

## Errata and Additions to “Reciprocity Laws. From Euler to Eisenstein”.

page	for	read
p. ix, line – 7	finite extension	finite normal extension
p. x, line –12	that to look	that one should look
p. xi, line –7	solutions $ax^4 - by^4 = 1$	solutions of $ax^4 - by^4 = 1$
p. xiii, line –5	presentation	presentation of
p. xiv, line 5	but it hope	but I hope
p. 15, line – 13	towards of	towards
p. 25, line 22	$p \equiv q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$	$p \equiv q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$
p. 28, Exer. 1.8.	$l_p = rx + sy = tz$	$l_p = rx + sy + tz$
p. 30, line 5	residcovered	rediscovered
p. 32, line – 5	$A, B, M, N \in \mathbb{N}$	$A, B, M, N \in \mathbb{Z}$
p. 43, line – 13	$X + (X^2 - m)\mathbb{Z}[X]$	$X + (X^2 - m)\mathbb{Q}[X]$
p. 44, lines 9–11	$m < -4, m = -4$	disc $k < -4, \text{ disc } k = -4$
p. 47, Proof Prop. 2.8	$\lambda^{-1}\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{c}^{\sigma-1}$	$\lambda^{-1}\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{c}^{1-\sigma}$
p. 60, line – 14	$p$ -adic square	2-adic square
p. 61, line –3	implies that	implies
p. 64, iii)	$\left(\frac{m,n}{p}\right)$	$\left(\frac{a,b}{p}\right)$
p. 66, Thm. 2.30	$\prod_{p \geq 2}$	$\bigoplus_{p \geq 2}$
p. 70, line – 11	reciprocity law)	reciprocity law
p. 71, line – 5	$(p/q) = +1$	$(p/q) = -1$
p. 73, line – 3	every factor	every odd factor
p. 74, Ex. 2.29.	$\varepsilon_p$	$\varepsilon_q$
p. 76, Ex. 2.29.	$p^h = 4a^2 + qb^2$	$p^h = 4a^2 + qb^2$
p. 83, Prop. 3.4	$\sqrt{p^*}\mathbb{Z}$	$\sqrt{p^*}\mathbb{Z}[X]$
p. 88, Cor. 3.10.vi)	$\mathfrak{P}$	$\mathfrak{p}$
p. 92, line – 11	possible improve	possible to improve
p. 92, Thm. 3.18	integers smallest	smallest
p. 99, lines 8, 11	$\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) \prod$	$\prod$

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p. 101, line 6	$g$ of $p$	$g$ modulo $p$
p. 101, line 9	$b$	$a + 1$
p. 102, footnote line 1	restricted us	restricted ourselves
p. 111, line – 13	an $n$ -th root	a primitive $n$ -th root
p. 112, 4.2.iii)	$\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_k$	$\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_K$
p. 112, line 7	$\xi \in \mathcal{O}_k$	$\xi \in \mathcal{O}_k \setminus \mathfrak{p}$
p. 113, line – 2	$\left(\frac{\alpha}{\mathfrak{p}}\right)_k$	$\left(\frac{\alpha}{\mathfrak{p}}\right)_K$
p. 113, line – 2	$\left(\frac{\alpha}{\mathfrak{p}}\right)_k^{(K:k)}$	$\left(\frac{\alpha}{\mathfrak{p}}\right)_K^{(K:k)}$
p. 126, line – 3	$\pi$	$\Pi$
p. 130, Prop. 4.25	of $\mathfrak{p}$ .	of $\mathfrak{p}$ in $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{mp})$ .
p. 130, Prop. 4.25.ii)	$\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_m)$	$\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{mp})$
p. 130, line 18	of the Artin	of the Artin symbol
p. 131, Prop. 4.28	$= fp$	$\mathfrak{p}$
p. 135, lines –13, –14	$\mathbb{F}\mathbb{1}$	$\mathcal{F}\mathbb{1}$
p. 136, line 10	[Wy1,Wy2,Why]	[Why] and [Wy1,Wy2] in Ch. 1
p. 158, line 9	desired equality (5.5)	desired equality (5.3)
p. 162, line – 2	$\left(\frac{p}{q}\right)_4\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{p}\right)$	$\left(\frac{p}{q}\right)_4\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{q}\right)$
p. 167, line – 9	$p \mid ABC$	$q \mid ABC$
p. 167, line – 6	$m = q$	$m = p$
p. 174, line – 10	of Chapter 6.7,9	of Chapters 6, 7 and 9
p. 181, 5.35	mod $p$ .	mod $p$ , where $p = c^2 + 5d^2$ .
p. 189, line – 1	$\left(\frac{\ell^*}{p}\right)_4$	$\left(\frac{\ell^*}{p}\right)_4$
p. 190, table	11	-11
p. 236, line – 5	$a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$	$a_i \in \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}]$
p. 246, line – 8	$\phi\left(\frac{\alpha}{\mu}\right)$	$\phi\left(\frac{\alpha}{\mu}\right)$
p. 265, line 3	$K(j(\sqrt{-5})) = K(\sqrt{2})$	$K(j(\sqrt{-5})) = K(\sqrt{-1})$
p. 280, Ex. 8.19	$[\kappa/\pi] = [\pi^*/\kappa]$	$[\kappa/\pi] = [\pi^*/\kappa]$
p. 294, Prop. 9.5.	$c \equiv \frac{p-3}{4} \pmod{4}$	$c \equiv -\frac{p+1}{4} \pmod{4}$

