

Algebraic number theory

Solutions to exercise sheet for chapter 4

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Exercise 1. Let $d > 0$ be a squarefree integer, let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-d})$ and let Δ_K be the discriminant of K . Let p be a prime that splits in K and let \mathfrak{p} be a prime ideal above p .

1. Prove that for all integers $i \geq 1$ such that $p^i < |\Delta_K|/4$, the ideal \mathfrak{p}^i is not principal. Hint: consider the cases $\Delta_K = -d$ and $\Delta_K = -4d$ separately.

Let i be as above. Since p is split, $N(\mathfrak{p}) = p$, and by uniqueness of factorisation the ideal \mathfrak{p}^i is not divisible by (p) .

- If $\Delta_K = -4d$, then $\mathbb{Z}_K = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-d}]$. The norm of a generic element $z = x + y\sqrt{-d} \in \mathbb{Z}_K$ is

$$x^2 + dy^2.$$

If \mathfrak{p}^i is principal, let z be a generator. Then the norm of z is p^i , giving $x^2 + dy^2 = p^i$, so $y^2 \leq p^i/d < 1$, so $y = 0$. But then $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ has norm $z^2 = p^i$, so z is divisible by p . But this is impossible since \mathfrak{p}^i is not divisible by (p) .

- If $\Delta_K = -d$, then $\mathbb{Z}_K = \mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$ with $\alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{-d}}{2}$. The norm of a generic element $z = x + y\alpha$ is

$$\left(x + \frac{y}{2}\right)^2 + d\left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2.$$

If \mathfrak{p}^i is principal, let z be a generator. Then the norm of z is p^i , so $y^2 \leq 4p^i/d < 1$, so $y = 0$ and as before z is divisible by p , which is impossible.

2. What does this tell you about the class number of K ?

The number of i as in the previous question is

$$\left\lfloor \frac{\log(|\Delta_K|/4)}{\log p} \right\rfloor$$

so, accounting for the trivial class, we have

$$h_K \geq 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{\log(|\Delta_K|/4)}{\log p} \right\rfloor.$$

Exercise 2. Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-87})$.

1. Write down without proof the ring of integers, the discriminant and the signature of K .

Since $-87 = -3 \cdot 29$ is squarefree and $-87 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, the ring of integers of K is $\mathbb{Z}_K = \mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$ with $\alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{-87}}{2}$, the discriminant is $\Delta_K = -87$ and the signature is $(0, 1)$.

2. Describe all the integral ideals of K of norm up to 5 (give generators for some prime ideals, and express the integral ideals as products of these prime ideals). What does this tell you about the class number of K ?

We first compute the decomposition of primes up to 5. Note that the minimal polynomial of α is $x^2 - x + 22$.

- Since $-87 \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$, the prime 2 splits. Since $\mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$ is 2-maximal and $x^2 - x + 22 \equiv x(x+1) \pmod{2}$, we have $(2) = \mathfrak{p}_2 \mathfrak{p}'_2$ with $\mathfrak{p}_2 = (2, \alpha + 1)$ and $\mathfrak{p}'_2 = (2, \alpha)$.
- Since 87 is divisible by 3, the prime 3 is ramified. Since $\mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$ is 3-maximal and $x^2 - x + 22 \equiv x^2 + 2x + 1 \equiv (x+1)^2 \pmod{3}$, we have $(3) = \mathfrak{p}_3^2$ with $\mathfrak{p}_3 = (3, \alpha + 1)$.
- Since $-87 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$ is not a square modulo 5, the prime 5 is inert in K .

The integral ideals of K of norm up to 5 are $\mathbb{Z}_K, \mathfrak{p}_2, \mathfrak{p}'_2, \mathfrak{p}_3, \mathfrak{p}_3^2, (2)$, and \mathfrak{p}'_2 . The Minkowski bound is

$$M_K = \frac{2}{4} \cdot \frac{4}{\pi} \sqrt{87} \approx 5.94 < 6,$$

so every ideal class is represented by an integral ideal of norm at most 5. Since (2) is principal, this implies that $h_K \leq 6$.

