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ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE CLASS GROUPS OF METACYCLIC GROUPS

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Let Λ be a \mathbf{Z} -order in a semisimple \mathbf{Q} -algebra A . We mean by the class group of Λ the class group defined by using locally free left Λ -modules and denote it by $C(\Lambda)$. Define $D(\Lambda)$ to be the kernel of the natural surjection $C(\Lambda) \rightarrow C(\Omega)$ for a maximal \mathbf{Z} -order Ω in A containing Λ and $d(\Lambda)$ to be the order of $D(\Lambda)$.

Let $\mathbf{Z}G$ be the integral group ring of a finite group G . Then $\mathbf{Z}G$ can be regarded as a \mathbf{Z} -order in the semisimple \mathbf{Q} -algebra $\mathbf{Q}G$, and hence $C(\mathbf{Z}G)$ and $D(\mathbf{Z}G)$ can be defined.

In this paper we consider only finite groups. We will treat the semidirect product $G=N \cdot F$ of a group N by a group F . Define $D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)$ (resp. $C_0(\mathbf{Z}G)$) to be the kernel of the natural surjection $D(\mathbf{Z}G) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}F)$ (resp. $C(\mathbf{Z}G) \rightarrow C(\mathbf{Z}F)$). First we will give

[I] *Let $N=N_1 \times N_2$ be the direct product of groups N_1 and N_2 and $G=N \cdot F$ be the semidirect product of the group N by a group F . Assume that F acts on each N_i , $i=1, 2$. Denote by G_i the subgroup $N_i \cdot F$ of G , $i=1, 2$. Then $D(\mathbf{Z}F) \oplus D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1) \oplus D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_2)$ (resp. $C(\mathbf{Z}F) \oplus C_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1) \oplus C_0(\mathbf{Z}G_2)$) is a direct summand of $D(\mathbf{Z}G)$ (resp. $C(\mathbf{Z}G)$).*

For an abelian group A and a positive integer q , $A^{(q)}$ denotes the q -part of A and $A^{(q')}$ denotes the maximal subgroup of A whose order is coprime to q . In particular, we write $O(A)=A^{(q')}$. For any module M over a group H we define $M^H = \{m \in M \mid \tau m = m \text{ for every } \tau \in H\}$.

We will apply [I] to some metacyclic groups. Denote by C_m the cyclic group of order m . Using induction technique we will give, as a refinement of a result in [1],

[II] *Let $G=C_n \cdot C_q$, and define e_p by $p^{e_p} \parallel n$ for each prime divisor p of n . Assume that C_q acts faithfully on each Sylow subgroup of C_n and that $(n, q)=1$. Then*

$$D(\mathbf{Z}G) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}C_q) \oplus \bigoplus_{p|n} D(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}})^{C_q} \oplus \left(\mathbf{Z} \left/ \begin{matrix} q \\ (2, q) \end{matrix} \mathbf{Z} \right)^{\sum_{p|n} e_p} \oplus \text{Ind}_{C_n}^G D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{(q)} \oplus K,$$

where K is the complementary subgroup of $\bigoplus_{p|n} D(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}})^{C_q}$ in $(D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{C_q})^{(q')}$ (cf. § 1).

Next we will study the class groups of generalized quaternion groups in connection with those of dihedral groups. Denote by H_n the generalized quaternion group of order $4n$; $H_n = \langle \sigma, \tau \mid \sigma^n = \tau^4 = 1, \tau^{-1}\sigma\tau = \sigma^{-1} \rangle$ and by D_n the dihedral group of order $2n$; $D_n = \langle \sigma, \tau \mid \sigma^n = \tau^2 = 1, \tau^{-1}\sigma\tau = \sigma^{-1} \rangle$. Fröhlich and Wilson have studied the 2-part of $D(\mathbf{Z}H_{p^t})$ for an odd prime p ([5], [11]), and Cassou-Noguès has given some information on $D(\mathbf{Z}H_n)$ for an odd integer n ([2]).

[III] Let $n \geq 3$ be an odd integer and define e_p by $p^{e_p} \parallel n$ for each prime divisor p of n . Then;

- i) $D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2 + 1)) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n})$
- ii) $D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) \cong O(D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n})) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_n)^{(2)} \oplus (\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^{\sum_{p|n} e_p} \oplus L,$

where L is an extension of $D(\mathbf{Z}D_n)^{(2)}$ by an elementary 2-group. In particular, if $n = p^t$ for an odd prime p ,

$$D(\mathbf{Z}H_{p^t}) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2p^t}) \oplus (\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^t.$$

1. Decomposition of class groups

The following theorem will play an essential part in this paper.

Theorem 1.1. Let $N = N_1 \times N_2$ be the direct product of groups N_1 and N_2 and $G = N \cdot F$ be the semidirect product of the group N by a group F . Assume that F acts on each N_i , $i = 1, 2$. Denote by G_i the subgroup $N_i \cdot F$ of G , $i = 1, 2$. Then $D(\mathbf{Z}F) \oplus D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1) \oplus D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_2)$ (resp. $C(\mathbf{Z}F) \oplus C_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1) \oplus C_0(\mathbf{Z}G_2)$) is a direct summand of $D(\mathbf{Z}G)$ (resp. $C(\mathbf{Z}G)$). In particular, if $F = \{1\}$, $D(\mathbf{Z}G_1) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}G_2)$ (resp. $C(\mathbf{Z}G_1) \oplus C(\mathbf{Z}G_2)$) is a direct summand of $D(\mathbf{Z}G)$ (resp. $C(\mathbf{Z}G)$).

Proof. We denote the augmentation ideal of $\mathbf{Z}N$ (resp. $\mathbf{Z}N_i$) by I_N (resp. I_{N_i}). There is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow D_0(\mathbf{Z}G) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}G) \xrightarrow{\alpha} D(\mathbf{Z}F) \rightarrow 0,$$

where α is induced by $M \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}G/(I_N) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}G} M$. Let $\beta: D(\mathbf{Z}F) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}G)$ be the induction map. Then it is easy to see that $\alpha \circ \beta = id_{D(\mathbf{Z}F)}$. So we have that $D(\mathbf{Z}G) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}F) \oplus D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)$ (cf. [10]).

Let α be a projective left ideal of $\mathbf{Z}G_1$ such that the class $[\alpha]$ is in $D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1)$. Then $\mathbf{Z}G \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}G_1} \alpha$ is isomorphic to $\mathbf{Z}N_2 \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \alpha$ as $\mathbf{Z}G$ -modules. Since $[\mathbf{Z}G/(I_N) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}G} (\mathbf{Z}N_2 \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \alpha)] = [\mathbf{Z}G_1/(I_{N_1}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}G} \alpha] = 0$ in $D(\mathbf{Z}F)$, $[\mathbf{Z}N_2 \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \alpha]$ is in $D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)$. Hence we have the map $\varphi_1: D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1) \rightarrow D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)$ and similarly we get the map $\varphi_2: D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_2) \rightarrow$

$D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)$. Further, for a projective left ideal \mathfrak{b} of $\mathbf{Z}G$ such that $[\mathfrak{b}] \in D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)$, $[\mathbf{Z}G_1/(I_{N_1}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}G_1} (\mathbf{Z}G/(I_{N_2}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}G} \mathfrak{b})] = 0$ in $D(\mathbf{Z}F)$, so $[\mathbf{Z}G/(I_{N_2}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}G} \mathfrak{b}] \in D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1)$. Hence we have the map $\psi_1: D_0(\mathbf{Z}G) \rightarrow D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1)$ and similarly we get the map $\psi_2: D_0(\mathbf{Z}G) \rightarrow D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_2)$. For every projective left ideal α of $\mathbf{Z}G_1$ such that $[\alpha] \in D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1)$, $\psi_1 \circ \varphi_1[\alpha] = [\mathbf{Z}G/(I_{N_2}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}G} (\mathbf{Z}N_2 \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \alpha)] = [\mathbf{Z}G_1 \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}G_1} \alpha] = [\alpha]$ in $D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1)$. In $\psi_2 \circ \varphi_1[\alpha] = [\mathbf{Z}G/(I_{N_1}) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}G} (\mathbf{Z}N_2 \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \alpha)]$, N_2 acts on $\mathbf{Z}G/(I_{N_1})$ and N_2 via group action and F acts on $\mathbf{Z}G/(I_{N_1})$ via group action, and we know that $\psi_2 \circ \varphi_1[\alpha] = [\mathbf{Z}G_2] = 0$ in $D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_2)$. Consequently we see that $(\psi_1 \oplus \psi_2) \circ (\varphi_1 \oplus \varphi_2) = id_{D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1) \oplus D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_2)}$. This implies that $D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_1) \oplus D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_2)$ is a direct summand of $D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)$.

If $F = \{1\}$, then $D_0(\mathbf{Z}G) = D(\mathbf{Z}G)$ and $D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_i) = D(\mathbf{Z}G_i)$, hence we see that $D(\mathbf{Z}G_1) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}G_2)$ is a direct summand of $D(\mathbf{Z}G)$. The assertion for $C(\mathbf{Z}G)$ can be proved in the same way as for $D(\mathbf{Z}G)$.

Throughout this paper p stands for a rational prime. In case where G is metacyclic, (1.1) will become as follows.

Proposition 1.2. *Let $G = C_n \cdot C_q$ and define e_p by $p^{e_p} \mid n$ for each $p \mid n$. Denote by G_p the subgroup $C_{p^{e_p}} \cdot C_q$ of G . Assume that $(n, q) = 1$ and that $\text{Ker}(C_q \rightarrow \text{Aut } C_{p^{e_p}}) = C_r$ for every $p \mid n$. Let d denote the order of C_q/C_r . Then*

$$D(\mathbf{Z}G) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}C_q) \oplus \bigoplus_{p \mid n} D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_p) \oplus M,$$

where M is an extension of an abelian group whose exponent divides d by the group $\text{Ker} [\text{Ind}_{C_n \times C_r}^G D(\mathbf{Z}C_n \times C_r) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{p \mid n} \text{Ind}_{C_{p^{e_p}} \times C_r}^{G_p} D(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}} \times C_r)]$.

Proof. It follows from (1.1) that $D(\mathbf{Z}C_q) \oplus \bigoplus_{p \mid n} D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_p)$ is a direct summand of $D(\mathbf{Z}G)$. Now we determine the remaining factor M . Define the subgroup $D_1(\mathbf{Z}C_n \times C_r)$ (resp. $D_1(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}} \times C_r)$) of $D(\mathbf{Z}C_n \times C_r)$ (resp. $D(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}} \times C_r)$) as the complementary subgroup of $D(\mathbf{Z}C_r)$. Then there is a commutative diagram with exact rows and columns

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker } \alpha & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker } \gamma \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ind}_{C_n \times C_r}^G D_1(\mathbf{Z}C_n \times C_r) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & D_0(\mathbf{Z}G) & \longrightarrow & \text{Coker } \varphi \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow \alpha & & \downarrow \beta & & \downarrow \gamma \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus_{p \mid n} \text{Ind}_{C_{p^{e_p}} \times C_r}^{G_p} D_1(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}} \times C_r) & \xrightarrow{\varphi'} & \bigoplus_{p \mid n} D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_p) & \longrightarrow & \text{Coker } \varphi' \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

where φ and φ' are the inclusion maps and α , β , and γ are the natural maps. By the induction theorem (cf. [3]) we know that the exponent of $\text{Coker } \varphi$ divides

d , and hence the exponent of $\text{Ker } \gamma$ also divides d . Next consider the commutative diagram with exact rows and columns

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & \text{Ker } \alpha & \rightarrow & \text{Ind}_{C_n \times C_r}^G D_1(\mathbf{Z}C_n \times C_r) & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \bigoplus_{p|n} \text{Ind}_{C_{p^{e_p}} \times C_r}^{G_p} D_1(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}} \times C_r) \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & \text{Ker } \tilde{\alpha} & \rightarrow & \text{Ind}_{C_n \times C_r}^G D(\mathbf{Z}C_n \times C_r) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\alpha}} & \bigoplus_{p|n} \text{Ind}_{C_{p^{e_p}} \times C_r}^{G_p} D(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}} \times C_r) \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & \text{Ker } \delta & \rightarrow & \text{Ind}_{C_n}^G D(\mathbf{Z}C_r) & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \bigoplus_{p|n} \text{Ind}_{C_r}^{G_p} D(\mathbf{Z}C_r) \\
 & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

Since δ is injective, $\text{Ker } \delta = 0$ and so $\text{Ker } \alpha \cong \text{Ker } \tilde{\alpha}$. This completes the proof.

Let $N \cdot F$ be the semidirect product of a group N by a group F . For a $\mathbf{Z}N$ -module M and each $\tau \in F$, we define another $\mathbf{Z}N$ -module structure on M to be $\sigma \cdot m = \tau^{-1} \sigma \tau m$ where $\sigma \in N$ and $m \in M$, and denote it by M^τ . This yields the action of F on $D(\mathbf{Z}N)$. Hence $D(\mathbf{Z}N)$ can be regarded as a module over F .

Proposition 1.3. *Let $G = C_n \cdot C_q$ and define e_p by $p^{e_p} | n$ for each $p | n$. Assume that C_q acts faithfully on each Sylow subgroup of C_n and that $(n, q) = 1$. Then*

$$D(\mathbf{Z}G) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}C_q) \oplus \bigoplus_{p|n} D(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}})^{C_q} \oplus \left(\mathbf{Z} \left/ \begin{matrix} q \\ (2, q) \end{matrix} \mathbf{Z} \right)^{\sum_{p|n} e_p} \oplus \text{Ind}_{C_n}^G D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{(q)} \oplus K,$$

where K is the complementary subgroup of $\bigoplus_{p|n} D(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}})^{C_q}$ in $(D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{C_q})^{(q')}$.

