# A generalized problem associated to the Kummer-Vandiver conjecture 

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#### Abstract

In order to discuss the validity of the Kummer-Vandiver conjecture, we consider a generalized problem associated to the conjecture. Let $p$ be an odd prime number and $\zeta_{p}$ a primitive $p$-th root of unity. Using new programs, we compute the Iwasawa invariants of $\mathbf{Q}\left(\sqrt{d}, \zeta_{p}\right)$ in the range $|d|<200$ and $200<p<1,000,000$. From our data, the actual numbers of exceptional cases seem to be near the expected numbers for $p<1,000,000$. Moreover, we find a few rare exceptional cases for $|d|<10$ and $p>1,000,000$. We give two partial reasons why it is difficult to find exceptional cases for $d=1$ including counter-examples to the Kummer-Vandiver conjecture.


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## 1 Introduction

Let $p$ be an odd prime number and $K$ a finite extension of $\mathbf{Q}$. $K_{\infty}$ denotes the cyclotomic $\mathbf{Z}_{p}$-extension of $K$. Let $K_{n}$ be its $n$-th layer and $A_{n}=A_{n}(K)$ the $p$-part of the ideal class group of $K_{n}$.

[^0]First, let $K$ be the $p$-cyclotomic field $\mathbf{Q}\left(\zeta_{p}\right)$, then $K_{n}=\mathbf{Q}\left(\zeta_{p^{n+1}}\right)$. Let $\omega=\omega_{p}$ be the Teichmüller character $(\mathbf{Z} / p \mathbf{Z})^{\times} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{p}$ such that $\omega(a) \equiv a \bmod p$. We identify $\Delta=\operatorname{Gal}\left(K_{\infty} / \mathbf{Q}_{\infty}\right)$ with $(\mathbf{Z} / p \mathbf{Z})^{\times}$. Put $e_{\omega^{k}}=\frac{1}{\sharp \Delta} \sum_{\delta \in \Delta} \omega^{k}(\delta) \delta^{-1}$ the idempotent of the group ring $\mathbf{Q}_{p}[\Delta]$. Then we have

$$
A_{n}=\bigoplus_{k: \text { even }} e_{\omega^{k}} A_{n} \oplus \bigoplus_{p-k: \text { odd }} e_{\omega^{p-k}} A_{n}
$$

where $k$ is an even integer with $2 \leq k \leq p-1$. Let $A_{n}^{+}$(resp. $A_{n}^{-}$) be the even part (resp. odd part). Let $r_{p}$ be the irregularity index, i.e., the number of irregular pairs $(p, k)$. Irregular pairs have been computed by Kummer, Vandiver, D.H. Lehmer, E. Lehmer, Selfridge, Nicol, Pollack, Johnson, Wada, Wagstaff, Tanner, Ernvall, Metsänkylä, Buhler, Crandall, Sompolski, Shokrollahi, Hart, Harvey and Ong. These computations had been connected with verification of Fermat's last theorem. However, even after the proof was completed by Wiles, they are still interesting because they give us concrete knowledge of the ideal class group of cyclotomic fields. In $[1,2,5]$ etc., for any prime number $p<2^{31}=2,147,483,648$, it has been verified that

$$
A_{n}^{+}=\{0\} \text { and } A_{n}^{-} \simeq\left(\mathbf{Z} / p^{n+1} \mathbf{Z}\right)^{r_{p}} \text { for all } n \geq 0
$$

The former statement is called the Kummer-Vandiver conjecture. We have a naive explanation of the fact that we have not been able to find any counterexample. If we follow the heuristic argument of [15, pp.158-159], we can expect that the number of exceptions to the Kummer-Vandiver conjecture for $x_{0} \leq p \leq x_{1}$ is approximately $\left(\log \log x_{1}-\log \log x_{0}\right) / 2$. Then, $\left(\log \log 2^{31}-\right.$ $\log \log 37) / 2=0.891756 \cdots$ is probably too small to find one counter-example, where 37 is the smallest irregular prime number. Furthermore, the expected number would not be exact, because there are some effects on ideal class groups from an upper bound for the numerator of the Bernoulli number or the $K$ groups (cf. [10]). If there are another strong effects, the actual number could be much less than the above number. In order to study the heuristic, we consider the following generalized problem.

