

Certain Types of the Orbits of Real Quadratic Fields by Hecke Groups

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Abstract: Erich Hecke (1936) introduced the groups $H(\lambda_q) = \langle S, T : S^2 = T^q = 1 \rangle$ generated by two linear-fractional transformations $S(z) = \frac{-1}{z}$ and $T(z) = \frac{-1}{z+\lambda}$. In this paper, we discuss the action of Hecke groups $H(\lambda_q)$ on real quadratic fields. In particular, we explore the orbits of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{m}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ where $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{m}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ is the disjoint union of $\mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{n}) = \{ \frac{a+\sqrt{n}}{c} : a, c \neq 0, b = \frac{a^2-n}{c} \in \mathbb{Z} \mid (a, b, c) = 1 \}$ for $n = k^2m$.

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1 Introduction

In 1936 Erich Hecke [2] introduced the groups $H(\lambda)$ generated by two linear-fractional transformations $S(z) = \frac{-1}{z}$ and $T(z) = \frac{-1}{z+\lambda}$. Hecke showed that $H(\lambda)$ is discrete if and only if $\lambda = \lambda_q = 2\cos(\frac{\pi}{q})$, $q \in \mathbb{N}$, $q \geq 3$ or $\lambda \geq 2$. Hecke group $H(\lambda_q)$ is isomorphic to the free product of two finite cyclic group of order 2 and q , and it has a presentation

$$H(\lambda_q) = \langle S, T : S^2 = T^q = 1 \rangle \cong C_2 * C_q$$

The first few of these groups are $H(\lambda_3) = PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$, the modular group, $H(\lambda_4) = \langle S, T : S^2 = T^4 = 1 \rangle$, $H(\lambda_5) = H(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2})$ and $H(\lambda_6) = H(\sqrt{3}) = \langle S, T : S^2 = T^6 = 1 \rangle$. It was proved that the action of $H = \langle x, y : x^2 = y^4 = 1 \rangle$, where $x(z) = \frac{-1}{2z}$ and $y(z) = \frac{-1}{2(z+1)}$, on the rational projective line $\mathbb{Q} \cup \{\infty\}$ is transitive [7, 12]. The action of the modular group $G = \langle x', y' : x'^2 = y'^3 = 1 \rangle$, where $x'(z) = \frac{-1}{z}$ and $y'(z) = \frac{-1}{z+1}$, on the real quadratic fields has been discussed in [3, 9, 11] and [10].

Let $n = k^2m$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and m is a square free positive integer. Then $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{m}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ is a disjoint union of

$$\mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{n}) = \{ \frac{a+\sqrt{n}}{c} : a, c \neq 0, b = \frac{a^2-n}{c} \in \mathbb{Z} \mid (a, b, c) = 1 \}.$$

If $\alpha = \frac{a+\sqrt{n}}{c} \in \mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{n})$ and its conjugate $\bar{\alpha}$ have opposite signs then α is called an ambiguous number [3]. The set of ambiguous numbers in $\mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{n})$ is denoted by $\mathbb{Q}_1^*(\sqrt{n})$ and $|\mathbb{Q}_1^*(\sqrt{n})|$ has been determined in [1] as a function of n . Since $\mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{n}) = \mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{n}) \cup \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{n})$ and for $n \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ $\mathbb{Q}^{**}(\sqrt{n}) = \{ \alpha(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{n}) \mid c \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \}$ are two H -subsets of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{m}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}$.

The results of [12] are extended in [13] to all non-square $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ and was proved that $\mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{n}) = \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{n}) \cup \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4n})$, where $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{n}) = (\mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{\frac{n}{4}}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}^{**}(\sqrt{\frac{n}{4}})) \cup \mathbb{Q}^{**}(\sqrt{n})$. Moreover the proper H -subsets of $\mathbb{Q}^{**}(\sqrt{n})$ or $\mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{n}) = \mathbb{Q}^{**}(\sqrt{n}) \cup \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4n})$ according as $n \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ or $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ have been discovered. As we denote the number of H -orbits of $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})$ by $o_H^{*\sim}(4p)$ and the number of H -orbits of $\mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{p})$ by $o_H(p)$. In a recent paper [15], H -orbits of $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})$, $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, have been found for the case $|(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H|_{amb} + |(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H|_{amb} = |\mathbb{Q}_1^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})|$. In this paper we discuss the case whenever $|(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H|_{amb} + |(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H|_{amb} < |\mathbb{Q}_1^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})|$.

