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# Ideal classes and abelian varieties over finite fields

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Intro

- Goal of this mini-course is to describe an effective method to compute ab. var. over a finite field in terms of fractional ideals of orders in étale  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebras.

We will need some restrictions on the ab. var.  
On the other hand, we will have to consider non-maximal orders and non-invertible ideals.

- Program
  - L1 : } fr. ideals. (w/ a lot of proofs)
  - L2 : }
  - L3 : } ab. var. and categorical eq.
  - L4 : } (not so many proofs)

\* Research talk: • similar results in a more general setting  
on Friday, 16 Nov. + polarizations & period matrices  
(+ base field ext)

- Material on my webpage : - lecture notes (handwritten)  
- references  
- Magma code.

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# Étale algebras over $\mathbb{Q}$

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Def An étale algebra over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a finite product of finite field extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .  
A number field is an étale algebra over  $\mathbb{Q}$  which is a field.

Eg • Let  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ , monic.  
Write  $f = f_1^{e_1} \cdots f_r^{e_r}$  with  $f_i$  irreducible and distinct.

Put 
$$K = \frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{(f)}$$

Then:  $K$  is an étale alg. over  $\mathbb{Q} \iff e_1 = e_2 = \dots = e_r = 1$   
i.e.  $f$  is square-free

$K$  is a number field  $\iff f$  is irreducible  
( $r=1, e_1=1$ )

• Given a number field  $k$ ,  $K = k \times k$  is an étale algebra.

Rmk: étale algebras are  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{- commutative} \\ \text{- reduced} \end{array} \right.$  (= no non-zero nilpotents)

Notation: given an étale alg.  $K$

$$K^\times = \left\{ x \in K \text{ st. } \exists y \in K \text{ with } \begin{array}{l} xy = 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \text{non-zero-divisors of } K \right\}$$

# Orders

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Let  $K$  be an étale algebra.

Def An order  $R$  in  $K$  is a subring  $R \subseteq K$  which is also a lattice in  $K$ .

(i.e. free-fm.gen.  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module of maximal rank).

Rmk •  $R \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} = K$

Im part.,  $\text{rk}_{\mathbb{Z}}(R) = \dim_{\mathbb{Q}}(K)$ .

- $K$  is the total quotient ring of  $R$ :  
(put  $\mathcal{S} = R \cap K^{\times}$ , then  $K = \mathcal{S}^{-1}R$ )

Eg  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  monic, squarefree

$$K := \frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{(f)}$$

$$R := \frac{\mathbb{Z}[x]}{(f)} \quad \text{is an order in } K$$

(monogenic or equation order)

Notat.:  $K = \mathbb{Q}[\alpha] \quad \alpha = x \pmod{f}$

$$R = \mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$$

Question/Exercise:  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  monic sq free

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$$f = f_1 \cdot f_2 \cdots f_r, \quad f_i \text{ irred.}$$

Then

$$\frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{(f)} \xrightarrow{\sim} \frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{(f_1)} \times \frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{(f_2)} \times \cdots \times \frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{(f_r)}$$

Is always true that ?

$$\frac{\mathbb{Z}[x]}{(f)} \xrightarrow{\sim} \frac{\mathbb{Z}[x]}{(f_1)} \times \cdots \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}[x]}{(f_r)} \quad ?$$

Prop

Let  $K$  be an étale algebra.

1. the set of orders in  $K$  admits a unique maximal element (w.r.t  $\subseteq$ ), which we denote  $\mathcal{O}_K$ .

2. Write  $K = K_1 \times K_2 \times \cdots \times K_r$ , with  $K_i$  number fields.

Then

$$\mathcal{O}_K = \mathcal{O}_{K_1} \times \cdots \times \mathcal{O}_{K_r}$$

where  $\mathcal{O}_{K_i}$  is the ring of integers of  $K_i$ .

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(Exercise)

Def  $\mathcal{O}_K$  is the maximal order of  $K$

Fractional ideals

$K$  ét. alg /  $\mathbb{Q}$ ;

$R$  an order in  $K$ :

Def A fractional  $R$ -ideal is a sub- $R$ -module  $I$  of  $K$  which is a lattice in  $K$ .

i.e.:  $I \cdot R = I$

$I \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} = K$

Remark:  $I$  a fr.  $R$ -id,  $I \subseteq R \Rightarrow R/I$  is finite!