Problem 1.1 Let $F$ be an abelian extension of $\mathbf{Q}$. Let $N_{F}(x)$ be the number of prime numbers $p$ such that $A_{0}\left(F\left(\zeta_{p}\right)^{+}\right) \neq\{0\}$ for $p \leq x$, where $F\left(\zeta_{p}\right)^{+}$is the maximal real subfield of $F\left(\zeta_{p}\right)$. Is $N_{F}(x)$ bounded as $x \rightarrow \infty$ ? If it is not so, give an approximate function for $N_{F}(x)$.

The Kummer-Vandiver conjecture claims that $N_{\mathbf{Q}}(x)=0$ for all $x$, which is much stronger than its boundedness.

In this paper, following [11, 12, 13, 14], we study the above problem when $F$ is $\mathbf{Q}$ or a quadratic field, because they are easy to be compared. Let $\chi$ be the Dirichlet character associated to $F$ and $f_{\chi}$ its conductor. The main purpose of the paper is to find exceptional cases associated to the $\chi \omega^{k}$-part in order to
argue about the expected number. We actually computed the Iwasawa invariants of $\mathbf{Q}\left(\sqrt{d}, \zeta_{p}\right)$ in the range $|d|<200$ and $200<p<1,000,000$ by using new programs, where $d=d_{\chi}=\chi(-1) f_{\chi}$. From our data, the actual number seems to be near the expected number in the range. Moreover, we found a few rare exceptional cases for $|d|<10$ and $1,000,000<p<20,000,000$.

Our main computations are executed in $O\left(\left(f_{\chi} p\right)^{1+\epsilon}\right)$ bit operations. See $[12,14]$ on the relation between these Iwasawa invariants and the higher $K$ groups of the integer ring of $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{d})$.

## 2 Iwasawa invariants of $\mathbf{Q}\left(\sqrt{d}, \zeta_{p}\right)$

Let $\chi$ be the trivial character or a quadratic Dirichlet character conductor $f=f_{\chi}$ and $p$ an odd prime number such that $p$ does not divide $f$. Put $d=d_{\chi}=\chi(-1) f_{\chi}, K=\mathbf{Q}\left(\sqrt{d_{\chi}}, \zeta_{p}\right)$, then $K_{n}=\mathbf{Q}\left(\sqrt{d_{\chi}}, \zeta_{p^{n+1}}\right)$. Let $A_{n}$ be the $p$-part of the ideal class group of $K_{n}$.

Put $\Gamma=\operatorname{Gal}\left(K_{\infty} / K\right), \Delta=\operatorname{Gal}\left(K_{\infty} / \mathbf{Q}_{\infty}\right) \simeq \operatorname{Gal}\left(K_{0} / \mathbf{Q}\right)$ and $e_{\psi}=\frac{1}{\sharp \Delta} \sum_{\delta \in \Delta} \psi(\delta) \delta^{-1}$ for a character $\psi$ of $\Delta$. We put $f_{0}=f p$ and identify $\Delta$ with a subquotient of $\left(\mathbf{Z} / f_{0} \mathbf{Z}\right)^{\times}$in the ordinary way. For a $\mathbf{Z}_{p}[\Delta]$-module $A, A^{\psi}$ denotes $e_{\psi} A$. Let $\lambda_{p}(\psi), \mu_{p}(\psi)$ and $\nu_{p}(\psi)$ be the Iwasawa invariants associated to $A_{n}^{\psi}$, i.e.,

$$
\sharp A_{n}^{\psi}=p^{\lambda_{p}(\psi) n+\mu_{p}(\psi) p^{n}+\nu_{p}(\psi)}
$$

for sufficiently large $n$. By Ferrero-Washington's theorem, we have $\mu_{p}(\psi)=0$ for all $p$ and $\psi$.

Assume that $\psi$ is even. The Iwasawa polynomial $g_{\psi}(T) \in \mathbf{Z}_{p}[T]$ for the $p$-adic $L$-function is defined as follows. Let $L_{p}(s, \psi)$ be the $p$-adic $L$-function constructed by $[8]$. By $[7, \S 6]$, there uniquely exists $G_{\psi}(T) \in \mathbf{Z}_{p}[[T]]$ satisfying $G_{\psi}\left(\left(1+f_{0}\right)^{1-s}-1\right)=L_{p}(s, \psi)$ for all $s \in \mathbf{Z}_{p}$ if $\psi \neq \chi^{0}$. By [3], $p$ does not divide $G_{\psi}(T)$. By the $p$-adic Weierstrass preparation theorem, we can uniquely write $G_{\psi}(T)=g_{\psi}(T) u_{\psi}(T)$, where $g_{\psi}(T)$ is a distinguished polynomial of $\mathbf{Z}_{p}[T]$ and $u_{\psi}(T)$ is an invertible element of $\mathbf{Z}_{p}[[T]]$. Similarly we can define $g_{\psi}^{*}(T) \in \mathbf{Z}_{p}[T]$ from $G_{\psi}^{*}(T) \in \mathbf{Z}_{p}[[T]]$ satisfying $G_{\psi}^{*}\left(\left(1+f_{0}\right)^{s}-1\right)=L_{p}(s, \psi)$. Put

$$
\tilde{\lambda}_{p}(\psi)=\operatorname{deg} g_{\psi}(T)=\operatorname{deg} g_{\psi}^{*}(T) .
$$

Put $f_{n}=f_{0} p^{n}$ and let $\gamma \in \Gamma \simeq \operatorname{Gal}\left(\cup_{n \geq 0} \mathbf{Q}\left(\zeta_{f_{n}}\right) / \mathbf{Q}\left(\zeta_{f_{0}}\right)\right)$ be the generator of $\Gamma$ such that $\zeta_{f_{n}}^{\tilde{\gamma}}=\zeta_{f_{n}}^{1+f_{0}}$ for all $n \geq 0$. As usual, we can identify the complete group ring $\mathbf{Z}_{p}[[\Gamma]]$ with the formal power series ring $\Lambda=\mathbf{Z}_{p}[[T]]$ by $\gamma=1+T$. By this identification, we can consider a $\mathbf{Z}_{p}[[\Gamma]]$-module as a $\Lambda$ module. For a finitely generated torsion $\Lambda$-module $A$, we define the Iwasawa polynomial $\operatorname{char}_{\Lambda}(A)$ to be the characteristic polynomial of the action $T$ on $A \otimes \mathbf{Q}_{p}(c f .[15, \S 13])$. Let $L_{n}$ be the maximal unramified abelian extension of $K_{n}$ and $M_{n}$ the maximal abelian extension of $K_{n}$ unramified outside $p$. By the class field theory, we have $A_{n} \simeq \operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{n} / K_{n}\right)$. Set $L_{\infty}=\cup_{n \geq 0} L_{n}, M_{\infty}=$
$\cup_{n \geq 0} M_{n}, X_{\infty}=\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{\infty} / K_{\infty}\right)$ and $Y_{\infty}=\operatorname{Gal}\left(M_{\infty} / K_{\infty}\right)$. By the Iwasawa main conjecture proved by $[4,9], \operatorname{char}_{\Lambda}\left(X_{\infty}^{\psi^{-1} \omega}\right)=g_{\psi}^{*}(T) \quad$ and $\quad \operatorname{char}_{\Lambda}\left(Y_{\infty}^{\psi}\right)=g_{\psi}(T)$. In the following, we assume that

$$
\psi=\chi \omega^{k} \text { is even, and } \psi^{*}=\psi^{-1} \omega=\chi \omega^{p-k} \text { is odd }
$$

with $2 \leq k \leq p-2$. Since $p$ does not divide $f$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi(p) \neq 1 \text { and } \psi^{*}(p) \neq 1 \tag{C}
\end{equation*}
$$

