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## CM-fields with all roots of unity

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Let  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{N}$ , and  $\mathbb{P}$  be the rational number field, the rational integer ring, the set of positive integers, and that of prime numbers, respectively. For each  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ , let  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  denote the  $p$ -adic number field and  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  the  $p$ -adic integer ring. We denote by  $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}$  the direct product of all  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ :

$$\hat{\mathbb{Z}} = \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \mathbb{Z}_p.$$

Let  $\mathbb{N}'$  denote the set of at most countable cardinal numbers. Writing  $\infty$  for the countable cardinal number, we then understand that  $\mathbb{N}' = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0, \infty\}$ . The additive group of each topological ring  $R$  will be denoted by the same letter  $R$ ; for any  $\nu \in \mathbb{N}'$ , we let  $\Pi^\nu R$  and  $\bigoplus^\nu R$  denote respectively the direct product and the direct sum of  $\nu$  copies of  $R$ . Now, let  $\mathbb{C}$  be the complex number field,  $j$  the complex conjugation of  $\mathbb{C}$ , and  $J$  the Galois group of  $\mathbb{C}$  over the real number field;  $J = \{1, j\}$ . For any (multiplicative) abelian group  $\mathfrak{M}$  acted on by  $J$ , we put

$$\mathfrak{M}^- = \{\tau \in \mathfrak{M} \mid \tau^j = \tau^{-1}\}.$$

Then, viewing  $\mathfrak{M}$  as a module over the group ring  $\mathbb{Z}[J]$ , we have  $(\mathfrak{M}^-)^2 \subseteq \mathfrak{M}^{1-j} \subseteq \mathfrak{M}^-$ . We shall suppose, throughout the following, all algebraic number fields to be contained in  $\mathbb{C}$ . For each algebraic number field  $F$ , let  $C_F$  denote the ideal class group of  $F$ ,  $\tilde{F}$  the maximal unramified abelian extension over  $F$ , and  $F^+$  the maximal real subfield of  $F$ . In general,  $C_F$  is isomorphic to a subgroup of  $\bigoplus^\infty (\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$  while the Galois group  $G(\tilde{F}/F)$  of  $\tilde{F}/F$  is isomorphic to a topological quotient group of (the additive group of)  $\Pi^\infty \hat{\mathbb{Z}}$ ; hereafter  $G(\ )$  will denote the Galois group of the Galois extension in the parenthesis. When  $F$  is a CM-field,  $J$  acts on  $C_F$  and on  $G(\tilde{F}/F)$  in the usual manner. We denote by  $\mathbb{K}$  the maximal CM-field, so that  $\mathbb{K}^+$  is nothing but the maximal totally real algebraic number field. We put

$$\zeta_n = e^{2\pi i/n} \quad \text{for each } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

As is well known, the maximal abelian extension over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , which we denote by  $\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$ , is generated by all  $\zeta_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , over  $\mathbb{Q}$ :

$$\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}} = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

In this paper, introducing first the notion of “wild extension”, we shall generalize some results of Uchida [9] on unramified solvable extensions of algebraic number fields. We shall next show that for any CM-field  $K$  containing  $\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$ ,

$$G(\tilde{K}/K) \cong \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \hat{\mathbb{Z}} = \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \left( \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{Z}_p \right) \quad \text{and} \quad G(\tilde{K}/K)^- \cong \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \hat{\mathbb{Z}}.$$

On the other hand, we shall deduce from the above generalization that, given any map  $f: \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}'$ , there exist infinitely many CM-fields  $K \supseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$  such that

$$C_K = C_{\bar{K}} \cong \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \left( \bigoplus_{i=1}^{f(p)} (\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p) \right).$$

Moreover some related results, such as the following, will be added:  $C_K = C_{\bar{K}} = \{1\}$  (cf. [6]) while

$$C_K \cong \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} (\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}), \quad (C_{\bar{K}})^2 = C_K^{1-j} \cong \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} (\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$$

for every CM-field  $K \supseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$  which is contained in a nilpotent extension over some finite algebraic number field in  $K^+$  (cf. [1]). In the last part of the paper, we shall unite our results on wild extensions with classical results of Iwasawa [3] on solvable extensions.

We conclude this introduction by giving additional notations and remarks. Let  $F$  be any algebraic number field and let  $I_F$  denote the ideal group of  $F$ . An ideal of  $F$ , i.e., an element of  $I_F$  is considered to be an ideal of any algebraic number field  $F'$  containing  $F$  via the natural imbedding of  $I_F$  into the ideal group of  $F'$ . For each algebraic number  $\alpha \neq 0$  (in  $\mathbb{C}$ ), the principal ideal of  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  generated by  $\alpha$  is a principal ideal of any algebraic number field containing  $\alpha$ , in the above sense, and will be denoted by  $(\alpha)$ . We shall write  $F^\times$  for the multiplicative group of  $F$ . Throughout the paper, we shall often use basic facts in [8] on Galois cohomology, without mentioning this bibliography.

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1. Let  $k$  be any algebraic number field. An algebraic extension  $K$  over  $k$  is called wild when  $K/k$  is a Galois extension, every infinite prime of  $k$  is unramified in  $K$ , and for each finite prime  $\mathfrak{B}$  of  $K$ , the inertia group of  $\mathfrak{B}$  for  $K/k$  coincides with the ramification group of  $\mathfrak{B}$  for  $K/k$ . As easily seen from this definition, the following lemma holds.

