

Ideal classes

• Notation: R an order inside an étale \mathbb{Q} -algebra K .

$$\mathcal{J}(R) = \{ \text{fractional } R\text{-ideals} \}$$

- We want to turn $\mathcal{J}(R)$ into a category, so we need to define what are the morphisms.

- Fractional R -ideals are R -modules. So we take R -linear maps.

- Given $I, J \in \mathcal{J}(R)$, can we compute

$$\text{Hom}_R(I, J) ?$$

Prop Let $\varphi \in \text{Hom}_R(I, J)$.

Then φ is a multiplication by some $\alpha \in K$.

That is, $\text{Hom}_R(I, J) \stackrel{\text{canonical}}{\cong} (J : I) = \{ \alpha \in K : \alpha I \subseteq J \}$

Proof $\varphi: I \rightarrow J$ induces a unique map $\tilde{\varphi}: I \otimes_R K \rightarrow J \otimes_R K$

Since $\tilde{\varphi}$ is R -linear and K is the total quotient ring of R we have that $\tilde{\varphi}$ is uniquely determined

$$\text{by } \tilde{\varphi}(1_K) = \alpha.$$

Hence we have, $\forall i \in I \quad \varphi(i) = \tilde{\varphi}(i \cdot 1_K) = i \cdot \alpha.$

Cor $\forall p$ prime of R
 $\text{Hom}_{R_p}(I_p, J_p) = (J_p : I_p)$

L2.2

$I \approx J \iff \exists \alpha \in K^\times \text{ st. } \alpha I = J$

Def The ideal class monoid of R is
$$\text{ICM}(R) = \frac{\mathcal{J}(R)}{\approx}$$

The Picard group of R is
$$\text{Pic}(R) = \frac{\{ I \in \mathcal{J}(R) : I \text{ is invertible in } R \}}{\approx}$$

Remark • The operation is ideal multiplication.

Remark • $\text{Pic}(R) \subseteq \text{ICM}(R)$

• $\text{Pic}(R) = \text{ICM}(R) \iff R = \mathcal{O}_K$

Lemma The multiplier ring is an invariant of the ideal class.

(L2.3)

PP Pick $I, J \in \mathcal{I}(R)$ st $I \cong J$,
say $I = \alpha J$.

Then $(I; I) = (\alpha J; \alpha J) = (J; J)$.

Cor $ICM(R) \supseteq \bigsqcup_{S \text{ is an overorder of } R} \text{Pic}(S)$

PP Use the previous lemma together with the lemma from yesterday

" I invertible in $S \Rightarrow (I; I) = S$ "

Prove that TFAE:

Exercise: ① R is Bass (i.e. every overorder is Gorenstein)

② $ICM(R) = \bigsqcup \text{Pic}(S)$

③ $ICM(R)$ is a Clifford monoid (i.e. a \sqcup of abelian groups)

Example: Every quadratic order is Bass

Example

(L2.4)

$$\bullet R = \mathbb{Z}[\alpha] \cong \mathbb{Q}(\alpha) = \frac{\mathbb{Q}[x]}{(x^3 + 10x^2 - 8)}$$

$$\alpha = x \pmod{f}$$

$$\bullet I = (3, \alpha + 2)$$

$$J = 3\mathbb{Z} \oplus (\alpha + 2)\mathbb{Z} \oplus \frac{\alpha^2 + 2\alpha}{8}\mathbb{Z}$$

We have $(\alpha + \alpha^2)J = I$. So $I \cong J$.

$$\bullet S = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \alpha\mathbb{Z} \oplus \frac{\alpha^2}{2}\mathbb{Z} \subset R$$

Exercise: Prove that S is not Gorenstein
and hence R is not Bass

Computing $\text{Pic}(R)$

- Recall: $\mathcal{O}_K = \mathcal{O}_{K_1} \times \dots \times \mathcal{O}_{K_r}$
 $\swarrow \quad \searrow$
 Dedekind domains

then $\text{Pic}(\mathcal{O}_K) = \text{Pic}(\mathcal{O}_{K_1}) \times \dots \times \text{Pic}(\mathcal{O}_{K_r})$
 $\parallel \qquad \qquad \qquad \parallel$
 $\mathcal{O}_{K_1} \qquad \qquad \qquad \mathcal{O}_{K_r}$
 $\swarrow \qquad \qquad \searrow$
 class groups of number fields.

- There are well known algorithms to compute class groups of num. fields.