We tabulate the actions on, $\alpha = \frac{a+\sqrt{n}}{c}$ with $b = \frac{a^2-n}{c}$, of x, y and their combinations in Table 1 and we cite the following results for later reference.

Lemma 1.1 [11] Let m be a square-free positive integer.

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Table 1: The action of elements of H on $\alpha = \frac{a+\sqrt{n}}{c} \in \mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{n})$

α	a	b	c
$x(\alpha) = \frac{-1}{2\alpha}$	$-a$	$\frac{c}{2}$	$2b$
$y(\alpha) = \frac{-1}{2(\alpha+1)}$	$-a-c$	$\frac{c}{2}$	$2(2a+b+c)$
$y^2(\alpha) = \frac{-(\alpha+1)}{2\alpha+1}$	$-3a-2b-c$	$2a+b+c$	$4a+4b+c$
$(xy)^k(\alpha) = \alpha+k$	$a+kc$	$2ka+b+k^2c$	c
$yx(\alpha) = \frac{\alpha}{1-2\alpha}$	$a-2b$	b	$-4a+4b+c$
$(y^2x)(\alpha) = \frac{1-2\alpha}{2(-1+\alpha)}$	$3a-2b-c$	$\frac{-4a+4b+c}{2}$	$2(-2a+b+c)$
$(yx)^k(\alpha) = \frac{\alpha}{1-2k\alpha}$	$a-2kb$	b	$-4ka+4k^2b+c$
$(y^3x)^k(\alpha) = \alpha-k$	$a-kc$	$2ka+b+k^2c$	c

Then

$|\mathbb{Q}_1^*(\sqrt{m})| = 2\tau(m) + 4\sum_{a=1}^{\lfloor \sqrt{m} \rfloor} \tau(m-a^2)$ where $\tau(m)$ stands for the number of positive divisors of m and $\lfloor \sqrt{m} \rfloor$ is the largest integer less than \sqrt{m} .

Lemma 1.2 [9] Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Then $\mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{p})$ splits into at least two G -orbits, namely, $(\sqrt{p})^G$ and $(\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^G$ under the action of G .

Lemma 1.3 [11] Let n be square free positive integer. Then $|\mathbb{Q}_1^{**}(\sqrt{n})| = 2\tau''(n) + 4\sum_{a=1}^{\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor} \tau''(n-a^2)$ where $\tau''(u)$ denotes those divisors of u , which are divisible by 2. \square

Lemma 1.4 [12] Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{n})$. Then $\alpha^H = (\bar{\alpha})^H$ if and only if there exists an element β in α^H such that $x(\beta) = \bar{\beta}$.

2 Types of G -orbits of $\mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{p})$ and H -orbits of $\mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{p})$

We start this section by describing the closed paths (circuits) for the action of group $H(\lambda_4)$ (see [6] and figure 1).

Definition 2.1. If $n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4, \dots, n_k$ is a sequence of positive integers and

$$i_j = 0, 1, 2, i_l \neq i_{l+1} \ (l = 1, 2, \dots, k-1), i_1 \neq i_k$$

Then by a circuit of the type

$$(n_{1i_1}, n_{2i_2}, n_{3i_3}, n_{4i_4}, \dots, n_{ki_k})$$

we shall mean the circuit (counter clockwise) in which n_j , $j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, k$ squares have i_j vertices outside the circuit.

