A RELATIVE INTEGRAL BASIS OVER $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ FOR THE NORMAL CLOSURE OF A PURE CUBIC FIELD

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Let K be a pure cubic field. Let L be the normal closure of K . A relative integral basis (RIB) for L over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ is given. This RIB simplifies and completes the one given by Haghighi (1986).

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1. Introduction. Let K be the pure cubic field $\mathbb{Q}(d^{1/3})$, where d is a cube-free integer, and let L be the normal closure of K so that $\mathbb{Q} \subset K \subset L$, $[L : K] = 2$, and $[K : \mathbb{Q}] = 3$. Let k be the imaginary quadratic field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ so that $\mathbb{Q} \subset k \subset L$, $[L : k] = 3$, and $[k : \mathbb{Q}] = 2$. The ring of all algebraic integers is denoted by Ω . The rings of integers of K , k , L are $O_K = K \cap \Omega$, $O_k = k \cap \Omega$, $O_L = L \cap \Omega$, respectively. As O_k is a principal ideal domain, L/k possesses a relative integral basis (RIB) [3, Corollary 3, page 401]. Haghighi [2, Theorems 5.1, 5.3, 5.6] has given a RIB for L/k . However, Haghighi's RIB for L/k contains two difficulties. The first is that in certain cases the RIB makes use of an element of norm 3 in a pure cubic field, a quantity which is not easy to determine, see [2, Theorem 5.1]. The second problem is that the RIB is not completely general, see [2, Theorem 5.3]. In this note, we give a simple and completely general RIB for L/k .

2. Preliminary remarks. As d is a cube-free integer, we can define integers a and b by

$$d = ab^2, \quad (a, b) = 1, \quad a, b \text{ square-free.} \quad (2.1)$$

If $a^2 \not\equiv b^2 \pmod{9}$, an integral basis for K is

$$\left\{ 1, (ab^2)^{1/3}, (a^2b)^{1/3} \right\}, \quad (2.2)$$

and if $a^2 \equiv b^2 \pmod{9}$, an integral basis is

$$\left\{ 1, (ab^2)^{1/3}, \frac{b + ab(ab^2)^{1/3} + (a^2b)^{1/3}}{3} \right\}. \quad (2.3)$$

These integral bases are due to Dedekind [1]. From (2.2) and (2.3), we deduce that the discriminant $d(K)$ of K is given by

$$d(K) = -3f^2, \quad (2.4)$$

where

$$f = \begin{cases} 3ab, & \text{if } a^2 \not\equiv b^2 \pmod{9}, \\ ab, & \text{if } a^2 \equiv b^2 \pmod{9}. \end{cases} \quad (2.5)$$

The relative discriminant $d(L/k)$ of L/k is given by

$$d(L/k) = f^2 = \begin{cases} 9a^2b^2, & \text{if } a^2 \not\equiv b^2 \pmod{9}, \\ a^2b^2, & \text{if } a^2 \equiv b^2 \pmod{9}, \end{cases} \quad (2.6)$$

see [1]. We note that if $\alpha, \beta \in O_L$ are such that

$$d_{L/k}(1, \alpha, \beta) = d(L/k), \quad (2.7)$$

then $\{1, \alpha, \beta\}$ is a RIB for L/k .

3. RIB for L/k . We show that $\{1, \alpha, \beta\}$ is a RIB for L/k , where α and β are given in Table 3.1.

TABLE 3.1

Case	Condition	α	β
(i)	$3 \mid a, 3 \nmid b$	$(ab^2)^{1/3}$	$\frac{(a^2b)^{1/3}}{\sqrt{-3}}$
(ii)	$3 \nmid a, 3 \mid b$	$\frac{(ab^2)^{1/3}}{\sqrt{-3}}$	$(a^2b)^{1/3}$
(iii)	$3 \nmid a, 3 \nmid b, 9 \nmid a^2 - b^2$	$(ab^2)^{1/3}$	$\frac{b + ab(ab^2)^{1/3} + (a^2b)^{1/3}}{\sqrt{-3}}$
(iv)	$3 \nmid a, 3 \nmid b, 9 \mid a^2 - b^2$	$\frac{(ab^2)^{1/3} - a}{\sqrt{-3}}$	$\frac{b + ab(ab^2)^{1/3} + (a^2b)^{1/3}}{3}$