By (C), we have that $A_{n}^{\psi} \simeq X_{\infty}^{\psi} / \omega_{n} X_{\infty}^{\psi}$ and $A_{n}^{\psi^{*}} \simeq X_{\infty}^{\psi^{*}} / \omega_{n} X_{\infty}^{\psi^{*}}$, where $\omega_{n}=$ $(1+T)^{p^{n}}-1$ (cf. [6, Lemma 3 and Remark 4]). Moreover, if $A_{0}^{\psi}$ is trivial, we have $\lambda(\psi)=\nu(\psi)=0, X_{\infty}^{\psi}=\{0\}, \quad Y_{\infty}^{\psi} \simeq \Lambda /\left(g_{\psi}(T)\right) \quad$ and $\quad X_{\infty}^{\psi^{*}} \simeq \Lambda /\left(g_{\psi}^{*}(T)\right)$. Put $a_{0}=a_{0}(\psi)=L_{p}(1, \psi)=G_{\psi}(0)$ and $b_{0}=b_{0}(\psi)=L_{p}(0, \psi)=G_{\psi}^{*}(0)$. Note that $v_{p}\left(a_{0}\right)=v_{p}\left(\sharp \operatorname{Gal}\left(M_{0} / K_{0}\right)^{\psi}\right)$ and $v_{p}\left(b_{0}\right)=v_{p}\left(\sharp \operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{0} / K_{0}\right)^{\psi^{*}}\right)$.

We call $\left(p, \chi \omega^{k}\right)$ exceptional pairs when one of the following conditions holds: $[\nu]: \nu\left(\chi \omega^{k}\right)>0,\left[a_{0}\right]: v_{p}\left(a_{0}\right)>1,\left[b_{0}\right]: v_{p}\left(b_{0}\right)>1$ or $[\operatorname{lmd}]: \tilde{\lambda}\left(\chi \omega^{k}\right)>1$. In $[11,12,13,14]$, we computed exceptional pairs for $|d|<200$ and $p<$ 200,000 . By further computation, we obtain the following.

Proposition 2.1 For $|d|<200$ and $200,000<p<1,000,000$, all exceptional pairs $\left(p, \chi \omega^{k}\right)$ are given in Table 1.

Table 1: Exceptional pairs for $|d|<200$ and 200, $000<p<1,000,000$.

| $[\nu]$ |  |  |  | $\left[a_{0}\right]$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $p$ | $k$ | $d$ | $p$ | $k$ | $d$ |  |
| 240571 | 146919 | -43 | 241817 | 134764 | 53 |  |
| 289897 | 186889 | -131 | 290627 | 50599 | -151 |  |
| 384487 | 13724 | 161 | 292801 | 242013 | -104 |  |
| 384847 | 226771 | -143 | 333581 | 180787 | -71 |  |
| 386119 | 263582 | 149 | 399181 | 1683 | -4 |  |
| 401321 | 205162 | 185 | 788687 | 186548 | 141 |  |
| 937943 | 11057 | -167 |  |  |  |  |
| $\left[b_{0}\right]$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $p$ | $k$ | $d$ | $p$ | $k$ | $d$ |  |
| 292157 | 48631 | -111 | 245177 | 59489 | -20 |  |
| 434389 | 402352 | 93 | 312089 | 21817 | -159 |  |
| 512891 | 91273 | -120 | 372871 | 329947 | -104 |  |
| 516323 | 63368 | 136 | 429427 | 61972 | 92 |  |
| 541759 | 285435 | -71 | 483773 | 271222 | 33 |  |
| 570781 | 405689 | -52 | 509581 | 402749 | -195 |  |
| 785303 | 359267 | -67 | 667727 | 487990 | 113 |  |
| 800447 | 136068 | 161 | 768013 | 754145 | -111 |  |
|  |  |  | 794141 | 494244 | 165 |  |
|  |  |  | 911831 | 821980 | 165 |  |

