

# Abstract Algebra by Pinter, Chapter 31

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## Abstract

Chapter 31 on Galois Theory Preamble

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Note that root field is called splitting field in other texts.

## 1 A. Examples of Root Fields over $\mathbb{Q}$

### 1.1 Q1

```
sage: solve(x^2 - 2*x - 2, x)
[x == -sqrt(3) + 1, x == sqrt(3) + 1]
sage: solve(x^2 + 1, x)
[x == -I, x == I]
```

### 1.2 Q2

Possible roots for  $x^2 - 3$  are  $\pm 1, \pm 3$ .

```
sage: p = lambda x: x^2 - 3
sage: p(-1), p(1), p(-3), p(3)
(-2, -2, 6, 6)
```

So it is irreducible.

For  $x^2 - 2x - 2$  we can use Eisenstein's irreducibility criteria.

```
sage: solve(x^2 - 3, x)
[x == -sqrt(3), x == sqrt(3)]
sage: solve(x^2 - 2*x - 2, x)
[x == -sqrt(3) + 1, x == sqrt(3) + 1]
```

Root field is  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$ .

### 1.3 Q3

```
sage: solve(x^4 - 2, x)
[x == I*2^(1/4), x == -2^(1/4), x == -I*2^(1/4), x == 2^(1/4)]
```

Therefore the root field is  $\mathbb{Q}(2^{\frac{1}{4}}, i)$

Since  $\mathbb{Q}(2^{\frac{1}{4}}) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , then the root field of  $x^4 - 2$  over  $\mathbb{R}$  is  $\mathbb{R}(i)$ .

### 1.4 Q4

```
sage: solve(x^4 - 2*x^2 + 9, x)
[x == -sqrt(2*I*sqrt(2) + 1), x == sqrt(2*I*sqrt(2) + 1), x == -sqrt(-2*I*sqrt(2) + 1), x == sqrt(-2*I*
```

Root field is  $\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt{2})$ .

```
sage: solve(x^2 - 2*sqrt(2)*x + 3, x)
[x == sqrt(2) - I, x == sqrt(2) + I]
```

Root field is  $\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt{2})$ .

### 1.5 Q5

```
sage: c
sqrt(3) + I
sage: ((c^2 - 2)^2).expand()
-12
sage: ((x^2 - 2)^2
....: ).expand()
x^4 - 4*x^2 + 4
sage: x^4 - 4*x^2 + 4 + 12
x^4 - 4*x^2 + 16
sage: solve(x^4 - 4*x^2 + 4 + 12, x)
[x == -sqrt(2*I*sqrt(3) + 2), x == sqrt(2*I*sqrt(3) + 2), x == -sqrt(-2*I*sqrt(3) + 2), x == sqrt(-2*I*
```

So there are roots  $-2\sqrt{3}i - 2$  and  $2\sqrt{3}i - 2$ .

And  $x^2 - 3$  for  $b(x)$ .

```
sage: c = sqrt(2) + sqrt(3)
sage: (c^2).expand()
2*sqrt(3)*sqrt(2) + 5
sage: (((c^2).expand() - 5)^2).expand()
24
sage: ((x^2 - 5)^2).expand()
x^4 - 10*x^2 + 25
sage: solve(x^4 - 10*x^2 + 1, x)
[x == -sqrt(2*sqrt(6) + 5), x == sqrt(2*sqrt(6) + 5), x == -sqrt(-2*sqrt(6) + 5), x == sqrt(-2*sqrt(6) + 5)]
```

Remembering that  $\sqrt{6} = \sqrt{2}\sqrt{3}$ .

### 1.6 Q6

All of them are valid root fields except the cube root one.

## 2 B. Examples of Root Fields over $\mathbb{Z}_p$

### 2.1 Q1

```
sage: R.<x> = IntegerModRing(3)[]
sage: f = x^3 + 2*x + 1
sage: S.<u> = R.extension(f)
sage: (x - u)*(x - (u + 1))*(x - (u + 2))
x^3 + 2*x + 1
```

List the elements:

```
sage: S = R.quotient(x^3 + 2*x + 1, 'u')
sage: len(S)
27
sage: list(S)
[0,
 1,
 2,
 u,
 u + 1,
 u + 2,
 2*u,
 2*u + 1,
 2*u + 2,
 u^2,
 u^2 + 1,
 u^2 + 2,
 u^2 + u,
 u^2 + u + 1,
 u^2 + u + 2,
 u^2 + 2*u,
 u^2 + 2*u + 1,
 u^2 + 2*u + 2,
 2*u^2,
 2*u^2 + 1,
 2*u^2 + 2,
 2*u^2 + u,
 2*u^2 + u + 1,
 2*u^2 + u + 2,
 2*u^2 + 2*u,
 2*u^2 + 2*u + 1,
 2*u^2 + 2*u + 2]
```

Roots of  $a(x)$  are  $u, u + 1, u + 2$ .

Root field is therefore  $\mathbb{Z}_3(u)$ .

