ON A CERTAIN NILPOTENT EXTENSION OVER *Q* OF DEGREE 64 AND THE 4-TH MULTIPLE RESIDUE SYMBOL

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Abstract. In this paper, we introduce the 4-th multiple residue symbol $[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4]$ for certain four prime numbers p_i 's, which extends the Legendre symbol $\left(\frac{p_1}{p_2}\right)$ and the Rédei triple symbol $[p_1, p_2, p_3]$ in a natural manner. For this we construct concretely a certain nilpotent extension *K* over *Q* of degree 64, where ramified prime numbers are p_1, p_2 and p_3 , such that the symbol $[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4]$ describes the decomposition law of p_4 in the extension K/Q. We then establish the relation of our symbol $[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4]$ and the 4-th arithmetic Milnor invariant $\mu_2(1234)$ (an arithmetic analogue of the 4-th order linking number) by showing $[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4] = (-1)^{\mu_2(1234)}$.

Introduction. As is well known, for two odd prime numbers p_1 and p_2 , the Legendre symbol $\left(\frac{p_1}{p_2}\right)$ describes the decomposition law of p_2 in the quadratic extension $Q(\sqrt{p_1})/Q$. In 1939, L. Rédei ([R]) introduced a triple symbol with the intention of a generalization of the Legendre symbol and Gauss' genus theory. For three prime numbers $p_i \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ (i = 1, 2, 3) with $\left(\frac{p_i}{p_j}\right) = 1$ ($1 \le i \ne j \le 3$), the Rédei triple symbol $[p_1, p_2, p_3]$ describes the decomposition law of p_3 in a Galois extension over Q where all ramified prime numbers are p_1 and p_2 and the Galois group is the dihedral group D_8 of order 8.

Although a meaning of the Rédei symbol had been obscure for a long time, in 2000, M. Morishita ([Mo1, 2, 3]) interpreted the Rédei symbol as an arithmetic analogue of a mod 2 triple linking number, following the analogies between knots and primes. In fact, he introduced arithmetic analogue $\mu_2(12 \cdots n) \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ of Milnor's link invariants (higher order linking numbers) for prime numbers p_1, \ldots, p_n such that

$$\left(\frac{p_1}{p_2}\right) = (-1)^{\mu_2(12)}, \quad [p_1, p_2, p_3] = (-1)^{\mu_2(123)}.$$

Since it is difficult to compute arithmetic Milnor invariants by the definition, it is desirable to construct Galois extensions K_n/Q concretely such that $[p_1, \ldots, p_n] = (-1)^{\mu_2(12\cdots n)}$ describes the decomposition law of p_n in K_n/Q , just as in the cases of the Legendre symbol where K_2 is a quadratic extension and the Rédei triple symbol where K_3 is a dihedral extension of degree 8. As we shall explain in Subsection 2.1, link theory suggests that the desired extension K_n/Q should be a Galois extension such that all ramified prime numbers

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are p_1, \ldots, p_{n-1} and the Galois group is the nilpotent group

$$N_n(F_2) = \left\{ \left. \begin{pmatrix} 1 & * & \cdots & * \\ 0 & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & * \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \middle| * \in F_2 \right\}$$

consisting of $n \times n$ unipotent upper-triangular matrices over F_2 . Note that $N_2(F_2) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ and $N_3(F_2) = D_8$.

The purpose of this paper is to construct concretely such an extension K_n/Q for n = 4 in a natural manner extending Rédei's dihedral extension. We then introduce the 4-th multiple residue symbol $[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4]$ describing the decomposition law of p_4 in K_4/Q and prove that it coincides with the 4-th Milnor invariant $\mu_2(1234)$,

$$[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4] = (-1)^{\mu_2(1234)}$$

NOTATION. For a number field k, we denote by \mathcal{O}_k the ring of integers of k. For a group G and $d \in N$, we denote by $G^{(d)}$ the d-th term of the lower central series of G defined by $G^{(1)} := G, G^{(d+1)} := [G, G^{(d)}]$. For a ring R, R^{\times} denotes the group of invertible elements of R.

1. Rédei's dihedral extension and triple symbol. In this section, we recall the construction of Rédei's dihedral extension and triple symbol ([R]), which will be used later. We also give some basic properties of Rédei's dihedral extension and triple symbol.

1.1. The Rédei extension. Let p_1 and p_2 be distinct prime numbers satisfying

(1.1.1)
$$p_i \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \ (i = 1, 2), \quad \left(\frac{p_1}{p_2}\right) = \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1}\right) = 1.$$

We set $k_i = Q(\sqrt{p_i})$ (i = 1, 2). It follows from this assumption (1.1.1) that we have the following Lemma.

LEMMA 1.1.2 ([A, Lemma 1.1]). There are integers x, y, z satisfying the following conditions:

(1) $x^2 - p_1 y^2 - p_2 z^2 = 0.$

(2) g.c.d(x, y, z) = 1, $y \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, $x - y \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Furthermore, for a given prime ideal \mathfrak{p}_2 of \mathcal{O}_{k_1} lying over p_2 , we can find integers x, y, z which satisfy (1), (2) and $(x + y\sqrt{p_1}) = \mathfrak{p}_2^m$ for an odd positive integer m.

Let a = (x, y, z) be a triple of integers satisfying the conditions (1), (2) in Lemma 1.1.2. Then let $\alpha = x + y\sqrt{p_1}$ and set

(1.1.3)
$$k_{\boldsymbol{a}} = \boldsymbol{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{\alpha}).$$

The following theorem was proved by L. Rédei ([R]).

THEOREM 1.1.4 ([R]). (1) The field k_a is a Galois extension over Q whose Galois group is the dihedral group of order 8.

(2) Let $d(k_1(\sqrt{\alpha})/k_1)$ be the relative discriminant of the extension $k_1(\sqrt{\alpha})/k_1$. Then we have $N_{k_1/Q}(d(k_1(\sqrt{\alpha})/k_1)) = (p_2)$. In particular, all prime numbers ramified in k_a/Q are p_1 and p_2 with ramification index 2.

The fact that k_a is independent of the choice of a was also shown in [R]. The author gave an alternative proof of this fact in [A], based on a proof communicated by D. Vogel ([V2]).

THEOREM 1.1.5 ([A, Corollary 1.5]). A field k_a is independent of the choice of a = (x, y, z) satisfying (1) and (2) in Lemma 1.1.2, namely, it depends only on a set $\{p_1, p_2\}$.

DEFINITION 1.1.6. By Proposition 1.1.5, we denote by $k_{\{p_1,p_2\}}$ the field $k_a = Q(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{\alpha})$ given by (1.1.3) and call $k_{\{p_1,p_2\}}$ the *Rédei extension* over Q associated to a set $\{p_1, p_2\}$ satisfying (1.1.1).

The following theorem shows that the Rédei extension $k_{\{p_1,p_2\}}/Q$ is characterized by the information on the Galois group and the ramification given in Theorem 1.1.4.

THEOREM 1.1.7 ([A, Theorem 2.1]). Let p_1 and p_2 be prime numbers satisfying the condition (1.1.1). Then the following conditions on a number field K are equivalent:

(1) *K* is the Rédei extension $k_{\{p_1, p_2\}}$.

(2) *K* is a Galois extension over Q such that the Galois group is the dihedral group D_8 of order 8 and prime numbers ramified in K / Q are p_1 and p_2 with ramification index 2.

1.2. The Rédei triple symbol. Let p_1 , p_2 and p_3 be three prime numbers satisfying

(1.2.1)
$$p_i \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \ (i = 1, 2, 3), \quad \left(\frac{p_i}{p_j}\right) = 1 \ (1 \le i \ne j \le 3).$$

Let $k_{\{p_1, p_2\}}$ be the Rédei extension over Q associated to a set $\{p_1, p_2\}$ (Definition 1.1.6).

DEFINITION 1.2.2. We define *Rédei triple symbol* $[p_1, p_2, p_3]$ by

$$[p_1, p_2, p_3] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p_3 \text{ is completely decomposed in } k_{\{p_1, p_2\}} / \mathbf{Q} ,\\ -1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The following theorem is a reciprocity law for the Rédei triple symbol:

THEOREM 1.2.3 ([R], [A, Theorem 3.2]). We have

$$[p_1, p_2, p_3] = [p_i, p_j, p_k]$$

for any permutation $\{i, j, k\}$ of $\{1, 2, 3\}$.

2. Milnor invariants. In this section, we recall the arithmetic analogues of Milnor invariants of a link introduced by M. Morishita ([Mo1, 2, 3]) and clarify a meaning of the Rédei extension and the Rédei triple symbol in Section 1 from the viewpoint of the analogy between knot theory and number theory. The underlying idea is based on the following analogies between knots and primes (cf. [Mo4]):

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knot	prime			
$\mathcal{K}: S^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$	$\operatorname{Spec}(\boldsymbol{F}_p) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Spec}(\boldsymbol{Z})$			
link	finite set of primes			
$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{K}_1 \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{K}_r$	$S = \{p_1, \ldots, p_r\}$			
$X_{\mathcal{L}} = \mathbf{R}^3 \setminus \mathcal{L}$	$X_S = \operatorname{Spec}(\mathbf{Z}) \setminus S$			
	Galois group with restricted ramification			
link group	$G_S = \pi_1^{\text{ét}}(X_S) = \text{Gal}(\boldsymbol{Q}_S/\boldsymbol{Q})$			
$G_{\mathcal{L}} = \pi_1(X_{\mathcal{L}})$	Q_S : maximal extension over Q			
	unramified outside $S \cup \{\infty\}$			

In the following, we firstly explain Milnor invariants of a link and their meaning in nilpotent coverings of S^3 ([Mi2], [Mu]). We then discuss their arithmetic analogues for prime numbers where the Rédei triple symbol is interpreted as an arithmetic analogues of a triple Milnor invariant. The analogy also suggests that a natural generalization of the Legendre and Rédei symbols, called a multiple residue symbol $[p_1, \ldots, p_n]$, should describe the decomposition law of p_n in a certain nilpotent extension over Q unramified outside p_1, \ldots, p_{n-1} and ∞ (∞ being the infinite prime).