**LEMMA 1.** *With  $k$  as above, let  $\mathfrak{s}$  be a set of finite primes of  $k$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  a family of algebraic extensions over  $k$ . If all fields in  $\mathcal{F}$  are wild extensions over  $k$  unramified outside  $\mathfrak{s}$ , then the composite of fields in  $\mathcal{F}$  is also a wild extension over  $k$  unramified outside  $\mathfrak{s}$ .*

Thus, given a set  $\mathfrak{s}$  of finite primes of an algebraic number field  $k$ , there exists the maximal wild extension over  $k$  unramified outside  $\mathfrak{s}$ . We then denote by  $k_{\text{ws}}^{\mathfrak{s}}$  the intersection of this field and the maximal solvable extension over  $k$ :  $k_{\text{ws}}^{\mathfrak{s}}$  is nothing but the maximal wild solvable extension over  $k$  unramified outside  $\mathfrak{s}$ .

Next, for any positive integer  $m$ , we take the abelian extension

$$\mathfrak{G} = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_q \mid q \in \mathbb{P}, \equiv 1 \pmod{m})$$

over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and denote by  $\mathbb{Q}^{(m)}$  the minimal intermediate field of  $\mathfrak{G}/\mathbb{Q}$  such that  $G(\mathfrak{G}/\mathbb{Q}^{(m)})^m = \{1\}$ :

$$\mathbb{Q}^{(m)} = \{\alpha \in \mathfrak{G} \mid \alpha^\sigma = \alpha \text{ for all } \sigma \in G(\mathfrak{G}/\mathbb{Q}) \text{ with } \sigma^m = 1\}.$$

Let us now prove

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $F$  be an algebraic number field containing  $\mathbb{Q}^{(m)}$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a set of finite primes of  $F$ . Then the cohomological dimension of the Galois group of  $F_{\text{ws}}^{\mathfrak{S}}$  over  $F$  is at most equal to 1:*

$$\text{cd } G(F_{\text{ws}}^{\mathfrak{S}}/F) \leq 1.$$

*Proof.* Let  $p$  be any prime number,  $S$  the set of prime numbers obtained by restricting the primes in  $\mathfrak{S}$  on  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and  $K$  an intermediate field of  $F_{\text{ws}}^{\mathfrak{S}}/F$  such that  $G(F_{\text{ws}}^{\mathfrak{S}}/K)$  is a Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $G(F_{\text{ws}}^{\mathfrak{S}}/F)$ . It suffices to show that

$$\text{cd } G(F_{\text{ws}}^{\mathfrak{S}}/K) \leq 1. \tag{1}$$

However, in the case  $p \notin S$ , this follows immediately from Theorem 1 of [9].

Indeed  $F_{\text{ws}}^{\otimes}$  is then the maximal unramified  $p$ -extension over  $K$  and  $K$  contains  $\mathbb{Q}^{(m)}$  by the assumption.

Assume now that  $p \in S$ . In this case, we can prove (1) by modifying the proof of Theorem 1 of [9], as follows. Let  $L$  be any finite Galois extension over  $K$  in  $F_{\text{ws}}^{\otimes}$ . For simplicity, we put

$$\mathfrak{G} = G(L/K).$$

Let  $W_p$  denote the group of  $p$ th roots of unity in  $\mathbb{C}$ :  $W_p = \langle \zeta_p \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ . Let us identify  $G(L(\zeta_p)/K(\zeta_p))$  with  $\mathfrak{G}$  so that  $\mathfrak{G}$  acts on  $L(\zeta_p)^\times$  and, trivially, on  $W_p$ . Assuming that

$$H^2(\mathfrak{G}, W_p) \neq \{1\}, \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad \mathfrak{G} \neq \{1\},$$

we take any 2-cocycle  $\delta: \mathfrak{G} \times \mathfrak{G} \rightarrow W_p$  whose cohomology class in  $H^2(\mathfrak{G}, W_p)$  is not trivial. Let

$$\{1\} \rightarrow W_p \rightarrow \mathfrak{F} \xrightarrow{\psi} \mathfrak{G} \rightarrow \{1\}$$

be the group extension of  $\mathfrak{G}$  by  $W_p$  corresponding to  $\delta$ , with the natural projection  $\psi: \mathfrak{F} \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}$ . For the proof of (1), it is now sufficient to find a Galois extension  $L'$  over  $K$  containing  $L$  such that there exists a  $\mathfrak{G}$ -isomorphism  $\iota: G(L'/K) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{F}$  for which  $\iota(G(L'/L)) = W_p$  and the composite  $\psi \circ \iota$  coincides with the restriction map  $G(L'/K) \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}$ .