### 2.2 Q2

```
sage: S = R.quotient(x^2 + x + 2, 'u')
sage: list(S)
[0, 1, 2, u, u + 1, u + 2, 2*u, 2*u + 1, 2*u + 2]
```

Utilize the fact that  $u^2 = -u - 2 = 2u + 1$ , we can make the addition and multiplication tables.

```
sage: from sage.matrix.operation_table import OperationTable
sage: OperationTable(S, operation=operator.add)
+ a b c d e f g h i
+-----
a| a b c d e f g h i
b| b c a e f d h i g
c| c a b f d e i g h
d| d e f g h i a b c
```

```

e| e f d h i g b c a
f| f d e i g h c a b
g| g h i a b c d e f
h| h i g b c a e f d
i| i g h c a b f d e

```

```
sage: OperationTable(S, operation=operator.mul)
```

```

* a b c d e f g h i
+-----
a| a a a a a a a a
b| a b c d e f g h i
c| a c b g i h d f e
d| a d g h b e f i c
e| a e i b f g c d h
f| a f h e g c i b d
g| a g d f c i h e b
h| a h f i d b e c g
i| a i e c h d b g f

```

Roots are:  $u, 2u + 2$  (figured by substitution)

Root field:  $\mathbb{Z}_3(u)$

## 2.3 Q3

Root field will be all combos of polynomials over  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  of degree 2 polynomials.

```

sage: R.<x> = IntegerModRing(2)[]
sage: S = R.quotient(x^3 + x^2 + 1, 'u')
sage: list(S)
[0, 1, u, u + 1, u^2, u^2 + 1, u^2 + u, u^2 + u + 1]

```

In  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $-1 = 1$  so  $u^3 = u^2 + 1$ .

```
sage: OperationTable(S, operation=operator.add)
```

```

+ a b c d e f g h
+-----
a| a b c d e f g h
b| b a d c f e h g
c| c d a b g h e f
d| d c b a h g f e
e| e f g h a b c d
f| f e h g b a d c
g| g h e f c d a b
h| h g f e d c b a

```

```
sage: OperationTable(S, operation=operator.mul)
```

```

* a b c d e f g h
+-----
a| a a a a a a a a
b| a b c d e f g h
c| a c e g f h b d
d| a d g f b c h e
e| a e f b h d c g
f| a f h c d g e b
g| a g b h c e d f
h| a h d e g b f c

```

```
sage: R.<x> = IntegerModRing(2)[]
```

```
sage: f = x^3 + x^2 + 1
```

```
sage: S.<u> = R.extension(f)
```

```
...
```

```
sage: f(u)
```

```
0
```

```

sage: f(u^2)
0
sage: f(u^2 + u + 1)
0
sage: (x - u)*(x - u^2)*(x - (u^2 + u + 1))
x^3 + x^2 + 1
Root field:  $\mathbb{Z}_3(u)$ 

```

## 2.4 Q4

```

sage: f = x^3 + x + 1
sage: S.<u> = R.extension(f)
sage: f(u)
0
sage: f(u + 1)
u^2 + u
sage: f(u^2)
0
sage: f(u^2 + 1)
u
sage: f(u^2 + u)
0
sage: f(u^2 + u + 1)
u^2

```

Roots are  $u, u^2, u^2 + u$ .

## 2.5 Q5

```

sage: R.<x> = IntegerModRing(3)[]
sage: f = x^3 + x^2 + x + 2
sage: S.<u> = R.extension(f)
sage: f(u)
0
sage: f(u + 1)
2*u
sage: f(u + 2)
u + 2
sage: f(u^2)
u^2
sage: f(u^2 + 1)
0
sage: f(u^2 + 2)
2*u^2 + 2
sage: f(u^2 + u)
2*u^2 + u
sage: f(u^2 + u + 1)
u^2
sage: f(u^2 + 2*u)
2*u^2 + 2*u
sage: f(u^2 + 2*u + 1)
u^2
sage: f(u^2 + u + 2)
2*u + 2
sage: f(u^2 + 2*u + 2)
u + 2
sage: f(2*u)
2*u^2 + 1
sage: f(2*u + 1)
2*u^2 + u + 1
sage: f(2*u + 2)

```

```

2*u^2 + 2*u
sage: f(2*u^2)
2*u^2 + u + 2
sage: f(2*u^2 + 1)
u + 2
sage: f(2*u^2 + 2)
u^2 + u + 1
sage: f(2*u^2 + u)
u^2 + 1
sage: f(2*u^2 + 2*u)
2*u^2 + 2*u
sage: f(2*u^2 + u + 1)
2*u^2 + 2*u + 1
sage: f(2*u^2 + u + 2)
u
sage: f(2*u^2 + 2*u + 1)
0

```

I think the answer in the book is wrong since

```

sage: R.<x> = IntegerModRing(3)[]
sage: f = x^3 + x^2 + x + 2
sage: S.<u> = R.extension(f)
sage: u^3 + u^2 + u + 2
0
sage: f(u^2 + 1)
0
sage: f(2*u^2 + 2*u + 1)
0
sage: (x - u)*(x - (u^2 + 1))*(x - (2*u^2 + 2*u + 1))
x^3 + x^2 + x + 2

```

We can even substitute these roots into  $q(x)$  which is claimed to be irreducible

```

sage: a = lambda x: (x^2 + (u + 1)*x + (u^2 + u + 1))
sage: a(u^2 + 1)
0
sage: a(2*u^2 + 2*u + 1)
0

```

Roots are:  $u, u^2 + 1, 2u^2 + 2u + 1$ .

Basis is  $\{u^2, u, 1\}$ .

### 3 C. Short Questions Relating to Root Field

#### 3.1 Q1

The basis for a degree 2 extension  $\mathbb{F}(c)$  is  $\{c, 1\}$  with  $c^2 \in \mathbb{F}$ . This includes  $-c$  and so  $\mathbb{F}(c)$  is the root field for  $(x + c)(x - c) = x^2 - c^2$ .

The question I assume is asking to prove every degree 2 field extension is [normal](#). So since  $c \in F(c)$ , then we can divide the polynomial by  $(x - c)$ , leaving a degree 1 polynomial  $(x - \alpha) \in F(c)[x]$  or that  $\alpha \in F(c)$ .