Remark 2.2. 1. Since it is immaterial with which ambiguous number of α^H the circuit begins, we can express type of the orbit in Definition 2.1. by any of the following k -equivalent forms

$$\begin{aligned} (n_{1i_1}, n_{2i_2}, \dots, n_{ki_k}) &= (n_{2i_2}, n_{3i_3}, \dots, n_{ki_k}, n_{1i_1}) \\ &= \dots (n_{ki_k}, n_{1i_1}, \dots, n_{k-1i_{k-1}}) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

2. This circuit induces an element

$$g = (xy^{i_k+1})^{n_k} \dots (xy^{i_2+1})^{n_2} (xy^{i_1+1})^{n_1}$$

of H and fixes a particular vertex of a square lying on the circuit and hence the ambiguous length of this circuit is given by $2(n_1 + n_2 + n_3 + \dots + n_k)$

The following example and figure 2, both are the best

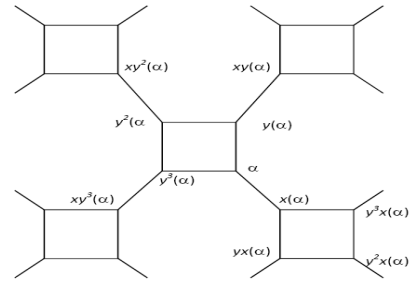


Fig. 1: The coset diagram for the action of H on $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{n})$

description of the above definition and remark.

Example 2.3. By the circuit of the type $(2_0, 1_1, 1_2, 2_0, 1_2, 1_1, 2_0)$ we mean the circuit (see figure 2) induces an element $h = (xy)^2(xy^2)(xy^3)(xy)^2(xy^3)(xy^2)(xy)^2$ of H which fixes vertex $\frac{\sqrt{7}}{1}$. Let $l_1 = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{1}$. $(xy)^2(l_1) = \frac{2+\sqrt{7}}{1} = l_2$, $(xy^2)(l_2) = \frac{1+\sqrt{7}}{4} = l_3$, $(xy^3)(l_3) = \frac{-2+\sqrt{7}}{2} = l_4$, $(xy)^2(l_4) = \frac{2+\sqrt{17}}{2} = l_5$, $(xy^3)(l_5) = \frac{-1+\sqrt{7}}{4} = l_6$, $(xy^2)(l_6) = \frac{-2+\sqrt{7}}{1} = l_7$ $(xy)^2(l_7) = l_1$, and the ambiguous length of this circuit is $2(2+1+1+2+1+1+2)$.

The following four results have been taken from [15] for

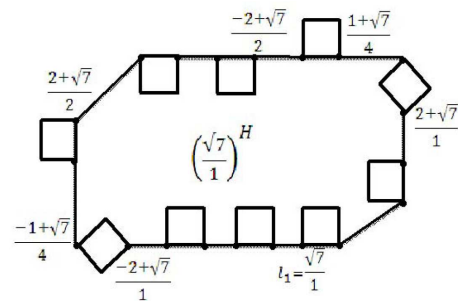


Fig. 2: Orbit of $l_1 = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{1}$ and $h(l_1) = l_1$

our convenience in section 3.

Theorem 2.4. Let $n \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$. Then $\mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{n})$ splits into four H -subsets. In particular $(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{1})^H$, $(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{-1})^H$, $(\frac{1+\sqrt{n}}{2})^H$ and

$(\frac{1+\sqrt{n}}{4})^H$ are at least four H -orbits of $\mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{n})$.

Remark 2.5. It can be easily seen that

1. $o_H^{*\sim}(p) = o_G(p)$ when $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.
2. $o_G(4p) = 2 o_G(p)$ if $p \equiv 1, \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8}$ such that $p-1$ is not a perfect square
3. $o_G(4p) = 2 o_G(p) + 2$ if $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ such that $p-1$ is a perfect square

Theorem 2.6. Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Then

1. $o_H(p) = 2 o_G(p)$ if $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$.
2. $o_H(p) = o_G(p) + 1$ if $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ such that $p-1$ is not a perfect square.
3. $o_H(p) = 2 o_G(p) + 1$ if $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ such that $p-1$ is a perfect square.

Remark 2.7. Let $p \equiv 1 \text{ or } 5 \pmod{8}$ such that $p-1$ is a perfect square. Then the numbers $\frac{\pm\lfloor\sqrt{p}\rfloor+\sqrt{p}}{1}$ and $\frac{\pm\lfloor\sqrt{p}\rfloor-\sqrt{p}}{-1}$ are contained in $(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H$ and $(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H$ respectively. Also the numbers $\frac{\pm 1+\sqrt{p}}{\pm(p-1)}$ are contained in $(\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^H$. Similarly the numbers $\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{\pm\sqrt{p-1}}$ are contained in $(\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H$ and $\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{\pm\sqrt{p-1}}$ are contained in $(\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H$ respectively.

