

Übungen zur Algebraischen Zahlentheorie (WS 2023)

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(10.1) Exercise: Units in cyclotomic fields.

Let $\zeta := \zeta_5 \in \mathbb{C}$, let $K := \mathbb{Q}(\zeta)$, and let $\mathcal{O} := \mathcal{O}_K = \mathbb{Z}[\zeta]$.

a) For any $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ show that $N(\alpha) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot (a^2 - 5b^2)$ for suitable $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Conclude that the group of units of \mathcal{O} is infinite.

b) Show that $N(a + b\zeta) = \sum_{i=0}^4 (-1)^i a^i b^{4-i}$, for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Use this to calculate $N(\zeta + k)$ for $k \in \{-3, -2, 2, 3, 4\}$, and write the latter as products of irreducible elements of \mathcal{O} . Similarly, provide factorisations of 11, 31, and 61 in \mathcal{O} .

Hint for a). Use Gaussian sums.

(10.2) Exercise: Real subfields of cyclotomic fields.

Let $\zeta := \zeta_m \in \mathbb{C}$ be a primitive m -th root of unity, where $m \geq 3$, let $\omega := \zeta + \zeta^{-1}$, let $K := \mathbb{Q}(\omega)$ and let $\mathcal{O} := \mathcal{O}_K$.

a) Show that $K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta) \cap \mathbb{R}$ and that $\mathcal{O} = \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$.

b) Let $m := p$ be an odd prime. Show that $\text{disc}(\mathcal{O}) = p^{\frac{p-3}{2}}$.

Hint. Show that both the sets $\{\zeta^{-(k-1)}, \dots, \zeta^{-1}, 1, \zeta, \dots, \zeta^{k-1}\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\zeta)$ and $\{1, \omega, \zeta, \zeta\omega, \dots, \zeta^{k-1}, \zeta^{k-1}\omega\} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\zeta)$ are integral bases, where $k := \frac{\varphi(m)}{2}$.

(10.3) Exercise: Primes in arithmetic progressions.

We consider another (easy) special case of **Dirichlet's Theorem [1837]** on primes in coprime residue classes:

a) Show that there are infinitely many $p \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}$ such that $p \equiv -1 \pmod{3}$.

b) Show that there are infinitely many $p \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}$ such that $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$.

(10.4) Exercise: Legendre symbols.

Let $0 \neq a \in \mathbb{Z}$. Show that

a) there are infinitely many odd primes $p \in \mathcal{P}$ such that $p \nmid a$ and $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = 1$;

b) there are infinitely many odd primes $p \in \mathcal{P}$ such that $p \nmid a$ and $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = -1$.