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Q2: Let  $p(x) = x^3 + x + 1$ . If p is reducible, it must split into a factors of degree 2 and 1. By prop.11 of section 9.4 (Dummite and Foote), p will be reducible if p(-1) or p(1) are 0. We see that clearly neither are 0. Thus p(x) is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .