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# Artin symbol of the Kummer fields

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ABSTRACT. Let *l* and *p* be odd prime distinct natural numbers,  $\xi$  be a primitive root of order *l* of unity. It is known that the field extension  $\mathbf{Q}(\xi) \subset \mathbf{Q}(\xi, \sqrt[1]{p})$  is a Galois extension. In this article we study the Artin symbol in the Galois group  $G(\mathbf{Q}(\xi, \sqrt[1]{p})/\mathbf{Q}(\xi))$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

First, we recall some results we are using here:

**Theorem 1.1.** ([3]). Let  $n \in N$ ,  $n \ge 2$  and  $Q \subset K$  be an extension of fields of degree [K : Q] = n, p be a prime natural number. There exist positive integers  $e_i$ ,  $i = \overline{1, g}$  such that

$$p\mathbf{Z}_K = \prod_{i=1}^{g} P_i^{e_i}$$

where all  $P_i$ ,  $i = \overline{1, g}$ , are prime ideals above p and  $\mathbf{Z}_K$  is the ring of integers of  $\mathbf{K}$  over  $\mathbf{Q}$ .

**Definition 1.1.** ([3]). The integer  $e_i$  is called the ramification index of p at  $P_i$ . The degree  $f_i$  of the field extension defined by

$$f_i = [\mathbf{Z}_K / P_i : \mathbf{Z} / p\mathbf{Z}]$$

is called the **residual degree of** *p*.

**Theorem 1.2.** ([3]). We have the following formulas:

$$N(P_i) = p^{f_i},$$

and

$$\sum_{i=1}^{g} e_i f_i = n = [\mathbf{K} : \mathbf{Q}].$$

In the case when K/Q is a Galois extension, the result is more specific:

**Theorem 1.3.** ([3]). Assume that K/Q is a Galois extension. Then, for all  $P_i$ , the ramification indices  $e_i$  are equal (say to e), the residual degrees  $f_i$  are equal as well (say to f) and efg = n.

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**Proposition 1.1.** ([5]). Let L/K be a Galois extension and  $\mathbf{Z}_K$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_l$  be the rings of algebraic integers of the fields K and L. Let  $P \in Spec(\mathbf{Z}_K)$  such that the extension  $K \subset L$  is unramified in P. Let P' be a prime ideal in the ring  $\mathbf{Z}_L$  such that  $P'/P\mathbf{Z}_L$ . Then there exists a unique automorphism  $\sigma \in G(L/K)$  such that:

$$\sigma(x) \equiv x^{N(P)}(modP').$$

**Definition 1.2.** ([1]). The element  $\sigma$  of the Proposition 1.1. is denoted  $\left(\frac{L/K}{P'}\right)$ . If the extension K $\subset$ L is Abelian, then  $\left(\frac{L/K}{P'}\right)$  does not depend on  $P' \in Spec(\mathbf{Z}_L)$ , but only on  $P = P' \cap \mathbf{Z}_K$  and it is denoted  $\left(\frac{L/K}{P}\right)$ 

**Definition 1.3.** ([1]). Let  $K \subset L$  be a Galois extension of fields, and let P' be a maximal ideal in the ring  $Z_L$ . The set

$$Z_{P^{'}} = \left\{ \tau \in G(L/K) / \tau(P^{'}) = P^{'} \right\}$$

is a subgroup in G(L/K) and it is called **the group of decomposition of** P' in the extension  $K \subset L$ .

**Theorem 1.4.** ([1]). Let  $K \subset L$  be a Galois extension of fields, and let P be a maximal ideal *in the ring*  $Z_K$ .

*i)* For any  $P' \in Max_P(\mathbb{Z}_L)$  we have  $[G(L/K) : \mathbb{Z}_{P'}] = g_P$ , where  $g_P$  is the number of prime ideals from  $\mathbb{Z}_L$  which divide P.

*ii)* If  $K \subset L$  is a unramified in P and Abelian extension of fields and  $\mathbb{Z}_K/P$  is a finite field, then  $\left(\frac{L/K}{P'}\right)$  generate the group  $Z_{P'}$  and  $|Z_{P'}| = f_{P'}$ 

**Proposition 1.2.** ([6]). Let *l* be a prime natural number  $l \ge 3$  and  $\xi$  be a primitive root of unity of *l*- th order. A prime natural number  $p \ge 3$  is a prime in the ring  $Z[\xi]$  if and only if  $\overline{p}$  is generating the group ( $\mathbf{Z}_{l}^{*}, \cdot$ )

*Let l be a odd prime natural number and*  $\xi$  *be a primitive root of unity of order l.*  $Z[\xi]$  *is the ring of integers of the cyclotomic field*  $Q(\xi)$ *.* 

*Let* p *be a prime natural number,*  $p \neq l$ *, and* P *be a prime ideal in the ring*  $Z[\xi]$ *,* P *dividing the ideal generated by* p*,* (p)*, in the ring*  $Z[\xi]$ *.* 

**Proposition 1.3.** ([3]). Let  $\alpha \in Z[\xi]$ ,  $\alpha \notin P$ . There is an integer *c*, unique modulo *l*, such that  $\alpha^{\frac{N(P)-1}{l}} \equiv \xi^c \pmod{P}$ .

**Definition 1.4.** ([3]). The root of unity  $\xi^c$  is called the **power-character of the number**  $\alpha$  with respect to the prime ideal *P* in the ring *Z* [ $\xi$ ]. Following Hilbert([3]), we denote  $\xi^c$  by  $\left\{\frac{\alpha}{P}\right\}$ .

**Proposition 1.4.** ([3]). If  $\alpha, \beta \in Z[\xi]$ , ( $\alpha$ ), ( $\beta$ ) are not divisible with P, then:

$$\left\{\frac{\alpha\beta}{P}\right\} = \left\{\frac{\alpha}{P}\right\} \cdot \left\{\frac{\beta}{P}\right\}.$$

**Definition 1.5.** ([3]). Let  $\alpha \in Z[\xi]$ . If the congruence  $x^l \equiv \alpha \pmod{P}$  has solutions in the ring  $Z[\xi]$ , we say that  $\alpha$  is a power-residue of order l with respect to the prime ideal P.

**Proposition 1.5.** ([5]). Let P be a prime ideal in the ring  $Z[\xi]$ ,  $P \neq (1 - \xi)$ ,  $\alpha \in Z[\xi]$ ,  $\alpha$  being relatively prime with P. Then  $\alpha$  is a power-residue of order l with respect to the ideal P, if and only if  $\left\{\frac{\alpha}{P}\right\} = 1$ 

**Theorem 1.5.** ([3]). Let  $\xi$  be a primitive root of *l*-order, of unity, where *l* is a prime natural number. A prime ideal *P* in the ring *Z* [ $\xi$ ], is in the ring of integers in the Kummer field  $Q(M;\xi)$  (where  $M = \sqrt[4]{\mu}, \mu \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) in one of the situations:

i) is equal with the l-power of a prime ideal, if  $\left\{ \frac{\mu}{P} \right\} = 0$ ,

*ii) it decomposes in l different prime ideals, if*  $\left\{\frac{\mu}{P}\right\} = 1$ *,* 

*iii) is a prime ideal, if*  $\left\{\frac{\mu}{P}\right\} = a$  *root of order l of unity, different from* 1.

**Proposition 1.6.** ([8]). Let A be the ring of integers of the Kummer field  $Q(\sqrt[4]{p};\xi)$  where p is a prime natural number,  $p \neq l$  and  $\xi$  is a primitive root of order l of unity. Let G be the Galois group of the Kummer field  $Q(\sqrt[4]{p};\xi)$  over  $Q(\xi)$ . Then G is an Abelian group and for any  $\sigma \in G$  and for any  $P \in Spec(A)$ , we have  $\sigma(P) \in Spec(A)$ .

