

## Orders of quadratic extensions of number fields

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Let  $k$  be a number field of degree  $n$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . We denote by  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ ,  $d$  and  $E$  the ring of integers of  $k$ , the discriminant of  $k$  and the group of units of  $k$ , respectively. Let  $K$  be a quadratic extension of  $k$  or  $K = k \times k$ . We call a subring of  $K$  with 1 an *order* of  $K$  if it is a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module of rank  $2n$ . In this paper, we consider orders of  $K$  with  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -module structure. We call such an order a *quadratic order over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$* . We shall study the following Dirichlet series:

$$(0.1) \quad Z_k(s) = |d|^{2s} \sum_{\mathfrak{O}} |D(\mathfrak{O})|^{-s},$$

where  $\mathfrak{O}$  runs over all quadratic orders over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$  and  $D(\mathfrak{O})$  is the absolute discriminant of the order  $\mathfrak{O}$ . If  $k = \mathbb{Q}$ , then it is easy to see that

$$(0.2) \quad Z_{\mathbb{Q}}(s) = (1 - 2^{-s} + 2^{1-2s})\zeta(s),$$

where  $\zeta(s)$  is the Riemann zeta function. The purpose of this paper is to generalize this formula to an arbitrary number field  $k$ . We shall describe  $Z_k(s)$  in terms of the partial zeta functions of  $k$ . As an application, we shall give another proof of the density formula for the quadratic extensions of  $k$ , which was established by D. J. Wright (see Theorem 4.2 of [1]).

**1. Quadratic orders.** In this section, we shall study the structure of quadratic orders over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ . The structure of finitely generated  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -modules is well known. We need the following three lemmas (see, for example, Narkiewicz [3], Chapter 1, §3).

LEMMA 1.1. *Every non-zero fractional ideal of  $k$  is a projective  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -module.*

LEMMA 1.2. *Let  $A$  be a finitely generated torsion free  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -module. Then there exists a fractional ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $k$  and an integer  $m \geq 0$  such that*

$$A \cong \mathfrak{o}_k^m \oplus \mathfrak{a}$$

as  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -modules.

LEMMA 1.3. *Let  $I_i, J_j$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l, 1 \leq j \leq m$ ) be non-zero fractional ideals of  $k$  and put*

$$A_1 = I_1 \oplus \dots \oplus I_l, \quad A_2 = J_1 \oplus \dots \oplus J_m.$$

*Then  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are isomorphic if and only if  $l = m$  and  $I_1 \dots I_l = (a)J_1 \dots J_m$  for some  $a \in k$ .*

Let  $\mathfrak{D}$  be a quadratic order over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ . Since  $\mathfrak{D}$  is an  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -module and contains 1, we have the inclusion  $\mathfrak{o}_k \subset \mathfrak{D}$ . Hence we have the following short exact sequence of  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -modules:

$$0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{o}_k \rightarrow \mathfrak{D} \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{o}_k \rightarrow 0.$$

Since  $\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{o}_k$  is a finitely generated torsion free  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -module, Lemma 1.2 implies that

$$\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{o}_k \cong \mathfrak{o}_k^m \oplus \mathfrak{b}$$

for some fractional ideal  $\mathfrak{b}$  of  $k$  and some integer  $m \geq 0$ . Computing the ranks of these modules over  $\mathbb{Z}$ , we have  $m = 0$  and  $\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{o}_k \cong \mathfrak{b}$ . We denote by  $g$  and  $\pi$  the isomorphism of  $\mathfrak{b}$  onto  $\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{o}_k$  and the natural homomorphism of  $\mathfrak{D}$  onto  $\mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{o}_k$ , respectively. Lemma 1.3 implies that the ideal class of  $\mathfrak{b}$  is uniquely determined by  $\mathfrak{D}$ . It also implies that we may assume  $\mathfrak{o}_k \subset \mathfrak{b}$ . By Lemma 1.1,  $\mathfrak{b}$  is a projective  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -module. Hence there exists a homomorphism  $f : \mathfrak{D}/\mathfrak{o}_k \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}$  such that  $\pi \cdot f = \text{id}$ . Put  $\theta = f \cdot g(1)$ . Then we have

$$\mathfrak{D} = \mathfrak{o}_k + \mathfrak{b}\theta \quad (\text{direct sum}).$$

Since  $\mathfrak{D}$  is a ring,  $\theta$  satisfies a quadratic equation

$$(1.1) \quad q_a(x) = x^2 + a_1x + a_2 = 0,$$

where  $a = (a_1, a_2) \in \mathfrak{b} \times \mathfrak{o}_k$ . For any  $t, s \in \mathfrak{b}$ , we have  $t\theta, s\theta \in \mathfrak{D}$ . Hence

$$(t\theta)(s\theta) = -a_2ts - a_1ts\theta \in \mathfrak{D}.$$

This implies that  $a_1 \in \mathfrak{b}^{-1}$  and  $a_2 \in \mathfrak{b}^{-2}$ . We note that  $\mathfrak{b}^{-1}$  is an integral ideal since  $\mathfrak{o}_k \subset \mathfrak{b}$ . If  $\mathfrak{D}$  is an order of a quadratic extension of  $k$ , then  $q_a(x)$  is irreducible over  $k$ . If  $\mathfrak{D}$  is an order of  $k \times k$ , then  $q_a(x)$  is reducible over  $k$  with two distinct roots.

