

Two classes of ideals determined by integer-valued polynomials

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RIASSUNTO: Sia dato un dominio D con campo dei quozienti K , e sia $\text{Int}(D) = \{f(X) \in K[X] \mid f(d) \in D \forall d \in D\}$ l'anello dei polinomi a valori interi su D . È noto che i polinomi binomiali $\binom{X}{n} = \frac{X(X-1)\dots(X-n+1)}{n!}$ formano una base di $\text{Int}(\mathbb{Z})$ e che per ogni numero primo p , il polinomio di Fermat $f_p(X) = \frac{1}{p}(X^p - X)$ appartiene ad $\text{Int}(\mathbb{Z})$. Se il dominio D contiene \mathbb{Z} , poniamo, per ogni intero non negativo n , $C(n) = \{\alpha \in K \mid \alpha \cdot \binom{X}{n} \in \text{Int}(D)\}$, e per ogni numero primo p , $E(p) = \{\alpha \in K \mid \alpha \cdot f_p(X) \in \text{Int}(D)\}$. $C(n)$ e $E(p)$ sono ideali di D , essi vengono determinati esplicitamente nel caso in cui D sia un dominio di Dedekind.

ABSTRACT: If D is a domain with quotient field K , let $\text{Int}(D) = \{f(X) \in K[X] \mid f(d) \in D \text{ for every } d \in D\}$ be the ring of integer-valued polynomials over D . It is well known that the binomial polynomials $\binom{X}{n} = \frac{X(X-1)\dots(X-n+1)}{n!}$ form a basis of $\text{Int}(\mathbb{Z})$ as a free \mathbb{Z} -module and that for every prime integer p , the Fermat polynomials $f_p(X) = \frac{1}{p}(X^p - X)$ are in $\text{Int}(\mathbb{Z})$. If the domain D contains \mathbb{Z} , for each nonnegative integer n , set $C(n) = \{\alpha \in K \mid \alpha \cdot \binom{X}{n} \in \text{Int}(D)\}$, and for every prime integer p , set $E(p) = \{\alpha \in K \mid \alpha \cdot f_p(X) \in \text{Int}(D)\}$. Each $C(n)$ and $E(p)$ is an ideal of D which we explicitly determine when D is a Dedekind domain.

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– Introduction

Let D be a domain with quotient field K and set

$$\text{Int}(D) = \{f(X) \in K[X] \mid f(d) \in D \text{ for every } d \in D\}$$

to be the ring of integer-valued polynomials over D . In [8], PÓLYA showed that the *binomial polynomials*, defined by

$$\binom{X}{0} = 1, \quad \text{and} \quad \binom{X}{n} = \frac{X(X-1)\dots(X-(n-1))}{n!}, \quad \text{for } n \geq 1$$

form a basis of $\text{Int}(\mathbb{Z})$ as a free \mathbb{Z} -module. In a later paper, Pólya asked which rings of algebraic integers D possess similar bases for $\text{Int}(D)$ as a D -module (*i.e.* a free basis $\{g_i(X)\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$ where each $g_i(X)$ is a degree i polynomial) and solved this question for a quadratic number ring [9]. His argument centered on the fractional ideals of D of the form

$$A(n) = \{0\} \cup \{\alpha \in K \mid \exists f \in \text{Int}(D), \deg(f) = n, f = \alpha X_n + \dots\}$$

where n is a nonnegative integer. Such a free basis exists if and only if these ideals are principal. OSTROWSKI [7] generalized Pólya's result to other rings of integers and CAHEN [1] offered a complete description of the ideals $A(n)$ in the Dedekind case. ZANTEMA [10] described a cohomological solution to Pólya's original problem.

Some recent papers have explored a topic related to the discussion above. If D is a domain of characteristic 0 (and thus containing \mathbb{Z}) they asked whether the binomial polynomials $\binom{X}{n}$ serve themselves as a free basis of $\text{Int}(D)$. By [3, Proposition 1] $\text{Int}(D)$ is contained in the D -module generated by the binomial polynomials $\binom{X}{n}$. Hence, these polynomials form a basis of $\text{Int}(D)$ if and only if they are contained in $\text{Int}(D)$. CHABERT and GERBOUD [2] have given various other characterizations in the case of a ring of algebraic integers D and HALTER-KOCH and NARKIEWICZ [5] considered the case of an arbitrary domain of characteristic 0. One characterization is that the polynomials of the form $f_p(X) = \frac{1}{p}(X^p - X)$, where p is a prime integer (known as the *Fermat polynomials*), are contained in $\text{Int}(D)$. Another is that, for any nonnegative integer n , $n!A(n) = D$.