3. Factor the ideal $(\frac{3+\sqrt{-87}}{2})$ into primes.

We have $z = \frac{3+\sqrt{-87}}{2} = 1 + \alpha$, so this element z is an integer, and $N_{\mathbb{Q}}^K(z) = (3/2)^2 + 87(1/2)^2 = 24 = 3 \cdot 8$. Since (z) is an integral ideal, (z) is a product of a prime of norm 3 and an integral ideal of norm 8. There is only one prime of norm 3, namely \mathfrak{p}_3 . The integral ideals of norm 8 are $\mathfrak{p}_2^3, 2\mathfrak{p}_2, 2\mathfrak{p}'_2$ and \mathfrak{p}'_2 . Since $z = 1 + \alpha$ is not divisible by 2 and $z = 1 + \alpha \in \mathfrak{p}_2$, we obtain

$$(z) = \mathfrak{p}_2^3 \mathfrak{p}_3.$$

4. Prove that $\text{Cl}(K) \cong \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$.

By Minkowski's theorem, the class group is generated by $\mathfrak{p}_2, \mathfrak{p}'_2$ and \mathfrak{p}_3 . By the decomposition of primes, we have the relations $[\mathfrak{p}'_2] = [\mathfrak{p}_2]^{-1}$ and $[\mathfrak{p}_3]^2 = 1$. By Question 3 we have the additional relation $[\mathfrak{p}_2]^3 = [\mathfrak{p}_3]^{-1} = [\mathfrak{p}_3]$. Since $[\mathfrak{p}_3]$ is of order 1 or 2, the class $[\mathfrak{p}_2]$ is of order 1, 3 or 6. By Exercise 1, \mathfrak{p}_2^3 is not principal since $2^3 < 87/4$, so \mathfrak{p}_2 has order 6. By Question 2, we obtain $\text{Cl}(K) \cong \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$, with generator $[\mathfrak{p}_2]$.

Exercise 3. In this exercise we consider the equation

$$y^2 = x^5 - 2, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

1. Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2})$. Write down the signature, the discriminant, the ring of integers and then class number of K .

The integer -2 is squarefree and we have $-2 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, so the ring of integers of K is $\mathbb{Z}_K = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$, the discriminant is $\Delta_K = -8$. The signature of K is $(0, 1)$. Since the Minkowski bound is

$$M_K = \frac{2}{4} \cdot \frac{4}{\pi} \sqrt{8} \approx 1.80 < 2,$$

the class number of K is $h_K = 1$.

2. Let (x, y) be a solution of the equation. Prove that the ideals $(y + \sqrt{-2})$ and $(y - \sqrt{-2})$ are coprime. Hint: reduce the equation modulo 4 to prove that y must be odd.

If y is even, then modulo 4 we obtain $0 = x^5 - 2$, but 2 is not a 5-th power in $\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ so y is odd.

Let \mathfrak{p} be a prime dividing both $(y + \sqrt{-2})$ and $(y - \sqrt{-2})$. Then it divides the difference $2\sqrt{-2}$, which has norm a power of 2. Since 2 is ramified, there is a unique prime \mathfrak{p}_2 above 2. Since $\sqrt{-2} \in \mathfrak{p}_2$, we have $y \in \mathfrak{p}_2$, but $\mathfrak{p}_2 \cap \mathbb{Z} = 2\mathbb{Z}$, so y is even, which is not possible. So $(y + \sqrt{-2})$ and $(y - \sqrt{-2})$ are coprime.

3. You may assume without proof that $\mathbb{Z}_K^\times = \{\pm 1\}$. Prove that $y + \sqrt{-2}$ is a 5-th power in \mathbb{Z}_K .

Since $x^5 = (y + \sqrt{-2})(y - \sqrt{-2})$, and since $(y + \sqrt{-2})$ and $(y - \sqrt{-2})$ are coprime, the ideal $(y + \sqrt{-2})$ is a 5-th power. Since the class number of K is 1, we have $(y + \sqrt{-2}) = (a)^5 = (a^5)$ for some $a \in \mathbb{Z}_K$, and so $y + \sqrt{-2}$ is a 5-th power in \mathbb{Z}_K up to a unit. But since $\mathbb{Z}_K^\times = \{\pm 1\}$, every unit is a 5-th power, so finally $y + \sqrt{-2}$ is a 5-th power in \mathbb{Z}_K .