Lemma An ideal  $I$  of  $R$  is a fractional  $R$ -ideal if and only if  $I \cap K^{\times} \neq \emptyset$

PF Let  $d \in K^{\times} \cap I$ . Then  $dR \subseteq I \subseteq R \Rightarrow I$  is a free finit. gen.  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module of the same rank of  $R$ . Hence,  $I$  is a lattice in  $K$ .

Converse: Exercise

Remark - Given a fractional  $R$ -ideal  $I$  there exists  $d \in I$  s.t.  $dI \subseteq R$ .

- Observe that  $dI \underset{R}{\simeq} I$ .

Example:

$f = x^3 + 10x^2 - 8$

$K = \frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{f} = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$

$R = \mathbb{Z}[\alpha] = \frac{\mathbb{Z}[x]}{f}$  order in  $K$

$S = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \alpha\mathbb{Z} \oplus \frac{\alpha^2}{2}\mathbb{Z}$  is an order in  $K$  and a fractional  $R$ -ideal.

Observe  $2 \cdot S \subseteq R$ .

Lemma Let  $I, J$  be fractional ideals. Then:

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- $I+J, I \cap J, I \cdot J$  are fractional ideals
- $(I:J) = \{x \in K: xJ \subseteq I\}$  is a fr. id
- $I^t = \{x \in K: \text{Tr}(xI) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a fr. id.

Notation:  $\mathcal{M}(R) = \{\text{fractional } R\text{-ideal}\}$

- $\mathcal{M}(R)$  is a commutative monoid w.r.t ideal mult.  
 $I, J \mapsto I \cdot J$   
with unit  $R$ , since  $IR = RI = I$ , for every  $I \in \mathcal{M}(R)$

Def. An over-order of  $R$  is an order  $S$  in  $K$  st  $R \subseteq S$ .

Eg  $\mathcal{O}_K$  is an over-order of  $R$ .

- For every  $I \in \mathcal{M}(R)$ ,  $(I:I)$  is an over-order of  $R$ , called the multiplicator ring of  $I$

Rmk If  $S$  is an o.o. of  $R$  then  $\mathcal{M}(S) \subseteq \mathcal{M}(R)$

- Lemma:
- $(I^t)^t = I$
  - $I \subset J \Leftrightarrow I^t \supset J^t$
  - $(I \cap J)^t = I^t + J^t$
  - $(xI)^t = \frac{1}{x} I^t$
  - $(I:J) = (I^t J)^t$
  - $(I:J) = (J^t: I^t)$
  - $II^t = S^t \Leftrightarrow (I:I) = S$
- for  $I, J \in \mathcal{M}(R)$ ,  
 $x \in K^\times$

Def A prime of  $R$  is a maximal ideal  $P$  of  $R$ . 1.7

Lemma:  $\{\text{primes of } R\} = \{\text{prime ideals of } R \text{ which are fractional } R\text{-ideals}\}$

Pf " $\supseteq$ " If  $p$  is a prime ideal and a fractional  $R$ -id then  $R/p$  is a finite integral domain  $\Rightarrow R/p$  is a field  $\Leftrightarrow p$  is maximal.

" $\subseteq$ " If  $p$  is a max ideal of  $R$  then  $p \cap \mathbb{Z} = \{p\}$  (national prime)  $\Rightarrow p \cap K^\times \neq \emptyset$ .  
 (b/c  $R$  is integral over  $\mathbb{Z}$ ) So given a prime ideal  $p$  of  $R$  we have  $p \text{ is max} \Leftrightarrow p \cap \mathbb{Z} \text{ is max}$

Def Let  $I \in \mathcal{J}(R)$  is called invertible in  $R$  if there exists  $J \in \mathcal{J}(R)$  s.t.  $IJ = R$

Rmk If such  $J$  exists then  $J = (R:I)$ .

