

PART I
ALGEBRAIC NUMBER THEORY

1. INTRODUCTION

Let $\mathbb{Q} = \{\frac{a}{b}; a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0\}$.

Then we can regard \mathbb{Z} as

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}; f(\alpha) = 0 \text{ for some } f(X) = X + b \in \mathbb{Z}[X]\}.$$

We can associate with \mathbb{Z} the Riemann zeta function

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \neq 0} \frac{1}{N\mathfrak{a}^s}$$

where each nonzero ideal \mathfrak{a} of \mathbb{Z} is of the form $\mathfrak{a} = n\mathbb{Z}$ and $N\mathfrak{a} = |n| = \#(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})$.

The above series converges for $\text{Re}(s) > 1$, and $\zeta(s)$ can be meromorphically continued to a function which is analytic everywhere except for a simple pole at $s = 1$, where it has residue 1, so $\zeta(s) = \frac{1}{s-1} + g(s)$, where g is an entire function of s . The Riemann zeta function also has a functional equation

$$\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = h(s) = h(1-s)$$

and an Euler product

$$\zeta(s) = \prod_p (1 - p^{-s})^{-1}.$$

By studying $\zeta(s)$ as a function of s , one obtains information about primes and integers, e.g. the existence of infinitely many primes.

Example Let

$$g(s) = \sum_{m \text{ square-free}} \frac{1}{m^s} = \prod_p \left(1 + \frac{1}{p^s}\right) = \prod_p \frac{1 - p^{-2s}}{1 - p^{-s}} = \frac{\zeta(s)}{\zeta(2s)}$$

Then

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1} (s-1)g(s) = \frac{1}{\frac{\pi^2}{6}} = \frac{6}{\pi^2}$$

so $\approx \frac{2}{3}$ of the integers are square-free.

Now let $r(n)$ denote number of ways in which n can be written as a sum of two squares.

Then

$$r(n) = 4[\#\text{divisors of } n \text{ which are } \equiv 1 \pmod{4}] - [\#\text{divisors of } n \text{ which are } \equiv 3 \pmod{4}]$$

Define

$$\chi(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ -1 & \text{if } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

which is a character mod 4.

Then $r(n) = 4 \sum_{d|n} \chi(d)$, so

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{r(n)}{n^s} = 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{d|n} \chi(d) \right) n^{-s} = 4 \left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m^{-s} \right) \left(\sum_{d=1}^{\infty} \chi(d) d^{-s} \right) = 4\zeta(s)L(s, \chi)$$

And now consider the field $\mathbb{Q}(i)$. The solutions of the equation with integer coefficients

$$x^2 + bx + c = 0$$

in this field are

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}$$

if $b^2 - 4c = -m^2$. If b is odd, the LHS is $\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, but the RHS is $\equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}$.

Therefore, b has to be even, $b = 2b'$, and so $x = -b' + m'i$.

Hence the ring of integers is $\mathcal{O} = \{a + bi; a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. The ideals of this ring are all of the form $\mathfrak{a} = (a + bi)$ and $N\mathfrak{a} = \#(\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{a}) = a^2 + b^2$.

Thus

$$\zeta_{\mathbb{Q}(i)}(s) = \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \neq 0} \frac{1}{N\mathfrak{a}^s} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{(a,b) \neq (0,0)} \frac{1}{(a^2 + b^2)^s} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{r(n)}{n^s} = \zeta(s)L(s, \chi)$$

and

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 1} (s-1)\zeta_{\mathbb{Q}(i)}(s) = L(1, \chi) = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \cdots = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

which can be written as

$$\frac{(2\pi) \cdot 1}{4\sqrt{4}}.$$

For a general imaginary quadratic number field $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-D})$, we have a class number h_K and a discriminant d_K , and, for $D > 3$,

$$\text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_K(s) = \frac{\pi h_K}{\sqrt{|d_K|}}.$$

As we will see, for an arbitrary number field K , $\text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_K(s)$ encodes important arithmetic information about the field K .

2. FACTS ABOUT FIELDS - REVIEW

We assume a basic familiarity with Galois theory, so here we are only reviewing the main facts that we will need later on.

Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be an integral domain and let k be its quotient field.

For $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ let B denote the set of elements of $k(\alpha)$ satisfying some monic polynomial with coefficients in A . Then $B \subseteq k(\alpha)$ and B is the integral closure of A in $k(\alpha)$.

If $f \in k[X]$ is an irreducible polynomial over k and $f(\alpha) = 0$, then $k(\alpha)$ is a vector space over k of dimension $n = \deg(f)$ and $\{1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^{n-1}\}$ is a k -basis of $k(\alpha)$.

If α' is some other root of the polynomial f , then $k(\alpha) \cong k(\alpha')$ via the map that sends $\alpha \mapsto \alpha'$ and leaves k fixed. In this case α and α' are called *conjugates* over k and $k(\alpha), k(\alpha')$ are called *conjugate fields*.

If $\beta = \sum a_j \alpha^j$, a conjugate of β is $\beta' = \sum a_j \alpha'^j$.

Theorem 1. (Primitive Element) *Suppose the complex numbers α and β are algebraic over k . Then there is an element $\theta \in \mathbb{C}$, algebraic over k , such that $k(\alpha, \beta) = k(\theta)$*

Definition 1. *An algebraic extension $K = k(\theta)$ of k is normal over k if all the conjugates of θ are in K .*

Theorem 2. *An algebraic extension K/k is normal iff for every $\alpha \in K$ all the conjugates of α are also in K .*

Theorem 3. *Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ be the zeros of the polynomial $f \in k[X]$ and β_1, \dots, β_m be the roots of the polynomial $g \in k[X]$. Then $k(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_m)$ is normal over k .*

Definition 2. *Let K/k be a Galois extension of fields of Galois group G . We say that an intermediate subfield L of this extension, $k \subseteq L \subseteq K$ is fixed by an element $g \in G$ if g fixes every element of L . We say that L is fixed by $H \subseteq G$ if L is fixed by every element of H .*

The field consisting of all the elements of K that are fixed by H is called the fixed field corresponding to H and is denoted by K^H .

Theorem 4. (Fundamental Theorem of Galois Theory) *Suppose K is a normal algebraic extension of k . Then there is a 1 – 1 correspondence between the intermediate fields $k \subseteq L \subseteq K$ and the subgroups $H \subseteq G$, given in one direction by $L \mapsto \text{Gal}(K/L)$ and in the other direction by $H \mapsto K^H$.*

Corollary 5. $[K : K^H] = \#H$ and $[K^H : K] = \frac{\#G}{\#H}$.

Definition 3. *If L_1 and L_2 are two subfields of $k(\theta)$ containing k , their composite is the smallest subfield of $k(\theta)$ containing both of them and it is denoted by L_1L_2 .*

Note that, if $L_j = k(\alpha_j)$, $j = 1, 2$, then $L_1L_2 = k(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$.

Also, if H_1, H_2 are subgroups of a group G , then will denote by $\langle H_1, H_2 \rangle$ the smallest subgroup of G containing both H_1 and H_2 .

For the foreseeable future, we will consider K/k to be a Galois extension with Galois group G . (Recall that a Galois extension is by definition normal.)

Theorem 6. Suppose L_1 and L_2 are two intermediate fields of the extension K/k and $H_j = \text{Gal}(K/L_j)$, $j = 1, 2$. Then $L_1 \supseteq L_2$ iff $H_1 \subseteq H_2$. Also, $\text{Gal}(K/L_1 L_2) = H_1 \cap H_2$ and $\text{Gal}(K/L_1 \cap L_2) = \langle H_1, H_2 \rangle$.

Theorem 7. Suppose $k(\alpha) \subseteq K$ and let $\alpha^{(1)}, \dots, \alpha^{(n)}$ denote the algebraic conjugates of α , where $n = [k(\alpha) : k]$. Then the isomorphism $k(\alpha) \rightarrow k(\alpha^{(i)})$ can be extended to an automorphism of K . If $g \in G$ maps $g(\alpha) = \alpha^{(i)}$, and $H = \text{Gal}(K/k(\alpha))$, then the $[K : k(\alpha)]$ elements of G that send $\alpha \mapsto \alpha^{(i)}$ are exactly the elements in gH . Finally, $\text{Gal}(K/k(\alpha^{(i)})) = gHg^{-1}$.

Theorem 8. Suppose L is an intermediate field of the extension K/k and $H = \text{Gal}(K/L)$. Then L/k is normal iff H is a normal subgroup of G and in this case $\text{Gal}(L/k) = G/H$.

Example Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$. Then $[K : \mathbb{Q}] = 4$ and K is a normal extension of \mathbb{Q} . Let $A = \sqrt{2}$, $B = -\sqrt{2}$, $C = \sqrt{3}$, and $D = -\sqrt{3}$. Let (A, B) denote the automorphism of K/\mathbb{Q} that sends $A \mapsto B$ and leaves C and D fixed and let (C, D) denote the automorphism of K/\mathbb{Q} that sends $C \mapsto D$ and leaves A and B fixed. Then $G = \{1, (A, B), (C, D), (A, B)(C, D)\}$. The subgroups of G are (1) , $H_1 = \{1, (A, B)\}$, $H_2 = \{1, (C, D)\}$, $H_3 = \{1, (A, B)(C, D)\}$, and G itself.

Then $K^{H_1} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$, $K^{H_2} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$, and $K^{H_3} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{6})$.

We can also write K as $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})$. Let $a = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$. The conjugates of a are a itself, $b = -\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$, $c = \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}$, and $d = -\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}$. The automorphism of K that sends

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So $G = \{1, (a, b)(c, d), (a, c)(b, d), (a, d)(b, c)\}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} K^{(a, b)(c, d)} &= \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}) \\ K^{(a, c)(b, d)} &= \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) \\ K^{(a, d)(b, c)} &= \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{6}). \end{aligned}$$

3. THE IDEAL CLASS GROUP

Let K be an algebraic number field, i.e. a finite extension of \mathbb{Q} , of degree n and \mathcal{O}_K its ring of integers. To avoid confusion, we will call the elements of \mathbb{Z} rational integers. Note that $\mathcal{O}_K \cap \mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Z}$. Indeed, if $\frac{r}{s}$ is a rational number written in lowest terms that is a root of some equation with rational integers coefficients $x^m + a_{m-1}x^{m-1} + \dots + a_0 = 0$, then $r^m + a_{m-1}r^{m-1}s + \dots + a_0s^m = 0$, hence $s \mid r^m$. But since $\gcd(r, s) = 1$, this implies that $s = \pm 1$, hence $\frac{r}{s} \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Also note that if $a_m\alpha^m + a_{m-1}\alpha^{m-1} + \dots + a_0 = 0$, $a_j \in \mathbb{C}$, $0 \leq j \leq m$, and $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$, then $a_m\alpha$ satisfies the monic equation $x^m + a_{m-1}x^{m-1} + \dots + a_m^{m-1}a_0 = 0$, so $a_m\alpha$ is integral over the ring $\mathbb{Z}[a_0, \dots, a_m]$.

Lemma 9. *Suppose $f(X)$ is a polynomial with algebraic integer coefficients and u is a root of f . Then $\frac{f(X)}{X-u}$ is also a polynomial with algebraic integer coefficients.*

Proof: We prove this by induction over $m = \deg f$. The polynomial f is of the form $f(X) = \theta_m X^m + \theta_{m-1} X^{m-1} + \dots + \theta_0$ with $\theta_0, \dots, \theta_m$ are algebraic integers. Therefore $\mathbb{Z}[\theta_0, \dots, \theta_m]$ is integral over \mathbb{Z} .

If $m = 1$, then $f(X) = \theta_1(X - u)$. Hence $\frac{f(X)}{X-u} = \theta_1$, which is an algebraic integer.

Now assume the lemma holds for all polynomials of degree at most $m - 1$. We want to show that it holds for the polynomial f . As we have seen, $\theta_m u$ is integral over $\mathbb{Z}[\theta_0, \dots, \theta_m]$, which, in turn, is integral over \mathbb{Z} . Thus $\theta_m u$ is an algebraic integer and the polynomial $g(X) = f(X) - \theta_m(X - u)X^{m-1}$ has algebraic integer coefficients. Also, $\deg g \leq m - 1$ and $g(u) = 0$. So we can apply the induction hypothesis to g and, therefore, $\frac{g(X)}{X-u}$ has algebraic integer coefficients. But $\frac{f(X)}{X-u} = \frac{g(X)}{X-u} + \theta_m X^{m-1}$, so the lemma also holds for f . \square

Lemma 10. *Suppose $f(X) = \theta_m(X - u_1) \dots (X - u_m)$ has algebraic integer coefficients. Then $\theta_m u_1 \dots u_j$ is an algebraic integer for each j , $1 \leq j \leq m$.*

Proof: If $j = m$, the product is actually equal, up to sign, to the constant term of f , and therefore it is an algebraic integer. For $j < m$, the product is equal, up to sign, to the constant term of the polynomial $g(X) = \frac{f(X)}{(X - u_{j+1}) \dots (X - u_m)}$. By the previous lemma, g has algebraic integer coefficients, so $\theta_m u_1 \dots u_j$ is an algebraic integer. \square

Definition 4. If α and β are two elements of some algebraic number field, we say that α divides β and write $\alpha \mid \beta$ if there is an element a of the ring of integers of the field, such that $\beta = a\alpha$.

Theorem 11. Let $f(X) = \sum_{i=0}^m \alpha_i X^i$ and $g(X) = \sum_{j=0}^r \beta_j X^j$ be two polynomials with algebraic integer coefficients and let $h = fg$. Suppose that $\delta \neq 0$ divides all the coefficients of h . Then $\delta \mid \alpha_i \beta_j$ for all i and j .

Proof: Let $f(X) = \alpha_m(X - u_1) \dots (X - u_m)$ and $g(X) = \beta_r(X - v_1) \dots (X - v_r)$. Then $\frac{h(X)}{\delta} = \frac{\alpha_m \beta_r}{\delta} (X - u_1) \dots (X - u_m)(X - v_1) \dots (X - v_r)$ has algebraic integer coefficients. So $\delta \mid \alpha_m \beta_r$. By the previous lemma,

$$\frac{\alpha_m \beta_r}{\delta} \cdot (\text{any product of the } u_i \text{'s}) \cdot (\text{any product of the } v_j \text{'s})$$

is an algebraic integer. Now, by the Viéte relations for all $0 \leq i \leq m$ and all $0 \leq j \leq r$, $\frac{\alpha_i}{\alpha_m}$ is a sum of products of the u_i 's and $\frac{\beta_j}{\beta_r}$ is a sum of products of the v_j 's. Thus, $\frac{\alpha_i \beta_j}{\delta} = \frac{\alpha_m \beta_r}{\delta} \frac{\alpha_i}{\alpha_m} \frac{\beta_j}{\beta_r}$ is equal to a sum of terms of the form $\frac{\alpha_m \beta_r}{\delta} \cdot (\text{product of some } u_i \text{'s}) \cdot (\text{product of some } v_j \text{'s})$ and, therefore, an algebraic integer. \square

Corollary 12. (Gauss) Suppose $f, g \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$ and fg has integer coefficients. Then there exists an $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ s.t. $rf(X)$ and $\frac{1}{r}g(X)$ have integer coefficients.

Proof: Let $h = fg$. Choose $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ s.t. rf has relatively prime integer coefficients.

Denote $F(X) = rf(X) = \sum_{i=0}^m a_i X^i \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ and $G(X) = \frac{1}{r}g(X) \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$. Let $d \in \mathbb{Z}$, $d \neq 0$ for which $dG(X) = \sum_{j=0}^r b_j X^j$ has relatively prime integer coefficients.

Then d divides all the coefficients of the polynomial $dh(X) = F(X) \cdot dG(X)$. By theorem 11 it follows that $d \mid a_i b_j$ for all i, j . So, for any j , $d \mid \gcd(a_0 b_j, a_1 b_j, \dots, a_m b_j) = b_j$, since the a_i are relatively prime by construction. But the b_j 's are also relatively prime, so $d = \pm 1$. Thus, G has integer coefficients. \square

Corollary 13. *A monic irreducible polynomial in $\mathbb{Q}[X]$ that has some algebraic integer for a root has rational integer coefficients.*

Proof: Let $f(X)$ be such a polynomial and let α be its algebraic integer root. Then there exists some monic polynomial $h \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ such that $h(\alpha) = 0$. Since f is irreducible, $h = fg$ for some $g \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$. By Gauss's corollary there exists $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ s.t. $rf(X), \frac{1}{r}g(X) \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ and $h(X) = rf(X)\frac{1}{r}g(X)$. Since the h is monic, it follows that the leading coefficients of $rf(X)$ and $\frac{1}{r}g(X)$ are ± 1 . But, since f is monic it follows that $r = \pm 1$, so $f \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$. \square

Recall that K is an algebraic number field of degree n .

Definition 5. *If $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m \in K$, denote by $[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m] = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \alpha_i; a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ the \mathbb{Z} -submodule of K generated by $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m$.*

Theorem 14. *Any \mathbb{Z} -submodule $\mathfrak{a} = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m]$ of K has a \mathbb{Z} -basis with at most $n = [K : \mathbb{Q}]$ elements.*

Proof: Since $\mathfrak{a} = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m]$ is a subset of the field K , it is a finitely generated torsion-free abelian group, and thus a free \mathbb{Z} -module of finite rank. Therefore it suffices to show that \mathfrak{a} can be generated by n elements.

Let β_1, \dots, β_n be a \mathbb{Q} -basis of K . Then each α_i can be expressed as $\alpha_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}\beta_j$ with $a_{ij} \in \mathbb{Q}$. Then any element α of \mathfrak{a} is of the form

$$\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^m b_i \alpha_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\sum_{i=1}^m b_i a_{ij} \right) \beta_j = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \beta_j$$

for some $b_1, \dots, b_m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and where $c_j = \sum_{i=1}^m b_i a_{ij}$, for all $1 \leq j \leq n$.

Let $c_{1,n} = \gcd(a_{1n}, \dots, a_{mn})$. Then we can write $c_{1,n}$ as a linear combination of the a_{in} .

Choose $b_{1,1}, \dots, b_{1,m} \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $c_{1,n} = \sum_{i=1}^m b_{1,i} a_{in}$ is equal to $\gcd(a_{1n}, \dots, a_{mn})$.

Let $c_{1,j} = \sum_{i=1}^m b_{1,i} a_{ij}$, $1 \leq j \leq n-1$. Then for each $\alpha \in \mathfrak{a}$ there exists a $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ such

that $\sum_{i=1}^m b_i a_{in} = d c_{1,n}$, where $\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^m b_i \alpha_i$.

So, $\alpha - d \sum_{j=1}^n c_{1,j} \beta_j = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} e_j \beta_j$, for some $e_1, \dots, e_{n-1} \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Hence, for each $1 \leq i \leq m$, there exist $d_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $d_{ij} \in \mathbb{Q}$, $1 \leq j \leq n-1$ such that

$$\alpha_i - d_i \sum_{j=1}^n c_{1,j} \beta_j = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} d_{ij} \beta_j.$$

Therefore

$$\mathfrak{a} = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m] = \left[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m, \sum_{j=1}^n c_{1,j} \beta_j \right] = \left[\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} d_{1j} \beta_j, \dots, \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} d_{mj} \beta_j, \sum_{j=1}^n c_{1,j} \beta_j \right]$$

Now choose $b_{2,1}, \dots, b_{2,m} \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^m b_{2,i} d_{i,n-1} = \gcd(d_{1,n-1}, \dots, d_{m,n-1})$.

Repeating the procedure, we get

$$\mathfrak{a} = \left[\sum_{j=1}^{n-2} d_{1j} \beta_j, \dots, \sum_{j=1}^{n-2} d_{mj} \beta_j, \sum_{j=1}^n c_{1,j} \beta_j, \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} c_{2,j} \beta_j \right].$$

Keep going and finally obtain that

$$\mathfrak{a} = \left[\sum_{j=1}^n c_{1,j}\beta_j, \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} c_{2,j}\beta_j, \dots, c_{n,n}\beta_1 \right],$$

so \mathfrak{a} can be generated by n elements. \square

Definition 6. For any finitely generated \mathbb{Z} -submodule \mathfrak{a} of K , the dimension of \mathfrak{a} is the number of elements in a \mathbb{Z} -basis of \mathfrak{a} , and it will be denoted by $\dim \mathfrak{a}$.

