

# Algebraic Number Theory

Lecture Notes

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## 1 Integral elements

### Definition 1.1

$\varphi : A \rightarrow B$ ,  $b \in B$  is integral over  $A$  iff  $\exists f \in A[t]$  monic with  $f(b) = 0$ . The ring  $B$  is integral over  $A$  if all  $b \in B$  are integral over  $A$ .

Example 1.1.  $\sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{2}]$  is integral over  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2} \in \mathbb{Q}$  is not integral over  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

### Proposition 1.1

$\varphi : A \rightarrow B$  then the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $b$  is integral over  $A$
- (ii)  $A[b]$  is finitely generated as an  $A$ -module.
- (iii)  $A[b] \subset C \subset B$ ,  $C$  is finitely generated as an  $A$ -module.
- (iv) There exists a faithful  $A[b]$ -module  $M$  finite as an  $A$ -module.

### Definition 1.2

$A \subset B$ ,  $\bar{A} = \{b \in B \mid b \text{ integral over } A\}$  is called the integral closure of  $A$  in  $B$ .

### Corollary 1.1

$\bar{A}$  is a ring.

### Proposition 1.2

$A \subset B$ ,  $B \subset C$  are integral  $\Rightarrow A \subset C$  is integral.

### Corollary 1.2

$A \subset B$  then  $\bar{\bar{A}} = A$ .

OUR OBJECTS OF STUDY:  $\mathcal{O}_K$ . It is clearly integrally closed.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Q} & \longrightarrow & K \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow & \bar{\mathbb{Z}} =: \mathcal{O}_K \end{array}$$

Figure 1:  $\mathcal{O}_K$

Remark:  $A$  is UFD then  $A = \bar{A} \subset \text{Frac}(A)$

*Proof.* Same as for  $\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Q}$ . □

### Proposition 1.3

$A = \bar{A} \subset K = \text{Frac}(A)$ .  $L|K$  separable field extension. Then  $l \in L$  integral over  $A \Leftrightarrow f_l \in A[t]$ .

Example 1.2.  $K = \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{5}]$   $O_K = ?$ . Let  $x = a + b\sqrt{5} \in O_K \subset K$ . Then  $f_x = (X - x)(X - \bar{x}) = X^2 - 2aX + a^2 - 5b^2$ . Thus  $2a, a^2 - 5b^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ . From this one can calculate that  $O_K = \mathbb{Q}[\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}] \neq \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{5}]$ .

## 2 Free A-modules

### Theorem 2.1: Structure theorem for finitely generated Abelian groups

Any finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module  $M$  is isomorphic to  $M = \mathbb{Z}^r \oplus \mathbb{Z}/(d_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/(d_i)$ ,  $d_i \mid d_{i+1}$ . In other terms  $M = \mathbb{Z}^r \oplus \bigoplus_i \mathbb{Z}/(p_i^{e_i})$

Construction:  $B$  is an  $A$ -algebra free as an  $A$ -module. Let  $b \in B$ .  $\text{tr}(b) := \text{tr}(M_b)$ ,  $\text{Nm}(b) := \det(M_b)$  where  $M_b$  is the matrix of the multiplication map  $\cdot b$ . Then  $\text{tr} : B \rightarrow A$  is additive and  $A$ -linear and  $\text{Nm} : B \rightarrow A$  is multiplicative.

### Proposition 2.1

$L|K$  finite extension,  $[L : K] = n$ . Let  $l \in L$  with minimal polynomial  $f_l(x) = x^m - a_1x^{m-1} + \cdots \pm a_m$ . Let  $s = \frac{n}{m}$ . Then  $\text{tr}(l) = sa_1$ ,  $\text{Nm}(l) = a_m^s$ .

## 3 Bilinear forms

Let  $M$  be free as an  $A$ -module and let  $\Psi : M \times M \rightarrow A$  be a bilinear form with Gram-matrix  $G = (g_{ij})$ , i.e.  $g_{ij} = \Psi(e_i, e_j)$ . The discriminant of  $\Psi$  with respect to the standard basis is  $\text{disc } \Psi = \det(G)$ . Let  $B$  be a change-of-basis matrix. Then the Gram-matrix with respect to the new basis is given by  $G' = B^t G B$  meaning that  $\det(G') = \det(B)^2 \det(G)$ . This means that usually for rings the determinant of the Gram-matrix is not independent of the chosen basis. However if  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ , then the discriminant is independent of bases!

For a field extension  $L|K$  we define  $\text{disc}_{L|K} := \text{disc Tr}$ , where  $\text{Tr}$  is the trace form  $\text{Tr} : L \times L \rightarrow K$ ,  $(l, l') \mapsto \text{tr}(l \cdot l')$ .