Since  $K(\zeta_p) \supseteq F \supseteq \mathbb{Q}^{(m)}$ , Lemma 1 of [9] implies that the local degree of  $K(\zeta_p)/\mathbb{Q}$  at each finite prime of  $K(\zeta_p)$  is divisible by  $p^\infty$ . Furthermore all infinite primes of  $K(\zeta_p)$  are unramified in  $L(\zeta_p)$ . Hence, as in the proof of Lemma 5 of [11], we obtain

$$H^2(\mathfrak{G}, L(\zeta_p)^\times) = \{1\}.$$

In particular,  $\delta$  is considered to be a 2-coboundary  $\mathfrak{G} \times \mathfrak{G} \rightarrow L(\zeta_p)^\times$ , namely, there exists a homomorphism  $\beta: \mathfrak{G} \rightarrow L(\zeta_p)^\times$  such that

$$\delta(\sigma, \tau) = \beta(\tau)^\sigma \beta(\sigma\tau)^{-1} \beta(\sigma), \quad \sigma, \tau \in \mathfrak{G}.$$

Here, since each  $\delta(\sigma, \tau)$  is in  $W_p$  and, as is well known,  $H^1(\mathfrak{G}, L(\zeta_p)^\times) = \{1\}$ , there also exists an element  $\eta$  of  $L(\zeta_p)^\times$  such that

$$\beta(\sigma)^p = \eta^{\sigma^{-1}} \quad \text{for all } \sigma \in \mathfrak{G}.$$

Let  $n = [L(\zeta_p):L]$ , let  $\rho$  be a generator of the cyclic group  $G(L(\zeta_p)/L)$ , and choose an integer  $r$  satisfying

$$\zeta_p^\rho = \zeta_p^r, \quad r^n \equiv 1 \pmod{p}, \quad r^n \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}.$$

The group ring  $\mathbb{Z}[G(L(\zeta_p)/L)]$  acts on  $L(\zeta_p)^\times$  in the obvious manner. By Lemma 2 of [9], we may assume that

$$\eta = \omega^\theta \zeta^p \quad \text{for suitable } \omega, \zeta \in L(\zeta_p)^\times,$$

where  $\theta$  is the element of  $\mathbb{Z}[G(L(\zeta_p)/L)]$  defined by

$$\theta = \sum_{v=0}^{n-1} r^{n-v} \rho^v.$$

Let  $m_0$  denote the product of distinct prime divisors of  $m$  different from  $p$ . As  $K$  contains  $\mathbb{Q}^{(m)}$ , there exists a Galois extension  $L_0/K_0$  of finite algebraic number fields with the following properties:

- (i)  $L_0 \cap K = K_0$ ,  $L_0 K = L$ ,  $[L_0(\zeta_p):L_0] = n$ ,
- (ii)  $L_0$  is unramified over  $K_0$  outside  $p$ ; further, all prime ideals of  $K_0$  dividing  $m_0$  are completely decomposed in  $L_0$ ,
- (iii)  $\eta, \omega, \zeta$ , and all  $\beta(\sigma)$ ,  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{G}$ , lie in  $L_0(\zeta_p)$ .

By (ii) above, the approximation theorem guarantees the existence of an element  $a$  of  $K_0(\zeta_p)^\times$  such that, for each prime ideal  $\mathfrak{v}$  of  $K_0(\zeta_p)$  dividing  $m_0$ ,  $\omega/a$  is a  $p$ th power in the  $\mathfrak{v}$ -adic completion of  $K_0(\zeta_p)$  and  $w(\omega/a) > 0$  for every real archimedean valuation  $w$  of  $L_0(\zeta_p)$ . Then the same discussion as in page 314 of [9] shows that the principal ideal  $(\eta a^{-\theta})$  is expressed in the form

$$(\eta a^{-\theta}) = \mathfrak{n}^\theta \mathfrak{a}^p \mathfrak{b}.$$

Here  $\mathfrak{n}$  is an ideal of  $K_0(\zeta_p)$  prime to  $mp$ ,  $\mathfrak{a}$  an ideal of  $L_0(\zeta_p)$  prime to  $p$ , and  $\mathfrak{b}$  that of  $L_0(\zeta_p)$  whose numerator and denominator are products of prime ideals of  $L_0(\zeta_p)$  dividing  $p$ . With  $t$  the order of the Frobenius automorphism

$$\left( \frac{K_0(\zeta_{mp})/K_0(\zeta_p)}{\mathfrak{n}} \right),$$

let  $K_1$  be an extension of degree  $t$  over  $K_0$  contained in  $K$ . By the Tschebotareff density theorem, there exists a prime ideal  $\mathfrak{q}$  of  $K_1(\zeta_p)$  unramified for  $K_1(\zeta_p)/\mathbb{Q}$ , of degree 1 over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and belonging to the class of  $\mathfrak{n}$  in the ray class group of  $K_1(\zeta_p)$  modulo  $(mp)r_\infty$  where  $r_\infty$  is the product of all real infinite primes of  $K_1(\zeta_p)$ . It

follows that  $qn^{-1} = (b)$  for some  $b \in K_1(\zeta_p)$  with  $b \equiv 1 \pmod{(mp)r_\infty}$ . The field  $L(\zeta_p, \sqrt[p]{\eta a^{-\theta} b^\theta}) = L(\zeta_p, \sqrt[p]{(\omega a^{-1} b)^\theta})$  is then an abelian extension of degree  $np$  over  $L$ . Furthermore the cyclic extension of degree  $p$  over  $L$  in that field becomes a Galois extension over  $K$ , which can be taken as the before-mentioned field  $L'$ . To prove this final assertion, one may only check the last part of the proof of Theorem 1 in [9]; so we omit the detail.

