

Algebraic number theory

Test 2, solutions

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1. 4 marks

d is divisible by 2011, but no other prime, otherwise some other prime will also be ramified. Thus $d = \pm 2011$. But 2011 is congruent to 3 mod 4, so $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2011})$ is ramified at 2. Thus $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2011})$ is the only quadratic field ramified exactly at 2011.

2. 4 marks

Use the multiplicativity of the norm of ideals. By inspection of split, inert and ramified cases we see that for every prime ideal P the product $P\bar{P}$ is the principal ideal generated by $\|P\|$. Write $I = P_1 \dots P_n$, where the P_i are prime ideals. Then $I\bar{I} = \|I\|\mathcal{O}_K$, hence the result.

3. 8 marks

$N_K(7 + \sqrt{-5}) = 54 = 2 \times 3^3$, hence the prime ideals dividing $(7 + \sqrt{-5})$ have norms 2 and a power of 3. There is only one prime ideal over 2 (since 2 is ramified), namely $P = (2, 1 + \sqrt{-5})$, $\|P\| = 2$. Next, $(3) = Q\bar{Q}$, where $Q = (3, 1 + \sqrt{-5})$ and $\bar{Q} = (3, 1 - \sqrt{-5})$, $\|Q\| = \|\bar{Q}\| = 3$. Since 3 does not divide $7 + \sqrt{-5}$, the ideals Q and \bar{Q} cannot both divide $(7 + \sqrt{-5})$, so we need to decide whether $(7 + \sqrt{-5}) = PQ^3$ or $P\bar{Q}^3$. But $(7 + \sqrt{-5}) \subset Q$ since $7 + \sqrt{-5}$ is an integral linear combination of 3 and $1 + \sqrt{-5}$. Therefore, $(7 + \sqrt{-5}) = PQ^3$.

4. 4 marks

$\text{Tr}_K((\sqrt[3]{2})^n) = 0$ unless n is a multiple of 3, hence $\det(\text{Tr}_K((\sqrt[3]{2})^{i+j})) = -108$.