Example 3.1.  $L = \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{d}]$ ,  $\mathcal{B} = (1, \sqrt{d})$ ,  $\text{Tr} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{tr}(1) & \text{tr}(\sqrt{d}) \\ \text{tr}(\sqrt{d}) & \text{tr}(d) \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $\text{disc}_{L|K}(\mathcal{B}) = 4d$ .

### Proposition 3.1

$L|K$  finite separable extension of degree  $n = [L : K]$ . Let  $\sigma_i : L \rightarrow \bar{L}$  be the embeddings of  $L$  in an algebraically closed field (or even the normal closure of  $L$ ). Then for any  $l \in L$ ,  $\text{tr}(l) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i(l)$  and  $\text{Nm}(l) = \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma_i(l)$ .

In particular, if  $L|K$  is Galois, then  $\text{tr}(l) = \sum_{\sigma \in \text{Gal}(L|K)} \sigma(l)$ .

$\Psi : M \times M \rightarrow A$ ,  $\text{disc}(\Psi) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \Psi$  is degenerate  $\Leftrightarrow \Psi(m, \cdot) \equiv 0$  for some  $m \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \Psi(\cdot, m) \equiv 0$  for some  $m \neq 0$ . We need the trace form to be non-degenerate for separable  $L|K$ .

### Theorem 3.1: Dedekind's theorem on the independence of characters

Let  $K$  be a field,  $G$  a group and  $\chi_i : G \rightarrow K^*$  pairwise different. Then  $\{\chi_i\}_{i \in I}$  is linearly independent over  $K$ .

### Proposition 3.2

Let  $A = \bar{A} \subset K$  and  $B$  be the integral closure of  $A$  in  $L$  for a finite field extension  $L|K$ . Then for any  $b \in B$ ,  $\text{tr}_{L|K}(b), \text{Nm}_{L|K}(b) \in A$ .

*Proof.* Since  $b \in B$ ,  $\text{minpol}(b) \in A[X]$ . □

### Proposition 3.3

Let  $L|K$  be a finite separable field extension,  $n = [L : K]$ . Let  $\sigma_i$  be the embeddings of  $L$  in its Galois closure. For a basis  $\mathcal{B} = (l_1, \dots, l_n)$  of  $L$  as a  $K$ -vector space we have  $\text{disc}_{L|K}^{\mathcal{B}} = \det^2((\sigma_i l_j)_{ij}) \neq 0$ .

*Proof.*  $\det(\text{Tr}_{L|K}) = \det((\text{tr}(l_i l_j))_{ij}) \det((\sum_k \sigma_k(l_i l_j))_{ij}) = \det((\sum_k \sigma_k(l_i) \sigma_k(l_j))) = \det^2(\sigma_k(l_i))$ . Let  $M = (\sigma_k l_j)_{kj}$ . Suppose  $\det M = 0$ . Then the rows are linearly dependent, meaning  $\sum \lambda_i \sigma_i(l_j) = 0 \forall j$ . Thus  $\sum \lambda_i \sigma_i \equiv 0$ , contradicting Dedekind's theorem on the independence of characters. □

### Theorem 3.2

Let  $A \subset K$  be integrally closed,  $L|K$  finite and separable of degree  $n$ . Then the integral closure  $B$  of  $A$  in  $L$  is a finitely generated  $A$ -module of rank  $n$ . The rank of a module  $B$  is defined as  $\dim_K(K \otimes_A B)$ . Furthermore

- if  $A$  is Noetherian, so is  $B$ .
- if  $A$  is a PID then  $B \cong A^{\oplus n}$

### Corollary 3.1

If  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  a finite field extension, then  $\mathcal{O}_K = \mathbb{Z}^n$  where  $n = [K : \mathbb{Q}]$ .

### Definition 3.1

A basis of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  as a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module is called an integral basis of  $\mathcal{O}_K$ .

