

The structure of ramification groups

No assignment for next Thursday due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Also, no lecture on Friday, November 27. (Lectures and office hours earlier in the week will be held as usual.)

PS7 will be posted sometime next week. It will be due



Decomposition and inertia groups

L/K be an ^{Galois} extension of number fields, $G = \text{Gal}(L/K)$

let $\mathfrak{p} \subset \mathcal{O}_K$ be a nonzero prime ideal

let $\mathfrak{q} \subset \mathcal{O}_L$ be a prime above \mathfrak{p} .

$G_{\mathfrak{q}}$ = decomposition group = $\{ \sigma \in G : \sigma(\mathfrak{q}) = \mathfrak{q} \}$

$I_{\mathfrak{q}}$ = inertia group = $\ker(G_{\mathfrak{q}} \rightarrow \text{Gal}(\frac{\mathcal{O}_L/\mathfrak{q}}{\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{p}}))$ ^{cyclic}

$$\# I_{\mathfrak{q}} = e(\mathfrak{q}/\mathfrak{p}) \quad \# G_{\mathfrak{q}}/I_{\mathfrak{q}} = f(\mathfrak{q}/\mathfrak{p})$$

A filtration on the decomposition group

$$s \in \mathbb{R}$$
$$G_{\mathfrak{f}, s} = \left\{ \sigma \in G_{\mathfrak{f}} : \forall \alpha \in \mathcal{O}_L \quad \forall \mathfrak{f} \quad (\sigma(\alpha) - \alpha) \in \mathfrak{f}^{s+1} \right\}$$

$\therefore \sigma$ acts trivially on $\mathcal{O}_L / \mathfrak{f}^n$ for all $n \leq s+1$
 $\Rightarrow G_{\mathfrak{f}, s}$ is a subgroup

$$G_{\mathfrak{f}, -1} = G_{\mathfrak{f}}$$

$$G_{\mathfrak{f}, 0} = I_{\mathfrak{f}}$$

$$G_{\mathfrak{f}, 1} \subseteq G_{\mathfrak{f}, 2} \subseteq \dots$$

The filtration is exhaustive

$$\forall s \gg 0, G_{\mathfrak{q}, s} = \{e\}.$$

(for each $\sigma \in G_{\mathfrak{q}} \setminus \{e\}$, \exists some s for which

$$\sigma \notin G_{\mathfrak{q}, s}.$$

otherwise σ would fix $\mathcal{O}_L/\mathfrak{q}^n$ for all n

$$\text{but } \bigcap_n \mathfrak{q}^n = \{0\}.$$

$$G_{\mathfrak{q}} = G_{\mathfrak{q}, -1}$$

$$\cup I_{\mathfrak{q}} = G_{\mathfrak{q}, 0} \supseteq G_{\mathfrak{q}, 1} \supseteq G_{\mathfrak{q}, 2} \dots = \{e\}$$

The ramification filtration and the different

Suppose $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{q}$ (otherwise, replace K by $\mathbb{Z}_\mathfrak{q}$) decomposition field
 and $\mathcal{O}_{L, \mathfrak{q}} = \mathcal{O}_{K, \mathfrak{p}}(\alpha)$ for some α where
(always true; prove it later) $P(\alpha) = 0$
min poly

The $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_{L, \mathfrak{q}} / \mathcal{O}_{K, \mathfrak{p}}} = (P'(\alpha))$ let $\alpha = \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$
 be conjugates of α in L

$$= \left(\prod_{i=1}^n (\alpha - \alpha_i) \right)$$

$$= \left(\prod_{\sigma \in G - \{e\}} (\alpha - \sigma(\alpha)) \right)$$

$$= q^m \left[\sum_{\sigma \in G - \{e\}} \left. \begin{matrix} m = \sum_{\sigma \in G - \{e\}} \\ \text{min } \{s : \sigma \notin G_\mathfrak{q}, s\} \end{matrix} \right\} \right]$$

The first quotient: the residue field action

$$G_{\mathbb{Z}} = G_{\mathbb{Z}, -1} \supseteq G_{\mathbb{Z}, 0} \supseteq G_{\mathbb{Z}, 1} \supseteq \dots \quad \text{note}$$

$$G_{\mathbb{Z}, s} \triangleleft G_{\mathbb{Z}} \\ \text{is normal.}$$

$$G_{\mathbb{Z}, s} / G_{\mathbb{Z}, s+1}$$

$$G_{\mathbb{Z}} / I_a \cong \text{Gal}(\mathbb{O}_{\mathbb{Z}/\mathbb{Z}} / \mathbb{O}_{\mathbb{Z}/\mathbb{Z}}) \cong \text{cyclic.}$$