2.1. Milnor invariants of a link. Let $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{K}_1 \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{K}_r$ be a link with *r* components in \mathbb{R}^3 and let $X_{\mathcal{L}} = \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \mathcal{L}$ and $G_{\mathcal{L}} := \pi_1(X_{\mathcal{L}})$ be the link group of \mathcal{L} . Let *F* be the free group on the words x_1, \ldots, x_r where x_i represents a meridian of \mathcal{K}_i . The following theorem is due to J. Milnor.

THEOREM 2.1.1 ([Mi2, Theorem 4]). For each $d \in N$, there is $y_i^{(d)} \in F$ such that

$$G_{\mathcal{L}}/G_{\mathcal{L}}^{(d)} = \langle x_1, \dots, x_r \mid [x_1, y_1^{(d)}] = \dots = [x_r, y_r^{(d)}] = 1, \ F^{(d)} = 1 \rangle,$$

$$y_j^{(d)} \equiv y_j^{(d+1)} \mod F^{(d)},$$

where $y_j^{(d)}$ is a word representing a longitude of \mathcal{K}_j in $G_{\mathcal{L}}/G_{\mathcal{L}}^{(d)}$.

Let $\mathbb{Z}\langle\langle X_1, \ldots, X_r \rangle\rangle$ be the algebra of non-commutative formal power series of variables X_1, \ldots, X_r over \mathbb{Z} , and let

$$M: F \longrightarrow \mathbf{Z}\langle\langle X_1, \ldots, X_r \rangle\rangle^{\times}$$

be the Magnus homomorphism defined by

$$M(x_i) := 1 + X_i, \ M(x_i^{-1}) := 1 - X_i + X_i^2 - \cdots, \ 1 \le i \le r.$$

For $f \in F$, M(f) has the form

$$M(f) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{1 \le i_1, \dots, i_n \le r} \mu(i_1 \cdots i_n; f) X_{i_1} \cdots X_{i_n},$$

where the coefficients $\mu(i_1 \cdots i_n; f)$ are called the *Magnus coefficients*.

Let $\mathbb{Z}[F]$ be the group algebra of F over \mathbb{Z} and let $\varepsilon_{\mathbb{Z}[F]} : \mathbb{Z}[F] \to \mathbb{Z}$ be the augmentation map. We note that the Magnus coefficients can be written in terms of the Fox derivative introduced in [F]:

$$\mu(i_1\cdots i_n; f) = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{Z}[F]}\left(\frac{\partial^n f}{\partial x_{i_1}\cdots \partial x_{i_n}}\right).$$

For the word $y_i^{(d)}$ in Theorem 2.1.1, we set

$$\mu^{(d)}(i_1\cdots i_n j) := \mu(i_1\cdots i_n; y_j^{(d)}).$$

Since $\mu(i_1 \cdots i_n; f) = 0$ for $f \in F^{(d)}$ if d > n, by Theorem 2.1.1, $\mu^{(d)}(I)$ is independent of d if $d \ge |I|$, where |I| denotes the length of a multi-index I. Define $\mu(I) := \mu^{(d)}(I)$ ($d \gg 1$). For a multi-index I with $|I| \ge 2$, we define $\Delta(I)$ to be the ideal of \mathbb{Z} generated by $\mu(J)$ where J runs over cyclic permutations of proper subsequences of I. If |I| = 1, we set $\mu(I) := 0$ and $\Delta(I) := 0$. The *Milnor* $\overline{\mu}$ -invariant is then defined by

$$\overline{\mu}(I) := \mu(I) \mod \Delta(I)$$
.

The fundamental results, due to Milnor, are as follows.

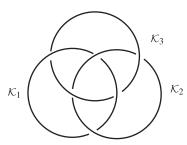
- THEOREM 2.1.2 ([Mi2, Theorems 5, 6]). (1) $\overline{\mu}(ij) = \text{lk}(\mathcal{K}_i, \mathcal{K}_j) \ (i \neq j).$
- (2) If $2 \leq |I| \leq d$, $\overline{\mu}(I)$ is a link invariant of \mathcal{L} .
- (3) (Shuffle relation) For any I, $J(|I|, |J| \ge 1)$ and $i (1 \le i \le r)$, we have

$$\sum_{H \in \mathsf{PSh}(I,J)} \overline{\mu}(Hi) \equiv 0 \mod \mathsf{g.c.d}\{\Delta(Hi) \mid H \in \mathsf{PSh}(I,J)\}$$

where PSh(I, J) stands for the set of results of proper shuffles of I and J (cf. [CFL]).

(4) (Cyclic symmetry). $\overline{\mu}(i_1 \cdots i_n) = \overline{\mu}(i_2 \cdots i_n i_1) = \cdots = \overline{\mu}(i_n i_1 \cdots i_{n-1}).$

EXAMPLE 2.1.3. For a multi-index I ($|I| \ge 2$), $\overline{\mu}(I) = \mu(I)$ is an integral link invariant if $\mu(J) = 0$ for all multi-index J with |J| < |I|. For example, let $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{K}_1 \cup \mathcal{K}_2 \cup \mathcal{K}_3$ be the following *Borromean rings*:



Then $\mu(I) = 0$ if $|I| \le 2$ and hence $\mu(I) \in \mathbb{Z}$ for |I| = 3. In fact, we have $\mu(ijk) = \pm 1$ if *ijk* is a permutation of 123 and $\mu(ijk) = 0$ otherwise.

Move generally, let $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{K}_1 \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{K}_r$ be the following link, called the *Milnor link* ([Mi1, 5]). We easily see that the link obtained by removing any one component \mathcal{K}_i from \mathcal{L} is trivial. So $\mu(I) = 0$ if $|I| \le n - 1$ and $\mu(I) \in \mathbb{Z}$ if |I| = n. For instance, $\mu(12 \cdots n) = 1$.



Next, we recall that Milnor invariants may be regarded as invariants associated to nilpotent coverings of S^3 . For a commutative ring R, let $N_n(R)$ be the group consisting of n by n unipotent uppertriangular matrices. For a multi-index $I = (i_1 \cdots i_n)(n \ge 2)$, we define the map $\rho_I : F \to N_n(\mathbb{Z}/\Delta(I))$ by

$$\rho_{I}(f) := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{i_{1}}}\right) & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x_{i_{1}} \partial x_{i_{2}}}\right) & \cdots & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial^{n-1} f}{\partial x_{i_{1}} \cdots \partial x_{i_{n-1}}}\right) \\ 0 & 1 & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{i_{2}}}\right) & \cdots & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial^{n-2} f}{\partial x_{i_{2}} \cdots \partial x_{i_{n-1}}}\right) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 1 & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{i_{n-1}}}\right) \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mod \Delta(I)$$

where we set $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_{Z[F]}$ for simplicity. It can be shown by the property of the Fox derivative that ρ_I is a homomorphism.

THEOREM 2.1.6 ([Mo4, Theorem 8.8], [Mu]). (1) The homomorphism ρ_I factors through the link group $G_{\mathcal{L}}$. Furthermore it is surjective if i_1, \ldots, i_{n-1} are all distinct.

(2) Suppose that i_1, \ldots, i_{n-1} are all distinct. Let $X_I \to X_L$ be the Galois covering corresponding to $\text{Ker}(\rho_I)$ whose Galois group $\text{Gal}(X_I/X_L) = N_n(\mathbb{Z}/\Delta(I))$. When $\Delta(I) \neq 0$, let $M_I \to S^3$ be the Fox completion of $X_I \to X_L$, a Galois covering ramified over the link $\mathcal{K}_{i_1} \cup \cdots \cup \mathcal{K}_{i_{n-1}}$. For a longitude β_{i_n} of \mathcal{K}_{i_n} , one has

	(1)	0	•••	0	$\overline{\mu}(I)$
	0	1			0
$\rho_I(\beta_{i_n}) =$:	·	·		÷
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and hence the following holds:

 $\overline{\mu}(I) = 0 \iff \mathcal{K}_{i_n}$ is completely decomposed in $M_I \to S^3$.

2.2. Milnor invariants for prime numbers. Let $S = \{p_1, \ldots, p_r\}$ be a set of r distinct odd prime numbers and let $G_S := \pi_1^{\text{ét}}(\text{Spec}(Z) \setminus S)$. In order to get the analogy of the link case, we consider the maximal pro-2 quotient, denoted by $G_S(2)$, of G_S which is the Galois group of the maximal pro-2 extension $Q_S(2)$ over Q which is unramified outside

 $S \cup \{\infty\}$. Here we fix an algebraic closure \overline{Q} of Q containing $Q_S(2)$. We also fix an algebraic closure \overline{Q}_{p_i} of Q_{p_i} and an embedding $\overline{Q} \hookrightarrow \overline{Q}_{p_i}$ for each *i*. Let $Q_{p_i}(2)$ be the maximal pro-2 extension of Q_{p_i} contained in \overline{Q}_{p_i} . Then we have

$$Q_{p_i}(2) = Q_{p_i}(\zeta_{2^n}, \sqrt[2^n]{p_i} \mid n \ge 1)$$

where $\zeta_{2^n} \in \overline{\mathbf{Q}}$ is primitive 2^n -th root of unity such that $\zeta_{2^t}^{2^s} = \zeta_{2^{t-s}}$ $(t \ge s)$. The local Galois group Gal $(\mathbf{Q}_{p_i}(2)/\mathbf{Q}_{p_i})$ is then topologically generated by the monodromy τ_i and the extension of the Frobenius automorphism σ_i defined by

(2.2.1)
$$\begin{aligned} \tau_i(\zeta_{2^n}) &= \zeta_{2^n} , \quad \tau_i(\sqrt[2^n]{p_i}) = \zeta_{2^n} \sqrt[2^n]{p_i} ,\\ \sigma_i(\zeta_{2^n}) &= \zeta_{2^n}^{p_1} , \quad \sigma_i(\sqrt[2^n]{p_i}) = \sqrt[2^n]{p_i} \end{aligned}$$

and τ_i , σ_i are subject to the relation $\tau_i^{p_i-1}[\tau_i, \sigma_i] = 1$.

