
MATH 210B

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10. Let $E = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2}, \sqrt[4]{5}, i)$. For $0 \leq j \leq 3$, define $\varphi_j \in \text{Aut}(E)$ by $\varphi_j(i) = (-1)^j i$ and $\varphi_j(\sqrt[4]{5}) = i^j \sqrt[4]{5}$, and for $4 \leq j \leq 7$, define $\varphi_j \in \text{Aut}(E)$ by $\varphi_j(i) = (-1)^{j+1} i$ and $\varphi_j(\sqrt[4]{5}) = i^j \sqrt[4]{5}$.

- (a) Find $G(E/\mathbb{Q}(i))$, $G(E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2}))$, $G(E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5}))$, $G(E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5}, i))$.

Solution. Considering all the automorphisms which map i to i we get that $G(E/\mathbb{Q}(i)) = \{\varphi_0, \varphi_2, \varphi_5, \varphi_7\}$. Note that $x^3 - 2$ is the minimal polynomial of $\sqrt[3]{2}$ over E and so E only contains one root of this polynomial. Thus, every automorphism must map $\sqrt[3]{2}$ to itself and so $G(E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})) = \text{Aut}(E)$. Considering all the automorphisms which map $\sqrt[4]{5}$ to itself, we get that $G(E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5})) = \{\varphi_0, \varphi_4\}$. Finally, there is only one automorphism which fixes both i and $\sqrt[4]{5}$ and so $G(E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5}, i)) = \{\varphi_0\}$.

- (b) Find $[E: \mathbb{Q}(i)]$, $[E: \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})]$, $[E: \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5})]$, $[E: \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5}, i)]$.

Solution. Since the minimal polynomial of $\sqrt[3]{2}$ over $\mathbb{Q}(i)$ is $x^3 - 2$ and the minimal polynomial of $\sqrt[4]{5}$ over $\mathbb{Q}(i)$ is $x^4 - 5$, then we have that $[E: \mathbb{Q}(i)] = 3 \cdot 4 = 12$. Similarly, since $x^4 - 5$ is the minimal polynomial of $\sqrt[4]{5}$ over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$ and $x^2 + 1$ is the minimal polynomial of i over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$, then $[E: \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})] = 4 \cdot 2 = 8$. Again, we have that $x^3 - 2$ is the minimal polynomial of $\sqrt[3]{2}$ over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5})$ and $x^2 + 1$ is the minimal polynomial of i over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5})$ and so $[E: \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5})] = 3 \cdot 2 = 6$. Lastly, the minimal polynomial of $\sqrt[3]{2}$ over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5}, i)$ is $x^3 - 2$ and so $[E: \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5}, i)] = 3$.

- (c) Determine which of these extensions are normal.

Solution. Note that $x^3 - 2$ is irreducible over $\mathbb{Q}(i)$, $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5})$, and $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5}, i)$, and E contains a root of $x^3 - 2$, yet $x^3 - 2$ does not split over E and so none of these extensions are normal. Now note that $x^3 - 2$ is reducible over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$, but its nonlinear irreducible factor is $x^2 + \sqrt[3]{2}x + \sqrt[3]{4}$. E does not contain a root of this polynomial and so all other irreducible polynomials over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$ split over E . Thus, $E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$ is a normal extension.

- (d) Determine which of these extensions are separable.

Solution. We have that both $\sqrt[3]{2}$ and $\sqrt[4]{5}$ are algebraic over $\mathbb{Q}(i)$ and neither $x^3 - 2$ and $x^4 - 5$ have multiple roots in any extension. Thus, $E/\mathbb{Q}(i)$ is separable. By the same reasoning we can see that i , $\sqrt[3]{2}$, and $\sqrt[4]{5}$ are all algebraic over each of the base fields and all of the respective minimal polynomials do not contain multiple roots. Thus, every extension is separable.

- (e) For each K , determine $F_{G(E/K)}$, and determine if $F_{G(E/K)} = K$.

Solution. Based on part (a), we have that

$$F_{G(E/\mathbb{Q}(i))} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2}, i)$$

$$F_{G(E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2}))} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$$

$$F_{G(E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5}))} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2}, \sqrt[4]{5})$$

$$F_{G(E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{5}, i))} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2}, \sqrt[4]{5}, i).$$

$E/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$ satisfies $F_{G(E/K)} = K$.