- Let $R \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K$. We have an exact sequence:

$$\textcircled{A} \quad 0 \rightarrow R^\times \xrightarrow{\iota} \mathcal{O}_K^\times \xrightarrow{\alpha} \frac{(\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{f})^\times}{(R/\mathfrak{f})^\times} \xrightarrow{\beta} \text{Pic}(R) \xrightarrow{\pi} \text{Pic}(\mathcal{O}_K) \rightarrow 0$$

$$- R^\times = \{x \in R \mid \exists y \in R \text{ with } xy = 1\}$$

$$- \mathcal{O}_K^\times = \text{analogous}$$

$$- \mathfrak{f} = (R : \mathcal{O}_K) = \{x \in K \mid x\mathcal{O}_K \subseteq R\}$$

= the biggest fr. \mathcal{O}_K -ideal contained in R .

+ ι = inclusion

+ α = projection

+ β = induced by

$$\tilde{\beta}: (\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{f})^\times \rightarrow \text{Pic}(R)$$

+ π = induced by $(I \mapsto I\mathcal{O}_K)$

$$u + \mathfrak{f} \mapsto [u\mathcal{O}_K \cap R]_{\sim}$$

Exercise: \otimes Prove that \otimes is exact.
See Keith Conrad notes on the conductor.

L2.6

Important: - Klemens-Pauli gave an efficient method to compute $(\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{f})^\times / (\mathcal{O}_K/\mathfrak{f})^\times \cdot \frac{\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{K,P}^\times}{P \mathcal{O}_P^\times}$

- there are other methods to compute $\text{Pic } \mathcal{O}_K$ and \mathcal{O}_K^\times

\Rightarrow We can compute efficiently also R^\times and $\text{Pic}(R)$.

§ Compute $\text{ICM}(R)$ for R Bass

1) Compute \mathcal{O}_K

2) Compute all over-orders S : $R \subseteq S \subseteq \mathcal{O}_K$
by looking at the finite quotient \mathcal{O}_K/R

3) For every such S compute S^t
and test if S^t is invertible
i.e. $S = S^t(S:S^t)$

4) If this is the case (i.e. R is Bass).

output $\text{ICM}(R) = \coprod \text{Pic}(S)$.

- If R is not Bass, then we need a different method.

(L2.7)

Weak equivalence

Prop. Let I, J be fractional R -ideals.

TFAE:

① $I_p \cong J_p$ as R_p -modules, for every prime p of R

② $1 \in (I:J)(J:I)$

③ $(I:I) = (J:J) =_S$ "same mult. ring"

and there exists a fract. sid. invertible L in S such that

$$I = L J.$$

Def If ①, ②, ③ hold then I and J are called weakly equivalent.

Pf "① \Rightarrow ②"

There exists, for each p , a non-zero div. x of the total quotient ring of R_p s.t.

$$I_p = x J_p.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} ((I:J)(J:I))_p &= (I_p:J_p)(J_p:I_p) = \\ &= (x J_p:J_p)(J_p:x J_p) = x (J_p:J_p) \frac{1}{x} (J_p:J_p) = (J_p:J_p). \end{aligned}$$

So the natural inclusion

$$(I:J)(J:I) \subseteq (J:J)$$

is locally surjective at every $p \Rightarrow$ it is an equality

$$(I:J)(J:I) = (J:J) \ni 1$$

"(2) => (3)"

$$(I:J)(J:I) \subseteq (J:J)$$

$$\subseteq (I:I)$$

$1 \in \uparrow \Rightarrow$ all equalities $\Rightarrow (I:I) \overset{*}{=} (J:J)$.

Put $S = (I:I)$.

We have $(I:J)(J:I) = S$

i.e both $(I:J)$ and $(J:I)$ are inv. in S

Now: $I = I \cdot S = \underline{(I(I:J)(J:I))} \subseteq J \cdot (I:J) \subseteq I$

\Rightarrow all equalities

$$\Rightarrow I = \underbrace{(I:J)}_L J$$

"(3) => (1)"

$\forall p$ in R , S_p is semilocal, so $L_p = \times S_p$.

Hence $I_p = L_p J_p = \times \underbrace{S_p J_p}_{= J_p} = \times J_p$

i.e $I_p \cong J_p$



Def. $\widehat{W}(R) = \widehat{J}(R) / \underset{\text{WK}}{\sim}$ weak eq.
weak eq. class monoid

(L2.9)

• for any order S in K

$$\widehat{W}(S) = \frac{\{I \in \widehat{J}(S) \mid (I:I) = S\}}{\underset{\text{WK}}{\sim}}$$

(Well def b/c of ③)

and $\overline{ICM}(S) = \frac{\{I \in \widehat{J}(S) \mid (I:I) = S\}}{\sim}$

Rmk With this notation:
 S is Gorenstein $\Leftrightarrow \widehat{W}(S) = \{[S]_{\text{WK}}\} \Leftrightarrow \overline{ICM}(S) = \text{Pic}(S)$

Rmk:

- ①: wk. eq. has a local nature
- ②: wk. eq. is easy to test
- ③: "we mod out by inv. S -ideals"

Cor: Assume that $I \underset{\text{WK}}{\sim} J$.