The embedding $\overline{Q} \hookrightarrow \overline{Q}_{p_i}$ induces the embedding $Q_S(2) \hookrightarrow Q_{p_i}(2)$ and hence the homomorphism η_i : Gal $(Q_{p_i}(2)/Q_{p_i}) \to G_S$. We denote by the same τ_i, σ_i the images of τ_i, σ_i under η_i . Let \hat{F} denote the free pro-2 group on the words x_1, \ldots, x_r where x_i represents τ_i . The following theorem, due to H. Koch, may be regarded as an arithmetic analogue of Milnor's Theorem 2.1.1.

THEOREM 2.2.2 ([K2, Theorem 6.2]). The pro-2 group $G_S(2)$ has the following presentation:

$$G_{S}(2) = \langle x_{1}, \ldots, x_{r} \mid x_{1}^{p_{1}-1}[x_{1}, y_{1}] = \cdots = x_{r}^{p_{r}-1}[x_{r}, y_{r}] = 1 \rangle,$$

where $y_i \in \hat{F}$ is the pro-2 word which represents σ_i .

Set $e_S := \max\{e \mid p_i \equiv 1 \mod 2^e \ (1 \le i \le r)\}$ and fix $m = 2^e \ (1 \le e \le e_S)$. Let $\mathbb{Z}_2\langle\langle X_1, \ldots, X_r \rangle\rangle$ be the algebra of non-commutative formal power series of variables X_1, \ldots, X_r over \mathbb{Z}_2 , the ring of 2-adic integers, and let

$$\hat{M}: \hat{F} \longrightarrow \mathbf{Z}_2 \langle \langle X_1, \ldots, X_r \rangle \rangle^{\times}$$

be the pro-2 Magnus embedding ([K1, 4.2]). For $f \in \hat{F}$, $\hat{M}(f)$ has the from

$$\hat{M}(f) = 1 + \sum_{1 \le i_1, \dots, i_n \le r} \hat{\mu}(i_1 \cdots i_n; f) X_{i_1} \cdots X_{i_n},$$

where the coefficients $\hat{\mu}(i_1 \cdots i_n; f)$ are called the 2-*adic Magnus coefficients*. We let

$$M_2: \hat{F} \longrightarrow F_2 \langle \langle X_1, \ldots, X_r \rangle \rangle^{\times}$$

be the mod 2 Magnus embedding defined by composing \hat{M} with the natural homomorphism $\mathbb{Z}_2(\langle X_1, \ldots, X_r \rangle)^{\times} \longrightarrow \mathbb{F}_2(\langle X_1, \ldots, X_r \rangle)^{\times}.$

Let $\mathbb{Z}_2[[\hat{F}]]$ be the complete group algebra over \mathbb{Z}_2 and let $\varepsilon_{\mathbb{Z}_2[[\hat{F}]]} : \mathbb{Z}_2[[\hat{F}]] \to \mathbb{Z}_2$ be the augmentation map. In terms of the pro-2 Fox free derivative ([I], [O]), the 2-adic Magnus coefficients are written as

$$\hat{\mu}(i_1\cdots i_n; f) = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{Z}_2[[\hat{F}]]} \left(\frac{\partial^n f}{\partial x_{i_1}\cdots \partial x_{i_n}} \right).$$

For the word y_i in Theorem 2.2.2, we set

$$\hat{\mu}(i_1\cdots i_n j) := \hat{\mu}(i_1\cdots i_n; y_j)$$

and we set, for a multi-index I,

$$\mu_m(I) := \hat{\mu}(I) \mod m \,.$$

For a multi-index with I with $1 \le |I| \le 2^{e_s}$, let $\Delta_m(I)$ be the ideal of $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$ generated by $\binom{2^{e_s}}{t}$ $(1 \le t \le |I|)$ and $\mu_m(J)$ (J running over cyclic permutation of proper subsequences of I). The Milnor $\overline{\mu}_m$ -invariant is then defined by

$$\overline{\mu}_m(I) := \mu_m(I) \mod \Delta_m(I) \,.$$

The following analogue of Theorem 2.1.2 is due to Morishita.

THEOREM 2.2.3 ([Mo3, Theorems 1.2.1, 1.2.5]). (1) $\zeta_m^{\mu_m(ij)} = \left(\frac{p_j}{p_i}\right)_m$ where ζ_m is the primitive *m*-th root of unity given in (2.2.1) and $\left(\frac{p_j}{p_i}\right)_m$ is the *m*-th power residue symbol in Q_{p_i} .

(2) If $2 \le |I| \le 2^{e_s}$, $\overline{\mu}_m(I)$ is an invariant depending only on S.

(3) Let r be an integer such that $2 \le r \le 2^{e_s}$. For multi-indices I, J such that |I|+|J| = r - 1, we have, for any $1 \le i \le n$,

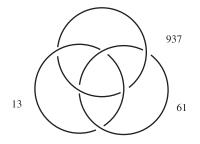
$$\sum_{H \in \mathsf{PSh}(I,J)} \overline{\mu}_m(Hi) \equiv 0 \mod \mathsf{g.c.d}\{\Delta(Hi) \mid H \in \mathsf{PSh}(I,J)\}$$

EXAMPLE 2.2.4. Let $S = \{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$ be a triple of distinct prime numbers satisfying the condition (1.2.1) and let m = 2. Then $\mu_2(I) = 0$ if $|I| \le 2$ and hence, for |I| = 3, $\Delta_2(I) = 0$ and $\overline{\mu}_2(I) = \mu_2(I) \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$. The following theorem interprets the Rédei triple symbol as a Milnor invariant.

THEOREM 2.2.4.1 ([Mo2, Theorem 3.2.5]). Under the above assumption on $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$ we have

$$[p_1, p_2, p_3] = (-1)^{\mu_2(123)}$$

For example, D. Vogel ([V1, Example 3.14]) showed that for $S = \{13, 61, 937\} \mu_2(I) = 0$ ($|I| \le 2$), $\mu_2(I) = 1$ (I is a permutation of 123), $\mu_2(ijk) = 0$ (otherwise). In view of Example 2.1.3, this triple of prime numbers may be called the *Borromean primes*.



Finally, we give an analogue of Theorem 2.1.6 for prime numbers. Let $I = (i_1 \cdots i_n)$, $2 \le n \le l^{e_s}$ and assume $\Delta_m(I) \ne \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$. We define the map $\rho_{(m,I)} : \hat{F} \rightarrow N_n((\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})/\Delta_m(I))$ by

$$\rho_{(m,I)}(f) := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{i_1}}\right)_m & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_{i_1} \partial x_{i_2}}\right)_m & \cdots & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial^{n-1} f}{\partial x_{i_1} \cdots \partial x_{i_{n-1}}}\right)_m \\ 1 & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{i_2}}\right)_m & \cdots & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial^{n-2} f}{\partial x_{i_2} \cdots \partial x_{i_{n-1}}}\right)_m \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & & 1 & \varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{i_{n-1}}}\right)_m \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mod \Delta_m(I) \,,$$

where we set $\varepsilon(\alpha)_m = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{Z}[[\hat{F}]]}(\alpha) \mod m$ for $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_l[[\hat{F}(l)]]$. It can be shown by the property of the pro-2 Fox derivative that $\rho_{(m,I)}$ is a homomorphism.

THEOREM 2.2.5 ([Mo3, Theorem 1.2.7]). (1) The homomorphism $\rho_{(m,I)}$ factors through the Galois group $G_S(2)$. Further it is surjective if i_1, \ldots, i_{n-1} are all distinct.

(2) Suppose that i_1, \ldots, i_{n-1} are all distinct. Let $K_{(m,I)}$ be the extension over Q corresponding to $\text{Ker}(\rho_{(m,I)})$. Then $K_{(m,I)}/Q$ is a Galois extension unramified outside $p_{i_1}, \ldots, p_{i_{n-1}}$ and ∞ with Galois group $\text{Gal}(K_{(m,I)}/Q) = N_n((\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})/\Delta_m(I))$. For a Frobenius automorphism σ_{i_n} over p_{i_n} , one has

$$\rho_{(m,I)}(\sigma_{i_n}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \overline{\mu}_m(I) \\ & 1 & \cdots & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \vdots \\ & 0 & & 1 & 0 \\ & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and hence the following holds:

 $\overline{\mu}_m(I) = 0 \iff p_{i_n}$ is completely decomposed in $K_{(m,I)}/Q$.

EXAMPLE 2.2.6. Let m = 2 and $K = K_{(2,I)}$. For $S = \{p_1, p_2\}, p_i \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ (i = 1, 2) and I = (12), we have

$$K = Q(\sqrt{p_1}), \text{ Gal}(K/Q) = N_2(F_2) = Z/2Z, (-1)^{\mu_2(12)} = \left(\frac{p_1}{p_2}\right).$$

For $S = \{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$ satisfying the condition (1.2.1) and I = (123), we have

$$K = k_{\{p_1, p_2\}}, \text{ Gal}(K/Q) = N_3(F_2) = D_8, (-1)^{\mu_2(123)} = [p_1, p_2, p_3].$$

Theorem 2.2.5 suggests a problem to construct concretely a Galois extension K_n/Q unramified outside p_1, \ldots, p_{n-1} and ∞ with Galois group $N_n(\mathbf{F}_2)$ and to introduce the multiple residue symbol $[p_1, \ldots, p_n]$, as a generalization of the Legendre symbol and the Rédei triple symbol, which should describe the decomposition law of p_n in the extension K_n/Q and coincide with $(-1)^{\mu_2(12\cdots n)}$. In the next section, we solve this problem for the case n = 4.