Definition 7. If $\mathfrak{a} = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r]$ and $\mathfrak{b} = [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_t]$ are two \mathbb{Z} -submodules of K , then their product is $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b} = \{\alpha\beta; \alpha \in \mathfrak{a}, \beta \in \mathfrak{b}\} = [\alpha_i\beta_j; 1 \leq i \leq r, 1 \leq j \leq t]$

Clearly this definition is independent of the choice of the generators of the two modules.

By the primitive root theorem, we can find $\theta \in K$ such that $K = \mathbb{Q}(\theta)$. Then θ has n conjugates $\theta^{(1)}, \dots, \theta^{(n)}$, which uniquely determine the n embeddings of K into $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$.

$K^{(i)}$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$ is defined by $K^{(i)} = \{\alpha^{(i)} : \alpha \in K\}$. The $K^{(i)}$ are the conjugate fields of K .

Definition 8. The discriminant of n elements $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ of K is

$$D(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = \left[\det \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^{(1)} & \dots & \alpha_n^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \alpha_1^{(n)} & \dots & \alpha_n^{(n)} \end{pmatrix} \right]^2$$

Note that if $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ are linearly dependent over \mathbb{Q} , then $D(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = 0$.

Theorem 15. $D(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{Q}$, and, if $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathcal{O}_K$, then $D(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Proof: Let $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{Q}(\theta^{(1)}, \dots, \theta^{(n)})$, where we recall that $K = \mathbb{Q}(\theta)$. Then \mathcal{K}/\mathbb{Q} is a Galois extension and the effect of the action of the elements of $\text{Gal}(\mathcal{K}/\mathbb{Q})$ on the matrix that defines the discriminant is to permute its rows, thus leaving the \det^2 unchanged. Hence $D(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{Q}$. If all the α_j 's are algebraic integers, then the discriminant is at the same time an algebraic integer and a rational number. Therefore it has no choice but to land in \mathbb{Z} . \square

Since $K = \mathbb{Q}(\theta)$, a field basis for K is $\{1, \theta, \dots, \theta^{n-1}\}$ and

$$D(1, \theta, \dots, \theta^{n-1}) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \theta^{(1)} & \dots & \theta^{(1)^{n-1}} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \theta^{(n)} & \dots & \theta^{(n)^{n-1}} \end{pmatrix}^2 = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (\theta^{(i)} - \theta^{(j)})^2 \neq 0.$$

Assume that $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_n \in K$ and $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)M$ for some matrix $M \in \text{Mat}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{Q})$. Then for any i , $1 \leq i \leq n$, applying the i^{th} embedding of K into \mathbb{C} , we get that $(\beta_1^{(i)}, \dots, \beta_n^{(i)}) = (\alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, \alpha_n^{(i)})M$. Hence

$$\begin{pmatrix} \beta_1^{(1)} & \dots & \beta_n^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_1^{(n)} & \dots & \beta_n^{(n)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^{(1)} & \dots & \alpha_n^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \alpha_1^{(n)} & \dots & \alpha_n^{(n)} \end{pmatrix} M,$$

so $D(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) = D(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) (\det M)^2$.

Since K has a field basis whose discriminant is nonzero, it follows that the discriminant of any field basis is nonzero (two field basis differ by an invertible matrix). On the other hand, if $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in K$, then $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = (1, \theta, \dots, \theta^{n-1})M$ for some $n \times n$ matrix M with rational entries. So, if $D(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \neq 0$, it follows that $\det M \neq 0$, hence $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$ is a field basis for K .

Note that by taking a field basis and clearing denominators, one can construct a field basis consisting entirely of elements of \mathcal{O}_K and the discriminant of such a basis is a nonzero integer.

Theorem 16. *Let \mathfrak{a} be an additive subgroup of \mathcal{O}_K containing n linearly independent elements (linear independence over \mathbb{Z} is the same as over \mathbb{Q}). Then \mathfrak{a} is an n -dimensional \mathbb{Z} -module.*

Proof: Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ be the n linearly independent elements of \mathfrak{a} . They form a field basis and $|D(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)| \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

Suppose $[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n] \neq \mathfrak{a}$. Then there is an element $\alpha_{n+1} \in \mathfrak{a} \setminus [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n]$. By theorem 14, $[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n+1}]$ has a \mathbb{Z} -basis with n elements β_1, \dots, β_n . Then

$(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)M$, for some $n \times n$ matrix M with integral entries and $\det M \neq 0$. Also, $|\det M| \neq 1$, since otherwise α_{n+1} would be an element of $[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n]$. Thus $0 < |D(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)| < |D(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)|$ and they are both integers. Keep repeating the process. And some point it has to stop, and when it does we have our n -dimensional basis. \square

Corollary 17. \mathcal{O}_K itself is an n -dimensional module.

Proof: It contains a field basis. \square

Definition 9. A \mathbb{Z} -basis for \mathcal{O}_K is called an integral basis of K .

Note that if $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$ and $\{\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n\}$ are two integral bases of K , then $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)M$ for some invertible matrix $M \in \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$. So $M \in \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$ and $M^{-1} \in \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$; therefore $\det M = \pm 1$. Thus $D(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = D(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$. So we can define

Definition 10. The discriminant of the field K , D_K , is the discriminant of some integral basis of K .

Let $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$ be an integral basis of K and $\mathfrak{a} = [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]$ be an n -dimensional subgroup of \mathcal{O}_K . Then $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)M$ for some $M \in \text{Mat}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{Z})$.

Claim $|\det M| = \#\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{a}$.

To see this, use the Elementary Divisors Theorem to find a \mathbb{Z} -basis for \mathfrak{a} of the form $d_1\alpha_1, \dots, d_n\alpha_n$ with d_1, \dots, d_n nonnegative integers. Then $(d_1\alpha_1, \dots, d_n\alpha_n) = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)M'$ for some $M' \in \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{Z})$. So $(d_1\alpha_1, \dots, d_n\alpha_n) = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)MM'$. Then $[\mathcal{O}_K : \mathfrak{a}] = d_1 \dots d_n = \det M \det M'$. But $\det M' = \pm 1$ and $d_1 \dots d_n \geq 0$, hence $[\mathcal{O}_K : \mathfrak{a}] = |\det M|$.

If \mathfrak{a} is a \mathbb{Z} -submodule of K , then it is clear that $\mathfrak{a}\mathcal{O}_K \supseteq \mathfrak{a}$.

Definition 11. A \mathbb{Z} -submodule \mathfrak{a} of K is called a fractional ideal of K if $\mathfrak{a}\mathcal{O}_K = \mathfrak{a}$. If in addition $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K$, then \mathfrak{a} is called an integral ideal.

Clearly any fractional ideal can be written as $\frac{1}{d}\mathfrak{a}$, where \mathfrak{a} is an integral ideal and $d \in \mathcal{O}_K$. Also, the index of any integral ideal in \mathcal{O}_K is finite.

Definition 12. If $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m$ are elements of K , not all zero, then the ideal generated by $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m$ is $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m) = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m]\mathcal{O}_K$. The product of two ideals $\mathfrak{a} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$ and $\mathfrak{b} = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_r)$ is the ideal $\mathfrak{ab} = (\alpha_i\beta_j; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq r)$.

Principal ideals are of the form (α) , with $\alpha \neq 0$.

Definition 13. If every ideal of \mathcal{O}_K is principal, then \mathcal{O}_K is called a principal ideal domain.

Theorem 18. Given any fractional ideal \mathfrak{a} of K there exists another fractional ideal \mathfrak{b} such that $\mathfrak{ab} = \mathcal{O}_K$.

Proof: Let $\mathfrak{a} = (\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_r)$ and consider the polynomial $f(X) = \sum_{j=0}^r \alpha_j X^j$. Let

$$f^{(i)}(X) = \sum_{j=0}^r \alpha_j^{(i)} X^j \text{ and set}$$

$$h(X) = f^{(1)}(X) \dots f^{(r)}(X) \quad \text{and} \quad g(X) = \frac{h(X)}{f(X)} = \sum_{l=0}^t \beta_l X^l$$

Let \mathcal{K} be the normal closure of K over \mathbb{Q} . Then the coefficients of h are fixed by all the elements of $\text{Gal}(\mathcal{K}/\mathbb{Q})$, and thus $h \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$ and the coefficients of g are fixed by all the elements of $\text{Gal}(\mathcal{K}/K)$, so $g \in K[X]$. Let $N \in \mathbb{Q}$ denote the gcd of the coefficients of $h(X)$.

Claim: $(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_r)(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_t) = (N)$

Suppose the claim holds. If $\mathfrak{b} = \left(\frac{\beta_0}{N}, \dots, \frac{\beta_t}{N}\right)$, we have $\mathfrak{ab} = (1) = \mathcal{O}_K$ and the theorem is proved.

To prove the claim, apply theorem 11 to N and $h(X)$. It follows that $N \mid \alpha_j\beta_l$ for all j 's and l 's. So $(N) \supseteq (\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_r)(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_t)$. On the other hand, the

coefficients of h are \mathbb{Z} -linear combinations of the $\alpha_j\beta_l$'s, so they are contained in $(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_r)(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_t)$. But N , being the gcd of the coefficients of h , can be written as a \mathbb{Z} -linear combination of these coefficients, so it is also contained in $(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_r)(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_t)$. \square

Corollary 19. *The fractional ideals of K form an abelian group with \mathcal{O}_K as identity.*

Definition 14. *We say that an ideal \mathfrak{a} divides an ideal \mathfrak{b} , and write $\mathfrak{a} \mid \mathfrak{b}$, if there exists an integral ideal \mathfrak{c} such that $\mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{c}$.*

Note that $\mathfrak{a} \mid \mathfrak{b} \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{a}^{-1}\mathfrak{b} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K$.

Theorem 20. *Let \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} be two ideals of K . Then $\mathfrak{a} \mid \mathfrak{b}$ iff $\mathfrak{a} \supseteq \mathfrak{b}$.*

Proof: $\mathfrak{a} \mid \mathfrak{b} \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{a}^{-1}\mathfrak{b} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{b} \subseteq \mathfrak{a}\mathcal{O}_K = \mathfrak{a}$. \square

Definition 15. *If $\mathfrak{a} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$ and $\mathfrak{b} = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_t)$ are two ideals of K , then their greatest common divisor is $(\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{b}) = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_t)$, the smallest ideal containing both \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} .*

Theorem 21. *Let $\mathfrak{d} = (\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{b})$. Then $\mathfrak{d} \mid \mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{d} \mid \mathfrak{b}$ and, if $\mathfrak{c} \mid \mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{c} \mid \mathfrak{b}$, then $\mathfrak{c} \mid \mathfrak{d}$.*

Proof: By definition $\mathfrak{d} \supset \mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{d} \supset \mathfrak{b}$. Now if $\mathfrak{c} \mid \mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{c} \mid \mathfrak{b}$, then $\mathfrak{c} \supset \mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{c} \supset \mathfrak{b}$, so $\mathfrak{c} \supset \mathfrak{d}$, that is $\mathfrak{c} \mid (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_t) = \mathfrak{d}$. \square

Definition 16. *A prime ideal \mathfrak{p} is an integral ideal such that $\mathfrak{p} \neq \mathcal{O}_K$ and with the property that if an integral ideal \mathfrak{a} divides \mathfrak{p} , then either $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{p}$, or $\mathfrak{a} = \mathcal{O}_K$*

Theorem 22. *If \mathfrak{p} is a prime ideal of K and $\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{b}$ are two integral ideals with $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}$, then $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{a}$ or $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{b}$.*

Proof: Since $(\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{a})$ is an integral ideal that divides \mathfrak{p} , it follows that $(\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{a}) = \mathfrak{p}$ or $(\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{a}) = \mathcal{O}_K$.

In the first case, $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{a}$. In the second case $\mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{b}\mathcal{O}_K = \mathfrak{b}(\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{a}) = (\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b})$. Clearly $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{p}$, and $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}$ by hypothesis. So by Theorem 21, $\mathfrak{p} \mid (\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}) = \mathfrak{b}$. \square

Exercise

(1) Let K/k be a degree n field extension and assume that \mathcal{O}_k is a PID. Show that every ideal of K has a basis of n elements over \mathcal{O}_k .

(2) Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-5})$. Then $\mathcal{O}_K = [1, \sqrt{-5}]$. Which, if any, of the following three \mathbb{Z} -modules are ideals?

- $[19 + 7\sqrt{-5}, 43 + 16\sqrt{-5}]$
- $[15 + 14\sqrt{-5}, 34 + 32\sqrt{-5}]$
- $[-31 + 11\sqrt{-5}, -71 + 25\sqrt{-5}]$

Corollary 23. *If \mathfrak{p} is a prime ideal and $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{O}_K$ with $\alpha\beta \in \mathfrak{p}$, then $\alpha \in \mathfrak{p}$ or $\beta \in \mathfrak{p}$.*

Proof: Let $\mathfrak{a} = (\alpha)$ and $\mathfrak{b} = (\beta)$. They are both integral ideals and $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}$. Since \mathfrak{p} is prime, it follows that $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{a}$ or $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{b}$, so $\alpha \in \mathfrak{p}$ or $\beta \in \mathfrak{p}$. \square

Theorem 24. *Every nonzero fractional ideal of K factors uniquely into a product of the form $\prod_{i=1}^r \mathfrak{p}_i^{a_i}$ with $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$. For integral ideals all the a_i 's are nonnegative integers.*

Proof: Assume throughout that \mathfrak{a} is nonzero. It suffices to prove the assertion for integral ideals. To see this, assume that \mathfrak{a} is a fractional ideal. Then there is a $d \in \mathcal{O}_K$ such that $d\mathfrak{a}$ is an integral ideal, \mathfrak{b} . Both (d) and \mathfrak{b} factor uniquely into primes, and therefore so does $\mathfrak{a} = \frac{\mathfrak{b}}{(d)}$.

Now consider an integral ideal \mathfrak{a} . First we are going to prove that \mathfrak{a} factors as a product of primes. If \mathfrak{a} is prime or $\mathfrak{a} = \mathcal{O}_K$, we are done. But suppose \mathfrak{a} can be written as the product of two integral ideals: $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{b}_1\mathfrak{b}_2$. Both \mathfrak{b}_i 's strictly contain

\mathfrak{a} , and so are of finite index smaller than $[\mathcal{O}_K : \mathfrak{a}]$. The process has to stop at some point and thus we get a prime factorization of \mathfrak{a} .

Assume that two such factorizations exist:

$$\mathfrak{a} = \prod_{i=1}^r \mathfrak{p}_i^{a_i} = \prod_{j=1}^t \mathfrak{q}_j^{b_j}.$$

Then for each i there exist a j such that $\mathfrak{p}_i \mid \mathfrak{q}_j$. Since they are both nonzero prime ideals of K , they are maximal ideals of \mathcal{O}_K and so they must coincide. We get $r = t$ and, by eventually reordering the factors of the product, $\mathfrak{p}_i = \mathfrak{q}_i$ for all i . In the same fashion we get that $a_i = b_i$ for all i . \square

Theorem 25. *The integers of K , \mathcal{O}_K , form a UFD iff every ideal of K is principal.*

Proof: If every ideal of K is principal, then \mathcal{O}_K is a PID and therefore a UFD.

Conversely, assume that \mathcal{O}_K has unique factorization. Since every ideal of K factors uniquely into product of prime ideals and their inverses, it suffices to show that every prime ideal is principal. First let π be an arbitrary prime element of \mathcal{O}_K and $\mathfrak{p} = (\pi)$ the ideal generated by it. For the sake of contradiction, assume that \mathfrak{p} is not a prime ideal. Then there exist integral ideals \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} such that $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}$, but $\mathfrak{p} \nmid \mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{p} \nmid \mathfrak{b}$, i.e. $\mathfrak{p} \not\supseteq \mathfrak{a}$ and $\mathfrak{p} \not\supseteq \mathfrak{b}$. Choose $\alpha \in \mathfrak{a} \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ and $\beta \in \mathfrak{b} \setminus \mathfrak{p}$. Then $\alpha\beta \in \mathfrak{p} = (\pi)$, so $\pi \mid \alpha\beta$. Since π is prime it follows that $\pi \mid \alpha$ or $\pi \mid \beta$. But this implies $\alpha \in \mathfrak{p}$ or $\beta \in \mathfrak{p}$, which contradicts the choice of α and β . Therefore (π) is a prime ideal.

Now let \mathfrak{p} be any prime ideal of K . Choose $\alpha \in \mathfrak{p}$, $\alpha \neq 0$. Then $\mathfrak{p} \mid (\alpha)$. Since \mathcal{O}_K is a UFD, α has a unique factorization into primes, $\alpha = \pi_1 \dots \pi_r$. Therefore $\mathfrak{p} \mid (\pi_1) \dots (\pi_r)$, and, \mathfrak{p} being prime, this implies that $\mathfrak{p} \mid (\pi_j)$ for some $1 \leq j \leq r$. By the first part of the argument (π_j) is also prime ideal, so $\mathfrak{p} = (\pi_j)$. \square

Definition 17. *The ideal class group of K , Cl_K , is the quotient group of the group of fractional ideals of K by the group of principal ideals of K . Its order, h_K is called the class number of K .*

Theorem 26. *Given two integral ideals \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} , there exists an integral ideal \mathfrak{c} such that $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{c}$ is principal and $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{c}) = (1)$.*

Proof: Let $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b} = \prod_{i=1}^r \mathfrak{p}_i^{l_i}$, where $l_i > 0$, for every i , $1 \leq i \leq r$. Write $\mathfrak{a} = \prod_{i=1}^r \mathfrak{p}_i^{a_i}$, with $0 \leq a_i \leq l_i$ for each i .

For each j , $1 \leq j \leq r$, define

$$\mathfrak{d}_j = \prod_{i \neq j} \mathfrak{p}_i^{a_i+1}.$$

So for each $\mathfrak{p}_i \mid \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}$, $\mathfrak{p}_i \mid \mathfrak{d}_j$ iff $i \neq j$ and for $i \neq j$ we have $\mathfrak{p}_i^{a_i+1} \mid \mathfrak{d}_j$.

Now $(\mathfrak{d}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{d}_r) = (1)$, so there are $\gamma_j \in \mathfrak{d}_j$ such that $1 = \sum_{j=1}^r \gamma_j$. Choose $\alpha_j \in \mathfrak{p}_j^{a_j} \setminus \mathfrak{p}_j^{a_j+1}$, so $\mathfrak{p}_j^{a_j} \mid (\alpha_j)$, but $\mathfrak{p}_j^{a_j+1} \nmid (\alpha_j)$. Define $w = \sum_{j=1}^r \alpha_j \gamma_j$. For each j , we have that $\mathfrak{p}_j^{a_j} \mid (\alpha_j \gamma_j)$, but $\mathfrak{p}_j^{a_j+1} \nmid (\alpha_j \gamma_j)$ and $\mathfrak{p}_j^{a_j+1} \mid (\alpha_i \gamma_i)$ for all $i \neq j$. This is so because first we have $\gamma_j \in \mathfrak{d}_j$, hence $\mathfrak{d}_i \mid (\gamma_j)$ and so $\mathfrak{p}_j^{a_j+1} \mid (\alpha_i \gamma_i)$ for all $i \neq j$. But if $\mathfrak{p}_j \mid (\gamma_j)$ for any j , then \mathfrak{p}_j would divide all the γ 's, and therefore would divide their sum, which is 1. This is clearly impossible.