In this paper, we let

$$C(n) = \left\{ \alpha \in K \mid \alpha \cdot \binom{X}{n} \in \text{Int}(D) \right\},$$

and

$$E(p) = \{ \alpha \in K \mid \alpha \cdot f_p(X) \in \text{Int}(D) \}.$$

We completely determine these ideals for a Dedekind domain D (of characteristic 0). We note that $C(n)$ is contained in $n!A(n)$. By definition, $C(n) = D$ if and only if $\binom{X}{n}$ belongs to $\text{Int}(D)$ (and $E(p) = D$ if and only if $f_p(X)$ belongs to $\text{Int}(D)$), hence $C(n) = D$ for all n if and only if $n!A(n) = D$ for all n (and also if and only if $E(p) = D$ for all p). However, we show that when this fails then eventually the inclusion of $C(n)$ in $n!A(n)$ is proper for some n .

Since any ideal of a Dedekind domain can uniquely be written as a product of maximal ideals, we determine the ideal $C(n)$ by computing the exponent of each maximal ideal P of D in such a decomposition. We show this exponent to be trivial unless P contains a prime integer p of \mathbb{Z} . We then proceed similarly for the ideals $E(p)$. Lastly, we conclude by an application to quadratic number rings giving some explicit examples.

Throughout, \mathbb{Z} represents the integers, \mathbb{N} the nonnegative integers, and \mathbb{Q} the rationals. If D is a Dedekind domain of characteristic 0 and P a maximal ideal of D , let v_P be the normalized valuation (i.e., its value group is \mathbb{Z}) associated to P . If P contains a prime integer p , the valuation v_P extends the p -adic valuation of \mathbb{Q} and we say that P is *above* p . Throughout, we let e_P be the *ramification index* of this extension (thus $e_P = v_P(p)$), and f_P be its *residual degree*. Hence $f_P = [D/P : \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}]$. We observe that e_P is always finite, but that f_P may be infinite (whenever the residue field D/P is infinite). We say that v_P is an *immediate extension* of the p -adic valuation if $e_P = f_P = 1$. If $\frac{a}{b}$ is in \mathbb{Q} we let $[\frac{a}{b}]$ represent the greatest integer less than or equal to $\frac{a}{b}$. We use the symbol " \subseteq " to represent set containment, and " \subset " to represent proper set containment. For any other notation, the interested reader is referred to [6].

1 – Computation of the ideals $C(n)$

We open with some elementary observations concerning the ideals $C(n)$ and $A(n)$ for any domain D of characteristic 0.

PROPOSITION 1.1. *Let D be a domain of characteristic 0.*

1. *For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $C(n) \subseteq n!A(n) \subseteq D$.*
2. *For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $C(n) \subseteq C(n - 1)$.*
3. *$C(0) = C(1) = D$.*

PROOF. 1. From the definition of $C(n)$, if $\alpha \in C(n)$ then $\frac{\alpha}{n!}$ is the leading coefficient of the degree n polynomial $\alpha \binom{X}{n}$, hence $C(n) \subseteq n!A(n)$. The inclusion of $n!A(n)$ in D follows from [3, Proposition 1].

2. Recall the well known binomial recursion

$$\binom{X}{n} = \binom{X-1}{n-1} + \binom{X-1}{n}.$$

If $\alpha \in C(n)$, then both $\alpha \binom{X}{n}$ and $\alpha \binom{X-1}{n}$ are in $\text{Int}(D)$. Thus, so is $\alpha \binom{X-1}{n-1}$. Therefore $\alpha \in C(n-1)$.

3. This is obvious, since $\binom{X}{0} = 1$ and $\binom{X}{1} = X$. □

From here on we let D be a Dedekind domain of characteristic 0. The computation of the ideal $C(n)$ will center around the polynomial

$$f_n(X) = X(X-1) \dots (X-n+1) = n! \binom{X}{n}.$$

We denote by $f_n(D)$ the ideal generated by the elements $f_n(d)$ for every $d \in D$. By definition, the ideal $C(n)$ is the conductor in D of the ideal $(\frac{1}{n!})f_n(D)$. With these hypotheses and notations, we immediately have the following.