3. Construction of an $N_4(F_2)$ -extension and the 4-th multiple residue symbol. In this section, under certain conditions on three prime numbers p_1 , p_2 , p_3 , we construct concretely a Galois extension K over Q where all ramified prime numbers are p_1 , p_2 and p_3 and the Galois group is $N_4(F_2)$, and introduce the 4-th multiple residue symbol $[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4]$ which describes the decomposition law of p_4 in K/Q. We then show that $[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4]$ coincides with $(-1)^{\mu_2(1234)}$, where $\mu_2(1234)$ is the 4-th arithmetic Milnor invariant defined in 2.2. We keep the same notations as in the previous sections.

3.1. Construction of an $N_4(F_2)$ -extension. Let p_1 , p_2 and p_3 be three prime numbers satisfying the conditions

(3.1.1)
$$\begin{cases} p_i \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \ (i = 1, 2, 3), \quad \left(\frac{p_i}{p_j}\right) = 1 \ (1 \le i \ne j \le 3), \\ [p_i, p_j, p_k] = 1 \ (\{i, j, k\} = \{1, 2, 3\}). \end{cases}$$

We let

$$\begin{cases} k_i := \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p_i}) \ (i = 1, 2, 3), \ k_{ij} := k_i k_j = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p_i}, \sqrt{p_j}) \ (1 \le i < j \le 3), \\ k_{123} := k_1 k_2 k_3 = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}). \end{cases}$$

For simplicity, we set $k := k_1$ in the following. Let \mathfrak{p}_2 be one of prime ideals of \mathcal{O}_k lying over p_2 . Then as in Lemma 1.1.2, we can find a triple of integers (x, y, z) with $\alpha = x + y\sqrt{p_1}$ satisfying (1), (2) in Lemma 1.1.2 such that

 $(\alpha) = \mathfrak{p}_2^m \ (m \text{ being an odd integer}), \quad k_{\{p_1, p_2\}} = \mathcal{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{\alpha}).$

In the following, we fix such an α once and for all.

For a prime \mathfrak{p} of k, we denote by $\left(\frac{1}{\mathfrak{p}}\right)$ the Hilbert symbol in the local field $k_{\mathfrak{p}}$, namely,

$$(a, k_{\mathfrak{p}}(\sqrt{b})/k_{\mathfrak{p}})\sqrt{b} = \left(\frac{a, b}{\mathfrak{p}}\right)\sqrt{b} \quad (a, b \in k_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\times})$$

where $(k_{\mathfrak{p}}(\sqrt{b})/k_{\mathfrak{p}}): k_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\times} \to \operatorname{Gal}(k_{\mathfrak{p}}(\sqrt{b})/k_{\mathfrak{p}})$ is the norm residue symbol of local class field theory.

LEMMA 3.1.2. For any prime p of k, we have

$$\left(\frac{\alpha,\,p_3}{\mathfrak{p}}\right) = 1\,.$$

PROOF. We consider the following five cases.

(Case 1) \mathfrak{p} is prime to \mathfrak{p}_2 , p_3 , 2, ∞ : Then we have α , $p_3 \in U_{\mathfrak{p}}$, where $U_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is the unit group of $k_{\mathfrak{p}}$, and hence $\left(\frac{\alpha, p_3}{\mathfrak{p}}\right) = 1$.

(Case 2) $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{p}_2$: Let π be a prime element of $k_{\mathfrak{p}_2}$. Write $\alpha = u_1 \pi^{m_2}, u_1 \in U_{\mathfrak{p}_2}$. Then we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha, p_3 \\ p_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1, p_3 \\ p_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \pi^{m_2}, p_3 \\ p_2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} \pi, p_3 \\ p_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (u_1, p_3 \in U_{p_2}, m_2 \text{ is odd})$$

$$=\frac{(\pi,k_{\mathfrak{p}_2}(\sqrt{p_3})/k_{\mathfrak{p}_2})\sqrt{p_3}}{\sqrt{p_3}}.$$

Since $(\pi, k_{\mathfrak{p}_2}(\sqrt{p_3})/k_{\mathfrak{p}_2})$ is the Frobenius automorphism over p_2 in $k(\sqrt{p_3})/k$, $(\pi, k_{\mathfrak{p}_2}(\sqrt{p_3})/k_{\mathfrak{p}_2})(\sqrt{p_3}) = \sqrt{p_3}$ by $\left(\frac{p_1}{p_2}\right) = \left(\frac{p_3}{p_2}\right) = 1$. (Case 3) $\mathfrak{p} \mid p_3$: Let ϖ be a prime element of $k_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Write $p_3 = u_2\varpi, u_2 \in U_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Then we

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha, p_3 \\ p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_3, \alpha \\ p \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} u_2, \alpha \\ p \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\omega}, \alpha \\ p \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\omega}, \alpha \\ p \end{pmatrix} \quad (u_2, \alpha \in U_p)$$

$$= \frac{(\overline{\omega}, k_p(\sqrt{\alpha})/k_p)\sqrt{\alpha}}{\sqrt{\alpha}}.$$

Since p is decomposed in $k(\sqrt{\alpha})/k$ by $[p_1, p_2, p_3] = 1$ and $(\overline{\omega}, k_p(\sqrt{\alpha})/k_p)$ is the Frobenius automorphism over p in $k(\sqrt{\alpha})/k$, $(\overline{\omega}, k_p(\sqrt{\alpha})/k_p)(\sqrt{\alpha}) = \sqrt{\alpha}$.

(Case 4) $\mathfrak{p} = \infty$: Since $p_3 > 0$, $\left(\frac{\alpha, p_3}{\infty}\right) = 1$.

(Case 5) $\mathfrak{p} \mid 2$: If $\mathfrak{p} = (2)$, the above cases and the product formula for the Hilbert symbol yields $\left(\frac{\alpha, p_3}{\mathfrak{p}}\right) = 1$. If $(2) = \mathfrak{p} \cdot \mathfrak{p}' \ (\mathfrak{p} \neq \mathfrak{p}')$, $k_{\mathfrak{p}} = k_{\mathfrak{p}'} = \mathcal{Q}_2$ and so we have

$$\left(\frac{\alpha, p_3}{\mathfrak{p}}\right) = \left(\frac{\alpha, p_3}{\mathfrak{p}'}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{p_3-1}{2} \cdot \frac{\alpha-1}{2}} = 1.$$

PROPOSITION 3.1.3. Assume that the class number of k is 1. Then there are $X, Y, Z \in O_k$ satisfying the following conditions:

(1)
$$X^2 - p_3 Y^2 - \alpha Z^2 = 0$$
,

(2)
$$g.c.d(X, Y, Z) = 1.$$

PROOF. By Lemma 3.1.2, we have $\alpha \in N_{k_{\mathfrak{p}}(\sqrt{p_3})/k_{\mathfrak{p}}}(k_{\mathfrak{p}}(\sqrt{p_3})^{\times})$ for any prime \mathfrak{p} of k and so there are $X_{\mathfrak{p}}, Y_{\mathfrak{p}} \in k_{\mathfrak{p}}$ such that $X_{\mathfrak{p}}^2 - p_3 Y_{\mathfrak{p}}^2 = \alpha$. By the Hasse principal, there are $\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} \in k$ such that $\tilde{X}^2 - p_3 \tilde{Y}^2 = \alpha$ from which the condition (1) holds by writing $\tilde{X} = \frac{X}{Z}, \tilde{Y} = \frac{Y}{Z}$ with $X, Y, Z \in \mathcal{O}_k$. Since \mathcal{O}_k is the principal ideal domain by the assumption, we may choose $X, Y, Z \in \mathcal{O}_k$ so that the condition (2) is satisfied.

For $k_{13} = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_3})$, let U be the unit group of $\mathcal{O}_{k_{13}}/(4)$ and U(2) the 2-Sylow subgroup of U. Similarly, let $k'_{13} := \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{\alpha})$ and define $U' := (\mathcal{O}_{k'_{13}}/(4))^{\times}$ and U'(2) to be the 2-Sylow subgroup of U'.

LEMMA 3.1.4. The group U(2) is given by

$$U(2) = \langle -1 \rangle \times \langle \sqrt{p_1} \rangle \times \langle \sqrt{p_3} \rangle \times \left\langle \frac{3 + \sqrt{p_1} + \sqrt{p_3} + \sqrt{p_1 p_3}}{2} \right\rangle$$

$$\simeq \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$$

Similarly, U'(2) is given by

$$U'(2) = \langle -1 \rangle \times \langle \sqrt{p_1} \rangle \times \langle \sqrt{\alpha} \rangle \times \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{p_1} + \sqrt{\alpha} + \sqrt{p_1 \alpha}}{2} \right)$$
$$\simeq \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}.$$

PROOF. Since 2 is unramified in the extension k_{13}/Q , we have the decomposition (2) = $\mathfrak{c}_1 \cdots \mathfrak{c}_r$. Therefore the order of U is given by

$$\Pi_{i=1}^{r} N \mathfrak{c}_{\mathfrak{i}}(N \mathfrak{c}_{\mathfrak{i}} - 1) = N((2)) \Pi_{i=1}^{r}(N \mathfrak{c}_{\mathfrak{i}} - 1) = 16m$$

and so U has the order 16m, where m is an odd integer. Let $A := \{\pm 1 \mod (4), \pm \sqrt{p_1} \mod (4), \pm \sqrt{p_1} \mod (4), \pm \sqrt{p_1} p_3 \mod (4)\}$. Since $p_i \equiv 1 \mod 4$, each element of A has the order 2 and so $A \subset U(2)$. We show that the order of A is 8. Suppose $\sqrt{p_1} \equiv \sqrt{p_3} \mod (4)$ for example. Then $\sqrt{p_1} - \sqrt{p_3} = 4\beta$ for some $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_{k_{13}}$. Taking the norm $N_{k_{13}/Q}$, we obtain

$$\frac{-p_1-p_3}{16}+\frac{\sqrt{p_1p_3}}{8}\in\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{Q}(\sqrt{p_1p_3})}=\left\{\frac{a+b\sqrt{p_1p_3}}{2}\middle|a,b\in\mathbb{Z},a\equiv b\mod 2\right\},$$

which is a contradiction. Similarly, using the structure of \mathcal{O}_{k_1} and \mathcal{O}_{k_3} , we can check that any two elements in *A* are distinct. Hence we see that $U(2) = A \cup A \cdot \{(3 + \sqrt{p_1} + \sqrt{p_3} + \sqrt{p_1 p_3})/2 \mod (4)\}$. Replacing p_3 by α , the assertion for U'(2) can be shown similarly. \Box

LEMMA 3.1.5. Assume $p_1 \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$. Then there is a unit $\varepsilon \in \mathcal{O}_k^{\times}$ of the form $\varepsilon = s + t\sqrt{p_1}, s, t \in \mathbb{Z}, s \equiv 0, t \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$. Such a unit ε satisfies $\varepsilon \equiv \pm \sqrt{p_1} \pmod{4}$ in U(2) and U'(2).