Proof. We have the induction map $\varphi: D(\mathbf{Z}C_n) \rightarrow D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)$ and the restriction map $\psi: D_0(\mathbf{Z}G) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)$. It is known that $\text{Coker } \varphi \cong \left(\mathbf{Z} \left/ \begin{matrix} q \\ (2, q) \end{matrix} \mathbf{Z} \right)^{\sum_{p|n} e_p}$ ([1]). We see that $q \cdot \text{Ker } \psi = 0$. Then we have that $\varphi: D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{(q')} \rightarrow D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)^{(q')}$ is surjective and that $\psi: D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)^{(q')} \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{(q')}$ is injective. On the other hand for a $\mathbf{Z}C_n$ -module M , $\mathbf{Z}G \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}C_n} M \cong M \oplus M^\tau \oplus \dots \oplus M^{\tau^{q-1}}$ as $\mathbf{Z}C_n$ -modules, where τ is a generator of C_q . So we see that $\psi \circ \varphi = \text{trace}_{C_q}$. Since $q \cdot D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{C_q} \subseteq \text{trace}_{C_q}(D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)) \subseteq D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{C_q}$, $\text{trace}_{C_q}: (D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{C_q})^{(q')} \rightarrow (D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{C_q})^{(q')}$ is bijective. Hence $\psi: D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)^{(q')} \rightarrow (D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{C_q})^{(q')}$ is surjective and $\varphi: (D(\mathbf{Z}C_n)^{C_q})^{(q')} \rightarrow D_0(\mathbf{Z}G)^{(q')}$ is injective, and so both maps are bijective. Applying this argument to the subgroup $G_p = C_{p^{e_p}} \cdot C_p$ of G , we have the split exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}C_{p^{e_p}})^{C_q} \rightarrow D_0(\mathbf{Z}G_p) \rightarrow \left(\mathbf{Z} \left/ \begin{matrix} q \\ (2, q) \end{matrix} \mathbf{Z} \right)^{e_p} \rightarrow 0,$$

we note here that $D(\mathbf{ZC}_{p^{e_p}})$ is a p -group and that p is coprime to q .

Now applying (1.2), we get that

$$D(\mathbf{ZG}) \cong D(\mathbf{ZC}_q) \oplus \bigoplus_{p|n} D(\mathbf{ZC}_{p^{e_p}})^{C_q} \oplus \left(\mathbf{Z} \left/ \begin{matrix} q \\ (2, q) \end{matrix} \mathbf{Z} \right)^{\sum_{p|n} e_p} \oplus \right. \\ \left. \text{Ker} [\text{Ind}_{C_n}^G D(\mathbf{ZC}_n) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{p|n} \text{Ind}_{C_{p^{e_p}}}^{C_p} D(\mathbf{ZC}_{p^{e_p}})] . \right.$$

Trivially the last factor is isomorphic to $\text{Ind}_{C_n}^G D(\mathbf{ZC}_n)^{(q)} \oplus \text{Ker} [\text{Ind}_{C_n}^G D(\mathbf{ZC}_n)^{(q')} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{p|n} \text{Ind}_{C_{p^{e_p}}}^{C_p} D(\mathbf{ZC}_{p^{e_p}})]$, and further, from the above argument on the induction maps it follows that the second factor is isomorphic to the complementary subgroup of $\bigoplus_{p|n} D(\mathbf{ZC}_{p^{e_p}})^{C_q}$ in $(D(\mathbf{ZC}_n)^{C_q})^{(q')}$. This completes the proof.

2. Structure of $D(\mathbf{ZH}_n)$

Throughout this section we assume that $n \geq 3$ is an odd integer.

Lemma 2.1. *There are exact sequences*

$$0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow D(\mathbf{ZH}_n) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \oplus D(\mathbf{ZH}_n/(\tau^2+1)) \rightarrow 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow N' \rightarrow D(\mathbf{ZD}_{2n}) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \oplus D(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \rightarrow 0$$

where both N and N' are of odd order.

Proof. From the pullback diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{ZH}_n & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{ZH}_n/(\tau^2+1) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbf{ZD}_n \cong \mathbf{ZH}_n/(\tau^2-1) & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{D}_n \\ & & \downarrow \\ \mathbf{ZD}_{2n} & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{ZD}_n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbf{ZD}_n & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{D}_n \end{array}$$

we get the (Mayer-Vietoris) exact sequences (cf. [8])

$$K_1(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \oplus K_1(\mathbf{ZH}_n/(\tau^2+1)) \rightarrow K_1(\mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{D}_n) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{ZH}_n) \rightarrow \\ D(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \oplus D(\mathbf{ZH}_n/(\tau^2+1)) \rightarrow 0 \\ K_1(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \oplus K_1(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \rightarrow K_1(\mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{D}_n) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{ZD}_{2n}) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \oplus D(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \rightarrow 0 .$$

