

On Normal Integral Bases

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Introduction

Let k be a number field, and K/k a finite Galois extension with Galois group G . Let \mathfrak{o}_k and \mathfrak{o}_K be the rings of integers in k and K . We denote by $\mathfrak{o}_k G$ the group ring of G over \mathfrak{o}_k . \mathfrak{o}_K can be regarded as an $\mathfrak{o}_k G$ -module by the action $r \cdot \alpha = \sum_{s \in G} a_s s \alpha$ for $\alpha \in \mathfrak{o}_K$, $r = \sum_{s \in G} a_s s \in \mathfrak{o}_k G$. These notations will be used throughout this paper. K/k is said to have a *normal integral basis* (abbr. n.i.b.) when there is an element $\alpha \in \mathfrak{o}_K$ such that $\{s\alpha\}_{s \in G}$ is a relative integral basis of K/k , and α is called a *generator* of this basis. It is known that a finite Galois extension with n.i.b. is tamely ramified ([4], Chapter 9, Theorem (1, 2)).

In case where k is the field \mathbb{Q} of rational numbers, every tamely ramified abelian field has an n.i.b. (Hilbert-Speiser), so that when $k = \mathbb{Q}$ and G is abelian, K/k has an n.i.b. if and only if K/k is tamely ramified ([4], Chapter 9, Theorem (3, 4)). Furthermore, Fröhlich [2] has given a necessary and sufficient condition for K/k to have an n.i.b., when K/k is a Kummer extension. On the other hand, Okutsu [8] has shown that when $k = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l)$, $\zeta_l = \exp(2\pi i/l)$, l : odd prime, and $K = k(\sqrt[l]{a})$, $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, K/k has always a relative integral basis and given an explicit form of this basis. After preparations in §1, giving in particular a more precise form to the results of [2], we shall apply them in §2 to obtain a necessary and sufficient condition for K/k to have an n.i.b. for the case where k and K are as in [8]. We shall also give explicitly a generator of n.i.b. when this exists. In the final §3, we shall construct many examples of normal extensions K/k with n.i.b.'s where $k \neq \mathbb{Q}$, and K/k are tamely ramified. We shall also mention an example of such K/k without n.i.b..

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§1. Preparations.

Let K/k be tamely ramified. For each prime ideal \mathfrak{p} of k , let $k_{\mathfrak{p}}$ be the \mathfrak{p} -adic completion of k and $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ be the valuation ring of $k_{\mathfrak{p}}$. $k_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -algebra $K_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is defined by $k_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_k K$. Then $k_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and K are naturally embedded in $K_{\mathfrak{p}}$. We define $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -algebra $\mathfrak{o}_{K,\mathfrak{p}}$ by $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_k} \mathfrak{o}_K$. As $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a flat \mathfrak{o}_k -module, $\mathfrak{o}_{K,\mathfrak{p}}$ is also naturally embedded in $K_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Consequently $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and \mathfrak{o}_K are naturally embedded in $\mathfrak{o}_{K,\mathfrak{p}}$. $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$ denotes $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}} \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_k} M$ for an \mathfrak{o}_k -submodule M of K . If M is an \mathfrak{o}_k -lattice of the k -vector space K , then

$$(1) \quad M = K \cap \left(\bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}} M_{\mathfrak{p}} \right),$$

where \mathfrak{p} ranges over all prime ideals of k ([10], Theorem (5, 3)). Since a finite Galois extension K/k has a normal basis and \mathfrak{o}_K is a projective $\mathfrak{o}_k G$ -module, $\mathfrak{o}_{K,\mathfrak{p}}$ and $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}} G$ are isomorphic as $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}} G$ -modules for any prime \mathfrak{p} of k (Swan [9], Corollary 6, 4). Hence there is an element $\beta_{\mathfrak{p}} \in \mathfrak{o}_{K,\mathfrak{p}}$ such that $\{s\beta_{\mathfrak{p}}\}_{s \in G}$ is an $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -basis of $\mathfrak{o}_{K,\mathfrak{p}}$. We call this $\beta_{\mathfrak{p}}$ a *generator* of local normal basis for \mathfrak{p} . $b \in K$ is a *generator* of global basis if and only if $\{sb\}_{s \in G}$ is a k -basis of K .

In the remainder of this section, we assume as in [2] K/k to be a finite tamely ramified Kummer extension of exponent n with Galois group G . \hat{G} denotes the character group of G . If A is an abelian group, let $M(\hat{G}, A)$ be the set of maps from \hat{G} into A . If we define the product of maps $f_1, f_2: \hat{G} \rightarrow A$ by $f_1 f_2(\chi) = f_1(\chi) f_2(\chi)$ for $\chi \in \hat{G}$, $M(\hat{G}, A)$ becomes an abelian group. For a map $f: \hat{G} \rightarrow K_{\mathfrak{p}}$, define $f^*(s)$ by $(1/|G|) \sum_{\chi \in \hat{G}} \chi(s) f(\chi)$ for $s \in G$, where $|G|$ is the order of G . Since k contains a primitive n -th root of unity, f^* is the map from \hat{G} into $K_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Let J_k be the idele group of k and U_k be $\prod_{\mathfrak{p}: \text{finite}} \mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\times} \times \prod_{\mathfrak{p}: \infty} k_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\times}$, where \mathfrak{p} ranges over all finite primes and \mathfrak{p}_{∞} all infinite primes of k . (For a ring R , R^{\times} means the unit group of R .)

DEFINITION. For each prime ideal \mathfrak{p} of k , let $M_0(\mathfrak{p})$ be the set of maps $f_{\mathfrak{p}}: \hat{G} \rightarrow \mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\times}$ satisfying $\text{Im } f_{\mathfrak{p}}^* \subset \mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$. We define $M_0(\hat{G}, U_k)$ to be the set of maps $f = (f_{\mathfrak{p}}) \in M(\hat{G}, U_k)$ satisfying $f_{\mathfrak{p}} \in M_0(\mathfrak{p})$ for all prime ideals \mathfrak{p} .

It is easily seen that $M_0(\mathfrak{p})$ is a group and consequently $M_0(\hat{G}, U_k)$ is a subgroup of $M(\hat{G}, J_k)$. Let $\beta_{\mathfrak{p}} \in \mathfrak{o}_{K,\mathfrak{p}}$ be a generator of local normal basis for each \mathfrak{p} and $b \in K$ be a generator of global normal basis. For an element $\alpha \in K_{\mathfrak{p}}$ and $\chi \in \hat{G}$, define $(\alpha|\chi) = \sum_{s \in G} \bar{\chi}(s) s\alpha$. Put $\varphi_{\mathfrak{p}}(\chi) = (\beta_{\mathfrak{p}}|\chi)/(b|\chi)$. Then $\varphi_{\mathfrak{p}}(\chi)$ is an element of $k_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\times}$. Putting $\varphi(\chi) = (\dots, \varphi_{\mathfrak{p}}(\chi), \dots) \in \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} k_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\times}$ for each $\chi \in \hat{G}$, we have $\varphi \in M(\hat{G}, J_k)$. The residue class of φ in the finite abelian group $M(\hat{G}, J_k)/M(\hat{G}, k^{\times})M_0(\hat{G}, U_k)$ does not

depend upon the choice of generators of global and local normal bases. The following lemma is proved in [2], §7, 7.2.

LEMMA 1. Suppose that \mathfrak{p} is a prime ideal of k and $f_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a map from \hat{G} into $k_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Set $\alpha_{\mathfrak{p}} = (1/|G|) \sum_{\chi \in \hat{G}} f_{\mathfrak{p}}(\chi)(\beta_{\mathfrak{p}}|\chi)$. Then $\alpha_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a generator of local normal basis for \mathfrak{p} if and only if $f_{\mathfrak{p}} \in M_0(\mathfrak{p})$.

THEOREM 1. A necessary and sufficient condition for K/k to have an n.i.b. is that φ lies in $M(\hat{G}, k^{\times})M_0(\hat{G}, U_k)$. If $\varphi = gf$, $f = (f_{\mathfrak{p}}) \in M_0(\hat{G}, U_k)$ and $g \in M(\hat{G}, k^{\times})$, then $(1/|G|) \sum_{\chi \in \hat{G}} g(\chi)(b|\chi)$ generates an n.i.b. of K/k .

PROOF. If K/k has an n.i.b., it is a local normal basis for each \mathfrak{p} and a global normal basis at the same time. Hence we obtain $\varphi = 1$. Conversely, if φ has the above decomposition, we have for all \mathfrak{p} and all $\chi \in \hat{G}$

$$(2) \quad f_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1}(\chi)(\beta_{\mathfrak{p}}|\chi) = g(\chi)(b|\chi).$$

Let $\alpha_{\mathfrak{p}}$ be $(1/|G|) \sum_{\chi \in \hat{G}} f_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1}(\chi)(\beta_{\mathfrak{p}}|\chi)$. Since $M_0(\mathfrak{p})$ is a group, we have $f_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1} \in M_0(\mathfrak{p})$. Therefore $\alpha_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a local normal basis for \mathfrak{p} by Lemma 1. But $\alpha_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is independent of each \mathfrak{p} by (2). So we may set $\alpha_{\mathfrak{p}} = \alpha = (1/|G|) \sum_{\chi \in \hat{G}} g(\chi)(b|\chi)$. Then for all \mathfrak{p} ,

$$\mathfrak{o}_{K, \mathfrak{p}} = \bigoplus_{s \in G} \mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}} s \alpha = (\bigoplus_{s \in G} \mathfrak{o}_k s \alpha)_{\mathfrak{p}}.$$

Hence, by (1), we have $\mathfrak{o}_K = \bigoplus_{s \in G} \mathfrak{o}_k s \alpha$. This proves our theorem.

§2. In case $k = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l)$, $K = k(\sqrt[l]{a})$.

