.$$

$$s_j \varepsilon \not\equiv \dots p \quad j = \dots, \dots$$

$$g X \quad X^8 \quad \frac{g^2}{n^2 k} X^7 \quad X^6 \quad \frac{-g^2}{n^2 k} X^5 \quad \frac{1}{An^2} X^4$$

$$\frac{g^2}{n^2 k} X^3 \quad X^2 \quad \frac{-g^2}{n^2 k} X - \frac{1}{n^2},$$

$$A \quad \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right) \quad A^2 \equiv - \quad p$$

$$S_i \quad \dots \quad g X .$$

$$i \quad \dots \quad S_i \quad s_i \varepsilon \quad S_1 \quad -\frac{1+g^2}{2n^2(k)!} \not\equiv \quad p \quad S_i \not\equiv \quad p$$

$$S_3 S_5 S_7 \not\equiv \quad p .$$

$$x_1 \quad k \quad x_2 \quad \frac{k}{k} \quad x_3 \quad \frac{k}{k} \quad x_4 \quad \frac{k}{k} .$$

$$\varepsilon \quad \frac{p-n^2}{k} \quad \frac{k}{k} \frac{g^2}{\pi} \quad \frac{k}{k} \frac{-g^2}{\pi^3} \quad \frac{k}{k} \pi^4$$

$$\frac{k}{k} \frac{g^2}{\pi^5} \quad \frac{k}{k} \frac{-g^2}{\pi^7} - k \pi^8$$

$$\frac{p-n^2}{x_1} \quad \frac{k}{x_1} \frac{g^2}{x_2 x_3} \pi \quad \frac{k}{x_1 x_2 x_3} \frac{-g^2}{\pi^3} \quad \frac{k}{A} \pi^4$$

$$- k \quad g^2 x_1 x_2 x_3 \pi^5 - k \quad -g^2 x_1 \pi^7 - k \pi^8$$

$$a_0 \quad a_1 \pi \quad a_3 \pi^3 \quad a_4 \pi^4 \quad a_5 \pi^5 \quad a_7 \pi^7 \quad a_8 \pi^8 .$$

$$K/\mathbf{Q} \quad a_0 \quad a_1 \pi \quad a_3 \pi^3 \quad a_4 \pi^4 \quad a_5 \pi^5 \quad a_7 \pi^7 \quad a_8 \pi^8 \quad 3$$

$$\equiv a_0^3 \quad F \quad a_0, a_1, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_7, a_8 \quad \pi^8$$

$$\equiv a_0^3 - pF \quad a_0, a_1, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_7, a_8 \quad \pi^9 ,$$

$$F \quad a_0, a_1, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_7, a_8 \quad \pi^8 \quad a_0, a_1, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_7, a_8$$

$$a_0 \quad a_1 \pi \quad a_3 \pi^3 \quad a_4 \pi^4 \quad a_5 \pi^5 \quad a_7 \pi^7 \quad a_8 \pi^8 \quad 3 .$$

$$S_3 \mid n$$

$$a_0^3 - pF(a_0, a_1, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_7, a_8) \equiv S_3 n \pi^9,$$

$$F(a_0, a_1, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_7, a_8) \equiv \frac{a_0^3 - S_3 n}{p} \pmod{p}.$$

$$\frac{1}{x_1^2 x_2 x_3} \equiv -n^2 \pmod{p}.$$

$$K/\mathbb{Q} \quad a_0 \quad a_1 \pi \quad a_3 \pi^3 \quad a_4 \pi^4 \quad a_5 \pi^5 \quad a_7 \pi^7 \quad a_8 \pi^{8 \cdot 4}.$$

$$\frac{1}{x_1^4 x_2^2 x_3^2} - \frac{x_2 x_3}{x_1^2} - \frac{n^2}{x_1^2 x_2 x_3 A} \equiv n^2 \pmod{p}.$$

$$K/\mathbb{Q} \quad a_0 \quad a_1 \pi \quad a_3 \pi^3 \quad a_4 \pi^4 \quad a_5 \pi^5 \quad a_7 \pi^7 \quad a_8 \pi^{8 \cdot 5}.$$

$$\frac{1}{x_1^4} - \frac{n^2}{x_1^4 x_2^2 x_3^2} - \frac{1}{x_1^2 x_2 x_3 A} - \frac{n^2 x_2 x_3}{x_1^2} \equiv -n^2 \pmod{p}.$$

$$\frac{1}{x_1^4} \equiv -A \pmod{p},$$

$$\frac{1}{x_1^2 x_2 x_3} \equiv A - n^2 \pmod{p},$$

$$\frac{n^2}{x_1^4 x_2^2 x_3^2} \equiv -n^2 \pmod{p}.$$

$$g X \equiv X^8 - \frac{g^2}{n^2 x_1} X^7 - X^6 - \frac{-g^2}{n^2 x_1 x_2 x_3} X^5 - \frac{1}{An^2} X^4 - \frac{g^2 x_1 x_2 x_3}{n^2} X^3 - X^2 - \frac{-g^2 x_1}{n^2} X - \frac{1}{n^2}.$$

