

IDELE CLASS GROUP AND THE UNIT THEOREM

The ring of adèles. Let \mathbf{k} be an finite extension of the rational number field. An element \mathbf{a} of the direct product $\prod_p \mathbf{k}_p$ of all completions \mathbf{k}_p is an *adele* of \mathbf{k} if every coordinate \mathbf{a}_p is in \mathfrak{o}_p except for a finite number of p . Let $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ denote the set of adèles of \mathbf{k} . $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ is a ring, and the idele group $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}$ is the group of units of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$. As with ideles, $|\mathbf{a}_p|_p$ is denoted simply by $|\mathbf{a}|_p$.

For the topology of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$, basic neighborhoods are defined as follows. Choose any finite set of primes E of \mathbf{k} , and for each prime p in E choose a positive real ϵ_p . Then

$$\{\mathbf{b} \in \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} \mid |\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}|_p < \epsilon_p \text{ for } p \in E \text{ and } |\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{a}|_p \leq 1 \text{ for } p \notin E\}.$$

is a basic neighborhoods of adele \mathbf{a} .

LEMMA 6.1. *Let p be a prime of \mathbf{k} , let \mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k} be a finite extension, and let \wp_1, \dots, \wp_g be the primes of \mathbf{K} which divide p . Then there is a natural isomorphism $\sigma : \mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p \rightarrow \mathbf{K}_{\wp_1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{K}_{\wp_g}$ of algebras over \mathbf{k}_p .*

PROOF. Elements of \mathbf{k} are denoted by lower case a, b ; elements of finite extension \mathbf{K} by upper case A, X ; elements of \mathbf{k}_p by α, β, γ . Let σ_i be the imbedding of \mathbf{K} into completion \mathbf{K}_{\wp_i} . Then $\sigma(A, \beta) = (\sigma_1(A)\beta, \dots, \sigma_g(A)\beta)$ is a \mathbf{k} -bilinear mapping of $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{k}_p$ to $\mathbf{K}_{\wp_1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{K}_{\wp_g}$. There is a \mathbf{k} -linear mapping $\sigma : \mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p \rightarrow \mathbf{K}_{\wp_1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{K}_{\wp_g}$ such that $\sigma(A \otimes \beta) = (\sigma_1(A)\beta, \dots, \sigma_g(A)\beta)$. Both $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$ and $\mathbf{K}_{\wp_1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{K}_{\wp_g}$ are vector spaces over \mathbf{k}_p . We have $\sigma((A \otimes \beta)(A' \otimes \beta')) = \sigma(A \otimes \beta) \sigma(A' \otimes \beta')$, and σ is \mathbf{k}_p -linear.

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a basis for \mathbf{K} over \mathbf{k} . We want to show that $X_1 \otimes 1, \dots, X_n \otimes 1$ is a basis for $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$ over \mathbf{k}_p . An element of $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$ is a finite sum $\sum_{k=1}^m A_k \otimes \beta_k$. Let $A_k = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i a_{ik}$. Then

$$\sum_{k=1}^m A_k \otimes \beta_k = \sum_{k=1}^m \left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i a_{ik} \right) \otimes \beta_k \right) = \sum_{k=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \otimes a_{ik} \beta_k = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \otimes \sum_{k=1}^m a_{ik} \beta_k.$$

Then every element of $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$ is of the form $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \otimes \gamma_i$, so $X_1 \otimes 1, \dots, X_n \otimes 1$ span $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$ over \mathbf{k}_p . We will show that $X_1 \otimes 1, \dots, X_n \otimes 1$ are linearly independent over

\mathbf{k}_p . Suppose that $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \otimes \gamma_i = 0$. Multiply both sides by $X_j \otimes 1$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$ to obtain a system of n linear equations.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n X_i X_j \otimes \gamma_i = 0 \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

The trace $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}} : \mathbf{K} \rightarrow \mathbf{k}$ is \mathbf{k} -linear, so we can apply $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}} \otimes I : \mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p \rightarrow \mathbf{k}_p$ to both sides of each equation, obtaining

$$(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}} \otimes I) \sum_{i=1}^n X_i X_j \otimes \gamma_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(X_i X_j) \gamma_i = 0 \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

Matrix $(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(X_i X_j))$ is non-singular by proposition 4.4, so $\gamma_1 = \cdots = \gamma_n = 0$. This shows that $X_1 \otimes 1, \dots, X_n \otimes 1$ are linearly independent over \mathbf{k}_p .

Since $\sum_{i=1}^g [\mathbf{K}_{\varphi_i} : \mathbf{k}_p] = [\mathbf{K} : \mathbf{k}] = n$ then algebras $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$ and $\mathbf{K}_{\varphi_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbf{K}_{\varphi_g}$ have the same dimension over \mathbf{k}_p . The isomorphism will be established if we can show that $\ker(\sigma) = 0$. If $\sigma(X_1 \otimes \gamma_1 + \cdots + X_n \otimes \gamma_n) = 0$, then multiply both sides of the equation by $\sigma(X_j \otimes 1)$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$ to obtain the following system of linear equations.

$$\sigma \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i X_j \otimes \gamma_i) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma(X_i X_j \otimes \gamma_i) = 0 \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

