

NUMBER FIELDS

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1. IDEALS

- (1) (Ideal norm). Let I be an ideal of \mathcal{O}_K . We say $N(I) = [\mathcal{O}_K : I]$ is the **ideal norm** of I .
- (2) Let K be a number field with $n = [K : \mathbb{Q}]$, and let $I \leq \mathcal{O}_K$ be a non-zero ideal. Then $I = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathbb{Z}\alpha_i$ for some linearly independent $\alpha_i \in I$, and $[\mathcal{O}_K : I]^2 = \text{disc}(I)/d_K$.