

Exercise sheet 10

DIFFERENT AND DISCRIMINANT

1. Let L/K be a Galois extension of number fields with Galois group Γ , and let \mathfrak{b} be a fractional ideal of \mathcal{O}_L . Show that

$$\mathrm{Nm}_{L/K}(\mathfrak{b}) = K \cap \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \gamma \mathfrak{b}.$$

2. Let A be a Dedekind ring with quotient field K . Take finite separable extensions $M/L/K$ and let $C/B/A$ be the respective integral closures of A .

- (a) Prove that $\mathrm{Nm}_{L/K}(\mathrm{Nm}_{M/L}(\mathfrak{c})) = \mathrm{Nm}_{M/K}(\mathfrak{c})$ for any fractional ideal \mathfrak{c} of C .
(b) Prove that $\mathrm{diff}_{C/A} = \mathrm{diff}_{C/B} \cdot \mathrm{diff}_{B/A}$.

3. For $K := \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$ compute the prime factorization of the different $\mathrm{diff}_{\mathcal{O}_K/\mathbb{Z}}$ and verify that a prime ideal of \mathcal{O}_K divides $\mathrm{diff}_{\mathcal{O}_K/\mathbb{Z}}$ if and only if it is ramified over \mathbb{Z} .

4. Let $K := \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ for $\alpha := \sqrt[3]{539}$.

- (a) Using Exercise 5 of Sheet 8, show that (7) and (11) are totally ramified in \mathcal{O}_K . Let \mathfrak{p}_7 and \mathfrak{p}_{11} denote the prime ideals above (7) and (11), respectively.
(b) Using the discriminant, show that $\mathcal{O}_K = \alpha\mathbb{Z} \oplus \beta\mathbb{Z} \oplus \gamma\mathbb{Z}$, where $\beta := \frac{77}{\alpha}$ and $\gamma := \frac{1+2\alpha+\beta}{3}$, and that $\mathrm{disc}(\mathcal{O}_K) = -3 \cdot 7^2 \cdot 11^2$.
(c) Show that $3\mathcal{O}_K = \mathfrak{p}_3^2 \mathfrak{p}'_3$ for distinct prime ideals \mathfrak{p}_3 and \mathfrak{p}'_3 .
(d) Show that the different of \mathcal{O}_K/\mathbb{Z} is $\mathfrak{p}_3 \mathfrak{p}_7^2 \mathfrak{p}_{11}^2$.
(e) Using the norm, show that $\mathrm{diff}_{\mathcal{O}_K/\mathbb{Z}}$ is not principal and conclude that \mathcal{O}_K is not generated by one element over \mathbb{Z} .