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ON THE MODULE STRUCTURE IN A CYCLIC EXTENSION OVER A p-ADIC NUMBER FIELD

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Let p be a prime. Let k be a p-adic number field and o be the ring of all integers of k. Let K/k be a cyclic totally ramified extension of degree p^n with Galois group G. Clealy the ring \mathfrak{O} of all integers of K is an o[G]-module, and the purpose of this paper is to give a necessary and sufficient condition for the o[G]-module \mathfrak{O} to be indecomposable.

In $\S\S 1-2$, we shall prepare some lemmas. In $\S\S 3-4$, we shall obtain the necessary and sufficient condition (Theorem 3).

Throughout this paper, let π be a prime element of k and e be the absolute ramification index of k. For a positive rational integer a, we define a function m(a) by

$$m(a) = \left[\frac{(p-1)(a+1)}{p}\right].$$

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In this section, we shall obtain some inequalities for ramification numbers. Let F/k be a cyclic ramified extension of prime degree pwith the first ramification number b. Let \mathfrak{O}_F be the ring of all integers of F. Let e, π and m(a) be the same as in Introduction. Then it is well known that

$$m(b) \leq e$$

and

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$$\operatorname{tr}_{F/k} \mathfrak{O}_F = (\pi^{m(b)}),$$

where $\operatorname{tr}_{F/k}$ denotes the trace map from F to k (for example, see [2]).

Let ζ be a primitive *p*-th root of 1. Let F' and k' be the extensions

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