

1. (a) We first show by induction that for each  $n \geq 1$ , there are unique elements  $a_0, \dots, a_{n-1} \in X$  such that  $x - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \pi^i \in (\pi^n)$ . The case  $n = 1$  is just the definition of  $X$ . For the induction step, we can write (by induction)  $x - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \pi^i = \pi^n y$  for some  $y \in A$ ; and we can write  $y = a_n + \pi z$  for some element  $a_n \in X$ , giving an expression  $x = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \pi^i + \pi^{n+1} z$ . If we have another such expression  $x = \sum_{i=0}^n b_i \pi^i + \pi^{n+1} z'$ , then the induction hypothesis shows that  $a_i = b_i$  for each  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$ . We can then divide by  $\pi^n$  to conclude that  $a_n - b_n \in (\pi)$ , hence  $a_n = b_n$  (by definition of  $X$ ).

To say that  $A$  is complete means that the natural map  $f : A \rightarrow \varprojlim_{n \geq 1} A/(\pi^n)$  is an isomorphism. We can define an element of the inverse limit by  $(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \pi^i \bmod (\pi^n))_{n \geq 1}$ . This is equal to  $f(x)$ , showing that  $x$  has an expression of the given form. The expression is unique because  $f$  is injective.

- (b) Suppose that  $x = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i p^i$  has an eventually periodic  $p$ -adic expansion. We must show that  $x$  is rational. After subtracting an integer from  $x$  and dividing by a power of  $p$ , we can assume that the  $p$ -adic expansion is periodic: there exists an integer  $k \geq 1$  such that  $a_i = a_{i+k}$  for all  $i \geq 0$ . Thus we can write

$$x = (a_0 + a_1 p + \dots + a_{k-1} p^{k-1})(1 + p^k + p^{2k} + \dots).$$

We therefore just need to show that  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} p^{ik}$  is rational. It equals  $1/(1 - p^k)$ , so this is true.

- (c) Suppose that  $x = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \pi^i$  has an eventually periodic  $\pi$ -adic expansion, where  $\pi = \sqrt{p}$ . We want to show that  $x \in \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p})$ . We can again assume that there exists  $k \geq 1$  such that  $a_i = a_{i+k}$  for all  $i \geq 0$ . We can moreover assume that  $k = 2r$  is even (otherwise replace  $k$  by  $2k$ ). Then we can write

$$\begin{aligned} x &= (a_0 + a_1 \pi + \dots + a_{k-1} \pi^{k-1})(1 + \pi^k + \pi^{2k} + \dots) \\ &= (a_0 + a_1 \pi + \dots + a_{k-1} \pi^{k-1})(1 + p^r + p^{2r} + \dots), \end{aligned}$$

showing that indeed  $x \in \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p})$ .

2. (a) Let  $f(X) = X^n + a_1 X^{n-1} + \dots + a_n \in K[X]$  be a monic polynomial such that  $f(0) \neq 0$ , and let  $v_K : K^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be the valuation. The Newton polygon  $N_K(f)$  is defined to be the lower convex hull of the points  $(i, v_K(a_i))$  for those  $i = 0, \dots, n$  such that  $a_i \neq 0$ .

Let  $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots < \lambda_k$  be the slopes of  $N_K(f)$ , and let  $m_i$  be the multiplicity of  $\lambda_i$ . Then there exists a unique factorisation  $f(X) = \prod_{i=1}^k g_i(X)$  in  $K[X]$  such that  $g_i(X) \in K[X]$  is a monic polynomial of degree  $m_i$  and  $N_K(g_i)$  has a single segment of slope  $\lambda_i$ .