4. Prove that the equation has no solution.

Since $\mathbb{Z}_K = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$, there exists $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ be such that $(a + b\sqrt{-2})^5 = y + \sqrt{-2}$. We expand

$$(a + b\sqrt{-2})^5 = a^5 - 20b^2a^3 + 20b^4a + (5ba^4 - 20b^3a^2 + 4b^5)\sqrt{-2}.$$

This gives $b(5a^4 - 20b^2a^2 + 4b^4) = 1$, so that $b = \pm 1$.

- If $b = 1$, then $5a^4 - 20a^2 + 3 = 0$. The discriminant of $5x^2 - 20x + 3$ is $(-20)^2 - 4 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 = 20 \cdot 17$, which is not a square in \mathbb{Q} , so this polynomial does not have any roots in \mathbb{Z} . So there is no solution with $b = 1$.
- If $b = -1$, then $5a^4 - 20a^2 + 5 = 0$, which simplifies into $a^4 - 4a^2 + 1 = 0$. The discriminant of $x^2 - 4x + 1$ is 12, which is not a square in \mathbb{Q} . Again, we have no solution.

So the equation has no solution.

UNASSESSED QUESTIONS

Exercise 4. Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-29})$.

1. Determine the ring of integers and discriminant of K .

Since -29 is squarefree and $-29 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, we have $\mathbb{Z}_K = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-29}]$ and the discriminant is $\Delta_K = -4 \cdot 29$. Let $\alpha = \sqrt{-29}$.

2. Determine the decomposition of 2, 3 and 5 in K .

- $x^2 + 29 \equiv (x+1)^2 \pmod{2}$, so 2 is ramified and $(2) = \mathfrak{p}_2^2$ with $\mathfrak{p}_2 = (2, \alpha + 1)$.
- $x^2 + 29 \equiv x^2 - 1 \equiv (x-1)(x+1) \pmod{3}$, so 3 splits and $(3) = \mathfrak{p}_3 \mathfrak{p}'_3$ where $\mathfrak{p}_3 = (3, \alpha + 1)$ and $\mathfrak{p}'_3 = (3, \alpha + 2)$.
- $x^2 + 29 \equiv x^2 - 1 \equiv (x-1)(x+1) \pmod{5}$, so 5 splits and $(5) = \mathfrak{p}_5 \mathfrak{p}'_5$ where $\mathfrak{p}_5 = (5, \alpha + 1)$ and $\mathfrak{p}'_5 = (5, \alpha + 4)$.

3. Factor the ideals $(1 + \sqrt{-29})$ and $(3 + 2\sqrt{-29})$ into primes.

- We have $N_{\mathbb{Q}}^K(1 + \alpha) = 1 + 29 = 30 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$. Clearly $1 + \alpha \in \mathfrak{p}_3$ so $\mathfrak{p}_3 \mid (1 + \alpha)$ and $1 + \alpha \in \mathfrak{p}_5$ so $\mathfrak{p}_5 \mid (1 + \alpha)$, so that $(1 + \alpha) = \mathfrak{p}_2 \mathfrak{p}_3 \mathfrak{p}_5$.
- We have $N_{\mathbb{Q}}^K(3 + 2\alpha) = 3^2 + 29 \cdot 2^2 = 125 = 5^3$. Since $(5) \nmid 3 + 2\alpha$ and $3 + 2\alpha \equiv 3 + 2 \cdot 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{p}'_5}$, we have $(3 + 2\alpha) = (\mathfrak{p}'_5)^3$.