In order to study Problem 1.1 efficiently, we consider the following problem.
Problem 2.1 Let $X$ be a set of primitive Dirichlet characters. Let $N_{X, x_{0}}^{[\nu]}(x)$ be the number of pairs $\left(p, \chi \omega^{k}\right)$ such that $\nu\left(\chi \omega^{k}\right)>0$ for $\chi \in X$ in the range $x_{0} \leq p \leq x$. We similarly define $N_{X, x_{0}}^{\left[a_{0}\right]}(x), N_{X, x_{0}}^{\left[b_{0}\right]}(x)$ and $N_{X, x_{0}}^{[m m]}(x)$. Are they bounded as $x \rightarrow \infty$ ? If they are not so, give approximate functions for them.

In [13], when $X$ is a set of the trivial character or quadratic characters, we give a candidate of approximate functions:

$$
E(x)=\sharp X \sum_{x_{0}<p \leq x} \frac{p-3}{2}\left(\frac{1}{p}\right)^{2}
$$

which comes from a heuristic argument similar to that of [15, pp.158-159]. In Figure 1, we compare actual numbers of exceptional pairs in the range $f_{\chi}<200$ and $200<p \leq x$ with the expected number $E(x)\left(x_{0}=200\right.$ and $\left.\sharp X=123\right)$. From our data, actual numbers still seem to be near the expected number.

Figure 1: Actual numbers and the expected number ( $200<p<1,000,000$ ).


For $|d|<10$, we obtain the following by further computation.
Proposition 2.2 For $|d|<10$ and $10<p<20,000,000$, all exceptional pairs $\left(p, \chi \omega^{k}\right)$ are given in Table 2.

Table 2: Exceptional pairs for $|d|<10$ and $10<p<20,000,000$.

| $[\nu]$ |  |  | $\left[a_{0}\right]$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $p$ | $k$ | $d$ | $p$ | $k$ | $d$ |
| 379 | 317 | -4 | 59 | 36 | 8 |
| 34301 | 114 | 8 | 1381 | 609 | -4 |
| 157229 | 140434 | 8 | 399181 | 1683 | -4 |
|  |  |  | 5911877 | 1629992 | 5 |
|  | $\left[b_{0}\right]$ |  |  | $[\mathrm{lmd}]$ |  |
| $p$ | $k$ | $d$ | $p$ | $k$ | $d$ |
| 173 | 97 | -7 | 23 | 11 | -8 |
| 257 | 101 | -3 | 1151 | 842 | 8 |
| 2221 | 1600 | 8 | 3613 | 1147 | -7 |
| 4953979 | 1174520 | 5 | 27791 | 11840 | 8 |
|  |  |  | 1744817 | 928867 | -3 |

Remark 2.1 In [14, Proposition 2], we reported that there is only one exceptional pair (399181, $\chi_{-4} \omega^{1683}$ ) in the range $|d|<10$ and $200,000<p<$ $1,000,000$, which is included in [lmd] by mistake.

## 3 A conjecture on the number of exceptional pairs

We give two partial reasons why it is difficult to find exceptional pairs for $\chi=\chi^{0}$, i.e., $d=1$. The first partial reason is the fact that the expected number for $\chi^{0}$ is smaller than those for the other characters. Let $r_{p, \chi}$ be the number of pairs $\left(p, \chi \omega^{k}\right)$ such that $\tilde{\lambda}_{p}\left(\chi \omega^{k}\right)>0$. Then we have $0 \leq r_{p, \chi} \leq(p-3) / 2$. The distribution of the number of $p$ such that $r_{p, \chi}=r$ for each $\chi$ in the range $200<p<20,000,000$ is similar to that for $\chi^{0}$. However, the distribution for $\chi$ in the range $10<p<200$ is not always similar to that for $\chi^{0}$, which affects expected numbers. For each $\chi$, put $E_{\chi}(x)=\sum_{10<p \leq x, p \text { :prime }} \frac{r_{p, \chi}}{p}$. The following table and figures show differences among $E_{\chi}(x) \mathrm{s}$.