For any algebraic number field  $k$ , let  $k_{\text{nil}}$  denote the maximal nilpotent extension over  $k$ . The proof of Theorem 2 in [9], together with the above theorem, yields the following result.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $F$  be an algebraic number field such that*

$$\mathbb{Q}^{(m)} \subseteq F \subseteq k_{\text{nil}}$$

*for some positive integer  $m$  and some finite algebraic number field  $k$  in  $F$ . Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a set of finite primes of  $F$ . Then  $G(F_{\mathfrak{w}\mathfrak{s}}^\mathfrak{S}/F)$  is isomorphic to the solvable completion of a free group with countable free generators.*

Finally we add a result which follows immediately from the definition of a wild extension.

**LEMMA 2.** *Let  $k$  be an algebraic number field and  $\mathfrak{s}$  a set of finite primes of  $k$ . Then:*

(i) *for any intermediate field  $F$  of  $k_{\mathfrak{w}\mathfrak{s}}^\mathfrak{s}/k$ ,*

$$F_{\mathfrak{w}\mathfrak{s}}^\mathfrak{S} = k_{\mathfrak{w}\mathfrak{s}}^\mathfrak{s}$$

*where  $\mathfrak{S}$  is the set of all primes of  $F$  lying above primes in  $\mathfrak{s}$ ,*

(ii) *if  $k$  is totally real, then so is  $k_{\mathfrak{w}\mathfrak{s}}^\mathfrak{s}$ .*

2. For any multiplicative abelian group  $M$  on which  $J$  acts, we let

$$\mathfrak{M}^+ = \{\tau \in \mathfrak{M} \mid \tau^j = \tau\},$$

so that  $(\mathfrak{M}^+)^2 \subseteq \mathfrak{M}^{1+j} \subseteq \mathfrak{M}^+$ ,  $\mathfrak{M}^{1+j} \cong \mathfrak{M}/\mathfrak{M}^-$  and  $\mathfrak{M}^{1-j} \cong \mathfrak{M}/\mathfrak{M}^+$ . The purpose of this section is to prove the following.

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $K$  be any CM-field containing  $\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$ . Then, as profinite groups,*

$$G(\tilde{K}/K)^- \cong \prod_{\infty} \hat{Z}, \quad G(\tilde{K}/K) \cong \prod_{\infty} \hat{Z}.$$

*Furthermore*

$$G(\tilde{K}/K)^+ \cong \prod_{\infty} \hat{Z}$$

if  $K$  is contained in  $k_{\text{nil}}$  for some finite algebraic number field  $k$  in  $K^+$ .

For the proof of the above, we need

LEMMA 3. *Let  $L$  be a CM-field. Then*

- (i)  $G(\tilde{L}/L)^- \cong G(\tilde{L}/\tilde{L} \cap \mathbb{K}) \cong G(\tilde{L}/L)^{1-j}$ ,
- (ii) for any CM-field  $L' \supseteq L$ ,  $G(\tilde{L}/L)^{1-j}$  is contained in the image of  $G(\tilde{L}'/L')^-$  under the restriction map  $G(\tilde{L}'/L')^- \rightarrow G(\tilde{L}/L)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $F$  be any CM-field in  $L$  of finite degree. Since  $C_F^-$  contains the kernel of the norm map  $C_F \rightarrow C_{F^+}$ , it follows from class field theory that  $G(\tilde{F}/F)^-$  contains  $G(\tilde{F}/F\tilde{F}^+)$ , the kernel of the restriction map  $G(\tilde{F}/F) \rightarrow G(\tilde{F}^+/F^+)$ . Thus we have  $G(\tilde{L}/L)^- \cong G(\tilde{L}/L\tilde{L}^+)$ , which implies  $G(\tilde{L}/L)^- \cong G(\tilde{L}/\tilde{L} \cap \mathbb{K})$  by  $L\tilde{L}^+ \subseteq \tilde{L} \cap \mathbb{K}$ . Furthermore, since  $\tilde{L} \cap \mathbb{K}$  is a CM-field and an abelian extension over  $L$ , it is also an abelian extension over  $L^+$  so that  $G(\tilde{L}/\tilde{L} \cap \mathbb{K}) \cong G(\tilde{L}/L)^{1-j}$ . This completes the proof of (i). We obtain (ii) from (i), noting that the restriction map in (ii) induces a surjective homomorphism  $G(\tilde{L}'/\tilde{L}' \cap \mathbb{K}) \rightarrow G(\tilde{L}/\tilde{L} \cap \mathbb{K})$ .

*Proof of Theorem 3.* Let  $A$  be any non-trivial finite abelian group. We can then take a cyclotomic field  $F$  such that  $G(\tilde{F}/F)^{1-j}$  has a subgroup isomorphic to  $A$  (see, e.g., [2]). Hence it follows from Lemma 3 that there exists a group homomorphism of  $G(\tilde{K}/K)^-$  onto  $A$ . On the other hand,  $G(\tilde{K}/K)^-$  is torsion-free since so is  $G(\tilde{K}/K)$  by Theorem 1 of [9]. Consequently

$$G(\tilde{K}/K)^- \cong \prod_{\infty} \hat{\mathbb{Z}}, \quad G(\tilde{K}/K) \cong \prod_{\infty} \hat{\mathbb{Z}}.$$

As  $K^+$  includes  $\mathbb{Q}^{(2)}$  and  $G(\tilde{K}^+/K^+)^2$  is the image of  $G(\tilde{K}/K)^{1+j}$  under the restriction map  $G(\tilde{K}/K) \rightarrow G(\tilde{K}^+/K^+)$ , the last assertion of Theorem 3 is now an immediate consequence of Theorem 2 in [9].