Lemma 2.8. Let $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. Then $|\mathbb{Q}_1^{*\sim}(\sqrt{n})| = 2(|\mathbb{Q}_1^{**}(\sqrt{n})|)$. Whereas if $n \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ $|\mathbb{Q}_1^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4n})| = 2(|\mathbb{Q}_1^*(\sqrt{n})| - |\mathbb{Q}_1^{**}(\sqrt{n})|)$.

3 H -orbits of $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})$ with $o_H^{*\sim}(4p) > 4$

Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. If $|(\sqrt{p})^H|_{amb} + |(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H|_{amb} = |\mathbb{Q}_1^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})|$, then we have $o_H^{*\sim}(p) = 2$. If $|(\sqrt{p})^H|_{amb} + |(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H|_{amb} < |\mathbb{Q}_1^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})|$, then we have the following results.

Lemma 3.1. Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Then

1. $(\alpha)^H \cap (\bar{\alpha})^H = \emptyset$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus ((\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H)$.
2. $(\alpha)^H \cap (-\alpha)^H = \emptyset$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus ((\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H)$.

Proof. By [9] we know that $\frac{a+\sqrt{p}}{\pm c}, \frac{-a+\sqrt{p}}{\pm c}$ are contained in $(\sqrt{p})^H$ or $(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H$ where $c \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ and $\frac{c+\sqrt{p}}{\pm a}, \frac{-c+\sqrt{p}}{\pm a}$ are contained in $(\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^H$ or $(\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H$ where $a \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. Hence by Lemma 1.4. we have $(\alpha)^H \cap (\bar{\alpha})^H = \emptyset$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus ((\sqrt{p})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H)$. The 2nd part directly follows from Theorem 3.3 [13]. \square

In the following lemma we use $\mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p}) = \mathbb{Q}'(\sqrt{p}) \cup \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Q}'(\sqrt{p})$.

Lemma 3.2. Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Then

$\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4} \in \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$ or $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$ according as $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ or $n \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ for $p > 13$.

Proof. The proof is straightforward. \square

Lemma 3.3. Let $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ such that $p-1$ is a perfect square. If

$(\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})) \setminus ((\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H) \neq \emptyset$, then either $\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{q_1}$ or $\frac{2+\sqrt{p}}{t_1} \in (\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})) \setminus ((\sqrt{p})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H)$.

Proof. Using Remark 2.7, $(\sqrt{p})_amb^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})_amb^H = \{\frac{\pm a+\sqrt{p}}{\pm 1}, \frac{\pm a+\sqrt{p}}{\pm(p-a^2)}, 0 \leq a \leq \lfloor\sqrt{p}\rfloor\}$. If $(\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})) \setminus ((\sqrt{p})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H) \neq \emptyset$, then either $p-1$ is not power of two or is power of 2. In first case $p-1$ is not power of two then there exists $\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{q_1} \in (\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})) \setminus ((\sqrt{p})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H)$. If $p-1$ is power of 2 then $p-4$ is not power of 2. Thus there exists $\frac{2+\sqrt{p}}{t_1} \in (\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})) \setminus ((\sqrt{p})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H)$. \square

Corollary 3.4. Let $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ such that $p-1$ is a perfect square. If

$(\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})) \setminus ((\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H) \neq \emptyset$, then $(\sqrt{p})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{q_1})^H \cup (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{q_1})^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{-q_1})^H \cup (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{-q_1})^H \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})$ or $(\sqrt{p})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H \cup (\frac{2+\sqrt{p}}{t_1})^H \cup (\frac{-2+\sqrt{p}}{-t_1})^H \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})$.

Proof. The proof is straightforward and follows by Lemma 3.3. \square

Lemma 3.5. Let $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ such that $p-1$ is a perfect square. Then $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})$ splits into at least six H -orbits for $p > 17$.