**Proposition 1.7.** ([7]). Let p and r be prime integers,  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{r}$  and take  $\xi$  a primitive root of order r of the unity. If  $Q(\xi; \sqrt[r]{p})$  is the Kummer field with the ring of integers A,  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are integer numbers such that  $gcd(y_1, y_2) = 1$ , p does not divide  $y_2$ ,  $m, n \in \{0, 1, ..., r - 1\}$ ,  $y_2 - y_1$  is not divisible with r, then,

$$(y_2 - \xi^m \sqrt[r]{p} y_1) A and (y_2 - \xi^n \sqrt[r]{p} y_1) A$$

are comaximal ideals of A.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Proposition 2.8.** Let p, q and l be prime distinct integers,  $\overline{q}$  is generating the group  $(\mathbf{Z}_l^*, \cdot)$  and take  $\xi$  a primitive root of order l of the unity. If  $L = \mathbf{Q}(\xi; \sqrt[l]{p})$  is the Kummer field with the ring of integers A and  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\xi)$ , then:

$$\left(\frac{L/K}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}\right)(\sqrt[l]{p}) = \left\{\frac{p}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}\right\}\sqrt[l]{p}.$$

*Proof.* Since p and q are prime distinct natural numbers, this implies

$$\left\{\frac{p}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}\right\} \neq 0.$$

The case I: If  $\left\{\frac{p}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}\right\} = 1$ 

We know that  $\frac{L/K}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}$  is the trivial automorphism, therefore

$$\left(\frac{L/K}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}\right)(\sqrt[l]{p}) = \sqrt[l]{p} = \left\{\frac{p}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}\right\}\sqrt[l]{p}.$$

**The case II:** If  $\left\{\frac{p}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}\right\} \neq 1$ , we obtain that  $f_{q\mathbf{Z}_L} = l$ . We denote

$$\left(\frac{L/K}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}\right)\left(\sqrt[l]{p}\right) = \xi^c \sqrt[l]{p}.$$

Uging Proposition 1.1. we have:

$$\left(\frac{L/K}{q\mathbf{Z}_L}\right)(\sqrt[4]{p}) \equiv \sqrt[4]{p}^{N(q\mathbf{Z}_L)}(modq\mathbf{Z}_L).$$

But  $N(q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]) = N(q\mathbf{Z}_L)$ , therefore

$$\xi^c \sqrt[l]{p} \equiv \sqrt[l]{p}^{N(q\mathbf{Z}[\xi])} (modq\mathbf{Z}_L).$$

The last congruence implies that:

$$\sqrt[l]{p}\left(\sqrt[l]{p}\right)^{N(q\mathbf{Z}[\xi])-1}-\xi^{c}\right)\equiv (modq\mathbf{Z}_{L}).$$

Since  $\sqrt[l]{p} \in U(\mathbf{Z}_L)$  and  $P \in Spec(\mathbf{Z}_L)$ , it results that:

$$\sqrt[l]{p}^{N(q\mathbf{Z}[\xi])-1} \equiv \xi^c(modq\mathbf{Z}_L).$$

This equality is equivalent with:

$$\sqrt[l]{p^{\frac{q^{l-1}-1}{l}}} \equiv \xi^c(modq\mathbf{Z}_L).$$

But  $\sqrt[l]{p^{\frac{q^{l-1}-1}{l}}} - \xi^c \in \mathbb{Z}[\xi]$  and  $q\mathbb{Z}_L \cap \mathbb{Z}[\xi] = q\mathbb{Z}[\xi]$ , therefore we obtain:  $\sqrt[l]{p^{\frac{q^{l-1}-1}{l}}} \equiv \xi^c (modq\mathbb{Z}[\xi]).$ 

According to the Proposition 1.3. and Definion 1.4., we get that

$$\xi^c = \left\{ \frac{p}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]} \right\}.$$

From the previously proved, we obtain:

$$\left(\frac{L/K}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}\right)(\sqrt[l]{p}) = \left\{\frac{p}{q\mathbf{Z}[\xi]}\right\}\sqrt[l]{p}.$$

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We give now an application of the above result:

**Proposition 2.9.** Let p and l be odd prime distinct natural numbers,  $l \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ ,  $\epsilon$  be a primitive root of order 3 of unity,  $K = \mathbf{Q}(\epsilon)$  be the cyclotomic field. Let  $L = \mathbf{Q}(\epsilon; \sqrt[3]{l})$  be the Kummer field with the ring of integers A. If there exist  $x, y \in \mathbf{N}$ , p does not divide x such that  $p = x^3 + ly^3$ , then the Artin symbol:

$$\left(\frac{L/K}{P}\right) = \mathbf{1}_L,$$

 $(\forall) P \in Spec(\mathbf{Z}[\epsilon]), P/p\mathbf{Z}[\epsilon].$ 

*Proof.* We know that:  $pZ[\epsilon] = P_1...P_r$ , where  $P_i \in Spec(Z[\epsilon])$ ,  $i = \overline{1, r}$ ,  $r = \frac{\varphi(3)}{ord_{(\mathbf{Z}_3^*, \cdot)}\overline{p}}$ . We obtain that: if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  then r = 2; if  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  then r = 1.

**The case I:**  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ . We obtain that:  $pZ[\epsilon] = P_1P_2$ , where  $P_1, P_2 \in Spec(Z[\epsilon])$ .

The equality  $p = x^3 + ly^3$  is equivalent with:

$$p = (x + \sqrt{3}ly)(x + \epsilon\sqrt[3]{ly})(x + \epsilon^2\sqrt[3]{ly}).$$
(2.1)

Passing to the ideals in the ring A, in the equality (1), we have:

$$P_1A \cdot P_2A = (x + \sqrt[3]{ly})A(x + \epsilon\sqrt[3]{ly})A(x + \epsilon^2\sqrt[3]{ly})A.$$
(2.2)

 $N(P_1) = N(P_2) = p^f$ , where f is the inertial degree of  $P_1$ , in the extension of fields  $\mathbf{Q} \subset \mathbf{Q}(\epsilon)$ .

From the Theorem 1.3., we have that  $efg = [\mathbf{Q}(\epsilon) : \mathbf{Q}] = 2$ . But g = 2, e = 1, therefore f = 1 and  $N(P_1) = N(P_2) = p$ .

Using the Proposition 1.3. and the Definition 1.4., we have:

$$\left\{\frac{l}{P_i}\right\} \equiv l^{\frac{p-1}{3}} (modP_i), i = \overline{1, 2}.$$
(2.3)

But  $\left\{\frac{l}{P_i}\right\} \in \{1, \epsilon, \epsilon^2\}$ ,  $i = \overline{1, 2}$ . We can have:

$$\left\{\frac{l}{P_1}\right\} = \epsilon^{c_1} \neq 1,$$
$$\left\{\frac{l}{P_2}\right\} = \epsilon^{c_2} \neq 1$$
$$\left\{\frac{l}{P_1}\right\} = 1,$$
$$\left\{\frac{l}{P_2}\right\} = \epsilon^c \neq 1$$
$$\left\{\frac{l}{P_2}\right\} = \left\{\frac{l}{P_2}\right\} = 1.$$

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If  $\left\{\frac{l}{P_1}\right\} = \epsilon^{c_1} \neq 1$ ,  $\left\{\frac{l}{P_2}\right\} = \epsilon^{c_2} \neq 1$ , using the Theorem 1.5., it results  $P_1A, P_2A \in Spec(A)$ . This implies that the equality (2.2) is impossible. Therefore, cannot have  $\left\{\frac{l}{P_1}\right\} = \epsilon^{c_1} \neq 1$ ,  $\left\{\frac{l}{P_2}\right\} = \epsilon^{c_2} \neq 1$ . If  $\left\{\frac{l}{P_1}\right\} = 1$ ,  $\left\{\frac{l}{P_2}\right\} = \epsilon^c \neq 1$ , usind the Theorem 1.5. we obtain that  $P_1A = P'_1P'_2P'_3$ , where  $P'_i \in Spec(A)$  and  $P_2A \in Spec(A)$ .

Passing to the ideals in the ring A, in the equality (2.1), we have:

$$P_{1}'P_{2}'P_{3}'(P_{2}A) = (x + \sqrt[3]{l}y)A(x + \epsilon\sqrt[3]{l}y)A(x + \epsilon^{2}\sqrt[3]{l}y)A.$$
 (2.4)

We know that p does not divide x,  $l \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  and we can prove easily that 3 does not divide x + y, g.c.d.(x, y) = 1. According to the Proposition 1.7., the ideals

 $(x + \sqrt[3]{ly})A, (x + \epsilon \sqrt[3]{ly})A, (x + \epsilon^2 \sqrt[3]{ly})A$ 

are comaximal ideals in pairs.