In $\mathbf{K}_{\varphi_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbf{K}_{\varphi_g}$ we have

$$(6.1) \quad \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_1(X_i X_j) \gamma_i, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_g(X_i X_j) \gamma_i \right) = 0.$$

The trace function $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}$ is the sum of local traces (1.5).

$$\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(A) = \sum_{k=1}^g \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}_{\varphi_k}/\mathbf{k}_p}(\sigma_k(A)).$$

Each coordinate of (6.1) is zero, so we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^g \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}_{\varphi_k}/\mathbf{k}_p} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_k(X_i X_j) \gamma_i \right) = 0 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n,$$

or

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{k=1}^g \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}_{\wp_k}/\mathbf{k}_p} \sigma_k(X_i X_j) \right) \gamma_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(X_i X_j) \gamma_i = 0 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

Since $\det(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(X_i X_j)) \neq 0$, we conclude that $\gamma_j = 0$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$, and the proof is complete.

REMARK ON THE TRACE FUNCTION. If prime p of \mathbf{k} splits into primes \wp_1, \dots, \wp_g in extension \mathbf{K} , then for each prime \wp_i we have the embedding $\sigma_i : \mathbf{K} \rightarrow \mathbf{K}_{\wp_i}$, and the mapping $\sigma : \mathbf{K} \rightarrow \mathbf{K}_{\wp_1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{K}_{\wp_g}$, where $\sigma(A) = (\sigma_1(A), \dots, \sigma_g(A))$. Consider the function $\mathbf{S} : \mathbf{K}_{\wp_1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{K}_{\wp_g} \rightarrow \mathbf{k}_p$ defined by

$$\mathbf{S}(A_1, \dots, A_g) = \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}_{\wp_1}/\mathbf{k}_p}(A_1) + \dots + \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}_{\wp_g}/\mathbf{k}_p}(A_g).$$

Then for A in \mathbf{K} we have $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(A) = \mathbf{S}(\sigma(A))$. (Chapter I, *norm and trace functions*.) On $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$ we have \mathbf{k} -linear transformation $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}} \otimes I$, which is actually \mathbf{k}_p -linear.

$$(6.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p & \xrightarrow{\sigma \otimes I} & \sum_{i=1}^g \mathbf{K}_{\wp_i} \\ \downarrow \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}} \otimes I & & \downarrow \mathbf{S} \\ \mathbf{k} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \mathbf{k}_p \end{array}$$

In diagram (6.2), for A in \mathbf{K} , on the one hand we have $\iota(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}} \otimes I)(A \otimes 1) = \iota(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(A) \otimes 1) = \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(A)$, and on the other we have $\mathbf{S}((\sigma \otimes I)(A \otimes 1)) = \mathbf{S}(\sigma(A)) = \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(A)$. Therefore $\iota(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}} \otimes I)$ and $\mathbf{S}(\sigma \otimes I)$ agree on elements $A \otimes 1$ in $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$. If X_1, \dots, X_n is a basis for \mathbf{K} over \mathbf{k} then $\iota(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}} \otimes I)$ and $\mathbf{S}(\sigma \otimes I)$ agree on $X_1 \otimes 1, \dots, X_n \otimes 1$, which is a basis for $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$ over \mathbf{k}_p . Since $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$ and $\sum_{i=1}^g \mathbf{K}_{\wp_i}$ have the same dimension over \mathbf{k}_p , then $\iota(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}} \otimes I)$ and $\mathbf{S}(\sigma \otimes I)$ agree on all of $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$, so we have

$$(6.3) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(A_i) \gamma_i = \sum_{j=1}^g \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}_{\wp_j}/\mathbf{k}_p}(Y_j) \quad \text{if} \quad (\sigma \otimes I) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \otimes \gamma_i \right) = (Y_1, \dots, Y_g).$$

PROPOSITION 6.2. $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} \simeq \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$, and if X_1, \dots, X_n is a basis for \mathbf{K} over \mathbf{k} then

$$X_1 \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} + \dots + X_n \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} = \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}.$$

PROOF. The mapping $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ to $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$ is defined as follows. Each adele \mathbf{a} in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ determines an adele $\tilde{\mathbf{a}}$ in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$ by $\tilde{\mathbf{a}}_{\varphi} = \mathbf{a}_p$, where p is the prime of \mathbf{k} which φ divides. An element A of \mathbf{K} is mapped to the diagonal of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$. Each product $A\tilde{\mathbf{a}}$ is an adele because both $|A|_{\varphi} \leq 1$ and $|\tilde{\mathbf{a}}|_{\varphi} = |\mathbf{a}|_p \leq 1$ except for a finite number of primes φ . The map $\mathbf{K} \times \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$ sending (A, \mathbf{a}) to $A\tilde{\mathbf{a}}$ induces a homomorphism $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$ of algebras over \mathbf{k} . We can identify \mathbf{a} with its image $\tilde{\mathbf{a}}$, so the homomorphism may be written simply as $A \otimes \mathbf{a} \rightarrow A\mathbf{a}$.

