

# 1. Tutorial Series 1: Embeddings

**Exercise 1.1:** Consider the ring of polynomials  $\mathbb{Z}[X]$  with indeterminate  $X$ .

**Question 1.1.1:** Show that  $\mathbb{Z}[X]/(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ .

Take the map  $\varphi : \mathbb{Z}[X] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\varphi(a_0 + a_1X + \dots + a_nX^n) = a_0$ ,  $\varphi$  is a ring homomorphism with  $\text{Ker } \varphi = (X)$  and  $\text{Im } \varphi = \mathbb{Z}$  then by the first isomorphism theorem  $\mathbb{Z}[X]/(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Question 1.1.2:** Show that  $(2) + (x)$  is not generated by a singleton.

Suppose there exists  $P \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$  such that  $(P) = (2) + (X)$ , since  $2 \in (2) + (X)$  then  $2 \in (P)$  so  $2 = PQ$  with  $Q \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$  but that means that  $\deg(P) + \deg(Q) = 0 \Rightarrow \deg P = 0$  so  $P = p \in \mathbb{Z}$ , since  $2 \in (p)$  then  $p \mid 2 \Rightarrow p = \pm 1$  or  $p = \pm 2$  which are both impossible since  $1 \in \mathbb{Z}[X] \setminus ((2) + (X))$  and  $2 + X \in (2) + (X) \setminus (2)$ .

**Question 1.1.3:** Deduce that  $\mathbb{Z}[X]$  is not a PID.

- From 1.1.1 we have that  $\mathbb{Z}[X]$  is a PID and  $X$  is irreducible then  $(X)$  is a maximal ideal so  $\mathbb{Z}[X]/(X)$  is a field but  $\mathbb{Z}[X]/(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}$  which means that  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a field, contradiction.
- From 1.1.2 we have that  $(2) + (x)$  is an ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}[X]$  but it is not a principle ideal.

**Question 1.1.4:** Is  $\mathbb{Z}[X]$  a Euclidean domain ?

$\mathbb{Z}[X]$  is not a Euclidean domain since it is not a PID.

**Exercise 1.2:** Find embeddings and automorphisms in the following cases.

**Question 1.2.1:**  $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}), \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}), \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{5})$  and  $L = \mathbb{C}$ .

- $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ : we have that  $\text{Irr}(\sqrt{2}, K, X) = X^2 - 2$  since it is a monic 2-Eisenstein that nullifies  $\sqrt{2}$  and we have that  $\text{Char } \mathbb{Q} = 0$  and  $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 2$  so there are only two embeddings

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1 : \sqrt{2} &\mapsto \sqrt{2} \\ \sigma_2 : \sqrt{2} &\mapsto -\sqrt{2}\end{aligned}$$

which are both automorphisms.

- $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2})$ : we have that  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})(\sqrt[4]{2})$  then  $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = [\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}), \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})][\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 2 \cdot 2 = 4$  and  $X^4 - 2$  nullifies  $\sqrt[4]{2}$  then we have that  $\text{Irr}(\sqrt[4]{2}, \mathbb{Q}, X) = X^4 - 2$ , and we get that the set of conjugates of  $\sqrt[4]{2}$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  are  $\{\sqrt[4]{2}, -\sqrt[4]{2}, i\sqrt[4]{2}, -i\sqrt[4]{2}\}$  and since

$\text{Char}(\mathbb{Q}) = 0$  then the following 4 embeddings are the only ones

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1 : \sqrt[4]{2} &\mapsto \sqrt[4]{2} & \sigma_2 : \sqrt[4]{2} &\mapsto -\sqrt[4]{2} \\ \sigma_3 : \sqrt[4]{2} &\mapsto i\sqrt[4]{2} & \sigma_4 : \sqrt[4]{2} &\mapsto -i\sqrt[4]{2}\end{aligned}$$

and only  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  are automorphisms.