Hence it is sufficient to show that $\text{Coker} [K_1(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \rightarrow K_1(\mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{D}_n)]$ is of odd order. Write $D_{2n} = \langle \sigma, \tau \mid \rho^2 = \sigma^n = \tau^2 = 1, \rho\sigma = \sigma\rho, \rho\tau = \tau\rho, \tau^{-1}\sigma\tau = \sigma^{-1} \rangle$ and $D_n = \langle \sigma, \tau \mid \sigma^n = \tau^2 = 1, \tau^{-1}\sigma\tau = \sigma^{-1} \rangle$, and define $\Sigma_n \in \mathbf{ZD}_{2n}$ (resp. $\Sigma_n \in \mathbf{ZD}_n$) to be $\Sigma_n = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sigma^i$. It has been shown [4] that $D(\mathbf{ZD}_{2n}) \cong D(\mathbf{ZD}_{2n}/(\Sigma_n))$ and $D(\mathbf{ZD}_n) \cong$

$D(\mathbf{Z}D_n/(\Sigma_n))$. Then we have the commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} K_1(\mathbf{Z}D_n) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & K_1(\mathbf{F}_2D_n) & \rightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n}) & \rightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ K_1(\mathbf{Z}D_n/(\Sigma_n)) & \xrightarrow{\varphi'} & K_1(\mathbf{F}_2D_{2n}/(\Sigma_n)) & \rightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n}/(\Sigma_n)) & \rightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}D_n/(\Sigma_n)) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_n/(\Sigma_n)) \rightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

We see that $\text{Coker } \varphi \cong \text{Coker } \varphi'$ and that the latter is of odd order, since $K_1(\mathbf{F}_2D_n/(\Sigma_n))$ is so. This completes the proof.

Lemma 2.2. *There is a commutative diagram with exact rows and columns*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & E & \rightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n}) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \rightarrow & E & \rightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1)) & \xrightarrow{\varphi'} & D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & & & 0 & & 0 \end{array},$$

where E is an elementary 2-group.

Proof. We will use the following notation;

R^d = the ring of integers of $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_d + \zeta_d^{-1})$, where ζ_d is a primitive d -th root of unity,

$$R^d_p = \mathbf{Z}_p \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} R^d, \quad \mathbf{Z}_p H_m = \mathbf{Z}_p \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}H_m, \quad \mathbf{Z}_p D_m = \mathbf{Z}_p \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}D_m.$$

Write $H_n = \langle \sigma, \tau \mid \sigma^n = \tau^4 = 1, \tau^{-1}\sigma\tau = \sigma^{-1} \rangle$ and $\Sigma_n = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sigma^i \in \mathbf{Z}H_n$. Then we see that $\text{Nrd}((\mathbf{Z}_p D_{2n}/(\Sigma_n))^*) = (\mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho]/(\Sigma_n))^*$ for every prime p , because $\mathbf{Z}_p D_{2n}/(\Sigma_n)$ is embedded into $M_2(\mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho]/(\Sigma_n))$. Since we can prove by the same method as in [4, § 3] that $D(\mathbf{Z}[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho]) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho]/(\Sigma_n))$, we have that $D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n}) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho])$. Similarly we have that $D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}])$. Now we express the class groups in idelic form (cf. [6]). Then we have

$$D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) \cong \frac{\prod_{p|2n} \prod_{1 \neq d|n} (R^d_p{}^* \times R^d_p{}^*)}{\prod_{1 \neq d|n} (R^{d*} \times R^{d*}_+) \prod_{p|2n} n(\mathbf{Z}_p H_n^*)},$$

where $n(\mathbf{Z}_p H_n^*) = \{ \text{Nrd}(x) \mid (1, x) \in \mathbf{Z}_p H_n^* \hookrightarrow \mathbf{Z}_p \langle \tau \rangle^* \times \mathbf{Z}_p H_n/(\Sigma_n)^* \}$ and $R^{d*}_+ = \{ u \in R^{d*} \mid u \text{ is positive at all real places of } R^d \}$,

$$D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n}) \cong \frac{\prod_{p|2n} \prod_{1 \neq d|n} (R^d_p{}^* \times R^d_p{}^*)}{\prod_{1 \neq d|n} (R^{d*} \times R^{d*}) \prod_{p|2n} u(\mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho])},$$

where

$$u(\mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho]) = \{ y \mid (1, y) \in \mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho]^* \hookrightarrow \mathbf{Z}_p \langle \rho \rangle^* \times \mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho]/(\Sigma_n)^* \},$$

$$D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1)) \cong \frac{\prod_{p|n} \prod_{1 \nmid d|n} R_p^{d*}}{\prod_{1 \nmid d|n} R_p^{d*} \prod_{p|n} n(\mathbf{Z}_p H_n/(\tau^2+1)^*)},$$

where $n(\mathbf{Z}_p H_n/(\tau^2+1)^*) = \{\text{Nrd}(x) \mid (1, x) \in \mathbf{Z}_p H_n/(\tau^2+1)^* \hookrightarrow \mathbf{Z}_p[\tau]^* \times \mathbf{Z}_p H_n/(\Sigma_n, \tau^2+1)^*\}$, and

$$D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \cong \frac{\prod_{p|n} \prod_{1 \nmid d|n} R_p^{d*}}{\prod_{1 \nmid d|n} R_p^{d*} \prod_{p|n} u(\mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}])},$$

where $u(\mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}]) = \{y \mid (1, y) \in \mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}]^* \hookrightarrow \mathbf{Z}_p^* \times \mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}]/(\Sigma_n)^*\}$.