Proof. Using Remark 2.7, $(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})_amb^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})_amb^H = \{\frac{\pm a+\sqrt{p}}{\pm 1}, \frac{\pm a+\sqrt{p}}{\pm(p-a^2)}, 0 \leq a < \lfloor\sqrt{p}\rfloor\}$ and $(\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})_amb^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})_amb^H = \{\frac{\pm a+\sqrt{p}}{\pm 2}, \frac{\pm a+\sqrt{p}}{\pm(p-a^2)}, \frac{\pm 1+\sqrt{p}}{\pm\lfloor\sqrt{p}\rfloor} : a = 1, 3, \dots, \lfloor\sqrt{p}\rfloor - 1\}$. Also

$(\sqrt{p})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$ and $(\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H \subseteq \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$.

For $p > 17$ we have atleast four more H -orbits namely $(\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{8})^H, (\frac{3+\sqrt{p}}{8})^H$ and $(\frac{-3+\sqrt{p}}{8})^H$ contained in $\mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$ since otherwise $\lfloor\sqrt{p}\rfloor = 4$ and hence $\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{4}, \frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{8}, \frac{3+\sqrt{p}}{8}$ and $\frac{3+\sqrt{p}}{8} \in (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H$.

Hence For $p > 17$, $\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{4}, \frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{8}, \frac{3+\sqrt{p}}{8}$ and $\frac{3+\sqrt{p}}{8} \notin (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H$. This shows $\mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$ contains at least six H -orbits.

By Corollary 3.4 we have six H -orbits either $(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{q_1})^H \cup (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{q_1})^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{-q_1})^H \cup (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{-q_1})^H$ or $(\sqrt{p})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H \cup (\frac{2+\sqrt{p}}{t_1})^H \cup (\frac{-2+\sqrt{p}}{-t_1})^H \cup (\frac{2+\sqrt{p}}{-t_1})^H \cup (\frac{-2+\sqrt{p}}{t_1})^H$

$(\frac{-2+\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H$ contained in $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$. Thus we have at least twelve H -orbits. \square

Lemma 3.6. Let $p \equiv 5(mod 8)$ such that $p - 1$ is a perfect square. Then $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})$ splits into at least six H -orbits for $p > 13$

Proof Using Lemma 3.2., $\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4} \in \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$. Also $(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$. For $p > 13$, $\frac{\pm 1+\sqrt{p}}{4} \notin (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H$ otherwise for $p = 13$, $\frac{\pm 1+\sqrt{13}}{\pm 4} \in (\frac{\sqrt{13}}{1})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{13}}{-1})^H$ hence $(\frac{\pm 1+\sqrt{p}}{\pm 4})^H$ exists and contained in $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$. Thus $(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H \cup (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H \cup (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{\pm 4})^H \cup (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{\pm 4})^H \subseteq \mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$ and $(\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^H \subseteq \mathbb{Q}''''(\sqrt{p})$. Hence we have eight H -orbits. \square

Example 3.7. Let $p = 37$. By Theorem 2.4, $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})$ splits in at least six H -orbits, namely, $(\frac{\sqrt{37}}{1})^H, (\frac{\sqrt{37}}{-1})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{37}}{3})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{37}}{-3})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{37}}{3})^H$ and $(\frac{-1+\sqrt{37}}{-3})^H$.

By Theorem 2.8, $|(\frac{\sqrt{37}}{\pm 1})^H|_{amb} = 36$ and $|(\frac{1+\sqrt{37}}{2})^H|_{amb} = 24$. By Lemma 1.1, $|\mathbb{Q}_1^*(\sqrt{37})| = 124$ and by Lemma 1.3, $|\mathbb{Q}_1^{**}(\sqrt{37})| = 56$. Using Theorem 2.8, $|\mathbb{Q}_1^{*\sim}(\sqrt{148})| = 2(124 - 56) = 136$. Since $|(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H|_{amb} + |(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H|_{amb} = 72 < 136$. Therefore by Lemmas 3.2 and 3.3 at least four more H -orbits exists which are $(\frac{\pm 1+\sqrt{37}}{\pm 3})^H$. Also $|(\frac{1+\sqrt{37}}{3})^H|_{amb} = 16$. Here the sum of cardinalities of all six orbits is 144. Therefore we conclude that $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{148})$ splits into exactly six H -orbits.