- (b) Let  $f(X) \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$  be a monic irreducible polynomial, and let  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ , where  $\alpha$  is a root of  $f(X)$ . Let  $p$  be a prime and factorise  $f(X) = \prod_{i=1}^r f_i(X)$  in  $\mathbb{Q}_p[X]$ , where each  $f_i(X) \in \mathbb{Q}_p[X]$  is monic and irreducible. Then there is a bijection between the set of prime ideals  $P \subset \mathcal{O}_K$  lying above  $(p)$  and the set of irreducible factors  $f_i(X)$  of  $f(X)$  in  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  with the following property: if  $P$  and  $f_i(X)$  correspond under this bijection, then  $f_i(X)$  is the minimal polynomial of  $\alpha \in K_P$  over  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ .
- (c) Now let  $f(X) = X^4 + 6X^2 - 48$ . We have  $6 = 2 \times 3$  and  $48 = 2^4 \times 3$  so  $N_{\mathbb{Q}_3}(f)$  has a single segment of slope  $1/4$ , while  $N_{\mathbb{Q}_2}(f)$  has two segments of slope  $1/2$  and  $3/2$ , each slope occurring with multiplicity 2. By Eisenstein's criterion at the prime 3,  $f(X)$  is irreducible.

Let  $L/\mathbb{Q}$  be the splitting field of  $f(X)$ . Let  $\alpha, \beta \in L$  be the roots of  $X^2 + 6X - 48$ ,  $E = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha, \beta)$ . Thus  $E/\mathbb{Q}$  is a quadratic subfield of  $L/\mathbb{Q}$  and  $L = E(\sqrt{\alpha}, \sqrt{\beta})$ . If we let  $G = \text{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q})$  and  $H = \text{Gal}(L/E)$ , then there is a surjective homomorphism  $G \rightarrow \text{Gal}(E/\mathbb{Q})$  with kernel  $H$ . Viewing  $G$  as a subgroup of  $S_4$  via its action by permutation of  $\{\sqrt{\alpha}, -\sqrt{\alpha}, \sqrt{\beta}, -\sqrt{\beta}\}$ , we see that  $H$  is contained in the subgroup generated by the transpositions (12) and (34); in particular, it has cardinality at most 4.

We claim that  $H$  has cardinality 4, so  $G$  has order 8. There are several different ways to do this. Here is one using the prime 3. Let  $P \subset \mathcal{O}_L$  be a prime ideal lying above 3, and let  $R = P \cap K$ , where  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{\alpha})$ . Then  $L_P/\mathbb{Q}_3$  is a Galois extension containing  $K_P$ . Since  $f(X)$  is Eisenstein at 3, the degree 4 extension  $K_R/\mathbb{Q}_3$  is totally ramified of degree 4. This shows that the extension  $L_P/\mathbb{Q}_3$  is tamely ramified, of ramification index divisible by 4. We proved in lectures that if  $M_1/M_2$  is a Galois tamely ramified extension of degree  $n$  then the residue field  $k_{M_2}$  contains the  $n^{\text{th}}$  roots of unity. Therefore we see that the maximal unramified subextension  $L_{P,0}$  of  $L_P$  must have degree 2, so that the cardinality of  $k_{L_{P,0}}^\times$  is divisible by 4.

We deduce that  $L_P/\mathbb{Q}_3$  is Galois of degree 8, that  $\text{Gal}(L_P/\mathbb{Q}_3) = \text{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q})$ , and that  $P$  is the unique prime ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_L$  lying above

3. In particular,  $G$  has cardinality 8.

3. (a) Let  $f(X, Y) = aX^2 + bXY + cY^2 \in \mathbb{Z}[X, Y]$  be positive definite binary quadratic form. We say that  $f(X, Y)$  is reduced if  $c \geq a \geq |b|$ , and  $b \geq 0$  if either of these inequalities are equalities.

Now let  $K$  be an imaginary quadratic field, viewed a subfield of  $\mathbb{C}$ ; we take the convention that squareroots of negative numbers have positive imaginary part. We will prove that there is a bijection between the ideal class group of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  and the set of reduced positive definite binary quadratic forms of discriminant  $\text{disc } \mathcal{O}_K$ . We prove this in two stages. We first show that there is a bijection between the ideal class group and the set of  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ -orbits of binary quadratic forms of this discriminant. We then show that each  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ -orbit contains a unique representative which is reduced.

Let  $D = \text{disc } \mathcal{O}_K$ . We know that  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$ . To construct the bijection, we associate to any positive definite binary quadratic form of discriminant  $D$  the fractional ideal  $I = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}\beta$ , where  $\beta = (-b + \sqrt{D})/2a$  is the unique root of  $f(X, 1)$ . We need to check that  $I$  is invariant under multiplication by  $I$ . We then need to check that if we replace  $f(X, Y)$  by an equivalent form (under the action of  $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ ), then we replace  $I$  by another fractional ideal which nevertheless lies in the same ideal class.