Combining all this we get that for each j , $\mathfrak{p}_j^{a_j} \mid (w)$, but $\mathfrak{p}_j^{a_j+1} \nmid (w)$, so $\mathfrak{a} \mid (w)$. Let \mathfrak{c} be the integral ideal for which $(w) = \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{c}$. Then $(\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{c}, \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}) = \left((w), \prod_{i=1}^r \mathfrak{p}_i^{l_i} \right) = \prod_{i=1}^r \mathfrak{p}_i^{a_i} = \mathfrak{a}$, and thus $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{c}) = (1)$. \square

Theorem 27. *Every ideal of K can be generated by two elements.*

Proof: It suffices to prove the assertion for integral ideals. So, let \mathfrak{a} be an integral ideal. Then $\mathfrak{a}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \mathfrak{b}$ for some $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_K$ and \mathfrak{b} an integral ideal. Then $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b} = (\alpha)$. By theorem 26 there exists an integral ideal \mathfrak{c} such that $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{c} = (w)$ and $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{c}) = (1)$. Hence $(\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{c}) = \mathfrak{a}$, so $(\alpha, w) = \mathfrak{a}$ \square

Let \mathfrak{a} be an integral ideal of K . Then $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{a}$ is a finite ring and we have the canonical projection $\mathcal{O}_K \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{a}$ given by $\alpha \mapsto \bar{\alpha}$. If \mathfrak{p} happens to be a prime ideal of K , then $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}$ is a finite integral domain, and thus a field. Let p be the

characteristic of the finite field $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}$. Then $p \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{p}}$, so \mathfrak{p} contains a rational prime, namely p , i.e. there exist a rational prime p such that $\mathfrak{p} \mid (p) = p\mathcal{O}_K$

The canonical projection $\mathcal{O}_K \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}$ induces a canonical map $\mathcal{O}_K[X_1, \dots, X_s] \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}[X_1, \dots, X_s]$ given by $f(X_1, \dots, X_s) \mapsto \bar{f}(X_1, \dots, X_s)$.

Suppose that $f, g \in \mathcal{O}_K[X_1, \dots, X_s]$ and that every coefficient of fg is in \mathfrak{p} . Then $\overline{fg} = 0$ in $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}[X_1, \dots, X_s]$, so $\bar{f} = 0$ or $\bar{g} = 0$, i.e. every coefficient of f is in \mathfrak{p} or every coefficient of g is in \mathfrak{p} .

Definition 18. Let $f \in K[X_1, \dots, X_s]$. The ideal $I(f)$ of K generated by the coefficients of f is called the content of f .

Theorem 28. If $f, g \in K[X_1, \dots, X_s]$, then $I(fg) = I(f)I(g)$.

Proof: Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_s)$. Then $f(X) = \sum a_i X^i$ and $g(X) = \sum b_j X^j$ where i and j are multi-indices. Without loss of generality, we may assume that f and g have integral coefficients.

$$I(f)I(g) = \left\{ \sum \alpha_i a_i \sum \beta_j b_j; \alpha_i, \beta_j \in \mathcal{O}_K \right\} \supseteq \left\{ \sum \gamma_{ij} a_i b_j; \gamma_{ij} \in \mathcal{O}_K \right\} \supseteq I(fg)$$

Let $\mathfrak{a} = I(f)$. This is an integral ideal, and there exists another integral ideal \mathfrak{b} such that $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b} = (\alpha)$, a principal integral ideal. Also, by theorem 26 there exists an integral ideal \mathfrak{c} such that $\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{c} = (\alpha')$ principal ideal and $(\mathfrak{c}, \mathfrak{a}) = (1)$. For any coefficient a of f we have $\mathfrak{a} \supseteq (a)$, so $\mathfrak{a} \mid (a)$, and $\left(\frac{\alpha'}{\alpha} a \right) = \frac{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{c}}{\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}} (a) = \mathfrak{c} \frac{(a)}{\mathfrak{a}} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K$.

Therefore $\frac{\alpha'}{\alpha} a \in \mathcal{O}_K$.

It follows that $\frac{\alpha'}{\alpha} f(X) \in \mathcal{O}_K[X]$ and

$$\left(I \left(\frac{\alpha'}{\alpha} f \right), I(f) \right) = \left(\left(\frac{\alpha'}{\alpha} \right) \mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{a} \right) = \left(\frac{\mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{c}}{\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}} \mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{a} \right) = (\mathfrak{c}, \mathfrak{a}) = (1)$$

Similarly, there exist $\beta, \beta' \in \mathcal{O}_K$ such that $\frac{\beta'}{\beta} g(X) \in \mathcal{O}_K[X]$ and

$$\left(I \left(\frac{\beta'}{\beta} g \right), I(g) \right) = (1).$$

Fix \mathfrak{p} a prime ideal dividing $I(fg)$. Then all the coefficients of fg are in \mathfrak{p} , and therefore, all the coefficients of f are in \mathfrak{p} or all the coefficients of g are in \mathfrak{p} , i.e. $\mathfrak{p} \mid I(f)$ or $\mathfrak{p} \mid I(g)$. We will discuss the case $\mathfrak{p} \mid I(f)$, the other case being similar. Since $\left(I\left(\frac{\alpha'}{\alpha}f\right), I(f)\right) = (1)$, it follows that $\mathfrak{p} \nmid I\left(\frac{\alpha'}{\alpha}f\right)$.

Define $\gamma, \gamma' \in \mathcal{O}_K$ as follows:

- if it also happens that $\mathfrak{p} \mid I(g)$, let $\gamma = \beta$ and $\gamma' = \beta'$. Note that in this case, by the same reason as for f , $\mathfrak{p} \nmid I\left(\frac{\beta'}{\beta}g\right) = I\left(\frac{\gamma'}{\gamma}g\right)$.
- if $\mathfrak{p} \nmid I(g)$, let $\gamma = \gamma' = 1$. In this case, we also have that $\mathfrak{p} \nmid I\left(\frac{\gamma'}{\gamma}g\right)$.

So, by the remark we made before, $\mathfrak{p} \nmid I\left(\frac{\alpha'\gamma'}{\alpha\gamma}fg\right)$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \text{the power of } \mathfrak{p} \text{ in } I(fg) &= \text{the power of } \mathfrak{p} \text{ in } \left(\frac{\alpha\gamma}{\alpha'\gamma'}\right) \\ &= \text{the power of } \mathfrak{p} \text{ in } \left(\frac{\alpha}{\alpha'}\right) + \text{the power of } \mathfrak{p} \text{ in } \left(\frac{\gamma}{\gamma'}\right) \\ &= \text{the power of } \mathfrak{p} \text{ in } I(f) + \text{the power of } \mathfrak{p} \text{ in } I(g). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $I(fg) = I(f)I(g)$. \square

4. EXTENSIONS OF NUMBER FIELDS

Let K/k be a degree n extension of number fields.

Denote by $K^{(1)}, \dots, K^{(n)}$ the n conjugates of K over k .

Definition 19. For every element $\alpha \in K$, the norm of α relative to k is

$$N_{K/k}(\alpha) = \prod_{i=1}^n \alpha^{(i)}$$

Similarly, the norm of a polynomial $f \in K[X_1, \dots, X_s]$ is $N_{K/k}(f) = \prod_{i=1}^n f^{(i)}$.

Clearly $N_{K/k}(\alpha) \in k$ and $N_{K/k}(f) \in k[X_1, \dots, X_s]$

Proposition 29. Suppose L is an intermediate field of the extension K/k . Then, for any $\alpha \in K$ and any $f \in K[X_1, \dots, X_s]$, we have $N_{L/k}(N_{K/L}(\alpha)) = N_{K/k}(\alpha)$ and $N_{L/k}(N_{K/L}(f)) = N_{K/k}(f)$.

Proof: Let \mathcal{K} be the normal closure of K over k . Then \mathcal{K}/k is a Galois extension with Galois group G . Denote $H = \text{Gal}(\mathcal{K}/K)$ and $H' = \text{Gal}(\mathcal{K}/L)$. Write $G = \bigsqcup_h hH$,

where \sqcup denotes a disjoint union. Also write $G = \bigsqcup_{h'} h' H'$ and $H' = \bigsqcup_{h''} h'' H$. Then we have $G = \bigsqcup h' H' = \bigsqcup h' h'' H$.

For $\alpha \in K$, $N_{K/k}(\alpha) = \prod_h h(\alpha)$ and $N_{K/L}(\alpha) = \prod_{h''} h''(\alpha)$.

For $\beta \in L$, $N_{L/k}(\beta) = \prod_{h'} h'(\beta)$.

So

$$N_{L/k}(N_{K/L}(\alpha)) = \prod_{h'} h' \left(\prod_{h''} h''(\alpha) \right) = \prod_{h', h''} h' h''(\alpha) = \prod_h h(\alpha) = N_{K/k}(\alpha). \quad \square$$

We would like to define $N_{K/k}$ for ideals of K . The natural definition would be $N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{a}^{(i)}$, where, if $\mathfrak{a} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$ is an ideal of K , then $\mathfrak{a}^{(i)} = (\alpha_1^{(i)}, \dots, \alpha_r^{(i)}) \subseteq K^{(i)}$, the image of \mathfrak{a} under the canonical isomorphism $K \rightarrow K^{(i)}$. But we have to precisely define what we mean by the product of ideals of different fields and we need to know that $\prod_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{a}^{(i)} \subseteq k$. This is obviously an ideal of K that is fixed by the Galois group, but this does not mean anything. Take, for instance, $(\sqrt{2})$ in $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$, which is fixed by the Galois group, but that does not make it rational.

Let $a_1, \dots, a_m \in k$. We will write $\mathfrak{a}_k = (a_1, \dots, a_m)_k$ for the ideal of k generated by a_1, \dots, a_m and $\mathfrak{a}_K = (a_1, \dots, a_m)_K = \mathfrak{a}_k \mathcal{O}_K$ for the ideal of K generated by a_1, \dots, a_m .

Theorem 30. $\mathfrak{a}_K \cap k = \mathfrak{a}_k$

Proof: It is obvious that $\mathfrak{a}_k \subseteq \mathfrak{a}_K \cap k$. To prove the other inclusion, pick any element $b \in \mathfrak{a}_K \cap k$. Then $b = \alpha_1 a_1 + \dots + \alpha_m a_m$ for some $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m \in \mathcal{O}_K$. Taking norm of both sides of this equality, we get that

$$b^n = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\alpha_1^{(i)} a_1 + \dots + \alpha_m^{(i)} a_m \right).$$

Consider the polynomial $f(X_1, \dots, X_m) = \alpha_1 X_1 + \dots + \alpha_m X_m \in \mathcal{O}_K[X_1, \dots, X_m]$ and let $g(X_1, \dots, X_m) = N_{K/k}(f) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j^{(i)} X_j \right) \in \mathcal{O}_k[X_1, \dots, X_m]$. This g

is a homogeneous polynomial of degree n and $b^n = g(a_1, \dots, a_m)$. Therefore b^n is a sum of products of the form $\alpha c_1 \dots c_n$ with $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_k$ and $c_1, \dots, c_n \in \mathfrak{a}_k$. This implies that $b^n \in \mathfrak{a}_k^n$, so $\mathfrak{a}_k^n \mid (b)^n$. But, because of the unique factorization of the ideals this means that $\mathfrak{a}_k \mid (b)$, i.e. $b \in \mathfrak{a}_k$. \square

So we can define the equality of ideals in different fields as follows:

Definition 20. *If \mathfrak{a}_i is an ideal in the number field L_i , $i = 1, 2$, we say that $\mathfrak{a}_1 = \mathfrak{a}_2$ if they generate the same ideal in a common extension of the two fields L_1 and L_2 .*

Also, the multiplication of ideals of different number fields is done by performing the multiplication in some larger common extension of the respective fields.

Example Let $L_1 = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-5})$ and $L_2 = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$, $\mathfrak{a}_1 = (2, 1 + \sqrt{-5})$ and $\mathfrak{a}_2 = (\sqrt{2})$. Then $\mathfrak{a}_1^2 = (4, 2 + 2\sqrt{-5}, -4 + 2\sqrt{-5}) = (4, 2 + 2\sqrt{-5}, -6) = (2)$ and $\mathfrak{a}_2^2 = (2)$. So, in $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-5}, \sqrt{2})$ it really does make sense to say that $\mathfrak{a}_1 = \mathfrak{a}_2$.

In fact $(\sqrt{2}) \supseteq (2, 1 + \sqrt{-5})$, because $2 = \sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}$ and $1 + \sqrt{-5} = \sqrt{2} \frac{1 + \sqrt{-5}}{\sqrt{2}}$ and $\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{-5}}{\sqrt{2}}$ are the roots of the polynomial $X^2 - \sqrt{2}X + 3$.

Also, $-2\sqrt{2} + \frac{1 - \sqrt{-5}}{\sqrt{2}}(1 + \sqrt{-5}) = \sqrt{2}$, so $(\sqrt{2}) \subseteq (2, 1 + \sqrt{-5})$.

Going back to our attempt to define the norm of an ideal, let \mathfrak{a} be an ideal of K and let $g \in K[X]$ be a polynomial with $I(g) = \mathfrak{a}$. For instance, if $\mathfrak{a} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$, take $g(X) = \sum \alpha_j X_j$. Then

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{a}^{(i)} = \prod_{i=1}^n I(g^{(i)}) = I\left(\prod_{i=1}^n g^{(i)}\right) = I(N_{K/k}(g)) \subseteq k.$$

So, now we can actually define the norm of an ideal:

Definition 21. *If \mathfrak{a} is an ideal of K , its norm relative to k is $N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{a}^{(i)}$.*

Also if L is an intermediate field of the extension K/k , then $N_{L/k}(N_{K/L}(\mathfrak{a})) = N_{L/k}(I(N_{K/L}(g))) = \prod I(N_{K/L}(g^{(i)})) = I(N_{K/k}(g)) = N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})$.

And, if \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} are both ideals of K , choose $f, g \in K[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ such that $I(f) = \mathfrak{a}$ and $I(g) = \mathfrak{b}$. Then $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b} = I(f)I(g) = I(fg)$ and $N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}) = I(N_{K/k}(fg)) = I(N_{K/k}(f)N_{K/k}(g)) = I(N_{K/k}(f))I(N_{K/k}(g)) = N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{b})$.

So, if $k = \mathbb{Q}$, then $N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathfrak{a}) = (N)$ for some $N \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Definition 22. By convention, $N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathfrak{a}) = |N|$ and this is called the absolute norm of \mathfrak{a} .

From now on, if K is clear from the context we will write $N(\mathfrak{a})$ for the absolute norm of \mathfrak{a} .

Example We will see that in $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$, for the prime $p \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have

$$(p) = \begin{cases} (p) & \text{if } \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) = -1 \\ \mathfrak{p}^2 & \text{if } \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) = 0 \\ \mathfrak{p}_1\mathfrak{p}_2 & \text{if } \left(\frac{D}{p}\right) = 1 \end{cases}$$

with $N\mathfrak{p} = N\mathfrak{p}_i = p$ and $N((p)) = p^2$.

Note: $\left(\frac{D}{p}\right)$ is the Legendre symbol, defined by:

$$\left(\frac{D}{p}\right) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } p \mid D \\ 1 & \text{if there exists some } a \text{ such that } a^2 \equiv D \pmod{p} \\ -1 & \text{if there is no such } a \end{cases}$$

In general, if $\mathfrak{a} = (l)$, $l \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $[K : \mathbb{Q}] = n$, then $N\mathfrak{a} = |l|^n$.

Also, note that if \mathfrak{a} is integral, then $\mathfrak{a} \mid N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})$.

Lemma 31. Any ideal \mathfrak{a} of K may be written as $\mathfrak{a} = (\alpha, \beta)$, where $(N_{K/k}(\alpha), N_{K/k}(\beta)) = N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})$.

Proof: Take \mathfrak{c} integral ideal with $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{c} = (\alpha)$. Now take $N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c})$ extended up to K and choose an integral ideal \mathfrak{b} of K so that $(\mathfrak{b}, N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c})) = (1)$ and $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b} = (\beta)$. Now, $\mathfrak{c} \mid N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c})$ and therefore $(\mathfrak{c}, \mathfrak{b}) = (1)$. So $(\alpha, \beta) = (\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{c}, \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}) = \mathfrak{a}(\mathfrak{c}, \mathfrak{b}) = \mathfrak{a}$ and we have

$$(N_{K/k}(\alpha), N_{K/k}(\beta)) = (N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c}), N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{b})) = N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})(N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c}), N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{b}))$$

But $(\mathfrak{b}, N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c})) = (1)$, hence $(\mathfrak{b}^{(i)}, N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c})) = (1)$ for each i . Thus $(N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{b}), N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c})) = (1)$. \square

Note that $N_{K/k}((\alpha)) = (N_{K/k}(\alpha))$.

Assume that \mathcal{O}_k is a PID and recall that $[K : k] = n$.

Lemma 32. *Let $\mathfrak{b} = [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]$ and $\mathfrak{c} = [\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n]$ be two ideals of K . We can write $(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n) = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)M$ for some $M \in \text{Mat}_{n \times n}(k)$. Then $\det M \mid N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c}/\mathfrak{b})$.*

Proof: Let $\alpha \in \mathfrak{c}/\mathfrak{b}$. Then $(\alpha)\mathfrak{b} \subseteq \mathfrak{c}$. So there exists an $n \times n$ matrix X with entries in \mathcal{O}_k such that $\alpha(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n)X = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)MX$. Therefore

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha^{(1)}\beta_1^{(1)} & \dots & \alpha^{(1)}\beta_n^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \alpha^{(n)}\beta_1^{(n)} & \dots & \alpha^{(n)}\beta_n^{(n)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1^{(1)} & \dots & \beta_n^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_1^{(n)} & \dots & \beta_n^{(n)} \end{pmatrix} MX$$

and taking determinants we get $N_{K/k}(\alpha) \det(\beta_j^{(i)}) = \det(\beta_j^{(i)}) \det M \det X$. Hence $N_{K/k}(\alpha) = \det M \det X$, and, since $\det X \in \mathcal{O}_k$, it follows that $\det M \mid N_{K/k}(\alpha)$.

Now, there exist $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in K$ such that $\mathfrak{c}/\mathfrak{b} = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ and $N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c}/\mathfrak{b}) = (N_{K/k}(\alpha_1), N_{K/k}(\alpha_2))$.

But this means that $\det M \mid N_{K/k}(\alpha_i)$, $i = 1, 2$, so $\det M \mid N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{c}/\mathfrak{b})$. \square

Theorem 33. *Let k be a number field with \mathcal{O}_k a PID. Suppose K/k is a degree n extension and choose $w_1, \dots, w_n \in K$ such that $\mathcal{O}_K = [w_1, \dots, w_n]_k$. Let $\mathfrak{a} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ be an ideal of K and write $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = (w_1, \dots, w_n)M$ with $M \in \text{Mat}_{n \times n}(k)$. Let $f(X_1, \dots, X_n) = N_{K/k} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j X_j \right)$.*

Then $\mathfrak{a} = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n]_k$ iff $\det M$ divides every coefficient of f , and in this case $N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}) = (\det M)$.

Proof: Recall that $I(f) = N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})$.

First assume that $\mathfrak{a} = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n]_k$. Then by lemma 32, we have $\det M \mid N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}/\mathcal{O}_k)$. But $N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}/\mathcal{O}_k) = N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})$, so

$$(1) \quad \det M \mid N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})$$

Furthermore, $(w_1, \dots, w_n) = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)M^{-1}$, so $\det M^{-1} \mid N_{K/k}(\mathcal{O}_k\mathfrak{a}^{-1})$ and therefore $(\det M^{-1}) \mid N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}^{-1})$. Together with (1) above, this shows that $N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}) \mid (\det M)$.