$$S_3 \equiv p$$

$$S_3 \equiv -\frac{g^2 \cdot 3}{n^6 x_1^3} - \frac{-g^2}{n^2 x_1 x_2 x_3} \equiv p.$$

$$n^4 \equiv -p - \frac{g^2 \cdot 4}{x_1^4} \equiv -p - g^2 - \frac{g^2}{x_1^2 x_2 x_3} \equiv p.$$

$$- - A - A - n^2 \equiv p.$$

$$n^2 \equiv p - p - n^4$$

$$g X \equiv S_5 \not\equiv p - S_7 \not\equiv p$$

□

Lemma 2. Let $p \equiv n^2$, $n \equiv$. Then $B_{\frac{p-1}{4}} B_{\frac{3p-1}{4}} \not\equiv p$.

Proof.

$$X^4 - nX^3 - X^2 - nX,$$

$$\beta_0 - \frac{n-}{}, \quad \mathbf{Q} \beta_0 \in \mathbf{Q}.$$

$$\beta_0 - \frac{p-}{x_1} \equiv \frac{p-n}{x_1} \pi - \frac{k}{A} \pi^2 - kx_1 \pi^3 - k\pi^4 - \pi^5,$$

$$k - \frac{p-}{x_1} - x_1 - k - A \left(\frac{p-}{x_1} \right).$$

$$g X \equiv X^4 - \frac{1}{x_1} X^3 - \frac{1}{nA} X^2 - \frac{x_1}{n} X - \frac{1}{n}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_j \frac{p-1}{8} &\equiv \dots p \dots j \dots, \dots, \dots, \dots \\
 &\dots p < \dots \\
 B_j \frac{p-1}{5} &\equiv \dots p \dots j \dots, \dots, \dots \\
 p \dots B_{52324} &\equiv \dots \\
 &\dots / n^4 \quad n^3 \quad n^2 \quad n \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

REFERENCES

- [1] Buhler, J. P., Crandall, R. E. and Sompolski, R. W., *Irregular primes to one million*, Math. Comp. **59** no. 200 (1992), 717-722.
- [2] Darmon, H., *Note on a polynomial of Emma Lehmer*, Math. Comp. **56** no. 44 (1991), 795-800.
- [3] Gras, M. N., *Sur les corps cubiques cycliques dont l'anneau des entiers est monogene*, Ann. Sci. Univ. Besancon Math.(3) no. 6, 1-26.
- [4] Gras, M. N., *Table numerique du nombre de classes et de unites des extensions cycliques reelles de degre 4 de Q*, Publ. Math. Besancon, fasc. 2 (1977/1978), 1-26, 1-53.
- [5] Gras, M. N., *Familles d'unites dans les extensions cycliques reelles de degre 6 de Q*, Publ. Math. Besancon (1984/1985-1985/1986).
- [6] Gras, M. N., *Special units in real cyclic sextic fields*, Math.Comp. **48** (1987), 341-355.
- [7] Jakubec, S., *The congruence for Gauss's period*, Journal of Number Theory **48** (1994), 36-45.
- [8] Jakubec, S., *On the Vandiver's conjecture*, Abh. Math. Sem. Univ. Hamburg **64** (1994), 105-124.
- [9] Lazarus, A. J., *Gaussian periods and units in certain cyclic fields*, Proceedings of AMS **115**, 961 - 968.
- [10] Lecxacheux, O., *Unites d'une famille de corps cycliques reeles de degre 6 lies a la coube modulaire X₁(13)*, J. Number Theory **31** (1989), 54-63.
- [11] Lehmer, E., *Connection between Gaussian periods and cyclic units*, Math. Comp. **50** (1988), 535-541.
- [12] Metsankyla, T., *A class number congruence for cyclotomic fields and their subfields*, Acta Arith. **23** (1973), 107-116.
- [13] Moser, C., *Nombre de classes d'une extension cyclique reelle de Q, de degre 4 ou 6 et de conducteur premier*, Math. Nachr. **102** (1981), 45-52.
- [14] Moser, C., Payan, J. J., *Majoration du nombre de classes d'un corps cubique cyclique de conducteur premier*, J.Math. Soc. Japan **33** (1981), 701-706.
- [15] Schoof, R., Washington, L. C., *Quintic polynomials and real cyclotomic fields with large class numbers*, Math. Comp. **50** (1988), 543-556.
- [16] Shanks, D., *The simplest cubic fields*, Math. Comp. **28** (1974), 1137-1152.
- [17] Shen, Y. Y., *Unit groups and class numbers of real cyclic fields*, TAMS **326** (1991), 179-209.
- [18] Washington, L. C., *Introduction to Cyclotomic Fields*, Springer-Verlag 83.

STANISLAV JAKUBEC
 MATEMATICKÝ ÚSTAV SAV
 ŠTEFÁNIKOVA 49
 814 73 BRATISLAVA, SLOVAK REPUBLIC