- $K = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{5})$ : we have that  $X^3 - 5$  is 5-Eisenstein and nullifies  $\sqrt[3]{5}$  then  $\text{Irr}(\sqrt[3]{5}, \mathbb{Q}, X) = X^3 - 5$  so the conjugates of  $\sqrt[3]{5}$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  are  $\{\sqrt[3]{5}, j\sqrt[3]{5}, j^2\sqrt[3]{5}\}$  with  $j = e^{\frac{2\pi}{3}i}$ , thus we get exactly 3 embeddings

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1 : \sqrt[3]{5} &\mapsto \sqrt[3]{5} \\ \sigma_2 : \sqrt[3]{5} &\mapsto j\sqrt[3]{5} \\ \sigma_3 : \sqrt[3]{5} &\mapsto j^2\sqrt[3]{5}\end{aligned}$$

and only  $\sigma_1$  is an automorphism.

**Question 1.2.2:** Find all  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ -embeddings of  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2})$  into  $\mathbb{C}$ .

we have that  $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})] = 2$  and it's easy to verify that  $\text{Irr}(\sqrt[4]{2}, \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}), X) = X^2 - \sqrt{2}$ , thus the conjugates of  $\sqrt[4]{2}$  over  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$  are  $\{\sqrt[4]{2}, -\sqrt[4]{2}\}$  thus we get only two embeddings since  $\text{Char } \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) = 0$  which are

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1 : \sqrt[4]{2} &\mapsto \sqrt[4]{2} \\ \sigma_2 : \sqrt[4]{2} &\mapsto -\sqrt[4]{2}\end{aligned}$$

**Question 1.2.3:** Determine all embeddings of  $K = \mathbb{F}_2(\alpha)$  into an algebraic closure  $\overline{K}$  and all automorphisms with  $\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 = 0$  then  $\alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + 1 = 0$ .

- $\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 = 0$  : let  $P(X) = X^2 + X + 1$ ,  $P(0) = P(1) = 1 \neq 0$  thus  $P$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{F}_2[X]$  and  $P(\alpha) = 0$  so  $\text{Irr}(\alpha, \mathbb{F}_2, X) = P(X)$ ,  $[\mathbb{F}_2(\alpha) : \mathbb{F}_2] = 2$  thus there are two conjugates of  $\alpha$  over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ .  $P(\alpha^2) = \alpha^4 + \alpha^2 + 1$ , we have  $\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha^2 = \alpha + 1 \Rightarrow \alpha^3 = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha^4 = \alpha$  thus  $P(\alpha^2) = \alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 = 0$ . So the conjugates are  $\{\alpha, \alpha^2\}$  and thus we get the embeddings are

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1 : \alpha &\mapsto \alpha \\ \sigma_2 : \alpha &\mapsto \alpha^2\end{aligned}$$

which are both automorphisms.

**Question 1.2.4:** Determine all embeddings of  $K = \mathbb{F}_3(\beta)$  into an algebraic closure  $\overline{K}$  and all automorphisms with  $\beta^2 + \beta + 2 = 0$  then  $\beta^3 + \beta^2 + 2 = 0$ .

- the process is just the same as before.

**Exercise 1.3:** Let  $L/K$  be an algebraic extension and  $\Omega$  an algebraically closed field.

**Question 1.3.1:** Let  $\theta \in L$ , and  $\tau : K \rightarrow \Omega$  an embedding, show that  $\tau$  can be extended to  $\sigma : K(\theta) \rightarrow \Omega$ .

**Question 1.3.2:** If  $\text{Char } K = 0$  and  $[K(\theta) : K] = n$  then there is exactly  $n$  extensions to  $K(\theta)$ .

**Question 1.3.3:** Apply the above to each embedding  $\sigma : \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  with  $\theta = \sqrt[4]{2}$ .

**Question 1.3.4:** Using the 1.3.1 and Zorn's Lemma, prove that  $\tau$  can be extended to  $\sigma : L \rightarrow \Omega$ .

