

Théorie des Nombres TD2

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Warm-up

1. Let L/K be an algebraic extension of complete non-archimedean fields. Show that \mathcal{O}_L is the integral closure of \mathcal{O}_K in L .
2. Show that if L/K is a finite extension of local fields, then L/K is totally ramified if and only if $\mathcal{O}_L = \mathcal{O}_K[\pi]$ with π a root of an Eisenstein polynomial in $K[X]$.
3. Show that if K is a finite extension of $\mathbb{C}((t))$ then there exists n such that $K \simeq \mathbb{C}((t^{1/n}))$.

Exercices

Exercise 1. Let $L = \overline{\mathbb{Q}_p}$ be an algebraic closure of \mathbb{Q}_p .

1. Show that the p -adic absolute value $|\cdot|_p$ extends uniquely to L .

We are going to give two proofs that L is not complete.

For all prime number $\ell > 2$ let ζ_ℓ be a primitive ℓ -th root of 1. Assume that L is complete and let Liouville's number

$$\alpha = \sum_{\ell \notin \{2, p\}} \zeta_\ell p^\ell.$$

2. Show that the series converges in L .

Let $K = \mathbb{Q}_p(\alpha) \subset L$. Let ℓ_1 the least prime $\notin \{2, p\}$ such that $\zeta_{\ell_1} \notin K$.

3. Show that $\zeta_{\ell_1} \in \mathcal{O}_L$ and that there exists $\beta \in \mathcal{O}_K$ satisfying $\beta \equiv \zeta_{\ell_1} \pmod{p}$.
4. Deduce that K contains a ℓ_1 -th root of 1 congruent to ζ_{ℓ_1} modulo p .
5. For $\ell \neq p$, show that roots of unity of order ℓ are distinct modulo p . Deduce that $\zeta_{\ell_1} \in K$ and thus that the residue field of K is infinite.
6. Get a contradiction.

Second proof :

7. For $d \geq 1$, show that \mathbb{Q}_p has only a finite number of non isomorphic extensions of degree d .

8. For $d \geq 1$, let $L_d \subset L$ the compositum of all degree $\leq d$ extensions of \mathbb{Q}_p . Show that L_d is a closed subset of L with empty interior.

9. Conclude.

Exercise 2. Show that \mathbb{C}_p is not spherically complete. *Hint: Choose a sequence $(a_n)_n$ which is dense in \mathbb{C}_p .*

Exercise 3 (Ax-Sen-Tate). Let K be a complete non archimedean field. Let $K^{sep} \subset \overline{K}$ a separable and algebraic closure. Let $G_K = \text{Gal}(\overline{K}/K) = \text{Gal}(K^{sep}/K)$ the Galois group.

1. Show that the action of G_K extends to $\widehat{\overline{K}}$.
2. Show that if M/L is a separable extension of fields, then $\text{tr}_{M/L} = M \rightarrow L$ is surjective.

Our goal is to prove the following theorem of Ax-Sen-Tate,

Theorem 1 (Ax-Sen-Tate). *Let H be a closed subgroup of G_K . Then $(\widehat{\overline{K}})^H$ is the completion of \overline{K}^H , i.e. \overline{K}^H is dense in $(\widehat{\overline{K}})^H$.*

The reader who wants to focus of the case of extensions of \mathbb{Q}_p can forget about questions 3-6. We introduce $L = \overline{K}^H$. If $\alpha \in \overline{K}$, denote $\Delta_L(\alpha) = \inf_{\sigma \in H} v(\sigma(\alpha) - \alpha)$, the *diameter* of α w.r.t. L . Clearly, $\Delta_L(\alpha) = 0$ iff $\alpha \in L$.

3. Show that L is perfect.

To prove the theorem, we will need to first prove the following theorem of Ax

Theorem 2 (Ax). *There exists a constant C such that for $\alpha \in \overline{K}$, there is $a \in L$ such that $v(\alpha - a) \geq \Delta_L(\alpha) - C$.*

Fix a α and denote $M = L(\alpha)$, it is a finite separable extension of L by the previous question.

4. Assume K is of equal characteristics zero. Show that setting $a = \text{tr}_{M/L}(\frac{1}{[M:L]}\alpha)$ we have

$$v(a - \alpha) \geq \Delta_L(\alpha).$$

5. Now assume K is of equal characteristics $p > 0$. Show that for all $\delta > 0$ there exists $y \in M$ such that $v(y) > -\delta$ and $\text{tr}_{M/L}(y) = 1$.

6. Setting $a = \text{tr}_{M/L}(y\alpha)$, show that for all $\delta > 0$ there exists $a \in L$ such that

$$v(a - \alpha) \geq -\delta + \Delta_L(\alpha).$$

For the next two questions, we assume that K is of characteristic zero and its residue field is of characteristic $p > 0$. We also assume $v(p) = 1$.

