

## 16. Cyclotomic fields

$K = \mathbb{Q}(\mu)$ ,  $\mu$ -prim.  $p^e$ -th root of unity,  
 $p$ -prime

Recall: 1) the min. poly of  $\mu$  is

$$F = \frac{x^{p^e} - 1}{x^{p-1}}, \quad \deg F = p^{e-1}(p-1) = e$$

$$2) \text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q}) \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p^e\mathbb{Z})^\times$$

3)  $p$  is totally ramified in  $K$ .

Also recall, that for arbitrary number field a prime number  $q$  ramifies in this field, if and only if  $q$  divides the discriminant.

We have:  $\mathbb{Z}[\mu] \subset \mathcal{O}_K$  a sublattice

with basis  $1, \mu, \dots, \mu^{e-1}$

$$D(1, \mu, \dots, \mu^{e-1}) = (\det(\zeta_i \mu^j)) ^2, \text{ where}$$

see Thm. 4.5  
in lecture 3       $\zeta_i : K \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$   
embeddings

Denote  $\zeta_i(\mu) = \mu_i$ ; then  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_e$  are all primitive  $p^e$ -th roots of unity in  $\mathbb{C}$

We compute:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \mu_1 & \mu_1^2 & \dots & \mu_1^{e-1} \\ 1 & \mu_2 & \mu_2^2 & \dots & \mu_2^{e-1} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ 1 & \mu_e & \mu_e^2 & \dots & \mu_e^{e-1} \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{\text{Vandermonde determinant}}{=} \prod_{i < j} (\mu_j - \mu_i)$$

$$|D(1, \mu, \dots, \mu^{e-1})| = \prod_{i < j} |(\mu_j - \mu_i)|^2 = \prod_{i \neq j} |(\mu_i - \mu_j)|$$

Note :  $F = \prod_{i=1}^e (X - \mu_i)$  in  $K[x]$

$$\Rightarrow F' = \sum_{i=1}^e \prod_{j:j \neq i} (X - \mu_j)$$

$$\Rightarrow F'(\mu_1) = \prod_{j:j \neq 1} (\mu_1 - \mu_j), F'(\mu_2) = \prod_{j:j \neq 2} (\mu_2 - \mu_j) \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow |D(1, \mu, \dots, \mu^{e-1})| = \prod_{i=1}^e |F'(\mu_i)| =$$

$$= |N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(F'(\mu))|$$

Since  $F = \frac{x^{p^2}-1}{x^{p^2}-1} \Rightarrow x^{p^2}-1 = F \cdot (x^{p^{2-1}}-1)$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 x^{p^{2-1}} = F' \cdot (x^{p^{2-1}}) + F \cdot p^{2-1} x^{p^{2-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 \underbrace{x^{p^{2-1}}}_{\in \mu^{-1}} = F'(\mu) \cdot (\mu^{p^{2-1}})$$

denote:  $\zeta = \mu^{p^{2-1}}$  is a primitive  $p$ -th root of unity

$F'(\mu) = \frac{P^2}{\mu \cdot (\beta-1)}$ ;  $|N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\beta)| = 1$ ,  
because all Gal-conj.  
of  $\mu$  have abs. val. 1.

$$|N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\beta-1)| = |N_{\mathbb{Q}(\beta)/\mathbb{Q}}(\beta-1)|^{[K:\mathbb{Q}(\beta)]} = p^{P^{e-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow |N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(F'(\mu))| = \frac{P^{re}}{p^{P^{e-1}}} = p^{2P^{e-1}(p-1)-P^{e-1}}$$

$\Rightarrow D(1, \mu, \dots, \mu^{e-1})$  is a power of  $p$ .

Since  $D(1, \mu, \dots, \mu^{e-1}) = \overbrace{a^2 d_K}^{\text{Lemma 15.1}}$  for  
some integer  $a$

$\Rightarrow d_K$  is also a power of  $p$ .

Conclusion: the only prime that  
ramifies in  $K$  is  $p$ .

Ring of integers of  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\mu)$

Lemma 16.1  $K$  - arbitrary number field.