We need to show that $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ is mapped onto $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$. Choose a basis X_1, \dots, X_n for \mathbf{K} over \mathbf{k} . Then $X_1 \otimes 1, \dots, X_n \otimes 1$ is a basis for $\mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p$. Let (A_{φ}) be an element of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$. For each prime p of \mathbf{k} , let $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_g$ be the primes of \mathbf{K} that divide p . We have the projection $\pi_p : \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}} \rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^g \mathbf{K}_{\varphi_i}$, and the isomorphism $(\sigma \otimes I) : \mathbf{K} \otimes_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{k}_p \rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^g \mathbf{K}_{\varphi_i}$. For each adele (A_{φ}) of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$, there exist unique coefficients $\gamma_i(p)$ in \mathbf{k}_p , for $1 \leq i \leq n$, so that

$$(6.4) \quad (\sigma \otimes I) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \otimes \gamma_i(p) \right) = \pi_p((A_{\varphi})) = (A_{\varphi_1}, \dots, A_{\varphi_g}).$$

The $\gamma_i(p)$ determine elements $\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n$ in $\prod_p \mathbf{k}_p$ such that the p -coordinate of \mathbf{a}_i is $\gamma_i(p)$. Then $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \otimes \mathbf{a}_i$ maps to (A_{φ}) , but we need to check that each \mathbf{a}_i is an adele in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$, *i.e.*, that $|\gamma_i(p)|_p \leq 1$ except for a finite number of primes p . Multiplying both sides of (6.4) by $(\sigma \otimes I)(X_j \otimes 1) = (\sigma_{\varphi_1}(X_j), \dots, \sigma_{\varphi_g}(X_j))$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$, we obtain a system of n equations for each prime p of \mathbf{k} .

$$(6.5) \quad (\sigma \otimes I) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i X_j \otimes \gamma_i(p) \right) = (A_{\varphi_1} \sigma_{\varphi_1}(X_j), \dots, A_{\varphi_g} \sigma_{\varphi_g}(X_j)), \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

Applying identity (6.3), we obtain

$$(6.6) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(X_i X_j) \gamma_i(p) = \sum_{k=1}^g \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}_{\varphi_k}/\mathbf{k}_p}(A_{\varphi_k} \sigma_{\varphi_k}(X_j)), \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

Let E contain all primes p of \mathbf{k} such that p is infinite, or $|\det(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(X_i X_j))|_p \neq 1$, or p is divisible by a prime φ of \mathbf{K} for which either $|A|_{\varphi} > 1$ or $|\sigma_{\varphi}(X_j)|_{\varphi} > 1$ for some j , $1 \leq j \leq n$. For all p not in E , the right side of (6.6) satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^g \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}_{\varphi_k}/\mathbf{k}_p}(A_{\varphi_k} \sigma_{\varphi_k}(X_j)) \right|_p \\ & \leq \max_{1 \leq k \leq g} \left(\left| \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}_{\varphi_k}/\mathbf{k}_p}(A_{\varphi_k} \sigma_{\varphi_k}(X_j)) \right|_p \right) \leq 1 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

In system (6.6) for p not in E , all the coefficients $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(X_i X_j)$ are in \mathfrak{o}_p , the determinant $\det(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{K}/\mathbf{k}}(X_i X_j))$ is a unit of \mathfrak{o}_p , and the right side terms are all in \mathfrak{o}_p . Therefore, we have $\gamma_i(p)$ in \mathfrak{o}_p for $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $p \notin E$, showing that \mathbf{a}_i is an adèle. Finally, since we identify \mathbf{a} in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ with its image in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$, every element of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{K}}$ is of the form $(\sigma \otimes I)(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \otimes \mathbf{a}_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \mathbf{a}_i$. This completes the proof.

LEMMA 6.3. *The group $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}}/\mathbf{Q}$ of adèle classes is compact and there is a compact subset \mathbf{C} of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}}$ such that $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{C}$.*

PROOF. Since \mathfrak{o}_p is compact for each finite rational prime p then the subset \mathbf{C} defined by

$$\mathbf{C} = \prod_{\text{finite } p} \mathfrak{o}_p \times \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right] \subset \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}}$$

is a compact subset of the adèle group $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}}$. If \mathbf{a} is an adèle in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}}$ then there is a finite set E of primes so that $|\mathbf{a}|_p \leq 1$ if and only if p is not in E . For a finite prime p in E , we have $\mathbf{a}_p = u_p/p^{n_p}$, where u_p is an element of \mathfrak{o}_p , and $n_p \geq 0$. Put $u_p = m_p + v_p p^{n_p}$ where m_p is a rational integer, $0 \leq m_p < p^{n_p}$, and v_p is an element of \mathfrak{o}_p . Define α to be the rational number

$$\alpha = \sum_{p \in E} \frac{m_p}{p^{n_p}}.$$

For each finite p not in E we have $|\mathbf{a} - \alpha|_p \leq \max(|\mathbf{a}|_p, |\alpha|_p) = 1$, and for each finite p in E , we have

$$|\mathbf{a} - \alpha|_p = \left| \frac{m_p + v_p p^{n_p}}{p^{n_p}} - \frac{m_p}{p^{n_p}} - \sum_{q \in E, q \neq p} \frac{m_q}{q^{n_q}} \right|_p = \left| v_p - \sum_{q \in E, q \neq p} \frac{m_q}{q^{n_q}} \right|_p \leq 1.$$