**Exercise 1.4:** Find the primitive element of the following extensions

1.  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i)/\mathbb{Q}$ .
2.  $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{R}$ .
3.  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i, \sqrt{3})/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$ .
4.  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i, \sqrt{3})/\mathbb{Q}$ .
5.  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt[4]{2})/\mathbb{Q}$ .
6.  $\mathbb{F}_2(\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha + \alpha^2)/\mathbb{F}_2$  with  $\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 = 0$ .

1.  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i)/\mathbb{Q}$ , we consider two methods to find the primitive element

1. Let  $\theta = i + \sqrt{2}$ , we have that  $\theta - i = \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow (\theta - i)^2 = 2$ , by distributing the factors, we have  $\theta^2 - 2i\theta + 1 = 2 \Rightarrow i = \frac{\theta^2 - 3}{2\theta} \in \mathbb{Q}(\theta)$  and also  $\sqrt{2} = \theta - i \in \mathbb{Q}(\theta)$  thus we get that  $\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt{2}) = \mathbb{Q}(\theta)$ .

2. By Eisenstein criterion we have

$$\text{Irr}(\sqrt{2}, \mathbb{Q}, X) = X^2 - 2$$

$$\text{Irr}(i, \mathbb{Q}, X) = X^2 + 1$$

thus the conjugates of  $\sqrt{2}$  are  $\{\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}\}$  and of  $i$  are  $\{i, -i\}$ , thus by the proof of the primitive element theorem, by taking  $k \notin \{0, i\sqrt{2}\}$  thus by taking  $k = 1$  we get  $\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt{2}) = \mathbb{Q}(i + \sqrt{2})$ .

2.  $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{R}$ , its clear that  $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R}(i)$  thus  $i$  is a primitive element.

3.  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i, \sqrt{3})/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$ , we have  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i, \sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{i})(\sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{i})(\sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{2} + i)$  thus  $\sqrt{2} + i$  is a primitive element of  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i, \sqrt{3})/\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$ .

4.  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, i)/\mathbb{Q}$ , we have from before that  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + i)$ , thus  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, i) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + i)(\sqrt{3})$ , now consider  $\theta = \sqrt{2} + i$  we have then

$$(\theta - i)^2 = 2 \Rightarrow \theta^2 - 3 = 2\theta i$$

$$\Rightarrow (\theta^2 - 3)^2 = -4\theta^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta^4 - 2\theta^2 + 9 = 0$$

we can see that  $\theta$  is a root of  $P(X) = X^4 - 2\theta^2 + 9$ , notice that if  $a$  is a root of  $P$  then so is  $-a, \bar{a}$  and  $-\bar{a}$  thus we get that the conjugates of  $\theta$  are  $\sqrt{2} + i, -\sqrt{2} + i, \sqrt{2} - i, -\sqrt{2} - i$  and we know that the conjugates of  $\sqrt{3}$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  are  $\sqrt{3}$  and  $-\sqrt{3}$ , by the proof of the primitive element theorem we have that  $k \notin \{0, \sqrt{2/3}, i/\sqrt{3}, (\sqrt{2} + i)/\sqrt{3}\}$ , so taking  $k = 1$  we get that  $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + i$  is a primitive element.

1.  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt[4]{2})$  with the same method.
2.  $\mathbb{F}(\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^2 + \alpha)/\mathbb{F}$ , its easy to notice that  $\alpha + \alpha^2 \in \mathbb{F}(\alpha, \alpha^2)$  and from the definition of  $\alpha, \alpha^2 = \alpha + 1 \in \mathbb{F}(\alpha)$  thus we get

$$\mathbb{F}(\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^2 + \alpha) = \mathbb{F}(\alpha, \alpha^2) = \mathbb{F}(\alpha)(\alpha^2) = \mathbb{F}(\alpha)$$

thus  $\alpha$  is a primitive element.

**Exercise 1.5:** Let  $K$  be a field with  $\text{Char } K = 0$ ,  $L/K$  an  $n$ -degree extension and  $\theta$  a primitive element of  $L/K$  and an algebraically closed field  $\Omega$ .

