

THE NAKAYAMA MAP AND RAMIFICATION FOR MAXIMALLY COMPLETE FIELDS

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Let K be a maximally complete valued field and let L be a totally ramified Galois extension of K with Galois group G . Assume (i) the value group quotient of $L|K$ is cyclic and (ii) there exists an unramified cyclic extension of K of the same degree as L . Then there is an isomorphism of G^a onto a subgroup $A/N(L^\times)$ of $K^\times/N(L^\times)$ which maps the ramification group G^i onto $A^i N(L^\times)/N(L^\times)$ for all $i > 0$ where $A^i = \{x \in A | v(x - 1) \geq i\}$. This generalizes certain results of Local Class Field Theory.

1. The Nakayama map. Throughout, $L|K$ denotes a totally ramified Galois extension of valued fields, K is maximally complete [4], and the value group quotient Γ_L/Γ_K is cyclic. Assume also that K has an unramified cyclic extension $K'|K$ of the same degree as $L|K$. Let $L' = LK'$ denote the composition of L and K' . Identify the Galois groups $G_{L|K} = G_{L'|K'} = G$, $G_{K'|K} = G_{L'|L} = G'$, and the norm mappings $N_{K'|K} = N_{L'|L} = N'$, $N_{L|K} = N_{L'|K'} = N$. $P_K, P_{K^i}, i > 0$ will denote respectively

$$\{x \in K | v(x) > 0\}, \quad \{x \in K | v(x) \geq i\}$$

where v is the valuation (written additively).

LEMMA 1. *Let $i \in \Gamma_K, i > 0$, and let ρ be a generator of G' . Then*

- (i) $N'(1 + P_{K^i}) = 1 + P_{K^i}$;
- (ii) if $x \in 1 + P_{K^i}$, satisfies $N'(x) = 1$, then there exists $y \in 1 + P_{K^i}$ such that $x = y^{\rho^{-1}}$.

Proof. The lemma says, in effect, that the G' -module $1 + P_{K^i}$ has trivial cohomology. It is well-known that the additive group of the residue field \bar{K}' has trivial cohomology as a G' -module. The result follows from this together with maximal completeness. (For a detailed proof of (i), see [1, Theorem 3].)

LEMMA 2. *There is an element $z \in L'$ satisfying*

- (i) $v(z)$ generates $\Gamma_{L'} = \Gamma_L$ modulo Γ_K ;
- (ii) $N'(z) \in K$.

Proof. Let $y \in L$ be such that $v(y)$ generates Γ_L modulo Γ_K . If we can find $z \in L'$ such that $\pm N(y) = N'(z)$, we are finished. To this end write $N(y) = y^{\sigma} u$ where $u = \prod_{\sigma \in G} y^{\sigma^{-1}}$. The map $G \rightarrow U_L/1 + P_L$ (where $U_L =$

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$\{x \in L | v(x) = 0\}$ given by $\sigma \rightarrow y^{\sigma-1}$ is a group homomorphism. If $\sigma^2 \neq 1$, then the terms $y^{\sigma-1}$ and $y^{\sigma^{-1}-1}$ in u cancel modulo $1 + P_L$. Hence $u^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{1 + P_L}$ so $u \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{1 + P_L}$. Thus $\pm u \in 1 + P_L = N'(1 + P_{L'})$ by Lemma 1 applied to $L'|L$.

THEOREM 1. *There is an injective homomorphism*

$$\alpha : G^a \rightarrow K^\times / N(L^\times).$$

(Here G^a denotes the maximal abelian factor group of G , and K^\times the multiplicative group of K .)

Proof. Fix a generator ρ of G' and an element $z \in L'$ as in Lemma 2. If $\sigma \in G$, $N'(z^{\sigma-1}) = (N'(z))^{\sigma-1} = 1$ by property (ii) of z . Hence by Hilbert's Satz 90, there exists $y \in L'$ such that $z^{\sigma-1} = y^{\rho-1}$. $N(y)^{\rho-1} = N(y^{\rho-1}) = N(z^{\sigma-1}) = 1$ so $N(y) \in K^\times$. Also if $y^{\rho-1} = y'^{\rho-1}$, $y' \in L'$, then $y' = yc$, $c \in L$ so $N(y') \equiv N(y) \pmod{N(L^\times)}$, i.e. the class of $N(y)$ modulo $N(L^\times)$ depends only on σ . If $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in G$, and if $y_1, y_2 \in L'$ satisfy $y_i^{\rho-1} = z^{\sigma_i-1}$, $i = 1, 2$, then

$$z^{\sigma_1 \sigma_2 - 1} = z^{(\sigma_2 - 1)\sigma_1} z^{\sigma_1 - 1} = (y_2^{\rho-1})^{\sigma_1} y_1^{\rho-1} = (y_2^{\sigma_1} y_1)^{\rho-1},$$