3. The main result of the present section is as follows.

THEOREM 4. *For any given map  $f: \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}'$ , there exist infinitely many CM-fields  $K$  containing  $\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$  such that*

$$C_K = C_K^- \cong \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \left( \bigoplus^{f(p)} (\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p) \right).$$

To prove this, we prepare some notations and show two lemmas.

Let  $F$  be any algebraic number field. We then denote by  $F_{\text{ws}}$  the maximal wild solvable extension over  $F$ , namely, put

$$F_{\text{ws}} = F_{\text{ws}}^{\mathbf{U}}$$

where  $\mathbf{U}$  is the set of all finite primes of  $F$ . We denote by  $M_F$  the maximal abelian



extension over  $F$  in  $F_{\text{ws}}$ . For each  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ , let  $C_F(p)$  and  $M_{F,p}$  denote respectively the  $p$ -primary component of  $C_F$  and the maximal  $p$ -extension over  $F$  in  $M_F$ , i.e., the maximal abelian  $p$ -extension over  $F$  unramified outside  $p$ ; so that if  $F$  is a CM-field,  $C_F(p)$  and  $G(M_{F,p}/F)$ , as well as  $G(M_F/F)$ , naturally become  $J$ -modules. Here, by a  $J$ -module, we mean of course an abelian group on which  $J$  acts. For any profinite group  $H$ , we let  $H^{\text{ab}}$  denote the maximal abelian quotient of  $H$ , i.e., the quotient group of  $H$  modulo the topological commutator subgroup of  $H$ . When  $H$  itself is a profinite abelian group, we let  $H^*$  denote the Pontryagin dual of  $H$ .

LEMMA 4. *Let  $p$  be any prime number. Let  $K$  be a CM-field containing  $\mathbb{Q}^{(m)}$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^n})$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $C_K(p)$  is a divisible group and, as discrete groups,*

$$(C_K(p)^-)^2 = C_K(p)^{1-j} \cong G(M_{K^+,p}/K^+)^*.$$

*Proof.* It is obvious that  $G(M_{K,p}/K)$  is isomorphic to the Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $G(K_{\text{ws}}/K)^{\text{ab}}$ . However, since  $K \supseteq \mathbb{Q}^{(m)}$  with  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , Theorem 1 implies that  $\text{cd } G(K_{\text{ws}}/K) \leq 1$ . Therefore  $G(M_{K,p}/K)$  becomes a torsion-free  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -module. Similarly, noticing  $K^+ \supseteq \mathbb{Q}^{(2m)}$ , we can see again from Theorem 1 that  $G(M_{K^+,p}/K^+)$  is a torsion-free  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -module.

The rest of the proof is devoted to essentially known discussions on the Kummer extension  $M_{K,p}$  over  $K$  (cf. [5]). We let  $\mathfrak{R}$  denote the quotient of the subgroup

$$\{\alpha \in M_{K,p} \mid \alpha^{p^n} \in K^\times \text{ for some integer } n \geq 0\}$$

of  $M_{K,p}^\times$  modulo  $K^\times$ , which becomes a  $J$ -module in the obvious manner. Let  $L$  be the maximal abelian extension over  $K^+$  in  $M_{K,p}$ , namely, the intermediate field of  $M_{K,p}/K$  such that  $G(M_{K,p}/L) = G(M_{K,p}/K)^{1-j}$ . Then the natural isomorphism  $\mathfrak{R} \simeq G(M_{K,p}/K)^*$  in Kummer theory induces

$$\mathfrak{R}^- \cong (G(M_{K,p}/K)/G(M_{K,p}/K)^{1-j})^* \cong G(L^+/K^+)^*.$$

Here  $\mathfrak{R}$  is a divisible group; indeed we have shown that  $G(M_{K,p}/K)$  is a torsion-free  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -module. Hence

$$\mathfrak{R}^{1-i} = (\mathfrak{R}^-)^2 \cong (G(L^+/K^+)^*)^2. \quad (2)$$

Now let  $z$  be any class in  $\mathfrak{R}$ . We take an element  $\alpha$  of  $z$ , so that  $\alpha^{p^r} \in K^\times$  for some integer  $r \geq 0$ . Since all  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha^{p^r}, \zeta_{p^n})$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , are subfields of  $K$ , there exists an

intermediate field  $k$  of  $K/\mathbb{Q}(\alpha^{p^r}, \zeta_{p^r})$  with finite degree such that  $k(\alpha)$  is unramified over  $k$  outside  $p$  and that each prime ideal of  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha^{p^r})$  dividing  $p$  is a  $p^r$ th power in the ideal group  $I_k$  of  $k$ . Therefore

$$(\alpha^{p^r}) = \alpha^{p^r} \quad \text{for some } \alpha \in I_k.$$

We then denote by  $c_z$  the ideal class in  $C_K(p)$  containing  $\alpha$ , which actually does not depend on the choice of  $\alpha$ .