Let  $R \subset \mathcal{O}_K$  be a sublattice with  
a basis  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  and  $D(e_1, \dots, e_n) = a^2 d_K$   
for some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $\mathcal{O}_K \subset \frac{1}{a}R = \left\langle \frac{e_1}{a}, \dots, \frac{e_n}{a} \right\rangle$

Proof Let  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  be a basis of  $\mathcal{O}_K$ ,  
 s.t.  $e'_1 = d_1 z_1, \dots, e'_n = d_n z_n$  is a  
 basis of  $R$  for some  $d_i \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$D(e'_1, \dots, e'_n) = D(e_1, \dots, e_n)$$

$$\left(\prod_{i=1}^n d_i\right)^2 D(z_1, \dots, z_n) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n d_i\right)^2 d_K,$$

$$\text{so } a = \prod_{i=1}^n d_i; \quad \frac{1}{a} R = \left\langle \frac{z_1}{\prod_{i \neq 1} d_i}, \dots, \frac{z_n}{\prod_{i \neq n} d_i} \right\rangle \supset \mathcal{O}_K$$

In our case  $D(1, \mu, \dots, \mu^{e-1}) = p^N$  □

for some  $N \Rightarrow a$  is a power of  $p$

$R = \mathbb{Z}[\mu]$ , the elements of  $\mathcal{O}_K$   
 are of the form  $\sum_{i=0}^{e-1} \frac{a_i}{p^{k_i}} \mu^i$ ,  $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$

$1, \mu, \dots, \mu^{e-1}$  is a basis of  $R$ .

We choose another basis:

$$1, \underbrace{1-\mu}_{\frac{1}{3}}, \underbrace{(1-\mu)^2}_{\frac{1}{3^2}}, \dots, \underbrace{(1-\mu)^{e-1}}_{\frac{1}{3^{e-1}}}$$

exercise: show that this is also a basis.

Recall from last week

$p = (\frac{1}{3}) = (1-\mu)$  is a prime

ideal in  $\mathcal{O}_K$ ;  $p \cap \mathcal{Z} = (p)$   
 $p \cdot \mathcal{O}_K = (\tilde{\gamma})^e$

Assume that

$$\alpha = \sum_{i=0}^{e-1} \frac{a_i}{p^{k_i}} \tilde{\gamma}^i \in \mathcal{O}_K \quad \text{for some } a_i \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad (a_i, p) = 1$$

Localize  $\mathcal{O}_K$  at  $p$  and consider  $\alpha$  as an element of the DVR  $\mathcal{O}_{K,p}^\times$ .  
 $\tilde{\gamma}$  is a uniformizer for  $\mathcal{O}_{K,p}^\times$  and we have a valuation:

$$\nu: K^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x = \tilde{\gamma}^n y \text{ with } y \in \mathcal{O}_{K,p}^\times \Rightarrow \nu(x) = n$$

What is  $\nu(\alpha)$ ?

$$\nu\left(\frac{a_i}{p^{k_i}} \tilde{\gamma}^i\right) = \nu(a_i) - k_i \nu(p) + i$$

$a_i$  is coprime to  $p \Rightarrow a_i \notin p$

$$\Rightarrow a_i \in \mathcal{O}_{K,p}^\times \Rightarrow \nu(a_i) = 0$$

$\nu(p) = e$ , because  $p \cdot \mathcal{O}_K = (\tilde{\gamma})^e$

$$\Rightarrow p = \tilde{\gamma}^e \cdot y \quad y \in \mathcal{O}_{K,p}^\times$$

$$\Rightarrow \nu\left(\frac{a_i}{p^{k_i}} \tilde{\gamma}^i\right) = i - k_i e \equiv i \pmod{e},$$

in particular the valuations of all summands are different

Lemma 16.2 Let  $A$  a DVR with field of fract.  $F$  and valuation  $\nu: F^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $x, y \in F^\times$  s.t.