[For the rest of the proof, see Theorem 5.13 and Corollary 5.16 in the online notes.]

- (b) Now let  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-6})$ , so that  $\text{disc } \mathcal{O}_K = D = -24$ . To calculate the cardinality of the ideal class group of  $K$ , we enumerate the reduced positive definite binary quadratic forms  $f(X, Y) = aX^2 + bXY + cY^2$  of discriminant  $D$ . They all satisfy  $|b| \leq \sqrt{24/3}$ , hence  $|b| \leq 2$ . We see that the only possibilities are  $X^2 + 6Y^2$  and  $2X^2 + 3Y^2$ .

Thus the Hilbert class field  $H$  of  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-6})$  is an everywhere unramified quadratic extension. To show  $H = K(\sqrt{2})$ , we just need to show  $K(\sqrt{2})/K$  is everywhere unramified. The polynomial  $X^2 - 2$  has discriminant prime to 2, so  $K(\sqrt{2})/K$  is unramified at the prime ideals of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  not lying above 2. We can also represent  $K(\sqrt{-3}) = K(\zeta_3)$ . The minimal polynomial  $X^2 - X + 1$  of  $\zeta_3$  has discriminant prime to 3, so  $K(\sqrt{2})/K$  is unramified at the prime ideals of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  not lying above 3. Taking these statements together now shows that indeed  $K(\sqrt{2})$  is the Hilbert class field of  $K$ .

4. The first polynomial divides  $X^7 - X$ , which we know to have 7 roots

in  $\mathbb{Z}_7$  (which are all distinct modulo 7; the simple version of Hensel's lemma applies). For the second polynomial  $f(X) = X^2 + 2X + 4$ , we find  $f(2X) = 4(X^2 + X + 1)$ . The polynomial in brackets has no roots in  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , hence a fortiori in  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  (and Hensel's lemma is not really required). The polynomial  $g(X) = 3X^3 + X + 3$  satisfies  $9g(X/3) = X^3 + 3X + 27 = h(X)$ , say. We will apply Hensel's lemma to  $h(X)$ . We have  $h(0) = 27$ ,  $h'(0) = 3$ ; the strong version of Hensel's lemma applies to tell us that there is a unique root  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_3$  of  $h(X)$  satisfying  $v_3(\alpha) > v_3(h'(0)) = 1$ .

We wish to know if  $h(X)$  has any other roots in  $\mathbb{Z}_3$ . Looking mod 3, we see that any other root  $\beta$  of  $h(X)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_3$  must lie in  $3\mathbb{Z}_3$ . We know that (by uniqueness of  $\alpha$ ) it must lie in  $3\mathbb{Z}_3 - 9\mathbb{Z}_3$ . However any such  $\beta$  satisfies  $v_3(h(\beta)) = v_3(3\beta) = 2$ , by the ultrametric triangle inequality, so cannot be a root.

5. (a) We recall the definition of our homomorphisms. Let  $A_L \subset L$  denote the valuation ring. If  $t \in G = G_0$ , then  $t(\pi_L) = a_t \pi_L$  for some  $a_t \in A_L^\times$ . The map  $G_0/G_1 \rightarrow k_L^\times$  sends  $t$  to  $a_t \bmod (\pi)$ , or equivalently to  $t(\pi_L)/\pi_L \bmod (\pi)$ . If  $\pi'_L$  is another choice of uniformizer, then we can write  $\pi'_L = u\pi_L$  for some  $u \in A_L^\times$ , and then  $t(\pi'_L)/\pi'_L = t(u)/u \cdot t(\pi_L)/\pi_L$ . Since the extension  $L/K$  is totally ramified,  $G$  acts trivially on  $k_L$ , and hence  $t(u) \equiv u \bmod (\pi)$ . This shows that  $\theta_0(t) = t(\pi_L)/\pi_L \bmod (\pi_L) \in k_L^\times$  is independent of the choice of uniformizer.
- (b) If  $i \geq 1$  and  $t \in G_i$ , then  $t(\pi_L) = \pi_L + a_t \pi_L^{i+1}$  for some  $a_t \in A_L$ , and the map  $G_i \rightarrow k_L$  sends  $t$  to  $a_t \bmod (\pi_L)$ . Since  $a_t = (t(\pi_L)/\pi_L - 1)/\pi_L^i$ , this gives the claimed formula.