Table 3: Expected numbers of exceptional pairs up to $x=10^{n}$.

| $x \backslash d$ | 1 | 5 | 8 | -3 | -4 | -7 | -8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $10^{2}$ | 0.06880 | 0.19020 | 0.28139 | 0.12712 | 0.19738 | 0.17111 | 0.15889 |
| $10^{3}$ | 0.24468 | 0.37505 | 0.42811 | 0.25481 | 0.33259 | 0.38703 | 0.33137 |
| $10^{4}$ | 0.38967 | 0.51498 | 0.56373 | 0.39079 | 0.47707 | 0.52158 | 0.47146 |
| $10^{5}$ | 0.49996 | 0.62089 | 0.67539 | 0.50485 | 0.58772 | 0.63171 | 0.58758 |
| $10^{6}$ | 0.59054 | 0.71359 | 0.76666 | 0.59531 | 0.67887 | 0.72346 | 0.67885 |
| $10^{7}$ | 0.66785 | 0.79089 | 0.84353 | 0.67206 | 0.75614 | 0.80081 | 0.75607 |

Figure 2: Expected numbers of exceptional pairs up to $10,000$.


Figure 3: Expected numbers of exceptional pairs up to $20,000,000$.


In Figures 2 and 3, we compare $E_{\chi}(x) \mathrm{s}$ with $E^{\prime}(x)=\sum_{37 \leq p \leq x} \frac{p-3}{2 p^{2}}$ and $E^{\prime \prime}(x)=\sum_{37 \leq p \leq x} \frac{p-17}{2 p^{2}}$, where $E^{\prime \prime}(x)$ is defined by considering trivialities of $K_{4}(\mathbf{Z})$ and numerators of Bernoulli numbers $B_{2 i}$ for $i=1-5$ and 7 (see [11, §4.2]).

Table 4 shows the total number $N_{d}$ of exceptional pairs in $200<p<$ $1,000,000$ for each $d$, the distribution (\%) and a Poisson distribution with $\lambda=4 \sum_{200<p<1,000,000} \frac{p-3}{2 p^{2}}=1.8721 \cdots$. Since there are 23 d 's with $N_{d}=0$ among 123 d's, it is not very unusual that $N_{1}=0$. This is the second partial reason.

Table 4: The total number of exceptional pairs for $d$ in $200<p<1,000,000$.

| $N_{d}$ | $\sharp$ | $\%$ | Poisson | $d$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 0 | 23 | 18.699 | 15.380 | $1,5,-11,13,-15,24,-24,-35,-40,-56,-68,69,-87,-95$, <br> $-103,-107,-123,129,-132,-148,-164,173,-191$ |
| 1 | 35 | 28.455 | 28.793 | $-3,-7,12,17,-23,29,-31,-55,-59,65,73,77,-83,85,88$, <br> $89,92,93,101,104,-119,120,137,-143,145,-155,168$, <br> $172,-179,-187,188,-195,197,-199$ |
| 2 | 30 | 24.390 | 26.952 | $-8,-20,21,33,37,40,41,-43,44,-47,57,60,61,76,-84$, <br> $-88,109,-184,-111,113,-115,136,140,152,-159,-163$, <br> $177,-183,184,185,193$ |
| 3 | 16 | 13.008 | 16.819 | $-4,28,-51,-52,56,97,105,-127,133,-136,-151,-152$, <br> $157,-167,-168,181$ |
| 4 | 11 | 8.9431 | 7.8716 | $-39,53,-67,-91,-116,-120,-139,141,156,161,165$ |
| 5 | 4 | 3.2520 | 2.9472 | $8,-71,-104,124$ |

From our data and computational results on $p$-adic $L$-functions, it is natural to consider the following conjecture.