1) Then $I = (I:J)J$ and $(I:J)$ is invertible in $S := (I:I)$.

2) Also, $I \underset{\text{WK}}{\sim} J \iff (I:J)$ is principal in S .

PP 1) already done before.

2) " \Rightarrow " Say $I = xJ = xS \cdot J$

Then $(I:J) = (xJ:J) = x(J:J) = xS$

" \Leftarrow " Use 1).

Compute $\overline{W}(R)$.

- Observe
$$\overline{W}(R) = \bigsqcup_{\substack{S \text{ overorder} \\ \text{of } R}} \overline{W}(S)$$

- It is enough to compute each $\overline{W}(S)$.

- Prop - Let I be a fract. R -ideal with $(I:I) = S$.

- Let T be an over-order of S st.

$S^{\dagger}T$ is invertible in T .

- Let f be a fract. ideal st. $f \subseteq S$ and $T \subseteq (f:f)$.

Then there exists J st.

$$\oplus J \underset{wk}{\approx} I$$

$$\oplus f \subseteq J \subseteq T.$$

- Rmks : - one can take $f = (s:T)$

- one can take $T = O_K$.

- Prop says that every weak eq. dom has a representative between f and T

i.e. in the finite quotient T/f .

- We deduce that $\overline{W}(S)$ is finite $\Rightarrow \overline{W}(R)$ is finite

- One wants to keep T/f as small as possible to gain in efficiency.

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L2.11

$$[I]_2 \longrightarrow [IT]_2$$

• $\text{Pic}(S) \xrightarrow{\pi} \text{Pic}(T)$ is onto.



• $(I:I) = S \iff I \cdot I^t = S^t$

So $I \cdot T$ is invertible in T .

• Put $J' =$ representative in $\mathcal{Y}(S)$ of $\pi^{-1}((T:IT))$

• set $J = I \cdot J'$

Note $J \underset{wk}{\sim} I$ b/c J' is invertible in S .

and $JT = T$.

• Hence $J \subseteq (T:T) = T$.

• Also $fJ = fT \cdot J = fT = f$

Since $f \subseteq S = (I:I) = (J:J)$

we get

$$fJ \subseteq J$$

\parallel

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§ Compute $ICM(R)$

(L2.12)

We can compute $\overline{M}(S)$ for every over-order S of R .

TRmm The action of $Pic(S)$ on $\overline{ICM}(S)$ is free and

$$\otimes \quad \overline{M}(S) = \overline{ICM}(S) / Pic(S).$$

Hence if $\{I_1, \dots, I_s\}$ is a set of reps of $\overline{M}(S)$

and if $\{J_1, \dots, J_r\} \text{ --- } // \text{ --- } Pic(S)$

then $\{I_i J_j\}$ is a set of reps of $\overline{ICM}(S)$.

PP

\otimes follows from the fact that weak eq. means modding out by invertible ideals.

We need to prove the freeness part.

i.e. if there exists

$$I \text{ with } (I; I) = S$$

s.t. $I J_1 \sim_{wk} I \cdot J_2$ for J_1, J_2 invertible in S

then $J_1 \cong J_2$.

By mult. on both sides for $(S; J_1)$

we are reduced to prove that

$$I = I J \quad (J \text{ inv.})$$

then $S \cong J$.

We do it locally at every p. of S.

(L.2.13)

$$I \stackrel{\text{wk}}{\sim} IJ \Rightarrow \exists x \in \text{Tot}(S_p)^{\times} \text{ st}$$

$$I_p = I_p \bar{J}_p$$

Also, $(x \bar{J}_p)$ is invertible in S_p

$$\Rightarrow x \bar{J}_p = y S_p \text{ for some } y \in \text{Tot}(S_p)^{\times}$$

Then $I_p = y I_p \Rightarrow y \in S_p$

and $\frac{1}{y} I_p = I_p \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \in S_p$

So $y \in S_p^{\times}$ and hence $x \bar{J}_p = S_p$.
i.e. $\bar{J}_p \sim S_p$



Conclusion

Using Thm we have an algorithm

to compute $\overline{\text{ICM}(S)}$ \forall overoid S of R

Hence we can compute

$$\text{ICM}(R) = \bigsqcup_{\substack{\text{Soveroid} \\ \text{of } R}} \overline{\text{ICM}(S)}$$