$\nu(x) \neq \nu(y)$ . Then  $\nu(x+y) = \min\{\nu(x), \nu(y)\}$

Proof Let  $u$  be a uniformizer

Write  $x = u^n a$ ,  $a \in A^\times$

$y = u^m b$ ,  $b \in A^\times$ ,  $m \neq n$

assume  $n < m \Rightarrow$

$$x+y = u^n \left( a + \underbrace{u^{m-n} b}_{\in A^\times} \right)$$

$$a + u^{m-n} b \in A^\times \Rightarrow \nu(x+y) = n$$

analogously for  $m < n$ .

□

In our case:

$$\nu(\alpha) = \nu \left( \sum_{i=0}^{e-1} \frac{a_i}{p^{k_i}} \beta^i \right) = \min_{i=0 \dots e-1} \nu \left( \frac{a_i}{p^{k_i}} \beta^i \right)$$

$$= \min_i (i - k_i; e)$$

Note: if  $\exists k_i > 0$ , then

$i - k_i e < 0$  because  $0 \leq i \leq e-1$

then  $\nu(d) < 0$  — contradicts the assumption  $d \in O_K$

$\Rightarrow k_i \leq 0 \Rightarrow d \in \mathbb{Z}[\beta]$

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 $\mathbb{Z}[\mu]$

Conclusion:  $O_K = \mathbb{Z}[\mu]$

The general case:  $\mu$  - primitive  $n$ -th root of unity for arbitrary  $n$   
 $K = \mathbb{Q}(\mu)$ .

Decompose  $n = p_1^{n_1} \cdots p_k^{n_k}$ ,  $p_i \neq p_j$ ,  $i \neq j$   
We may restrict to the case  $n = p_1^{n_1} p_2^{n_2}$   
the general case is done by induction  
on  $k$  similarly.

$$\mu_1 = \mu^{p_2^{n_2}}, \quad \mu_2 = \mu^{p_1^{n_1}}$$

prim.  $p_1^{n_1}$ -th  
root of unity      prim.  $p_2^{n_2}$ -th  
root of unity

$\Rightarrow K$  contains the subfields

$$K_1 = \mathbb{Q}(\mu_1) \text{ and } K_2 = \mathbb{Q}(\mu_2)$$

$K$  is generated by  $K_1$  and  $K_2$   
 (because  $\mu = \mu_1^a \mu_2^b$  for some  $a, b$ :  
 $a p_2^{r_2} + b p_1^{r_1} = 1$ )

Lemma 16.3  $K_1 \cap K_2 = \mathbb{Q}$

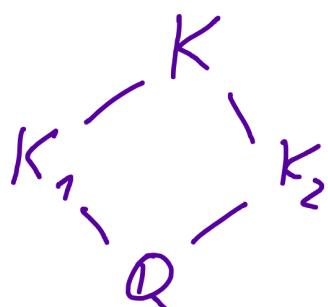
Proof Let  $K_0 = K_1 \cap K_2$

If  $K_0 \neq \mathbb{Q}$  then  $d_{K_0} > 1 \Rightarrow \exists$   
 a prime number  $p_0$  that ramifies in  $K_0$   
 (corollary from Thm 15.5)

$K_0 \subset K_1 \Rightarrow p_0$  ramifies in  $K_1$   
 The only prime that ramifies in  $K_1$  is  $p_1$

$$\Rightarrow p_0 = p_1.$$

$K_0 \subset K_2 \Rightarrow p_0 = p_2$  — contradiction:  $p_1 \neq p_2$   $\square$



Prop. 16.4 Assume  $K$  any number field,  
 $K_1, K_2 \subset K$  subfields, Galois /  $\mathbb{Q}$ .  
 $(d_{K_1}, d_{K_2}) = 1$ ,  $K$  is generated by  $K_1, K_2$

Then:

- 1) The natural map  $K_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K_2 \rightarrow K$   
is an isomorphism  $x \otimes y \mapsto xy$
- 2)  $K$  is Galois over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  
 $\text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q}) \cong \text{Gal}(K_1/\mathbb{Q}) \times \text{Gal}(K_2/\mathbb{Q})$
- 3) If  $\sigma_{K_1} = \langle \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \rangle$ ,  $\sigma_{K_2} = \langle \beta_1, \dots, \beta_m \rangle$   
as  $\mathbb{Z}$ -modules, then

$$\sigma_K = \langle \alpha_i \beta_j : i=1\dots n, j=1\dots m \rangle$$

Proof 1) Similar to Lemma 16.3:  $K_1 \cap K_2 = \mathbb{Q}$

Let  $K_1 = \mathbb{Q}(\beta) = \frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{(f)}$ ,  $f$  - monic min.  
poly of  $\beta$ .