#### 3.2 Q2

$a(x)$  as a polynomial of degree  $n$  over a finite field will have  $n$  distinct roots. All roots  $c_1, \dots, c_n \in K$  and form a root field over  $F$ . Assume some roots are in  $I$ , then the roots of  $a(x)$  are still the same, and so  $K$  forms a root field over  $I$  as well.

#### 3.3 Q3

Any polynomial can be factored into a linear combination of complex roots. This means  $\mathbb{C}$  is the root field of every polynomial. Since polynomials can also have root fields contained in  $\mathbb{R}$ , and  $\mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{C}$ , this means the root

field is either  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$  of every polynomial.

### 3.4 Q4

This question is impossible. See the answer [here](#).

### 3.5 Q5

As per the back of the book, we just need to show that  $F(d_1, d_2) = F(c)$  and that it's the splitting field.

$$\begin{aligned} d_1^2 &= \frac{a^2}{4} - b \\ d_2^2 &= \frac{a}{2} + d_1 \\ &= \frac{a}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{4} - b} \end{aligned}$$

Roots of  $p(x)$  are  $\pm\sqrt{\frac{a}{2} \pm d_1}$ . We know that  $\frac{a}{2} \pm d_1 \in F(d_1)$ .

$[F(d_1) : F] = 2$ . Every extension of degree 2 is a root field from 31C1 above.

### 3.6 Q6

$$\sigma_c(a(x)) = a(c)$$

$$\ker \sigma_c = \{a(x) : a(c) = 0\}$$

Every ideal of a field is principal, so  $J = \langle p(x) \rangle$ . For some  $a(x) \in J$ ,  $a(x)$  is a multiple of  $p(x)$ .

$$\sigma_c : F[x] \rightarrow F$$

so  $F(c)$  contains  $p(x)$  since the ideal  $J$  contains all polynomials with  $c$  as their root, and all polys are a multiple of  $p(x)$ .

### 3.7 Q7

From the previous argument  $p(x)$  is the lowest degree polynomial in  $J$  and hence irreducible. Otherwise  $p(c) = f(c)g(c) = 0 \implies f(c) = 0$  or  $g(c) = 0$  which would be a contradiction since it implies there would be a lower degree polynomial in  $J$ . Every root field is a simple extension  $F(c)$ , we can convert a polynomial with roots  $a, b$  to one with  $c$  from theorem 2 in this chapter.

### 3.8 Q8

Give an isomorphism  $h(x)$  which fixes  $F$ , and a polynomial

$$a(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n$$

We can see that where  $c$  is an algebraic root in  $K$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} a(h(c)) &= a_0 + a_1h(c) + \dots + a_nh(c)^n \\ &= h(a(c)) = h(0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

So also  $h(c)$  is a root of  $a(x)$  and the isomorphism simply permutes roots since it sends unique elements of  $K$  to  $K'$ . We also observe that the mapping is one to one, fixing  $F$ , permuting roots, and that  $h : K \rightarrow K$ .

$$h(\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}) = \{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$$

Since the polynomial  $a(x)$  is irreducible over  $F$ , and  $K$  being a finite extension can be reduced to a simple extension  $F(c) = K$ , where  $c$  is a root of  $a(x)$ , which means that

$$F(c) \cong F/\langle a(x) \rangle$$

which forms a vector space of  $\deg a(x) = n \implies [K : F] = n$ .



Given another polynomial  $b(x)$  where  $b(c) = 0 : c \in K \implies b(h(c)) = 0 \implies K$  is the splitting field for  $b(x)$ . This means  $b(x)$  is split completely by  $K$  into linear factors.

Note, this means every polynomial of degree  $n$  which has a root in  $K$  makes  $K$  its splitting field. The converse does not hold. An irreducible polynomial of degree  $n$  does not necessarily have a splitting field of degree  $n$ . See [this answer](#).

### 3.9 Q9

First we prove this for an irreducible polynomial  $p(x)$  with  $n = \deg p(x)$  roots of the form  $c_1, \dots, c_n$ . Inductively adjoining  $c_1$  to  $F$  forms a field  $F(c_1)$  such that  $[F(c_1) : F] = n$  with a basis  $\{1, c_1, \dots, c_1^{n-1}\}$ . Dividing  $p(x)$  by  $(x - c_1)$  leaves a polynomial  $q(x)$  with degree  $n - 1$  and adjoining the second root to  $F(c_1)$  forms a field extension with degree  $[F(c_1, c_2) : F(c_1)] = n - 1$ . Proceeding in this way, we obtain a maximum order of  $n!$ .

The polynomial  $a(x)$  is reducible to  $n$  irreducible factors  $a(x) = p_1(x)p_2(x)\dots p_n(x)$  where  $\deg p_i(x) = k_i$ . Each of these fields forms a simple extension  $F(c_1, \dots, c_n)$ , where  $[F(c_1, \dots, c_n) : F] = [F(c_1, \dots, c_n) : F(c_1, \dots, c_{n-1})] \dots [F(c_1) : F] = k_n \cdot k_{n-1} \dots k_1$ .

Since  $\deg a(x) = N$  and  $k_1 + \dots + k_n$ , so  $[K : F] \mid k_1! \dots k_n!$ .