Let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be an integral ideal of  $k$  and let  $a = (a_1, a_2) \in \mathfrak{a} \times \mathfrak{a}^2$ . If  $q_a(x)$  is irreducible over  $k$ , then we define an associated  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -module by

$$\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}, a) = \mathfrak{o}_k + \mathfrak{a}^{-1}\theta \subset k(\theta),$$

where  $\theta$  is a root of the quadratic equation (1.1). If  $q_a(x)$  is reducible over  $k$  with two distinct roots  $\theta_1, \theta_2$ , then we consider the  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -module

$$\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}, a) = \mathfrak{o}_k e + \mathfrak{a}^{-1}\theta \subset k \times k,$$

where  $e = (1, 1)$  and  $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2) \in \mathfrak{o}_k \times \mathfrak{o}_k$ . It is easy to see that  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}, a)$  is a quadratic order over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$  in both cases.

We say that two quadratic orders  $\mathfrak{D}_1, \mathfrak{D}_2$  over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$  are  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -isomorphic if there exists a ring isomorphism of  $\mathfrak{D}_1$  onto  $\mathfrak{D}_2$  which is trivial on  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ . Let  $a = (a_1, a_2), b = (b_1, b_2) \in \mathfrak{a} \times \mathfrak{a}^2$ . Assume that there exists an  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -isomorphism

$$f : \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}, b) \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}, a).$$

Then  $f(\theta_b) = t\theta_a - s$  for some  $t \in \mathfrak{a}^{-1}$  and  $s \in \mathfrak{o}_k$ , where  $\theta_a$  and  $\theta_b$  are the  $\theta$  for  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}, a)$  and  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}, b)$ , respectively. Since  $f$  is an  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -isomorphism, we have

$$\mathfrak{o}_k + \mathfrak{a}^{-1}(t\theta_a - s) = \mathfrak{o}_k + \mathfrak{a}^{-1}\theta_a.$$

This implies that  $t \in E$  and  $s \in \mathfrak{a}$ . Further, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (t^{-1}\theta_b + t^{-1}s)^2 + a_1(t^{-1}\theta_b + t^{-1}s) + a_2 &= 0, \\ \theta_b^2 + (2s + ta_1)\theta_b + (s^2 + a_1st + a_2t^2) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$b_1 = 2s + ta_1, \quad b_2 = s^2 + a_1st + a_2t^2.$$

So far we have shown the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 1.1. *Let  $\mathfrak{a}_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, h$ ) be a complete set of representatives of the ideal classes of  $k$ , consisting of integral ideals. Then any quadratic order  $\mathfrak{D}$  over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$  is  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}_i, a)$  for some  $i$  and some  $a \in \mathfrak{a}_i \times \mathfrak{a}_i^2$ . Further,  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}_i, a) \cong \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}_j, b)$  if and only if  $i = j, b_1 = 2s + a_1t$  and  $b_2 = s^2 + a_1st + a_2t^2$  for some  $t \in E$  and some  $s \in \mathfrak{a}_i$ .*

Let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be an integral ideal of  $k$ . We denote by  $E(\mathfrak{a})$  the subgroup of  $E$  consisting of all units  $\varepsilon$  with  $\varepsilon \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{a}}$ . For any  $a = (a_1, a_2) \in \mathfrak{a} \times \mathfrak{a}^2$ , put

$$\begin{aligned} Q_a(x, y) &= y^2q_a(x/y) = x^2 + a_1xy + a_2y^2, \\ \Delta(Q_a) &= a_1^2 - 4a_2 \end{aligned}$$

and denote by  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a})$  the set of all  $Q_a(x, y)$  ( $a \in \mathfrak{a} \times \mathfrak{a}^2$ ) with  $\Delta(Q_a) \neq 0$ . We denote by  $G(\mathfrak{a})$  (resp.  $G'(\mathfrak{a})$ ) the subgroup of  $\text{GL}_2(\mathfrak{o}_k)$  consisting of all matrices of the form

$$(1.2) \quad \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s & t \end{pmatrix}, \quad s \in \mathfrak{a}, t \in E \text{ (resp. } t \in E(2)).$$

The action of  $\gamma$  on  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a})$  is defined by

$$(\gamma \cdot Q_a)(x, y) = Q_a(x + sy, ty).$$

We denote by  $[Q_a]$  (resp.  $[Q_a]'$ ) the  $G(\mathfrak{a})$ -equivalence (resp.  $G'(\mathfrak{a})$ -equivalence) class of  $Q_a$ . Then we can rewrite the previous proposition as follows:

PROPOSITION 1.2. *Let  $\mathfrak{a}_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, h$ ) be as in Proposition 1.1. Then the mapping  $Q_a \mapsto \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}_i, a)$  induces a bijection of  $\bigcup_{i=1}^h G(\mathfrak{a}_i) \backslash \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}_i)$  onto the set of  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -isomorphism classes of quadratic orders over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ .*

Now we determine a complete set of representatives for  $G(\mathfrak{a}) \backslash \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a})$ . Take a complete set of representatives  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{2^n} \in \mathfrak{a} - \{0\}$  of the quotient module  $\mathfrak{a}/2\mathfrak{a}$  and put

$$\mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}, \alpha_j) = \{Q_a(x, y) \in \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}) : a_1 \equiv \alpha_j \pmod{2\mathfrak{a}}\} \quad (j = 1, \dots, 2^n).$$

Then  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}) = \bigcup_{j=1}^{2^n} \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}, \alpha_j)$  (disjoint union). It is obvious that the subgroup  $G'(\mathfrak{a})$  acts on each  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}, \alpha_j)$ .

LEMMA 1.4. *Each  $G(\mathfrak{a})$ -equivalence class of  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a})$  consists of exactly  $[E : E(2)]$   $G'(\mathfrak{a})$ -equivalence classes.*

PROOF. If  $E = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^l t_\nu E(2)$ , then  $G(\mathfrak{a}) = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^l G'(\mathfrak{a})\gamma_\nu$ , where

$$\gamma_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & t_\nu \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence for any  $Q_a \in \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a})$ , we have  $[Q_a] = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^l [\gamma_\nu \cdot Q_a]'$ . Assume  $[\gamma_\mu \cdot Q_a]' = [\gamma_\nu \cdot Q_a]'$ . Then  $\Delta(\gamma_\mu \cdot Q_a) = u^2 \Delta(\gamma_\nu \cdot Q_a)$  for some  $u \in E(2)$ . This implies that  $t_\mu/t_\nu = \pm u \in E(2)$ . Hence  $\mu = \nu$ . ■

LEMMA 1.5. *Let  $Q_a, Q_b \in \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a})$ . Then  $Q_a$  is  $G'(\mathfrak{a})$ -equivalent to  $Q_b$  if and only if  $Q_a, Q_b \in \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}, \alpha_j)$  for some  $j$  and  $\Delta(Q_b) = t^2 \Delta(Q_a)$  for some  $t \in E(2)$ .*

PROOF. The necessity is obvious. To prove the sufficiency, assume  $Q_a, Q_b \in \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}, \alpha_j)$  for some  $j$  and  $\Delta(Q_b) = t^2 \Delta(Q_a)$  for some  $t \in E(2)$ . Put  $s = (b_1 - ta_1)/2$ . Then we have

$$2s = (b_1 - \alpha_j) + (\alpha_j - a_1) + (1 - t)a_1 \in 2\mathfrak{a},$$

hence  $s \in \mathfrak{a}$  and  $b_1 = ta_1 + 2s$ . Since  $\Delta(Q_b) = t^2 \Delta(Q_a)$ , we have

$$b_2 = \{b_1^2 - t^2(a_1^2 - 4a_2)\}/4 = s^2 + a_1st + a_2t^2.$$

Hence  $\gamma \cdot Q_a = Q_b$ , where  $\gamma$  is an element of  $G'(\mathfrak{a})$  defined by (1.2). ■

PROPOSITION 1.3. *The mapping  $Q_a \mapsto \Delta(Q_a)$  induces a bijection*

$$G'(\mathfrak{a}) \backslash \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}, \alpha_j) \leftrightarrow (\alpha_j^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}^2)' / E(2)^2,$$

where  $(\alpha_j^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}^2)' = (\alpha_j^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}^2) - \{0\} \subset k$ .

PROOF. Lemma 1.5 implies the injectivity of the mapping. The surjectivity is obvious. ■

For any integral ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $k$ , we denote by  $N(\mathfrak{a})$  the absolute norm of  $\mathfrak{a}$ . Then the following formula is easily deduced from the definition of the discriminant.

LEMMA 1.6.

$$D(\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}, a)) = d^2 N(\Delta(Q_a)\mathfrak{a}^{-2}).$$

This lemma implies that  $D(\mathfrak{D})d^{-2}$  is a rational integer for any quadratic order  $\mathfrak{D}$  over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ . We denote it by  $D(\mathfrak{D}; \mathfrak{o}_k)$ . For any quadratic extension  $K$  of  $k$ , we denote by  $\mathfrak{D}_K$  the ring of integers of  $K$ . Then we have

$$|D(\mathfrak{D}_K; \mathfrak{o}_k)| = N(D_{K/k}),$$

where  $D_{K/k}$  is the relative discriminant of the quadratic extension  $K/k$ . Using this notation, the Dirichlet series  $Z_k(s)$  is written as follows:

$$(1.3) \quad Z_k(s) = \sum_{\mathfrak{D}} |D(\mathfrak{D}; \mathfrak{o}_k)|^{-s}.$$