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p. 300, lines –8 to – 6	$\phi(\frac{*}{z})$	$\phi(\frac{*}{\pi})$
p. 302, line –14	did no repeat	did not repeat
p. 312, line 3	Theorem 9.18	Theorem 9.19
p. 315, Ex. 9.9.	computer.	computer).
p. 318, line 16	$x^2 + 1 \neq 0$	$v^2 + 1 \neq 0$
p. 319, line 3	$(\pm i, 0), (0, \pm i)$	$(w, v) = (\pm i, 0), (0, \pm i)$
p. 321, line – 15	$m$ -the	$m$ -th
p. 330, line 3	$2n \leq 50$	$2n \leq 32$
p. 351, Cartier	fonction zeta,	fonction zeta),
p. 355, line – 4	J.F. Felipe	J.F. Voloch
p. 372, line 12	elementattached	element attached
p. 372, line 15	$\sum \alpha < m/2\sigma_a^{-1}$	$\sum_{\alpha < m/2} \sigma_a^{-1}$
p. 376, lines –3, –1	$\varepsilon_i$	$e_i$
p. 377, line 2	$\varepsilon_i$	$e_i$
p. 377, lines 4, 8	$e_\chi$	$e_i$
p. 378, lines 2, 4, 8	$mC_i$	$C_i$
p. 380, line –12	$e_\chi\theta = B_{1,\chi^{-1}}\theta$	$\theta\varepsilon_\chi = B_{1,\chi^{-1}}\varepsilon_\chi$
p. 394, line –10	annihilate	annihilates
p. 406, Kleboth	Gle-ichung	Glei-chung
p. 415, Teege 2	1921	1925
p. 418, 7th problem	Eisenstein sums	elliptic Gauss sums
p. 422, [55]	Minkowski–Hasse	Minkowski–Hasse
p. 444, [424]	Yamamoto	Yamamoto,
p. 462, [735]	Sierpinsky	Sierpinski
p. 467, [808]	1895/86	1895/96

### Prop. 1.5.

This is of course nonsense. What I (probably) meant is that if  $fx^2 + gy^2 = hz^2$  has integral solutions, then  $gh$  ( $hf$ ,  $-fg$ ) are quadratic residues modulo every prime divisor of  $f$  ( $g$ ,  $h$ ).

### Lemma 3.13

The discussion involving the index  $m$  ended up in the wrong part of the proof. Here's the correction:

Assume that there exists a ring homomorphism  $\psi : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ ; since  $\mathbb{Z}[\alpha] \subseteq \mathcal{O}$  is a subring, the composition of restriction and the isomorphism  $\mathbb{Z}[\alpha] \simeq \mathbb{Z}[X]/(f)$  gives a ring homomorphism  $\widehat{\psi} : \mathbb{Z}[X]/(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ . Now let  $a \in \mathbb{N}$  be an integer such that  $a + n\mathbb{Z} = \widehat{\psi}(X + (f))$ . Then  $f(a) + n\mathbb{Z} = \widehat{\psi}(f(X) + (f)) = \widehat{\psi}(0) = 0 + n\mathbb{Z}$ , and so  $n \mid f(a)$  as claimed.

Conversely, given  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $n \mid f(a)$ , we can define a ring homomorphism  $\widehat{\psi} : \mathbb{Z}[X]/(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  by mapping  $X + (f)$  to  $a + n\mathbb{Z}$ . This can be extended to a ring homomorphism  $\mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  by putting  $\psi(\beta) = m^{-1}\widehat{\psi}(m\beta)$  for any  $\beta \in \mathcal{O}$ : in fact,  $m$  is invertible modulo  $n$  by assumption, and  $m\beta \in \mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$  for any  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ .

### Rational Reciprocity

Chapter 5, p. 165, line -1: for the last equivalence to be valid for primes  $q \mid C$ , we have to interpret the quadratic residue symbol as a Kronecker symbol (see the bottom of p. 44). Thus in this case, identity (5.10) shows that

$$\left(\frac{A + B\sqrt{m}}{q}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{q}\right) \left(\frac{A + C\sqrt{m}}{q}\right),$$

where the symbols on the right hand side are the usual Legendre symbols.