In this §, we consider as in [8] the case $k = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l)$, $K = k(\sqrt[l]{a})$ where l is an odd prime, ζ_l is a primitive l -th root of unity, $a (\neq \pm 1)$ is a rational integer without l -th power factor. a has the decomposition $\prod_{i=1}^{l-1} a_i^i$, where the a_i 's are square-free integers and $(a_i, a_j) = 1$ ($i \neq j$). Put $\omega = (\sqrt[l]{a} - a)/(1 - \zeta_l)$ and $b_m = \prod_{i=1}^{l-1} a_i^{[im/l]}$ ($0 \leq m \leq l-1$), where $[x]$ is the greatest integer $\leq x$ as usual. The following theorem is proved in [8].

OKUTSU'S THEOREM. $(1 - \zeta_l)\mathfrak{o}_k$ is unramified in K/k if and only if $a^{l-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{l^2}$. Furthermore $\{\omega^m/b_m\}_{0 \leq m \leq l-1}$ is a relative integral basis of K/k when $(1 - \zeta_l)\mathfrak{o}_k$ is unramified. And the discriminant of K/k is $\prod_{i=1}^{l-1} a_i^{l-1}$.

Now assume K/k is tamely ramified extension, i.e. $a^{l-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{l^2}$. Let σ be a fixed generator of G , say $\sigma \sqrt[l]{a} = \sqrt[l]{a} \xi_l$ and χ be a fixed generator of \hat{G} , say $\chi(\sigma) = \zeta_l^{-1}$. We write $\zeta = \zeta_l$.

LEMMA 2. Suppose that α is an element of \mathfrak{o}_K and write $\alpha = \sum_{m=0}^{l-1} u_m(\omega^m/b_m)$ ($u_m \in \mathfrak{o}_k$). Therefore there exists a matrix A in $M_l(\mathfrak{o}_k)$ such that $(\alpha, \sigma\alpha, \dots, \sigma^{l-1}\alpha) = (1, \omega/b_1, \dots, \omega^{l-1}/b_{l-1}) A$. Then

$$(3) \quad (\alpha|\chi^j) = \frac{l}{(\zeta-1)^{l-1}} \frac{(-\sqrt[l]{a})^{l-j}}{b_{l-j}} \varepsilon_{l-j} \quad (1 \leq j \leq l)$$

and

$$(4) \quad \det A = \zeta^{l(l-1)(l+1)/6} \cdot \prod_{i=2}^{l-1} t_i^{l-i} \prod_{j=0}^{l-1} \varepsilon_j,$$

where $t_i = (\zeta^i - 1)/(\zeta - 1)$ and $\varepsilon_j = \sum_{m=j}^{l-1} (\zeta - 1)^{l-1-m} \binom{m}{j} (\alpha^{m-j} b_j / b_m) u_m$.

REMARK. The t_i 's are units of k . Since $b_m | a$ ($0 \leq m \leq l-1$), the $\alpha^{m-j} b_j / b_m$'s are rational integers. So we note that the ε_j 's are elements of \mathfrak{o}_k .

PROOF OF LEMMA 2. We shall calculate $(\alpha|\chi^j)$ in the first place.

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha|\chi^j) &= \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} \bar{\chi}^j(\sigma^i) \sum_{m=0}^{l-1} \frac{u_m}{b_m(1-\zeta)^m} (\sigma^i \sqrt[l]{a} - a)^m \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{l-1} \frac{u_m}{b_m(1-\zeta)^m} \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} \bar{\chi}^j(\sigma^i) \sum_{p=0}^m \binom{m}{p} (\sigma^i \sqrt[l]{a})^p (-a)^{m-p} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{l-1} \frac{u_m}{b_m(1-\zeta)^m} \sum_{p=0}^m \binom{m}{p} (-a)^{m-p} (\sqrt[l]{a}^p |\chi^j). \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\sqrt[l]{a}^p |\chi^j = \sqrt[l]{a}^p \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} \zeta^{i(j+p)} = \begin{cases} l \sqrt[l]{a}^p & \text{if } l | j+p \\ 0 & \text{if } l \nmid j+p. \end{cases}$$

Since $l | j+p$ is equivalent to $j+p=l$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha|\chi^j) &= \sum_{m=l-j}^{l-1} \frac{u_m}{b_m(1-\zeta)^m} \binom{m}{l-j} (-a)^{m-(l-j)} l \sqrt[l]{a}^{l-j} \\ &= l (-\sqrt[l]{a})^{l-j} \sum_{m=l-j}^{l-1} \frac{u_m}{b_m(\zeta-1)^m} \binom{m}{l-j} a^{m-(l-j)} \\ &= \frac{l}{(\zeta-1)^{l-1}} \frac{(-\sqrt[l]{a})^{l-j}}{b_{l-j}} \varepsilon_{l-j}. \end{aligned}$$

For $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{l-1} \in K$, put $\Delta_{K/k}(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{l-1}) = \det(\sigma^i \alpha_j)_{0 \leq i, j \leq l-1}$. Then

$$(5) \quad \Delta_{K/k}(\alpha, \sigma\alpha, \dots, \sigma^{l-1}\alpha) = \Delta_{K/k}\left(1, \frac{\omega}{b_1}, \dots, \frac{\omega^{l-1}}{b_{l-1}}\right) \det A.$$