PROOF. Since $p_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, the fundamental unit $\varepsilon_1 = \frac{s_1 + t_1 \sqrt{p_1}}{2} (s_1 \equiv t_1 \pmod{2})$ of k satisfies $N_{k/Q}(\varepsilon_1) = -1$. If $s_1 \equiv t_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, we let $\varepsilon := \varepsilon_1 = s + t \sqrt{p_1}$, $s := s_1/2, t := t_1/2 \in \mathbb{Z}$, where we have $s \equiv 0, t \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, since $s^2 - p_1 t^2 = -1$. Since $\varepsilon = s + t \sqrt{p_1} = s + s \sqrt{p_1} + (t - s) \sqrt{p_1}$ and $s + s \sqrt{p_1} \in 4\mathcal{O}_{k_{13}}, \varepsilon \equiv \pm \sqrt{p_1} \mod{4}$. Suppose $s_1 \equiv t_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$. Since $p_1 \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$, we have $s_1^2 + 3p_1t_1^2 \equiv 3s_1^2 + p_1t_1^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$ and so

$$\varepsilon_1^3 = \frac{s_1(s_1^2 + 3p_1t_1^2) + t_1(3s_1^2 + p_1t_1^2)\sqrt{p_1}}{8} = s + t\sqrt{p_1},$$

where $s = s_1(s_1^2 + 3p_1t_1^2)/8$, $t = t_1(3s_1^2 + t_1^2)/8 \in \mathbb{Z}$. Since $N_{k/Q}(\varepsilon_1^3) = -1$, $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_1^3$ satisfies the desired conditions.

The following theorem may be regarded as an analogue of Lemma 1.1.2.

THEOREM 3.1.6. Assume that the class number of k is 1 and $p_1 \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$. Then there are X, Y, $Z \in \mathcal{O}_k$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) $X^2 p_3 Y^2 \alpha Z^2 = 0$,
- (2) g.c.d(X, Y, Z) = 1, (Z, 2) = 1 (resp. g.c.d(X, Y, Z) = 1, (Y, 2) = 1),

(3) There is $\lambda \in \mathcal{O}_{k_{13}}$ (resp. $\lambda \in \mathcal{O}_{k'_{13}}$) such that $\lambda^2 \equiv X + Y\sqrt{p_3} \mod (4)$ (resp. $\lambda^2 \equiv X + Z\sqrt{\alpha} \mod (4)$).

PROOF. By Proposition 3.1.3, there are $X, Y, Z \in \mathcal{O}_k$ satisfying (1) and (2).

Case (Z, 2) = 1: Let $\theta := X + Y\sqrt{p_3}$ and $\overline{\theta} := \theta \mod (4)$. Then we easily see $\theta \in \mathcal{O}_{k_{13}}$ and $\overline{\theta} \in U$ since (Z, 2) = 1. Let *n* be the order of $\overline{\theta}$ in *U*.

(i) Suppose $n \neq 0 \pmod{2}$. Then it is easy to see that there is $\lambda \in \mathcal{O}_{k_{13}}$ such that $\lambda^2 \equiv \theta \mod{4}$.

(ii) Suppose $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. By Lemma 3.1.4, $\frac{n}{2} \neq 0 \pmod{2}$ and $\overline{\theta}^{\frac{n}{2}} \in U(2)$. Write $\theta^{\frac{n}{2}} = b_1 + b_2 \sqrt{p_1} + b_3 \sqrt{p_3} + b_4 \sqrt{p_1 p_3}, b_i \in \mathbf{Q}$. Since $N_{k_{13}/k}(\theta) = X^2 - p_3 Y^2 = \alpha Z^2$, $N_{k_{13}/k}(\theta^{\frac{n}{2}}) = (\alpha Z^2)^{\frac{n}{2}}$. Since $\alpha = x + y\sqrt{p_1} = x - y + 2y \cdot \frac{1+\sqrt{p_1}}{2} \equiv 1 \mod{4}$, $(\alpha Z^2)^{\frac{n}{2}} \equiv (Z^{\frac{n}{2}})^2 \equiv 1 \mod{4}$. Therefore we have (3.1.6.1)

$$(b_1 + b_2\sqrt{p_1} + b_3\sqrt{p_3} + b_4\sqrt{p_1p_3}) \cdot (b_1 + b_2\sqrt{p_1} - b_3\sqrt{p_3} - b_4\sqrt{p_1p_3}) \equiv 1 \mod (4).$$

We claim that $\theta^{\frac{n}{2}} \equiv -1$ or $\pm \sqrt{p_1} \mod (4)$. Suppose this is not the case. Then, by Lemma 3.1.4, $\theta^{\frac{n}{2}} \equiv \pm \sqrt{p_3}$, $\pm \sqrt{p_1 p_3}$ or $a \cdot (3 + \sqrt{p_1} + \sqrt{p_3} + \sqrt{p_1 p_3})/2$ ($a \in A$) mod (4) and so the coefficients of $\sqrt{p_3}$ or $\sqrt{p_1 p_3}$ are not 0. Since any element of U(2) has order 2, we have

$$(b_1 + b_2\sqrt{p_1} + b_3\sqrt{p_3} + b_4\sqrt{p_1p_3}) \cdot (b_1 + b_2\sqrt{p_1} - b_3\sqrt{p_3} - b_4\sqrt{p_1p_3}) \neq 1 \mod (4),$$

which contradicts to (3.1.6.1). Therefore, by Lemma 3.1.5, there is $\varepsilon \in \mathcal{O}_k^{\times}$ such that $\varepsilon \theta^{\frac{n}{2}} \equiv 1 \mod (4)$ and $\varepsilon^2 \equiv 1 \mod (4)$. Replacing (X, Y, Z) by $(\varepsilon X, \varepsilon Y, \varepsilon Z)$, (1), (2) holds obviously, and (3) is also satisfied because $\varepsilon \theta \mod (4)$ has the order $\frac{n}{2} \neq 0 \pmod{2}$.

Case (Y, 2) = 1: Let $\theta' := X + Z\sqrt{\alpha}$. Replacing θ by θ' and p_3 by α , the above proof works well by using Lemma 3.1.4.

Let a = (X, Y, Z) be a triple of integers in \mathcal{O}_k satisfying (1), (2), (3) in Theorem 3.1.6 and fix it once and for all. We let

$$\begin{cases} \theta := X + Y\sqrt{p_3} & \text{if } (Z,2) = 1, \\ \theta' := X + Z\sqrt{\alpha} & \text{if } (Y,2) = 1, \end{cases}$$

and set

$$\begin{cases} \theta_1 := \theta, \\ \theta_2 := X - Y\sqrt{p_3}, \\ \theta_3 := \overline{X} + \overline{Y}\sqrt{p_3}, \\ \theta_4 := \overline{X} - \overline{Y}\sqrt{p_3}, \end{cases} \begin{cases} \theta_1' = \theta', \\ \theta_2' = X - Z\sqrt{\alpha}, \\ \theta_3' = \overline{X} + \overline{Z}\sqrt{\alpha}, \\ \theta_4' = \overline{X} - \overline{Z}\sqrt{\alpha}, \end{cases}$$

where \overline{X} , \overline{Y} and $\overline{\alpha}$ are conjugates of X, Y and α over Q respectively.

DEFINITION 3.1.7. We then define the number field K by

$$K = K_{\boldsymbol{a}} = \begin{cases} \boldsymbol{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1}) & \text{if } (Z, 2) = 1, \\ \boldsymbol{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1'\theta_2'}, \sqrt{\theta_1'\theta_3'}, \sqrt{\theta_1'}) & \text{if } (Y, 2) = 1. \end{cases}$$

For the latter use, we set, for the case of (Y, 2) = 1,

$$\begin{cases} \eta_1 := \left(\sqrt{\theta_1'} + \sqrt{\theta_2'}\right)^2 = 2X + 2Y\sqrt{p_3}, \\ \eta_2 := \left(\sqrt{\theta_1'} - \sqrt{\theta_2'}\right)^2 = 2X - 2Y\sqrt{p_3}, \\ \eta_3 := \left(\sqrt{\theta_3'} + \sqrt{\theta_4'}\right)^2 = 2\overline{X} + 2\overline{Y}\sqrt{p_3}, \\ \eta_4 := \left(\sqrt{\theta_3'} - \sqrt{\theta_4'}\right)^2 = 2\overline{X} - 2\overline{Y}\sqrt{p_3}. \end{cases}$$

THEOREM 3.1.8. (1) We have

$$K = \begin{cases} \boldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}}(\sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4}) & \text{if } (Z, 2) = 1, \\ \boldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}}(\sqrt{\theta_1'}, \sqrt{\theta_2'}, \sqrt{\theta_3'}, \sqrt{\theta_4'}) = \boldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}}(\sqrt{\eta_1}, \sqrt{\eta_2}, \sqrt{\eta_3}, \sqrt{\eta_4}) & \text{if } (Y, 2) = 1. \end{cases}$$

(2) The extension K/Q is a Galois extension whose Galois group is isomorphic to $N_4(\mathbf{F}_2)$.

