

Problem 1 (13.6.6). Prove that for n odd, $n > 1$, $\Phi_{2n}(x) = \Phi_n(-x)$.

Proof. First note that for any polynomial that $f(x)f(-x) = f(x^2)$. Applying this to our cyclotomic polynomial we get that

$$\Phi_n(x)\Phi_n(-x) = \Phi_n(x^2)$$

Moreover this implies that

$$\Phi_n(-x) = \frac{\Phi_n(x^2)}{\Phi_n(x)}$$

If we look at the expansion of $\Phi_n(x^2)$ we have

$$\Phi_n(x^2) = \prod_{1 \leq d < n, (d,n)=1} (x^2 - \zeta_n^d)$$

We can factor to get

$$\Phi_n(x^2) = \prod_{1 \leq d < n, (d,n)=1} (x - \zeta_n^{d/2})(x + \zeta_n^{d/2})$$

Applying the fact that for roots of unity that $\zeta_n^d = -\zeta_n^{n/2+d}$ we get

$$\Phi_n(x^2) = \prod_{1 \leq d < n, (d,n)=1} (x - \zeta_n^{d/2})(x - \zeta_n^{(n+d)/2})$$

Then by changing the indexes we get

$$\Phi_n(x^2) = \prod_{1 \leq d < n, (d,n)=1} (x - \zeta_{2n}^d)(x - \zeta_{2n}^{n+d})$$

Returning to our quotient we now have

$$\frac{\Phi_n(x^2)}{\Phi_n(x)} = \prod_{1 \leq d < n, (d,n)=1} \frac{(x - \zeta_{2n}^d)(x - \zeta_{2n}^{n+d})}{(x - \zeta_n^d)}$$

Since n is odd and greater than 1 we have that if $\gcd(d, n) = 1$ then either $\gcd(d, 2n) = 1$ or $\gcd(d + n, 2n) = 1$. Also note that $\varphi(2n) = \varphi(2)\varphi(n) = \varphi(n)$ implying that $2n$ and n have the same number of numbers that are relatively prime that are smaller than them. Thus all of the necessary terms for $\Phi_{2n}(x)$ appear in the earlier quotient.

If $\gcd(d, 2n) = 1$ or $\gcd(d + n, 2n) = 1$ this implies that the other is even as n is odd. Let $2k$ be the even number among d or $d + n$. Then we can rewrite the prior expression as

$$\frac{\Phi_n(x^2)}{\Phi_n(x)} = \Phi_{2n}(x) \prod_{1 \leq d < n, (d,n)=1} \frac{(x - \zeta_n^k)}{(x - \zeta_n^d)}$$

However the degree of $\Phi_{2n}(x)$ is the same as that of $\Phi_n(-x)$ which implies that the term on the right is a constant. Moreover since both polynomials are monic it can only be that the product on the right is 1. Thus giving us the equality:

$$\Phi_n(-x) = \frac{\Phi_n(x^2)}{\Phi_n(x)} = \Phi_{2n}(x)$$

Therefore if n is odd and $n > 1$ we have that $\Phi_{2n}(x) = \Phi_n(-x)$. □

Problem 2 (13.6.9). Suppose A is an $n \times n$ matrix over \mathbb{C} for which $A^k = I$ for some integer $k \geq 1$. Show that A can be diagonalized. Show that the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \alpha \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ where α is an element of a field of characteristic p satisfies $A^p = I$ and cannot be diagonalized if $\alpha \neq 0$.

Proof. □

Problem 3 (13.6.10). Let φ denote the Frobenius map $x \mapsto x^p$ on the finite field \mathbb{F}_{p^n} . Prove that ϕ gives an isomorphism of \mathbb{F}_{p^n} to itself. Prove that φ^n is the identity map and that no lower power of φ is the identity.

Proof. □

Problem 4 (13.6.13). This exercise outlines a proof of Wedderburn's Theorem that a finite division ring D is a field.

- (a) Let Z denote the center of D . Prove that Z is a field containing \mathbb{F}_p for some prime p . If $Z = \mathbb{F}_q$ prove that D has order q^n for some integer n . [D is a vector space over Z].
- (b) The nonzero elements D^\times of D form a multiplicative group. For any $x \in D^\times$ show that the nonzero elements of D which commute with x form a division ring which contains Z . Show that this division ring is of order q^m for some integer m and that $m < n$ if x is not an element of Z .
- (c) Show that the class equation for the group D^\times is

$$q^n - 1 = (q - 1) + \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{q^n - 1}{|C_{D^\times}(x_i)|}$$

where x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r are representatives of the distinct conjugacy classes in D^\times not contained in the center of D^\times . Conclude from (b) that for each i , $|C_{D^\times}(x_i)| = q^{m_i} - 1$ for some $m_i < n$.

- (d) Prove that since $\frac{q^n - 1}{q^{m_i} - 1}$ is an integer (namely, the index $|D^\times : C_{D^\times}(x_i)|$) then m_i divides n . Conclude that $\Phi_n(x)$ divides $(x^n - 1)/(x^{m_i} - 1)$ and hence that the integer $\Phi_n(q)$ divides $(q^n - 1)/(q^{m_i} - 1)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$.
- (e) Prove that (c) and (d) imply that $\Phi(q) = \prod_{\zeta \text{ primitive}} (q - \zeta)$ divides $q - 1$. Prove that $|q - \zeta| > q - 1$ (complex absolute value) for any root of unity $\zeta \neq 1$ [note that 1 is the closest point on the unit circle in \mathbb{C} to the point q on the real line]. Conclude that $n = 1$, i.e., that $D = Z$ is a field.

Proof. □

Problem 5 (14.1.4). Prove that $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{2}]$ and $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{3}]$ are not isomorphic.

Proof. □

Problem 6 (14.2.4). Let p be a prime. Determine the elements of the Galois group of $x^p - 2$.

Proof.

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Problem 7 (14.2.5). Prove that the Galois group of $x^p - 2$ for p a prime is isomorphic to the group of matrices $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ where $a, b \in \mathbb{F}_p, a \neq 0$.

Proof.

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Problem 8 (14.2.14). Show that $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}})$ is a cyclic quartic field, i.e., is a Galois extension of degree 4 with cyclic Galois group.

Proof.

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