### Example 3.2.

- Let  $K = \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{d}]$  and  $\mathcal{B} = (1, \sqrt{d})$  which is a basis of  $K$  consisting of integral elements. Then  $\text{disc}_{K|\mathbb{Q}}^{\mathcal{B}} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \text{tr}(1) & \text{tr}(\sqrt{d}) \\ \text{tr}(\sqrt{d}) & \text{tr}(d) \end{pmatrix} = 4d$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}' = (e_1, e_2)$  be an integral basis of  $\mathcal{O}_K$ . Then the elements of  $\mathcal{B}$  can be written as a linear combinations over  $\mathbb{Z}$  of the elements of  $\mathcal{B}'$  meaning  $\mathcal{B} = M\mathcal{B}'$  for some matrix  $M$ . Thus  $4d = \text{disc}^{\mathcal{B}} = \det^2(M) \text{disc}^{\mathcal{B}'}$ . Thus  $\det(M) \mid 2$ . If  $|\det(M)| = 2$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}(\mathcal{B}) \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}(\mathcal{B}')$  is of index 2. Thus the candidates to be checked for an integral basis of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  are  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{d}}{2}, \frac{1+\sqrt{d}}{2}$ . Since the first two can be easily discarded, we get  $(1, \frac{1+\sqrt{d}}{2})$  as an integral basis.
- Let  $\mathcal{B} = (e_1, \dots, e_n)$  be a basis of  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  consisting of integral elements.  $\text{disc}_{L|K}^{\mathcal{B}} = \pm \prod_{i=1}^n p_i e_i$ . If  $e_i < 2$ , then  $\mathcal{B}$  is automatically an integral basis. Else if there is only one prime  $p := p_i$  with  $e_i = 2$  and the rest  $e_j < 2$ , we only have to check elements of the form  $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n_i l_i}{p}$  to find an integral basis.

not necessarily an integral basis!

Let  $f \in K[X]$  with  $f = \prod (X\alpha_i)$  in  $\bar{K}$ .  $\Delta(f) := \prod_{i < j} (\alpha_i - \alpha_j)$  which is a polynomial in the coefficients of  $f$ . If  $\deg f = 2$  and  $f \in \mathbb{R}[X]$ . Then if  $x_1 = z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$ , then  $x_2 = \bar{z}$ , meaning  $z - \bar{z} \in i\mathbb{R} \Rightarrow (z - \bar{z})^2 \in \mathbb{R}_{\leq 0}$ . If  $\deg f = 3$  and  $\alpha_1$  is real and  $\alpha_2$  is not real, then  $\alpha_3 = \bar{\alpha}_1$ . Thus  $\Delta(f) \in i\mathbb{R}$ .

### Proposition 3.4

$O_K$  is the maximal subring of  $K$  finitely generated as a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module.

*Proof.* Let  $B \subset K$  be a finitely generated  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. Then by a previous theorem since  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a PID we have  $B = \mathbb{Z}^n$ . Let  $b \in B$ . Thus  $\mathbb{Z}[b]$  is free and finite as a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module meaning that  $b$  is integral over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Thus  $b \in O_K$ .  $\square$

### Proposition 3.5

Let  $L|K$  be a field extension. Let  $L = K[x]$  and  $f_x$  be the minimal polynomial of  $x$  over  $K$ . With  $\deg f = n$  and  $\mathcal{B} = (1, x, \dots, x^{n-1})$  basis of  $L$  let  $x_i = \sigma_i(x)$  be the different images of  $x$  under embeddings of  $L$  in its algebraic closure. Then

$$\text{disc}_{L|K}^{\mathcal{B}} = \prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)^2 = (-1)^{n(n-1)/2} \text{Nm}(f'(x))$$

Example 3.3. Let  $f = X^n - a$  and  $L = K[x]|K$  with  $x^n = a$ ,  $n \neq 0 \in L$ . Then  $g = f' = nx^{n-1} = n \frac{x^n}{x} = \frac{na}{x}$ . Clearly then  $y \in K[x]$ . Since  $x = \frac{na}{y} \in K[y]$  we have  $K[x] = K[y]$ . We need now only the minimal polynomial of  $y$ .  $0 = f(x) = f(\frac{na}{y}) = (\frac{na}{y})^n - a = 0 \Rightarrow y^n - n^n a^{n-1} = 0$ . Thus  $\text{Nm}(y) = \pm n^n \cdot a^{n-1}$  and  $\text{disc}^{\mathcal{B}} = \pm n^n a^{n-1}$ .

### Corollary 3.2

If  $f = X^n + aX + b$  then  $\text{disc}(f) = -a^n + (-1)^{n-1} b^{n-1}$ .

By a simple calculation

$$\text{disc}(f) = (-1)^{\binom{n}{2}} (1 - n)^{n-1} a^n + (-1)^{\binom{n}{2}} n^n b^{n-1}$$

We thus get

$$\text{disc}(X^2 + aX + b) = a^2 - 4b$$

$$\text{disc}(X^3 + aX + b) = -27b^2 - 4a^3$$

$$\text{disc}(X^5 + aX + b) = 5^5 b^4 - 4^4 a^5$$

Example 3.4.  $\text{disc}(X^5 - X - 1) = 19 \cdot 5 \cdot 3$  meaning that  $\mathcal{B} = (1, \cdot, x^4)$  is an integral basis of  $O_K$ .