PROOF. (1) Case (Z, 2) = 1: It is easy to see $\sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3} \in K$. Noting that

(3.1.8.1)
$$\theta_1 \theta_2 \theta_3 \theta_4 = N_{k_{13}/\varrho}(\theta_1)$$
$$= N_{k/\varrho}(N_{k_{13}/k}(\theta_1))$$
$$= N_{k/\varrho}(\alpha Z^2)$$
$$= p_2 h^2 \quad (h \in \mathbb{Z}) ,$$

we have $\sqrt{\theta_4} \in K$ and hence $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4}) \subset K$. Next we show the converse inclusion. Write $\theta_1 = a_1 + a_2\sqrt{p_1} + a_3\sqrt{p_3} + a_4\sqrt{p_1p_3}$ ($a_i \in \mathbf{Q}$). By considering the prime factorization of the ideal (αZ^2) in k_1 , we find $\alpha Z^2 \notin \mathbf{Z}$. Then, by the equality $\theta_1\theta_2 = \alpha Z^2$, we find that the number of i ($1 \le i \le 4$) with $a_i = 0$ is at most one. Since $\theta_1 + \theta_2 = 2(a_1 + a_2\sqrt{p_1}), \theta_1 + \theta_3 = 2(a_1 + a_3\sqrt{p_3})$ and $\theta_1 + \theta_4 = 2(a_1 + a_4\sqrt{p_1p_3}), \sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_3} \in \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4})$. By (3.1.8.1), we get $K \subset \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4})$.

Case (Y, 2) = 1: First, let us show $Q(\sqrt{\theta_1'}, \sqrt{\theta_2'}, \sqrt{\theta_3'}, \sqrt{\theta_4'}) = Q(\sqrt{\eta_1}, \sqrt{\eta_2}, \sqrt{\eta_3}, \sqrt{\eta_4})$. By the definition of η_i 's, obviously the inclusion \supset holds. Since $\sqrt{\eta_1} + \sqrt{\eta_2} = 2\sqrt{\theta_1'}, \sqrt{\eta_1} - \sqrt{\eta_2} = 2\sqrt{\theta_2'}, \sqrt{\eta_3} + \sqrt{\eta_4} = 2\sqrt{\theta_3'}, \sqrt{\eta_3} - \sqrt{\eta_4} = 2\sqrt{\theta_4'}$, we obtain the converse inclusion \subset .

Next, we show $K = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{\theta_1'}, \sqrt{\theta_2'}, \sqrt{\theta_3'}, \sqrt{\theta_4'})$. It is easy to see $\sqrt{\theta_2'}, \sqrt{\theta_3'} \in K$. Since $\theta_1'\theta_2' = X^2 - \alpha Z^2 = p_3 Y^2$, we have $\theta_3'\theta_4' = \overline{X}^2 - \overline{\alpha}\overline{Z}^2 = p_3\overline{Y}^2$. So, $\theta_1'\theta_2'\theta_3'\theta_4' = p_3^2(Y\overline{Y})^2 \in \mathbf{Q}$ and $\sqrt{\theta_4'} \in K$. For the converse inclusion, it suffices to show $K \subset \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{\eta_1}, \sqrt{\eta_2}, \sqrt{\eta_3}, \sqrt{\eta_4})$. By considering the prime factorization of the ideal $(\alpha(2Z)^2)$ in k_1 , we find $\alpha(2Z)^2 \notin \mathbf{Z}$. By $N_{k_{13}/\mathbf{Q}}(\eta_1) = 4p_2h^2$ and the argument similar to the case of (Z, 2) = 1, we have $\sqrt{p_i} \in \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{\eta_1}, \sqrt{\eta_2}, \sqrt{\eta_3}, \sqrt{\eta_4})$ (i = 1, 2, 3).

(2) Case (Z, 2) = 1: First, K/Q is a Galois extension, because K is the splitting field of $\Pi_{i=1}^4(T^2 - \theta_i) = \Pi_{\sigma \in \text{Gal}(k_{13}/Q)}(T^2 - \sigma(\theta_1)) \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$. Next, let $k_{123} = Q(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3})$, $K_1 := k_{123}(\sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2})$ and $K_2 := K_1(\sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3})$. Since $\theta_3\theta_4 = \overline{\theta_1\theta_2}$ and

 $\sqrt{\theta_3 \theta_4} = h \sqrt{p_2} / \sqrt{\theta_1 \theta_2} \in K_1, K_1 / k_{123}$ is a Galois extension. Let us show $[K_1 : k_{123}] = 2$. Define $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(k_{123}/Q)$ by

$$\sigma: (\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}) \mapsto (-\sqrt{p_1}, -\sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}).$$

Let $\tilde{\sigma} \in \text{Gal}(K_1/Q)$ be an extension of σ . Then we have

$$(\tilde{\sigma}(\sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}))^2 = \tilde{\sigma}(\theta_1\theta_2) = \theta_3\theta_4$$

and so $\tilde{\sigma}(\sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}) = \pm \sqrt{\theta_3\theta_4}$. Therefore we have

$$\tilde{\sigma}^2(\sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}) = \tilde{\sigma}(\pm\sqrt{\theta_3\theta_4}) = \tilde{\sigma}(\pm h\sqrt{p_2}/\sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}) = -\sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}.$$

Since $\tilde{\sigma}^2 |_{k_{123}} = \text{id}, \sqrt{\theta_1 \theta_2} \notin k_{123}$ and hence $[K_1 : k_{123}] = 2$. Similarly we can show that K_2/K_1 is a Galois extension and $[K_2 : K_1] = [K : K_2] = 2$. Hence we have $[K : Q] = [K : K_2][K_2 : K_1][K_1 : k_{123}][k_{123} : Q] = 64$.

Case (Y, 2) = 1: K/Q is a Galois extension, because K is the splitting field of $\Pi_{i=1}^4(T^2 - \eta_i) = \Pi_{\sigma \in \text{Gal}(k_{13}/Q)}(T^2 - \sigma(\eta_1)) \in \mathbb{Z}[T]$. Let $K'_1 := k_{123}(\sqrt{\eta_1\eta_2})$ and $E'_2 := k_{123}(\sqrt{\eta_1\eta_3})$. By the argumet similar to the case (Z, 2) = 1, we have $[K : Q] = [K : K'_2][K'_2 : K'_1][K'_1 : k_{123}][k_{123} : Q] = 64$.

Finally, by the computer calculation using GAP, we have the following presentation of the group $N_4(F_2)$:

$$N_4(\mathbf{F}_2) = \left\langle g_1, g_2, g_3 \middle| \begin{array}{c} g_1^2 = g_2^2 = g_3^2 = (g_1g_3)^2 = 1\\ (g_1g_2)^4 = (g_2g_3)^4 = (g_1g_2g_3)^4 = 1\\ ((g_1g_2g_3g_2)^2g_3)^2 = 1 \end{array} \right\rangle,$$

where g_1 , g_2 and g_3 are words representing the following matrices respectively:

$$g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Case (Z, 2) = 1: We define $\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3 \in \text{Gal}(K/Q)$ by

$$\begin{split} \tau_1 : & (\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4}) \\ & \mapsto (-\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_3\theta_4}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4}, \sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}) \\ \tau_2 : & (\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4}) \\ & \mapsto (\sqrt{p_1}, -\sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, -\sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}, -\sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3}, -\sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4}) \\ \tau_3 : & (\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4}) \\ & \mapsto (\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, -\sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_2\theta_4}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_4}, \sqrt{\theta_3}) . \end{split}$$

Then we can easily check $\tau_1^2 = \tau_2^2 = \tau_3^2 = (\tau_1 \tau_3)^2 = \text{id}, (\tau_1 \tau_2)^4 = (\tau_2 \tau_3)^4 = (\tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3)^4 = (\tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3)^2 = \text{id}, ((\tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3 \tau_2)^2 \tau_3)^2 = \text{id}.$ Thus the correspondence $\tau_i \mapsto g_i$ (i = 1, 2, 3) gives an isomorphism $\text{Gal}(K/Q) \simeq N_4(F_2)$.

Case (Y, 2) = 1: We note $K = Q(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\eta_1\eta_2}, \sqrt{\eta_1\eta_3}, \sqrt{\eta_1})$, because $\sqrt{\eta_3\eta_4} = 4h\sqrt{p_2}/\sqrt{\eta_1\eta_2} \in K_1$. Then the assertion can be shown in a way similar to the case (Z, 2) = 1, by replacing θ_i with η_i .

Next, let us study the ramification in our extension K/Q. First, we recall the following well-known fact on the ramification in a Kummer extension.

LEMMA 3.1.9 ([B, Lemma 6]). Let l be a prime number and E a number field containing a primitive l-th root of unity. Let $E(\sqrt[l]{a})$ ($a \in \mathcal{O}_E$) be a Kummer extension over E of degree l. Suppose (a) = $\mathfrak{q}^m \mathfrak{a}$ where \mathfrak{q} is a prime ideal in E which does not divide l, ($\mathfrak{q}, \mathfrak{a}$) = 1 and $l \mid m$. Then \mathfrak{q} is unramified in $E(\sqrt[l]{a})/E$.

THEOREM 3.1.10. All prime numbers ramified in the extension K/Q are p_1 , p_2 and p_3 with ramification index 2.

PROOF. Case (Z, 2) = 1: Let us study the ramification in the extension $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1})/k_{13}$. Since $(T - \frac{\lambda + \sqrt{\theta_1}}{2})(T - \frac{\lambda - \sqrt{\theta_1}}{2}) = (T - \frac{\lambda}{2})^2 - (\frac{\sqrt{\theta_1}}{2})^2 = T^2 - \lambda T + \frac{\lambda^2}{4} - \frac{\theta_1}{4}$ with $\lambda, \frac{\lambda^2 - \theta_1}{4} \in \mathcal{O}_{k_{13}}$, we find $\frac{\lambda + \sqrt{\theta_1}}{2} \in \mathcal{O}_{k_{13}}(\sqrt{\theta_1})$. Since the relative discriminant of $\frac{\lambda + \sqrt{\theta_1}}{2}$ in $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1})/k_{13}$ is given by

$$\left| \begin{array}{cc} 1 & \frac{\lambda + \sqrt{\theta_1}}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{\lambda - \sqrt{\theta_1}}{2} \end{array} \right|^2 = \left(\frac{\lambda - \sqrt{\theta_1}}{2} - \frac{\lambda + \sqrt{\theta_1}}{2} \right)^2 = \theta_1$$

we find that any prime factor of 2 is unramified in $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1})/k_{13}$.

