On certain real quadratic fields with class number one

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Abstract: In this paper, new five real quadratic fields with norm of fundamental unit +1 and class number one are obtained.

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Throughout this paper, we denote by **N** the set of positive rational integers, and $\mathbf{N}_0 = \mathbf{N} \cup \{0\}$. **Z** will mean as usual the set of rational integers. For a square-free $D \in \mathbf{N}$, the real quadratic field $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{D})$ will be denoted by k, its class number by h_k and its fundamental unit > 1 by $\varepsilon_D = (t + u\sqrt{D})/2$. The norm map from k to **Q** will be denoted by N.

The class number one problem requires to determine the set of all D for which $h_k = 1$ under certain conditions. Let p be prime congruent to $1 \mod 4$ and $\varepsilon_p = (u_p + t_p \sqrt{p})/2 > 1$ be the fundamental unit of the real quadratic field $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p})$. In [6] Yokoi showed that there exist exactly 30 real quadratic fields $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p})$ of class number one satisfying $\varepsilon_p < 2p$ with one more possible exception of prime discriminant p. In [2] Katayama-Katayama showed that there exist at most 44 real quadratic fields $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{p})$ with class number one for $1 \leq u_p \leq 300$. In [4] Mollin-Williams solved (except possibly one value) class number one problem for the more general extended Richaud-Degert (i.e. with $D = m^2 + r$ where $4m \equiv 0 \pmod{r}$ and in [5] they gave a complete generalized form of Yokoi's p-invariants for arbitrary real quadratic field $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{D})$ and all $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{D})$ having class number one with $n_D \neq 0$ (n_D is defined in [5]).

In this paper, using the same way as in [1], we shall show that there are new five real quadratic fields with class number one for the case $N\varepsilon_D = 1$, $1 \le u \le 100$.

The letters \mathbf{N} , \mathbf{N}_0 , D, ε_D , t, u will always keep the meanings explained above and $n \in \mathbf{N}_0$.

Theorem. With the above notations, there exist new five real quadratic fields $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{D})$ with class number one for $1 \le u \le 100$, where D are those in Table with one possible exception.

Proof. Using a similar way as in Prop. 1 in [1], one can find a real number v(u) such that $h_k > 1$ for $n \ge v(u)$. In fact, we may take $v(u) \ge \sqrt{4 + u^2 e^{c(u)}}/u^2$. Moreover, we can choose c(u) < 14.7 for $1 \le u \le 100$. By the help of computer we obtain v(u) = 1557/u.

Let q be an odd prime with (D/q) = 1. If $h_k = 1$, then we can obtain $q \ge n$ in a similar way as in the proof of Prop. 2 in [1].

In the case $h_k = 1$, it is also known that if q_1 , q_2 of distinct prime factors of D such that $q_2 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ then D satisfies one of the following conditions:

i) $D = q_1$, ii) $D = q_1q_2$, iii) $D = 2q_2$.

By the help of a computer and using Kida's UBASIC 86, we can list up the Table of the five D satisfying the above necessary conditions with $h_k = 1$.

Table	
u	D
40	57
77	893
78	19
84	22
85	1397

Remark. The real quadratic fields with class number one which are defined by Mollin and Williams in [5] can be obtained with the above theorem too.

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