At the infinite prime $p = \infty$, there exists a rational integer μ such that $|\mathbf{a} - \alpha - \mu|_{\infty} \leq \frac{1}{2}$. At all finite primes p , we have

$$|\mathbf{a} - \alpha - \mu|_p \leq \max(|\mathbf{a} - \alpha|_p, |\mu|_p) \leq 1.$$

We have shown that there is a rational number $\beta = \alpha + \mu$ so that $\mathbf{a} - \beta \in \mathbf{C}$. Then the continuous homomorphism $\mathbf{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}/\mathbf{Q}$ maps compact subset \mathbf{C} onto \mathbf{A}/\mathbf{Q} , so \mathbf{A}/\mathbf{Q} is compact

LEMMA 6.4. *If \mathbf{k} is a finite extension of \mathbf{Q} then the group $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}/\mathbf{k}$ of adèle classes is compact, and there is a compact subset \mathbf{C} of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ so that $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} = \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{C}$.*

PROOF. Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a basis for \mathbf{k} over \mathbf{Q} . Then $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} = x_1 \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}} + \dots + x_n \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}}$ by lemma 6.2. If \mathbf{a} is in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$, let $\mathbf{a} = x_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \dots + x_n \mathbf{a}_n$ where \mathbf{a}_i is in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}}$ for

$1 \leq i \leq n$. By lemma 6.3, there is a compact subset \mathbf{C}' of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}}$ so that $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{C}'$, so $\mathbf{a}_i = \beta_i + \mathbf{c}_i$, where β_i is in \mathbf{Q} and \mathbf{c}_i is in \mathbf{C}' , for $1 \leq i \leq n$, and

$$\mathbf{a} = (x_1\beta_1 + \cdots + x_n\beta_n) + (x_1\mathbf{c}_1 + \cdots + x_n\mathbf{c}_n) \in \mathbf{k} + x_1\mathbf{C}' + \cdots + x_n\mathbf{C}'.$$

Subset $\mathbf{C} = x_1\mathbf{C}' + \cdots + x_n\mathbf{C}'$ is a compact subset of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} = \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{C}$. The continuous homomorphism $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}/\mathbf{k}$ maps \mathbf{C} onto $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}/\mathbf{k}$, proving that $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}/\mathbf{k}$ is compact.

Haar measure. Both \mathbf{k}_p and $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ are locally compact topological groups so Haar measures may be defined. For infinite primes p , take the ordinary Lebesgue measure on \mathbf{R} or \mathbf{C} for the Haar measure m_p on \mathbf{k}_p . For finite primes, the measure m_p is chosen so that $m_p(\mathfrak{o}_p) = 1$. The cosets of p^n are open subsets of compact subset \mathfrak{o}_p , so the measure of each coset should be Np^{-n} . Take the smallest σ -algebra containing all cosets $\alpha + p^n$ for α in \mathbf{k}_p . Since every coset of p^n is the disjoint union of cosets of p^{n+k} for $k > 0$, then every union of cosets is equal to a union of cosets of the same power of p .

LEMMA 6.5. *If S is a measurable set of \mathbf{k}_p and α is a non-zero element of \mathbf{k}_p then $m_p(\alpha S) = |\alpha|_p m_p(S)$.*

PROOF. Let $|\alpha|_p = Np^{-m}$, so $\alpha = u\pi^m$ where u is in \mathbf{u}_p , $(\pi) = p$, and m may be positive, zero or negative. S is a union of cosets $\beta + p^n$ and we may take $n \geq \max(-m, 0)$. Then αS is a union of cosets $\alpha\beta + p^{n+m}$ where $n + m \geq 0$, and $m_p(\alpha + p^{n+m}) = Np^{-n-m} = |\alpha|_p m_p(\beta + p^n)$. This shows that $m_p(\alpha S) = |\alpha|_p m_p(S)$.

Haar measure on the ring of adèles. Take F to be a finite set of primes of \mathbf{k} containing all infinite primes. For each p , let E_p be an open subset of \mathbf{k}_p for which $m_p(E_p)$ is defined and for which $E_p = \mathfrak{o}_p$ for all p not in F . Consider subsets \mathbf{E} of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ of the form $\mathbf{E} = \prod_p E_p$. Every adèle of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ is in some \mathbf{E} . Define the measure $m(\mathbf{E})$ to be

$$m(\mathbf{E}) = \prod_p m(E_p).$$

The product is defined since $m_p(E_p) = m_p(\mathfrak{o}_p) = 1$ for all but a finite number of p .

LEMMA 6.6. *If \mathbf{E} is a measurable set of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ and \mathbf{i} is an element of $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}$ then $m_p(\mathbf{i}\mathbf{E}) = |\mathbf{i}|_p m(\mathbf{E})$.*

PROOF. It is enough to check sets of the form $\mathbf{E} = \prod_p E_p$ such that $E_p = \mathfrak{o}_p$ for p not in some finite set F_1 . Suppose that $|\mathbf{i}|_p = 1$ except for p in finite set F_2 . Then

$$\mathbf{i}\mathbf{E} = \prod_{p \in F_1 \cup F_2} \mathbf{i}_p E_p \times \prod_{p \notin F_1 \cup F_2} \mathfrak{o}_p.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} m(\mathbf{iE}) &= \prod_{p \in F_1 \cup F_2} m_p(\mathbf{i}_p E_p) = \prod_{p \in F_1 \cup F_2} (|\mathbf{i}|_p m_p(E_p)) \\ &= \prod_{p \in F_1 \cup F_2} |\mathbf{i}|_p \prod_{p \in F_1 \cup F_2} m_p(E_p) = |\mathbf{i}| m(\mathbf{E}). \end{aligned}$$