Now it follows from Propositions 1.2, 1.3, Lemma 1.4 and the above equation (1.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} (1.4) \quad Z_k(s) &= \sum_{i=1}^h \sum_{Q \in G(\mathfrak{a}_i) \setminus \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}_i)} N(\Delta(Q)\mathfrak{a}_i^{-2})^{-s} \\ &= \frac{1}{[E : E(2)]} \sum_{i=1}^h \sum_{Q \in G'(\mathfrak{a}_i) \setminus \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}_i)} N(\Delta(Q)\mathfrak{a}_i^{-2})^{-s} \\ &= \frac{1}{[E : E(2)]} \sum_{i=1}^h \sum_{j=1}^{2^n} \sum_{Q \in G'(\mathfrak{a}_i) \setminus \mathcal{Q}(\mathfrak{a}_i, \alpha_{ij})} N(\Delta(Q)\mathfrak{a}_i^{-2})^{-s} \\ &= \frac{1}{[E : E(2)]} \sum_{i=1}^h \sum_{j=1}^{2^n} \sum_{\delta \in (\alpha_{ij}^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}_i^2)' / E(2)^2} N((\delta)\mathfrak{a}_i^{-2})^{-s}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $(\alpha_{ij}^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}_i^2)' = (\alpha_{ij}^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}_i^2) - \{0\}$ . To calculate the innermost sum, we shall introduce the partial zeta functions of  $k$  in the next section.

**2. Dirichlet series of discriminants of quadratic orders.** We use the same notations as in the previous section. Let  $r_1, r_2$  be the numbers of real and imaginary primes of  $k$ , respectively. Hence  $r_1 + 2r_2 = n$ . We denote by  $M_r$  the set of real primes of  $k$ . If  $v \in M_r$ , we denote by  $\sigma_v$  the corresponding embedding of  $k$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ . For any subset  $S$  of  $M_r$ , we denote by  $\mathfrak{h}_S$  the product of the real primes in  $S$ . Further, we denote by  $k_S$  the subset of  $k^\times$  consisting of all elements  $\gamma \in k^\times$  satisfying  $\sigma_v(\gamma) > 0$  for all  $v \in S$ . For any subset  $A$  of  $k$ , put  $A_S = A \cap k_S$ . If  $\mathfrak{D} = \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}, a)$  is a quadratic order over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ , then  $\Delta(\mathfrak{D}) = \Delta(Q_a)$  is determined up to multiplication by an element of  $E^2$ . Using these notations, we define the Dirichlet series  $Z_{k,S}(s)$  as follows:

$$(2.1) \quad Z_{k,S}(s) = \sum_{\mathfrak{D}} |D(\mathfrak{D}; \mathfrak{o}_k)|^{-s},$$

where  $\mathfrak{D}$  runs over all quadratic orders over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$  with  $\Delta(\mathfrak{D}) \in k_S$ . We note that if  $S$  is the empty set, then  $Z_{k,S}(s)$  coincides with  $Z_k(s)$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{f}$  be a non-zero integral ideal of  $k$ . We denote by  $I(\mathfrak{f})$  the multiplicative group consisting of all non-zero fractional ideals of  $k$  which are relatively prime to  $\mathfrak{f}$ . We denote by  $P(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S)$  the subgroup of  $I(\mathfrak{f})$  consisting of all principal fractional ideals  $(\delta)$  with  $\delta \in k_S$  and  $\delta \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{f}}$ . Here  $\delta \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{f}}$  means that  $\delta = \alpha/\beta$  for some  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathfrak{o}_k$  satisfying  $(\alpha\beta, \mathfrak{f}) = 1$  and  $\alpha \equiv \beta \pmod{\mathfrak{f}}$ . We call the quotient group  $I(\mathfrak{f})/P(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S)$  the *group of ray classes modulo  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S$*  and denote it by  $H(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S)$ . For any  $\mathfrak{b} \in I(\mathfrak{f})$ , we denote by  $[\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S]$  the class in  $H(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S)$  represented by  $\mathfrak{b}$ . Now the *partial zeta function* of  $c \in H(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S)$  is defined by

$$(2.2) \quad \zeta_{k, \mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S}(s, c) = \sum_{\mathfrak{b}} N(\mathfrak{b})^{-s},$$

where  $\mathfrak{b}$  runs over all integral ideals belonging to the ray class  $c$ . We need some lemmas to give an expression of our Dirichlet series  $Z_{k,S}(s)$  in terms of the partial zeta functions of  $k$ . We put  $E(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S) = E(\mathfrak{f}) \cap k_S$ .