Put $\theta = \sqrt[l]{a} - a$ and $\Delta = (-1)^{l(l-1)/2} \cdot \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq l} (\zeta^i - \zeta^j)$. By $\sigma^i\theta - \sigma^j\theta = \sqrt[l]{a}(\zeta^i - \zeta^j)$, we have

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} \Delta_{K/k}\left(1, \frac{\omega}{b_1}, \dots, \frac{\omega^{l-1}}{b_{l-1}}\right) &= \left\{ (1-\zeta)^{l(l-1)/2} \prod_{m=1}^{l-1} b_m \right\}^{-1} \Delta_{K/k}(1, \theta, \dots, \theta^{l-1}) \\ &= \left\{ (1-\zeta)^{l(l-1)/2} \prod_{m=1}^{l-1} b_m \right\}^{-1} a^{(l-1)/2} \Delta. \end{aligned}$$

By using orthogonality relations of the character group of a finite abelian group, we obtain ([2], §7, (7, 2))

$$\prod_{j=1}^l (\alpha | \chi^j) = \det (\sigma^i \sigma^{-j} \alpha)_{0 \leq i, j \leq l-1} = (-1)^{(l-1)/2} \Delta_{K/k}(\alpha, \sigma\alpha, \dots, \sigma^{l-1}\alpha).$$

Therefore by (3),

$$(7) \quad \Delta_{K/k}(\alpha, \sigma\alpha, \dots, \sigma^{l-1}\alpha) = \left\{ (\zeta - 1)^{l(l-1)} \prod_{j=0}^{l-1} b_j \right\}^{-1} l^l a^{(l-1)/2} \prod_{j=0}^{l-1} \epsilon_j.$$

By (5), (6), (7), we have

$$\det A = (-1)^{l(l-1)/2} l^l (\zeta - 1)^{-l(l-1)/2} \Delta^{-1} \prod_{j=0}^{l-1} \epsilon_j.$$

Since $\Delta^2 = (-1)^{l(l-1)/2} \prod_{i=1}^l f'(\zeta^i) = (-1)^{l(l-1)/2} l^l (f(x) = x^l - 1)$, we have $\det A = \zeta^{l(l-1)(l+1)/8} \cdot \prod_{i=2}^{l-1} l_i^{l-i} \prod_{j=0}^{l-1} \epsilon_j$. This proves our lemma.

THEOREM 2. *Suppose that l is an odd prime and $a (\neq \pm 1)$ is a rational integer without l -th power factor such that $a^{l-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{l^2}$. Then a necessary and sufficient condition for $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l, \sqrt[l]{a})/\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l)$ to have an n.i.b. is that there are units u_j ($j=0, \dots, l-1$) of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l)$ such that*

$$(8) \quad \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \binom{l-1}{j} \zeta_l^{ij} u_j a^{l-1-j} b_j \equiv 0 \pmod{l}$$

for any $i=0, \dots, l-1$.

Furthermore, if there are such u_j 's, then $(1/l) \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} u_j^{-1} ((-\sqrt[l]{a})^j / b_j)$ generates an n.i.b. of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l, \sqrt[l]{a})/\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l)$.

PROOF. As we are used to in this section, we write $k = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta)$ and $K = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta, \sqrt[l]{a})$. Let $\beta_{\mathfrak{p}} \in \mathfrak{o}_{K, \mathfrak{p}}$ be a generator of local normal basis for each prime ideal \mathfrak{p} of k and $b \in \mathfrak{o}_K$ be a generator of global normal basis of K/k . We write $b = \sum_{m=0}^{l-1} u_m (\omega^m / b_m)$ ($u_m \in \mathfrak{o}_k$). We note that $\{\omega^m / b_m\}_{0 \leq m \leq l-1}$ is

also an \mathfrak{o}_p -basis of $\mathfrak{o}_{K,p}$. Hence we can write $\beta_p = \sum_{m=0}^{l-1} u_{m,p}(\omega^m/b_m)(u_{m,p} \in \mathfrak{o}_p)$. Then we can hold the results for β_p similar to the calculations of Lemma 2. Therefore, if we put $\varepsilon_{j,p} = \sum_{m=j}^{l-1} (\zeta-1)^{l-1-m} \binom{m}{j} (a^{m-j} b_j/b_m) u_{m,p}$, we obtain for each p and $j=1, \dots, l$, by (3),

$$\varphi_p(\chi^j) = \frac{(\beta_p | \chi^j)}{(b | \chi^j)} = \frac{\varepsilon_{l-j,p}}{\varepsilon_{l-j}}.$$