Conjecture 3.1 Let $X$ be a set of primitive Dirichlet characters. For $\chi \in X$, let $n_{\chi}$ be the order of $\chi, \mathcal{O}_{p, \chi}$ the integer ring of $\mathbf{Q}_{p}\left(\zeta_{n_{\chi}}\right)$, and $\mathfrak{m}_{p, \chi}$ the maximal ideal of $\mathcal{O}_{p, \chi}$. For a sufficiently large number $x_{0}$, an approximate function of $N_{X, x_{0}}^{[\nu]}(x), N_{X, x_{0}}^{\left[a_{0}\right]}(x), N_{X, x_{0}}^{\left[b_{0}\right]}(x)$ and $N_{X, x_{0}}^{[l m d]}(x)$ is given by the sum of

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{x_{0} \leq p \leq x} \frac{p-3}{2}\left(\frac{1}{\sharp\left(\mathcal{O}_{p, \chi} / \mathfrak{m}_{p, \chi}\right)}\right)^{2} & =\sum_{\substack{x_{0} \leq p \leq x \\
p \equiv 1 \bmod n_{\chi}}} \frac{p-3}{2}\left(\frac{1}{p}\right)^{2}+\sum_{\substack{x 0_{0} \leq p \leq x \\
p \neq 1 \bmod n_{\chi}}} \frac{p-3}{2}\left(\frac{1}{p^{f_{p, \chi}}}\right)^{2} \\
& \approx \frac{1}{\varphi\left(n_{\chi}\right)} \sum_{x_{0} \leq p \leq x} \frac{p-3}{2 p^{2}}+O(1) \\
& \approx\left(\log \log x-\log \log x_{0}\right) /\left(2 \varphi\left(n_{\chi}\right)\right)+O(1),
\end{aligned}
$$

over $\chi \in X$, where $p^{f_{p, \chi}}=\sharp\left(\mathcal{O}_{p, \chi} / \mathfrak{m}_{p, \chi}\right) \geq p^{2}$.
Remark 3.1 By replacing $\mathbf{Z}_{p}$ by $\mathcal{O}_{p, \chi}$, we can define $N_{X, x_{0}}^{[\nu]}(x), \ldots$ and $N_{X, x_{0}}^{[l m a d}(x)$. If $\chi$ is not the trivial character nor a quadratic character, then $\varphi\left(n_{\chi}\right) \geq 2$ and the expected number is clearly smaller than $\sum_{x_{0} \leq p \leq x} \frac{p-3}{2 p^{2}}$. This is a reason why we first study characters with $n_{\chi} \leq 2$.

## 4 Computations of arithmetic elements

In order to study Iwasawa invariants, we compute the following arithmetic elements (see [12, §5]):
(I) the generalized Bernoulli numbers modulo $p$, i.e., $\sum_{k=0}^{p-3} B_{k, \chi} \chi^{k} / k!\bmod p$, (II) ${ }_{n}$ the Iwasawa polynomial $g_{\chi \omega^{k}}(T) \bmod p^{n+1}$, (III) $)_{n}$ the special cyclotomic unit $\left(c_{n}^{\chi \omega^{k}}\right)^{Y_{n}(T)}$ modulo a prime ideal $\mathfrak{L}_{n}$, (IV) $)_{n}$ the Gauss sum $g_{0}\left(N_{K_{n} / K_{0}} \mathfrak{L}_{n}\right)^{\chi \omega^{p-k}}$ modulo a prime ideal $\mathfrak{L}_{0}^{*}$, where $\mathfrak{L}_{n}$ $\left(\right.$ resp. $\left.\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{*}\right)$ is a prime ideal above $l=1+\kappa f_{n}\left(\right.$ resp. $\left.l^{*}=1+\kappa^{*}\left(2 f_{n} l\right)\right)$ of $K_{n}$.