### Herbrand's Theorem

My "proof" of Herbrand's Theorem in Chapter 11 is nonsense. The confusion arose because I mixed two possible descriptions of the theorem:

1. You can look at the quotient group  $\mathcal{C} = \text{Cl}(K)/\text{Cl}(K)^p$  (as I did) or the subgroup  $\text{Cl}(K)[p]$  of ideal classes killed by  $p$ ; these are  $\mathbb{F}_p[G]$ -modules.
2. You can consider the whole  $p$ -class group  $\text{Cl}_p(K)$ ; in fact, any abelian  $p$ -group  $M$  of order  $p^{m+1}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}_p[G]$ -module in a natural way: if  $\alpha = a_0 + a_1p + \dots + a_m p^m + \dots \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  (with  $0 \leq a_j \leq p-1$ ), then putting  $m^\alpha = m^{a_0 + a_1p + \dots + a_m p^m}$  for any  $m \in M$  makes  $M$  into a  $\mathbb{Z}_p[G]$ -module.

Both interpretations are compatible: the action of a group ring  $RG$  on an abelian  $p$ -group  $M$  gives rise to a homomorphism  $RG \rightarrow \text{Aut}(M)$ , and we

have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z}_p G & \longrightarrow & \text{Aut}(M) \\ \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{F}_p G & \longrightarrow & \text{Aut}(M/M^p) \end{array}$$

with  $\pi : \mathbb{Z}_p G \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p G$  being induced by reduction modulo  $p$ .

We also have to think about the role of the character  $\omega$ : when working in  $\mathbb{F}_p G$  we simply take  $\omega(\sigma_a) = a + p\mathbb{Z} \in \mathbb{F}_p$  and identify  $\mathbb{F}_p^\times$  with the roots of unity  $\mu_{p-1}$ ; in  $\mathbb{Z}_p G$ , we have to lift  $\omega$  to the Teichmüller character either with Hensel's Lemma or by observing that the sequence  $a, a^p, a^{p^2}, \dots$  converges in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ ; its limit  $\omega(a)$  satisfies  $\omega(a) \equiv a \pmod{p}$  and  $\omega(a)^{p-1} = 1$ , that is: it is contained in the subgroup  $\mu_{p-1} \subset \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ .

Now the proof of Herbrand's Theorem can be done in either way, but what I did was trying to have the cake and eat it: avoiding the  $p$ -adic view and at the same time using the Stickelberger element  $\theta$ . This cannot possibly work because  $\theta$  has a  $p$  in the denominator which is not much of a nuisance in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  (you simply switch to the quotient field) but is of course a catastrophe in  $\mathbb{F}_p$ .

Thus in order to save the "proof" given in Chapter 11 one has to

replace	by
$\mathcal{C} = \text{Cl}(K)/\text{Cl}(K)^p$	$\text{Cl}_p(K)$
$\mathbb{F}_p$	$\mathbb{Z}_p$
cyclotomic $\omega$	Teichmüller $\omega$

The corrected proof will be put on my page along with the rest of Chapter 11.

## Additions

Page 20 Teege's first attempt at filling the gap in Legendre's proof was incomplete: see his correction in *Richtigstellung eines früheren Beweises für den Satz, daß es für jede Primzahl  $p$  von der Form  $4n+1$  unendlich viele Primzahlen von der Form  $4n+3$  gibt, von denen  $p$  quadratischer Nichtrest ist und Herleitung des Satzes, daß mindestens eine unter ihnen kleiner als  $p$  ist*, Hamb. Mitt. **6** (1924), 100–106. In this paper, Teege also shows that the existence of Gauss's auxiliary prime follows from Legendre's Lemma.

Page 110, Reference [Te1]: The title of Teege's dissertation is *Über die  $\frac{p-1}{2}$ -gliedrigen Gaussischen Perioden in der Lehre von der Kreisteilung und ihre Beziehungen zu anderen Teilen der höheren Arithmetik*.

Page 138: the Davenport-Hasse theorem for Jacobi sums (Cor. 4.33) is actually due to H.H. Mitchell [*On the congruence  $cx^\lambda + 1 \equiv dy^\lambda$  in a Galois field*, Ann. Math. (2) **18** (1917), 120–131], who expressed the result in terms of cyclotomic numbers.

Page 141: Schwering [728] discusses the quintic power residue character of 2, 3 and 5 as well as the quintic period equation.

Page 170: Another proof of the quadratic reciprocity law in  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  based on Hilbert's genus theory can be found in S. Kuroda [*Über den Dirichletschen Körper*, J. Fac. Sci. Univ. Tokyo, Sect. I **4** (1943), 383–406].

Page 173: Estes & Pall [209] give another proof of Burde's reciprocity law.

Page 200: The version of the quartic reciprocity law (cf. Exercise 6.17) credited to unpublished papers of Gauss and Artin already occurs in Busche [107].

#### Appendix B: List of Proofs

J. Sochocki, *Bestimmung der constanten Factoren in den Formeln für die lineare Transformation der Thetafunctionen. Die Gauss'schen Summen und das Reciprocitätsgesetz der Legendre'schen Symbole*, Par. Denkschrift, 1878, gives another proof of the quadratic reciprocity law using theta functions.

B. Tangedal gave a proof of the quadratic reciprocity law for Jacobi symbols based on Eisenstein's original proof.

R. Chapman solved the problem of generalizing Nakash's proof that  $(5/p) = (p/5)$ , giving yet another proof of the quadratic reciprocity law.

Two more proofs were given by ...