Now suppose that $\mathfrak{a} = [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]_k$. Then $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)X$ for some $X \in \text{Mat}_{n \times n}(\mathcal{O}_k)$ and $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) = (w_1, \dots, w_n)Y$ for some $Y \in \text{Mat}_{n \times n}(k)$. Hence $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = (w_1, \dots, w_n)YX$, and so $M = YX$. By the first part of the proof, it follows that $(\det Y) = N_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}) = I(f)$. Therefore $(\det M) \mid I(f)$ iff $(\det X) \mid (1)$ which is equivalent to $[\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n]_k = [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]_k$. \square

Example Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-5})$ and $\mathfrak{a} = (2, 1 + \sqrt{-5}) \subseteq K$. Then also $\mathfrak{a} = [2, 1 + \sqrt{-5}]$.

Here $\mathcal{O}_K = [1, \sqrt{-5}]$ and

$$(2, 1 + \sqrt{-5}) = (1, \sqrt{-5}) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and $\det M = N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}\mathfrak{a} = 2$. The associated polynomial is $f(X, Y) = N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(2X + (1 + \sqrt{-5})Y) = (2X + Y)^2 + 5Y^2 = 4X^2 + 4XY + 6Y^2$. Note that 2 divides every coefficient of f , and in fact $I(f) = (4, 6) = (2)$.

Corollary 34. *If $k = \mathbb{Q}$ and $\mathfrak{a} = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n]$, then $N\mathfrak{a} = |\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{a}| = |\det M|$.*

Proof: Both quantities are equal to $|\det M|$. \square

5. RELATIVE DIFFERENTS AND DISCRIMINANTS

Take $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$.

- If $D \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4}$, consider the integral basis $\{1, \sqrt{D}\}$. Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \sqrt{D} \\ 1 & -\sqrt{D} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{-1}{2\sqrt{D}} \begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{D} & -\sqrt{D} \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}} & -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}} \end{pmatrix}$$

So we obtained the dual pair of elements $\left\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}}\right\}$. Note that

$$\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}}\right] = \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}}\right) \text{ as } \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}}\right] = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}} [1, \sqrt{D}] \text{ is a fractional ideal. Note that}$$

any element of this ideal looks like

$$(a + b\sqrt{D}) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}} = \frac{a}{2\sqrt{D}} + \frac{b}{2}$$

We define the trace of any element of K as follows: $\text{tr}(\alpha) = \alpha^{(1)} + \alpha^{(2)}$. So $\text{tr}(a + b\sqrt{D}) = 2a$. For $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_K$, we clearly have $\text{tr}(\alpha) \in \mathbb{Z}$. Also notice that for the elements of $\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}}\right)$, we have $\text{tr}\left(\frac{a}{2\sqrt{D}} + \frac{b}{2}\right) = b \in \mathbb{Z}$. What other elements of K have the property that their trace is an integer? That is, what is $\text{tr}^{-1}(\mathbb{Z})$?

Consider $\alpha = r + s\sqrt{D} \in K$. Then $\text{tr}(\alpha) = 2r$. So if the trace is an integer, we have $r \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}$. Furthermore, $\text{tr}(\sqrt{D}\alpha) = 2Ds$. If this is an integer, then $s \in \frac{1}{2D}\mathbb{Z}$.

Thus, we have:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}}\right) = \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}}\right] = \{\alpha \in K; \text{tr}(\lambda\alpha) \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } \lambda \in \mathcal{O}_K\}$$

Also, note that \sqrt{D} is a root of the polynomial $f(X) = X^2 - D$ and $f'(\sqrt{D}) = 2\sqrt{D}$, so $N(f'(\sqrt{D})) = 4D = D_K$.

- If $D \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, consider the integral basis $\left\{1, \frac{1+\sqrt{D}}{2}\right\}$. Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1+\sqrt{D}}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{1-\sqrt{D}}{2} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{D}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1-\sqrt{D}}{2} & -\frac{1+\sqrt{D}}{2} \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}} + \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}} + \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{D}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{D}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } \left[-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}} + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{D}}\right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D}} \left[1, \frac{1-\sqrt{D}}{2}\right] = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{D}}\right).$$

$$\text{Here } \text{tr}\left(\left(\frac{a+b\sqrt{D}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{D}}\right)\right) = \frac{b}{2} + \frac{b}{2} = b \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Also, $\frac{1+\sqrt{D}}{2}$ is a root of the polynomial $f(X) = X^2 - X + \frac{1-D}{2}$ and $f'\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{D}}{2}\right) = \sqrt{D}$. So $N\left(f'\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{D}}{2}\right)\right) = D = D_K$.

Recall that we are going to prove that $(p) = \mathfrak{p}^2$ iff $p \mid D$ iff $\mathfrak{p} \mid (\sqrt{D})$, so primes that ramify are precisely the primes dividing the different or the discriminant.

Now, return to the situation in the previous section. That is, consider a degree n extension of number fields K/k . By the primitive root theorem, $K = k(\theta)$ for some algebraic integer $\theta \in \mathcal{O}_K$. Let $f \in \mathcal{O}_k[X]$ be the irreducible polynomial of θ over k .

We want to write

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \theta^{(1)} & \dots & \theta^{(1)^{n-1}} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \theta^{(n)} & \dots & \theta^{(n)^{n-1}} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1^{(1)} & \dots & \beta_n^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_1^{(n)} & \dots & \beta_n^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } \beta_j^{(n)} = \frac{\text{signed minor corresponding to } \theta^{(n)j-1}}{\det \text{ of the } \theta \text{ matrix}}.$$

The signed minor corresponding to $\theta^{(n)j-1}$ is $(-1)^{n+j}$ times the determinant of the minor obtained by deleting the n^{th} row and the j^{th} column of the θ matrix, which is equal to the coefficient of X^{j-1} in the polynomial

$$h(X) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \theta^{(1)} & \dots & \theta^{(1)^{n-1}} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \theta^{(n-1)} & \dots & \theta^{(n-1)^{n-1}} \\ 1 & X & \dots & X^{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n-1} (\theta^{(j)} - \theta^{(i)}) \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (X - \theta^{(j)})$$

Hence

$$\beta_j^{(n)} = \frac{\text{the coefficient of } X^{j-1} \text{ in } h(X)}{h(\theta^{(n)})} = \frac{\text{the coefficient of } X^{j-1} \text{ in } \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (X - \theta^{(i)})}{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (\theta^{(n)} - \theta^{(i)})}$$

Recall that f is the minimal polynomial of θ , so $f(X) = \prod_{j=1}^n (X - \theta^{(j)}) \in \mathcal{O}_k[X]$.

$$\text{Then } \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (X - \theta^{(i)}) = \frac{f(X)}{X - \theta^{(n)}} \in \mathcal{O}_k[\theta^{(n)}][X] \text{ and } f'(\theta^{(n)}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (\theta^{(n)} - \theta^{(i)}).$$

Therefore

$$\beta_j^{(n)} = \frac{\text{the coefficient of } X^{j-1} \text{ in } \frac{f(X)}{X - \theta^{(n)}}}{f'(\theta^{(n)})} \in \mathcal{O}_k[\theta^{(n)}]$$

Let $g(X) = \frac{f(X)}{X - \theta} = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} b_l X^l \in \mathcal{O}_k[\theta]$, where of course $b_{n-1} = 1$. Then, for each $1 \leq i \leq n$, we have $\frac{f(X)}{X - \theta^{(i)}} = g^{(i)}(X) = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} b_l^{(i)} X^l \in \mathcal{O}_k[\theta^{(i)}]$. So,

$$\beta_j^{(n)} = \frac{b_{j-1}^{(n)}}{f'(\theta^{(n)})}$$

and similarly

$$\beta_j^{(i)} = \frac{b_{j-1}^{(i)}}{f'(\theta^{(i)})}, \text{ for each } i, 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

In general if $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ are k -linearly independent elements of K , then

$(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = (\theta^{(1)}, \dots, \theta^{(n)})M$ for some $M \in GL(n, k)$. Hence

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^{(1)} & \dots & \alpha_n^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \alpha_1^{(n)} & \dots & \alpha_n^{(n)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \theta^{(1)} & \dots & \theta^{(1)^{n-1}} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \theta^{(n)} & \dots & \theta^{(n)^{n-1}} \end{pmatrix} M$$

and thus

$$\left(\alpha_i^{(j)}\right)^{-1} = M^{-1} \left(\theta^{(j)^{i-1}}\right)^{-1} = M^{-1} \left(\beta_j^{(i)}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1^{(1)} & \dots & \gamma_1^{(n)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \gamma_n^{(1)} & \dots & \gamma_n^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}.$$

So we proved the following result:

Theorem 35. *If $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in K$ are linearly independent over k , then*

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^{(1)} & \dots & \alpha_n^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \alpha_1^{(n)} & \dots & \alpha_n^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1^{(1)} & \dots & \beta_1^{(n)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_n^{(1)} & \dots & \beta_n^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}$$

with $\beta_i \in K$ for each $1 \leq i \leq n$.

In particular if $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = (\theta^{(1)}, \dots, \theta^{(n)})$, with $K = k(\theta)$ and θ integral with minimal polynomial f over k , then $\beta_j^{(i)} = \frac{b_{j-1}^{(i)}}{f'(\theta^{(i)})}$, where $\frac{f(X)}{X - \theta} = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} b_l X^l$.

Note that $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) = \left(\frac{1}{f'(\theta)}\right)$.

Definition 23. *The relative trace of an element $\alpha \in K$ is $\text{tr}_{K/k}(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha^{(i)}$*

Note that for all $\alpha \in K$ we have $\text{tr}_{K/k}(\alpha) \in k$ and if L is an intermediate field of the extension K/k , then $\text{tr}_{L/k}(\text{tr}_{K/L}(\alpha)) = \text{tr}_{K/k}(\alpha)$.

In the notation of the theorem we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\beta_j^{(i)}\right) \left(\alpha_i^{(j)}\right) &= (\delta_{ij}), \text{ so} \\ \beta_j^{(1)} \alpha_i^{(1)} + \dots + \beta_j^{(n)} \alpha_i^{(n)} &= \delta_{ij}, \text{ i.e. } \text{tr}_{K/k}(\beta_j \alpha_i) = \delta_{ij}. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 36. *Suppose $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in K$ are linearly independent over k and $\left(\alpha_i^{(j)}\right)^{-1} = \left(\beta_j^{(i)}\right)$. Then $\lambda \in K$ has the property that $\text{tr}_{K/k}(\lambda \alpha_i) \in \mathcal{O}_k$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$ iff $\lambda \in [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]_k$.*

Proof: Suppose λ has the property that $\text{tr}_{K/k}(\lambda \alpha_i) \in \mathcal{O}_k$ for all i .

Then $(\lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \lambda^{(n)}) \left(\alpha_i^{(j)}\right) = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$ with $b_i \in \mathcal{O}_k$.

So $(\lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \lambda^{(n)}) = (b_1, \dots, b_n) \left(\beta_j^{(i)}\right)$ and thus each $\lambda^{(i)} \in \left[\beta_1^{(i)}, \dots, \beta_n^{(i)}\right]_k$.

Also note that, in this case, if we write $\lambda = \sum c_j \beta_j$ with $c_j \in k$, then $b_i = \text{tr}_{K/k}(\lambda \alpha_i) = \text{tr}_{K/k}(\sum c_j \beta_j \alpha_i) = c_i$, so $c_i \in \mathcal{O}_k$.

The converse is clear. \square

Definition 24. *Let \mathfrak{a} be an ideal of K . We will denote*

$$\mathfrak{t}_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}) = \{\lambda \in K : \text{tr}_{K/k}(\lambda \alpha) \in \mathcal{O}_k \text{ for all } \alpha \in \mathfrak{a}\}$$

Lemma 37. *If \mathfrak{a} is an ideal of K , then $\mathfrak{t}_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})$ is also an ideal of K .*

Proof: First note that if $\beta, \gamma \in \mathcal{O}_K$ and $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a})$, then $\text{tr}((\lambda_1 \beta + \lambda_2 \gamma) \alpha) = \text{tr}(\lambda_1(\beta \alpha)) + \text{tr}(\lambda_2(\gamma \alpha)) \in \mathcal{O}_k$ for any $\alpha \in \mathfrak{a}$. So $\lambda_1 \beta + \lambda_2 \gamma \in \mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a})$.

Therefore we need only show that $\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a})$ is finitely generated, that is to say find $d \in \mathcal{O}_K$ such that $d \mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a}) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K$.

Let $\lambda \in \mathfrak{t}_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a})$. Then, for any $\alpha \in \mathfrak{a}$ we have $\text{tr}_{K/k}(\lambda \alpha) \in \mathcal{O}_k$, so $\text{tr}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\lambda \alpha) \in \mathbb{Z}$. Hence $\mathfrak{t}_{K/k}(\mathfrak{a}) \subseteq \mathfrak{t}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathfrak{a})$. Using the fact that \mathbb{Z} is a PID, we may write $\mathfrak{a} = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m]_{\mathbb{Z}}$ (where $m = [K : \mathbb{Q}]$), and let $\left(\alpha_i^{(j)}\right)_{1 \leq i, j \leq m}^{-1} = \left(\beta_j^{(i)}\right)_{1 \leq i, j \leq m}$ (here $m = [K : \mathbb{Q}]$). Since $\lambda \in \mathfrak{t}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathfrak{a})$, it follows that $\text{tr}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\lambda \alpha_i) \in \mathbb{Z}$ for all

$1 \leq i \leq m$ and therefore $\lambda \in [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_m]_{\mathbb{Z}}$. Choose $d \in \mathcal{O}_K$ such that $d\beta_i \in \mathcal{O}_K$ for each i . Then $d\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a}) \in \mathcal{O}_K$. \square

Definition 25. The ideal $\mathcal{D}_{K/k} = \mathfrak{t}(\mathcal{O}_K)^{-1}$ is called the relative different of K/k .

If $k = \mathbb{Q}$, then $\mathcal{D}_K = \mathcal{D}_{K/\mathbb{Q}}$ is called the different of K .

Theorem 38. If \mathfrak{a} is an ideal of K , then $\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a}) = \mathfrak{a}^{-1}\mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}$ and $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}$ is an integral ideal of K . If $K = k(\theta)$ and $\mathcal{O}_K = \mathcal{O}_k[\theta]$, then $\mathcal{D}_{K/k} = (f'(\theta))$ where f is the minimal polynomial of θ .

Proof: Let $\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{b}$ be two ideals of K . Then $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a}) = \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a})\mathfrak{b}^{-1}\mathfrak{b} = (\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a})\mathfrak{b}^{-1})\mathfrak{b}$.

Choose $\alpha \in \mathfrak{a}$, $\lambda \in \mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a})$ and $x \in \mathfrak{b}^{-1}$. Pick any $\beta \in \mathfrak{b}$. Then $x\beta \in \mathcal{O}_K$ and therefore $\alpha x\beta \in \mathfrak{a}$. Hence $\text{tr}_{K/k}(\lambda\alpha x\beta) \in \mathcal{O}_k$. Since this holds for any $\beta \in \mathfrak{b}$, it follows that $\alpha\lambda x \in \mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{b})$, that is $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a})\mathfrak{b}^{-1} \subseteq \mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{b})$. So $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a}) \subseteq \mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{b})$.

By symmetry, we see that for any two ideals \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} of K , we have $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a}) = \mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{b})$.

In particular take $\mathfrak{b} = \mathcal{O}_K$. We have $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a}) = \mathcal{O}_K\mathfrak{t}(\mathcal{O}_K) = \mathfrak{t}(\mathcal{O}_K) = \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}$.

Pick any $\alpha, \lambda \in \mathcal{O}_K$. Then $\text{tr}(\lambda\alpha) \in \mathcal{O}_k$, so $\lambda \in \mathfrak{t}(\mathcal{O}_K) = \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}$. Hence $\mathcal{O}_K \subseteq \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}$, i.e. $\mathcal{D}_{K/k} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K^{-1} = \mathcal{O}_K$.

Now assume that $K = k(\theta)$ and $\mathcal{O}_K = \mathcal{O}_k[\theta]$. Let $(\beta_j^{(i)}) = (\theta^{(i)j-1})^{-1}$. By theorem 35, $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) = \left(\frac{1}{f'(\theta)}\right)$. Recall that $\text{tr}(\theta^i\beta_j) = \delta_{i+1,j} \in \mathcal{O}_k$, so $\beta_j \in \mathfrak{t}(\mathcal{O}_K)$ for all j . On the other hand, for any $\lambda \in \mathfrak{t}(\mathcal{O}_K)$ we have, by lemma 36, that $\lambda \in [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]_k \subseteq (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$.

Hence $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1} = \mathfrak{t}(\mathcal{O}_K) = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) = \left(\frac{1}{f'(\theta)}\right)$, so $\mathcal{D}_{K/k} = (f'(\theta))$. \square

Theorem 39. Let $\mathfrak{a} = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n]$, where we recall that $n = [K : k]$. Define β_1, \dots, β_n as usual by $(\beta_j^{(i)}) = (\alpha_i^{(j)})^{-1}$. Then $\mathfrak{a}^{-1}\mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1} = [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]_k$.

Proof: Recall that if $\lambda \in \mathfrak{a}^{-1}\mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1} = \mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a})$, then lemma 36 implies that $\lambda \in [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]_k$. On the other hand, for each i and j we have $\text{tr}(\alpha_i\beta_j) = \delta_{ij} \in \mathcal{O}_k$, so $\beta_j \in \mathfrak{t}(\mathfrak{a})$. \square

Definition 26. The relative discriminant of K/k is the ideal $D_{K/k} = \left(\det \left(w_i^{(j)} \right) \right)^2$,

where $\mathcal{O}_K = [w_1, \dots, w_n]_k$.

Corollary 40. If \mathcal{O}_k is a PID, then $N_{K/k} \mathcal{D}_{K/k} = D_{K/k}$. In particular, $N(\mathcal{D}_K) = |D_K|$.

Proof: Let $\mathcal{O}_K = [w_1, \dots, w_n]_k$ and $(\beta_j^{(i)}) = (w_i^{(j)})^{-1}$.

By theorem 39 it follows that $[\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]_k = \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}$. Write $(w_1, \dots, w_n) = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)M$ for some $n \times n$ matrix with entries in k .

Then, by theorem 33, $(\det M) = N_{K/k} \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}$.

We also have $(\beta_j^{(i)}) = (w_i^{(j)}) M$, so

$$\left(\det \left(\beta_j^{(i)} \right) \right) = \left(\det \left(w_i^{(j)} \right) \right) (\det M) = \left(\det \left(w_i^{(j)} \right) \right) N_{K/k} \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}$$

Therefore $N_{K/k} \mathcal{D}_{K/k} = \left(\det \left(w_i^{(j)} \right) \right)^2 = D_{K/k}$.

If $k = \mathbb{Q}$, we get that $N(\mathcal{D}_K) = |N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathcal{D}_K)| = |D_K|$. \square

Theorem 41. If $K \supseteq L \supseteq k$ are number fields, then $\mathcal{D}_{K/k} = \mathcal{D}_{K/L} \cdot \mathcal{D}_{L/k}$.

Proof: We will prove that $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1} = \mathcal{D}_{K/L}^{-1} \cdot \mathcal{D}_{L/k}^{-1}$.

Pick some $\alpha \in \mathcal{D}_{K/L}^{-1} = \mathfrak{t}_{K/L}(\mathcal{O}_K)$ and some $a \in \mathcal{D}_{L/k}^{-1} = \mathfrak{t}_{L/k}(\mathcal{O}_L) \subseteq L$. Then, for any $w \in \mathcal{O}_K$, we have $\text{tr}_{K/k}((\alpha a)w) = \text{tr}_{L/k} \text{tr}_{K/L}(a(\alpha w)) = \text{tr}_{L/k}(a \text{tr}_{K/L}(\alpha w)) \in \text{tr}_{L/k}(a \mathcal{O}_L) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_k$. Hence $a\alpha \in \mathfrak{t}_{K/k}(\mathcal{O}_k) = \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}$.