7. Let $P \in \overline{K}[X]$ unitary of degree n such that all its roots α satisfies $v(\alpha) \geq u$. Show that

(a) if $n = p^k d, p \nmid d$ and $d \geq 2$, then $P^{(p^k)}$ has at least one root β such that $v(\beta) \geq u$.

(b) if $n = p^{k+1}$ for $k \geq 0$, then $P^{(p^k)}$ has at least one root β such that $v(\beta) \geq u - \frac{1}{p^{k+1} - p^k}$.

8. Denote $[L(\alpha) : L] = n$ and $\ell(n)$ the maximal power such that $p^{\ell(n)} \leq n$. Prove that there exists $a \in L$ such that

$$v_p(\alpha - a) \geq \Delta_L(\alpha) - \sum_{i=1}^{\ell(n)} \frac{1}{p^i - p^{i-1}}.$$

In particular we can prove Ax's theorem with $C = \frac{p}{(p-1)^2}$. *Hint : We can use strong induction on n .*

9. Prove the theorem of Ax-Sen-Tate.

10. What is $(\mathbb{C}_p)^{G_{\mathbb{Q}_p}}$?

Exercise 4. Let A be a discrete valuation ring (DVR), i.e. a ring with a discrete (non trivial) valuation¹, K its fraction field and denote by $v : K \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$ the valuation. If $P = a_d X^d + a_{d-1} X^{d-1} + \dots + a_0 \in K[X]$ with $a_0 \neq 0$, we define $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_P}$ the Newton polygone of P as the unique maximal continuous fonction, piecewise linear with breakpoint at integral abscissas, $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_P} : [0, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

- $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_P}(0) = v(a_0)$ et $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_P}(d) = v(a_d)$.
- $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_P}(j) \leq v(a_j) \forall j \in \{0, \dots, d\}$.
- The graph of $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_P}$ is convex (i.e. has increasing slopes).

Another way to say it is that $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_P}$ is the *lower convex hull* of points $(i, v(a_i))$.

1. Draw the polygon of $X^3 - X^2 - 2X + 8 \in \mathbb{Q}_2[X]$ and of $X^3 + 2X^2 - 2X + 4 \in \mathbb{Q}_2[X]$.
2. Assume given a factorisation $P(X) = \prod_{i=1}^d (X - x_i) \in K[X], x_i \neq 0$ and denote $\gamma_1 \leq \gamma_2 \leq \dots \leq \gamma_d$ the slopes of $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_P}$ (with multiplicity). Show that, up to reorder the x_i , we have $\gamma_i = -v(x_i)$. *Hint : we can introduce the piecewise linear function on $[0, d]$ starting at $v(a_0)$ and with increasing slopes $v(x_i)$ (with multiplicities) and try to compare its position to $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_P}$*
3. Deduce that if $P \in K[X]$ is irreducible, then its Newton polygone is a line. What are the possible reductions of P if $P \in \mathcal{O}_K[X]$ and irreducible in $K[X]$?

¹Prove if you want that it is the same as an integral, local, dimension one ring

4. Let $P = X^d + a_1 X^{d-1} + \dots + a_d \in K[X]$ with $a_d \neq 0$ a separable polynomial (or assume K of characteristic zero). Assume that the slopes of $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_P}$ are $\lambda_1 < \dots < \lambda_k$, with multiplicities w_1, \dots, w_k . Then there exists a unique factorisation $P(X) = \prod_{i=1}^k g_i(X)$ with g_i unitary, $\deg g_i = w_i$ et $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ewt}_{g_i}}$ isoclinic of slope λ_i . Can you extend it to the general case ?
5. Show that $X^3 - X^2 - 2X + 8$ has three distinct roots in \mathbb{Q}_2 .
6. Deduce the following version of Hensel's Lemma : if $P \in \mathcal{O}_K$, such that

$$P \equiv \bar{h}\bar{g} \pmod{\mathfrak{m}_K},$$

with \bar{h}, \bar{g} coprime, then there exists $h, g \in \mathcal{O}_K[X]$ such that $P = hg$ and $h \equiv \bar{h}, g \equiv \bar{g} \pmod{\mathfrak{m}_K}$. *Hint : We can start by writing $P = \prod_{i=1}^r P_i$ as a product of irreducible*

7. Prove Eisenstein-Dumas criterion :

Theorem 5. *Let $P \in K[X]$. Assume its Newton polygon is a line from $(0, n)$ to $(d, 0)$ with $n, d = 1$. Then P is irreducible.*

Deduce the classical Eisenstein criterion.