Now we put $f_p(\chi^j) = \varepsilon_{l-j,p}$ and $g(\chi^j) = \varepsilon_{l-j}^{-1}$. Since β_p and b are local and global normal bases, we have $f = (f_p) \in M(\hat{G}, U_k)$ and $g \in M(\hat{G}, k^\times)$ by (4). Let $\varphi = g'f'$, $f' \in M(\hat{G}, U_k)$ and $g' \in M(\hat{G}, k^\times)$ be another decomposition of φ . Then it is easy to see that there is $u \in M(\hat{G}, \mathfrak{o}_k^\times)$ such that $f' = uf$ and $g' = u^{-1}g$. Hence, by Theorem 1, K/k has an n.i.b. if and only if there is $u \in M(\hat{G}, \mathfrak{o}_k^\times)$ such that $uf_p \in M_0(p)$ for every prime ideal p of k . Since $(uf_p)^*(\sigma^i) = (1/l) \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \zeta^{ij} u(\chi^{l-j}) \varepsilon_{j,p}$ ($0 \leq i \leq l-1$), it is sufficient to show $uf_p \in M_0(p)$ only for a prime ideal of k dividing l for proving that $uf_p \in M_0(p)$ takes place for all p 's. Now let $p|l$. Putting $u_{0,p} = \dots = u_{l-2,p} = 0$ and $u_{l-1,p} = b_{l-1}$, by $l \nmid a$, we have $\varepsilon_{j,p} = \binom{l-1}{j} a^{l-1-j} b_j \in \mathfrak{o}_p^\times$ ($0 \leq j \leq l-1$). Therefore $\beta_p = \omega^{l-1}$ generates a local normal basis for p by (4). Then

$$(uf_p)^*(\sigma^i) = \frac{1}{l} \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \binom{l-1}{j} \zeta^{ij} u(\chi^{l-j}) a^{l-1-j} b_j \quad (0 \leq i \leq l-1).$$

Setting $u_j = u(\chi^{l-j})$, the first part of the theorem is established. By (3),

$$\frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{j=1}^l u^{-1} g(\chi^j) (b | \chi^j) = \frac{1}{(\zeta-1)^{l-1}} \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} u_j^{-1} \frac{(-\sqrt[l]{a})^j}{b_j}.$$

This gives a generator of the n.i.b. by Theorem 1. Since $(\zeta-1)^{l-1}/l \in \mathfrak{o}_k^\times$, $(1/l) \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} u_j^{-1} ((-\sqrt[l]{a})^j/b_j)$ is also a generator and the proof is completed.

Now we examine the case in which (8) holds for $u_j = b_j = 1$ ($j=0, \dots, l-1$). Let $p = (\zeta-1)\mathfrak{o}_k$. Since $\sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \binom{l-1}{j} \zeta^{ij} a^{l-1-j} = (a + \zeta^i)^{l-1} = (a+1 + \zeta^i - 1)^{l-1}$ and $l = p^{l-1}$, (8) implies $a \equiv -1 \pmod{l}$. By the definition, $b_j = 1$ ($j=0, \dots, l-1$) means that a is a square-free integer. Furthermore $a^{l-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{l^2}$ and $a \equiv -1 \pmod{l}$ mean $a \equiv -1 \pmod{l^2}$, and since l is an odd prime, we have $k(\sqrt[l]{a}) = k(\sqrt[l]{-a})$. By Theorem 2, we obtain the following theorem.

THEOREM 3. *Suppose that l is odd prime and a ($\neq \pm 1$) is square-free rational integer such that $a \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{l^2}$. Then $\alpha = (1/l) \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} (-\sqrt[l]{\varepsilon a})^j$ generates an n.i.b. of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l, \sqrt[l]{a})/\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l)$, where*

$$\varepsilon = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a \equiv -1 \pmod{l^2} \\ -1 & \text{if } a \equiv 1 \pmod{l^2}. \end{cases}$$

COROLLARY. Let l, a and α be as in Theorem 3. Then $\zeta_l \alpha$ generates an n.i.b. of the non-abelian extension $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_l, \sqrt[l]{a})/\mathbf{Q}$.

PROOF. Since $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_l, \sqrt[l]{a}) = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_l, \sqrt[l]{-a})$, we may prove in case where $a \equiv -1 \pmod{l^2}$. Put $\Gamma = \text{Gal}(K/\mathbf{Q})$. Let σ, τ be fixed elements of Γ , say $\sigma\zeta = \zeta, \sigma \sqrt[l]{a} = \sqrt[l]{a}\zeta, \tau\zeta = \zeta^g$ and $\tau \sqrt[l]{a} = \sqrt[l]{a}$, where g is a primitive root mod l . Then we have $\Gamma = \{\sigma^i \tau^j | i=0, \dots, l-1, j=1, \dots, l-1\}$. By Theorem 3, we obtain $\mathfrak{o}_K = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{l-1} \mathfrak{o}_k \sigma^i \alpha$ and also $\mathfrak{o}_k = \bigoplus_{j=1}^{l-1} \mathbf{Z} \tau^j \zeta$. Consequently, we have $\mathfrak{o}_K = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{l-1} \bigoplus_{j=1}^{l-1} \mathbf{Z} \sigma^i \alpha \tau^j \zeta$. Since α has the explicit form given above, we have $\sigma^i \tau^j (\zeta \alpha) = \sigma^i \alpha \tau^j \zeta$. Hence we have $\mathfrak{o}_K = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{l-1} \bigoplus_{j=1}^{l-1} \mathbf{Z} \sigma^i \tau^j (\zeta \alpha)$ and this proves our corollary.

