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Let A be a 2-dimensional noetherian regular local ring with residue field k . Denote by $F = \text{Frac } A$ the field of fractions of A , and for each prime $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } A$, write $k(\mathfrak{p}) = \text{Frac}(A/\mathfrak{p})$. We present a proof of the exactness of the Gersten sequence of K -groups

$$0 \rightarrow K_2(A) \rightarrow K_2(F) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{p}} K_1(k(\mathfrak{p})) \rightarrow K_0(k) \rightarrow 0$$

Here \mathfrak{p} runs over the set of height 1 prime ideals of A , $K_2(F) \rightarrow K_1(k(\mathfrak{p}))$ is the tame symbol map, and the last map $\text{ord}_{\mathfrak{p}}: K_1(k(\mathfrak{p})) = k(\mathfrak{p})^{\times} \rightarrow K_0(k) = \mathbb{Z}$ is defined on the 1-dimensional domain $\overline{A} = A/\mathfrak{p}$ by $\text{ord}_{\mathfrak{p}}(\overline{a}) = \text{length } \overline{A}/\overline{a}$. An application of this result to the study of the Brauer group of F , in the form of a Bloch-Ogus sequence for étale cohomology groups, will be discussed in a talk later in this session, *The Brauer group of a 2-dimensional regular local ring.* (Received September 28, 2005)