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### Proposition 3.6

Let  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  be a finite field extension and  $\mathcal{B}$  a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -basis of  $K$ . Then  $\text{sgn}(\text{disc}^{\mathcal{B}}) = (-1)^s$  where  $s$  is the number of non-real embedding of  $K$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

### Theorem 3.3: Stickelberger's theorem

Let  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  be a finite extension of degree  $n$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be a basis of integral elements. Then  $\text{disc}^{\mathcal{B}} \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$ .

## 4 Dedekind rings

Example 4.1. Let  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  be a finite extension of degree  $n$ . Then

- $\mathcal{O}_K = \mathbb{Z}^n$
- is Noetherian
- is integrally closed
- $\text{Frac}(\mathcal{O}_K) = K$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathcal{O}_K$  be a non-zero ideal. Pick a non-zero element  $a \in \mathfrak{a}$ . Then  $\mathbb{Z}^n = (a) \subset \mathfrak{a} \subset \mathcal{O}_K = \mathbb{Z}^n$  thus  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathbb{Z}^n$  is a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module. This implies that  $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{a}$  is finite. In fact if we take a prime ideal  $0 \neq \mathfrak{p} \subset \mathcal{O}_K$  then  $\mathfrak{p}$  is maximal since every finite domain is a field.

Remark 4.1. This means that  $\mathcal{O}_K$  is of (Krull-)dimension 1.

### Definition 4.1

A ring  $A$  is a Dedekind ring if  $A$  is an integrally closed, Noetherian ring of dimension one.

Example 4.2.  $\mathcal{O}_K, K[x]$  are Dedekind.

### Lemma 4.1

Let  $A \subset B$  be a ring extension such that  $B$  is a finite  $A$ -module. Then  $A$  is a field  $\Leftrightarrow B$  is a field.

### Proposition 4.1

Let  $A \subset K := \text{Frac}(A)$  be a Dedekind ring and  $L|K$  be a finite separable field extension. Then the integral closure  $B = \overline{A} \subset L$  is also a Dedekind ring.

## 5 Valuations and DVR's

Section on local properties missing

### Definition 5.1

A valuation  $v$  on a field  $K$  is a group homomorphism  $v : K^* \rightarrow G$  where  $G$  is a totally ordered Abelian group satisfying  $v(\lambda + \mu) \geq \min(v(\lambda), v(\mu))$ . A valuation is discrete if  $G = \mathbb{Z}$ .

Remark 5.1. We sometimes assume that  $v : K^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is surjective.

### Definition 5.2

A domain  $A$  is a discrete valuation ring (DVR) if  $A = v^{-1}(\mathbb{N}_{\geq 0})$  for some discrete valuation on  $\text{Frac}(A)$ .

Example 5.1. Let  $K = \mathbb{Q}$  and fix a prime number  $p$ . Then for  $\frac{a}{b} = p^m \frac{\bar{a}}{\bar{b}}$  with  $(\bar{a}, \bar{b}) = (\bar{a}, p) = (\bar{b}, p) = 1$  we assign  $v_p(\frac{a}{b}) = m$ . This is a discrete valuation. Its DVR is  $v_p^{-1}(\mathbb{N}) = \{\frac{a}{b} \mid p \nmid b\} = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ .

### Proposition 5.1

Let  $v : K^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be a valuation and  $A = v^{-1}(\mathbb{N})$ . Let  $t \in v^{-1}(1)$ .

- (i)  $A$  is noetherian
- (ii)  $m = t$  is the only maximal ideal
- (iii)  $\mathfrak{a} \in A$  ideal then  $\mathfrak{a} = (t^n)$ .
- (iv)  $A$  is integrally closed

### Theorem 5.1

Let  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  be a local Dedekind domain. Then  $A$  is a DVR.

Remark 5.2. Let  $A$  be a Dedekind ring and  $\mathfrak{m} \subset A$  maximal. Then  $A_{\mathfrak{m}}$  is



a local Dedekind ring  $\Rightarrow A_{\mathfrak{m}}$  is a DVR.

### Theorem 5.2

Let  $A \subset K$  be a Dedekind ring, and  $\mathfrak{a} \subset A$  be an ideal. Then  $\mathfrak{a} = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{m}_i^{e_i}$ . This product is unique upto refactoring.

### Lemma 5.1

Let  $A$  be a Dedekind ring, then any ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \subset A$  contains a product of maximal ideals.