§3. Examples of K/k with or without n.i.b..

We can construct many examples of normal extensions K/k with n.i.b., $k \neq \mathbf{Q}$, using our theorem 3, its corollary and Hilbert-Speiser's theorem in the abelian extensions of \mathbf{Q} on ground of the following lemma 3.

NOTATIONS. For an extension $K/k, d_{K/k}, D_{K/k}$ mean the discriminant and the different of K/k , respectively. Let K/k be of degree n . If $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in K, d_{K/k}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ denotes the discriminant of $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$.

LEMMA 3. Suppose that K_1/k is a Galois extension of degree n and K_2/k is an extension of degree m , where $K_1 \cap K_2 = k$. Let L be the composite field of K_1 and K_2 . Suppose $(d_{K_1/k}, d_{K_2/k}) = 1$.

(i) If $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ is a relative (normal) integral basis of K_1/k , then it is also a relative (normal) integral basis of L/K_2 .

(ii) If $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ and $\{\beta_j\}_{j=1, \dots, m}$ are relative integral bases of K_1/k and K_2/k , then $\{\alpha_i \beta_j\}_{i=1, \dots, n, j=1, \dots, m}$ is a relative integral basis of L/k .

PROOF. (ii) is well-known (Cf. Lang [3], Chapter III, Proposition 17). Through (i) seems also known, a proof of (i) will be given here, as no reference for it is known to the author.

As $(d_{K_1/k}, d_{K_2/k}) = 1$, we have $D_{K_1/k} = D_{L/K_2}$ (Cf. Lang [3], Chapter III, Proposition 17). Since K_1/k and L/K_2 are Galois extensions of degree n , $d_{K_1/k} = D_{K_1/k}^n$ and $d_{L/K_2} = D_{L/K_2}^n$. Hence $d_{K_1/k} = d_{L/K_2}$. By the hypothesis, $d_{K_1/k} = d_{K_1/k}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ (Mann [5], Theorem 1). Therefore $d_{L/K_2} = d_{L/K_2}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$. Consequently $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ is a relative integral basis of L/K_2 (Mann [5], Theorem 1 Corollary).

In the following proposition, suppose that l_i is an odd prime and $a_i (\neq \pm 1)$ is a square-free rational integer such that $a_i \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{l_i^2}$ and put $\alpha_i = (1/l_i) \sum_{j=0}^{l_i-1} (-\sqrt[l_i]{\varepsilon_i a_i})^j$, where

$$\varepsilon_i = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } a_i \equiv 1 \pmod{l_i^2} \\ 1 & \text{if } a_i \equiv -1 \pmod{l_i^2} \end{cases} \quad (1 \leq i \leq s).$$

PROPOSITION 1. (I) Let k be an abelian extension of \mathbb{Q} whose conductor n is odd and square-free (i.e. k/\mathbb{Q} is tamely ramified). Let K be a number field such that $(d_{K/\mathbb{Q}}, n) = 1$. Then $\text{Tr}_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/k}(\zeta_n)$ generates an n.i.b. of the abelian extension kK/K . ($\text{Tr}_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/k}(\zeta_n)$ denotes the trace of ζ_n in $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/k$ and ζ_n is a primitive n -th root of unity.)

(II) Let k be as in (I) and $a_1, \dots, a_s, l_1, \dots, l_s$ be pairwise prime and suppose $(n, \prod_{i=1}^s a_i l_i) = 1$. Then $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cdot \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s} \cdot \text{Tr}_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/k}(\zeta_n)$ generates an n.i.b. of the non-abelian extension $k(\sqrt[l_1]{a_1}, \dots, \sqrt[l_s]{a_s}, \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s})/\mathbb{Q}$.

(III) Let k be a number field and $a_1, \dots, a_s, l_1, \dots, l_s$ be pairwise prime and suppose $(d_{k/\mathbb{Q}}, \prod_{i=1}^s a_i l_i) = 1$. Then $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cdot \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s}$ generates an n.i.b. of the non-abelian extension $k(\sqrt[l_1]{a_1}, \dots, \sqrt[l_s]{a_s}, \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s})/k$.

(IV) Let n be the product of all the distinct primes among l_1, \dots, l_s . Let k be a number field which contains ζ_n and m be an odd and square-free integer. Suppose a_1, \dots, a_s are pairwise prime and $(l_i, a_j) = 1$ ($1 \leq i, j \leq s$). Suppose $(m, n \prod_{i=1}^s a_i) = 1$, $(d_{k/\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)}, m \prod_{i=1}^s a_i) = 1$ and $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[l_1]{a_1}, \dots, \sqrt[l_s]{a_s}, \zeta_{mn}) \cap k = \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)$. Then $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \zeta_m$ generates an n.i.b. of the abelian extension $k(\sqrt[l_1]{a_1}, \dots, \sqrt[l_s]{a_s}, \zeta_{mn})/k$.