From the binomial formula, given  $n = k + l$ , then there's an integer  $z$  such that

$$z = \frac{n!}{k!l!} \implies n! = zk!l!$$

So therefore given  $n = k_1 + \dots + k_n$ , we can see that  $x \mid k_1! \dots k_n! \implies x \mid n!$

## 4 D. Reducing Iterated Extensions to Simple Extensions

### 4.1 Q1

#### 4.1.1 a

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i\sqrt{3}) &= \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + i\sqrt{3}) \\ c &= \sqrt{2} + i\sqrt{3} \\ [\mathbb{Q}(c) : \mathbb{Q}] &= 4 \\ \implies \sqrt{2} &= a_0 + a_1c + a_2c^2 + a_3c^3 \\ c^2 &= 2i\sqrt{6} - 1 \implies i\sqrt{6} \in \mathbb{Q}(c) \\ c^3 &= 4i\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} - 6\sqrt{2} - i\sqrt{3} = 3i\sqrt{3} - 7\sqrt{2} \\ c^3 + 7c &= 10i\sqrt{3} \implies i\sqrt{3} \in \mathbb{Q}(c) \end{aligned}$$

Same can be shown for  $\sqrt{2}$ .

#### 4.1.2 b

$$\begin{aligned} (\sqrt[6]{2})^3 &= \sqrt{2}, (\sqrt[6]{2})^2 = \sqrt[3]{2} \\ \implies \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt[3]{2}) &= \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[6]{2}) \end{aligned}$$

### 4.2 Q2

The roots of  $x^2 - 2x - 1$  by completing the square are  $\pm\sqrt{2} + 1$ .

For a cubic with real coefficients in a field, it either has all real roots or 2 complex roots. By differentiating and sketching the curve where it's increasing or decreasing, we see that this cubic has two complex roots.

According to the **Complex Conjugate Theorem**, if  $x = a + ib$  is a solution to a polynomial with real coefficients, then so is  $x = a - ib$ .

Thus we conclude that  $\mathbb{Q}(a, b) = \mathbb{Q}(a + b)$  where  $a$  is a complex root of  $x^3 - x - 1$ .

### 4.3 Q3

These factors are all linearly independent so  $c = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{-5}$ .

## 4.4 Q4

From C6, because  $\sqrt{2}$  and  $\sqrt{3}$  are independent, the basis is  $\{1, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{6}\}$  and so the minimum polynomial has degree 4.

```
sage: # We let x = sqrt(2) + sqrt(3), so now we square it on both sides
sage: (sqrt(2) + sqrt(3))^2
(sqrt(3) + sqrt(2))^2
sage: ((sqrt(2) + sqrt(3))^2).expand()
2*sqrt(3)*sqrt(2) + 5
sage: # so now (x^2 - 5) = 2*sqrt(3)*sqrt(2)
sage: # lets square again both sides
sage: (2*sqrt(3)*sqrt(2))^2
24
sage: ((x^2 - 5)^2).expand()
x^4 - 10*x^2 + 25
sage: ((x^2 - 5)^2).expand() - 24
x^4 - 10*x^2 + 1
```

## 4.5 Q5

The minimum polynomial will now have degree 8.

```
sage: x - sqrt(2) == sqrt(3) + I*sqrt(5)
x - sqrt(2) == I*sqrt(5) + sqrt(3)
sage: (x - sqrt(2) == sqrt(3) + I*sqrt(5))^2
(x - sqrt(2))^2 == (I*sqrt(5) + sqrt(3))^2
sage: ((x - sqrt(2) == sqrt(3) + I*sqrt(5))^2).expand()
x^2 - 2*sqrt(2)*x + 2 == 2*I*sqrt(5)*sqrt(3) - 2
sage: ((x - sqrt(2) == sqrt(3) + I*sqrt(5))^2).expand() + 2*sqrt(2)*x
x^2 + 2 == 2*sqrt(2)*x + 2*I*sqrt(5)*sqrt(3) - 2
sage: p = ((x - sqrt(2) == sqrt(3) + I*sqrt(5))^2).expand() + 2*sqrt(2)*x
sage: p
x^2 + 2 == 2*sqrt(2)*x + 2*I*sqrt(5)*sqrt(3) - 2
sage: p += 2
sage: p
x^2 + 4 == 2*sqrt(2)*x + 2*I*sqrt(5)*sqrt(3)
sage: (p^2).expand()
x^4 + 8*x^2 + 16 == 8*I*sqrt(5)*sqrt(3)*sqrt(2)*x + 8*x^2 - 60
sage: (p^2).expand() + 60 - 8*x^2
x^4 + 76 == 8*I*sqrt(5)*sqrt(3)*sqrt(2)*x
sage: p = (p^2).expand() + 60 - 8*x^2
sage: (p^2).expand()
x^8 + 152*x^4 + 5776 == -1920*x^2
sage: (p^2).expand() + 1920*x^2
x^8 + 152*x^4 + 1920*x^2 + 5776 == 0
sage: p = x^8 + 152*x^4 + 1920*x^2 + 5776
sage: p(x = sqrt(2) + sqrt(3) + I*sqrt(5)).expand()
0
```

# 5 E. Roots of Unity and Radical Extensions

## 5.1 Q1

The roots of  $x^n - 1$  are  $1, \omega, \dots, \omega^{n-1}$  which is the basis for  $\mathbb{Q}(\omega)$  generated by  $\omega$  since it is primitive.

## 5.2 Q2

Define a substitution function  $\sigma_\omega$

$$\sigma_\omega(a(x)) = a(\omega)$$

$\sigma_\omega$  is a homomorphism because

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_\omega(a(x)b(x)) &= a(\omega)b(\omega) \\ &= \sigma_\omega(a(x))\sigma_\omega(b(x))\end{aligned}$$

Which has a kernel of

$$\begin{aligned}\ker \sigma_\omega &= \{a(x) : \sigma_\omega(a(x)) = a(\omega) = 0\} \\ &= J\end{aligned}$$

The kernel of any homomorphism is an ideal. In  $F[x]$  every ideal is a principal ideal so  $J = \langle p(x) \rangle$ . So  $p(x)$  is a polynomial of lowest degree among all nonzero polynomials in  $J$ . Hence it is irreducible.

