

CYCLOTOMIC FIELDS PROBLEM SHEET 3

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- (1) The prime p is ramified in $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_p)$. What is its ramification index e_p ? Also compute this in $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^n})$. What do you conclude about f_p and r_p ?
- (2) Let $K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_q)$ with q an odd prime. For any $p \neq q$, we know $e_p = 1$. Show that $\sigma_p : \zeta \mapsto \zeta^p$ is a generator of the decomposition group, and use this to compute f_p and r_p .¹
- (3) Compute e_p, f_p, r_p for all primes p in $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)$.
- (4) Is 31 a square modulo 691? (if you think this should involve a long computation, think again!).
- (5) Compute
$$1^9 + 2^9 + \dots + 999999^9.$$
- (6) For $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, and any $m \geq 0$, show that $a(a^m - 1)B_m$ and $a^m(a^m - 1)B_m/m$ are both integers.
- (7) For $m \geq 3$ show that $|B_{2m+2}| > |B_{2m}|$.

¹Hint: Use the Chinese remainder theorem.