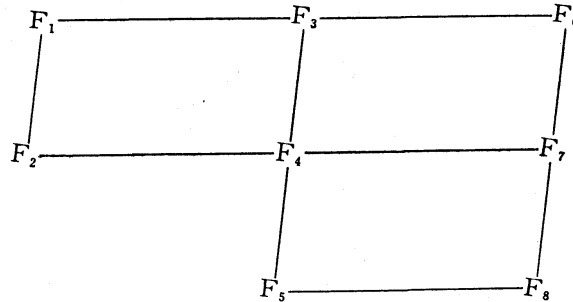
PROOF. (I) Since ζ_l generates an n.i.b. of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_l)/\mathbb{Q}$ (l : odd prime), ζ_n generates, by Lemma 3 (ii), an n.i.b. of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/\mathbb{Q}$. Hence $\text{Tr}_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/k}(\zeta_n)$ generates an n.i.b. of k/\mathbb{Q} ([4], Chapter 9, Theorem (3, 4)). As $(d_{K/\mathbb{Q}}, n) = 1$, we have $K \cap k = \mathbb{Q}$. Therefore, by Lemma 3 (i), $\text{Tr}_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/k}(\zeta_n)$ generates an n.i.b. of kK/K .

(II) We note $d_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{l_i}, \sqrt[l_i]{a_i})/\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{l_i})} = (a_i^{l_i-1})$ by Okutsu's theorem. Hence only prime divisors of $a_i l_i$ ramify in $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{l_i}, \sqrt[l_i]{a_i})/\mathbb{Q}$. Therefore, since $a_1, \dots, a_s, l_1, \dots, l_s$ are pairwise prime, $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s}$ generates, by Corollary of Theorem 3 and Lemma 3 (ii), an n.i.b. of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[l_1]{a_1}, \dots, \sqrt[l_s]{a_s}, \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s})/\mathbb{Q}$. As $(n, \prod_{i=1}^s a_i l_i) = 1$, we have $k \cap \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[l_1]{a_1}, \dots, \sqrt[l_s]{a_s}, \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s}) = \mathbb{Q}$. In (I), we have seen that $\text{Tr}_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/k}(\zeta_n)$ generates an n.i.b. of k/\mathbb{Q} . Consequently, by Lemma 3 (ii), $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cdot \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s} \cdot \text{Tr}_{\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_n)/k}(\zeta_n)$ generates an n.i.b. of $k(\sqrt[l_1]{a_1}, \dots, \sqrt[l_s]{a_s}, \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s})/\mathbb{Q}$.

(III) As $(d_{k/\mathbb{Q}}, \prod_{i=1}^s a_i l_i) = 1$, we have $k \cap \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[l_1]{a_1}, \dots, \sqrt[l_s]{a_s}, \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s}) = \mathbb{Q}$. Hence, using Lemma 3 (i) in place of Lemma 3 (ii) which is used in (II), we can show that $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cdot \zeta_{l_1 \dots l_s}$ generates an n.i.b. of $k(\sqrt[l_1]{a_1}, \dots,$

${}^i\sqrt{a_s, \zeta_{l_1, \dots, l_s}}/k$.

(IV) In the first place, we shall show by induction in s that $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i$ generates an n.i.b. of $\mathbf{Q}({}^i\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, {}^i\sqrt{a_s}, \zeta_n)/\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_n)$. Let n_r be the product of all the distinct primes among l_1, \dots, l_r ($1 \leq r \leq s$). The case $s=1$ is just Theorem 3 ($n=n_s=l_1$). To prove that $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i$ generates an n.i.b. of $\mathbf{Q}({}^i\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, {}^i\sqrt{a_s}, \zeta_{n_s})/\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{n_s})$ for $s=r+1$ assuming it true for $s=r$, we put $F_1 = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{n_r}, {}^i\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, {}^i\sqrt{a_r})$, $F_2 = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{n_r})$, $F_3 = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{n_{r+1}}, {}^i\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, {}^i\sqrt{a_r})$,