Another way to express this is to set  $U_L^i = \ker(A_L^\times \rightarrow (A_L/(\pi_L^i))^\times) = 1 + \pi^i A_L$ , for any  $i \geq 1$ . There is a group isomorphism  $f_i : U_L^i/U_L^{i+1} \rightarrow (\pi_L^i)/(\pi_L^{i+1})$  given by  $x \mapsto x - 1$ . If  $t \in G_i$  then  $t(\pi_L)/\pi_L \in U_L^i$ , and  $\theta_i(t) = f_i(t(\pi_L)/\pi_L)$ . To see that  $\theta_i$  is independent of choices, it is enough to show that  $t(u\pi_L)/u\pi_L \equiv t(\pi_L)/\pi_L \bmod (\pi_L^{i+1})$ . Equivalently, that  $t(u)/u \equiv 1 \bmod (\pi_L^{i+1})$ . This is true because  $t \in G_i$ .

This also shows why our original homomorphism does depend on our choice of uniformizer. Any such choice gives an isomorphism  $g_{\pi_L} : (\pi_L^i)/(\pi_L^{i+1}) \rightarrow k_L$ ,  $y \mapsto y/\pi_L^i \bmod (\pi_L)$ , and our original homomorphism is  $g_{\pi_L} \circ \theta_i$ . We see that  $g_{u\pi_L}(y) = u^{-i} g_{\pi_L}(y)$ , so if  $u^i \not\equiv 1 \bmod (\pi_L)$  and  $G_i/G_{i+1}$  is non-trivial then the homomorphisms  $G_i \rightarrow k_L$  corresponding to the choices  $\pi_L$  and  $u\pi_L$  of uniformizer

are not equal.

- (c) We want to show that if  $s \in G_0$  and  $t \in G_i$ , then  $\theta_i(sts^{-1}) = \theta_0(s)^i \theta_i(t)$ . We calculate

$$\theta_i(sts^{-1}) = s(ts^{-1}(\pi_L)/s^{-1}(\pi_L) - 1) \bmod (\pi_L^{i+1}).$$

We have shown that  $\theta_i$  is independent of the choice of uniformizer, so we can compute using the uniformizer  $s^{-1}(\pi_L)$ ; we get  $\theta_i(sts^{-1}) = s(\theta_i(t))$ , where  $s$  is acting now on the group  $(\pi_L^i)/(\pi_L^{i+1})$ . To get the desired formula, we must show that the action of  $s$  on  $(\pi_L^i)/(\pi_L^{i+1})$  (a 1-dimensional  $k_L$ -vector space) equals multiplication by  $\theta_0(s)^i$ . In other words, that if  $a \in A_L$  then  $s(a\pi_L^i) \equiv \theta_0(s)^i a\pi_L^i \bmod (\pi_L^{i+1})$ . Dividing through by  $a\pi_L^i$ , this is equivalent to the identity  $s(a\pi_L^i)/a\pi_L^i \bmod (\pi_L) = \theta_0(s)^i$ , which follows immediately from the definition of  $\theta_0$ .

6. We assume  $n \geq 3$ , so  $L \neq \mathbb{Q}$  and  $L/K$  is a quadratic extension. We recall that the Hilbert class field  $H/K$  is the maximal abelian unramified extension of  $K$  in which every real embedding of  $K$  remains real; moreover,  $[H : K] = h_K$  (by class field theory). The extension  $HL/L$  is abelian and everywhere unramified; moreover,  $L$  has no real embeddings. It follows that  $HL$  is contained inside the Hilbert class field of  $L$ , which has degree  $h_L$ .