When  $n$  is prime, then

$$x^{n-1} + x^{n-2} + \dots + x + 1$$

is irreducible. Therefore  $p(x) = x^{n-1} + \dots + 1$  and  $p(\omega) = 0$ . Since

$$\mathbb{Q}(\omega) \cong \mathbb{Q}[x]/\langle p(x) \rangle$$

Then

$$[\mathbb{Q}(\omega) : \mathbb{Q}] = \deg p(x) = n - 1$$

### 5.3 Q3

$$p(\omega) = 0 \implies \omega^{n-1} = -(\omega^{n-2} + \dots + \omega + 1)$$

### 5.4 Q4

#### 5.4.1 n = 6

$$x^6 - 1 = (x^3 - 1)(x^3 + 1)$$

The roots are  $1, s, s^2$  and  $-1, -s, -s^2$  respectively where  $s$  is the third root of unity.

But from above we know that  $s^2 + s + 1 = 0 \implies s^2 = -(s + 1)$  and  $s^2 \in \mathbb{Q}(s)$ , so  $\mathbb{Q}(\omega) = \mathbb{Q}(s)$  with basis  $\{1, s\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}[\mathbb{Q}(\omega) : \mathbb{Q}] &= [\mathbb{Q}(s) : \mathbb{Q}] \\ &= 2\end{aligned}$$

#### 5.4.2 n = 7

$n = 7$  is prime so  $[\mathbb{Q}(\omega) : \mathbb{Q}] = 6$ .

#### 5.4.3 n = 8

$$\begin{aligned}x^8 - 1 &= (x^4 - 1)(x^4 + 1) \\ &= (x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 1)(x^4 + 1)\end{aligned}$$

With roots  $-1, 1$  and  $i, -i$  for  $(x^2 - 1)$  and  $(x^2 + 1)$  respectively.

The 4th roots of  $-1$  are  $\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \pm \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}$ .

$\mathbb{Q}(\omega) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i)$  with a basis  $\{1, \sqrt{2}, i, \sqrt{2}i\}$  and

$$[\mathbb{Q}(\omega) : \mathbb{Q}] = [\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i) : \mathbb{Q}] = 4$$

### 5.5 Q5

$$\forall r \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}, (\sqrt[n]{a}\omega^r)^n = 1$$

$$|\{\sqrt[n]{a}\omega^r : r \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}\}| = n$$

## 5.6 Q6

The basis of  $\mathbb{Q}(\omega, \sqrt[n]{a})$  is the set  $\{\omega^i (\sqrt[n]{a})^j\}$  where  $i, j \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ , which contains the ideal for  $\sigma(c) = x^n - 1$ , which is  $J = \{\sqrt[n]{a}, \sqrt[n]{a}\omega, \dots, \sqrt[n]{a}\omega^{n-1}\}$ .

## 5.7 Q7

The degree of  $[\mathbb{Q}(\omega, \sqrt[3]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = [\mathbb{Q}(\omega, \sqrt[3]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})][\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 2 \times 3 = 6$ .

You can calculate  $\cos(\pi/3)$  and  $\sin(\pi/3)$  by splitting an equilateral triangle with unit sides in half. The sum of a triangle's angles will always be  $\pi$ , and so each corner of the equilateral triangle will be  $(\pi/3)$ . Use pythagoreas theorem to calculate the midline as  $o^2 = 1^2 - (\frac{1}{2})^2$ .

Using wolfram alpha, we see that the cube roots of 1 are  $1, -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i, -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$ .

$$\mathbb{Q}(\omega, \sqrt[3]{2}) = \mathbb{Q}(i\sqrt{3}, \sqrt[3]{2})$$

## 5.8 Q8

Let  $s$  be the  $n$ th root of  $a$  in  $K$ , then it is the root of  $x^n - a$ . Then  $\sqrt[n]{a}\omega^i$  is also a root of this polynomial. For every  $n$  there is an irreducible cyclotomic polynomial  $p(x)$  with roots that consist of  $\phi(n)$   $n$ th roots of  $a$  that have a multiplicative order of  $n$ . By theorem 7, since  $p(x)$  has one root in  $K$  and is irreducible, therefore all its roots are in  $K$ .

For  $n$  is not prime,  $p(x) \mid x^n - a$  so all  $\phi(n)$  primitive roots of  $p(x)$  are also roots of  $x^n - a$  and so generates all roots. We use the irreducible polynomial  $p(x)$  to prove there's an isomorphism permuting roots of  $p(x)$ , therefore showing both fields are equivalent and contain all roots.

Fixing  $\mathbb{Q}$ , there is an isomorphism  $h : \mathbb{Q}(s) \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[n]{a}\omega^i)$ . Note that  $p(h(c)) = (h(c))^n - a = h(c^n - a) = 0$  as the function is homomorphic so  $h(c)^n = h(c^n)$  and fixes  $\mathbb{Q}$  leaving  $a$  unchanged. This function is an isomorphism mapping one to one and onto, we can say that  $h(x)$  permutes the roots  $c$  of  $x^n - a$ . So we can see that  $\mathbb{Q}(s) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[n]{a}\omega^i)$ , and that  $K$  contains all roots of  $x^n - a$ .

Since the splttng field contains all powers of  $\sqrt[n]{a}\omega^i$  by the isomorphism  $h(x)$  as well as  $\sqrt[n]{a}\omega^0 = \sqrt[n]{a}$  and also its inverse  $(\sqrt[n]{a})^{-1}$  (because it's a field), so it also contains all  $n$ th roots of unity since  $(\sqrt[n]{a})^{-1}(\sqrt[n]{a}\omega^i) = \omega^i$ .