4. Determine the order in the class group of K of the images of the primes above 2 and of the primes above 5.

- Since $(2) = \mathfrak{p}_2^2$, the class $[\mathfrak{p}_2]$ has order 1 or 2. Since the equation $x^2 + 29y^2 = 2$ clearly has no integer solution, there is no element of norm 2 in \mathbb{Z}_K so \mathfrak{p}_2 is not principal. So $[\mathfrak{p}_2]$ has order 2.
- Since $(5) = \mathfrak{p}_5 \mathfrak{p}'_5$, the classes $[\mathfrak{p}_5]$ and $[\mathfrak{p}'_5]$ are inverse of each other and hence have the same order. Since $(3 + 2\alpha) = (\mathfrak{p}'_5)^3$, the class $[\mathfrak{p}'_5]$ has order 1 or 3. Since $5 < |\Delta_K|/4 = 29$, \mathfrak{p}_5 is not principal by Exercise 1. So $[\mathfrak{p}_5]$ and $[\mathfrak{p}'_5]$ have order 3.

5. Prove that $\text{Cl}(K) \cong \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$.

The Minkowski bound is $M_K \approx 5.29$, so the class group $\text{Cl}(K)$ is generated by the classes of prime ideals of norm up to 5. Since $(1 + \alpha) = \mathfrak{p}_2 \mathfrak{p}_3 \mathfrak{p}_5$, the class $[\mathfrak{p}_3]$ is in the subgroup generated by $[\mathfrak{p}_2]$ and $[\mathfrak{p}_5]$. Since $[\mathfrak{p}'_3] = [\mathfrak{p}_3]^{-1}$ and $[\mathfrak{p}'_5] = [\mathfrak{p}_5]^{-1}$, the class group is generated by $[\mathfrak{p}_2]$ and $[\mathfrak{p}_5]$. Since $[\mathfrak{p}_2]$ has order 2 and $[\mathfrak{p}_5]$ has order 3, the element $g = [\mathfrak{p}_2][\mathfrak{p}_5]$ generates the class group ($[\mathfrak{p}_2] = g^3$ and $[\mathfrak{p}_5] = g^4$) and has order 6, so $\text{Cl}(K) \cong \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$.

Exercise 5 (Difficult). Let K be a number field, and let $m \geq 1$ be an integer. In this exercise we write $\text{Cl}(K)[m] = \{c \in \text{Cl}(K) \mid c^m = 1\}$.

1. Prove that if h_K is coprime to m , then $\text{Cl}(K)[m] = \{1\}$.

Since h_K is coprime to m , there exists $u, v \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $um + vh_K = 1$. Let $c \in \text{Cl}(K)[m]$. Then $c = c^{um+vh_K} = (c^m)^u (c^{h_K})^v = 1$. So $\text{Cl}(K)[m] = 1$.

2. Let $G_m(K) = \{x^m : x \in K^\times\}$, and let $L_m(K)$ be the set of elements $x \in K^\times$ such that in the prime ideal factorisation of (x) , all the exponents are multiples of m .

(a) Prove that $G_m(K)$ is a subgroup of $L_m(K)$.

Let $x \in K^\times$, and let $(x) = \prod_i \mathfrak{p}_i^{a_i}$ be its prime ideal factorisation. Then $(x^m) = \prod_i \mathfrak{p}_i^{ma_i} \in L_m(K)$. So $G_m(K) \subset L_m(K)$, and it is obviously stable by multiplication and contains $1 = 1^m$.

We define $S_m(K) = L_m(K)/G_m(K)$.

(b) Let $x \in L_m(K)$. Prove that there exists a unique fractional ideal \mathfrak{a}_x such that $(x) = \mathfrak{a}_x^m$.

Let $x \in L_m(K)$, and let $(x) = \prod_i \mathfrak{p}_i^{ma_i}$ be its prime ideal factorisation. Then $\mathfrak{a}_x = \prod_i \mathfrak{p}_i^{a_i}$ satisfies the required property, and it is unique by uniqueness of factorisation into prime ideals.

(c) Prove that the map $f: S_m(K) \rightarrow \text{Cl}(K)[m]$, defined by $f(x) = [\mathfrak{a}_x]$, is well-defined, and is a group homomorphism.

To prove that f is well-defined, we need to prove that \mathfrak{a}_x is principal whenever $x \in G_m(K)$ and that $[\mathfrak{a}_x] \in \text{Cl}(K)[m]$ for all $x \in L_m(K)$.