By the tower law, we have  $[HL : L][L : K] = [HL : H][H : K]$ . We have  $[L : K] = 2$ . We have  $[HL : H] \leq 2$ , with equality if and only if  $HL \neq H$ . However,  $HL$  does not embed in  $\mathbb{R}$  while  $H$  does, so we have  $[HL : H] = 2$  and hence  $[HL : L] = [H : K] = h_K$ . Since  $HL$  is contained in the Hilbert class field of  $L$ , we deduce that  $h_K$  divides  $h_L$ .

7. We set  $K = \mathbb{Q}(i)$ ,  $L = K(\alpha)$  where  $\alpha^4 = 2$ . Thus  $L$  is the splitting field over  $\mathbb{Q}$  of the polynomial  $X^4 - 2$ . We observe that  $L/\mathbb{Q}$  is unramified outside 2, so  $L/K$  is unramified away from the unique prime ideal  $P = (1+i)$  of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  lying above 2.

The extension  $L/K$  is abelian of degree dividing 4. We will show that it has degree 4. Let  $Q$  denote a prime ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_L$  lying above  $P$ . We will show that in fact  $L_Q/K_P$  is totally ramified of degree 4.

Let  $\sqrt{2} = \alpha^2$ . We first recall that the extension  $E = K_P(\sqrt{2})$  is a totally ramified quadratic extension of  $K_P$  of degree 2, with uniformizer  $1 + \frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}$  (we have studied this extension in lectures). We consider the element

$\pi = 1 + \frac{1+i+\sqrt{2}}{\alpha^3}$ . We compute

$$\pi^2 = 1 + \frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}} + (1+\alpha)(1+i) + \alpha^3.$$

Since  $1 + \frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}$  has strictly smaller valuation than  $(1+i)$  and  $\alpha^3$ , we see that  $\pi^2$  has the same valuation as a uniformizer of  $E$ . This is possible only if  $L_Q/E$  is a ramified quadratic extension and  $\pi$  is a uniformizer of  $L_Q$ .

To compute the conductor of the extension  $L/K$ , we will compute the ramification groups of the extension  $L_Q/K_P$ . Let  $G = \text{Gal}(L_Q/K_P)$ . It is cyclic of degree 4, generated by the element  $\tau$  with  $\tau(\alpha) = i\alpha$ . We thus compute

$$\tau(\pi) - \pi = -\alpha\left(1 + \frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}\right),$$

hence  $v_{L_Q}(\tau(\pi) - \pi) = 4$ , and  $\tau^2(\pi) - \pi = 2(1 - \pi)$ , hence  $v_{L_Q}(\tau^2(\pi) - \pi) = 8$ . We conclude that the lower ramification groups satisfy  $G_0 = G_1 = G_2 = G_3$ ,  $G_4 = \dots = G_7 = \{1, \tau^2\}$ ,  $G_8 = \{1\}$ . It follows that the upper ramification groups are given by  $G^0 = G^1 = G^2 = G^3$ ,  $G^4 = G^5 = \{1, \tau\}$ ,  $G^6 = \{1\}$ . In particular, the conductor of the abelian extension  $L/K$  is the ideal  $P^6$ .

By class field theory, there is a surjection  $\phi_{L/K} : H(P^6) \rightarrow \text{Gal}(L/K)$ . We now describe the group  $H(P^6)$  and its subgroup  $\ker \phi_{L/K}$ . The ideal class group of  $K$  is trivial, so we know that  $H(P^6)$  is isomorphic to the quotient of the group  $(\mathcal{O}_K/P^6)^\times$  by the subgroup generated by  $\{\pm 1, \pm i\}$ . We see that  $H(P^6)$  has cardinality  $2^5/2^2 = 8$ , and therefore that  $\ker \phi_{L/K}$  has order 2.

We therefore just need to identify a non-trivial element of  $\ker \phi_{L/K}$ . To do this, we calculate Frobenius elements. The prime 3 is inert in  $K$ , so  $3\mathcal{O}_K$  is prime. Let  $R$  be a prime ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_L$  lying above 3. Then  $\text{Frob}_{3\mathcal{O}_K}$  acts on  $\mathcal{O}_L/R$  by  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha^9 = 4\alpha \equiv \alpha \pmod{R}$ . It follows that  $\text{Frob}_{3\mathcal{O}_K} = 1$  and  $3 \pmod{P^6}$  generates  $\ker \phi_{L/K}$ .