and $N(y_2^{\sigma_1} y_1) = N(y_1)N(y_2)$. Thus $\sigma \rightarrow N(y)$ where $y \in L'$ satisfies $y^{\rho-1} = z^{\sigma-1}$ defines a homomorphism from G^a into $K^\times / N(L^\times)$. To show this is injective assume $N(y) = N(y')$ for some $y' \in L$. It is enough to show that the restriction $\sigma|_M$ of σ to M is the identity for all cyclic extensions M of K in L . If M is any such extension, let $\sigma|_M = \tau^s$ where τ is a generator of $G_{M|K} = G_{M'|K'}$ ($M' = MK'$). By assumption $N_{L'|M'}(y)$ and $N_{L'|M'}(y')$ have the same norm relative to $M'|K'$. Thus by Hilbert's Satz 90, $N_{L'|M'}(y) = N_{L'|M'}(y')w^{\tau-1}$ for some $w \in M'$. Applying $\rho - 1$ to this and referring to the definition of y we have

$$\begin{aligned} N_{L'|M'}(z)^{\tau^s-1} &= N_{L'|M'}(z)^{\sigma-1} = N_{L'|M'}(z^{\sigma-1}) \\ &= N_{L'|M'}(y^{\rho-1}) = (N_{L'|M'}(y))^{\rho-1} = N_{L'|M'}(y')^{\rho-1} \cdot w^{(\tau-1)(\rho-1)} \\ &= w^{(\rho-1)(\tau-1)}. \end{aligned}$$

since $y' \in L$. Factoring $\tau^s - 1$ we obtain

$$N_{L'|M'}(z)^{1+\tau+\dots+\tau^{s-1}} = w^{\rho-1} \cdot c, \quad c \in K'.$$

Comparing values in this last equation we get $s[L : M] \cdot v(z) \equiv 0 \pmod{\Gamma_K}$. But by property (i) of z , $v(z)$ has order $[L : K]$ modulo Γ_K . Thus $[M : K]$ divides s , so $\sigma|_M = \tau^s = 1$.

Remark. For each $\sigma \in G$ fix an element $y_\sigma \in L^\times$ such that $y_\sigma^{\rho-1} = z^{\sigma-1}$; then $f : G \times G \rightarrow L^\times$ defined by $f(\tau, \sigma) = y_\sigma^\tau \cdot y_{\tau\sigma^{-1}}$, y_τ is a 2-cocycle and

$$N(y_\sigma) = \prod_{\tau \in G} f(\tau, \sigma).$$

Thus α as defined in Theorem 1 is the Nakayama Map determined by f [3].

Remark. As defined, α depends on the choice of an unramified extension K' , a generator ρ of G' , and the class of $v(z)$ in Γ_L/Γ_K . The image $A/N(L^\times)$ of α in $K^\times/N(L^\times)$ depends only on the choice of K' (and on L). In the classical case where K is discrete and \bar{K} is finite, there is a unique choice for K' and G' and Γ_L/Γ_K have canonical generators so there is a canonical choice for α . The statement $A = K^\times$ is the “second fundamental inequality”. This holds in the classical case and more generally in the case discussed in [1].

2. Ramification. Define the Herbrand function ϕ and the ramification groups $G_j = G^{\phi(j)}$, $j \geq 0$ of the extension $L|K$ as in [2]. As Γ_L/Γ_K is cyclic, Theorem 2 of [2] holds.

LEMMA 3. For all $j > 0$, $N(1 + P_L^j) \subseteq 1 + P_K^{\phi(j)}$ with equality if $G_j = 1$.

Proof. By solvability of G together with transitivity of N , ϕ we can assume $[L : K]$ is a prime. The case is dealt with in [1, pp. 422, 426].

Defining A as in the remark, section 1, let

$$A^i = A \cap (1 + P_K^i) \quad i > 0.$$

THEOREM 2. The Nakayama map α carries G^i onto $A^i N(L^\times)/N(L^\times)$ for all $i \in \Gamma_L$, $i > 0$.

Proof. Suppose $\sigma \in G_j$. Thus $z^{\sigma-1} \in 1 + P_L^j$. By Lemma 1 applied to $L'|L$, we can choose $y \in 1 + P_L^j$ so that $y^{\sigma-1} = z^{\sigma-1}$. Thus $N(y) \in N(1 + P_L^j) \subseteq 1 + P_K^{\phi(j)}$ by Lemma 3 applied to $L'|K'$. Conversely suppose $\sigma \in G$, $y^{\sigma-1} = z^{\sigma-1}$, $N(y) \in 1 + P_K^i$. Let M be any cyclic extension of K in L fixed by G^i . If we can show $\sigma|_M = 1$ we are finished (since the fixed field of $G^i(G, G)$ is generated by such cyclic extensions). Since G^i fixes M , $G_{M|K^i} = 1$. Hence $N(y) \in N_{M|K}(M^\times)$ by Lemma 3 applied to $M|K$. Thus there exists $y' \in M$ such that $N_{L'|M'}(y)$ and y' have the same norm in $M'|K'$. From this point, the proof that $\sigma|_M = 1$ parallels the latter part of the proof of Theorem 1.

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