### Lemma 5.2

Let  $A$  be a ring  $\mathfrak{m} \subset A$  maximal. Let  $\mathfrak{m}_{\mathfrak{m}}$  be the maximal ideal of the local ring  $A_{\mathfrak{m}} = (A \setminus \mathfrak{m})^{-1}A$ . Then for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$   $A/\mathfrak{m}^n \cong A_{\mathfrak{m}}/\mathfrak{m}_{\mathfrak{m}}^n$ .

## 6 Projective modules over Dedekind rings

### Definition 6.1

$M \in \text{Mod}(A)$  is *projective* if for every modules  $N$  and  $N^*$  with a surjection  $\pi : N \twoheadrightarrow N^*$  and homomorphism  $\alpha : M \rightarrow N^*$  there exists a so called *lift*  $\tilde{\alpha} : M \rightarrow N$  such that  $\alpha = \pi \circ \tilde{\alpha}$ .

Example 6.1.

- $M = A^n$  is projective.
- $M$  is projective  $\Rightarrow M \oplus M'$  is free for some  $M'$ .

### Corollary 6.1

$0 \neq \mathfrak{a} \subset A$  ideal is a Dedekind ring. Then  $\mathfrak{a}$  is projective as an  $A$ -module.

### Corollary 6.2: Existence of inverse

For any  $\mathfrak{a} \neq 0$  there exists an ideal  $\mathfrak{b}$  such that  $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b} = (c)$  for some  $c \in A$ .

## 7 Ideal class group

### Definition 7.1

A fractional ideal is finitely generated  $A$ -module in  $K = \text{Frac } A$ .

Remark 7.1.  $M = \langle \frac{a_i}{s_i} \rangle$ . Let  $s = \prod_{i=1}^N a_i$ . Then  $sM = \langle a_i \rangle = \mathfrak{a}$  is an ideal. Thus all fractional ideals are of the form  $\frac{1}{s}\mathfrak{a}$  for some ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$ .

Remark 7.2. Let  $\lambda, \mu \in K^*$ . Define  $(\lambda) = A\lambda$ . Then  $(\lambda) = (\mu) \Leftrightarrow \mu \in (\lambda) \wedge \lambda \in (\mu) \Leftrightarrow \lambda = u\mu$  for some unit  $u$ .

### Definition 7.2: Ideal class group

Define the *ideal class group*  $\text{Cl}_K$  through the following exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow A^* \rightarrow K^* \rightarrow \text{Frac Id}(A) \rightarrow \text{Cl}_K \rightarrow 0$ , where  $\text{Frac Id}$  is the set of all fractional ideals. Then  $\text{Cl}_K$  is a group.

### Definition 7.3

Let  $A \subset K = \text{Frac } A$  be a Dedekind ring and  $L|K$  be a finite field extension. Let  $B$  be the integral closure of  $A$  in  $L$ . Then  $B$  is Dedekind. Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a prime ideal of  $A$ . Then  $\mathfrak{p}^e = \prod_{i=1}^g \mathfrak{p}_i^{e_i}$ . The  $e_i$  are called the *ramification index* of  $\mathfrak{p}_i$ .  $f_i = [B/\mathfrak{p}_i : A/\mathfrak{p}]$  is called the *inertial degree*.

### Theorem 7.1

$n = \sum_{i=1}^g e_i f_i$ . If  $L|K$  is Galois then the Galois group  $G$  acts transitively on the prime ideals  $\mathfrak{p}_i$ . We then have  $e_i = e$ ,  $f_i = f$  for all  $i$  and thus  $n = efg$ .

### Proposition 7.1

Let  $A \subset K$  be Dedekind.

- $\mathfrak{a} \subset A$  is projective
- $M$  is projective  $\Rightarrow M \cong A^{n-1} \oplus \mathfrak{a}$ .
- $A^{n-1} \oplus \mathfrak{a} \cong A^{n-1} \oplus \mathfrak{b} \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{a} \sim \mathfrak{b}$ .
- $\forall S \subset A \ S^{-1}A \otimes_A M \cong S^{-1}M$ .

### Theorem 7.2: L

Let  $A \subset K$  be Dedekind,  $L|K$  finite field extension and  $B$  the integral closure of  $A$  in  $L$ . Assume that  $B \cong A^n$  and that  $\forall \mathfrak{p} \subset A$   $A/\mathfrak{p}$  is perfect. Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a basis of  $B$  as an  $A$ -module. Then  $(\Delta_{L|K}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{p}_i^{e_i}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{p} \subset A$  is ramified  $\Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{p}$  is one of the  $\mathfrak{p}_i$ .