LEMMA 2.1. *Let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be a non-zero integral ideal of  $k$  and let  $\alpha$  be a non-zero element of  $\mathfrak{a}$ . Put  $\mathfrak{g} = (\alpha\mathfrak{a}^{-1}, 2)$  and  $\mathfrak{f} = (2)\mathfrak{g}^{-1}$ . Then*

$$\sum_{\delta \in (\alpha^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}^2)_S / E(2)^2} N((\delta)\mathfrak{a}^{-2})^{-s} = [E(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S) : E(2)^2] N(\mathfrak{g})^{-2s} \zeta_{k, \mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S}(s, c^2),$$

where  $c$  is the ray class in  $H(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S)$  represented by the integral ideal  $(\alpha)\mathfrak{a}^{-1}\mathfrak{g}^{-1}$ .

Proof. Let  $\delta \in (\alpha^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}^2)_S$  and put  $\mathfrak{b} = (\delta)\mathfrak{a}^{-2}\mathfrak{g}^{-2}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{b}$  is an integral ideal prime to  $\mathfrak{f}$ . Since  $\delta\alpha^{-2} \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{f}^2}$  and  $\delta\alpha^{-2} \in k_S$ , the integral ideal  $\mathfrak{b}$  belongs to the ray class  $c^2$ . Conversely, if  $\mathfrak{b}$  is an integral ideal belonging to the ray class  $c^2$ , then  $\mathfrak{b} = (\beta)(\alpha^2)\mathfrak{a}^{-2}\mathfrak{g}^{-2}$  for some  $\beta \in k_S$  with  $\beta \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{f}^2}$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{b} = (\delta)\mathfrak{a}^{-2}\mathfrak{g}^{-2}$  with  $\delta = \beta\alpha^2 \in (\alpha^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}^2)_S$ . Let  $\delta_1, \delta_2 \in (\alpha^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}^2)_S$  and denote by  $\mathfrak{b}_1$  and  $\mathfrak{b}_2$  the ideals corresponding to  $\delta_1$  and  $\delta_2$ , respectively. Then  $\mathfrak{b}_1 = \mathfrak{b}_2$  if and only if  $\delta_1/\delta_2 \in E(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S)$ . Now the desired formula follows immediately. ■

For any  $\mathfrak{f} \mid 2$ , and for any fractional ideal  $\mathfrak{c}$  of  $k$  relatively prime to  $\mathfrak{f}$ , put

$$\varrho_{\mathfrak{f}}([\mathfrak{c}, \mathfrak{f}]) = [\mathfrak{c}^2, \mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S].$$

Then  $\varrho_{\mathfrak{f}}$  is a well defined homomorphism of  $H(\mathfrak{f})$  to  $H(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S)$ .

LEMMA 2.2. *If the order of the group  $H(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S)$  is odd, then  $\varrho_{\mathfrak{f}}$  is an isomorphism of  $H(\mathfrak{f})$  onto  $H(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S)$ .*

Proof. The assumption implies that any element of  $H(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S)$  can be written as  $[\mathfrak{c}, \mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S]^2$  for some ideal  $\mathfrak{c}$ . Hence  $\varrho_{\mathfrak{f}}$  is surjective. On the other

hand, we have the natural surjective homomorphism of  $H(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S)$  onto  $H(\mathfrak{f})$ . Hence  $\varrho_{\mathfrak{f}}$  must be an isomorphism. ■

The order of the group  $H(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S)$  is given by the following lemma (see Lang [2], Chapter VI, Theorem 1).

LEMMA 2.3. For any non-zero integral ideal  $\mathfrak{f}$ ,

$$\#H(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S) = \frac{h\varphi(\mathfrak{f})2^{\#S}}{[E : E(\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{h}_S)]},$$

where  $\varphi$  is the Euler function of  $k$ .

Now we are ready to prove our main theorem.

THEOREM 1.

$$Z_{k,S}(s) = 2^{r_1+r_2-2ns} \sum_{\mathfrak{f}|2} \frac{N(\mathfrak{f})^{2s}}{[E(\mathfrak{f}) : E(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S)]} \sum_{c \in H(\mathfrak{f})} \zeta_{k,\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S}(s, \varrho_{\mathfrak{f}}(c)).$$

In particular, if the order of  $H(4\mathfrak{h}_S)$  is odd, then

$$Z_{k,S}(s) = 2^{r_1+r_2-\#S-2ns} \zeta_k(s) \sum_{\mathfrak{f}|2} N(\mathfrak{f})^{2s-1} \prod_{\mathfrak{p}|\mathfrak{f}} (1 - N(\mathfrak{p})^{-s}),$$

where  $\zeta_k(s)$  is the Dedekind zeta function of  $k$ .