LEMMA 1.2. 1. $C(n) = (n!)(f_n(D))^{-1}$.

2. *If P is a prime ideal of D , then the exponent $c_P(n)$ of P in the decomposition of $C(n)$ is equal to*

$$c_P(n) = v_P(n!) - \text{Inf}_{x \in D} \{v_P(f_n(x))\}.$$

To compute $c_P(n)$, we then first determine the integers

$$i_P(n) = \text{Inf}_{x \in D} \{v_P(f_n(x))\}.$$

We restrict ourselves to a prime ideal P above a prime integer p (otherwise, we shall see below that $c_P(n) = 0$). The valuation v_P associated

to P is thus an extension of the p -adic valuation. Let $e_P = v_P(p)$ and $f_P = [D/P : \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}]$ be respectively the ramification index and the residual degree of this extension.

LEMMA 1.3. *Let P be a prime ideal of D above a prime integer p .*

1. *If $f_P > 1$, then $i_P(n) = 0$.*
2. *If $f_P = 1$ and $e_P > 1$, then $i_P(n) = \lfloor \frac{n}{p} \rfloor$.*
3. *If $f_P = 1$ and $e_P = 1$, then $i_P(n) = v_P(n!)$.*

PROOF. 1. Clearly $i_P(n) \geq 0$, since the coefficients of f_n are in D (in fact in \mathbb{Z}). On the other hand, by definition of the residual degree, if $f_P > 1$, then D/P strictly contains $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$. Hence there exists $x_0 \in D$ such that, $\forall i \in \mathbb{Z}$, $(x_0 - i) \notin P$. Therefore

$$i_P(n) \leq v_P(f_n(x_0)) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_P(x_0 - i) = 0.$$

2. If $f_P = 1$, then $D/P \simeq \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ and, for each $x \in D$, there exists $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $(x - d) \in P$. Hence, for $0 \leq i \leq n - 1$, $x - i \equiv d - i \pmod{P}$. Since $d, d - 1, \dots, d - n + 1$ are n consecutive integers, exactly $\lfloor \frac{n}{p} \rfloor$ are divisible by p (or equivalently are in P). Therefore

$$v_P(f_n(x)) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_P(x - i) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{p} \right\rfloor.$$

On the other hand, if $e_P > 1$ and if $i \in \mathbb{Z}$, either $v_P(i) = 0$ or $v_P(i) > 1$ (equivalently $i \notin P$ or $i \in P^2$). Choosing x_0 in P such that $v_P(x_0) = 1$, then $v_P(x_0 - i) = 0$, if i is not divisible by p , and $v_P(x_0 - i) = 1$, if i is divisible by p . Hence

$$v_P(f_n(x_0)) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_P(x_0 - i) = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{p} \right\rfloor.$$

3. If $e_P = f_P = 1$, then $P = pD$ and the cardinality of D/P is p . We could quote [2, Theorem 2.5] to conclude that the binomial polynomial $\binom{X}{n}$ is in $\text{Int}(D_P)$, and hence that the exponent $c_P(n)$ of the decomposition of $C(n)$ is trivial (and thus that $i_P(n) = v_P(n!)$). But we give a direct proof. Since $n \in D$ and $f_n(n) = n!$, it is first clear that

$$i_P(n) \leq v_P(n!).$$

On the other hand, if x is a root of $f_n(X)$, then $v_P(f_n(x)) = \infty > v_P(n!)$. So suppose that x is not a root of $f_n(X)$ and let $r = v_P(f_n(x)) + 1$. The map

$$\varphi_r : \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow D_P/p^r D_P$$

is surjective, because its kernel is $\mathbb{Z}/p^r \mathbb{Z}$ and there are p^r elements in both $\mathbb{Z}/p^r \mathbb{Z}$ and $D_P/p^r D_P$. Hence there is $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $v_P(x - d) = r$. Since we have

$$v_P(f_n(x)) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_P(x - i),$$

it is clear that, for $0 \leq i \leq n-1$, $v_P(x - i) < r$. Hence $v_P(x - i) = v_P(d - i)$ and therefore

$$v_P(f_n(x)) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_P(d - i) = v_P(f_n(d)).$$

Now the binomial polynomial $\binom{X}{n} = \frac{1}{n!} f_n(X)$ is integer-valued on \mathbb{Z} , thus $f_n(d)$ is divisible by $n!$ in \mathbb{Z} and a fortiori in D . Therefore

$$i_P(n) \geq v_P(f_n(x)) = v_P(f_n(d)) \geq v_P(n!). \quad \square$$

We are now ready for the main result of the section.