Now we want to prove the other inclusion, which is equivalent to showing that $\mathcal{D}_{L/k} \cdot \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1} \subseteq \mathcal{D}_{K/L}^{-1}$. Choose $\alpha \in \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1} = \mathfrak{t}_{K/k}(\mathcal{O}_K)$ and $a \in \mathcal{D}_{L/k} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_L$. Choose $w \in \mathcal{O}_K$. Then for any $b \in \mathcal{O}_L$, we have $\text{tr}_{L/k}(b \text{tr}_{K/L}(\alpha w)) = \text{tr}_{K/k}(\alpha(bw)) \in \mathcal{O}_k$, since $bw \in \mathcal{O}_K$ and $\alpha \in \mathfrak{t}_{K/k}(\mathcal{O}_K)$. Thus $\text{tr}_{K/L}(\alpha w) \in \mathfrak{t}_{L/k}(\mathcal{O}_L) = \mathcal{D}_{L/k}^{-1}$, and therefore $\text{tr}_{K/L}(a\alpha w) = a \text{tr}_{K/L}(\alpha w) \in a \mathcal{D}_{L/k}^{-1} \subseteq \mathcal{D}_{L/k} \cdot \mathcal{D}_{L/k}^{-1} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_L$. Hence $a\alpha \in \mathfrak{t}_{K/L}(\mathcal{O}_K) = \mathcal{D}_{K/L}^{-1}$. \square

Corollary 42. Suppose $[K : L] = m$. Then $D_L^m \mid D_K$.

Proof: Take $k = \mathbb{Q}$ in the previous theorem. We get that

$$|D_K| = N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathcal{D}_K) = N_{L/\mathbb{Q}}(N_{K/L}(\mathcal{D}_{K/L} \cdot \mathcal{D}_L)) = N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathcal{D}_{K/L})N_{L/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathcal{D}_L^m) = D_L^m \cdot N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathcal{D}_{K/L})$$

and the theorem follows since $N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathcal{D}_{K/L})$ is an integer. \square

Theorem 43. (Chinese Remainder Theorem) *Suppose \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} are integral ideals of K with $(\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{b}) = (1)$. If $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{O}_K$, then the system of equations*

$$\begin{cases} x \equiv \alpha \pmod{\mathfrak{a}} \\ x \equiv \beta \pmod{\mathfrak{b}} \end{cases}$$

has a solution in \mathcal{O}_K and that solution is unique $\pmod{\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b}}$.

Proof: \square

Theorem 44. *Let \mathfrak{P} be a prime ideal of K . Then $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{P} \cap k$ is a prime ideal of k and $N_{K/k}\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{p}^f$ for some $1 \leq f \leq n = [K : k]$.*

Proof: If $a, b \in \mathcal{O}_k \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K$ and $ab \in \mathfrak{p} \subseteq \mathfrak{P}$, it follows that $a \in \mathfrak{P}$ or $b \in \mathfrak{P}$, and since they are already elements of k , we get $a \in \mathfrak{p}$ or $b \in \mathfrak{p}$. Therefore \mathfrak{p} is a prime ideal of k .

Note that $\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathfrak{p}$, since $\mathfrak{p}\mathcal{O}_K \subseteq \mathfrak{P}\mathcal{O}_K = \mathfrak{P}$. Now let $K^{(i)}$ be a conjugate field of K . Then $\frac{\mathfrak{p}}{\mathfrak{P}^{(i)}} = \left(\frac{\mathfrak{p}}{\mathfrak{P}}\right)^{(i)} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_{K^{(i)}}$, so $\mathfrak{P}^{(i)} \mid \mathfrak{p}$. Thus $N_{K/k}\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathfrak{p}^n$, hence $N_{K/k}\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{p}^f$ for some $1 \leq f \leq n$. \square

Lemma 45. *Given a prime ideal \mathfrak{P} of K and an integral ideal \mathfrak{a} of K with $(\mathfrak{P}, \mathfrak{a}) = (1)$, there exists an element $\theta \in \mathfrak{a}$ such that $K = k(\theta)$, θ is a primitive root $\pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ and for any $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ and any $w \in \mathcal{O}_K$ we can find an element $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_k[\theta]$ with $\alpha \equiv w \pmod{\mathfrak{P}^m}$.*

Proof: We know that $(\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P})^*$ is a finite cyclic group. Choose $\theta_1 \in \mathcal{O}_K$ such that $\theta_1 \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ is a generator of this group. Then every element in \mathcal{O}_K that is not in \mathfrak{P} will be congruent to $\theta^i \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ for some $1 \leq i \leq N\mathfrak{P} - 1$.

We want to find $\theta_2 \equiv \theta_1 \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ such that $\pi = \theta_2^{N\mathfrak{P}} - \theta_2 \in \mathfrak{P} \setminus \mathfrak{P}^2$. To do this, set $\theta_2 = \theta_1 + \beta$ for some $\beta \in \mathfrak{P} \setminus \mathfrak{P}^2$. Then

$$\theta_2^{N\mathfrak{P}} = (\theta_1 + \beta)^{N\mathfrak{P}} = \theta_1^{N\mathfrak{P}} + N\mathfrak{P}\theta_1^{N\mathfrak{P}-1}\beta + \beta^2(\dots) \equiv \theta_1^{N\mathfrak{P}} \pmod{\mathfrak{P}^2}$$

since $\mathfrak{P} \mid N\mathfrak{P}$ and $\beta \in \mathfrak{P}$.

So $\theta_2^{N\mathfrak{P}} - \theta_2 \equiv \theta_1^{N\mathfrak{P}} - \theta_1 - \beta \pmod{\mathfrak{P}^2}$ and we can choose an appropriate β .

Now, the Chinese Remainder Theorem allows us to pick $\theta_3 \equiv \theta_2 \pmod{\mathfrak{P}^2}$ with $\theta_3 \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{a}}$.

Set $\theta(l) = \theta_3 + lp^2a\gamma$ where p is a rational prime such that $\mathfrak{P} \mid (p)$, $a \in \mathfrak{a} \cap \mathbb{Z}$ nonzero, $\gamma \in \mathcal{O}_K$ such that $K = k(\gamma)$ and $l \in \mathbb{Z}$. The determinant of the matrix $(\theta(l)^{(i)j})$ looks like $\prod_{i < j} (\theta_3^{(j)} - \theta_3^{(i)} + lp^2a(\gamma^{(j)} - \gamma^{(i)}))$, and since $\gamma^{(j)} - \gamma^{(i)} \neq 0$ we can choose l large enough to this determinant nonzero. In this case the column vectors are linearly independent, hence $\{1, \theta(l), \theta(l)^2, \dots, \theta(l)^{n-1}\}$ are linearly independent over k , hence we have $K = k(\theta(l))$. Put $\theta = \theta(l)$.

Note that θ is an integer.

Change π to $\pi = \theta^{N\mathfrak{P}} - \theta \in \mathfrak{P} \setminus \mathfrak{P}^2$ and set $\gamma_i = \theta^i$ for $1 \leq i \leq N\mathfrak{P} - 1$. Then the numbers $\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \beta_j \pi^j \in \mathcal{O}_k[\theta]$ run through all the residue classes $\pmod{\mathfrak{P}^m}$ as the β_j 's run through $\{\gamma_i; 1 \leq i \leq N\mathfrak{P} - 1\} \cup 0$. This is because we have $N\mathfrak{P}^m$ of the form $\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \beta_j \pi^j$ and if two of them are congruent $\pmod{\mathfrak{P}^m}$, then $\beta_j \equiv \beta'_j \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ for each j . \square

Theorem 46. *If $K = k(\theta)$ and $\theta \in \mathcal{O}_K$, let $f \in k[X]$ be the minimal polynomial of θ . Then $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}$ is the gcd of all such $f'(\theta)$. Also, if \mathfrak{P} is a prime ideal of K , $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{P} \cap k$ and $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{P}^e \mathfrak{a}$ with $(\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{P}) = (1)$, then, for the θ in lemma 45, the prime ideal \mathfrak{P} has the same power in both $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}$ and $(f'(\theta))$.*

Proof: If $\theta \in \mathcal{O}_K$ and $K = k(\theta)$ and $(\beta_j^{(i)}) = (\theta^{(i)j-1})^{-1}$, then for any $\lambda \in \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1} = \mathfrak{t}(\mathcal{O}_K)$ we have, by lemma 36, that $\lambda \in [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]_k \subseteq (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$. So $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1} \subseteq (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) = (f'(\theta))^{-1}$, by theorem 35.

Thus, $(f'(\theta)) \subseteq \mathcal{D}_{K/k}$, i.e. $\mathcal{D}_{K/k} \mid (f'(\theta))$.

Hence $(f'(\theta)) = \mathcal{D}_{K/k} \mathfrak{B}$ for some integral ideal \mathfrak{B} of K .

The theorem will follow if we can show that with the choice of θ from the lemma 45, we have $(\mathfrak{B}, \mathfrak{P}) = (1)$.

Now $\mathfrak{B} \mid N_{K/k} \mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{p}^r \mathfrak{b}$ for some integral ideal \mathfrak{b} of k with $(\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{b}) = (1)$. Given $w \in \mathcal{O}_K$, we can find $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}_k[\theta]$ with $\alpha \equiv w \pmod{\mathfrak{P}^{er}}$ (see lemma 45).

Then

$$\mathcal{D}_{K/k} \frac{(w - \alpha) \mathfrak{b}(\theta)^r}{(f'(\theta))} = \frac{(w - \alpha)}{\mathfrak{P}^{er}} \cdot \frac{\mathfrak{P}^{er} \mathfrak{a}^r \mathfrak{b}}{\mathfrak{B}} \cdot \left(\frac{(\theta)}{\mathfrak{a}} \right)^r$$

and each of the three terms is integral, so the LHS is an integral ideal.

Now choose $b \in \mathfrak{b} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_k$. Then $\mathfrak{b} \mid (b)$, so $\mathcal{D}_{K/k} \frac{(w - \alpha)(b)(\theta)^r}{(f'(\theta))}$ is an integral ideal. Hence $\frac{(w - \alpha)b(\theta)^r}{f'(\theta)} \in \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}$ and therefore $\text{tr}_{K/k} \left(\frac{(w - \alpha)b(\theta)^r}{f'(\theta)} \theta^j \right) \in \mathcal{O}_k$ for all $1 \leq j \leq n$. Again lemma 36 implies that $\frac{(w - \alpha)b(\theta)^r}{f'(\theta)} \in [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n]_k \subseteq (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) = (f'(\theta))^{-1}$, so $(w - \alpha)b\theta^r \in \mathcal{O}_k[\theta]$. But $\alpha b\theta^r \in \mathcal{O}_k[\theta]$ and thus $w b\theta^r \in \mathcal{O}_k[\theta]$.

Hence $\text{tr}_{K/k} \left(\frac{w b \theta^r}{f'(\theta)} \right) \in \mathcal{O}_k$ for all $w \in \mathcal{O}_K$ and so $\frac{b \theta^r}{f'(\theta)} \in \mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}$. Therefore $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1} \mid \frac{(b \theta^r)}{(f'(\theta))}$, i.e. $\frac{(b \theta^r)}{\mathcal{D}_{K/k}^{-1}(f'(\theta))}$ is an integral ideal. But $(f'(\theta)) = \mathcal{D}_{K/k} \mathfrak{B}$, so $\frac{(b)(\theta^r)}{\mathfrak{B}}$ is integral. This is true for all $b \in \mathfrak{b}$, hence $\mathfrak{B} \mid \mathfrak{b}(\theta)^r$. Since $(\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{b}) = (1)$ and $\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathfrak{p}$, it follows that $(\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{P}) = (1)$. But we also have $((\theta), \mathfrak{P}) = (1)$, so $((\theta)^r \mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{P}) = (1)$. As $\mathfrak{B} \mid \mathfrak{b}(\theta)^r$, we get $(\mathfrak{B}, \mathfrak{P}) = (1)$, exactly what we wanted. \square

6. RAMIFICATION THEORY

Consider the field extensions

$$\begin{array}{c} K \quad \mathfrak{P} \\ | \\ k \quad \mathfrak{p} \\ | \\ \mathbb{Q} \quad (p) \end{array}$$

We have that $\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathfrak{p}$ for each \mathfrak{P} lying above \mathfrak{p} , i.e. such that $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{P} \cap k$. Also, if $\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathfrak{p}$, then $\mathfrak{P} \supseteq \mathfrak{p}$, i.e. \mathfrak{P} lies above \mathfrak{p} . Thus, we may write any prime ideal of k as $\mathfrak{p} = \prod \mathfrak{P}_i^{e_i}$, a product of the primes lying above it. Then, taking the norm of both sides and keeping in mind that $N_{K/k}\mathfrak{P}_i = \mathfrak{p}^{f_i}$, we get $\mathfrak{p}^n = \prod (N_{K/k}\mathfrak{P}_i)^{e_i} = \mathfrak{p}^{\sum e_i f_i}$, hence $n = \sum e_i f_i$. In particular, the number of the \mathfrak{P}_i 's must be $\leq n$.

Possibilities are:

- (1) \mathfrak{p} *splits completely* in K if there are n distinct \mathfrak{P}_i 's lying above it (each with $f_i = e_i = 1$);
- (2) \mathfrak{p} *remains inert* in K if there is just one prime ideal \mathfrak{P} lying above \mathfrak{p} (here $e = 1, f = n$), so $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{P}$;
- (3) \mathfrak{p} *ramifies* in K if any of the $e_i > 1$. In this case we also say that \mathfrak{P}_i is a *ramified prime* of K relative to k .

Definition 27. *The degree of \mathfrak{P} is the residue class degree, i.e. the degree of the algebraic extension $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P}$ over $\mathbb{Z}/(p)$.*

Therefore $N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}\mathfrak{P} = p^f$ where f = the degree of \mathfrak{P} .

Now, $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P}$ contains the field $\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$ in the following sense: suppose $a, b \in \mathcal{O}_k$ with $a \equiv b \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$; then $a - b \in \mathfrak{P} \cap \mathcal{O}_k = \mathfrak{p}$, so $a \equiv b \pmod{\mathfrak{p}}$.

Claim $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P}$ is a normal extension of $\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$.

Proof: Say $N_{K/k}\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{p}^f$ and $N_{k/\mathbb{Q}}\mathfrak{p} = p^{f_0} = q$. Then $\#\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P} = q^f$. Let $\bar{\theta}$ be a generator of the multiplicative group of the field $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P}$, so $\bar{\theta}^{q^f-1} = \bar{1}$ and no lower power of $\bar{\theta}$ is $\bar{1}$. For $\bar{\alpha} \in \mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P}$ define $\bar{\sigma}(\bar{\alpha}) = \bar{\alpha}^q$. This defines an automorphism of $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P}$ that fixes $\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$ as $(\bar{\alpha} + \bar{\beta})^q = \bar{\alpha}^q + \bar{\beta}^q$ and for $\bar{a} \in \mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$ we have $\bar{a}^q \equiv \bar{a} \pmod{\mathfrak{p}}$.

Moreover, $\bar{\sigma}, \bar{\sigma}^2, \dots, \bar{\sigma}^f = \text{Id}$ are all distinct automorphisms of $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P}$ over $\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$. \square

Note that the above field extension is automatically separable, since any finite field extension is separable.

Thus, $\text{Gal}((\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{P})/(\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}))$ is a cyclic group of degree f with generator σ , given by $\sigma(\bar{\theta}) = \bar{\theta}^q$, and the f conjugates of $\bar{\theta}$ over $\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$ are $\bar{\theta}^{q^i}$, $0 \leq i \leq f-1$.

Now assume K is normal over k with Galois group $\text{Gal}(K/k) = G$.

Suppose $\mathfrak{P}^e \parallel \mathfrak{p}$ (exactly divides), and let $\mathfrak{P}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{P}_r$ be the r distinct images of \mathfrak{P} under the action of G . Then $\mathfrak{P}_i^e \parallel \mathfrak{p}$ for each i . So, $\mathfrak{p} = \left(\prod_{i=1}^r \mathfrak{P}_i \right)^e \mathfrak{a}$, where $(\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{P}_i) = (1)$ for all $1 \leq i \leq r$.

But $\prod_{g \in G} g\mathfrak{P} = N_{K/k}\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{p}^f$, so any prime ideal factor of \mathfrak{p} in K is one of the $g\mathfrak{P}$'s,

i.e. one of the \mathfrak{P}_i 's. Hence $\mathfrak{a} = (1)$ and $\prod_{g \in G} g\mathfrak{P} = N_{K/k}\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{p}^f = \left(\prod_{i=1}^r \mathfrak{P}_i \right)^{ef}$.

Now let $G_D = G_D(\mathfrak{P}) = \{g \in G; g\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{P}\}$.

Then

$$\prod_{g \in G} g\mathfrak{P} = \left(\prod_{i=1}^r \mathfrak{P}_i \right)^{\#G_D}$$

so $\#G_D = ef$.

Note that if $g \in G_D$, then g is an automorphism of $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P}$ over $\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$.

Let $\mathfrak{a} = \frac{\mathfrak{p}}{\mathfrak{P}^e}$ and choose $\theta \in \mathcal{O}_K$ so that θ is a primitive root (mod \mathfrak{P}), $\theta \in \mathfrak{a}$ and

$K = k(\theta)$, satisfying the conclusions of the lemma 45. Then

$\pi = \theta - \theta^{N\mathfrak{P}} = \theta - \theta^{q^f} \in \mathfrak{P} \setminus \mathfrak{P}^2$ and every element of \mathcal{O}_K is congruent to an element of $\mathcal{O}_k[\theta]$ (mod \mathfrak{P}^m). The irreducible polynomial for θ over k is

$$f(X) = \prod_{g \in G} (X - g\theta) \in \mathcal{O}_k[X].$$

Reducing (mod \mathfrak{p}) we see that $\bar{\theta}$ is a root of \bar{f} , so (mod \mathfrak{p}) $\prod_{g \in G} (X - g\bar{\theta})$ is

divisible by $\prod_{i=0}^{f-1} (X - \bar{\theta}^{q^i})$.

Thus there is a $g \in G$ such that $g\theta \equiv \theta^q \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$. This g is called the *Frobenius automorphism of \mathfrak{P}* and is denoted by $\sigma(\mathfrak{P}) = \sigma\left(\frac{K/k}{\mathfrak{P}}\right)$.

Let σ be the Frobenius automorphism of \mathfrak{P} . Then $\sigma \in G_D$. Indeed, suppose this was not so. Then $\sigma^{-1}\mathfrak{P} \neq \mathfrak{P}$, hence $(\sigma^{-1}\mathfrak{P}, \mathfrak{P}) = (1)$. So, we can assume that

$\theta \in \sigma^{-1}\mathfrak{P}$. Since $\sigma\theta \equiv \theta^q \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$, we have that $\theta \equiv (\sigma^{-1}\theta)^q \pmod{\sigma^{-1}\mathfrak{P}}$, so $\sigma^{-1}\theta \in \sigma^{-1}\mathfrak{P}$, i.e. $\theta \in \mathfrak{P}$, and we arrived at a contradiction. Thus $\sigma \in G_D$.

Definition 28. $G_I = \{g \in G; gw \equiv w \pmod{\mathfrak{P}} \text{ for all } w \in \mathcal{O}_K\}$ is called the inertia group of \mathfrak{P} .

Now, if $g \in G_D$, then g provides an automorphism of $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P}$ over $\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$, so $g\theta \equiv \theta^{q^i} \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ for some i . But also $\sigma^i\theta \equiv \theta^{q^i} \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$, so $g^{-1}\sigma^i\theta \equiv \theta \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$, so $g^{-1}\sigma^iw \equiv w \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$ for all $w \in \mathcal{O}_K$. Hence $g^{-1}\sigma^i \in G_I$, i.e. $g \in \sigma^i G_I$.

It follows that G_I is a normal subgroup of G_D , because

$$g_D^{-1}g_I g_D \theta \equiv g_D^{-1}g_I \sigma^i(\theta) \equiv g_D^{-1}\theta^{q^i} \equiv \sigma^{-i}\theta^{q^i} \equiv \theta \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}.$$

Claim G_D/G_I is a cyclic group of order f and is generated by σG_I .

