

**Math 204B (Number Theory), UCSD, winter 2021**  
**Problem Set 10 – due Thursday, January 21, 2021**

1. Let  $G$  be a finite group and let  $H$  be its commutator subgroup. Assuming the existence of the transfer homomorphism  $V : G^{\text{ab}} \rightarrow H^{\text{ab}}$  as defined in CFT Theorem 2.3.7, prove that it is zero in this case. (Hint: see CFT exercise 2.3.6.5.)
2. Find the ray class field of  $\mathbb{Q}(i)$  of conductor (3) and verify Artin reciprocity explicitly in this case.
3. Let  $D$  be an odd squarefree positive integer greater than 3. Give a formula for the order of the generalized ideal class group  $\text{Cl}^{\mathfrak{m}}(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-D}))$  in terms of the class number of  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-D})$  and the factors of  $D$  and the modulus  $\mathfrak{m}$ .
4. Here is an example to illustrate the difference between Dirichlet density and natural density, albeit not for primes. Let  $S$  be the set of positive integers whose decimal expansion begins with 1.

(a) Prove that  $S$  does not have a natural density, in the sense that

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{X} \#(S \cap \{1, \dots, X\})$$

does not exist.

(b) On the other hand, prove that  $S$  has a Dirichlet density in the sense that

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{\sum_{n \in S} n^{-s}}{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s}}$$

exists, and compute this value.

5. Just for fun, here is another result due to Chebotarëv. Let  $p$  be a prime.

- (a) Let  $f \in \mathbb{F}_p[x]$  be a nonzero polynomial of degree less than  $p$ . Prove that the multiplicity of any nonzero element of  $\mathbb{F}_p$  as a root of  $f$  is less than the number of nonzero coefficients of  $f$ . (Hint: compare  $f$  and  $f'$ .)
- (b) Let  $M$  be the  $p \times p$  matrix given by

$$M = (\zeta_p^{ij})_{i,j=0}^{p-1}.$$

Prove that every minor of the matrix  $M$  is nonzero. (Hint: reduce modulo  $1 - \zeta_p$  and apply (a).)