Lemma If  $I \in \mathcal{J}(R)$  is invertible in  $R$  then  $(I:I) = R$

Pf  $I \in \mathcal{J}(R) \Leftrightarrow IR = I \Rightarrow R \subseteq (I:I)$

• mult  $(I:I)I = I$  on both sides by  $(R:I)$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{(I:I)}_{=R} \underbrace{I}_{(R:I)} = \underbrace{I}_{(R:I)} \underbrace{(R:I)}_{=R}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{(I:I)}_{\substack{U \in \mathbb{C} \\ U \in R}} R = R$$

$\square$

Example  
as before

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- $R = \frac{\mathbb{Z}[x]}{(x^3 + 10x^2 - 8)}$        $\alpha = x \pmod{f}$
- $\mathcal{B} = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \alpha \mathbb{Z} \oplus \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \mathbb{Z}$
- $[S:R] = 2$
- $I = 3R + (\alpha + 2)R$ .

One can check

$$(I:I) = R$$

$$(R:I) = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \alpha \mathbb{Z} \oplus \left(-\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3}\alpha + \frac{1}{3}\alpha^2\right) \mathbb{Z}$$

and  $I \cdot (R:I) = R$ .

- $J = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \frac{\alpha}{2} \mathbb{Z} \oplus \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \mathbb{Z}$

$$(J:J) = S$$

and  $J:(S:J) \subseteq \underbrace{S}_2$

Def<sup>\*</sup> Let  $T$  be a ring and  $I$  an ideal of  $T$ .  
We say that  $I$  is invertible (in  $T$ ) if there exists an ideal  $J$  of  $T$  and a non-zero divisor  $d$  of  $T$  such that

$$I \cdot J = dT$$

Rmk  
Def<sup>\*</sup> is equiv. to Def but it allows us to talk about invertibility of ideals in any ring.

Lemma 1) Let  $T$  be a Noetherian ring. Then  $T$  is a principal ideal ring iff every maximal ideal is principal.  
[Kaplanski, 12.3]

Lemma 2) Let  $T$  be a semilocal ring (= finitely many maximal ideals) and let  $I$  be a  $T$ -ideal. Then  $I$  is invertible iff  $I$  is principal and generated by a non-zero divisor. [Gilmer, Prop 7.4]

Lemma 3) Let  $R$  be an order in  $K$  and  $I \in R$  be a fractional  $R$ -ideal. Then  $I$  is invertible in  $R$  iff  $I_p$  is a principal  $R_p$ -ideal for every prime  $p$  of  $R$

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• Assume  $I$  is invertible in  $R$ . Then

$$I(R:I) = R$$

which localized at  $p$  becomes

$$I_p (R:I)_p = R_p$$

$$(R_p : I_p)$$

$\Rightarrow I_p$  is invertible in  $R_p$   $\stackrel{\text{Lemma 2}}{\Rightarrow}$   $I_p$  is prime and gen by a non z.d

• Assume  $I_p = x R_p$   $\forall p$  <sup>dep. on  $p$</sup>

and consider the inclusion  $v : I(R:I) \subseteq R$ .

Now  $v$  is surjective (i.e. =) at every  $p$ :

$$I_p (R_p : I_p) = x R_p (R_p : x R_p) = x R_p \cdot \frac{1}{x} (R_p : R_p) = R_p$$

hence also globally



Cor Let  $p$  be a prime of  $R$ .

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Then  $p$  is invertible in  $R$  iff  $R_p$  is a princ. ideal ring.

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•  $p$  invertible  $\stackrel{L.2}{\Rightarrow}$   $pR_p$  is a princ.  $R_p$  ideal  
     $\uparrow$  unique max ideal of  $R_p$

$\Rightarrow R_p$  is a P.I.R.

•  $R_p$  a P.I.R.  $\Rightarrow pR_p = xR_p$ .

If  $q$  is a prime  $\neq p$ , then

$$pR_q = R_q$$

$\Rightarrow p$  is locally princ. at every prime

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$\Rightarrow p$  invertible in  $R$

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Cor Every fractional  $R$ -ideal is invertible in  $R$ .

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$$R = \mathcal{O}_K$$

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Recall:  $I$  inv. in  $R \Rightarrow (I: I) = R$ .

Apply it to  $f = (R: \mathcal{O}_K)$  conductor of  $R$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet (f:f) &= \mathcal{O}_K & f\mathcal{O}_K &\subseteq R \\ & & & \parallel \\ & & (f\mathcal{O}_K) \cdot \mathcal{O}_K & \\ & & \Rightarrow f\mathcal{O}_K &\subseteq f & \text{hence "="} \end{aligned}$$

then  $(f:f) = \mathcal{O}_K$   
↑  $R$   
by hypothesis

"↑" We will prove that every prime  $p$  of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  is invertible.