It is known that the Galois group G(L/K) is a cyclic group and let  $\sigma \in G(L/K)$ ,  $\sigma:L \mapsto L, \sigma(\epsilon) = \epsilon, \sigma(\sqrt[3]{l}) = \epsilon \sqrt[3]{l}$ . We consider three cases.

(i) If  $\left(x + y\sqrt[3]{l}\right) A \in \text{Spec}(A)$ , using the Proposition 1.6., we obtain that

$$\sigma\left(\left(x+y\sqrt[3]{l}\right)A\right) = \left(x+y\epsilon\sqrt[3]{l}\right)A \in Spec(A)$$

and

$$\sigma^{2}\left(\left(x+y\sqrt[3]{l}\right)A\right) = \left(x+y\epsilon^{2}\sqrt[3]{l}\right)A \in Spec(A).$$

This implies that the equality (2.4) is impossible. Similarly we obtain that the equality (2.4) is impossible, in the case (ii) (when the ideal  $\sigma\left(\left(x+y\sqrt[3]{l}\right)A\right)$  is a product of two distinct prime ideals in the ring A) and in the case (iii) (when the ideal  $\sigma\left(\left(x+y\sqrt[3]{l}\right)A\right)$  is the 2-power of a prime ideal in the ring A).

If  $\left\{\frac{l}{P_1}\right\} = \left\{\frac{l}{P_2}\right\} = 1$ , using the congruences (2.3) and the fact that  $P_1, P_2 \in Spec(\mathbf{Z}[\epsilon])$ , we obtain that:

$$1 \equiv l^{\frac{p-1}{3}}(modp\mathbf{Z}[\epsilon]).$$

But  $p, l \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , therefore  $1 \equiv l^{\frac{p-1}{3}}(modp)$ .

The last congruence is possible because  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ .

Since  $\left\{\frac{l}{P_1}\right\} = \left\{\frac{l}{P_2}\right\} = 1$ , using the Proposition 2.8., we obtain that:

$$\left(\frac{L/K}{P_i}\right) = \mathbf{1}_L, \ (\forall) \ i = \overline{1,2}$$

**The case II:**  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . This implies that the ideal  $pZ[\epsilon] \in Spec(Z[\epsilon])$ . Similarly with the case I we obtain that  $N(pZ[\epsilon]) = p^2$ .

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Using the Proposition 1.3. and the Definition 1.4., we have:

$$\left\{\frac{l}{pZ[\epsilon]}\right\} \equiv l^{\frac{p^2-1}{3}}(modpZ[\epsilon])$$

Since *p* and *l* are prime distinct natural numbers, it results that  $\left\{\frac{l}{nZ[\epsilon]}\right\} \neq 0$ .

If  $\left\{\frac{l}{pZ[\epsilon]}\right\} = \epsilon^c \neq 1$ , hence  $pA \in Spec(A)$ . Passing to the ideals in the ring A, in the equality (1), we have:

$$pA = (x + \sqrt[3]{ly})A(x + \epsilon\sqrt[3]{ly})A(x + \epsilon^2\sqrt[3]{ly})A.$$

The last equality is impossible. Therefore, we cannot have

$$\left\{\frac{l}{pZ[\epsilon]}\right\} = \epsilon^c \neq 1.$$

If  $\left\{\frac{l}{pZ[\epsilon]}\right\} = 1$  similar with the case I we obtain:

$$\equiv l^{\frac{p^2-1}{3}}(modp\mathbf{Z}[\epsilon]).$$

But p,  $l^{\frac{p^2-1}{3}} \in \mathbf{N}^*$ , therefore  $1 \equiv l^{\frac{p^2-1}{3}}(modp)$ . From  $p \equiv 2(mod3)$  results  $(p-1)/\frac{p^2-1}{3}$ . This implies that the last congruence is true.  $\left\{\frac{l}{pZ[\epsilon]}\right\} = 1$  implies that  $\left(\frac{L/K}{pZ[\epsilon]}\right) = \mathbf{1}_L$ .

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