PROOF. Let  $\alpha_{i1}, \dots, \alpha_{i2^n} \in \mathfrak{a}_i - \{0\}$  be a complete set of representatives of the quotient module  $\mathfrak{a}_i/2\mathfrak{a}_i$ . Then in the same way as when deducing the equation (1.4), we get

$$(2.3) \quad Z_{k,S}(s) = \frac{1}{[E : E(2)]} \sum_{i=1}^h \sum_{j=1}^{2^n} \sum_{\delta \in (\alpha_{ij}^2 + 4\mathfrak{a}_i^2)_S / E(2)^2} N((\delta)\mathfrak{a}_i^{-2})^{-s}.$$

By Lemma 2.1 and the above equation (2.3), we have

$$Z_{k,S}(s) = \sum_{i=1}^h \sum_{j=1}^{2^n} \frac{[E(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S) : E(2)^2]}{[E : E(2)]} N(\mathfrak{g})^{-2s} \zeta_{k,\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S}(s, \varrho_{\mathfrak{f}}(c_{ij})),$$

where  $\mathfrak{g} = (\alpha_{ij}\mathfrak{a}_i^{-1}, 2)$ ,  $\mathfrak{f} = (2)\mathfrak{g}^{-1}$  and  $c_{ij} = [(\alpha_{ij})\mathfrak{a}_i^{-1}\mathfrak{g}^{-1}, \mathfrak{f}]$ . For any  $\mathfrak{g} | 2$ , we consider the sum

$$T_{\mathfrak{g}} = \sum \zeta_{k,\mathfrak{f}^2}(s, c_{ij}^2),$$

where the summation is taken over all  $i, j$  with  $(\alpha_{ij}\mathfrak{a}_i^{-1}, 2) = \mathfrak{g}$ . Then

$$(2.4) \quad Z_{k,S}(s) = \sum_{\mathfrak{g}|2} \frac{[E(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S) : E(2)^2]}{[E : E(2)]} N(\mathfrak{g})^{-2s} T_{\mathfrak{g}}.$$

Now we claim that the ray class  $c_{ij}$  in  $T_{\mathfrak{g}}$  represents every element of  $H(\mathfrak{f})$  exactly  $[E : E(\mathfrak{f})]$  times. To prove this, for any  $c \in H(\mathfrak{f})$ , take an integral ideal  $\mathfrak{b}$  relatively prime to  $\mathfrak{f}$  such that  $c = [\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{f}]$ . Since  $\mathfrak{a}_1^{-1}\mathfrak{g}^{-1}, \dots, \mathfrak{a}_h^{-1}\mathfrak{g}^{-1}$  is

a complete set of representatives of the ideal classes of  $k$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = (\gamma)\mathbf{a}_i^{-1}\mathbf{g}^{-1}$  for some  $i$  and  $\gamma \in k^\times$ . Since  $\mathbf{b}$  is integral, we have  $\gamma \in \mathbf{a}_i\mathbf{g} \subset \mathbf{a}_i$ . Hence  $\gamma \equiv \alpha_{ij} \pmod{2\mathbf{a}_i}$  for some  $j$ . Now the fact that  $(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{f}) = 1$  implies  $(\alpha_{ij}\mathbf{a}_i^{-1}, 2) = \mathbf{g}$  and  $\gamma\alpha_{ij}^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathbf{f}}$ . Hence  $[\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{f}] = c_{ij}$ . It is easy to see that  $c_{i'j'} = c_{ij}$  if and only if  $i' = i$  and  $\alpha_{i'j'}\alpha_{ij}^{-1} \equiv \varepsilon \pmod{\mathbf{f}}$  for some  $\varepsilon \in E$ . This proves our claim, and hence we have established the following equation:

$$(2.5) \quad T_{\mathbf{g}} = [E : E(\mathbf{f})] \sum_{c \in H(\mathbf{f})} \zeta_{k, \mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S}(s, \varrho_{\mathbf{f}}(c)).$$

It is clear that

$$(2.6) \quad \frac{[E(\mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S) : E(2)^2][E : E(\mathbf{f})]}{[E : E(2)]} = \frac{[E(2) : E(2)^2]}{[E(\mathbf{f}) : E(\mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S)]}.$$

Dirichlet's unit theorem and the fact that  $\pm 1 \in E(2)$  imply

$$(2.7) \quad [E(2) : E(2)^2] = 2^{r_1+r_2}.$$

By (2.4)–(2.7), we have

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{aligned} Z_{k,S}(s) &= 2^{r_1+r_2} \sum_{\mathfrak{g}|2} \frac{N(\mathfrak{g})^{-2s}}{[E(\mathbf{f}) : E(\mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S)]} \sum_{c \in H(\mathbf{f})} \zeta_{k, \mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S}(s, \varrho_{\mathbf{f}}(c)) \\ &= 2^{r_1+r_2-2ns} \sum_{\mathfrak{f}|2} \frac{N(\mathfrak{f})^{2s}}{[E(\mathbf{f}) : E(\mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S)]} \sum_{c \in H(\mathbf{f})} \zeta_{k, \mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S}(s, \varrho_{\mathbf{f}}(c)). \end{aligned}$$

Now we assume that the order of  $H(4\mathbf{h}_S)$  is odd. Then the order of  $H(\mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S)$  is odd for any  $\mathbf{f}|2$ . By Lemma 2.2,  $\varrho_{\mathbf{f}}$  is an isomorphism of  $H(\mathbf{f})$  onto  $H(\mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S)$ . Hence the inner sum of the right hand side of (2.8) is equal to

$$(2.9) \quad \sum_{c \in H(\mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S)} \zeta_{k, \mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S}(s, c) = \zeta_k(s) \prod_{\mathfrak{p}|\mathbf{f}} (1 - N(\mathfrak{p})^{-s}).$$