PROPOSITION 1.4. *Let D be a Dedekind domain of characteristic 0 and n be a nonnegative integer. The ideal $C(n)$ is a product of maximal ideals of D , with any such maximal ideal P being above a prime integer $p \leq n$. Moreover, the exponent $c_P(n)$ of P is given by the following formulae:*

1. If $f_P > 1$, then $c_P(n) = v_P(n!)$.
2. If $f_P = 1$ and $e_P > 1$, then $c_P(n) = v_P(n!) - \left[\frac{n}{p} \right]$.
3. If $f_P = 1$ and $e_P = 1$, then $c_P(n) = 0$.

PROOF. Since $C(n)$ is an ideal of D , then clearly $c_P(n) \geq 0$. Hence, if $v_P(n!) = 0$, it results from Lemma 1.2 that $c_P(n) = 0$. This is the case if $P \cap \mathbb{Z} = (0)$, since the valuation v_P is then trivial on any integer, and also if P is above a prime integer $p > n$. Lastly the formulae are a direct consequence of Lemma 1.2 and Lemma 1.3. \square

REMARK 1.5. It is obvious that $c_P(n) > 0$ in the first case ($f_P > 1$). In fact, the same holds in the second case ($f_P = 1$ and $e_P > 1$). Indeed, from Legendre's well known formula, denoting by v_p the p -adic valuation, then

$$v_p(n!) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n}{p^k} \right]$$

and thus

$$c_P(n) = (e_P - 1) \left[\frac{n}{p} \right] + e_P \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n}{p^k} \right] > 0.$$

On the other hand it is clear from the definition that the ideals $C(n)$ are trivial if and only if the binomial polynomials $\binom{X}{n}$ belong to $\text{Int}(D)$. We thus recover one of the characterizations given by Chabert and Gerboud of the Dedekind domains D such that the binomial polynomials $\binom{X}{n}$ form a basis of $\text{Int}(D)$ [2, Theorem 2.5]: each maximal ideal P of D above a prime integer p is such that the valuation v_P is an immediate extension of the p -adic valuation (see also Remark 2.2 below).

From Proposition 1.1, if $C(n) = D$, then $C(n) = n!A(n)$. However, if some ideal $C(n)$ is not trivial, *i.e.* there is a maximal ideal P in D above a prime integer p such that the valuation v_P is *not* an immediate extension of the p -adic valuation, it results from next proposition that eventually $C(n) \subset n!A(n)$. This is in particular always the case for the ring of integers of an algebraic number field.

PROPOSITION 1.6. *Let D be a Dedekind domain containing \mathbb{Z} , n be a nonnegative integer and $B(n)$ be the ideal such that $C(n) = B(n) \cdot n!A(n)$. Then $B(n)$ is a product of maximal ideals of D , with any such maximal ideal P being above a prime integer $p \leq n$. Moreover, the exponent $b_P(n)$ of P is given by the following formulae:*

1. *If $f_P > 1$, then $b_P(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n}{p^{kf_P}} \right]$.*
2. *If $f_P = 1$ and $e_P > 1$, then $b_P(n) = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n}{p^k} \right]$.*
3. *If $f_P = 1$ and $e_P = 1$, then $b_P(n) = 0$.*

PROOF. Clearly, $b_P(n) = c_P(n) - a_P(n)$, where $a_P(n)$ is the exponent of P in the decomposition of $n!A(n)$. Now, the results of [1, Section 2] yield that

$$A(n) = \prod P^{-\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n}{N(P)^k} \right]},$$

where $N(P) = pf_P$ is the norm of P (i.e. the cardinality of D/P), hence

$$a_P(n) = v_P(n!) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n}{p^k f_P} \right].$$

From the previous proposition we thus get the following.