From 2002 to 2007, we used 32-bit programs (bcn.c for even $\chi$ 's and bcm.c for odd ones) for computations of (I), (II $)_{1}$ and (III) $)_{0}$ in [11, 12, 13, 14]. These programs work when $f_{0}$ and $8(p-3) \log _{16}\left(2 p^{3}\right)$ are smaller than $2^{31}$. Therefore, for $f=1$ (resp. 199), they do not work when $p>15,000,000$ (resp. 11,000,000). Since 2015, inspired by [2], we have used 64 -bit programs (bcn64.c and bcm64.c), which work when $p$ is smaller than 162 million. Further, the program is available to check Greenberg's conjecture by computing (III) ${ }_{1}$. However, since it needs $O\left(f_{1}^{1+\epsilon}\right)$ bit operations, we did not check it for $p>100,000$ except for $(p, k, d)=(157229,140434,8)$.

Computation of (IV) $)_{0}$ rigorously proves that the cyclotomic unit $c_{0}^{\chi \omega^{k}}$ is a $p$-th power element in $K_{0}$, i.e., $\nu_{p}\left(\chi \omega^{k}\right)>0$. From 2002 to 2007, we used 32-bit programs (gauss.c for small $f_{0}$ 's and gaussd.c for large ones) for computation of (IV) $)_{0}$, which work when $2 l$ is smaller that $2^{31}$. Therefore, for $f=1$ (resp. 199), they do not work when $p>110,000,000 / \kappa$ (resp. $550,000 / \kappa$ ) with $\kappa=2-24$. In order to reduce memory usage, we use HDD and several auxiliary primes $l_{i} \approx 1000$ in gaussd.c, which slows down the computation. Since 2020, we have been used 64 -bit programs (gauss64.c and gaussd64.c), which work when $2 l$ and $8 f_{0} \log _{16}\left(2 l^{* 2} f_{0}\right)$ are smaller than $2^{63}$. In order to reduce memory usage, we use HDD and several auxiliary primes $l_{i} \approx 100000$ in gaussd64.c.

Computations of (I), (II) ${ }_{1}$ and (III) $)_{0}$ (resp. (IV) $)_{0}$ ) are executed in $O\left(f_{0}^{1+\epsilon}\right)$ (resp. $\left.O\left(\left(\kappa f_{0}\right)^{1+\epsilon}\right)\right)$ bit operations. In Table 5, we give the ratios of execution times for (I)-(IV) by a single thread program on a Linux PC, where $*$ means that we did not compute it for lack of RAM.

Table 5: The ratios of execution times.

| $p$ | 157229 | 937943 | 999983 | 999983 | 19999873 | 19999999 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $d$ | 8 | -167 | 1 | -199 | 1 | -7 |
| (I) | 1 | 41 | 5.4 | 47 | 280 | 320 |
| $(\text { II })_{1}$ | 0.5 | 190 | 1.3 | 240 | 48 | 300 |
| $(\mathrm{III})_{0}$ | 0.4 | 74 | 1.1 | 94 | 38 | 83 |
| $(\mathrm{IV})_{0}$ | 10 | $*$ | - | - | - | - |
| $(\mathrm{IV})_{0 d}$ | 44 | 9000 | - | - | - | - |

For computations of (I) and (IV) ${ }_{0}$, we need large RAM for the FFT algorithm. Various methods in [5] will be useful for speed-up and reduction of memory usage in computations of (I), (II) $)_{1}$ and (III) $)_{0}$. It will be able to speed up computations of $(\mathrm{II})_{1}$ and (III) $)_{0}$ by parallel computing with GPU.

The above programs and further data have been available in our web page: https://math0.pm.tokushima-u.ac.jp/~hiroki/major/galois1-e.html. These data were obtained by six personal computers for several years. They agree with previous computations by several authors when $p$ is small. Though temporary hardware errors are unusual, they could occur in long-term computation. We computed twice for $|d|<200$ and $p<1,000,000$, and only once for $|d|<10$ and $1,000,000<p<20,000,000$. As we fixed the data for some temporary hardware errors in the former computation, we are afraid that they occur in the latter computation. However, irregular pairs are double-checked by (I) and $(\mathrm{II})_{1}$, and the number of pairs is near the expected number. Therefore these unusual errors would not affect Proposition 2.2.

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