Thus, letting each class  $z'$  in  $\mathfrak{R}$  correspond to  $c_{z'}$ , we obtain a  $J$ -module homomorphism  $\mathfrak{R} \rightarrow C_K(p)$ . Let  $E$  denote the unit group of  $K$  and define a  $J$ -module  $\mathfrak{E}$  by

$$\mathfrak{E} = \{\alpha \in M_{K,p} \mid \alpha^{p^n} \in E \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{Z}, \geq 0\} / E.$$

As easily seen, the above homomorphism induces the following exact sequence of  $J$ -modules:

$$\{1\} \rightarrow \mathfrak{E} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R} \rightarrow C_K(p) \rightarrow \{1\}. \quad (3)$$

In particular, it follows that  $C_K(p)$  is a divisible group, whence

$$(C_K(p)^-)^2 = C_K(p)^{1-j}. \quad (4)$$

We also have

$$(\mathfrak{E}^-)^2 = \mathfrak{E}^{1-j} = \{1\}, \quad (5)$$

because the group of roots of unity in  $K$  is  $p$ -divisible. Therefore, in the case  $p > 2$ , the last assertion  $C_K(p)^{1-j} \cong G(M_{K^+,p}/K^+)^*$  follows from (2), (3), (5), and the fact  $L^+ = M_{K^+,p}$ .

In the case  $p = 2$ ,  $L$  is the maximal abelian 2-extension over  $K^+$  unramified outside the primes of  $K^+$  which are infinite or lie above 2. Hence  $L^+$  is an abelian extension over  $M_{K^+,2}$  such that  $G(L^+/M_{K^+,2})^2 = \{1\}$ . We can therefore view  $G(M_{K^+,2}/K^+)^*$  as a subgroup of  $G(L^+/K^+)^*$  containing  $(G(L^+/K^+)^*)^2$ . However  $G(M_{K^+,2}/K^+)^*$  is a divisible group and, by (2), so is  $(G(L^+/K^+)^*)^2$ . Consequently we have  $G(M_{K^+,2}/K^+)^* = (G(L^+/K^+)^*)^2$ . This together with (2), (3), (4), and (5) completes the proof of Lemma 4 for the case  $p = 2$ .

The following lemma is an immediate consequence of Lemma 4.

**LEMMA 5.** *For any CM-field  $K \ni \mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$ ,  $C_K$  is divisible and*

$$(C_K^-)^2 = C_K^{1-j} \cong G(M_{K^+}/K^+)^*.$$

*Proof of Theorem 4.* Let  $F$  be any totally real finite Galois extension over  $(\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}})^+$  such that  $G(F/(\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}})^+)$  is isomorphic to a non-abelian simple group; for example, we may take as  $F$  a composite field of  $(\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}})^+$  and a finite real Galois extension over  $\mathbb{Q}$  with Galois group a symmetric group of degree  $\geq 5$ . Since  $\mathbb{Q}^{(2)} \subseteq F \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)_{\text{nil}}$  for any primitive element  $\alpha$  of  $F/(\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}})^+$ , Theorem 2 implies that  $G(F_{\text{ws}}/F)$  is isomorphic to a free pro-solvable group with countable free generators.

Next, let  $p$  be any prime number and  $T$  an inertia group for  $F_{\text{ws}}/F$  of a prime of  $F_{\text{ws}}$  lying above  $p$ . As every Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $G(F_{\text{ws}}/F)$  is free,  $T$  is a free pro- $p$ -group. With  $n$  being any positive integer, let  $q$  be a prime number  $\equiv 1 \pmod{p^n}$  such that  $p$  is not a  $p$ th power  $\pmod{q}$ ; the existence of  $q$  is guaranteed by Tschebotareff's density theorem. Let  $N$  be the cyclic extension of degree  $p$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  with conductor  $q$ . We note that  $p$  remains prime in  $N$ . Let  $N_\infty$  denote the basic  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extension over  $N$ . It then follows from [4] that the unique prime of  $N_\infty$  above  $p$  is fully ramified in  $M_{N_\infty, p}$ . Furthermore, by [10],  $G(M_{N_\infty, p}/N)$  is isomorphic to  $\Pi^r \mathbb{Z}_p$  where

$$r = (p-1) \left( \text{ord}_p \frac{q^{2(p-1)} - 1}{4} - 2 \right) \geq (p-1)(n-3),$$

$\text{ord}_p$  denoting the  $p$ -adic exponential valuation. Hence  $T$  has at least  $r$  free generators, while  $n$  is an arbitrary positive integer. Thus  $T$  must be a free pro- $p$ -group with countable free generators.

Now, let  $f$  be any map  $\mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}'$ . By the above discussion, we can take for each  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ , an intermediate field  $F_p$  of  $F_{\text{ws}}/F$  such that  $G(F_{\text{ws}}/F_p)$  is contained in an inertia group, for  $F_{\text{ws}}/F$ , of a prime of  $F_{\text{ws}}$  above  $p$  and has exactly  $f(p)$  free generators as a free pro- $p$ -group. Let  $K$  be the composite of  $\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$  and the intersection of all  $F_p$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ . It is clear that

$$K \subseteq \mathbb{K}, \quad K^+ = \bigcap_{p \in \mathbb{P}} F_p.$$

However, as  $\widetilde{K}^+ \subseteq F_p$  for all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ , we have  $\widetilde{K}^+ = K^+$ . Therefore we see easily from the principal ideal theorem that

$$C_{K^+} = \{1\} \quad \text{whence} \quad C_K = C_{\widetilde{K}}. \quad (6)$$

On the other hand, it follows from the choices of  $F_p$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ , that

$$G(F_{\text{ws}}/K^+)^{\text{ab}} \cong \prod_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \left( \prod_{i=1}^{f(p)} \mathbb{Z}_p \right).$$