• Write  $K = k_1 \times \dots \times k_r$ ,  $k_i$  number fields

$$\text{then } \mathcal{O}_K = \mathcal{O}_{k_1} \times \dots \times \mathcal{O}_{k_r}$$

Hence  $\exists$  s.t.  $p = \mathcal{O}_{k_1} \times \dots \times p_i \times \dots \times \mathcal{O}_{k_r}$  for  $p_i$  prime of  $\mathcal{O}_{k_i}$

Now  $\mathcal{O}_{k_i}$  is a Dedekind domain by "local" number theory we have that  $p_i$  is invertible in  $\mathcal{O}_{k_i}$

$\Rightarrow p$  is invertible in  $\mathcal{O}_K$ .

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{K,p}$  is a P.I.R.

$\Rightarrow \forall I \in \mathcal{J}(\mathcal{O}_K)$   $I_p$  is princ ( $\Leftrightarrow$  invertible)

$\Rightarrow I$  inv.



# Gorenstein Orders

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Prop Let  $R$  be an order in  $K$ .

TFAE:

- Ⓐ  $\forall I \in \mathcal{D}(R)$  with  $(I:I) = R$  is invertible in  $R$
- Ⓑ  $\forall I \in \mathcal{I}(R)$  we have  $(R:(R:I)) = I$ .
- Ⓒ  $R^t$  is invertible (in  $R$ )

Def An order  $R$  satisfying Ⓐ is called Gorenstein.

If every over-order of  $R$  is Gorenstein then  $R$  is called a Bass order

PP Recall  $(I:I) = R \iff I \cdot I^t = R^t$

and  $(R^t:R^t) = (R:R) = R$

So "Ⓐ  $\iff$  Ⓒ."

"Ⓒ  $\implies$  Ⓑ"

Exercise. See Buchman, Lenstra  
Approx Ring of Integers

"Ⓑ  $\implies$  Ⓒ":

$$(R:(R:R^t)) = R^t$$

$$(R^t(R:R^t))^t = R^t$$

$\uparrow^t$

$$R^t(R:R^t) = R \quad \text{done.}$$

Exercise Consider:

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$$K = \frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{(x^2+1)} = \mathbb{Q}(i)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_K = \mathbb{Z}[i]$$

$$R = \mathbb{Z}[2i] = \mathbb{Z} \oplus 2i\mathbb{Z}$$

Compute:  $\mathcal{O}_K^t, R^t, f := (R:\mathcal{O}_K)$

Solution

$$K = \mathbb{Q} \oplus i\mathbb{Q}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_K^t = \{x \in K : \text{Tr}(x\mathcal{O}_K) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_K = \mathbb{Z} \oplus i\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_K^t = a\mathbb{Z} \oplus b\mathbb{Z} \quad a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$$

$$\text{Tr}(1 \cdot a) = 1$$

$$\text{Tr}(1 \cdot b) = 0$$

$$\text{Tr}(i \cdot a) = 0$$

$$\text{Tr}(i \cdot b) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{*} \mathcal{O}_K^t &= \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z} \oplus \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)i\mathbb{Z} \\ &= \frac{1}{2i}\mathcal{O}_K \end{aligned}$$

Write  $a = a_1 + ia_2$   
 $b = b_1 + ib_2$

$$R^t = \frac{1}{4i}R = -\frac{1}{4}iR$$

$$1 \cdot a = a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & -a_2 \\ a_2 & a_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Tr} \left( \begin{matrix} a_1 & -a_2 \\ a_2 & a_1 \end{matrix} \right) = 2a_1 = 1$$

$$f = (R:\mathcal{O}_K) = (R^t \cdot \mathcal{O}_K)^t = \mathcal{O}_K$$

$$= \left( +\frac{1}{4i}\mathcal{O}_K \right)^t =$$

$$= 4i \mathcal{O}_K^t$$

$$= 4i \cdot \frac{1}{2i} \mathcal{O}_K = 2\mathcal{O}_K$$

$$i \cdot a = \begin{pmatrix} -a_2 & -a_1 \\ a_1 & -a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Tr} \left( \begin{matrix} -a_2 & -a_1 \\ a_1 & -a_2 \end{matrix} \right) = -2a_2 = 1$$

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$$\textcircled{*} \quad a_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$$