An easy calculation making use of (2.2), (2.3), (2.4), and (2.5) shows that

$$d_{L/k}(1, \alpha, \beta) = \begin{cases} 9a^2b^2, & \text{if } a^2 \not\equiv b^2 \pmod{9}, \\ a^2b^2, & \text{if } a^2 \equiv b^2 \pmod{9}, \end{cases} \quad (3.1)$$

so that (2.7) holds in view of (2.6). Clearly, $\alpha \in L$ and $\beta \in L$. We now show that $\alpha \in \Omega$ and $\beta \in \Omega$ so that $\alpha \in O_L$ and $\beta \in O_L$, proving that $\{1, \alpha, \beta\}$ is a RIB for L/k . Clearly, $\alpha \in \Omega$ in Cases (i) and (iii), and $\beta \in \Omega$ in Cases (ii) and (iv), see (2.3)

for the latter. In the remaining cases, it suffices to give a monic polynomial $f_\alpha(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ of which α is a root in Cases (ii) and (iv), and a monic polynomial $f_\beta(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ of which β is a root in Cases (i) and (iii).

CASE (i). Here,

$$f_\beta(x) = x^6 + 3a_1^4b^2, \quad a_1 = \frac{a}{3} \in \mathbb{Z}. \quad (3.2)$$

CASE (ii). Here,

$$f_\alpha(x) = x^6 + 3a^2b_1^4, \quad b_1 = \frac{b}{3} \in \mathbb{Z}. \quad (3.3)$$

CASE (iii). We have

$$a^2 \equiv b^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}, \quad a^2 - b^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}, \quad (3.4)$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} a^4b^4 - 3a^2b^2 + a^2 + b^2 &= (a^2 - b^2)^2 + (a^2 - 1)(b^2 - 1)(a^2b^2 + a^2 + b^2) \\ &\equiv 0 \pmod{9}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

and we define $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ by

$$m = \frac{(a^4b^4 - 3a^2b^2 + a^2 + b^2)}{9}. \quad (3.6)$$

In this case,

$$f_\beta(x) = x^6 + (2a^2 + 1)b^2x^4 + ((a^2 - 1)^2b^2 - 6m)b^2x^2 + 3b^2m^2. \quad (3.7)$$

CASE (iv). We have

$$a^2 \equiv b^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}, \quad a^2 - b^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{9}, \quad a^2 + 2b^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \quad (3.8)$$

so that we can define $r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$ by

$$r = \frac{(a^2 + 2b^2)}{3}, \quad s = \frac{(a^2 - b^2)}{9}. \quad (3.9)$$

Here,

$$f_\alpha(x) = x^6 + a^2x^4 + a^2rx^2 + 3a^2s^2. \quad (3.10)$$

This completes the proof that $\{1, \alpha, \beta\}$ is a RIB for L/k .

We conclude with four examples.

EXAMPLE 3.1 (cf. [2, Illustration 5.2]). A RIB for $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{213}, \sqrt{-3})$ over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ is (see Case (i))

$$\left\{ 1, 213^{1/3}, \frac{213^{2/3}}{\sqrt{-3}} \right\}. \quad (3.11)$$

EXAMPLE 3.2. A RIB for $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{9}, \sqrt{-3})$ over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ is (see [Case \(ii\)](#))

$$\left\{1, \frac{9^{1/3}}{\sqrt{-3}}, 3^{1/3}\right\}. \quad (3.12)$$

EXAMPLE 3.3 (cf. [2, Illustration 5.5]). A RIB for $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2}, \sqrt{-3})$ over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ is (see [Case \(iii\)](#))

$$\left\{1, 2^{1/3}, \frac{1 + 2 \cdot 2^{1/3} + 2^{2/3}}{\sqrt{-3}}\right\}. \quad (3.13)$$

EXAMPLE 3.4 (cf. [2, Illustration 5.7]). A RIB for $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{10}, \sqrt{-3})$ over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-3})$ is (see [Case \(iv\)](#))

$$\left\{1, \frac{10^{1/3} - 10}{\sqrt{-3}}, \frac{1 + 10 \cdot 10^{1/3} + 10^{2/3}}{3}\right\}. \quad (3.14)$$

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