### Corollary 7.1

Let  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  be finite. Then there are only finitely many primes dividing  $\Delta_{K|\mathbb{Q}}$ , meaning that only finitely many primes ramify.

## 8 Norm of an ideal

### Definition 8.1

Let  $L|K$  a finite field extension and  $\mathfrak{q} \subset \mathcal{O}_K$ . Then  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathcal{O}_K \cap \mathfrak{q}$  is also prime. Let  $[\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{q} : \mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}] = f$ . Then we define the *norm* of  $\mathfrak{q}$  by  $\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{q}) = \mathfrak{q}^f$ . Define  $\text{Nm}(\prod_i \mathfrak{q}_i^{e_i}) = \prod_i \text{Nm}(\mathfrak{q}_i)^{e_i}$ .

### Proposition 8.1

- $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathcal{O}_K$  then  $\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{a}^e) = \mathfrak{a}^n$ .
- $L|K$  Galois, then  $\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{a}) = \prod_{\sigma \in G} \sigma(\mathfrak{a})$ .
- $\text{Nm}_{M|K} = \text{Nm}_{L|K} \circ \text{Nm}_{M|L}$  for a tower  $K \rightarrow L \rightarrow M$  of fields.
- $b \in \mathcal{O}_K$  then  $\text{Nm}((b)) = (\text{Nm}(b))$ .

## 9 Lattices

### Definition 9.1: Lattice

Let  $V \cong \mathbb{R}^n$  be a Euclidean vector space  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ . A subgroup  $\Lambda \subset V$  is called a *lattice* if

- $\Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^n$
- $\Lambda$  is spanned by a basis of  $V$

Example 9.1.  $\mathbb{Z}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $\mathcal{B}_\Lambda = (l_1, \dots, l_n)$  is a lattice basis, then for any other basis  $\mathcal{B}'_\Lambda = A \cdot \mathcal{B}_\Lambda$  with  $A \in \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{Z})$

### Definition 9.2

Let  $\Lambda$  be a lattice. The *covolume* of  $\Lambda$  for a basis  $\mathcal{B}_\Lambda = (l_i)$  is the determinant  $\det(G)$  where  $G = (g_{ij})$  with  $g_{ij} = \langle l_i, l_j \rangle$ .

Remark 9.1. • For a different basis  $\mathcal{B}' = A\mathcal{B}$  we have  $\deg(G') = \det(A^tGA) = \det(A)^2 \det(B)$ .

- $\text{covol}(\Lambda) = \text{vol}(V/\Lambda) = \text{vol}(F)$  where  $F = \{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i l_i \mid x_i \in [0, 1]\}$ .

### Definition 9.3

A subset  $K \subset V$  is called

- *central* if  $x \in K \Leftrightarrow -x \in K$ .
- *convex* if  $x, y \in K \Rightarrow tx + (1-t)y \in K \forall t \in [0, 1]$ .

### Theorem 9.1: Minkowski's lattice point theorem

Let  $K \subset V$  be a compact, convex and central subset such that  $\mu(K) \geq 2^n \mu(F_\Lambda)$ . Then  $K$  contains a non-zero lattice point of  $\Lambda$ .

Let  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  be a number field of degree  $n$ . Since the extension is separable there exists an  $\alpha \in K$  with  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  with  $f = f_\alpha$  its minimal polynomial. We will construct  $V_K \cong \mathbb{R}^n$ . For any root  $\alpha_i$  of  $f$  we get an embedding  $K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Let  $r$  be the number of purely real embeddings and  $s$  be the number of pairs of non-real complex embeddings. Then  $n = r + 2s$ . Let now

$$V_K = \bigoplus_{\sigma_i: K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \mathbb{R} \oplus \bigoplus_{\sigma_i: K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}$$

Then  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} V_K = r + 2s = n$ . Consider  $v \in V_K$  with  $v = (x_1, \dots, x_r, z_1, \dots, z_s)$ . Define

$$\|v\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^r x_i^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^s \|z_i\|^2$$

. Let  $v : K \rightarrow V_K$  be given by  $v(a)_i = \sigma_i(a)$ .

### Theorem 9.2

$v(\mathcal{O}_K)$  is a lattice in  $V_K$  of covolume  $2^{-s} \sqrt{|\Delta_K|}$ .

### Theorem 9.3

Let  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  be finite. Then for any class  $[\mathfrak{a}] \in \text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_K)$  there exists an ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \in [\mathfrak{a}]$  such that

- $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathcal{O}_K$ .
- $\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{a}) \leq \frac{n!}{n^n} \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right)^s \sqrt{|\Delta_K|}$

### Corollary 9.1

$\text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_K)$  is finite.

