

# Nonabelian Cohen-Lenstra Moments for the Quaternion Group

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## 1 Introduction and Background

### 1.1 Nonabelian Cohen-Lenstra heuristics

For a field  $k$ , let  $Cl(k)$  denote the class group of the field. Write  $Cl_p(k)$  for the Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $Cl(k)$ , called the  $p$ -part of the class group.

**Conjecture 1** (Cohen-Lenstra [4]). *Fix an odd prime  $p$  and a finite abelian  $p$ -group  $A$ . The probability that  $Cl_p(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{\pm d}))_p$  is isomorphic to  $A$  as  $\pm d$  varies over negative (respectively positive) quadratic discriminants is*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prob}(Cl_p(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-d})) \cong A) &= c^- \frac{1}{\#\text{Aut}(A)} \\ \text{Prob}(Cl_p(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})) \cong A) &= c^+ \frac{1}{\#A\#\text{Aut}(A)} \end{aligned}$$

For a pair of groups  $G$  and  $G' \subset G \wr S_2$  Melanie Wood gave a generalization of Cohen-Lenstra heuristics by defining the **Cohen-Lenstra Moment** to be

$$E^\pm(G, G') = \lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{0 < \pm d < X} \#\{L/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d}) \text{ unram.} : \text{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})) \cong G, \text{Gal}(\tilde{L}/\mathbb{Q}) \cong G'\}}{\sum_{0 < \pm d < X} 1}$$

if the limit exists.

**Conjecture 2** (Wood [9]). *For an admissible, good pair  $(G, G')$*

$$E^-(G, G') = \frac{\#H_2(G', c)[2]}{\#\text{Aut}_{G'}(G)} \quad E^+(G, G') = \frac{\#H_2(G', c)[2]}{\#c\#\text{Aut}'_G(G)}$$

and for an admissible, not good pair  $(G, G')$ ,  $E^\pm(G, G') = \infty$ .

### 1.2 Quaternion Group

$$H_8 = \langle a, b, z : a^2 = b^2 = [a, b] = z, z^2 = [a, z] = [b, z] = 1 \rangle$$

For any positive integer  $k$ , there exists a unique group  $G'_k \subset H_8^k \wr S_2$  up to isomorphism with  $[G'_k, H_8^k] = 2$  making  $(H_8^k, G'_k)$  an admissible pair

$$G'_k = H_8^k \rtimes S_2$$

This pair is not good.

**Theorem 3** (A. (k=1), A.-Klys).

$$E^\pm(H_8^k, H_8^k \rtimes S_2) = \infty$$

**Theorem 4** (Lemmermeyer [7]). *There exists an unramified extension  $M/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$  with  $\text{Gal}(M/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})) \cong H_8$  and  $\text{Gal}(M/\mathbb{Q}) \cong H_8 \rtimes S_2$  if and only if there is a factorization  $d = d_1 d_2 d_3$  satisfying*

- $d_1, d_2, d_3$  are coprime quadratic discriminants, at most one of which is negative.
- $\left(\frac{d_1 d_2}{p_3}\right) = \left(\frac{d_1 d_3}{p_2}\right) = \left(\frac{d_2 d_3}{p_1}\right) = 1$  for primes  $p_i \mid d_i$

Moreover, for each factorization there are exactly  $2^{\omega(d)-3}$  such extensions.

## 2 $E^\pm(H_8^k, H_8^k \rtimes S_2)$

### 2.1 $k = 1$

Fix  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  and vary  $d_3 = m$  to find the expected value of

$$a_{d_1, d_2, m} = \frac{1}{8} \sum_{d=d_1 d_2 m} \prod_{p \mid d} \left(1 + \left(\frac{d_1 d_2}{p}\right)\right) \left(1 + \left(\frac{d_1 m}{p}\right)\right) \left(1 + \left(\frac{d_2 m}{p}\right)\right)$$

**Lemma 5.**

$$\sum_{m \text{ sqf}} a_{d_1, d_2, m} m^{-s}$$

has a meromorphic continuation to  $\mathbb{C}$  with no poles or zeroes in an open neighborhood of  $\text{Re}(s) \geq 1$  except for a simple pole at  $s = 1$  with an explicit residue.

A Tauberian Theorem implies that

$$\sum_{d_1 d_2 m < X} a_{d_1, d_2, m} \sim \frac{c_{d_1, d_2}}{d_1 d_2} X$$

which we can then sum over  $d_1, d_2$  to show  $E^\pm(H_8, H_8 \rtimes S_2) = \infty$ .

