

Introduction to Algebraic Number Theory

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Exercise Sheet 12

Exercise 12.1. Show that the ring of integers of $K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{23})$ is not a PID:

- (a) Show that K contains a subfield F isomorphic to $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-23})$;
- (b) Show that 47 splits completely in \mathcal{O}_K ;
- (c) Assume that some prime ideal above 47 is of the form (x) for $x \in \mathcal{O}_K$. Show that $y = N_{K/F}(x) \in \mathcal{O}_F$ has norm 47, and obtain a contradiction.

(Hint: in part (a) use Gauss sums.)

Exercise 12.2. Let p be an odd prime and let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_p) \subset \mathbb{C}$, where $\zeta_p = e^{2\pi i/p}$ is a primitive p -th root of unity. Show that any unit $u \in \mathcal{O}_K^\times$ can be written as $u = r\zeta_p^n$ for some $r \in \mathbb{R} \cap \mathcal{O}_K^\times$ and $n \in \{0, \dots, p-1\}$.

Exercise 12.3. We call a prime p regular if p does not divide the class number of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_p)$. Show that if $p \geq 5$ is regular and $x^p + y^p + z^p = 0$ for some $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $p \mid xyz$ as follows:

Assume that x, y , and z are relatively prime and $p \nmid xyz$.

- (a) Show that the ideals $(x + \zeta_p^j y)$ are relatively prime for $j = 0, \dots, p-1$;
- (b) Show that $x + \zeta_p y = r\zeta_p^n \alpha^p$ for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}[\zeta_p]$, $r \in \mathbb{Z}[\zeta_p]^\times \cap \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in \{0, \dots, p-1\}$;
- (c) Show that $\alpha^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$ for some integer a ;
- (d) Using parts (b) and (c) show that

$$\gamma = \zeta_p^n x + \zeta_p^{n-1} y - \zeta_p^{-n} x - \zeta_p^{-n+1} y \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$$

- (e) Obtain contradiction using part (d).