Given an \mathbf{R} -valued function $f : \mathbf{A}_k \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ such that $\bar{f}(\mathbf{a}) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbf{k}} f(\mathbf{a} + \alpha)$ exists, the value $\bar{f}(\mathbf{a})$ depends only the coset $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ of \mathbf{a} in \mathbf{A}_k/\mathbf{k} . Define $\bar{f}(\bar{\mathbf{a}}) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbf{k}} f(\mathbf{a} + \alpha)$. If f is an integrable function on \mathbf{A}_k then

$$\int_{\mathbf{A}_k} f(\mathbf{a}) d\mathbf{a} = \int_{\mathbf{A}_k/\mathbf{k}} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbf{k}} f(\mathbf{a} + \alpha) d\bar{\mathbf{a}} = \int_{\mathbf{A}_k/\mathbf{k}} \bar{f}(\bar{\mathbf{a}}) d\bar{\mathbf{a}}$$

\mathbf{A}_k/\mathbf{k} is a compact group, so it must have finite measure.

LEMMA 6.7. *Let \mathbf{S} be a measurable subset of \mathbf{A}_k such that $m(\mathbf{S}) > m(\mathbf{A}_k/\mathbf{k})$. There exist \mathbf{a}_1 and \mathbf{a}_2 in \mathbf{S} so that $\mathbf{a}_1 \neq \mathbf{a}_2$ and $\mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{a}_2$ is an element of \mathbf{k}^* .*

PROOF. Let χ be the characteristic function of \mathbf{S} . Then $\sum_{\alpha \in \mathbf{k}} \chi(\mathbf{a} + \alpha) > 1$ at some \mathbf{a} because otherwise we would have

$$m(\mathbf{S}) = \int_{\mathbf{A}_k} \chi(\mathbf{a}) d\mathbf{a} = \int_{\mathbf{A}_k/\mathbf{k}} \left(\sum_{\alpha \in \mathbf{k}} \chi(\mathbf{a} + \alpha) \right) d\bar{\mathbf{a}} \leq \int_{\mathbf{A}_k/\mathbf{k}} 1 d\bar{\mathbf{a}} = m(\mathbf{A}_k/\mathbf{k})$$

If $\sum_{\alpha \in \mathbf{k}} \chi(\mathbf{a} + \alpha) > 1$ then there exist α_1 and α_2 in \mathbf{k} so that $\alpha_1 \neq \alpha_2$, $\mathbf{a}_1 = \mathbf{a} + \alpha_1 \in \mathbf{S}$ and $\mathbf{a}_2 = \mathbf{a} + \alpha_2 \in \mathbf{S}$.

LEMMA 6.8. *\mathbf{k} is a discrete subgroup of \mathbf{A}_k .*

PROOF. Let α be an element of \mathbf{k} . Choose any prime p_0 of \mathbf{k} . Then

$$\mathbf{U} = \left\{ \mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{A}_k \mid |\mathbf{a} - \alpha|_p \in \mathfrak{o}_p \text{ for } p \neq p_0 \text{ and } |\mathbf{a} - \alpha|_{p_0} < \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

is an open neighborhood of α , and $\mathbf{U} \cap \mathbf{k} = \{\alpha\}$.

PROPOSITION 6.9. *Let $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0$ be the subgroup of $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}$ consisting of all ideles \mathbf{i} such that $|\mathbf{i}| = 1$. Then $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0$ contains \mathbf{k}^* , and the group of idele classes $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0/\mathbf{k}^*$ is compact.*

PROOF. Lemma 6.6 insures that $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ has arbitrarily large compact subsets, so choose a compact subset $\mathbf{C} \subset \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ so that $m(\mathbf{C}) > m(\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}/\mathbf{k})$. Subtraction $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}') \rightarrow \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{a}'$ and multiplication $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}') \rightarrow \mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}'$ are continuous functions, so $\mathbf{C}' = \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{C}$ and $\mathbf{C}'' = \mathbf{C}'\mathbf{C}'$ are compact subsets of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$. By lemma 6.8, $\mathbf{K} \cap \mathbf{C}''$ is a finite set. Let $\mathbf{K} \cap \mathbf{C}'' = \{\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n\}$. Then $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{C}' \cup \xi_1^{-1}\mathbf{C}' \cup \dots \cup \xi_n^{-1}\mathbf{C}'$ is a compact subset of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$.