### 2.2 Asymptotic Count implying $k \geq 1$

For an admissible pair  $(G, G')$  and a quadratic discriminant define

$$f_{G, G'}(d) = \#\{L/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d}) \text{ unram.} : \text{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})) \cong G, \text{Gal}(\tilde{L}/\mathbb{Q}) \cong G'\}$$

Define the numerator of the fraction in  $E^\pm(G, G')$  to be

$$N^\pm(G, G'; X) = \sum_{0 < \pm d < X} f_{G, G'}(d)$$

**Theorem 6** (A.-Klys [3]).

$$\begin{aligned} N^-(H_8^k, H_8^k \rtimes S_2; X) &\sim \frac{1}{4^k \#\text{Aut}_\sigma(H_8^k)} \sum_{0 < -d < X} 3^{k\omega(d)} \\ N^+(H_8^k, H_8^k \rtimes S_2; X) &\sim \frac{1}{24^k \#\text{Aut}_\sigma(H_8^k)} \sum_{0 < d < X} 3^{k\omega(d)} \end{aligned}$$

This implies  $E^\pm(H_8^k, H_8^k \rtimes S_2) = \infty$  as a corollary. We also prove that normalized  $k^{\text{th}}$  moments are finite:

**Theorem 7** (A.-Klys [3]).

$$E^- \left( \left( \frac{f_{H_8, H_8 \rtimes S_2}(d)}{3^{\omega(d)}} \right)^k \right) = \frac{1}{32^k} \quad E^+ \left( \left( \frac{f_{H_8, H_8 \rtimes S_2}(d)}{3^{\omega(d)}} \right)^k \right) = \frac{1}{192^k}$$

Use the same sieve as Fouvry-Klüners [5] did when finding the average value of the 4-rank of the class group of quadratic fields.

**BIG IDEA:** the main term only comes from those terms which cancel out completely by quadratic reciprocity, i.e. if  $D_u, D_v \neq 1$  then  $\Phi_k(u, v) = \Phi_k(v, u)$  so that the main term is

$$f(d)^k = \sum_{d=\prod D_u} \prod_{u,v} \left(\frac{D_u}{D_v}\right)^{\Phi_k(u,v)} \sim \sum_{d=\prod D_u} \prod (-1)^{\Phi_k(u,v) \frac{D_u-1}{2} \frac{D_v-1}{2}}$$

## 3 Other Work in the Area

### 3.1 Other Results By Methods Related to the Ones in this Poster

- $(D_4, D_4 \times C_2)$  for  $D_4$  the dihedral group of order 8. (A. [1])
- $(G, G')$  for  $[G' : G] = 2$  and  $G'$  a central  $C_2$  extension of  $C_2^n$  not containing a  $C_2 \times D_4$  with  $G \cap (C_2 \times D_4) = C_2 \times C_4$ . (Klys [6])
- $(A, A \rtimes S_2)$  for  $A$  a finite abelian 2-group of exponent 8, and in a more recent preprint any finite abelian 2-group (Smith [8])

In a recent preprint [2], I generalize Lemmermeyer's key theorem classifying unramified  $H_8$ -extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$  by certain factorizations  $d = d_1 d_2 d_3$  to classify unramified  $G$ -extensions  $M/K$  of an abelian extension  $K/\mathbb{Q}$  with  $\text{Gal}(M/K) = G'$  for pairs  $(G, G')$  such that  $[G', G'] \leq Z(G')$ .

This result can be used to do the case:

- (Upcoming)  $(G, G')$  for  $[G' : G] = 2$  and  $G'$  any central  $C_2^m$  extension of  $C_2^n$

### 3.2 Future Directions

- Expected numbers of  $G$ -extensions  $M/K$  as  $K$  varies over abelian number fields with Galois group  $A$  with  $\text{Gal}(M/K) = G'$ . My generalization of Lemmermeyer's conditions apply in this case for admissible pairs  $(G, G')$  with  $[G', G'] \leq Z(G')$ , suggesting that a similar sieve will work here too.
- Investigating the possibility that Smith's methods for  $(A, A \rtimes S_2)$  for  $A$  an abelian 2-group can be applied to  $(G, G')$  for  $G$  any finite 2-group.
- What should we expect the main term of  $N^\pm(G, G'; X)$  to look like for not good pairs? This would be an expansion of Wood's conjecture.

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