Proof: σG_I is a generator as each $g \in \sigma^i G_I$ for some i , as seen above. The only question is to determine the smallest i such that $\theta^{q^i} \equiv \theta \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$. This is $i = f$ since θ is a primitive root $\pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$. \square

Note that $\#G_D = ef$, so $\#G_I = e$. Also, $G_D/G_I = \text{Gal}\left(\frac{\mathcal{O}_K}{\mathfrak{P}}/\frac{\mathcal{O}_k}{\mathfrak{p}}\right)$.

We now have the field extensions corresponding to $G \supseteq G_D \supseteq G_I$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K & & \mathfrak{P} \\ G_I \downarrow e & & \\ k_I & & \mathfrak{p}_I = \mathfrak{P} \cap k_I \\ \downarrow f & & \\ k_D & & \mathfrak{p}_D = \mathfrak{P} \cap k_D \\ \downarrow r & & \\ k & & \mathfrak{p} \end{array}$$

Start with an ideal \mathfrak{P} of K lying above the prime ideal \mathfrak{p} of k . Denote $\mathfrak{p}_I = \mathfrak{P} \cap k_I$ and $\mathfrak{p}_D = \mathfrak{P} \cap k_D = \mathfrak{p}_I \cap k_D$.

Then

$$N_{K/k_D} \mathfrak{P} = \prod_{g \in G_D} g\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{P}^{ef}.$$

At the same time, we know that $N_{K/k_D} \mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{p}_D^m$ for some $m \in \{1, \dots, ef\}$. (Recall that $ef = [K : k_D]$.)

Now if $\mathcal{O}_{k_D}/\mathfrak{p}_D$ were a nontrivial extension of $\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$, then it would exist a nontrivial automorphism of $\mathcal{O}_{k_D}/\mathfrak{p}_D$ that fixes $\mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$. Any such automorphism would extend to a nontrivial element of $\text{Gal}\left(\frac{\mathcal{O}_K}{\mathfrak{P}}/\frac{\mathcal{O}_k}{\mathfrak{p}}\right) = G_D/G_I$, so it would be induced by some $g \in G_D$. But all the elements of G_D fix $\mathcal{O}_{k_D}/\mathfrak{p}_D$ (contradiction). Hence $\mathcal{O}_{k_D}/\mathfrak{p}_D = \mathcal{O}_k/\mathfrak{p}$.

Therefore $N_{k_D/\mathbb{Q}} \mathfrak{p}_D = N_{k/\mathbb{Q}} \mathfrak{p} = q$ and $N_{k_D/k} \mathfrak{p}_D = \mathfrak{p}$.

Also, $q^f = N_{K/\mathbb{Q}} \mathfrak{P} = N_{k_D/\mathbb{Q}} N_{K/k_D} \mathfrak{P} = N_{k_D/\mathbb{Q}} \mathfrak{p}_D^m = q^m$, so $f = m$ and $\mathfrak{P}^{ef} = N_{K/k_D} \mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{p}_D^f$. Hence $\mathfrak{p}_D = \mathfrak{P}^e$.

Since the elements of G_I fix $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P}$, we get just as before that $\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{P} = \mathcal{O}_{k_I}/\mathfrak{p}_I$ **why?** and therefore $N_{k_I/k_D} \mathfrak{p}_I = \mathfrak{p}_D^f$. It will also follow that $N_{K/k_I} \mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{p}_I$ and that $\mathfrak{p}_I = \mathfrak{P}^e$.

In conclusion, \mathfrak{p} splits completely in k_D into r different primes. Each of this primes of k_D remains inert in k_I , i.e. $\mathfrak{p}_D = \mathfrak{p}_I$. And each \mathfrak{p}_I lying above \mathfrak{p} in k_I is totally ramified in K , i.e. $\mathfrak{p}_I = \mathfrak{P}^e$ and \mathfrak{P} is the only prime lying above \mathfrak{p}_I in K .

So we have

L	$\text{Gal}(K/L)$	order of $\text{Gal}(K/L)$	$e(\mathfrak{p}_L)$	$f(\mathfrak{p}_L)$	$r(\mathfrak{p}_L)$
k	G	$n = efr$	e	f	r
k_D	G_D	ef	e	f	1
k_I	G_I	e	e	1	1

or

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
K & & \mathfrak{P} \\
| & & \\
k_I & \mathfrak{p}_I = \mathfrak{P}^e & N_{K/k_I} \mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{p}_I \\
| & & \\
k_D & \mathfrak{p}_D = \mathfrak{P}^e & N_{K/k_D} \mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{p}_D^f \\
| & & \\
k & \mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{P}^e & N_{K/k} = \mathfrak{p}^f
\end{array}$$

Now \mathfrak{P} is ramified in K/k iff $\#G_I(\mathfrak{P}) > 1$.

Recall that $K = K^{(1)}$.

Then

$$f'(\theta) = \prod_{i=2}^{\#G} (\theta - \theta^{(i)}) = \prod_{\substack{g \in G \\ g \neq 1}} (\theta - g\theta).$$

Now if $\mathfrak{P} \mid (\theta - g\theta)$, where $g \neq 1$, then $g\theta \equiv \theta \pmod{\mathfrak{P}}$, so $\theta \equiv g^{-1}\theta \pmod{g^{-1}\mathfrak{P}}$.

Assume that $g^{-1}\mathfrak{P} \neq \mathfrak{P}$. Then we may assume that $\theta \in g^{-1}\mathfrak{P}$, therefore also $g^{-1}\theta \in g^{-1}\mathfrak{P}$, so $\theta \in \mathfrak{P}$ (contradiction). Hence $g^{-1}\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{P}$, so $\mathfrak{P} = g\mathfrak{P}$, i.e.

$g \in G_D$, and thus $g \in G_I$. **why?**

Thus $\mathfrak{P} \mid (f'(\theta))$ iff $\#G_I > 1$ iff $e > 1$. So we have the following result:

Theorem 47. *If K/k is normal, then $\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathcal{D}_{K/k}$ iff \mathfrak{P} is ramified in K/k .*

Definition 29. $G_R = \{g \in G; gw \equiv w \pmod{\mathfrak{P}^2} \text{ for all } w \in \mathcal{O}_K\}$

$G_m = \{g \in G; gw \equiv w \pmod{\mathfrak{P}^{m+1}} \text{ for all } w \in \mathcal{O}_K\}$, where $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Note that $G_0 = G_I$ and $G_1 = G_R$.

Theorem 48. *Let $g \in G$. Then $g \in G_m$ iff $g\theta \equiv \theta \pmod{\mathfrak{P}^{m+1}}$.*

Proof: As before. \square

Theorem 49. *For all $m \geq 0$, G_{m+1} is a normal subgroup of G_m .*

Proof: $g_{m+1}g_m\theta \equiv g_m\theta \pmod{\mathfrak{P}^{m+2}}$, so $g_m^{-1}g_{m+1}g_m\theta \equiv \theta \pmod{g_m^{-1}\mathfrak{P}^{m+2}}$. But $g_m\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{P}$ as $g_m \in G_D$, and the assertion follows. \square

Now, the exact power of \mathfrak{P} in $\mathcal{D}_{K/k} =$ the power of \mathfrak{P} in $\prod_{\substack{g \in G \\ g \neq 1}} (\theta - g\theta) = \sum_{\substack{g \in G \\ g \neq 1}} i(g)$, where $i(g) = \max\{i; g\theta \equiv \theta \pmod{\mathfrak{P}^i}\} = i$ such that $g\theta - \theta \in \mathfrak{P}^i \setminus \mathfrak{P}^{i+1}$.

But this equals

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\substack{g \in G \setminus \{1\} \\ i(g)=i}} 1 \right) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} i (\#G_{j-1} - \#G_j) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\#G_j - 1)$$

So we have the following result:

Theorem 50. *If K/k is normal, the exact power of \mathfrak{P} occurring in $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}$ is $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\#G_i(\mathfrak{P} : K/k) - 1)$.*

Corollary 51. $\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathcal{D}_{K/k}$ iff $e(\mathfrak{p}) > 1$.

We will now show the following theorem:

Theorem 52. *Let L be an extension of k (not necessarily normal), and \mathfrak{p}_L a prime ideal of L . Then $\mathfrak{p}_L \mid \mathcal{D}_{L/k}$ iff \mathfrak{p}_L is a ramified prime ideal of L relative to k .*

This has the following consequence:

Corollary 53. *If $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{p}_L \cap k$, then $\mathfrak{p} \mid \mathcal{D}_{L/k}$ iff \mathfrak{p} ramifies in L .*

Proof of theorem: Let K/k be normal such that $K \supseteq L$, \mathfrak{P} a prime ideal of K dividing \mathfrak{p}_L . Then $G_m(\mathfrak{P} : K/L) = G_m \cap H$, where $H = \text{Gal}(K/L)$. So, the power of \mathfrak{P} in $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}$ is $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\#G_i - 1)$ and the power of \mathfrak{P} in $\mathcal{D}_{K/L}$ is $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\#G_i \cap H - 1)$. Clearly, $G_i \cap H = G_i$ for all i iff $G_0 \cap H = G_0$, so the same power of \mathfrak{P} occurs in $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}$ and $\mathcal{D}_{K/L}$ iff $e(\mathfrak{p}) = e(\mathfrak{p}_L)$.

Now \mathfrak{p}_L occurs in $\mathcal{D}_{L/k}$ iff the power of \mathfrak{P} in $\mathcal{D}_{K/k}$ is $>$ the power of \mathfrak{P} in $\mathcal{D}_{K/L}$.

Therefore \mathfrak{p}_L is ramified in L/k iff $e(\mathfrak{p}) > e(\mathfrak{p}_L)$ iff $\mathfrak{P} \mid \mathcal{D}_{K/k}$ iff $\mathfrak{p}_L \mid \mathcal{D}_{L/k}$. **why?** \square

FINAL COMMENTS this are just facts, right?

Take K/k to be a normal extension of number fields. For $m \geq 1$, G_m/G_{m+1} is a p -group, and every non-identity element has order p . Also, G_m/G_{m+1} is abelian.

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (\#G_i - 1) = \begin{cases} e - 1 & , \text{ if } p \nmid e \\ \geq e - 1 + p - 1 \geq e + p - 2 \geq e & , \text{ if } p \mid e \end{cases}$$

p is called *tamely ramified* if $p \nmid e$ and *wildly ramified* otherwise.

PART II
ANALYTIC NUMBER THEORY

Define

$$\zeta(s) = \zeta_{\mathbb{Q}}(s) = \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{(N\mathfrak{a})^s} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \prod_p (1 - p^{-s})^{-1}$$

Our aim is to prove that the function

$$g(s) = \pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s)$$

satisfies the functional equation

$$g(s) = g(1 - s),$$

is analytic for all $s \neq 0, 1$, with simple poles at these points and residue 1 at $s = 1$ and residue -1 at $s = 0$.

To do this, we first define

$$\theta(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi n^2 t} \text{ for } t > 0$$

and prove that

$$\theta(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \theta\left(\frac{1}{t}\right).$$

This is a consequence of the *Poisson summation formula*: Let $f(x)$ be a function such that $f(x) \rightarrow 0$ sufficiently fast as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$. Then $F(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(n+x)$ converges for all x and $F(x+1) = F(x)$. Thus $F(x)$ has a Fourier expansion

$$F(x) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} a_m e^{2\pi i m x}, \text{ where}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_m &= \int_0^1 F(x) e^{-2\pi i m x} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(n+x) e^{-2\pi i m x} dx \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^1 f(n+x) e^{-2\pi i m x} dx \end{aligned}$$

Making the change of variables $x' = x + n$, we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
a_m &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_n^{n+1} f(x) e^{-2\pi i m x} dx \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-2\pi i m x} dx \\
&= \hat{f}(m) \text{ (the Fourier transform of } f \text{ at } m).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(n+x) = F(x) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(m) e^{2\pi i m x}$$

and setting $x = 0$ we get the Poisson summation formula

$$\boxed{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(n) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(n)}$$

Now take $f_t(x) = e^{-\pi x^2 t}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{f}(m) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2 t - 2\pi i m x} dx \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi t \left[\left(x + \frac{im}{t}\right)^2 + \frac{m^2}{t^2} \right]} dx \\
&= e^{-\frac{\pi m^2}{t}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi t \left(x + \frac{im}{t}\right)^2} dx
\end{aligned}$$

Moving the line of integration we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{f}(m) &= e^{-\frac{\pi m^2}{t}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi t x^2} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} e^{-\frac{\pi m^2}{t}}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\theta(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi n^2 t} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{\pi n^2}{t}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \theta\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)$, as desired.

Now, for $\text{Re}(s) > 1$ we have

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}$$

and

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) = \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{s}{2}} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{t}.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) &= \pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{s}{2}} \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{1}{n^s} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_0^\infty \sum_{n=1}^\infty \left(\frac{t}{\pi n^2}\right)^{\frac{s}{2}} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_0^\infty \sum_{n=1}^\infty t^{\frac{s}{2}} e^{-\pi n^2 t} \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_0^\infty t^{\frac{s}{2}} \frac{\theta(t) - 1}{2} \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_1^\infty t^{\frac{s}{2}} \frac{\theta(t) - 1}{2} \frac{dt}{t} + \int_0^1 t^{\frac{s}{2}} \frac{\theta(t) - 1}{2} \frac{dt}{t}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, as $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$,

$$-\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 t^{\frac{s}{2}} \frac{dt}{t} = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{s} \cdot t^{\frac{s}{2}} \Big|_0^1 = -\frac{1}{s}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 t^{\frac{s}{2}} \theta(t) \frac{dt}{t} &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 t^{\frac{s}{2} - \frac{1}{2}} \theta\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) \frac{dt}{t} = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^\infty t^{\frac{1-s}{2}} \theta(t) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \int_1^\infty t^{\frac{1-s}{2}} \frac{\theta(t) - 1}{2} \frac{dt}{t} + \frac{1}{2} \int_1^\infty t^{\frac{1-s}{2}} \frac{dt}{t} \end{aligned}$$

and, as $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$,

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_1^\infty t^{\frac{1-s}{2}} \frac{dt}{t} = \frac{t^{\frac{1-s}{2}}}{1-s} \Big|_1^\infty = \frac{1}{s-1}$$

Hence, for $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$,

$$\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = \int_1^\infty t^{\frac{s}{2}} \frac{\theta(t) - 1}{2} \frac{dt}{t} + \int_1^\infty t^{\frac{1-s}{2}} \frac{\theta(t) - 1}{2} \frac{dt}{t} - \left(\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{1-s}\right)$$

The two integrals converge for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$, so the RHS is analytic on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$, has simple poles at $s = 0, 1$ and reflects into itself as $s \mapsto 1 - s$.

Now, let K be a number field with $[K : \mathbb{Q}] = n$. We define the *Dedekind zeta function associated to K* to be

$$\zeta_K(s) = \sum_{\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K} (N\mathfrak{a})^{-s}.$$

First, does this series converge?

Well, by unique factorization of the ideals, we may write

$$\zeta_K(s) = \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} (1 - N\mathfrak{p}^{-s})^{-1}$$

and this converges absolutely iff $\sum_{\mathfrak{p}} \frac{1}{N\mathfrak{p}^s}$ converges absolutely. There are at most n primes \mathfrak{p} lying above each rational prime ideal $(p) \supseteq \mathbb{Z}$, and $N\mathfrak{p}$ is smallest when (p) splits completely, i.e. when $(p) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathfrak{p}^{(i)}$ with $N\mathfrak{p} = p$.

$$\text{So } \sum_{\mathfrak{p}} \frac{1}{N\mathfrak{p}^s} \leq n \sum_p \frac{1}{p^s}$$

Therefore, $\zeta_K(s)$ converges for $\text{Re}(s) > 1$ also.

For the functional equation of $\zeta_K(s)$ we will require a theta function that satisfies itself a suitable function equation, and for this we will need an n -dimensional Poisson summation formula.

So, let $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$. If $f(\vec{x})$ is an infinitely differentiable function such that $f(\vec{x}) \rightarrow 0$ as $|\vec{x}| \rightarrow \infty$ sufficiently fast, then we have the n -dimensional Poisson summation formula:

$$\sum_{\vec{m}} f(\vec{m}) = \sum_{\vec{m}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(\vec{x}) e^{-2\pi i \vec{m} \cdot \vec{x}} d\vec{x}$$

Definition 30. Let P be a real $n \times n$ symmetric matrix such that, for

$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$, tPx is a positive definite quadratic form in n variables.

Then, for $u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}$ we define the generalized theta function

$$\Theta(P, u, v) = \sum_{m = \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ \vdots \\ m_n \end{pmatrix}} e^{-\pi {}^t(m+u)P(m+u) + 2\pi i {}^tvm}$$

Note that in this case all the eigenvalues of P are positive and there exists an orthogonal matrix G such that ${}^tGPG = \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & e_n \end{pmatrix}$, and, from this, there exists N such that ${}^tNPN = I$.

First we have to address the question of convergence for the series defining the theta function.

First note that for any such matrix P , the set $\{{}^tPx; |x| = 1\}$ has a minimum $d(P) > 0$

Fix P_0 a real symmetric positive definite $n \times n$ matrix and some $y_0 > 0$. Let $y \geq y_0$ and $P = yP_0$.

Clearly $d(P) = yd(P_0)$.

Moreover

$$\left| \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{u\}} e^{-\pi {}^t(m+u)P(m+u) + 2\pi i {}^tvm} \right| < c_1 e^{-c_2 y} \text{ for some constants } c_1, c_2 > 0$$

To see this, first look at the exponent in the expression of the theta function and use the following facts:

$$|{}^tmPm| \geq yd(P_0) |m|^2$$

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and

$${}^t(m+u)P(m+u) = {}^t m P m + {}^t m P u + {}^t u P m + {}^t u P u.$$

So,

$$\left| \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{u\}} e^{-\pi {}^t(m+u)P(m+u) + 2\pi i {}^t v m} \right| \leq c \left| \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{u\}} e^{-\pi y d(P_0) |m|^2 - \pi c(u,v) |m|} \right|$$

and the assertion follows.

Theorem 54.

$$\Theta(P, u, v) = \frac{e^{-2\pi i u \cdot v}}{\sqrt{\det P}} \Theta(P^{-1}, v, -u) = \frac{e^{-2\pi i u \cdot v}}{\sqrt{\det P}} \Theta(P^{-1}, -v, u)$$

Proof: By Poisson summation

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(P, u, v) &= \sum_m \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp[-\pi {}^t(w+u)P(w+u) + 2\pi i {}^t v w - 2\pi i {}^t m w] dw \\ &= \sum_m \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp[-\pi ({}^t(w+u)P(w+u) - 2i {}^t(v-m)w)] dw \end{aligned}$$

Set $x = w + u - iP^{-1}(v - m)$.

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} {}^t x P x &= {}^t(w+u - iP^{-1}(v-m))P(w+u - iP^{-1}(v-m)) \\ &= {}^t(w+u)P(w+u) - 2i {}^t(v-m)(w+u) - {}^t(v-m)P^{-1}(v-m) \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$-\pi ({}^t(w+u)P(w+u) - 2i {}^t(v-m)w) = -\pi ({}^t x P x + 2i {}^t(v-m)u + {}^t(v-m)P^{-1}(v-m))$$

and

$$\Theta(P, u, v) = e^{-2\pi i {}^t u v} \sum_m \exp[-\pi {}^t(m-v)P(m-v) + 2\pi i {}^t u m] \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp(-\pi {}^t x P x) dw$$

Recall that x is a function of u, v, P and w .

$$\text{Denote } I_m(P, u, v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp(-\pi {}^t x P x) dw.$$

This is an analytic function in each of the $2n$ variables making up u and v .

Setting $v = m + i\rho$, we get $x = w + u + P^{-1}\rho$, but the integral does not change as

ρ varies.

Now $I_m(P, u, v)$ is independent of u and ρ , for all real u, ρ , and hence for all complex u, ρ . Thus $I_m(P, u, v)$ is independent of u and v .