For any finite set E of primes of \mathbf{k} , the subset

$$\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) = \prod_{p \in E} \mathbf{k}_p \times \prod_{p \notin E} \mathfrak{o}_p$$

is open in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$, and $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} \subset \cup_E \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}(E)$. There exists a finite number of sets E_1, \dots, E_m so that compact set \mathbf{V} is contained in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}(E_1) \cup \dots \cup \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}(E_m)$. If $E_0 = E_1 \cup \dots \cup E_m$ then $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}(E_0) = \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}(E_1) \cup \dots \cup \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}(E_m)$, so \mathbf{V} is contained in $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}(E_0)$. For each p , the function $\mathbf{a} \rightarrow |\mathbf{a}|_p$ is continuous, so $|\mathbf{a}|_p$ is bounded on compact set \mathbf{V} . Since E_0 is a finite set of primes, there exists a positive bound δ so that $|\mathbf{a}|_p \leq \delta$ for \mathbf{a} in \mathbf{V} and p in E_0 , and we have

$$(6.7) \quad \mathbf{V} \subset \prod_{p \in E_0} \{\alpha \in \mathbf{k}_p \mid |\alpha|_p \leq \delta\} \times \prod_{p \notin E_0} \mathfrak{o}_p.$$

Suppose that \mathbf{c} is a unit of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$ (*i.e.*, an element of $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}$) such that \mathbf{c} and \mathbf{c}^{-1} are in \mathbf{V} . Then by (6.7) both \mathbf{c} and \mathbf{c}^{-1} are elements of \mathbf{W} defined by

$$(6.8) \quad \mathbf{W} = \prod_{p \in E_0} \{\alpha \in \mathbf{k}^* \mid |\alpha|_p \leq \delta \text{ and } |\alpha^{-1}|_p \leq \delta\} \times \prod_{p \notin E_0} \mathfrak{o}_p^*,$$

which is a compact subset of the idele group $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}$. (Group \mathfrak{o}_p^* is compact because it is the union of $\mathbb{N}p - 1$ cosets of ideal p , and each coset is compact because ring \mathfrak{o}_p is compact.)

Suppose that \mathbf{i} is an idele in $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0$. If we can show that \mathbf{i} is in $\mathbf{k}^*\mathbf{W}$, then $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0/\mathbf{k}^*$ will be the image of compact set \mathbf{W} , which will prove the proposition. Both $\mathbf{i}\mathbf{C}$ and $\mathbf{i}^{-1}\mathbf{C}$ are compact subsets of $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}}$. Since $|\mathbf{i}| = 1$, we have $m(\mathbf{i}\mathbf{C}) = m(\mathbf{C})$ and $m(\mathbf{i}^{-1}\mathbf{C}) = m(\mathbf{C})$. By lemma 6.7, there exist elements \mathbf{ia}_1 and \mathbf{ia}_2 in $\mathbf{i}\mathbf{C}$ so that $\mathbf{ia}_1 - \mathbf{ia}_2$ is in \mathbf{k}^* . Put $\mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{a}_2$. Then \mathbf{c}_1 is in \mathbf{C}' and \mathbf{ic}_1 is in \mathbf{k}^* . Likewise, there exist elements $\mathbf{i}^{-1}\mathbf{b}_1$ and $\mathbf{i}^{-1}\mathbf{b}_2$ in $\mathbf{i}^{-1}\mathbf{C}$ so that $\mathbf{i}^{-1}\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{i}^{-1}\mathbf{b}_2$ is in \mathbf{k}^* . Put $\mathbf{c}_2 = \mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{b}_2$. Then \mathbf{c}_2 is in \mathbf{C}' and $\mathbf{i}^{-1}\mathbf{c}_2$ is in \mathbf{k}^* .

The product $(\mathbf{ic}_1)(\mathbf{i}^{-1}\mathbf{c}_2) = \mathbf{c}_1\mathbf{c}_2$ is in $\mathbf{k}^* \cap \mathbf{C}''$, so $\mathbf{c}_1\mathbf{c}_2 = \xi_i$ for some i . We have $\mathbf{c}_1 \in \mathbf{C}' \subset \mathbf{V}$. Also we have $\mathbf{c}_1^{-1} = \xi_i^{-1}\mathbf{c}_2$ so $\mathbf{c}_1^{-1} \in \xi_i^{-1}\mathbf{C}' \subset \mathbf{V}$. Therefore \mathbf{c}_1^{-1} is in \mathbf{W} , and $\mathbf{i} = (\mathbf{ic}_1)\mathbf{c}_1^{-1}$ is in $\mathbf{k}^*\mathbf{W}$, which completes the proof.

LEMMA 6.10. *If E is a finite set of primes of \mathbf{k} , let $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ be the subgroup of E -units in \mathbf{k} .*

$$\mathbf{k}^*(E) = \mathbf{k}^* \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E).$$

Then $(\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0)/\mathbf{k}^(E)$ is compact.*

PROOF. In the following diagram, the kernel of $\mu\iota$ is $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$, so induced homomorphism ι' is an isomorphism onto a subgroup of $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0/\mathbf{k}^*$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0 & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0 \\ \downarrow \mu' & & \downarrow \mu \\ (\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0)/\mathbf{k}^*(E) & \xrightarrow{\iota'} & \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0/\mathbf{k}^* \end{array}$$

The map ι' is open because if V is an open subset of $(\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0)/\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ then $\mu'^{-1}(V)$ is open in $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0$, inclusion ι is an open mapping, and the natural homomorphism μ is an open mapping. Therefore the image $\iota'((\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0)/\mathbf{k}^*(E))$ is an open subgroup of $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0/\mathbf{k}^*$. An open subgroup must be closed, so $\iota'((\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0)/\mathbf{k}^*(E))$ is a closed subgroup of compact group $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0/\mathbf{k}^*$. Therefore $(\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0)/\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ is isomorphic to a compact subgroup.

