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Problem

Show that $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5})$ is the root field of $(x^2 - 2)(x^2 - 3)(x^2 - 5)$ over \mathbb{Q} .

Step-by-step solution

Step 1 of 2

The objective is to show that $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5})$ is the root field of $(x^2 - 2)(x^2 - 3)(x^2 - 5)$ over \mathbb{Q} .

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Step 2 of 2

The polynomial $f(x) = (x^2 - 2)(x^2 - 3)(x^2 - 5)$ has roots $\{\pm\sqrt{2}, \pm\sqrt{3}, \pm\sqrt{5}\}$.

Since $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5})$ contains the roots of $f(x) = (x^2 - 2)(x^2 - 3)(x^2 - 5)$,

$\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5})$ is the root field of $(x^2 - 2)(x^2 - 3)(x^2 - 5)$.

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