Next, let us look closely at the prime factorization of the ideal (θ_1) in k_{13} . We let

$$(\theta_1) = \mathfrak{Q}_1^{e_1} \mathfrak{Q}_2^{e_2} \cdots \mathfrak{Q}_r^{e_r}$$

be the prime factorization of (θ_1) and let $q_i = \mathfrak{Q}_i \cap k$. Since $N_{k_{13}/k}(\theta) = X^2 - p_3 Y^2 = \alpha Z^2$, we have

(3.1.10.1)
$$N_{k_{13}/k}((\theta_1)) = (\alpha Z^2) = \mathfrak{p}_2^m \mathfrak{a}^2,$$

where $\mathfrak{a} := (Z)$ is an ideal in *k*. Now the prime factorization of \mathfrak{q}_i in k_{13}/k has the following three cases:

(i)
$$\mathfrak{q}_i = \mathfrak{Q}_i^2 \quad N_{k_{13}/k}(\mathfrak{Q}_i) = \mathfrak{q}_i,$$

(ii)
$$\mathbf{q}_i = \mathbf{\mathfrak{Q}}_i \quad N_{k_{13}/k}(\mathbf{\mathfrak{Q}}_i) = \mathbf{q}_i^2$$

(iii) $\mathfrak{q}_i = \mathfrak{Q}_i \mathfrak{Q}'_i$ $N_{k_{13}/k}(\mathfrak{Q}_i) = \mathfrak{q}_i$, $N_{k_{13}/k}(\mathfrak{Q}'_i) = \mathfrak{q}_i$

Case (i): If e_i is odd, it contradicts to (3.1.10.1). Hence e_i is even.

Case (ii): Since $\theta_1 \in \mathfrak{Q}_i$ and $\mathfrak{q}_i = \mathfrak{Q}_i$, $\theta_2 = a_1 + a_2\sqrt{p_1} - a_3\sqrt{p_3} - a_4\sqrt{p_1p_3} = X - Y\sqrt{p_3} \in \mathfrak{Q}_i$. Since \mathfrak{p}_2 is decomposed in k_{13}/k , we see, by (3.1.10.1), $Z \in \mathfrak{Q}_i$. Further, since \mathfrak{Q}_i is not a prime factor of 2 by (Z, 2) = 1 and $2X = \theta_1 + \theta_2 \in \mathfrak{Q}_i$, $2Y\sqrt{p_3} = \theta_1 - \theta_2 \in \mathfrak{Q}_i$ and $X, Y, Z \in k$, we have $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{q}_i$, which contradicts to g.c.d(X, Y, Z) = 1.

Case (iii): Suppose \mathfrak{P} and \mathfrak{P}' are prime factors of \mathfrak{p}_2 . Since the exponent *m* in (3.1.10.1) is odd, one of \mathfrak{P} and \mathfrak{P}' appears odd times in the prime factorization of (θ_1) . Let \mathfrak{P} be that one. When $\mathfrak{Q}_i \neq \mathfrak{P}$, assume e_i is odd. By (3.1.10.1), \mathfrak{Q}'_i also appears odd times in the prime factorization of (θ_1) . Therefore we have $\theta_1 \in \mathfrak{Q}_i \mathfrak{Q}'_i = \mathfrak{q}_i$ and $\theta_2 \in \mathfrak{q}_i$, and so $2X = \theta_1 + \theta_2 \in \mathfrak{Q}_i, 2Y\sqrt{p_3} = \theta_1 - \theta_2 \in \mathfrak{Q}_i$. This deduces $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{q}_i$, which contradicts to g.c.d (X, Y, Z) = 1. Thus e_i must be even.

Getting all together, we find that (θ_1) has the form $\mathfrak{P}^{m_1}\mathfrak{A}^2$ $(m_1: \text{ odd})$. Then, by Lemma 3.1.9, ramified finite primes in $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1})/k_{13}$ must be lying over p_2 . Similarly, we see that ramified finite primes in $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1})/k_{13}$ (i = 2, 3, 4) are all lying over p_2 . This shows that any ramified finite prime in the extension $K = k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4})/k_{13}$ is lying over p_2 . Since k_{13}/Q is unramified outside p_1, p_3 , we conclude that all ramified prime numbers in K/Q are p_1, p_2 and p_3 .

Finally, we show that the ramification indices of p_i 's in K/Q are all 2. We easily see that this is true for p_1 and p_3 , because the ramification indices of p_1 and p_2 in k_{13}/Q are 2 and any prime factor of p_1 or p_3 is unramified in K/k_{13} . So it suffices to show our assertion for p_2 . Let \mathfrak{p}_{2i} be a prime factor in k_{13} of p_2 which is ramified in $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1})/k_{13}$. Since we have $\mathfrak{p}_{2i} = \mathfrak{Q}_i^2$ in $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1})$, by considering the prime factorization of the ideal (θ_i) in $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1})$, we see by Lemma 3.1.9 that \mathfrak{Q}_i is unramified in $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_i})$. Therefore any prime factor of p_2 ramified in $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1})/k_{13}$ is unramified in $k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4})/k_{13}(\sqrt{\theta_1})$. Thus the ramification index of p_2 is 2.

Case (Y, 2) = 1: As in the case of (Z, 2) = 1, we consider the prime factorization of (θ'_1) in k'_{13} . Then, by a similar argument, we find that (θ'_1) has the ideal decomposition of the form $\mathfrak{Q}'\mathfrak{B}^2$ where any prime factor of \mathfrak{Q}' is lying over p_3 . This shows by Lemma 3.1.9 that any ramified finite prime in $k'_{13}(\sqrt{\theta'_1})/k'_{13}$ is lying over p_3 . Similarly, we see that finite ramified primes in $k'_{13}(\sqrt{\theta'_2})/k'_{13}, \overline{k'_{13}}(\sqrt{\theta'_3})/\overline{k'_{13}}$ and $\overline{k'_{13}}(\sqrt{\theta'_4})/\overline{k'_{13}}$ are all lying over p_3 . Hence all ramified prime numbers in K/Q are p_1, p_2 and p_3 . The assertion on the ramification indices of p_i 's can also be shown by an argument similar to the case of (Z, 2) = 1.

THEOREM 3.1.11. We have

$$K = \begin{cases} k_{\{p_1, p_2\}} k_{\{p_2, p_3\}}(\sqrt{\theta_1}) & \text{if } (Z, 2) = 1, \\ k_{\{p_1, p_2\}} k_{\{p_3, p_2\}}(\sqrt{\theta_1'}) & \text{if } (Y, 2) = 1. \end{cases}$$

PROOF. Case (Z, 2) = 1: First we have

$$\boldsymbol{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{\theta_1 \theta_2}) = \boldsymbol{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{\alpha Z^2})$$
$$= \boldsymbol{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{\alpha})$$
$$= k_{\{p_1, p_2\}}.$$

Next, it is easy to see that $Q(\sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3})$ is a dihedral extension over Q of degree 8. Since all prime numbers ramified in $Q(\sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3})/Q$ are p_2 and p_3 with ramification index 2 by Theorem 3.1.10, we have

$$Q(\sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3}) = k_{\{p_3, p_2\}}$$

by Theorem 1.1.7. Hence we have

$$K = k_{\{p_1, p_2\}} k_{\{p_3, p_2\}}(\sqrt{\theta_1}) \,.$$

Case (Y, 2) = 1: Noting that $\eta_1 = 2X + 2Y\sqrt{p_3}$, $\eta_2 = 2X - 2Y\sqrt{p_3}$ and $\eta_3 = 2\overline{X} + 2\overline{Y}\sqrt{p_3}$, we have

$$Q(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{\eta_1 \eta_2}) = Q(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{4\alpha Z^2})$$

= $Q(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{\alpha})$
= $k_{\{p_1, p_2\}}$.

By the same argument as in the case of (Z, 2) = 1 replacing θ_i with η_i , we have $Q(\sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\eta_1 \eta_3}) = k_{\{p_3, p_2\}}$. Hence we have, by Theorem 3.1.8,

$$\begin{split} K &= \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{\eta_1}, \sqrt{\eta_2}, \sqrt{\eta_3}, \sqrt{\eta_4}) \\ &= \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\eta_1\eta_2}, \sqrt{\eta_1\eta_3}, \sqrt{\eta_1}) \\ &= k_{\{p_1, p_2\}} k_{\{p_3, p_2\}}(\sqrt{\theta_1'}) \,. \end{split}$$

3.2. The 4-th multiple residue symbol. Let p_1 , p_2 , p_3 and p_4 be four prime numbers satisfying

(3.2.1)
$$\begin{cases} p_1 \equiv 5 \pmod{8}, \ p_i \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \ (i = 2, 3, 4), \\ \left(\frac{p_i}{p_j}\right) = 1 \ (1 \le i \ne j \le 4), \ [p_i, p_j, p_k] = 1 \ (i, j, k: \text{ distinct}), \end{cases}$$

and we assume that the class number of $k_1 = Q(\sqrt{p_1})$ is 1.

Let *K* be the field defined in Definition 3.1.7.