Since  $(K^+)_{\text{ws}} = F_{\text{ws}}$  by Lemma 2, we also have  $G(M_{K^+}/K^+) \cong G(F_{\text{ws}}/K^+)^{\text{ab}}$ . Hence, by Lemma 5 and (6),

$$C_K = (C_K^-)^2 \cong (G(F_{\text{ws}}/K^+)^{\text{ab}})^* \cong \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \left( \bigoplus^{f(p)} (\mathbb{Q}_p/\mathbb{Z}_p) \right).$$

Furthermore, for any finite Galois extension  $F'$  over  $(\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}})^+$  in  $\mathbb{K}^+$  with  $G(F'/(\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}})^+)$  a non-abelian simple group, the composite  $F'_{\text{ws}} \mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$  contains  $K$  if and only if  $F' = F$ . Theorem 4 is therefore proved.

Of course, for CM-fields containing  $\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$  but not “so large”, we can get a result analogous to that of Brumer [1].

**PROPOSITION 1.** *Let  $K$  be a CM-field containing  $\mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$  such that  $K \subseteq k_{\text{nil}}$  for some finite algebraic number field  $k$  in  $K^+$ . Then  $(C_K^-)^2 = C_K^{1-j}$  is isomorphic to the direct sum of countably infinite copies of  $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$ .*

*Proof.* This follows immediately from Theorem 2 and Lemma 5.

**REMARK.** Under the hypothesis of Proposition 1, we also have

$$C_K \cong \bigoplus^{\infty} (\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}).$$

Moreover it might be remarkable that  $C_F^+ = C_{F^+} = \{1\}$  holds for every CM-field  $F \supseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$  if the so-called Greenberg conjecture in Iwasawa theory is generally true.

We next consider when the ideal class group of a CM-field  $\supseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$  vanishes.

**LEMMA 6.** *Let  $p$  and  $K$  be the same as in Lemma 4. Then the three conditions  $C_K(p) = \{1\}$ ,  $C_K(p)^- = \{1\}$ , and  $M_{K^+,p} = K^+$  are equivalent.*

*Proof.* By Lemma 4, the condition  $M_{K^+,p} = K^+$  is a necessary one for  $C_K(p)^- = \{1\}$ . So it suffices to prove that  $M_{K^+,p} = K^+$  implies  $C_K(p) = \{1\}$ . The principal ideal theorem shows, however, that  $C_{K^+}(p) = \{1\}$  holds if  $K^+$  coincides with the maximal unramified abelian  $p$ -extension over  $K^+$ . Hence, in the case  $M_{K^+,p} = K^+$ , we certainly have  $C_{K^+}(p) = \{1\}$  so that  $C_K(p) = C_K(p)^-$ . We have further, by Lemma 4,  $C_K(p)^2 = C_K(p)$  and  $(C_K(p)^-)^2 = \{1\}$ . Then  $C_K(p)$  vanishes as desired.

We thus obtain

**PROPOSITION 2.** *For any CM-field  $K \supseteq \mathbb{Q}_{\text{ab}}$ , the following conditions are equivalent.*

- (i)  $C_K = \{1\}$ ,
- (ii)  $C_K^- = \{1\}$ ,
- (iii)  $M_{K^+} = K^+$ ,

- (iv)  $(K^+)_{\text{ws}} = K^+$ ,
  - (v)  $K^+ = k_{\text{ws}}$  for some subfield  $k$  of  $\mathbb{K}^+$ .
- In particular,  $C_{\mathbb{K}} = \{1\}$  (cf. [6]).

4. In this final section, we generalize some results of the preceding sections.

Let  $F$  be any algebraic number field,  $\mathfrak{T}$  a set of finite primes of  $F$ , and  $\mathfrak{S}$  a subset of  $\mathfrak{T}$ . We take the family  $\mathcal{G}$  of all Galois extensions  $F'$  over  $F$  unramified outside  $\mathfrak{T}$  such that for each prime  $\mathfrak{B}$  of  $F'$  whose restriction on  $F$  lies in  $\mathfrak{S}$ , the first ramification field of  $\mathfrak{B}$  for  $F'/F$  coincides with the inertia field of  $\mathfrak{B}$  for  $F'/F$ . Let  $\Omega_F^{\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{T}}$  denote the composite of all fields in  $\mathcal{G}$ . Then, as easily seen,  $\Omega_F^{\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{T}}$  also belongs to  $\mathcal{G}$ , i.e.,  $\Omega_F^{\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{T}}$  is the maximal field in  $\mathcal{G}$ . We denote by  $F_{\text{sol}}^{\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{T}}$  the intersection of  $\Omega_F^{\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{T}}$  and the maximal solvable extension over  $F$ . Note that  $F_{\text{sol}}^{\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{S}} = F_{\text{ws}}^{\mathfrak{S}}$ . The discussions of [9] and section 1 now lead us to the following result, which implies Theorems 6, 7 of [3] as well as our Theorems 1, 2.