So,

$$I_m(P, u, v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp(-\pi {}^t w P w) dw.$$

To compute its value, choose N such that ${}^t N P N = I$. Then $\det N^2 \det P = 1$ and making the change of variables $w = Nz$, whose Jacobian is $|\det N| = \det P^{-1/2}$, we get

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp(-\pi {}^t w P w) dw = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det P}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp(-\pi {}^t z z) dz = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det P}} c.$$

Setting $P = I$, $u = v = 0$, we obtain $\Theta(I, 0, 0) = c\Theta(I^{-1}, 0, 0)$, hence $c = 1$ and

$$\Theta(P, u, v) = \frac{e^{-2\pi i u \cdot v}}{\sqrt{\det P}} \Theta(P^{-1}, -v, u)$$

Replacing m by $-m$ in the definition of Θ , we get that

$$\Theta(P^{-1}, -v, u) = \Theta(P^{-1}, v, -u), \text{ and we are done. } \square$$

Let K be a number field of degree n , r_1 the number of real embeddings of K into \mathbb{C} and $2r_2$ the number of the complex embeddings. By convention $K^{(r_1+r_2+j)} = \overline{K^{(r_1+j)}}$, for all $j = \overline{1, r_2}$.

Let $r = r_1 + r_2 - 1$ and define

$$e_i = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq r_1 \\ 2 & , \text{ if } r_1 < i \leq n \end{cases}$$

$$e = e_{r+1} = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } K \text{ is totally real, i.e. } r_2 = 0 \\ 2 & , \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$D = D_K$$

For an ideal \mathfrak{b} of K let $C(\mathfrak{b}) = (|D| N \mathfrak{b}^2)^{-\frac{1}{n}}$.

To prove the functional equation of $\zeta_K(s)$ we will look at

$$\varphi(x, t_1, \dots, t_r, \mathbf{b}) = \sum_{\delta \in \mathfrak{b}} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathbf{b}) \left(\sum_{i=1}^{r_1} (\delta^{(i)})^2 t_i + 2 \sum_{i=r_1+1}^{r_1+r_2} |\delta^{(i)}|^2 t_i \right) \right]$$

where $x > 0$, $t_i > 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq r$, and t_{r+1} is defined by $\prod_{i=1}^{r+1} t_i^{e_i} = 1$.

Note that

$$\varphi(x, t_1, \dots, t_r, \mathbf{b}) = \sum_{\delta \in \mathfrak{b}} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathbf{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i |\delta^{(i)}|^2 t_i \right]$$

By setting $t_{r_1+r_2+i} = t_{r_1+i}$ for $i = 1, \dots, r_2$, we get that $\prod_{i=1}^n t_i = 1$ and we may write

$$\varphi(x, t_1, \dots, t_r, \mathbf{b}) = \sum_{\delta \in \mathfrak{b}} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathbf{b}) \sum_{i=1}^n |\delta^{(i)}|^2 t_i \right]$$

Claim $\varphi(x, t_1, \dots, t_r, \mathbf{b}) = \varphi(x^{-1}, t_1^{-1}, \dots, t_r^{-1}, \mathcal{D}_K^{-1} \mathbf{b}^{-1}) x^{-\frac{n}{2}}$.

Proof: Write $\mathbf{b} = [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n]_{\mathbb{Z}}$. Hence any element $\delta \in \mathfrak{b}$ is of the form

$\delta = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) m$ for some $m \in \mathbb{Z}^n$. Then $\sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i |\delta^{(i)}|^2 t_i$ is a positive definite quadratic form in m , as

$$\sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i |\delta^{(i)}|^2 t_i = \sum_{i=1}^n |\delta^{(i)}|^2 t_i = {}^t \bar{\delta} \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & t_n \end{pmatrix} \delta$$

where $\delta = \begin{pmatrix} \delta^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ \delta^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}$.

Since $\delta = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) m$ we get that

$$(2) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i |\delta^{(i)}|^2 t_i = {}^t m \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_j^{(i)} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_j^{(i)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & t_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_j^{(i)} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_j^{(i)} \end{pmatrix} m$$

Let $P_0 = C(\mathbf{b}) \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_j^{(i)} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_j^{(i)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & t_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_j^{(i)} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_j^{(i)} \end{pmatrix}$

Then, clearly, $P_0 = {}^t\overline{P}_0$ and $P_0 = \overline{P}_0$, so P_0 is real and symmetric. Letting $P = xP_0$, we have that

$$\varphi(x, t, \mathfrak{b}) = \Theta(P, 0, 0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det P}} \Theta(P^{-1}, 0, 0)$$

Now, $\det P = x^n \det P_0$ and $\det P_0 = C(\mathfrak{b})^n \left| \det \left(\alpha_j^{(i)} \right) \right|^2$

But $\left(\alpha_j^{(i)} \right) = \left(w_j^{(i)} \right) M$, where w_1, \dots, w_n is a \mathbb{Z} -basis for \mathcal{O}_K and $|\det M| = N\mathfrak{b}$,

so $\left| \det \left(\alpha_j^{(i)} \right) \right|^2 = \left| \det \left(w_j^{(i)} \right) \right|^2 N\mathfrak{b}^2 = |D| N\mathfrak{b}^2$.

Since, $C(\mathfrak{b})^n = (|D| n\mathfrak{b}^2)^{-1}$, it follows that $\det P_0 = 1$, and $\det P = x^n$.

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} P_0^{-1} &= C(\mathfrak{b})^{-1} \left(\alpha_j^{(i)} \right)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} t_1^{-1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & t_n^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \overline{t \left(\alpha_j^{(i)} \right)}^{-1} \\ &= C(\mathfrak{b})^{-1} \overline{t \left(\alpha_j^{(i)} \right)}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} t_1^{-1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & t_n^{-1} \end{pmatrix} t \left(\alpha_j^{(i)} \right)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

But $\left(\alpha_j^{(i)} \right)^{-1} = \left(\beta_i^{(j)} \right)$ and $t \left(\alpha_j^{(i)} \right)^{-1} = \left(\beta_j^{(i)} \right)$, where $[\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n] = \mathfrak{b}^{-1} \mathcal{D}_K^{-1}$.

So

$$P_0^{-1} = C(\mathfrak{b})^{-1} \overline{t \left(\beta_j^{(i)} \right)} \begin{pmatrix} t_1^{-1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & t_n^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \left(\beta_j^{(i)} \right)$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} C(\mathfrak{b})^{-1} &= \left(\frac{1}{|D| N\mathfrak{b}^2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{n}} = \left(\frac{|D|}{|D|^2 N\mathfrak{b}^2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{n}} = \left(\frac{|D|}{(N\mathcal{D}\mathfrak{b})^2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{n}} \\ &= (|D| (N\mathcal{D}^{-1}\mathfrak{b}^{-1})^2)^{-\frac{1}{n}} = C(\mathfrak{b}^{-1} \mathcal{D}^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } P_0^{-1} = C(\mathfrak{b}^{-1}\mathcal{D}^{-1}) \overline{t(\beta_j^{(i)})} \begin{pmatrix} t_1^{-1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & t_n^{-1} \end{pmatrix} (\beta_j^{(i)})$$

which is obtained out of $x^{-1}, t_1^{-1}, \dots, t_r^{-1}$ and the ideal $\mathfrak{b}^{-1}\mathcal{D}^{-1}$ just as P_0 was constructed out of x, t_1, \dots, t_r and the ideal \mathfrak{b} .

Also, $P^{-1} = x^{-1}P_0^{-1}$.

$$\text{Now, } \Theta(P^{-1}, 0, 0) = \sum_m \exp(-\pi x^{-1} t_m P_0^{-1} m),$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(x, t_1, \dots, t_r, \mathfrak{b}) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det P}} \Theta(P^{-1}, 0, 0) \\ &= x^{-\frac{n}{2}} \sum_{\delta \in \mathfrak{b}^{-1}\mathcal{D}_K^{-1}} \exp \left[-\pi x^{-1} C(\mathfrak{b}^{-1}\mathcal{D}^{-1}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i |\delta^{(i)}|^2 t_i^{-1} \right] \\ &= x^{-\frac{n}{2}} \varphi(x^{-1}, t_1^{-1}, \dots, t_r^{-1}, \mathfrak{b}^{-1}\mathcal{D}^{-1}), \end{aligned}$$

as claimed. \square

Now, write

$$\zeta_K(s) = \sum_{\mathfrak{a}} (N\mathfrak{a})^{-s} = \sum_{\mathcal{C}} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}),$$

where

$$\zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) = \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K \\ \mathfrak{a} \in \mathcal{C}}} (N\mathfrak{a})^{-s}$$

for every ideal class $\mathcal{C} \in Cl_K$.

Fix such a \mathcal{C} . Note that the series defining $\zeta(s, \mathcal{C})$ converges for $\text{Re}(s) > 1$.

Let \mathfrak{b} be an ideal in \mathcal{C}^{-1} . Then for any ideal \mathfrak{a} of K we have

$$\mathfrak{a} \in \mathcal{C} \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b} = (\delta) \text{ for some } \delta \in K.$$

Also, if $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{b} = (\delta)$, then \mathfrak{a} is an integral ideal of K iff $\delta \in \mathfrak{b}$, in which case

$$(N\mathfrak{a})^{-s} = |N\delta|^{-s} (N\mathfrak{b})^s.$$

So,

$$\zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) = (N\mathfrak{b})^s \sum_{\substack{(\delta) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K \\ \delta \in \mathfrak{b}}} |N\delta|^{-s}.$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) &= \\ &= \left[2^{2r_2} \pi^n |D|^{-1} N\mathfrak{b}^{-2} \right]^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \sum_{\substack{(\delta) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K \\ \delta \in \mathfrak{b}}} |N\delta|^{-s} = \\ &= \left([\pi C(\mathfrak{b})]^{r_1} [2\pi C(\mathfrak{b})]^{2r_2} \right)^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \sum_{\substack{(\delta) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K \\ \delta \in \mathfrak{b}}} |N\delta|^{-s} \end{aligned}$$

For, $1 \leq i \leq r_1$ we have

$$[\pi C(\mathfrak{b})]^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \left[|\delta^{(i)}|^2 \right]^{-\frac{s}{2}} = \int_0^\infty x_i^{\frac{s}{2}} \exp \left[-\pi x_i C(\mathfrak{b}) |\delta^{(i)}|^2 \right] \frac{dx_i}{x_i}$$

and for $r_1 + 1 \leq i \leq r_1 + r_2$ we have

$$[2\pi C(\mathfrak{b})]^{-s} \Gamma(s) \left[|\delta^{(i)}|^2 \right]^{-s} = \int_0^\infty x_i^s \exp \left[-2\pi x_i C(\mathfrak{b}) |\delta^{(i)}|^2 \right] \frac{dx_i}{x_i}$$

Here we used the fact that for any real number a and any $s \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$a^{-s} \Gamma(s) = \int_0^\infty x^s e^{-ax} \frac{dx}{x}.$$

Multiplying and summing over (δ) we obtain

$$\left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2}\pi^n}\right)^{s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) = \underbrace{\int_0^\infty \cdots \int_0^\infty}_{r_1+r_2 \text{ fold}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^{r_1+r_2} x_i^{e_i}\right)^{\frac{s}{2}} \sum_{\delta \in \mathfrak{b} \setminus \{0\}} \exp\left[-\pi C(\mathfrak{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r_1+r_2} e_i \left|\delta^{(i)}\right|^2 x_i\right] \prod_{i=1}^{r_1+r_2} \frac{dx_i}{x_i}$$

We want to make the change of variables $x^n = \prod_{i=1}^{r_1+r_2} x_i^{e_i}$ and $t_i = \frac{x_i}{x}$ for $1 \leq i \leq r = r_1 + r_2 - 1$.

Also, set $t_{r+1} = t_{r_1+r_2} = \frac{x_{r_1+r_2}}{x}$.

Note that $\prod_{i=1}^{r+1} t_i^{e_i} = x^{-n} \prod_{i=1}^{r_1+r_2} x_i^{e_i} = 1$.

To find the Jacobian of this transformation, look at

$$\log t_i = \log x_i - \log x \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq r$$

$$\log x = \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} \frac{e_i}{n} \log x_i$$

We are interested in these because our measure was $\frac{dx_i}{x_i} = d \log x_i$.

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\partial(\log t_i, \log x)}{\partial(\log x_i)} \right| &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 - \frac{e_1}{n} & -\frac{e_2}{n} & \cdots & -\frac{e_r}{n} & -\frac{e_{r+1}}{n} \\ -\frac{e_1}{n} & 1 - \frac{e_2}{n} & \cdots & -\frac{e_r}{n} & -\frac{e_{r+1}}{n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ -\frac{e_1}{n} & -\frac{e_2}{n} & \cdots & 1 - \frac{e_r}{n} & -\frac{e_{r+1}}{n} \\ \frac{e_1}{n} & \frac{e_2}{n} & \cdots & \frac{e_r}{n} & \frac{e_{r+1}}{n} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & 1 & \\ \frac{e_1}{n} & \frac{e_2}{n} & \cdots & \frac{e_r}{n} & \frac{e_{r+1}}{n} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{e_{r+1}}{n} = \frac{e}{n} \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) = \\ & \frac{n}{e} \int_0^\infty x^{ns/2} \underbrace{\int_0^\infty \cdots \int_0^\infty}_{r \text{ fold}} \sum_{(\delta)} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathbf{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i |\delta^{(i)}|^2 t_i \right] \prod_{i=1}^r \frac{dt_i}{t_i} \frac{dx}{x} \end{aligned}$$

We would like to be able to sum over all the elements $\delta \in \mathfrak{b}$, but for this we need to understand what happens when δ is multiplied by some unit of K .

Let $w = w(K)$ denote the number of roots of unity in K . If we count each ideal w times in the formula above, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & w \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) = \\ & \frac{n}{e} \int_0^\infty x^{ns/2} \underbrace{\int_0^\infty \cdots \int_0^\infty}_{r \text{ fold}} \sum'_{(\delta) \subseteq \mathfrak{b}} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathbf{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i |\delta^{(i)}|^2 t_i \right] \prod_{i=1}^r \frac{dt_i}{t_i} \frac{dx}{x} \end{aligned}$$

where \sum' means that each ideal (δ) is counted w times, i.e. if δ is used, then $\mu\delta$ is used for each root of unity $\mu \in K$.

We now begin a detour to deal with other units.

Theorem 55. (Minkowski) *If S is a measurable convex body in \mathbb{R}^n , symmetric about 0, and with volume $|S| > 2^n$, then S contains a point of \mathbb{Z}^n other than 0.*

Proof: First assume that S is bounded. We know that $x \in S \Rightarrow -x \in S$, and that $x, y \in S \Rightarrow \lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y \in S$ for $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$.

Define

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } x \in S \\ 0 & , \text{ if } x \notin S \end{cases}$$

and

$$f(x) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} g(2x - 2m).$$

As S is bounded, only finitely many terms of the sum are nonzero.

Now use the fact that $\int_C |f(x)|^2 dx \geq \left| \int_C f(x) dx \right|^2$, where C is the unit cube in \mathbb{R}^n .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C f(x) dx &= \sum_m \int_C g(2x - 2m) dx \stackrel{y=x-2m}{=} \sum_m \int_{C-2m} g(2y) dy \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(2y) dy = 2^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(y) dy = 2^{-n} |S| \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C |f(x)|^2 dx &= \sum_{m'} \sum_m \int_C g(2x - 2m) g(2x - 2m') dx \\ &= \sum_m \int_C g(2x - 2m)^2 dx + \sum_{m \neq m'} \int_C g(2x - 2m) g(2x - 2m') dx \end{aligned}$$

But, just as before,

$$\sum_m \int_C g(2x - 2m)^2 dx = \sum_m \int_C g(2x - 2m) dx = 2^{-n} |S|$$

and

$$\left| \int_C f(x) dx \right|^2 = (2^{-n} |S|)^2 > 2^{-n} |S|, \text{ since } |S| > 2^n$$

Thus,

$$\sum_{m \neq m'} \int_C g(2x - 2m) g(2x - 2m') dx > 0$$

and so there exist x and $m' \neq m$ such that $g(2x - 2m)g(2x - 2m') \neq 0$, so $2x - 2m \in S$ and $2x - 2m' \in S$. Thus, by symmetry, $2m' - 2x \in S$, and, by convexity, $m' - m = \frac{1}{2}(2x - 2m) + \frac{1}{2}(2m' - 2x) \in S$ with $m' - m \neq 0$.

If S is not bounded, approximate it by S' bounded, with $S' \subseteq S$ and $|S'| > 2^n$. \square

Corollary 56. *If S is compact, $|S| \geq 2^n$ suffices.*

Corollary 57. *Let ${}^t x P x$ be a positive definite quadratic form in n variables (P symmetric). Then ${}^t x P x \leq C$ has a solution in $\mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{0\}$ provided that $C \geq 4 \left(\frac{\det P}{v_n^2} \right)^{1/n}$, where $v_n = \frac{\pi^n}{\Gamma(1 + \frac{n}{2})}$ denotes the volume of the n -dimensional unit sphere.*

Proof: Let $S = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n; {}^t x P x \leq C\}$. This is clearly compact, convex and symmetric about the origin. If ${}^t N P N = I$ and $N y = x$, then

$$\left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right| = |\det N| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det P}}.$$

So,

$$|S| = \int_S 1 dx = (\det P)^{-1/2} \int_{{}^t y y \leq C} 1 dy = \frac{\sqrt{C}^n}{\sqrt{\det P}} v_n$$

Everything works just fine if $|S| \geq 2^n$, so we require that $C \geq 4 \frac{(\det P)^{2/n}}{v_n^{2/n}}$. \square

Corollary 58. (Dirichlet's theorem on linear forms) *Let $A = (a_{ij}) \in \text{GL}(n, \mathbb{R})$. If $\prod_{i=1}^n b_i \geq |\det A|$, then the system of inequalities*

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \right| \leq b_i$$

has a solution in \mathbb{Z}^n other than 0.

Proof: Let $S = \{x; |\sum a_{ij} x_j| \leq b_i \text{ for all } i\}$.

This set is clearly compact, convex and symmetric about 0.

Also, $|S| = \int_S 1 dx$.

Let $y = Ax$. Then $\left| \frac{dy}{dx} \right| = |\det A|$, so

$$|S| = \frac{1}{|\det A|} \int_{|y_i| \leq b_i} dy = \frac{2^n \prod b_i}{|\det A|} \geq 2^n$$

Apply corollary 56 to the set S and we are done. \square

Corollary 59. *Suppose $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ are real numbers. Given $\epsilon > 0$, there exist integers x, y_1, \dots, y_n not all zero such that $|x\lambda_i - y_i| \leq \epsilon$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $|x| \leq \epsilon^{-n}$.*

Proof: Consider the $(n+1) \times (n+1)$ system of inequalities

$$\begin{cases} |y_i - x\lambda_i| \leq \epsilon & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n \\ |x| \leq \epsilon^{-n} \end{cases}$$

This has determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & & & -\lambda_1 \\ & 1 & & -\lambda_2 \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 & -\lambda_n \\ & & & & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

and $\prod b_i = 1$, so we may apply the previous corollary. \square

Theorem 60. (Kronecker) *Let m be a positive integer. There exists a constant $\delta(m) > 0$ such that if α is a nonzero algebraic integer of degree m and $|\alpha^{(i)}| \leq 1 + \delta(m)$ for $1 \leq i \leq m$, then α is a root of unity.*

Proof: Let α be such an algebraic integer and let $k = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$.

As each $|\alpha^{(i)}| \leq 1 + \delta(m)$ and $N(\alpha) = \left| \prod \alpha^{(i)} \right| \geq 1$, it follows that

$$|\alpha^{(i)}| \geq \frac{1}{(1 + \delta(m))^{m-1}} \quad \text{for each } i$$

Now consider a ball U of radius ϵ around 1 in the complex plane and pick l large enough such that the set $V = \{z \in \mathbb{C}; |\arg z| \leq \frac{2\pi}{l}\}$ intersects U but does not contain it. Here $\arg z \in (-\pi, \pi]$ for all complex numbers z .