On the other hand, the fact that  $H(\mathbf{f}) \cong H(\mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S)$  and Lemma 2.3 imply

$$(2.10) \quad [E(\mathbf{f}) : E(\mathbf{f}^2\mathbf{h}_S)] = 2^{\#S} N(\mathbf{f}).$$

Now the second formula of the theorem follows from (2.8)–(2.10). ■

**COROLLARY 1.** *The Dirichlet series  $Z_{k,S}(s)$  converges absolutely for  $\text{Re } s > 1$  and can be analytically continued to a meromorphic function on the whole complex plane. Its only singularity is a simple pole at  $s = 1$  with residue*

$$\frac{2^{r_1-\#S} \pi^{r_2} Rh}{w \sqrt{|d|}},$$

where  $R$  is the regulator of  $k$  and  $w$  is the number of roots of unity contained in  $k$ .



Proof. The first statement is obvious because the corresponding one for the partial zeta functions holds. It is well known that the residue of the partial zeta function  $\zeta_{k, \mathfrak{f}^2}(s, c)$  at  $s = 1$  does not depend on the ray class  $c$ . Hence

$$(2.11) \quad \text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_{k, \mathfrak{f}^2 \mathfrak{h}_S}(s, c) = \frac{\text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_k(s)}{\#H(\mathfrak{f}^2 \mathfrak{h}_S)} \prod_{\mathfrak{p}|\mathfrak{f}} (1 - N(\mathfrak{p})^{-1}).$$

By Theorem 1, Lemma 2.3 and the above equation (2.11), we have

$$(2.12) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Res}_{s=1} Z_{k,S}(s) &= 2^{r_1+r_2-2n} \sum_{\mathfrak{f}|2} \frac{N(\mathfrak{f})^2}{[E(\mathfrak{f}) : E(\mathfrak{f}^2 \mathfrak{h}_S)]} \frac{\#H(\mathfrak{f})}{\#H(\mathfrak{f}^2 \mathfrak{h}_S)} \\ &\quad \times \text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_k(s) \prod_{\mathfrak{p}|\mathfrak{f}} (1 - N(\mathfrak{p})^{-1}) \\ &= 2^{r_1+r_2-\#S-2n} \text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_k(s) \sum_{\mathfrak{f}|2} \varphi(\mathfrak{f}) \\ &= 2^{-r_2-\#S} \text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_k(s). \end{aligned}$$

It is well known that

$$(2.13) \quad \text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_k(s) = \frac{2^{r_1+r_2} \pi^{r_2} Rh}{w \sqrt{|d|}}$$

(see, for example, [2], Chapter VIII, Theorem 5). Now the desired formula for the residue of  $Z_{k,S}(s)$  at  $s = 1$  follows from (2.12) and (2.13). ■

Corollary 1 and the Ikehara theorem imply

COROLLARY 2.

$$\#\{\mathfrak{D} : \Delta(\mathfrak{D}) \in k_S, |D(\mathfrak{D}; \mathfrak{o}_k)| \leq X\} \sim \frac{2^{r_1-\#S} \pi^{r_2} Rh}{w \sqrt{|d|}} X \quad \text{as } X \rightarrow \infty.$$

COROLLARY 3. Assume that the order of the group  $H(4\mathfrak{h}_S)$  is odd. Put

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 2^{-r_1} \pi^{-n/2} |d|^{1/2}, \\ G_{k,S}(s) &= 2^{ns} A^s \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} Z_{k,S}(s). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $G_{k,S}(s)$  satisfies the functional equation

$$G_{k,S}(1-s) = G_{k,S}(s).$$

Proof. Let  $(2) = \mathfrak{p}_1^{e_1} \dots \mathfrak{p}_g^{e_g}$  be the prime ideal factorization of 2 in  $k$ . For any  $\mathfrak{f} | 2$ , put

$$\psi(s, \mathfrak{f}) = N(\mathfrak{f})^{2s-1} \prod_{\mathfrak{p}|\mathfrak{f}} (1 - N(\mathfrak{p})^{-s})$$

and

$$f(s) = \sum_{\mathfrak{f}|2} \psi(s, \mathfrak{f}).$$

Since  $\psi(s, \mathfrak{f})$  is multiplicative, we have

$$f(s) = \prod_{i=1}^g f_i(s),$$

where  $f_i(s) = \sum_{r=0}^{e_i} \psi(s, \mathfrak{p}_i^r)$ . Then

$$f_i(1-s) = N(\mathfrak{p}_i)^{e_i(1-2s)} f_i(s), \quad i = 1, \dots, g.$$

Hence  $f(s)$  satisfies

$$(2.14) \quad f(1-s) = f(s) \prod_{i=1}^g N(\mathfrak{p}_i)^{e_i(1-2s)} = f(s) 2^{n(1-2s)}.$$