1. If $f_P > 1$, then $c_P(n) = v_P(n!)$, hence

$$b_P(n) = c_P(n) - a_P(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n}{p^k f_P} \right].$$

2. If $f_P = 1$ and $e_P > 1$, then

$$c_P(n) = v_P(n!) - \left[\frac{n}{p} \right]$$

and

$$a_P(n) = v_P(n!) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n}{p^k} \right],$$

hence

$$b_P(n) = c_P(n) - a_P(n) = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n}{p^k} \right].$$

3. If $f_P = 1$ and $e_P = 1$, then both $C(n)$ and $n!A(n)$ are trivial. Hence, so is $B(n)$. \square

2 – Computation of the ideals $E(\mathfrak{p})$

We present now a computation of the ideals $E(p)$, perfectly similar in spirit to that of the last section. We state the main result.

PROPOSITION 2.1. *Let D be a Dedekind domain of characteristic 0 and p be a prime number. The ideal $E(p)$ is a product of maximal ideals of D above p and the exponent $h_P(p)$ of such a maximal ideal P is given by the following formulae:*

1. If $f_P > 1$, then $h_P(p) = e_P$.
2. If $f_P = 1$, then $h_P(p) = e_P - 1$.

PROOF. By definition, the ideal $E(p)$ is the conductor in D of the ideal generated by the values of the Fermat polynomial $f_p(X) = \frac{1}{p}(X^p -$

X). In a manner similar to Lemma 1.2, we thus have

$$h_P(p) = v_P(p) - \text{Inf}_{x \in D} \{v_P(x^p - x)\}.$$

Since $E(p)$ is an ideal, then $0 \leq h_P(p) \leq v_P(p)$. Hence, if $v_P(p) = 0$, then $h_P(p) = 0$. This is clearly the case if P is not above p . Since $v_P(p) = e_P$, the formulae will result from the computation of $\text{Inf}_{x \in D} \{v_P(x^p - x)\}$:

1. If $f_P > 1$, the cardinality of the field D/P is greater than p and there exists some element $x_0 \in D$ such that $(x_0^p - x_0) \notin P$. Therefore

$$\text{Inf}_{x \in D} \{v_P(x^p - x)\} = v_P(x_0^p - x_0) = 0.$$

2. If $f_P = 1$, then $D/P \simeq \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ and $\forall x \in D, v_P(x^p - x) \geq 1$. On the other hand, if $x_0 \in D$ is such that $v_P(x_0) = 1$, then $v_P(x_0^p) = p$. Thus $v_P(x_0^p - x_0) = 1$ and

$$\text{Inf}_{x \in D} \{v_P(x^p - x)\} = v_P(x_0^p - x_0) = 1. \quad \square$$

REMARK 2.2. It clearly results from this proposition that the ideals $E(p)$ are trivial if and only if, for any maximal ideal P of D above a nonzero prime p , the valuation v_P is an immediate extension of the p -adic valuation. We thus recover another characterization given by Chabert and Gerboud of the Dedekind domains D such that the binomial polynomials $\binom{X}{n}$ form a basis of $\text{Int}(D)$ [2, Theorem 2.5].

3 – Application to quadratic fields

We now interpret Proposition 1.4 in the case of the ring of integers of a quadratic number field.

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Let D be the ring of integers of the quadratic field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$ where d is a square free integer. Let n be a positive integer and write*

$$n! = p_1^{b_1} \dots p_j^{b_j} q_1^{c_1} \dots q_k^{c_k} r_1^{a_1} \dots r_i^{a_i}$$

where p_t is a prime in \mathbb{Z} which is inert in D , for $1 \leq t \leq j$, q_t is a prime which splits, for $1 \leq t \leq k$ and r_t is a prime in \mathbb{Z} which ramifies in D ,

for $1 \leq t \leq i$. Then, letting $r_i D = R_i^2$,

$$C(n) = p_1^{b_1} \dots p_j^{b_j} R_1^{2a_1 - \lfloor \frac{n}{r_1} \rfloor} \dots R_i^{2a_i - \lfloor \frac{n}{r_i} \rfloor}$$

PROOF. This is a direct application of the formulae given by Proposition 1.4.

1. If p is inert, then $P = pD$ is a maximal ideal of D such that $e_P = 1$ and $f_P = 2$. In this case $c_P(n) = v_P(n!) = v_p(n)$ is the exponent of p in the decomposition of $n!$.
2. If q splits in D , the maximal ideals above q in D do not appear in the decomposition of $C(n)$.
3. If r ramifies, that is if $rD = R^2$, then R is a maximal ideal of D such that $e_R = 2$ and $f_R = 1$. In this case $c_R(n) = v_R(n!) - \lfloor \frac{n}{r} \rfloor$, where $v_R(n!) = 2v_r(n!)$ is twice the exponent of r in the decomposition of $n!$ \square

We illustrate the result 3.1 with two examples.

EXAMPLE 3.2. In the following chart, we list the prime factorization of the first 12 values of $n!$, followed by the prime factorizations of the ideals $C(n)$ and $n!A(n)$ when $D = \mathbb{Z}[i]$. Note that D is a principal ideal domain, $(2) = (1 + i)^2$ is the only ramified prime, and a prime p is inert in D if and only if $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ (see [6]).

n	$n!$	$C(n)$	$(n!)A(n)$
0	1	$\mathbb{Z}[i]$	$\mathbb{Z}[i]$
1	1	$\mathbb{Z}[i]$	$\mathbb{Z}[i]$
2	2	$(1 + i)$	$(1 + i)$
3	$2 \cdot 3$	$(1 + i)(3)$	$(1 + i)(3)$
4	$2^3 \cdot 3$	$(1 + i)^4(3)$	$(1 + i)^3(3)$
5	$2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$	$(1 + i)^4(3)$	$(1 + i)^3(3)$
6	$2^4 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5$	$(1 + i)^5(3)^2$	$(1 + i)^4(3)^2$
7	$2^4 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$	$(1 + i)^5(3)^2(7)$	$(1 + i)^4(3)^2(7)$
8	$2^7 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$	$(1 + i)^{10}(3)^2(7)$	$(1 + i)^7(3)^2(7)$
9	$2^7 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$	$(1 + i)^{10}(3)^4(7)$	$(1 + i)^7(3)^3(7)$
10	$2^8 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7$	$(1 + i)^{11}(3)^4(7)$	$(1 + i)^8(3)^3(7)$
11	$2^8 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11$	$(1 + i)^{11}(3)^4(7)(11)$	$(1 + i)^8(3)^3(7)(11)$

EXAMPLE 3.3. We repeat the chart of the previous example, this time with $D = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$. Here D is not a principal ideal domain and $(2) = (2, 1 + \sqrt{-5})^2$ and $(5) = (\sqrt{-5})^2$ are the only ramified primes. We let $P = (2, 1 + \sqrt{-5})$.

n	$n!$	$C(n)$	$(n!)A(n)$
0	1	$\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$	$\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$
1	1	$\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$	$\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$
2	2	P	P
3	$2 \cdot 3$	P	P
4	$2^3 \cdot 3$	P^4	P^3
5	$2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$	$P^4(\sqrt{-5})$	$P^3(\sqrt{-5})$
6	$2^4 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5$	$P^5(\sqrt{-5})$	$P^4(\sqrt{-5})$
7	$2^4 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$	$P^5(\sqrt{-5})$	$P^4(\sqrt{-5})$
8	$2^7 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$	$P^{10}(\sqrt{-5})$	$P^7(\sqrt{-5})$
9	$2^7 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$	$P^{10}(\sqrt{-5})$	$P^7(\sqrt{-5})$
10	$2^8 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7$	$P^{11}(\sqrt{-5})^2$	$P^8(\sqrt{-5})^2$
11	$2^8 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11$	$P^{11}(\sqrt{-5})^2(11)$	$P^8(\sqrt{-5})^2(11)$.

In both examples we note that for some N , $C(n) \subset n!A(n)$ for $n \geq N$, as required by Proposition 1.6.

For the ideals $E(p)$, we similarly derive immediately the following from Proposition 2.1.

PROPOSITION 3.4. *Let D be the ring of integers of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$ where d is a square free integer, and p be a prime in \mathbb{Z} .*

1. *If p splits in D , then $E(p) = D$.*
2. *If p ramifies and $pD = R^2$, then $E(p) = R$.*
3. *If p is inert, then $E(p) = pD$.*

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