Hence there exist natural surjections $\varphi: D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n})$ and $\varphi': D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1)) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}D_n)$. Then

$$\text{Ker } \varphi \cong \frac{\prod_{1 \nmid d|n} (R_p^{d*} \times R_p^{d*}) \prod_{p|2n} u(\mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho])}{\prod_{1 \nmid d|n} (R_p^{d*} \times R_p^{d*}) \prod_{p|2n} n(\mathbf{Z}_p H_n^*)}.$$

Trivially $(R_p^{d*})^2 \subseteq R_p^{d*}$ for every $d \mid n, d \neq 1$. Since the degree of $\mathbf{Z}_p H_n/(\Sigma_n)$ over its center is 4, $u(\mathbf{Z}_p[\sigma + \sigma^{-1}, \rho])^2 \subseteq n(\mathbf{Z}_p H_n^*)$ for every $p \mid n$. Hence $\text{Ker } \varphi$ is an elementary 2-group. Similarly we can show that $\text{Ker } \varphi'$ is an elementary 2-group.

Let $\psi: D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1))$ and $\psi': D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n}) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}D_n)$ be the maps defined as follows; for $(x, y) \in (\prod_{p|2n} \prod_{1 \nmid d|n} R_p^{d*}) \times (\prod_{p|2n} \prod_{1 \nmid d|n} R_p^{d*})$, ψ (the class of (x, y)) = the class of y , and ψ' (the class of (x, y)) = the class of y . In fact ψ (resp. ψ') is the map induced by the natural surjection $\mathbf{Z}H_n \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1)$ (resp. $\mathbf{Z}D_{2n} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}D_{2n}/(\rho+1) \cong \mathbf{Z}D_n$). It is clear that both ψ and ψ' are surjective. Further we have the commutative diagram with exact rows and columns

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) & \xrightarrow{(\cdot, \psi)} & D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1)) & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & & \downarrow \text{id} \oplus \varphi' & & \\ 0 \rightarrow N' \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n}) & \xrightarrow{(\cdot, \psi')} & D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) & \longrightarrow & 0. \\ & & \downarrow & & \\ & & 0 & & \end{array}$$

Since $\text{Ker } \varphi$ and $\text{Ker } \varphi'$ are 2-group, we get by (2.1) that $\text{Ker } \varphi \cong \text{Ker } \varphi'$. Thus we conclude the proof.

Theorem 2.3. *Let $n \geq 3$ be an odd integer and define e_p by $p^{e_p} \mid n$ for each $p \mid n$. Then:*

i) $D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1)) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n})$

ii) $D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) \cong O(D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n})) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_n)^{(2)} \oplus (Z/2Z)^{\sum_{p|n} e_p} \oplus L,$

where L is an extension of $D(\mathbf{Z}D_n)^{(2)}$ by an elementary 2-group. In particular, if $n = p^t$ for an odd prime p ,

$$D(\mathbf{Z}H_{p^t}) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2p^t}) \oplus (\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^t.$$

Proof. By (2.2) we have the commutative diagram with exact rows and columns

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & F & \xlongequal{\quad\quad\quad} & F & & \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 & \rightarrow & E & \rightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) & \longrightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n}) \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \parallel & & \downarrow \psi & & \downarrow \psi' \\
 0 & \rightarrow & E & \rightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1)) & \rightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

Since ψ' splits by (1.2), ψ splits also. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) &\cong D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1)) \oplus F \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \\
 &\cong D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1)) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n}).
 \end{aligned}$$

For the proof of ii) we begin with the case $n=p^t$. It has been shown (e.g. [1], [4]) that $d(\mathbf{Z}D_{p^t})$ and $d(\mathbf{Z}D_{2p^t})$ are odd, and hence in this case the exact sequences in (2.2) split. On the other hand it is known that the 2-part of $D(\mathbf{Z}H_{p^t}/(\tau^2+1))$ is an elementary 2-group of rank t ([11]). Therefore we see that

$$D(\mathbf{Z}H_{p^t}) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2p^t}) \oplus (\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^t.$$

Next consider the general case. By (2.1) we see that

$$D(\mathbf{Z}H_n)^{(2)} \cong D(\mathbf{Z}D_n)^{(2)} \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1))^{(2)}.$$