# 6 F. Separable and Inseparable Polynomials

## 6.1 Q1

From theorem 1,  $F$  has characteristic 0  $\implies$  irreducible polynomials never have multiple roots.

## 6.2 Q2

Each power of  $x$  in  $a(x)$  is independent, so  $a_mx^m + a_nx^n \neq 0$  when  $m \neq n$  unless  $a_m = a_n = 0$ .

Therefore  $a'(x) = \sum m_i a_i x^{m_i-1} = 0 \implies p \mid m_i$  for all  $m_i$  and all nonzero terms of  $a(x)$  are of the form  $a_{mp}x^{mp}$ .

## 6.3 Q3

$$\begin{aligned} a(x) &= (x - c)^2 q(x) \\ a'(x) &= 2(x - c)q(x) + (x - c)^2 q'(x) \end{aligned}$$

Both  $a(x)$  and  $a'(x)$  have  $c$  as a root, but  $a(x)$  is irreducible, so  $a(x) \mid a'(x)$ , but this cannot be true since  $\deg a'(x) < \deg a(x)$  unless  $a'(x) = 0$ .

From the previous answer  $a'(x) = 0$  means the nonzero terms of  $a(x)$  are of the form  $a_{mp}x^{mp}$ , and  $a(x)$  is a polynomial in powers of  $x^p$ .

## 6.4 Q4

$a(x)$  is a polynomial in powers of  $x^p \implies a'(x) = 0 \implies a(x) \mid a'(x) \implies$  share common factor of  $a(x) \implies a(x)$  has a multiple root.

## 6.5 Q5

This follows from  $[a(x) + b(x)]^p = a(x)^p + b(x)^p$  in any field of characteristic  $p$  and is proved in 24D6.

## 6.6 Q6

$$\begin{aligned} a(x) &= a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_nx^n \\ a(x^p) &= a_0 + a_1x^p + \cdots + a_nx^{np} \end{aligned}$$

The Frobenius automorphism for a finite field of characteristic  $p$  is bijective since the function is injective, and any injective function from a finite set to itself is also surjective.

This implies the coefficients of  $a(x^p)$  all have  $p$ th roots, and so

$$\begin{aligned} a(x^p) &= c_0^p + c_1^p x^p + \cdots + c_n^p x^{np} \\ &= (c_0 + c_1x + \cdots + c_nx^n)^p \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $b(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \cdots + c_nx^n$  and  $a(x^p) = [b(x)]^p$ .

## 6.7 Q7

Assume there is an irreducible polynomial  $a(x)$  that is inseparable. Then it is a polynomial in powers of  $x^p$ .

Then there is a polynomial  $[b(x)]^p = a(x)$ . Thus  $a(x)$  is reducible, which is a contradiction.

Thus every irreducible polynomial is separable.

# 7 G. Multiple Roots over Infinite Fields of Nonzero Characteristic

## 7.1 Q1

There are infinite powers of  $y$ , so  $\mathbb{Z}_p[y]$  is an infinite ring with characteristic  $p$ .

Thus

$$\mathbb{Z}_p(y) = \{a(y)/b(y) : a(y), b(y) \in \mathbb{Z}_p[y]\}$$

is an infinite field, and so is  $\mathbb{Z}_p(y^p)$

## 7.2 Q2

By binomial theorem, all coefficients for the terms of  $(x - y)^p$  are a factor of  $p$ .  $E[x]$  has characteristic  $p$  so

$$x^p - y^p = (x - y)^p$$

However  $y \notin K[x]$  so  $x^p - y^p$  is irreducible in  $K[x]$ .

## 7.3 Q3

$$\bar{i}(a_0 + \cdots + a_nx^n) = i(a_0) + \cdots + i(a_n)x^n$$

but for all  $a_i \in F$ ,  $i(a_i) = a_i$  so  $\bar{i}(p(x)) = p(x)$ .

## 7.4 Q4

Expanding out  $(x - a)^m$ , the coefficients in  $F$  and  $x$  remain fixed, but  $a$  is mapped to  $b$ , so

$$\bar{i}((x - a)^m) = (x - b)^m$$

## 7.5 Q5

Since  $\bar{i}$  leaves  $p(x)$  fixed, so

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{i}(p(x)) &= \bar{i}((x - a)^m s(x)) \\ &= (x - b)^m \bar{i}(s(x)) \\ &= p(x) \end{aligned}$$

so  $a$  and  $b$  have the same multiplicity in  $p(x)$ .

## 8 H. An Isomorphism Extension Theorem (Proof of Theorem 3)

### 8.1 Q1

$$F_1(a) \cong F_1[x]/\langle p(x) \rangle$$

Where  $p(x)$  is the minimum polynomial with  $a$  as a root. The homomorphism  $\phi : F_1[x] \rightarrow F_1(a)$  by  $\phi_c(a(x)) = a(c)$  has the kernel  $J = \langle p(x) \rangle$  since in  $F[x]$  every ideal is a principal ideal.

Thus since  $s(x) = c(x) - d(x)$  has a root  $a$  since  $s(a) = 0$ , so  $s(x) \in J$  and it is a multiple of  $p(x)$ .