- Let $x = y^m \in G_m(K)$. Then $\mathfrak{a}_x^m = (x) = (y)^m$ so $\mathfrak{a}_x = (y)$ and $[\mathfrak{a}_x] = 1$.
- Let $x \in L_m(K)$. Then $(x) = \mathfrak{a}_x^m$, so $[\mathfrak{a}_x]^m = 1$ and $[\mathfrak{a}_x] \in \text{Cl}(K)[m]$.

For all $x, y \in L_m(K)$ we have $(\mathfrak{a}_x \mathfrak{a}_y)^m = \mathfrak{a}_x^m \mathfrak{a}_y^m = (x)(y) = (xy)$ so $\mathfrak{a}_{xy} = \mathfrak{a}_x \mathfrak{a}_y$ by uniqueness. This gives $f(xy) = f(x)f(y)$. Since $a_1 = (1)$, we have $f(1) = 1$ and f is a group homomorphism.

(d) Prove that f is surjective.

Let $[\mathfrak{a}] \in \text{Cl}(K)[m]$. Then $[\mathfrak{a}]^m = 1$ so \mathfrak{a}^m is principal, say $\mathfrak{a}^m = (x)$. But then $x \in L_m(K)$ and $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{a}_x$, so that $[\mathfrak{a}] = f(x)$. So f is surjective.

(e) What is the kernel of f ?

Let $x \in L_m(K)$ be such that $f(x) = 1$. Then $[\mathfrak{a}_x] = 1$, so \mathfrak{a}_x is principal, say $\mathfrak{a}_x = (y)$. We have $(x) = \mathfrak{a}_x^m = (y^m)$, so there exists a unit $u \in \mathbb{Z}_K^\times$ such that $x = y^m u$. This proves that the kernel of f is the image of \mathbb{Z}_K^\times in $S_m(K)$, that is, $\mathbb{Z}_K^\times / (\mathbb{Z}_K^\times)^m$.

From now on, K is an imaginary quadratic field $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-d})$ with $d > 0$ squarefree. We write $\bar{\cdot}$ for the complex conjugation in K .

3. Let $x = a + b\sqrt{-d} \in K$ be an element such that $N_{\mathbb{Q}}^K(x) = 1$. Let $\phi: K \rightarrow K$ be defined by $\phi(y) = \bar{y} - xy$.

(a) Prove that ϕ is \mathbb{Q} -linear.

Conjugation is additive and does not change rational numbers, so conjugation is \mathbb{Q} -linear. Since multiplication by x is also \mathbb{Q} -linear, ϕ is \mathbb{Q} -linear.

(b) Compute the matrix of ϕ on the basis $(1, \sqrt{-d})$.

We have $\phi(1) = 1 - x = (1 - a) + (-b)\sqrt{-d}$ and $\phi(\sqrt{-d}) = -\sqrt{-d} - (a + b\sqrt{-d})\sqrt{-d} = -\sqrt{-d} - a\sqrt{-d} + bd = bd + (-1 - a)\sqrt{-d}$, so the matrix of ϕ is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - a & -b \\ bd & -1 - a \end{pmatrix}.$$

(c) Compute the determinant of ϕ . Is ϕ injective?

The determinant of ϕ is $-(1-a)(1+a) + b^2d = a^2 + db^2 - 1 = 0$ since $N_{\mathbb{Q}}^K(x) = 1$. So ϕ is not invertible, and hence not injective.

(d) Prove that there exists $y \in K^\times$ such that $x = \bar{y}/y$.

Let $y \neq 0$ be an element of $\ker \phi$. Then $\bar{y} - xy = 0$, so $xy = \bar{y}$ and finally $x = \bar{y}/y$ since $y \neq 0$.

4. Let $[\mathfrak{a}] \in \text{Cl}(K)[2]$ and let $a = N(\mathfrak{a})$.

(a) Prove that there exists $x \in K^\times$ such that $\mathfrak{a}^2 = (x)$.

We have $[\mathfrak{a}^2] = 1$ so \mathfrak{a}^2 is principal: there exists $x \in K^\times$ such that $\mathfrak{a}^2 = (x)$.

(b) Prove that there exists $y \in K^\times$ such that $x = a\bar{y}/y$.