### Corollary 9.2

Let  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  be a number field of degree  $n \geq 2$ . Then  $\Delta_K \neq 1$ .

### Proposition 9.1

- $\text{covol}(\sigma(\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{a})))\sqrt{|\Delta_K|}$ .
- $x_i \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

### Proposition 9.2: AM-GM Inequality

For  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  we have  $\sqrt[n]{\prod_i x_i} \leq \frac{\sum_i x_i}{n}$

*Proof.* WLOG we may assume that  $\sum_i x_i = 1$ . Let  $K := \{x \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \mid \sum_i x_i = 1\}$ . The set is clearly compact. Consider now  $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $(x_i) \mapsto \prod_i x_i$ . Since the function is continuous, there must a maximum. Then  $\nabla f = (\prod_i x_i) \left(\frac{1}{x_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{x_n}\right)^t$ . Let  $x$  be the maximum of  $f$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}^n$  arbitrary.  $f(x + \varepsilon t) = f(x) + \varepsilon t \cdot \nabla f$  for  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Thus  $t \perp \nabla f(x)$ . Choosing  $t = (1, -1, 0, \dots, 0)^t$  we get  $x_1 = x_2$ . Similarly  $x_1 = \dots = x_n = \frac{1}{n}$ . Thus we get  $\prod_i x_i \leq \frac{1}{n^n}$ .  $\square$

$K = K(t) := \{x \in V_K \mid \sum_{i=1}^r |x_i| + 2 \sum_{i=1}^s \|x_{r+i}\| \leq t\}$ . Then  $K$  is closed. Furthermore  $\text{vol}(K(t)) = t^n \text{vol}(K(1))$ .

### Proposition 9.3

$$\text{vol } K(1) = \frac{2^r \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^s}{n!}.$$

#### Theorem 9.4

For any class  $\eta \in \text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_K)$  there exists a non-fractional ideal  $\mathfrak{a} \in \eta$  with  $\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{a}) \leq \frac{n!}{n^n} \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right)^s \sqrt{|\Delta_K|}$ .

#### Theorem 9.5

A subgroup  $\Gamma \subset V$  is discrete  $\Leftrightarrow \Gamma$  is a lattice.

## 10 Unit theorem

Main result to be proved:

#### Theorem 10.1: Unit theorem

Let  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  be finite of degree  $n = r + 2s$ . Then  $u_K = \mathcal{O}_K^* = \mu(K) \oplus \mathbb{Z}^{r+s-1}$  where  $\mu(K) = \{\lambda \in K \mid \exists n(\lambda) : \lambda^{n(\lambda)} = 1\}$ .

Example 10.1.  $\mu(\mathbb{Q}(i)) = \langle i \rangle$ .

#### Lemma 10.1: Easy finiteness lemma

Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

$$\#(\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{integral over } \mathbb{Z}; \deg(z) \leq m; \|\sigma_i z\| \leq M \forall i\}) < \infty$$

#### Proposition 10.1

Let  $z \in K^*$ . Then we have  $z \in \mu(K) \Leftrightarrow \|\sigma(z)\| = 1 \forall \sigma : K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

Remark 10.1.  $\mu(K) \subset U_K = \mathcal{O}_K^* \subset \mathcal{O}_K$

#### Theorem 10.2

$\text{rank } U_K = r + s - 1$ . In particular  $U_K \cong \mu(K) \oplus \mathbb{Z}^{r+s-1}$ .

## 11 Regulator

Let  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  be a number field. Then  $\mathcal{O}_K^* = \mathbb{Z}/(m) \oplus \mathbb{Z}^{r+s-1}$ . We can embed  $L : \mathcal{O}_K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{r+s}$  by  $L(x) = (\log(|\sigma_1(x)|), \dots, \log(\|\sigma_{r+s}(x)\|^2))$ . The image  $\text{im } L$  is a lattice in  $H = ((1, \dots, 1)^t)^\perp$ .

### Definition 11.1: Regulator

The *regulator*  $R_K$  of  $K$  is

$$R_K = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r+s}} \cdot \text{covol}((L(\mathcal{O}_K^*) \subset H))$$

Let  $v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r+s}}(1, \dots, 1)^t$ , which is of norm 1. Then  $R_K = \text{covol}(\Lambda = (L(\varepsilon_1), \dots, L(\varepsilon_{r+s-1}), v))$

### Proposition 11.1

$R_K = |\det(M_{ij})|$  with  $(M_{ij}) = (L(\varepsilon_1), \dots, v)$

### Corollary 11.1

$R_K = |\det((L(\varepsilon_1), \dots, L(\varepsilon_{r+s-1})))|$

Example 11.1. Let  $K = \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{d}]$  and  $\varepsilon = a + b\sqrt{d}$  be a generator of  $U_K$ .  
 $R_K = \log|z|$ .

