

EXERCISE SHEET 5: ALGEBRAIC NUMBER THEORY
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Exercise 1. Some simple applications of Minkowski bound:

- (1) Find the class number of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{m})$ for $m = 5, 6, -5, -13$.
- (2) Show that the ideal class group of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-23})$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$, and find explicitly an ideal that generates the ideal class group.

Exercise 2. Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{m})$.

- (1) Show that $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt[3]{m}]$ is the ring of integers of K if m is square free and m is not congruent to ± 1 modulo 9.
- (2) Prove that $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt[3]{m}]$ is a principal ideal domain for $m = 3, 5, 6$, and that the class number of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{7})$ is 3.

Exercise 3. The aim of this exercise is to prove that the pairs $(17, \pm 70)$ are the only solutions in \mathbb{Z}^2 to the equation

$$(0.0.1) \quad y^2 + 13 = x^3.$$

We denote $A = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-13}]$, and let $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ be a solution.

- (1) Show that no prime ideals of A contain both $y + \sqrt{-13}$ and $y - \sqrt{-13}$.
- (2) Show that there exist $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ such that

$$y + \sqrt{-13} = (a + b\sqrt{-13})^3.$$

Conclude that $(x, y) = (17, \pm 70)$. (You may use directly the fact that $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-13})$ has class number 2).

Exercise 4. Let K be a number field, and S be a finite set of maximal ideals of \mathcal{O}_K . Fix an algebraic closure \bar{K} of K . Let K^S/K be the maximal subextension of \bar{K}/K that is unramified outside S , and put $G_{K,S} = \text{Gal}(K^S/K)$.

- (1) Prove that for any finite abelian group M , $\text{Hom}(G_{K,S}, M)$ is a finite abelian group as well.
- (2) For $K = \mathbb{Q}$ and $S = \{5, 13, 31, 101\}$, compute the dimension of $\text{Hom}(G_{\mathbb{Q},S}, \mathbb{F}_5)$ over \mathbb{F}_5 . (*Hint: use Kronecker–Weber’s theorem*)