LEMMA 6.11. *If E is a finite set of primes containing the infinite primes of \mathbf{k} then there exists a positive real number ϵ so that $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0 = \mathbf{k}^*(E)C_{\epsilon}$, where C_{ϵ} is the compact set defined by*

$$(6.9) \quad C_{\epsilon} = \left\{ \mathbf{i} \in \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0 \mid \frac{1}{\epsilon} \leq |\mathbf{i}|_p \leq \epsilon \text{ for } p \in E \right\}.$$

PROOF. We need to show $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0 \subset \mathbf{k}^*(E)C_{\epsilon}$. We have the natural homomorphism

$$\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0 \xrightarrow{\mu'} (\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0)/\mathbf{k}^*(E)$$

onto a compact group. For any given \mathbf{i} in $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0$, the values $|\mathbf{i}|_p$ for p in E are bounded because E is a finite set. For positive real ϵ , the sets C_{ϵ} form an open covering of $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0$, so the images $\mu'(C_{\epsilon})$ form an open covering of compact group $(\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0)/\mathbf{k}^*(E)$. There exist a finite number of the sets $\mu'(C_{\epsilon})$ which cover $(\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0)/\mathbf{k}^*(E)$. If $\epsilon_1 < \epsilon_2$ then $C_{\epsilon_1} \subset C_{\epsilon_2}$. Therefore there exists a single set C_{ϵ} so that $\mu'(C_{\epsilon})$ covers $(\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0)/\mathbf{k}^*(E)$. For any \mathbf{i} in $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0$, there exists an idele \mathbf{j} in C_{ϵ} so that $\mu'(\mathbf{i}) = \mu'(\mathbf{j})$, so $\mu'(\mathbf{i}\mathbf{j}^{-1}) = 1$. The kernel of μ' is $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$, so there exists an element α in $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ so that $\mathbf{i} = \alpha\mathbf{j}$. Therefore $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0 \subset \mathbf{k}^*(E)C_{\epsilon}$.

LEMMA 6.12. \mathbf{k}^* is a discrete subgroup of $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}$.

PROOF. The set U defined by

$$(6.10) \quad U = \left\{ \mathbf{i} \in \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}} \mid |\mathbf{i} - 1|_p \leq 1 \text{ for } p \text{ finite, } |\mathbf{i} - 1|_p < \frac{1}{2} \text{ for } p \text{ infinite} \right\}$$

is an open subset of $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}$ which contains no element of \mathbf{k}^* other than 1.

PROPOSITION 6.13 (DIRICHLET UNIT THEOREM). *If E is a finite set of primes of \mathbf{k} containing all the infinite primes and if the number of elements in E is $s + 1$, then $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ is the product of a finite subgroup (the roots of unity in \mathbf{k}^*) and a free abelian group on s generators. That is, there exist in $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ an m -th root of unity ω and elements η_1, \dots, η_s such that every element η of $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ may be uniquely expressed as a product*

$$\eta = \omega^{\nu_0} \eta_1^{\nu_1} \dots \eta_s^{\nu_s} \quad 0 \leq \nu_0 < m \text{ and } \nu_i \in \mathbf{Z} \ (1 \leq i \leq s)$$

PROOF. Let E contain infinite primes p_0, \dots, p_r . If E contains any finite primes then let them be p_{r+1}, \dots, p_s . Let A_s be defined by

$$A_s = \left\{ (a_0, \dots, a_s) \in (\mathbf{R}^+)^{s+1} \mid \prod_{i=0}^s a_i = 1 \right\}$$

where \mathbf{R}^+ denotes the group of positive real numbers. Let $f : \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0 \rightarrow A_s$ be defined by

$$f(\mathbf{i}) = (|\mathbf{i}|_{p_0}, \dots, |\mathbf{i}|_{p_s}).$$

The kernel of f is the group of \mathbf{i} such that $|\mathbf{i}|_p = 1$ for all primes p , so $\ker(f)$ is compact, and $\ker(f) \cap \mathbf{k}^*(E)$ must be a finite group because $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ is discrete. Any finite subgroup of $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ must consist of roots of unity; conversely, any root of unity in $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ must be in the kernel of f . Let m -th of unity ω generate the group of roots of unity in $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$.

Let B and H be the images in A_s of $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{k}}^0$ and $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$, respectively. H is a discrete subgroup of A_s , because the only elements of $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ in the open neighborhood

$$\left\{ (a_0, \dots, a_s) \mid |a_i - 1| < \frac{1}{2} \quad 0 \leq i \leq s \right\}$$

of $(1, \dots, 1)$ are in the finite set $\ker(f) \cap \mathbf{k}^*(E)$. For subgroup B we have

$$B = \left\{ (b_0, \dots, b_s) \in A_s \mid b_i > 0 \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq r; \quad b_i = Np_i^{u_i}, \quad u_i \in \mathbf{Z} \text{ for } r < i \leq s \right\}$$

By lemma 6.11, there exists a compact set C_ϵ such $\mathbf{I}_k(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_k^0 = \mathbf{k}^*(E)C_\epsilon$. Then

$$B = f(\mathbf{I}_k(E) \cap \mathbf{I}_k^0) = f(\mathbf{k}^*(E))f(C_\epsilon) = HC,$$

where $C = f(V_\epsilon)$ is compact.