Now the functional equation of the Dedekind zeta function (see [2], Chapter XIII, Theorem 2) and (2.14) imply  $G_{k,S}(1-s) = G_{k,S}(s)$ . ■

**3. Quadratic extensions.** Let  $S$  be a subset of  $M_r$ . In this section, we study the following Dirichlet series:

$$\xi_{k,S}(s) = \sum_K N(D_{K/k})^{-s},$$

where  $K$  runs over all quadratic extensions of  $k$  which are unramified at any  $v \in S$ . Wright studied this Dirichlet series in [4] and [5] by class field theory and by developing the theory of Iwasawa–Tate zeta function, respectively.

Let  $K$  be a quadratic extension of  $k$ . Then  $\mathfrak{D}_K$  is a quadratic order over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{D}_K = \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{a}_i, a)$  for some  $i$  and  $a \in \mathfrak{a}_i \times \mathfrak{a}_i^2$ . If  $\theta$  is a root of the quadratic equation  $q_a(x) = 0$ , then  $\mathfrak{D}_K = \mathfrak{o}_k + \mathfrak{a}_i^{-1}\theta$ . Let  $\mathfrak{D}$  be a quadratic order over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$  contained in  $K$ . Since  $\mathfrak{D} \subset \mathfrak{D}_K$ ,  $\{\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}_i^{-1} : \lambda\theta \in \mathfrak{D}\}$  is a fractional ideal of  $k$  contained in  $\mathfrak{a}_i^{-1}$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{D}$  can be written

$$(3.1) \quad \mathfrak{D} = \mathfrak{o}_k + \mathfrak{a}_i^{-1}\mathfrak{b}\theta$$

for some integral ideal  $\mathfrak{b}$  of  $k$ . Conversely, the  $\mathfrak{o}_k$ -module defined by (3.1) is obviously a quadratic order over  $\mathfrak{o}_k$  contained in  $K$ . Hence

$$(3.2) \quad \sum_{\mathfrak{D} \subset K} |D(\mathfrak{D}; \mathfrak{o}_k)|^{-s} = \sum_{\mathfrak{b}} N(D_{K/k})^{-s} N(\mathfrak{b})^{-2s} = N(D_{K/k})^{-s} \zeta_k(2s).$$

Let  $K = k \times k$  and denote by  $\mathfrak{D}_K$  the maximal order of  $K$ . Then  $\mathfrak{D}_K = \mathfrak{o}_k e + \mathfrak{o}_k \theta$  with  $e = (1, 1)$  and  $\theta = (0, 1)$ . Any quadratic order contained in  $K$  is of the form  $\mathfrak{o}_k e + \mathfrak{b}\theta$  for some integral ideal  $\mathfrak{b}$  of  $k$ . Hence

$$(3.3) \quad \sum_{\mathfrak{D} \subset K} |D(\mathfrak{D}; \mathfrak{o}_k)|^{-s} = \sum_{\mathfrak{b}} N(\mathfrak{b})^{-2s} = \zeta_k(2s).$$

By Corollary 1, the Dirichlet series  $Z_k(s)$  converges absolutely for  $\operatorname{Re} s > 1$ . Hence the equations (3.2) and (3.3) imply

$$(3.4) \quad Z_{k,S}(s) = \zeta_k(2s) + \zeta_k(2s)\xi_{k,S}(s).$$

By (3.4) and Theorem 1, we have given another proof of the following theorem which is a special case of Wright's theorem.

THEOREM 2.

$$\xi_{k,S}(s) = \frac{2^{r_1+r_2-2ns}}{\zeta_k(2s)} \sum_{\mathfrak{f}|2} \frac{N(\mathfrak{f})^{2s}}{[E(\mathfrak{f}) : E(\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S)]} \sum_{c \in H(\mathfrak{f})} \zeta_{k,\mathfrak{f}^2\mathfrak{h}_S}(s, \varrho_{\mathfrak{f}}(c)) - 1.$$

COROLLARY 4. Denote by  $c_S(X)$  the number of quadratic extensions  $K$  of  $k$  with  $|N(D_{K/k})| \leq X$  which are unramified at any  $v \in S$ . Then

$$c_S(X) \sim \frac{2^{r_1-\#S} \pi^{r_2} Rh}{w\sqrt{|d|}\zeta_k(2)} X \quad \text{as } X \rightarrow \infty.$$

By Corollary 4 and an elementary argument on counting cardinality, we have

COROLLARY 5. Denote by  $c'_S(X)$  the number of quadratic extensions  $K$  of  $k$  with  $|N(D_{K/k})| \leq X$  which are unramified at any  $v \in S$  and ramified at any  $v \in M_r - S$ . Then

$$c'_S(X) \sim \frac{\pi^{r_2} Rh}{w\sqrt{|d|}\zeta_k(2)} X \quad \text{as } X \rightarrow \infty.$$

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