**THEOREM 5.** *If  $F \supseteq \mathbb{Q}^{(m)}$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , then*

$$\text{cd } G(\Omega_F^{\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{T}}/F) \leq 1, \quad \text{cd } G(F_{\text{sol}}^{\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{T}}/F) \leq 1.$$

*If, furthermore,  $F \subseteq k_{\text{nil}}$  for some finite algebraic number field  $k$  in  $F$ , then  $G(F_{\text{sol}}^{\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{T}}/F)$  is isomorphic to a free pro-solvable group with countable free generators.*

To weaken lastly the hypothesis of Proposition 1, we start with proving

**PROPOSITION 3.** *Let  $F$  be an algebraic number field containing  $\mathbb{Q}^{(m)}$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $C_F$  is a divisible group.*

*Proof* (cf. [1]). Let  $n$  be any positive integer and  $c$  any ideal class in  $C_F$ . It suffices to show that

$$x^n = c \quad \text{for some } x \in C_F. \tag{7}$$

We write  $u$  for the order of  $c$ . Now there exists an element  $\alpha$  of  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{mn})$  satisfying  $F(\alpha) = F(\zeta_{mn}) \cap \tilde{F}$ . There also exists an intermediate field  $k$  of  $F/F \cap \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{mn})$  with finite degree such that  $c$  contains an ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $k$  whose  $u$ th power is principal in  $k$  and that  $\alpha$  lies in  $\tilde{k}$  whence  $k(\alpha) = \tilde{k} \cap k(\zeta_{mn})$ . Let  $q$  be a prime number  $\equiv 1 \pmod{mu}$  not dividing the discriminant of  $k$ . Let  $k'$  be the composite of  $k$  and the cyclic extension of degree  $u$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  with conductor  $q$ . Note that  $F$  contains  $k'$ . Obviously the norm of  $\mathfrak{a}$  for  $k'/k$  is  $\mathfrak{a}^u$ , a principal ideal of  $k$ . Hence, by class field theory, we have

$$\left( \frac{\tilde{k}'/k'}{\mathfrak{a}} \right) \in G(\tilde{k}'/k'\tilde{k}).$$

Since  $\tilde{k}' \cap k'(\zeta_{mn}) = k'(\alpha) = k'(\tilde{k} \cap k(\zeta_{mn})) \subseteq k'\tilde{k}$ , Tschebotareff's density theorem

shows that there exists a prime ideal  $\mathfrak{S}$  of  $k'$  unramified for  $k'/\mathbb{Q}$ , of degree 1 over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , belonging to the ideal class of  $\mathfrak{a}$  in  $C_{k'}$ , and completely decomposed in  $k'(\zeta_{mn})$ . Let  $l$  be the prime number divisible by  $\mathfrak{S}$ , so that  $l \equiv 1 \pmod{mn}$ . Let  $k''$  be the composite of  $k'$  and the cyclic extension of degree  $n$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  with conductor  $l$ . As  $k''$  is an intermediate field of  $F/k'$  of degree  $n$  over  $k'$  in which  $\mathfrak{S}$  is fully ramified, we can then take, as  $x$  of (7), the ideal class in  $C_F$  that contains the prime ideal of  $k''$  dividing  $\mathfrak{S}$ .

**THEOREM 6.** *Let  $K$  be a CM-field such that*

$$\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{2p} \mid p \in \mathbb{P}) \subseteq K \subseteq k_{\text{nil}}$$

*with a subfield  $k$  of  $K^+$  of finite degree. Then*

$$(C_{\bar{K}})^2 = C_K^{1-j} \cong \bigoplus_{\infty} (\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}), \quad C_K \cong \bigoplus_{\infty} (\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $L$  be the composite of the maximal unramified Kummer extensions of exponents  $2p$  over  $K$  for all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ . Let  $E$  denote the unit group of  $K$  and  $E'$  the subgroup of  $L^\times$  generated by the  $2p$ th roots in  $L^\times$  of elements of  $E$  for all  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ . As  $J$  acts on  $G(L/K)$  and on the quotient group  $E'/E$  in the obvious manner, we obtain from Kummer theory the following exact sequence of  $J$ -modules:

$$\{1\} \rightarrow E'/E \rightarrow G(L/K)^* \rightarrow C_K$$

(see the proof of Lemma 3 in [1] or of Lemma 4). This induces an exact sequence

$$\{1\} \rightarrow (E'/E)^- \rightarrow G(L_0/K^+)^* \rightarrow C_{\bar{K}},$$

where  $L_0$  denotes the maximal abelian extension over  $K^+$  in  $L^+$ . However,  $((E'/E)^-)^2 \subseteq (E'/E)^{1-j} \subseteq WE/E$  with  $W$  the group of roots of unity in  $L$  while  $L_0$  contains all unramified abelian extensions of degrees  $2p$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{P}$ , over the intermediate field  $K^+$  of  $k_{\text{nil}}/\mathbb{Q}^{(2)}$ . Hence, by Theorem 2 of [9],  $C_{\bar{K}}$  has a subgroup isomorphic to

$$\bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{P}} \left( \bigoplus_{\infty} (\mathbb{Z}_p/2p\mathbb{Z}_p) \right).$$

Thus Proposition 3 completes the proof of Theorem 6.

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