Want to choose integers x, y_i such that for all i we have

$$|x \cdot \arg(\alpha^{(i)}) - 2\pi y_i| \leq \frac{2\pi}{l}. \text{ By corollary 59 we can do this with } |x| \leq l^m \text{ and we}$$

can choose them such that not all x, y_1, \dots, y_n are zero. To see this take

$$\lambda_i = \frac{\arg(\alpha^{(i)})}{2\pi} \text{ for all } i \text{ in corollary 59.}$$

This means that, for each i , the complex number $(\alpha^{(i)})^x$ lies inside V . Since, for all i ,

$$\frac{1}{(1 + \delta(m))^{m-1}} \leq |\alpha^{(i)}| \leq 1 + \delta(m)$$

and

$$|x| \leq l^m$$

we may pick $\delta(m)$ such that $(\alpha^{(i)})^x \in U$ for all i . Note that δ may be chosen so that it depends only on m and l , and that l depends only on ϵ . So δ depends only on m and ϵ

Look at the polynomial

$$\prod_{i=1}^m (T - (\alpha^{(i)})^x)$$

This has rational integer coefficients, and, if the neighborhood U of 1 we started

with is small enough, these coefficients are within $\frac{1}{2}$ of the coefficients of

$$\prod_{i=1}^m (T - 1), \text{ i.e. pick } \epsilon \text{ small enough such that the polynomial } \prod_{i=1}^m (T - \lambda_i) \text{ has}$$

coefficients within $\frac{1}{2}$ of the coefficients of $\prod_{i=1}^m (T - 1)$ for any $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m \in U$.

So $T - 1 = T - (\alpha^{(i)})^x$ and therefore $(\alpha^{(i)})^x = 1$ for each i . In particular, $\alpha^x = 1$.

To complete the proof, notice that $x \neq 0$, since otherwise $y_i = 0$ for all i , which contradicts our choice. \square

For $\alpha \neq 0$ in K we can define a map $f(\alpha) = (e_1 \log |\alpha^{(1)}|, \dots, e_r \log |\alpha^{(r)}|)$

Theorem 61. *If ε is a unit of \mathcal{O}_K and $f(\varepsilon) = 0$, then ε is a root of unity.*

Proof: Since ε is a unit, we have

$$1 = N\varepsilon = \prod_{i=1}^n |\varepsilon^{(i)}| = \prod_{i=1}^{r+1} |\varepsilon^{(i)}|^{e_i}$$

so,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i \log |\varepsilon^{(i)}| = 0$$

By hypothesis, $\log |\varepsilon^{(i)}| = 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq r$, so $e_{r+1} \log |\varepsilon^{(r+1)}| = 0$.

Hence $\log |\varepsilon^{(i)}| = 0$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$, and, by Kronecker's Theorem (theorem 60), ε is a root of unity. \square

Proposition 62. *Let $u \geq 0$ and let η_1, \dots, η_u be units of K with $f(\eta_1), \dots, f(\eta_u)$ linearly independent over \mathbb{R} . Denote by V_u the vector space spanned by $f(\eta_1), \dots, f(\eta_u)$. Then there exist $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_u \in \mathcal{O}_K^\times$ such that every unit ε of K with $f(\varepsilon) \in V_u$ can be written uniquely as*

$$\varepsilon = w\varepsilon_1^{a_1} \cdots \varepsilon_u^{a_u} \text{ with } w \text{ a root of unity in } K \text{ and } a_1, \dots, a_u \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Proof: Let $B_u = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^u x_j f(\eta_j); x_j \in \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq x_j \leq 1 \right\}$.

Suppose, ε is a unit of \mathcal{O}_K with $f(\varepsilon) \in V_u$. Then there exist $m_1, \dots, m_u \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$f\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\eta_1^{m_1} \cdots \eta_u^{m_u}}\right) \in B_u.$$

If $\{\varepsilon_l\}_{l \geq 1}$ is a sequence of units of K with $f(\varepsilon_l) \in B_u$ for $l \geq 1$, then the sequence

$\{f(\varepsilon_l)\}_{l \geq 1}$ has a limit point, so there exists a subsequence with

$$|f(\varepsilon_{l_j}) - f(\varepsilon_{l_m})| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } j, m \rightarrow \infty.$$

But, by Kronecker's Theorem, eventually $f(\varepsilon_{l_j}) = f(\varepsilon_{l_m})$, and so, by the above,

there are only finitely many distinct $f(\varepsilon)$'s inside B_u . They are given by

$f(\eta_1), \dots, f(\eta_u), f(\eta_{u+1}), \dots, f(\eta_{u+A})$, for some $A \geq 0$.

If $f(\varepsilon) \in V_u$, then there are integers m_1, \dots, m_u such that $f\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\eta_1^{m_1} \dots \eta_u^{m_u}}\right) = f(\eta_a)$

for some $1 \leq a \leq u + A$, so $f(\varepsilon)$ is a \mathbb{Z} -combination of $f(\eta_1), \dots, f(\eta_{u+A})$. Hence

V_u is finitely generated over \mathbb{Z} .

Now pick η_{u+a} for any $1 \leq a \leq A$. For each $l \in \mathbb{Z}$, $f(\eta_{u+a}^l)$ translates by integer multiples of $f(\eta_1), \dots, f(\eta_u)$ to some $f(\varepsilon_l) \in B_u$. So for two distinct l_1 and l_2 will have the same ε_l .

Then

$$f(\varepsilon_l) = f\left(\frac{\eta_{u+a}^{l_1}}{\eta_1^{m_1(1)} \dots \eta_u^{m_u(1)}}\right) = f\left(\frac{\eta_{u+a}^{l_2}}{\eta_1^{m_1(2)} \dots \eta_u^{m_u(2)}}\right)$$

So, $(l_1 - l_2)f(\eta_{u+a}) = \sum_{i=1}^u (m_i(1) - m_i(2)) f(\eta_i)$.

Thus, $\{f(\varepsilon); \varepsilon \in \mathcal{O}_K^\times, f(\varepsilon) \in V_u\}$ is u -dimensional over \mathbb{Q} and, at the same time, finitely generated over \mathbb{Z} . This implies that it is actually u -dimensional over \mathbb{Z} .

Therefore, it admits a \mathbb{Z} -basis $f(\varepsilon_1), \dots, f(\varepsilon_u)$.

Hence if $f(\varepsilon) \in V_u$, then $f\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon_1^{m_1} \dots \varepsilon_u^{m_u}}\right) = 0$ for some $m_j \in \mathbb{Z}$, so $\varepsilon = w\varepsilon_1^{m_1} \dots \varepsilon_u^{m_u}$

for some root of unity w .

Moreover, if $w_1\varepsilon_1^{m_1(1)} \dots \varepsilon_u^{m_u(1)} = w_2\varepsilon_1^{m_1(2)} \dots \varepsilon_u^{m_u(2)}$, then $m_i(1) = m_i(2)$ for all i and $w_1 = w_2$. \square

We will now prove by induction that

For any $0 \leq u \leq r$ there exist units $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_u \in \mathcal{O}_K$ so that $f(\eta_1), \dots, f(\eta_u)$ span a subspace V_u of dimension u in \mathbb{R}^r .

This is certainly true for $u = 0$.

We then know that there exist $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_u$ s.t. $f(\varepsilon) \in V_u$ iff $\varepsilon = w \prod_{j=1}^u \varepsilon_j^{a_j}$, $a_j \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Set $t_i = \exp\left(\frac{2}{e_i} v_i\right)$ for $1 \leq i \leq r + 1$. Then $\frac{dt_i}{t_i} = \frac{2}{e_i} dv_i$ for all $1 \leq i \leq r$.

Notice that, since $\prod_{i=1}^{r+1} t_i^{e_i} = 1$, we have $\sum_{i=1}^{r+1} v_i = 0$.

There are two possibilities:

- K is totally real.

Then $r = r_1 - 1$ and $e_1 = e_2 = \dots = e_r = e = 1$, so

$$\frac{n}{e} \prod_{i=1}^r \frac{dt_i}{t_i} = 2^{r_1-1} n \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i.$$

- K is not totally real.

Then $r \geq r_1$ and $e = 2$. Also, $\frac{dt_i}{t_i} = \begin{cases} 2dv_i & , \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq r_1 \\ dv_i & , \text{ for } i > r_1 \end{cases}$.

So,

$$\frac{n}{e} \prod_{i=1}^r \frac{dt_i}{t_i} = 2^{r_1-1} n \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i.$$

Hence

$$w \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma \left(\frac{s}{2} \right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) = 2^{r_1-1} n \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^\infty \dots \int_{-\infty}^\infty}_{r \text{ fold}} \sum'_{(\delta) \subseteq \mathfrak{b}} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathfrak{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i |\delta^{(i)}|^2 \exp \left(\frac{2v_i}{e_i} \right) \right] \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x}$$

Let $f(\varepsilon_1), \dots, f(\varepsilon_u), \vec{w}_{u+1}, \dots, \vec{w}_r$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^r and let

$$V'_u = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^u x_j f(\varepsilon_j) + \sum_{j=u+1}^r y_j \vec{w}_j; y_j \in \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq x_j \leq 1 \right\}$$

Claim

$$w \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma \left(\frac{s}{2} \right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) = 2^{r_1-1} n \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_u} \sum''_{(\delta) \subseteq \mathfrak{b}} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathfrak{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i |\delta^{(i)}|^2 \exp \left(\frac{2v_i}{e_i} \right) \right] \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x},$$

where \sum'' means that if $\delta \in \mathfrak{b}$ is counted, then $\delta\varepsilon$ is also counted, for all ε with $f(\varepsilon) \in V_u$.

Proof: Fix $\delta \in \mathfrak{b}$ and look at

$$\int_{V'_u} \sum_{\substack{\varepsilon \\ f(\varepsilon) \in V_u}} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathfrak{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i \left| \delta^{(i)} \varepsilon^{(i)} \right|^2 \exp \left(\frac{2v_i}{e_i} \right) \right] \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i.$$

This may be written as

$$\int_{V'_u} \sum_{\substack{\varepsilon \\ f(\varepsilon) \in V_u}} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathfrak{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i \left| \delta^{(i)} \right|^2 \exp \left(\frac{2}{e_i} \left(v_i + e_i \log |\varepsilon^{(i)}| \right) \right) \right] \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i$$

Let $v'_i = v_i + e_i \log |\varepsilon^{(i)}|$ for $1 \leq i \leq r+1$, so $v' = v + f(\varepsilon)$.

Note that we still have $\sum_{i=1}^{r+1} v'_i = \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} v_i + \log(N\varepsilon) = 0 + \log 1 = 0$.

The above integral is therefore equal to

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\varepsilon} \int_{V'_u + f(\varepsilon)} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathfrak{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i \left| \delta^{(i)} \right|^2 e^{\frac{2v_i}{e_i}} \right] \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i = \\ \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}}_{r \text{ fold}} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathfrak{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i \left| \delta^{(i)} \right|^2 \exp \left(\frac{2v_i}{e_i} \right) \right] \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Now, if every unit ε has $f(\varepsilon) \in V_u$, then

$$\sum''_{(\delta) \subseteq \mathfrak{b}} = \sum_{\delta \in \mathfrak{b} \setminus \{0\}}$$

Suppose this is true and $u < r$.

Now, let (v_1, \dots, v_r) be a point in the interior of V'_u and take a neighborhood of radius ρ of this point lying inside V'_u with $\rho < \frac{1}{2} |\vec{w}_r|$.

We had, by (2),

$$C(\mathfrak{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i \left| \delta^{(i)} \right|^2 \exp \left(\frac{2v_i}{e_i} \right) = {}^t m P_0 m, \quad m \in \mathbb{Z}^n,$$

where $P_0 = C(\mathfrak{b}) \begin{pmatrix} t_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & t_n \end{pmatrix} (\alpha_j^{(i)})$.

Here $\det P_0$ is a constant independent of the v_i 's.

Thus, by corollary 57, if we pick an appropriate constant C , there is an $m \neq 0$ with $|t_m P_0 m| < C$ for each point in the neighborhood of radius ρ .

So,

$$\underbrace{\int \dots \int}_{\text{neighborhood}} \geq e^{-cx} \cdot (\text{volume of the neighborhood})$$

Now, instead of (v_1, \dots, v_r) use $(v_1, \dots, v_r) + l\vec{w}_r$, for any $l \in \mathbb{Z}$, and the same radius ρ . Add these up and the integral diverges (because we are summing over all $\delta \in \mathfrak{b} \setminus \{0\}$, so over all $m \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{0\}$, including the relevant one). This contradicts the fact that the series defining $\zeta_K(s)$ converges for s real, $s > 1$.

Thus, if $u < r$, then there exist some unit ε with $f(\varepsilon) \notin V_u$. Throw this in, and eventually get $u = r$. This concludes the proof by induction.

Therefore $f(\mathcal{O}_K^\times)$ is an r -dimensional lattice in \mathbb{R}^r .

We have therefore proven the following result:

Theorem 63. (Dirichlet Unit Theorem)

There exist r units $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_r$ of K such that every unit ε can be expressed uniquely in the form $\varepsilon = w\varepsilon_1^{a_1} \dots \varepsilon_r^{a_r}$, where w is some root of unity and $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$, and such that the vectors $f(\varepsilon_1), \dots, f(\varepsilon_r)$ span \mathbb{R}^r .

We now have

$$w \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma \left(\frac{s}{2} \right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) = \frac{2^{r_1} n}{2} \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_r} \sum_{\delta \in \mathfrak{b} \setminus \{0\}} \exp \left[-\pi x C(\mathfrak{b}) \sum_{i=1}^{r+1} e_i |\delta^{(i)}|^2 \exp \left(\frac{2v_i}{e_i} \right) \right] \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x},$$

$$\text{where } V'_r = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^r x_j f(\varepsilon_j); 0 \leq x_j \leq 1 \right\}.$$

Definition 31. $|V'_r| = \left| \det \left(e_i \log |\varepsilon_j^{(i)}| \right) \right| = R(K)$ is called the regulator of K .

In terms of the function φ defined previously,

$$w \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma \left(\frac{s}{2} \right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) = \frac{2^{r_1} n}{2} \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_r} [\varphi(x, t_1, \dots, t_r, \mathfrak{b}) - 1] \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x}$$

Recall that

$$\varphi(x, t_1, \dots, t_r, \mathfrak{b}) = x^{-\frac{n}{2}} \varphi \left(\frac{1}{x}, \frac{1}{t_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{t_r}, \mathcal{D}^{-1} \mathfrak{b}^{-1} \right)$$

So,

$$w \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma \left(\frac{s}{2} \right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) = \frac{2^{r_1} n}{2} \int_0^1 x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_r} [\varphi(x, t, \mathfrak{b}) - 1] + \int_1^\infty x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_r} [\varphi(x, t, \mathfrak{b}) - 1]$$

Now,

$$\int_0^1 x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_r} [\varphi(x, t, \mathfrak{b}) - 1] \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x} = \int_0^1 x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_r} \varphi(x, t, \mathfrak{b}) \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x} - \frac{2}{ns} R$$

as

$$\int_0^1 x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_r} \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{2R}{ns} \text{ when } \operatorname{Re}(s) > 1.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^1 x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_r} [\varphi(x, t, \mathbf{b}) - 1] \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x} &= \\
\int_0^1 x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_r} x^{-\frac{n}{2}} \varphi(x^{-1}, t^{-1}, \mathbf{b}^{-1} \mathcal{D}^{-1}) \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x} - \frac{2}{ns} R &= \\
\int_1^\infty x^{\frac{n}{2}(1-s)} \int_{V'_r} \varphi(x, t^{-1}, \mathbf{b}^{-1} \mathcal{D}^{-1}) \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x} - \frac{2}{ns} R &
\end{aligned}$$

Now, replacing t by t^{-1} is the same as replacing v_i by $-v_i$, which means integrating over $-V'_r$, which is the same as integrating over V'_r , as we need simply replace δ by $\delta(\text{unit})$.

So, in place of $\varphi(x, t^{-1}, \mathbf{b}^{-1} \mathcal{D}^{-1})$ we'll have $\varphi(x, t, \mathbf{b}^{-1} \mathcal{D}^{-1})$.

Also, for $\text{Re}(s) > 1$,

$$\int_1^\infty x^{\frac{n}{2}(1-s)} \int_{V'_r} \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x} = -\frac{2R}{n(1-s)}$$

We therefore get that

$$\begin{aligned}
w \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma \left(\frac{s}{2} \right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) &= \\
\frac{2^{r_1} n}{2} \left[\int_1^\infty x^{\frac{ns}{2}} \int_{V'_r} (\varphi(x, t, \mathbf{b}) - 1) \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x} + \right. & \\
\left. + \int_1^\infty x^{\frac{n(1-s)}{2}} \int_{V'_r} (\varphi(x, t, \mathbf{b}^{-1} \mathcal{D}^{-1}) - 1) \prod_{i=1}^r dv_i \frac{dx}{x} - \frac{2R}{ns(1-s)} \right] &
\end{aligned}$$

Set

$$g(s, \mathcal{C}) = \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma \left(\frac{s}{2} \right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}).$$

Thus $g(s, \mathcal{C})$ has meromorphic continuation to the entire s -plane, analytic everywhere except for simple poles at $s = 0$ and $s = 1$.

$$\text{Res}_{s=1} g(s, \mathcal{C}) = \frac{2^{r_1} R}{w}$$

Also, since $(\mathfrak{b}^{-1}\mathcal{D}^{-1})^{-1}\mathcal{D}^{-1} = \mathfrak{b}$, we have

$$g(s, \mathcal{C}) = g(1 - s, \mathcal{C}'),$$

where $\mathfrak{b} \in \mathcal{C}^{-1}$ and $\mathfrak{b}^{-1}\mathcal{D}^{-1} \in \mathcal{C}'^{-1}$, i.e. $\mathcal{C}' = \mathcal{C}^{-1} \cdot$ (the class of \mathcal{D}).

Since $g(s, \mathcal{C})$ is analytic everywhere except for simple poles at $s = 0, 1$, it follows that $\zeta(s, \mathcal{C})$ is analytic everywhere except for a simple pole at $s = 1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta(s, \mathcal{C}) &= \frac{2^{r_1} R}{w} \left(\frac{2^{2r_2} \pi^n}{|D|} \right)^{1/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-r_1} \Gamma(1)^{-r_2} \\ &= \frac{2^{r_1+r_2} R \pi^{\frac{n}{2} - \frac{r_1}{2}}}{w \sqrt{|D|}} \\ &= \frac{2^{r_1+r_2} \pi^{r_2} R}{w \sqrt{|D|}} \end{aligned}$$

Here we used the fact that $\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\pi}$ and $\Gamma(1) = 1$.

Since $g(s, \mathcal{C})$ has a simple pole at $s = 0$ and $\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2}$ contributes with a pole of order $r_1 + r_2$, it follows that $\zeta(s, \mathcal{C})$ must have a zero of order r at $s = 0$.

If s is real and $s > 1$, we have $g(s, \mathcal{C}) > \frac{2^{r_1} R}{w}$, as the integral is positive.

So,

$$\frac{2^{r_1} R}{w} h < \sum_{\mathcal{C}} g(s, \mathcal{C}) = \left(\frac{|D|}{2^{2r_2} \pi^n} \right)^{s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^{r_1} \Gamma(s)^{r_2} \zeta_K(s)$$

which exists for real $s > 1$, and thus the class number must be finite.

Finally,

$$g(s) = \sum_{\mathcal{C}} g(s, \mathcal{C}) = \sum_{\mathcal{C}'} g(1 - s, \mathcal{C}') = g(1 - s)$$

and

$$\text{Res}_{s=1} \zeta_K(s) = \frac{2^{r_1+r_2} \pi^{r_2} R h}{w \sqrt{|D|}}$$