## 12 Dedekind zeta Function

### Definition 12.1

Let  $K|\mathbb{Q}$  be a number field of degree  $n = r + 2s$ . Let  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{r+s}$  be the embeddings of  $K$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $h := \text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_K)$  and  $\mathbb{R}_K$  the regulator of  $K$ . The *Dirichlet zeta function* is defined by

$$\zeta_K(s) = \sum_{0 \neq \mathfrak{a} \subset \mathcal{O}_K} \frac{1}{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{a})^s}$$

Remark 12.1. For  $K = \mathbb{Q}$  the function is well defined for  $s > 1$  (even for  $s \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\Re(s) > 1$ , not relevant here though). Note that the function  $x \mapsto x^{-s}$  is strictly decreasing. Thus  $\int_{n-1}^n x^{-s} dx > \frac{1}{n^s} > \int_n^{n+1} x^{-s} dx$ . Hence  $1 + \int_1^\infty x^{-s} dx > \zeta_{\mathbb{Q}}(s) > \int_1^\infty x^{-s} dx$ . Therefore  $s > (s-1)\zeta_{\mathbb{Q}}(s) > 1$ . Thus

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \zeta_{\mathbb{Q}}(s)(s-1) = 1$$

.

### Theorem 12.1: Dream

$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} \zeta_K(s)(s-1) = h_K \cdot c_K$  for some easy function  $c_K$  depending on  $r, s, R_K$ .

1° trick:

### Proposition 12.1

$$\zeta_K(s) = \sum_{c \in \text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_K)} \sum_{[\mathfrak{a}] = c} \frac{1}{\text{Nm}(\mathfrak{a})^s} =: \sum_{c \in \text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_K)} \zeta_c(s)$$

.

### Definition 12.2: Fundamental domain

Let  $l^* = (1, \dots, 1, 2, \dots, 2)$  ( $r$  and  $s$  times respectively). Then  $l^*, L(\varepsilon_1), \dots, L(\varepsilon_{r+s-1})$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^{r+s}$  for  $\varepsilon_i$  being a list of generators of  $U_K$ . Then the *fundamental domain*  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} X = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid & 0 \leq \arg(x_1) \leq \frac{2\pi}{m}; \\ & \text{Nm}(x) \neq 0; \\ & L(x) = \lambda l^* + \sum_{i=1}^{r+s-1} \lambda_i L(\varepsilon_i) \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}, \lambda_i \in [0, 1)\} \end{aligned}$$

### Proposition 12.2

Let  $c \in \text{Cl}(\mathcal{O}_K)$  and  $\mathfrak{a}'$  be a non-fractional ideal such that  $c^{-1} = [\mathfrak{a}']$ . Then

$$\zeta_C = N(\mathfrak{a}')^s \sum_{(a) \subset \mathfrak{a}} \frac{1}{|\text{N}(a)|^s} = N(\mathfrak{a}')^s \sum_{a \in \mathfrak{a}'; \sigma(a) \in X} \frac{1}{|\text{N}(a)|^s}$$

Define  $S := \{x \in X \mid \text{N}(x) = 1\}$  and  $T := \{x \in X \mid \text{N}(x) \leq 1\}$ .

### Lemma 12.1

$S$  is bounded.



**Lemma 12.2**

$T$  is bounded.

**Lemma 12.3**

Let  $u \in U_K$  and  $m_u : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  given by  $(x_1, \dots, z_{r+s})^t \mapsto (\sigma_1(u)x_1, \dots, \sigma_{r+s}(u)z_{r+s})^t$ . Then  $m_u$  is volume preserving.

Let  $\mu(K) = \langle \eta \rangle$ . Define  $T_K := \eta^k T$  for  $k = 0, \dots, m-1$ . Also define  $T_{\text{all}} = \bigcup_{k=0}^{m-1} T_K$ . Then clearly  $\mu(T_{\text{all}}) = m\mu(T)$ . Let  $\bar{T} \subset T_{\text{all}}$  such that  $x_i > 0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, r$ . Then

$$\mu(\bar{T}) = 2^{-r} \mu(T_{\text{all}}) = \frac{m}{2^r} \mu(T)$$

**Proposition 12.3**

$$\text{vol}(T) = \frac{R_K \cdot \pi^s \cdot 2^r}{m}$$