

Student seminar exercise sheet Week 1

1. Let G be a finite group of automorphisms of a ring A and let

$$A^G = \{a \in A \mid \sigma(a) = a \text{ for all } \sigma \in G\},$$

be the ring of invariants.

(a) Show that A is integral over A^G .

(b) Let $\mathfrak{p} \subset A^G$ be a prime ideal and P the set of prime ideals $\mathfrak{q} \subset A$ such that $\mathfrak{q} \cap A^G = \mathfrak{p}$. Show that G acts transitively on P .

Hint: See exercises 5.12 and 5.13 in Atiyah-Macdonald's Introduction to commutative algebra.

2. Show that the ideal $J = (2, 1 + \sqrt{-5})$ is not principal in $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$. In particular the ideal class group of $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{-5}]$ is non-trivial.
3. Give examples of extensions of number fields K/F and prime ideals $\mathfrak{p} \subset \mathcal{O}_F$ that are unramified, ramified, inert and completely split in K/F .
4. Show that the cyclotomic polynomial $\Phi_n \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ factors into distinct linear factors modulo a prime p if and only if $p \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$.

Hint: \mathbb{F}_p^\times contains a cyclic group of order n if and only if $p \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$.