$F_4 = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{n_{r+1}})$, $F_5 = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{l_{r+1}})$, $F_6 = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{n_{r+1}}, {}^i\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, {}^{i_{r+1}}\sqrt{a_{r+1}})$, $F_7 = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{n_{r+1}}, {}^{i_{r+1}}\sqrt{a_{r+1}})$ and $F_8 = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{l_{r+1}}, {}^{i_{r+1}}\sqrt{a_{r+1}})$. If $l_{r+1} | n_r$, we have $n_{r+1} = n_r$, $F_3 = F_1$ and $F_4 = F_2$. Then, by the hypothesis of induction, $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i$ generates an n.i.b. of F_3/F_4 . If $l_{r+1} \nmid n_r$, we have $n_{r+1} = n_r l_{r+1}$. By Okutsu's theorem, prime ideals ramified in F_1/F_2 divide $\prod_{i=1}^r a_i$. And only prime divisors of l_{r+1} ramify in F_4/F_2 . As $(l_{r+1}, \prod_{i=1}^r a_i) = 1$ we have $(d_{F_1/F_2}, d_{F_4/F_2}) = 1$ and $F_1 \cap F_4 = F_2$. Hence, by the hypothesis of induction and Lemma 3 (i), $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i$ generates an n.i.b. of F_3/F_4 . As $(n_{r+1}/l_{r+1}, a_{r+1}) = 1$, we have $(d_{F_4/F_5}, d_{F_8/F_5}) = 1$ and $F_4 \cap F_8 = F_5$. Consequently, by Lemma 3(i), α_{r+1} generates an n.i.b. of F_7/F_4 . Prime ideals ramified in F_3/F_4 divide $\prod_{i=1}^r a_i$ and prime ideals ramified in F_7/F_4 divide a_{r+1} . As $(\prod_{i=1}^r a_i, a_{r+1}) = 1$, we have $(d_{F_3/F_4}, d_{F_7/F_4}) = 1$ and $F_3 \cap F_7 = F_4$. By Lemma 3 (ii), $\prod_{i=1}^{r+1} \alpha_i$ generates an n.i.b. of F_6/F_4 . Thus, we have proved that $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i$ generates an n.i.b. of $\mathbf{Q}({}^i\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, {}^i\sqrt{a_s}, \zeta_n)/\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_n)$. As $(m, n) = 1$, ζ_m generates, by Lemma 3 (i), an n.i.b. of $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{mn})/\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_n)$. As $(\prod_{i=1}^s a_i, m) = 1$, we have $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{mn}) \cap L = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_n)$ and $(d_{\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_{mn})/\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_n)}, d_{L/\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_n)}) = 1$, where we put $L = \mathbf{Q}({}^i\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, {}^i\sqrt{a_s}, \zeta_n)$. Consequently, by Lemma 3 (ii), $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \zeta_m$ generates an n.i.b. of $\mathbf{Q}({}^i\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, {}^i\sqrt{a_s}, \zeta_{mn})/\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_n)$. Since $(d_{k/\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_n)}, m \prod_{i=1}^s a_i) = 1$ and $k \cap \mathbf{Q}({}^i\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, {}^i\sqrt{a_s}, \zeta_{mn}) = \mathbf{Q}(\zeta_n)$, $\prod_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \zeta_m$ generates, by Lemma 3 (i), an n.i.b. of $k({}^i\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, {}^i\sqrt{a_s}, \zeta_{mn})/k$. This proves our proposition.

In general, it is not easy to construct a Galois extension without n.i.b. by applying Theorem 2. For $l=3$, the unit group of quadratic field k is $\langle -1, \zeta_3 \rangle$ and no distinct elements of this group are pairwise

congruent modulo 3. Consequently, we can check that $\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_3, \sqrt[3]{a})/\mathbf{Q}(\zeta_3)$ always has an n.i.b. ($a^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{9}$).

The following proposition shows on the other hand that there are infinitely many tamely ramified extensions K/k ($k \neq \mathbf{Q}$) without n.i.b..

PROPOSITION 2. *Let m, n be square-free rational integers. Suppose that $m, n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, $m < -1$, $n < 0$ and $(m, n) = 1$. Then $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{m}, \sqrt{n})/\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{m})$ is a tamely ramified quadratic extension without n.i.b..*

PROOF. Put $K = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{m}, \sqrt{n})$ and $k = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{m})$. By the hypothesis, $\{1, (\sqrt{m} + \sqrt{n})/2\}$ is an \mathfrak{o}_k -basis of \mathfrak{o}_K (Bird and Parry [1], Theorem I) and $\{1, \sqrt{m}, (\sqrt{m} + \sqrt{n})/2, (1 + \sqrt{mn})/2\}$ is \mathbf{Z} -basis of \mathfrak{o}_K (Williams [11]). Let α be an element of \mathfrak{o}_K and $\alpha = a + b\sqrt{m} + c(\sqrt{m} + \sqrt{n})/2 + d(1 + \sqrt{mn})/2$ ($a, b, c, d \in \mathbf{Z}$). Noting $\sqrt{m}\sqrt{n} = -\sqrt{mn}$, we obtain

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \alpha' \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ (\sqrt{m} + \sqrt{n})/2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} a + b\sqrt{m} + d(1 + m)/2 & c - d\sqrt{m} \\ a + (b + c)\sqrt{m} + d(1 - m)/2 & -(c - d\sqrt{m}) \end{pmatrix},$$

where α' is the conjugate element of α in K/k . Hence, we have

$$\det A = -(c - d\sqrt{m})\{(2a + d) + (2b + c)\sqrt{m}\}.$$

α generates an n.i.b. of K/k if and only if $\det A \in \mathfrak{o}_k^\times$, i.e. if and only if there exist $a, b, c, d \in \mathbf{Z}$ such that

$$(9) \quad (2a + d)^2 - m(2b + c)^2 = \pm 1$$

$$(10) \quad c^2 - md^2 = \pm 1.$$

Since $-m > 1$, we have $2a + d = \pm 1$, $2b + c = 0$, $c = \pm 1$ and $d = 0$ from (9), (10). Therefore we obtain $2a = \pm 1$. So the simultaneous Diophantine equation (9), (10) has no solution and K/k has no n.i.b.. Since 2 is unramified in $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{mn})/\mathbf{Q}$, K/k is tamely ramified. This proves our assertion.

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