On the other hand, by (2.2), we have that $O(D(\mathbf{Z}H_n)) \cong O(D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n}))$. Thus we get

$$D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) \cong O(D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n})) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}D_n)^{(2)} \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1))^{(2)}.$$

There is a commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & E & \longrightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1)) & \longrightarrow & D(\mathbf{Z}D_n) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \alpha & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & (\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^{\sum_{p|n} e_p} & \rightarrow & \bigoplus_{p|n} D(\mathbf{Z}H_{p^{e_p}}/(\tau^2+1)) & \rightarrow & \bigoplus_{p|n} D(\mathbf{Z}D_{p^{e_p}}) \rightarrow 0.
 \end{array}$$

It can be shown along the same line as in (1.2) that α is surjective and split, and by (2.2) E is an elementary 2-group. Therefore we see that

$$D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2+1))^{(2)} \cong (\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^{\sum_{p|n} e_p} \oplus L,$$

where L is an extension of $D(\mathbf{Z}D_n)^{(2)}$ by an elementary 2-group. We conclude the proof.

REMARK 2.4. When $n=p^t$, $\text{rank } E=t$. But it may be conjectured that $\text{rank } E - \sum_{p|n} e_p > 0$ unless n is a power of an odd prime. In fact, when $n=15$, $E \cong C_2 \times C_2 \times C_2$ and in this case we get that $D(\mathbf{Z}H_{15}) \cong C_2 \times C_2 \times C_2$. We note here the outline of the computation.

Since $D(\mathbf{Z}D_{30}) = D(\mathbf{Z}D_{15}) = \{1\}$ ([4]), the commutative diagram in the proof of (2.3) shows that $F = \{1\}$, and hence

$$E \cong D(\mathbf{Z}H_{15}) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}H_{15}/(\tau^2 + 1)).$$

Along the same line as in the proof of [1, Théorème 3] we get that for an odd square-free integer n ,

$$D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2 + 1)) \cong \bigoplus_{p|n} D(\mathbf{Z}H_p/(\tau^2 + 1)) \oplus \bigoplus_{\substack{1 \nmid d|n \\ d \neq \text{prime}}} (R^d/I^d)^*/\text{Im } R^{d*}_+,$$

where $I^d = \prod_{p|d} (1 - \zeta_p)(1 - \zeta_p^{-1})R^d$. Further we see that there is a natural surjection $\bigoplus_{\substack{1 \nmid d|n \\ d \neq \text{prime}}} (R^d/I^d)^*/\text{Im } R^{d*}_+ \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\Sigma_n, \tau^2 + 1))$. On the other hand, we

know that $\text{Ker}[D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2 + 1)) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\Sigma_n, \tau^2 + 1))]$ is an elementary 2-group of rank $\sum_{p|n} 1$. Though this is true for every odd integer, here we give the proof for the square-free case. Expressing both groups in idèlic form (cf. the proof of (2.2)), we know that

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Ker}[D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2 + 1)) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\Sigma_n, \tau^2 + 1))] \\ & \frac{\prod_{1 \nmid d|n} R^{d*}_+ \prod_{p|n} \text{Nrd}(\mathbf{Z}_p H_n/(\Sigma_n, \tau^2 + 1)^*)}{\prod_{1 \nmid d|n} R^{d*}_+ \prod_{p|n} n(\mathbf{Z}_p H_n/(\tau^2 + 1)^*)} \\ & \cong \prod_{p|n} \left(\frac{R^{p*}_+ \text{Nrd}(\mathbf{Z}_p H_p/(\Sigma_p, \tau^2 + 1)^*)}{R^{p*}_+ n(\mathbf{Z}_p H_p/(\tau^2 + 1)^*)} \right) \\ & \cong \bigoplus_{p|n} \text{Ker}[D(\mathbf{Z}H_p/(\tau^2 + 1)) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}H_p/(\Sigma_p, \tau^2 + 1))] \\ & \cong (\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^{\sum_{p|n} 1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have that for an odd square-free integer n

$$\begin{aligned} D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\tau^2 + 1)) & \cong \bigoplus_{p|n} D(\mathbf{Z}H_p/(\tau^2 + 1)) \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\Sigma_n, \tau^2 + 1)) \\ & \cong (\mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z})^{\sum_{p|n} 1} \oplus D(\mathbf{Z}H_n/(\Sigma_n, \tau^2 + 1)). \end{aligned}$$

Now let us return to the case $n=15$. It is sufficient to show that $D = D(\mathbf{Z}H_{15}/(\Sigma_{15}, \tau^2 + 1)) \cong \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$. From the pullback diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{Z}H_{15}/(\Sigma_{15}, \tau^2+1) & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{Z}[\zeta_{15}, \bar{\tau}] \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbf{Z}[\zeta_3, \bar{\tau}] \oplus \mathbf{Z}[\zeta_5, \bar{\tau}] & \longrightarrow & \mathbf{F}_5[\zeta_3, \bar{\tau}] \oplus \mathbf{F}_3[\zeta_5, \bar{\tau}] \end{array}$$

we get the exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} K_1(\mathbf{Z}[\zeta_3, \bar{\tau}]) \oplus K_1(\mathbf{Z}[\zeta_5, \bar{\tau}]) \oplus K_1(\mathbf{Z}[\zeta_{15}, \bar{\tau}]) &\rightarrow \\ K_1(\mathbf{F}_5[\zeta_3, \bar{\tau}]) \oplus K_1(\mathbf{F}_3[\zeta_5, \bar{\tau}]) &\rightarrow D \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Taking the reduced norm, we have the exact sequence

$$\mathbf{Z}_+^* \oplus \mathbf{Z}[\zeta_5 + \zeta_5^{-1}]_+^* \oplus \mathbf{Z}[\zeta_{15} + \zeta_{15}^{-1}]_+^* \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_5^* \oplus \mathbf{F}_3[\zeta_5 + \zeta_5^{-1}]^* \rightarrow D \rightarrow 0.$$

On the other hand $\mathbf{Z}[\zeta_{15} + \zeta_{15}^{-1}]_+^* = \{\varepsilon_1^a \varepsilon_2^b \varepsilon_3^c \mid a, b \text{ and } c \text{ are all odd or all even}\}$, where $\varepsilon_1 = \zeta_{15} + \zeta_{15}^{-1} - 1$, $\varepsilon_2 = \zeta_{15}^2 + \zeta_{15}^{-2} - 1$ and $\varepsilon_3 = \zeta_{15}^3 + \zeta_{15}^{-3} + 1$. A direct computation shows that $D \cong \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$.

REMARK 2.5. Let $\Lambda_{2n} = \mathbf{Z}C_{2n} \cap \prod_{d|n} R^d \times R^d$. Cassou-Noguès has shown in [2] that there exists a surjection of $D(\mathbf{Z}H_n)$ in $D(\Lambda_{2n})$ whose kernel is an elementary 2-group. It is seen in the proof of (2.2) that $D(\Lambda_{2n}) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2n})$. Hence a part of (2.2) and the final assertion of (2.3) are only restatements of the results of Cassou-Noguès.

REMARK 2.6. Recently, after this manuscript was written, T. Miyata has shown [9] that $\text{Res}: D(\mathbf{Z}D_m) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}C_m)$ is injective for every integer $m > 1$. Using this we know that the map φ in (2.2) has a close relation to the restriction $\text{Res}_{C_{2n}}^{H_n}: D(\mathbf{Z}H_n) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}C_{2n})$. Further we can extend the results to the case where n is even. Let $m > 1$ be an integer and $H_m = \langle \sigma, \tau \mid \sigma^{2m} = 1, \sigma^m = \tau^2, \tau^{-1}\sigma\tau = \sigma^{-1} \rangle$. Then there is a natural surjection $\varphi: D(\mathbf{Z}H_m) \rightarrow D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2m})$ such that $\text{Res}_{C_{2m}}^{D_{2m}} \circ \varphi = \text{Res}_{C_{2m}}^{H_m}$. (When m is odd, φ is the map defined in (2.2).) From this we see that $\text{Res}_{C_{2m}}^{H_m}(D(\mathbf{Z}H_m)) \cong D(\mathbf{Z}D_{2m})$ and $\text{Ker } \varphi = \text{Ker } \text{Res}_{C_{2m}}^{H_m}$ is an elementary 2-group.

We give here the outline of the proof. There are isomorphisms (for details see [6], [7])

$$\begin{aligned} C(\mathbf{Z}G) &\cong J_{\mathbf{Q}G}/[J_{\mathbf{Q}G}, J_{\mathbf{Q}G}](\mathbf{Q}G)^*U(\mathbf{Z}G) \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}}(R_G, J_F)/\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}}(R_G, F^*)\text{Det}(U(\mathbf{Z}G)), \end{aligned}$$

where R_G is the Grothendieck group of virtual characters of G . For each element of $D(\mathbf{Z}G)$ we can choose representatives as follows;

a projective left ideal M

$$\leftrightarrow \alpha = (\alpha_p) \in U(\mathfrak{M}) \subseteq J_{\mathbf{Q}G}, \text{ where } \mathfrak{M} \text{ is a maximal order of } \mathbf{Q}G \text{ containing } \mathbf{Z}G, \text{ such that } M = \bigcap_p (\mathbf{Z}_p G \alpha_p \cap \mathbf{Q}G)$$

$$\leftrightarrow \text{Det}(\alpha) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}}(R_G, J_F).$$