$$\deg(f) = [K_1 : \mathbb{Q}]$$

$$K = K_2(\beta) \quad \text{by assumption}$$

$$\text{Assume } f = f_1 \cdot f_2 \text{ in } K_2[x]$$

Coeff. of  $f_i$  are in  $K_1$  / because

the roots of  $f_i$  are in  $K_1$ , since

$K_1$  is Galois over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ), but also in  $K_2$

$\Rightarrow f_1 \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ ; analogously  $f_2 \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$

$\Rightarrow$  either  $\deg f_1 = 1$ , or  $\deg f_2 = 1$

$\Rightarrow f$  is irreducible in  $K_2[x]$

$$\Rightarrow K \simeq \frac{K_2[x]}{(f)} \Rightarrow [K : \mathbb{Q}] = [k_1 : \mathbb{Q}] \cdot [k_2 : \mathbb{Q}]$$

$\Rightarrow K_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K_2 \rightarrow K$  is an isomorphism,  
because it is surj. by assumption and  
both sides have the same dimension.

2)  $\text{Gal}(K_1/\mathbb{Q}) \times \text{Gal}(K_2/\mathbb{Q})$  acts on  $K_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} K_2$

$$(g_1, g_2) \quad (g_1, g_2) \cdot x \otimes y = g_1 x \otimes g_2 y$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Gal}(K_1/\mathbb{Q}) \times \text{Gal}(K_2/\mathbb{Q}) \hookrightarrow \text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q})$$

is an isomorph. since both groups have  
the same order.  $[K : \mathbb{Q}]$

3)  $\alpha_i \beta_j$  span a sublattice in  $\mathcal{O}_K$

$\Rightarrow$  any element of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  is of the form

$$x = \sum_{i,j} \frac{d_{ij}}{c_{ij}} \alpha_i \beta_j \quad \text{for some} \\ d_{ij}, c_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}, (d_{ij}, c_{ij}) = 1$$

Write  $\gamma_i = \sum_j \frac{d_{ij}}{c_{ij}} \beta_j$ , then  $x = \sum_i d_i \gamma_i$

Let  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$  be elements of  $\text{Gal}(K_1/\mathbb{Q})$

They act on  $K$  fixing  $K_2$  (see above)

$$\sigma_\ell x = \sum_i \gamma_i \sigma_\ell(\alpha_i) \in \mathcal{O}_K, \quad \text{or}$$

in matrix form:

$$(*) \quad \begin{pmatrix} G_1(\alpha_1) & \dots & G_1(\alpha_n) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ G_n(\alpha_1) & \dots & G_n(\alpha_n) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} G_1(x) \\ \vdots \\ G_n(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

$(\det A)^2 = d_{K_1}$      $\det A \in \sigma_{K_1}$   
 Multiplying  $(*)$  by  $A^+$  (see a lemma  
 in Lecture 4)     $A^+ \cdot A = \det A \cdot \text{ID}$

$$\Rightarrow \det A \cdot \gamma_i \in \sigma_K$$

$$\Rightarrow (\det A)^2 \gamma_i = d_{K_1} \cdot \gamma_i \in \sigma_{K_2}$$

$$d_{K_1} \cdot \gamma_i = \sum_j \underbrace{\frac{d_{ij}}{c_{ij}}}_{\in \mathbb{Z}} \cdot d_{K_1} \cdot \beta_j \in \sigma_{K_2}$$

$\Rightarrow c_{ij}$  divide  $d_{K_1}$   
 analogously  $c_{ij}$  divide  $d_{K_2}$   
 but  $(d_{K_1}, d_{K_2}) = 1 \Rightarrow c_{ij} = \pm 1$

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