The next quotient: action on a uniformizer

$$G_{q,0} / G_{q,1}$$

$$= \mathbb{I}_q \quad \text{cyclic}$$

pick $\pi \in \mathbb{Z} - \mathbb{Z}^2$

$$\pi \mathcal{O}_L = \mathbb{Z}^2 \dots$$

uniformizing
parameter

$$\mathbb{F}_q = \mathcal{O}_L / \mathbb{Z}$$

For $\sigma \in \mathbb{I}_q$, $\sigma(\pi) = c\pi \pmod{\pi^2}$ for some $c \in \mathcal{O}_L$

$$\sigma \in G_{q,1} \iff c \equiv 1 \pmod{\pi}$$

\implies in residue

$$\iff \alpha \in \mathcal{O}_L \quad \sigma(\alpha) = \alpha \quad \text{for all } \alpha \in \mathcal{O}_L$$

$$G_{q,1} = \left\{ \sigma \in G_q : \frac{\sigma(\alpha)}{\alpha} \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathbb{Z}} \right\}$$

(Sh. this is true for non-uniformizers)

$$G_{q,1} = \ker(\mathbb{I}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^\times)$$

$\sigma \mapsto c$

The higher quotients

$$(\sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2)(\pi) - \pi = \underbrace{\sigma_1(\sigma_2(\pi) - \pi)}_{\sigma_1(c_2 \pi + \dots) - (c_2 \pi + \dots)} + \underbrace{\sigma_2(\pi) - \pi}_{c_2 \pi \pmod{\pi^2}}$$

$$\frac{\sigma_1 \sigma_2(\pi)}{\pi} \pmod{\pi} \equiv \sigma_1(c_2) \sigma_1(\pi) - \sigma_1(c_2) \pi + \sigma_1(c_2) \pi \pmod{\pi^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sigma_1 \sigma_2(\pi)}{\sigma_2(\pi)} \underbrace{\sigma_2(\pi)}_{\pi} \pmod{\pi} \equiv \underbrace{\sigma_1(c_2)}_{c_2 \pmod{\pi}} (c_1 \pi) \pmod{\pi^2}$$

$$\equiv c_1 c_2 \pmod{\pi} \equiv c_1 c_2 \pi \pmod{\pi}$$

(definition of c_1 doesn't depend on choice of π)

Conclusion: decomposition groups are

$$G_{\mathfrak{q},1} / G_{\mathfrak{q},2} \quad \forall G \in G_{\mathfrak{q},1}$$

$$\frac{\sigma(\pi)}{\pi} \in \{ \alpha \in \mathcal{O}_L : \alpha \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{q}} \} = U_{L,\mathfrak{q},1}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \in G_{\mathfrak{q},2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\sigma(\pi)}{\pi} \in \left\{ \alpha \in \mathcal{O}_L \mid \alpha \equiv 1 \pmod{\mathfrak{q}^2} \right\} = U_{L,\mathfrak{q},2}$$

$$\frac{G_{\mathfrak{q},1}}{G_{\mathfrak{q},2}} \hookrightarrow \frac{U_{L,\mathfrak{q},1}}{U_{L,\mathfrak{q},2}} \cong \mathbb{F}_{\mathfrak{q}} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{well-defined} \\ \text{(additive group)} \\ \text{(really one-dim vector space over } \mathbb{F}_{\mathfrak{q}} \text{)} \end{array} \right.$$

$$(1 + \pi \beta)(1 + \pi \gamma) \equiv 1 + \pi(\beta + \gamma) \pmod{\pi^2 \text{ over } \mathbb{F}_{\mathfrak{q}}}$$

Inverse limits

could have done all of this with

\mathcal{O}_L replaced by \mathbb{Z} -adic completion

inverse
limit

$$= \varprojlim_n \mathcal{O}_L / \mathfrak{q}^n$$

$(\overline{z}_1, \overline{z}_2, \dots)$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{z}_n &\in \mathcal{O}_L / \mathfrak{q}^n \\ \overline{z}_{n+1} \bmod \mathfrak{q}^n &= \overline{z}_n. \end{aligned}$$