

Exercise 11.3

For number fields $K \subseteq L$ and their ring of integers $R \subseteq S$ there is a simple proof of the fundamental equation,

$$\begin{aligned} N(PS) &= N\left(\prod_{i=1}^r P_i^{e_i}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^r N(P_i)^{e_i} = \prod_{i=1}^r [S:P_i]^{e_i} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^r ([R:P]^{f_i})^{e_i} = N(P)^{\sum_{i=1}^r e_i f_i}. \end{aligned}$$

Since \mathcal{O}_R is finite by Thm 8.28 (not true for general Dedekind domains), we have

$$\mathfrak{p}^h = \lambda R \text{ for some } \lambda \in K, h = |\mathcal{O}_R|$$

$$\text{Write } \lambda = \frac{a}{b}, a, b \in \mathcal{O} \Rightarrow b\mathfrak{p}^h = aR \Rightarrow bP^h S = aS.$$

Now, use that N is multiplicative,

$$\Rightarrow N(bS)N(P^h S) = N(bP^h S) = N(aS)$$

$$\Rightarrow N(PS)^h = N(P^h S) = N(aS)N(bS)^{-1} = \underset{\uparrow 8.23}{|N_{L/\mathbb{Q}}(a)| \cdot |N_{L/\mathbb{Q}}(b)|^{-1}} = |N_{L/\mathbb{Q}}(\lambda)|$$

Hence,

$$N(PS)^h = |N_{L/\mathbb{Q}}(\lambda)| \stackrel{\text{Exercise 2.3}}{=} |N_{K/\mathbb{Q}} \circ N_{L/K}(\lambda)|$$

$$= \prod_{\lambda \in K} |N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\lambda)|^n = |N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\lambda)|^n = N(\lambda R)^n = N(P^h)^n = N(P)^{hn}$$

$$\Rightarrow N(PS) = N(P)^n \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^r e_i f_i = n. \quad \square$$