We have $N_{\mathbb{Q}}^K(x/a) = N(\mathfrak{a})^2/a^2 = 1$, so by Question 4 (d), there exists $y \in K^\times$ such that $x/a = \bar{y}/y$, i.e. $x = a\bar{y}/y$.

(c) Let $\mathfrak{b} = y\mathfrak{a}$. Prove that there exists $b \in \mathbb{Q}^\times$ such that $\mathfrak{b}^2 = (b)$.

We have $\mathfrak{b}^2 = y^2\mathfrak{a}^2 = (y^2x) = (y^2a\bar{y}/y) = (N_{\mathbb{Q}}^K(y)a)$, so $b = N_{\mathbb{Q}}^K(y)a \in \mathbb{Q}^\times$ is a generator of \mathfrak{b}^2 .

(d) Prove that \mathfrak{a} is in the same ideal class as a product of the ramified prime ideals of \mathbb{Z}_K .

Since $\mathfrak{b} = y\mathfrak{a}$, \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} are in the same ideal class. Write $b = ef^2$, where $e \in \mathbb{Z}$ is a squarefree integer and $f \in \mathbb{Q}^\times$ (which is possible by reducing the exponents modulo 2 in the prime factorisation of b), and let $\mathfrak{c} = f^{-1}\mathfrak{b}$, which is in the same ideal class as \mathfrak{a} . Then $\mathfrak{c}^2 = (f^{-2}b) = (e)$. By uniqueness of factorisation into prime ideals, every prime divisor of e is ramified, and \mathfrak{c} is a product of the ramified prime ideals of \mathbb{Z}_K .

Let $\mathfrak{p}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{p}_t$ be the ramified prime ideals of K .

5. Prove that if the product $\mathfrak{p}_1^{e_1} \dots \mathfrak{p}_t^{e_t}$ with $0 \leq e_i \leq 1$ is principal then $\mathfrak{p}_1^{e_1} \dots \mathfrak{p}_t^{e_t} = (\sqrt{-d})$ or all the e_i are zero. Hint: consider the norm of such an ideal, and look at elements of \mathbb{Z}_K of that norm.

Let $n = N(\mathfrak{p}_1^{e_1} \dots \mathfrak{p}_t^{e_t})$, and we assume that then e_i are not all zero, so that $n > 1$ and n is squarefree. Assume $z = x + y\sqrt{-d} \in \mathbb{Z}_K$ is a generator of $\mathfrak{p}_1^{e_1} \dots \mathfrak{p}_t^{e_t}$. Since n is squarefree we have $y \neq 0$. We distinguish two cases:

- If $\Delta_K = -d$: we have $n \mid d$, and $x^2 + dy^2 = n$, so $y^2 \leq n/d \leq 1$: we get $y = \pm 1/2$ or $y = \pm 1$. In the first case we get $4x^2 + d = 4n$ which is impossible by reduction modulo 4. In the second case we must have $n = d$, so that $x = 0$ and $z = \pm\sqrt{-d}$.
- If $\Delta_K = -4d$: we have $n \mid 2d$, and $x^2 + dy^2 = n$, so that $n \geq d$: we get $n = d$ or $n = 2d$. In the first case we must have $x = 0$, $y = \pm 1$ and $z = \pm\sqrt{-d}$. In the second case we get $y^2 \leq 2$ so that $y = \pm 1$, giving $x^2 + d = 2d$ or equivalently $x^2 = d$, which is impossible.

6. Prove that $\text{Cl}(K)[2] \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{t-1}$.

By Question 4 (d) the group $\text{Cl}(K)[2]$ is generated by the classes $[\mathfrak{p}_1], \dots, [\mathfrak{p}_t]$, and we have $[\mathfrak{p}_i]^2 = 1$ for all i . So $\text{Cl}(K)[2]$ is the quotient of $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^t$ by the relations of the form $[\mathfrak{p}_1^{e_1}] \dots [\mathfrak{p}_t^{e_t}] = 1$ where for all i we have $0 \leq e_i \leq 1$. By Question 5 there is only one such nontrivial relation, so $\text{Cl}(K)[2] \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{t-1}$.