Observing that  $h(c(x) - d(x)) = h(p(x)q(x))$ , we easily see that  $h(p(x)q(x)) = hp(x)hq(x)$  and also that  $h(c(x) - d(x)) = hc(x) - hd(x)$  since

$$\begin{aligned} hc(x) - hd(x) &= (h(c_0) - h(d_0)) + (h(c_1) - h(d_1))x + \cdots + (h(c_n) - h(d_n))x^n \\ &= h(c_0 - d_0) + h(c_1 - d_1)x + \cdots + h(c_n - d_n)x^n \\ &= h(c(x) - d(x)) \end{aligned}$$

### 8.2 Q2

$$\begin{aligned} h(c(a)) &= h(c_0) + h(c_1)b + \cdots + h(c_n)b^n \\ h(d(a)) &= h(d_0) + h(d_1)b + \cdots + h(d_n)b^n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h(c(a)) - h(d(a)) &= h(c_0 - d_0) + h(c_1 - d_1)b + \cdots + h(c_n - d_n)b^n \\ &= h(c(x) - d(x))(b) \\ &= [hp(x)(b)][hq(x)(b)] \end{aligned}$$

But  $hp(x)(b) = 0$  so  $h(c(a)) - h(d(a)) = 0 \implies h(c(a)) = h(d(a))$ .

### 8.3 Q3

$$hc(x) = hd(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies hc(x) - hd(x) &= 0 \\ &= h(c(x) - d(x)) \\ &= h(c_0 - d_0) + h(c_1 - d_1)x + \cdots + h(c_n - d_n)x^n \end{aligned}$$

But  $h$  is isomorphic on  $F_1 \rightarrow F_2$  so  $c_i = d_i \implies c(x) = d(x)$ .

### 8.4 Q4

$h(a) = b$ , there is no other value that produces  $b$ .

All the coefficients for a polynomial  $c(x)$  are reversible.

$$c(x) = h^{-1}(h(c_0)) + h^{-1}(h(c_1))x + \cdots + h^{-1}(h(c_n))x^n$$

### 8.5 Q5

$$\begin{aligned} h(c(x) + d(x)) &= h(c_0 + d_0) + h(c_1 + d_1)x + \cdots + h(c_n + d_n)x^n \\ &= (h(c_0) + h(d_0)) + (h(c_1) + h(d_1))x + \cdots + (h(c_n) + h(d_n))x^n \\ &= hc(x) + hd(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h(c(x)d(x)) &= h(c_0d_0) + h\left(\sum_{i+j=1} c_id_jx\right) + h\left(\sum_{i+j=2} c_id_jx^2\right) + \cdots + h\left(\sum_{i+j=n} c_id_jx^n\right) \\ &= h(c_0)h(d_0) + \sum_{i+j=1} h(c_i)h(d_j)x + \sum_{i+j=2} h(c_i)h(d_j)x^2 + \cdots + \sum_{i+j=n} h(c_i)h(d_j)x^n \\ &= hc(x)hd(x) \end{aligned}$$

## 9 I. Uniqueness of the Root Field

### 9.1 Q1

First note that

$$F_1(u) \cong F_1[x]/\langle p(x) \rangle$$

Let  $f : F_1[x] \rightarrow F_2(v)$  defined by

$$f(a(x)) = h(a(x))(v)$$

Then the ideal is  $J = \langle p(x) \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} f(a(x)) = f(b(x)) &\iff f(a(x)) - f(b(x)) = 0 \\ &\iff f(a(x) - b(x)) = 0 \\ &\iff a(x) - b(x) \in J \\ &\iff J + a(x) = J + b(x) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\phi : F_1[x]/\langle p(x) \rangle \rightarrow F_2(v)$  by

$$\phi(J + a(x)) = f(a(x)) = h(a(x))(v)$$

We can see that this function is an isomorphism:

- **injective:**  $\phi(J + a(x)) = \phi(J + b(x)) \implies f(a(x)) = f(b(x))$   
 $\implies J + a(x) = J + b(x)$
- **surjective:**  $h(a(x))(v) = h(a(u))$  which is **onto**  $F_2(v)$  and surjective, so  $f(a(x)) = \phi(J + a(x))$  is surjective.
- Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(J + a(x)) + \phi(J + b(x)) &= f(a(x)) + f(b(x)) \\ &= [ha(x) + hb(x)](v) \\ &= h(a(x) + b(x))(v) \\ &= \phi(J + a(x) + b(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies F_2(v) &\cong F_1[x]/\langle p(x) \rangle \\ F_1(u) &\cong F_1[x]/\langle p(x) \rangle \\ F_1(u) &\cong F_2(v) \end{aligned}$$

### 9.2 Q2

We start with  $F_1(u) = K_1$  and want to prove that this means  $F_2(v) = K_2$ . This will also automatically prove the converse statement if shown to be true.

Let  $p(x)$  be the minimum polynomial  $p(x)$  for  $u$  such that  $p(u) = 0$ .

$h : F_1(u) \rightarrow F_2(v)$  but  $F_1(u) = K_1$  so  $h : K_1 \rightarrow F_2(v)$ , but  $h$  is surjective and so  $\deg p(x) = \deg hp(x)$  since both  $p(x)$  and  $hp(x)$  are irreducible.

$$\begin{aligned} \forall u_i \in K_1 : p(u_i) = 0, \exists v_i = h(u_i) : hp(v_i) = 0 \\ \implies F_2(v) = K_2 \end{aligned}$$

Because there are  $\deg hp(x) = \deg p(x)$  such roots  $v_i$  which correspond to  $u_i$  roots of  $p(x)$ .

### 9.3 Q3

$$\begin{aligned} a(x) &= p(x)q(x) \\ p(u) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h(p(u)) &= h(p(x))(v) = 0 \\ &= [hp(x)](v) = hp(v) \end{aligned}$$

Since both are equivalent.

We see that  $v$  is a root of  $hp(x)$ .