Example 3.8. Let $p = 577$. Then $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})$ splits into fourteen H -orbits, namely, $(\frac{577}{1})^H, (\frac{577}{-1})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{577}}{3})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{577}}{-3})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{577}}{3})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{577}}{-3})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{577}}{9})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{577}}{-9})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{577}}{9})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{577}}{-9})^H, (\frac{3+\sqrt{577}}{71})^H, (\frac{3+\sqrt{577}}{-71})^H, (\frac{-3+\sqrt{577}}{71})^H$ and $(\frac{-3+\sqrt{577}}{-71})^H$.

We conclude this paper with the following remarks.

Remark 3.9. Let $p \equiv 5(mod 8)$ such that $p - 1$ is a perfect square. Then

- $p \equiv 1$ or $5(mod 16)$ according as $\lfloor \sqrt{p} \rfloor \equiv 0$ or $2(mod 4)$.
- Let $Y = \{ \frac{\pm 1+\sqrt{p}}{\pm c} \in \mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{p}) : c = 1, \lfloor \sqrt{p} \rfloor^2 \}$ and $Z = \{ \frac{\pm 1+\sqrt{p}}{\pm c} \in \mathbb{Q}^*(\sqrt{p}) : c = 1, \frac{\lfloor \sqrt{p} \rfloor^2}{2}, \lfloor \sqrt{p} \rfloor \}$. Then $Y \cup x(Y) \subseteq (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^H$ and $Z \cup x(Z) \subseteq (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H \cup (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H$. \square

Remark 3.10. Let $p \equiv 5(mod 8)$ such that $p - 1 = \lfloor \sqrt{p} \rfloor^2 = (2q_1)^2$. Then

- $|(\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H|_{amb} = |(\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H|_{amb} = 2\sqrt{p-1} + 4$.
- $(\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H = (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{q_1})^H$. \square

Remark 3.11. It can be easily seen by Theorem 2.6; and Remark 2.5 that

1.257 and 761 are the only primes $p \equiv 1(mod 8)$ and $p < 2011$ such that $o_H(p) = 12$.

2.401 and 1601 are the only primes $p \equiv 1(mod 8)$ and $p < 2011$ such that $o_H(p) > 12$: For $p = 401$, $\mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{p})$ splits into twenty H -orbits, namely, $(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H, (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{5})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{5})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{-5})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{-5})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{8})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{8})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{10})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{10})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{16})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{16})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{25})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{-25})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{25})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{-25})^H$ and $(\frac{3+\sqrt{p}}{28})^H$.

For $p = 1601$, $\mathbb{Q}''(\sqrt{p})$ splits into twenty eight H -orbits, namely, $(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{1})^H, (\frac{\sqrt{p}}{-1})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{2})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{4})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{5})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{-5})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{5})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{-5})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{8})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{8})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{10})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{10})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{16})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{16})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{25})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{-25})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{25})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{-25})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{32})^H, (\frac{1+\sqrt{p}}{50})^H, (\frac{-1+\sqrt{p}}{50})^H, (\frac{3+\sqrt{p}}{8})^H, (\frac{-3+\sqrt{p}}{8})^H, (\frac{3+\sqrt{p}}{199})^H, (\frac{3+\sqrt{p}}{-199})^H, (\frac{-3+\sqrt{p}}{199})^H$ and $(\frac{-3+\sqrt{p}}{-199})^H$.

3. The primes $p \equiv 5(mod 8)$ and $p < 2011$ such that $o_H(p) = 9$ are 101, 197, 269, 389, 557, 677, 701, 1301, 1613, 1949 and 1973.

4. 1901 is the only prime $p \equiv 5(mod 8)$ and $p < 2011$ such that $o_H(p) > 12$.

5. 37, 349, 373, 709, 757, 829, 877, 997, 1213 and 1861 are the primes $p \equiv 5(mod 8)$ and $p < 2011$ such that $o_H^*(p) = 9$.

4 Conclusion

We have explored the action of hecke group $H(\lambda_4) = \langle S, T : S^2 = T^4 = 1 \rangle$, on the subsets $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{m}) \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ of the real quadratic fields and different types of the orbits are introduced. The H -orbits of $\mathbb{Q}^{*\sim}(\sqrt{4p})$ with $o_H^*(4p) > 4$ are investigated and the classification of H -orbits is given depending upon the nature of prime $p < 2011$, using modular arithmetic.

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