DEFINITION 3.2.2. We define the 4-th multiple residue symbol $[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4]$ by

$$[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p_4 \text{ is completely decomposed in } K/Q, \\ -1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We let

$$L := \begin{cases} \boldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3}) & \text{if } (Z, 2) = 1, \\ \boldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}}(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\eta_1\eta_2}, \sqrt{\eta_1\eta_3}) & \text{if } (Y, 2) = 1. \end{cases}$$

Case (Z, 2) = 1: Let $\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3 \in \text{Gal}(K/Q)$ be as in the proof of Theorem 3.1.8 and we let

$$\xi_1 := \sqrt{\theta_1 \theta_2} + \sqrt{\theta_3 \theta_4}, \quad \xi_2 := \sqrt{\theta_1 \theta_3} + \sqrt{\theta_2 \theta_4}, \quad \xi_3 := \sqrt{\theta_1} + \sqrt{\theta_2} + \sqrt{\theta_3} + \sqrt{\theta_4}.$$

Then, the subfields of K/Q which corresponds by Galois theory to the subgroups generated by τ_1, τ_2, τ_3 and $(\tau_1\tau_2\tau_3\tau_2)^2$ are $Q(\sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \xi_1, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_3}, \xi_3)$, $Q(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\theta_2}, \sqrt{\theta_3}, \sqrt{\theta_4})$, $Q(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{\theta_1\theta_2}, \xi_2, \xi_3)$ and F, respectively. By the assumption (3.2.1), p_4 is completely decomposed in the extension F/Q.

Case (Y, 2) = 1: We let $\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3 \in \text{Gal}(K/Q)$ and ξ_1, ξ_2, ξ_3 be defined by replacing θ_i in the case (Z, 2) = 1 with η_i $(1 \le i \le 4)$. Then, as in the case (Z, 2) = 1 the subfields of K/Q which corresponds by Galois theory to the subgroups generated by τ_1, τ_2, τ_3 and $(\tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3 \tau_2)^2$ are $Q(\sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{p_3}, \xi_1, \sqrt{\eta_1 \eta_3}, \xi_3), Q(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_3}, \sqrt{\eta_2}, \sqrt{\eta_3}, \sqrt{\eta_4})$,

 $Q(\sqrt{p_1}, \sqrt{p_2}, \sqrt{\eta_1\eta_2}, \xi_2, \xi_3)$ and *F*, respectively. By the assumption (3.2.1), p_4 is completely decomposed in the extension F/Q.

Let \mathfrak{P}_4 be a prime ideal in F lying over p_4 and let $\sigma_{\mathfrak{P}_4} = \left(\frac{K/F}{\mathfrak{P}_4}\right) \in \operatorname{Gal}(K/F)$ be the Frobenius automorphism of \mathfrak{P}_4 . Note that \mathfrak{P}_4 is decomposed in K/F if and only if p_4 is completely decomposed in K/Q. So we have, by Definition 3.2.2,

(3.2.3)
$$[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4] = \begin{cases} 1 & \sigma_{\mathfrak{P}_4} = \mathrm{id}_K , \\ -1 & \sigma_{\mathfrak{P}_4} \neq \mathrm{id}_K . \end{cases}$$

Let $S := \{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4\}$. Then, by Theorem 2.2.2, we have

$$G_{S}(2) = \operatorname{Gal}(\boldsymbol{Q}_{S}(2)/\boldsymbol{Q})$$

= $\langle x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}, x_{4} | x_{1}^{p_{1}-1}[x_{1}, y_{1}] = \dots = x_{4}^{p_{4}-1}[x_{4}, y_{4}] = 1 \rangle.$

Let \hat{F} be the free pro-2 group on x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 and let $\pi : \hat{F}(2) \to G_S(2)$ be the natural homomorphism. Since $K \subset Q_S(2)$ by Theorem 3.1.10, we have the natural homomorphism $\psi : G_S(2) \to \text{Gal}(K/Q)$. Let $\varphi := \pi \circ \psi : \hat{F} \to \text{Gal}(K/Q)$. We then see that

$$\varphi(x_1) = \tau_1, \quad \varphi(x_2) = \tau_2, \quad \varphi(x_3) = \tau_3, \quad \varphi(x_4) = 1.$$

Therefore the relations among τ_1 , τ_2 and τ_3 are equivalent to the following relations:

(3.2.4)
$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(x_1)^2 &= \varphi(x_2)^2 = \varphi(x_3)^2 = \varphi(x_1x_3)^2 = 1, \quad \varphi(x_4) = 1, \\ \varphi(x_1x_2)^4 &= \varphi(x_2x_3)^4 = \varphi(x_1x_2x_3)^4 = \varphi((x_1x_2x_3x_2)^2x_3)^2 = 1. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, by the assumption (3.2.1), we have $\overline{\mu}_2(1234) = \mu_2(1234)$.

THEOREM 3.2.5. We have

$$[p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4] = (-1)^{\mu_2(1234)}$$
.

PROOF. By (3.2.3), we have

$$\varphi(y_4) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } [p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4] = 1, \\ (\tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3 \tau_2)^2 = \varphi((x_1 x_2 x_3 x_2)^2) & \text{if } [p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4] = -1. \end{cases}$$

By (3.2.4), Ker(φ) is generated as a normal subgroup of \hat{F} by

$$x_1^2, x_2^2, x_3^2, (x_1x_3)^2, x_4, (x_1x_2)^4, (x_2x_3)^4, (x_1x_2x_3)^4$$
 and $((x_1x_2x_3x_2)^2x_3)^2$

and one has

$$\begin{split} &M_2((x_1)^2) = (1+X_1)^2 = 1+X_1^2, \\ &M_2((x_2)^2) = (1+X_2)^2 = 1+X_2^2, \\ &M_2((x_3)^2) = (1+X_3)^2 = 1+X_3^2, \\ &M_2((x_1x_3)^2) = ((1+X_1)(1+X_3))^2 \equiv 1 \mod \deg \ge 2, \\ &M_2((x_1x_2)^4) = ((1+X_1)(1+X_2))^4 \equiv 1 \mod \deg \ge 4, \\ &M_2((x_2x_3)^4) = ((1+X_2)(1+X_3))^4 \equiv 1 \mod \deg \ge 4, \\ &M_2((x_1x_2x_3)^4) = ((1+X_1)(1+X_2)(1+X_3))^4 \equiv 1 \mod \deg \ge 4, \\ &M_2(((x_1x_2x_3x_2)^2x_3)^2) \\ &\equiv 1+X_3^2 + X_1^2X_3 + X_1X_3^2 + X_1X_3^2 + X_3X_1^2 + X_3^2X_1 \mod \deg \ge 4. \end{split}$$

Therefore $\mu_2((1); *), \mu_2((2); *), \mu_2((3); *), \mu_2((12); *), \mu_2((23); *), \mu_2((123); *)$ take their values 0 on Ker(φ). If $\varphi(y_4) = 1, \mu_2(1234) = \mu_2((123); y_4) = 0$ by $\varphi(y_4) \in$ Ker(φ). If $\varphi(y_4) = (\tau_1 \tau_2 \tau_3 \tau_2)^2 = \varphi((x_1 x_2 x_3 x_2)^2)$, we can write $y_4 = (x_1 x_2 x_3 x_2)^2 R$, where $R \in$ Ker(φ). Then comparing the coefficients of $X_1 X_2 X_3$ in the equality $M_2(y_4) = M_2((x_1 x_2 x_3 x_2)^2)M_2(R)$, we have

$$\mu_2(1234) = \mu_2((123); y_4)$$

= $\mu_2((123); (x_1x_2x_3x_2)^2) + \mu_2((12); (x_1x_2x_3x_2)^2)\mu_2((3); R)$
+ $\mu_2((1); (x_1x_2x_3x_2)^2)\mu_2((23); R) + \mu_2((123); R)$
= 1.

This yields our assertion.

EXAMPLE 3.2.6. Let
$$(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) := (5, 8081, 101, 449)$$
. Then we have

$$\begin{cases}
\theta_1 = 25 + 2\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{101}, \\
\theta_2 = 25 + 2\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{101}, \\
\theta_3 = 25 - 2\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{101}, \\
\theta_4 = 25 - 2\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{101},
\end{cases} \begin{cases}
k_{\{p_1, p_2\}} = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{5}, \sqrt{8081}, \sqrt{241 + 100\sqrt{5}}), \\
k_{\{p_3, p_2\}} = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{8081}, \sqrt{101}, \sqrt{1009 + 100\sqrt{101}}),
\end{cases}$$

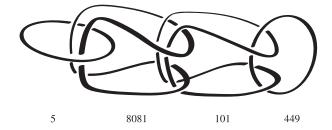
and

$$K = k_{\{p_1, p_2\}} \cdot k_{\{p_3, p_2\}}(\sqrt{25 + 2\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{101}}).$$

Then we have

$$\begin{cases} \left(\frac{p_i}{p_j}\right) = 1 & (1 \le i \ne j \le 4), \quad [p_i, p_j, p_k] = 1 & (i, j, k: \text{ distinct}), \\ [p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4] = -1. \end{cases}$$

In view of Example 2.1.3, this 4-tuple prime numbers may be called *Milnor primes*.



Finally, two remarks are in order.

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REMARK 3.2.7. (1) By Theorem 3.2.5, the shuffle relation for arithmetic Milnor invariants (Theorem 2.2.3 (3)) yields the following shuffle relation for the 4-th multiple residue symbol

$$\prod_{jk)\in \mathsf{PSH}(I,J)} [p_i, p_j, p_k, p_l] = 1,$$

where *I*, *J* are multi-indices with |I| + |J| = 3 and PSH(*I*, *J*) is the set of proper shuffles of *I* and *J*, and $1 \le l \le 4$. It is also expected that our 4-th multiple residue symbols satisfy the cyclic symmetry, although we are not able to prove it in the present paper. We hope to study the reciprocity law for the 4-th multiple residue symbol in the future.

(2) In this paper, we are concerned only with 2-extensions over Q as a generalization of Rédei's work. If a base number field k contains the group of l-th roots of unity μ_l for an odd prime number l and the maximal pro-l Galois group over k unramified outside a set of certain primes $S = \{\mathfrak{p}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{p}_r\} \cup \{\mathfrak{p} | \infty\}$ is a Koch type pro-l group, we can intoduce μ_l -valued multiple residue symbol $[\mathfrak{p}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{p}_r]$ in a similar manner.

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