### 9.3.1 $F_1(u) = K_1$

If  $F_1(u) = K_1$ , then  $F_1(u)$  contains all roots of  $p(x)$  and then

$$F_1(u) = K_1 \iff F_2(v) = K_2$$

Recalling that  $p(x)$  is an irreducible factor of  $a(x)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} u &\in K_1 \\ p(u) &= 0 \\ v &\in K_2 \\ hp(v) &= 0 \\ \implies F_1(u) &\cong F_2(v) \end{aligned}$$

Putting both together

$$K_1 \cong K_2$$

### 9.3.2 $F_1(u) \neq K_1$

See that we can extend  $h$  fixing the base field.

$$\begin{aligned} h(u) &= v \\ h : F_1(u) &\rightarrow F_2(v) \end{aligned}$$

In  $F_1(u)[x]$ ,  $a(x) = (x - u)a_1(x)$ .

In  $F_2(v)[x]$ ,  $ha(x) = (x - v)ha_1(x)$ .

And  $\deg a_1(x) = \deg ha_1(x) = n - 1$

Now let there be a new  $u' \in K_1, u' \notin F_1(u'), p(u') = 0$  and likewise for  $hp(x)$  and  $v$ .

### 9.3.3 $\deg a(x) = 1$

Lastly when  $n = \deg a(x) = 1$ , then  $K_1 = F_1$  and  $K_2 = F_2$ , since the basis are simply scalars and  $a(x)$  is of the form  $(x - a)$ . The root of  $a(x)$  is in  $F_1$  itself, and  $h$  is an isomorphism from  $F_1 \rightarrow F_2$  so

$$K_1 \cong K_2$$

## 9.4 Q4

$$u \in K_1, v \in K_2$$

But  $F_1 = F_2$

$$\begin{aligned} h : F[x] &\rightarrow F[x] \\ \forall a \in F, h(a) &= a \\ h &= \text{id}_F \\ h(u) &= v \\ \implies K_1 &\cong K_2 \end{aligned}$$

## 10 J. Extending Isomorphism

### 10.1 Q1

$$h : \mathbb{Q}(\omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \forall a \in \mathbb{Q}, h(a) = a$$

Let  $b \in \mathbb{Q}(\omega)$

$$\begin{aligned} b &= s_0 + s_1\omega + s_2\omega^2 + \dots + s_{p-1}\omega^{p-1} \\ h(b) &= s_0 + s_1h(\omega) + s_2h(\omega)^2 + \dots + s_{p-1}\omega^{p-1} \end{aligned}$$

So  $h$  is determined by  $h(\omega)$ .

Since isomorphisms preserve roots, we deduce they permute roots. There are  $p - 1$  roots for the minimum polynomial of  $\omega$  which has degree  $p - 1$ .



## 10.2 Q2

$p(x)$  is irreducible in  $F[x]$ .  $c \in \mathbb{C} : p(c) = 0$ .

Let  $h : F \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a monomorphism (injective homomorphism), then  $h : F \rightarrow h(F)$  is an isomorphism and

$$F \cong h(F)$$

The minimum polynomial are  $p(x)$  and  $hp(x)$  respectively with  $\deg p(x) = \deg hp(x) = n$ . Since  $h$  permutes roots and by theorem 7 contains all roots, there are  $n$  possible monomorphisms.

## 10.3 Q3

$$h : F \rightarrow h(F)$$

$$\phi : K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$[K : F] = n$$

So  $K$  forms a splitting field over  $F$  for a minimum polynomial  $p(x) \in F[x]$  of degree  $n$ .

From the previous question we see that there are  $n$  monomorphisms  $F(c) = K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

## 10.4 Q4

$$h : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$h(x) = x$$

$$h(x) = h(y) \implies x = y$$

$$h(1) = 1_{\mathbb{C}}$$

$$h\left(\frac{n}{n}\right) = h\left(\frac{1}{n} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}\right)$$

$$1 = nh\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

$$\implies h\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h\left(\frac{p}{q}\right) &= h\left(\frac{1}{q} + \dots + \frac{1}{q}\right) \\ &= \underbrace{h\left(\frac{1}{q}\right) + \dots + h\left(\frac{1}{q}\right)}_p \\ &= \frac{p}{q} \end{aligned}$$

Thus all monomorphisms  $h : \mathbb{Q}(a) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  fix  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

## 10.5 Q5

$$\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

Minimum polynomial for  $c = \sqrt[3]{2}$  is  $p(x) = x^3 - 2$

Three roots of  $p(x)$  are  $\sqrt[3]{2}, \sqrt[3]{2}\omega, \sqrt[3]{2}\omega^2$ .

$\mathbb{Q}$  remains fixed. Roots are permuted (see above questions).

Three monomorphisms are

$$\sqrt[3]{2} \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{2}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{2} \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{2}\omega$$

$$\sqrt[3]{2} \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{2}\omega^2$$

## 11 K. Normal Extensions

### 11.1 Q1

$K$  is a finite extension of  $F \implies K$  is a simple extension and so that  $K = F(c)$ .

There is a minimum polynomial  $p(x)$  for  $c$  in  $F$ .

So by the question  $K$  is a normal extension.

### 11.2 Q2

$K$  is a finite extension of  $F \implies K = F(c)$ .

Let  $p(x)$  be the minimum polynomial for  $c$ , so  $p(c) = 0$ .

Let  $h$  be an isomorphism fixing  $F$

$$h : K \rightarrow h(K)$$

Then by the question  $h(K) \subseteq K$  and since  $h$  is an isomorphism where  $K \cong h(K)$ , so  $h(K) = K$ , and  $h : K \rightarrow K$  is an automorphism fixing  $F$  and permuting roots of  $p(x)$ .