**Question 1.5.1:** Showing that  $1, \theta, \dots, \theta^{n-1}$  is a basis of the vector space  $L$  over  $K$ .

**Question 1.5.2:** Proving that the embeddings  $\sigma_i : L \rightarrow \Omega$  are of the form  $\sigma_i(\theta) = \theta_i$  where  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$  are distinct conjugates of  $\theta$  over  $K$ .

**Question 1.5.3:** For any  $\eta \in L$ , the conjugates of  $\eta$  are contained in  $\{\sigma_i(\eta) \mid i \in [1, n]\}$ .

**Question 1.5.4:**  $\eta$  is a primitive element if and only if  $\forall i, j \in [1, n], \sigma_i(\eta) = \sigma_j(\eta) \Rightarrow i = j$ .

**Question 1.5.5:** Deduce that for any  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Q}^* \times \mathbb{Q}^*$  we have  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(a\sqrt{2} + b\sqrt{2})$ .

**Exercise 1.6:** Let  $\alpha = \sqrt[3]{2}$ ,  $\omega = e^{\frac{2\pi}{3}i}$  and  $\beta = \alpha\omega$ , prove the following statements

**Question 1.6.1:** For any  $c \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\gamma = \alpha + c\beta$  is a zero of  $x^6 + ax^3 + b$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

**Question 1.6.2:** the polynomial  $\text{Irr}(\alpha + \beta, \mathbb{Q}, X)$  is cubic and  $\deg \text{Irr}(\alpha - \beta, \mathbb{Q}, X) = 6$ .

**Question 1.6.3:**  $\forall c \in \mathbb{Q}^*, \mathbb{Q}(\alpha, \omega) = \mathbb{Q}(\omega + c\alpha)$ .

**Question 1.6.4:**  $\mathbb{Q}(\omega, \sqrt{5}) = \mathbb{Q}(\omega\sqrt{5})$ .

## 2. Tutorial Series 2: Finite Fields

**Exercise 2.7:** *Decide whether there exists a finite field having the given number of elements.*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 4095 & - & 191 & - & 12345678910 \\ & & 81 & - & 12396 & - & 128 \end{array}$$

We do prime factorization for each of the elements below.

**Exercise 2.8:** *Determine all finite fields having  $n$  elements where  $n \leq 15$ . Find a basis, a primitive element, a generator for the multiplicative group for every field.*

We will find all the fields of the form  $\mathbb{F}_{p^n}$  such that  $p^n \leq 15$ .

- $p = 2$ :
  - $n = 1$ :
    - Field:  $\mathbb{F}_2$ .
    - Primitive Element: 1 or 0.
    - Basis Over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ :  $\{1\}$ .
    - Generator: 1.
  - $n = 2$ :
    - Field:  $\mathbb{F}_{2^2} = \mathbb{F}_4$ .
    - Primitive Element:  $\alpha$  with  $\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 = 0$ .
    - Basis Over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ :  $\{1, \alpha\}$
    - Generator:  $\alpha$ .
  - $n = 3$ :
    - Field:  $\mathbb{F}_{2^3} = \mathbb{F}_8$ .
    - Primitive Element:  $\alpha$  with  $\alpha^3 + \alpha + 1 = 0$ .
    - Basis Over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ :  $\{1, \alpha, \alpha^2\}$ .
    - Generator:  $\alpha$ .
- $p = 3$ :
  - $n = 1$ :
    - Field:  $\mathbb{F}_3$ .
    - Primitive Element: 1 or 0.
    - Basis Over  $\mathbb{F}_3$ :  $\{1\}$ .
    - Generator: 2.
  - $n = 2$ :
    - Field:  $\mathbb{F}_{3^2} = \mathbb{F}_9$ .
    - Primitive Element:  $\alpha$  with  $\alpha^2 + 1 = 0$ .
    - Basis Over  $\mathbb{F}_3$ :  $\{1, \alpha\}$ .
    - Generator: .
- for the remaining for any  $p \in \{5, 7, 11, 13\}$  we have
  - Field:  $\mathbb{F}_p$ .
  - Primitive Element: 1 or 0.
  - Basis Over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ :  $\{1\}$ .
  - Generator: respectively.