We next show that $A_s = BV$ where V is compact. Put

$$V = \left\{ (a_0, \dots, a_s) \in A_s \left| \begin{array}{l} a_i = 1 \quad (0 \leq i < r); \\ \prod_{i=r+1}^s (\mathbf{N}p_i)^{-1} \leq a_r \leq 1; \quad 1 \leq a_i \leq \mathbf{N}p_i \quad (r < i \leq s) \end{array} \right. \right\}.$$

Then V is certainly compact. If $a \in A_s$ then choose $b \in B$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} (ba)_i &= 1 & 0 \leq i < r \\ 1 \leq |ba|_i &\leq \mathbf{N}p_i & r < i \leq s \\ b_r &= \prod_{i=r+1}^s b_i^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The condition on b_r ensures that $\prod_{i=0}^s b_i = 1$. We have $a = b^{-1}(ba)$. To show that ba is in V , it is only necessary to check coordinate $(ba)_r$. We have $a_r = \prod_{i \neq r} a_i^{-1}$ and $b_r = \prod_{i \neq r} b_i^{-1}$, so $(ba)_r = \prod_{i \neq r} (ba)_i^{-1}$. Since $(ba)_i = 1$ for $0 \leq i < r$ we have $(ba)_r = \prod_{r < i \leq s} (ba)_i^{-1}$. Since $\mathbf{N}p_i^{-1} \leq |ba|_i \leq 1$ for $r < i \leq s$, then

$$\prod_{r < i \leq s} \mathbf{N}p_i^{-1} \leq (ba)_r \leq 1.$$

This shows that ba is in V , and that $A_s = BV$. Combining $A_s = BV$ and $B = HC$ gives

$$A_s = HW,$$

where $W = CV$ is a compact subset of A_s .

Let V_s be the s -dimensional vector space over \mathbf{R} defined by

$$V_s = \left\{ (x_0, \dots, x_s) \in \mathbf{R}^{s+1} \left| \sum_{i=0}^s x_i = 0 \right. \right\}$$

We have the isomorphism $\psi : A_s \rightarrow V_s$ defined by

$$\psi(a_0, \dots, a_s) = (\log a_0, \dots, \log a_s).$$

Since $A_s = HW$, we have $V_s = \psi(A_s) = \psi(HW) = \psi(H) + \psi(W)$. Put $L = \psi(H)$ and $W' = \psi(W)$. Then

$$V_s = L + W'$$

where L is a discrete subgroup and W' is compact. We will show that L is a free abelian group on s generators.

Let y_1, \dots, y_t be a maximal linearly independent subset of L . For $y \in L$, there are real α_i so that

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i y_i = \sum_{i=1}^r [\alpha_i] y_i + \sum_{i=1}^r \{\alpha_i\} y_i,$$

where $[\alpha_i] \in \mathbf{Z}$ and $0 \leq \{\alpha_i\} < 1$ for $i = 1, \dots, t$. The term $\sum_{i=1}^r \{\alpha_i\} y_i$ is in the intersection of L and a compact subset of V_s . Therefore, there is a finite set L_0 such that

$$L = \mathbf{Z}y_1 + \dots + \mathbf{Z}y_t + L_0.$$

If $t < s$, then y_1, \dots, y_t can be extended to a basis $y_1, \dots, y_t, y_{t+1}, \dots, y_s$ of V_s . Since $V_s = L + W'$ with W' compact, there is a constant c so that for any v in V_s , we have

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^t m_i y_i + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i y_i \quad \text{where } \alpha_i < c.$$

But this is impossible since $\alpha_{t+1} y_{t+1}$ must have unbounded coefficient α_{t+1} . Therefore $t = s$.

Let the elements of finite set L_0 be z_1, \dots, z_ν . By the pigeon-hole principle, there are two distinct numbers j and j' so that $0 \leq j < j' \leq \nu$ and $jz_1 - j'z_1 = \sum_{i=1}^s m_i y_i$ with $m_i \in \mathbf{Z}$. If we replace each y_i by $(j - j')^{-1} y_i$ then z_1 is an element of $\mathbf{Z}y_1 + \dots + \mathbf{Z}y_s$, and we have $L = \mathbf{Z}y_1 + \dots + \mathbf{Z}y_s + L'_0$ where L'_0 contains $\nu - 1$ elements. After a finite number of steps, we arrive at a set of free generators y_1, \dots, y_s for L .

Choose elements η_1, \dots, η_s in $\mathbf{k}^*(E)$ so that $\psi(f(\eta_i)) = y_i$. If $\eta \in \mathbf{k}^*(E)$ then there are unique integers ν_1, \dots, ν_s so that $\psi(f(\eta)) = \sum_{i=1}^s \nu_i y_i$, so $\eta \prod_{i=1}^s \eta_i^{-\nu_i}$ is in $\ker(f) = \langle \omega \rangle$. Therefore

$$\eta = \omega^{\nu_0} \eta_1^{\nu_1} \dots \eta_s^{\nu_s}.$$

This concludes the proof of the unit theorem.