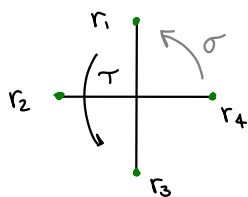


5a)  $f(x) = x^4 - 5$  over

- $\mathbb{Q}$
- $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{5})$
- $\mathbb{Q}(i\sqrt{5})$

Let  $\omega = 5^{1/4}$ ,  $\zeta = e^{2\pi i/4}$ , then  $f$  splits in  $F := \mathbb{Q}(\omega, \zeta)$  as  $f(x) = \prod_{j=1}^4 (x - \omega \zeta^j)$ .

We can embed these roots in  $\mathbb{C}$  to find some automorphisms of  $F/\mathbb{Q}$ :



where  $r_j = \omega \zeta^j$ , so we can define

$$\begin{array}{ll} \tau: F \rightarrow F & \sigma: F \rightarrow F \\ i \mapsto -i & i \mapsto i \\ \omega \mapsto \omega & \omega \mapsto i\omega \end{array}$$

Then  $\tau$  corresponds to the cycle  $(1,3)$  in  $\text{Sym}(\{r_j\}) \cong S_4$ , which has order 2, and  $\sigma$  corresponds to  $(1,2,3,4)$ , which has order 4; thus  $G := \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle \Rightarrow |G| = 8$ .

②

Claim:  $G = \text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q})$  &  $G \cong D_4 = \langle s, r \mid s^2 = r^4 = e, (sr)^2 = e \rangle$ .

Since  $F$  splits  $f(x)$  by construction,  $F/\mathbb{Q}$  is separable, and since (claim)  $[F:\mathbb{Q}] = 8 < \infty$ , it is also normal & thus a Galois extension, so we have  $[F:\mathbb{Q}] = |\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q})| = 8$ .

Since  $\langle \tau, \sigma \rangle \leq \text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q})$ , it must be the entire group. To see that  $[F:\mathbb{Q}] = 8$ , we can note that

$$[\mathbb{Q}(\omega, \zeta):\mathbb{Q}] = [\mathbb{Q}(\omega, \zeta):\mathbb{Q}(\omega)] [\mathbb{Q}(\omega):\mathbb{Q}]$$

$\swarrow \quad \searrow$   
 $\hookrightarrow = 4, \text{ since } \min(\omega, \mathbb{Q}) = x^4 - 5$   
 $\hookrightarrow = 2, \text{ since } \mathbb{Q}(\omega) \subseteq \mathbb{R} \text{ but } \zeta \notin \mathbb{R}, \text{ so } \min(\zeta, \mathbb{Q}(\omega)) = x^2 + 1.$

We can immediately note that  $\tau\sigma = (13)(1234) = (12)(34) \neq (14)(23) = \sigma\tau$ , so  $G$  is non-abelian.

Moreover,  $G$  contains 2 elts of order 2, namely  $\tau$  &  $\sigma\tau$ , so  $G \not\cong \mathbb{Q}_8$ , so we must have  $G \cong D_4$ .

(This follows since they have the same # of generators, satisfy the same relations, & are the same size.)

So  $\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}) \cong D_4$ .

$\mathbb{Q}(\omega)$

$\omega = 5^{1/4} \Rightarrow \omega^2 = \sqrt{5}$

$\min(\sqrt{5}, \mathbb{Q}) = x^2 - 5$

Noting that  $[\mathbb{Q}(\omega):\mathbb{Q}] = 2$ , by the Galois correspondence,  $[\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}) : \text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}(\omega))] = 4$ , so we are looking for an index 4 subgroup of  $\langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$  that fixes  $\mathbb{Q}(\omega)$ . Noting that  $\tau$  corresponds to

complex conjugation and  $\text{order}(\tau)=2$ , we have  $\langle \tau \rangle \in G$ . We also find that  $\sigma^2$  fixes  $\mathbb{Q}(w^2)$ , since

$$\sigma^2(a+bw^2) = a+b\sigma(\sigma(w^2)) = a+b\sigma(iw^2) = a+b\sigma(-w^2) = a-b\sigma(w^2) = a-b(iw^2) = a+bw^2$$

and since  $\text{order}(\sigma^2)=2$ , we have  $|\langle \tau, \sigma^2 \rangle|=4$ , so  $G := \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$  has index 2 & fixes  $\mathbb{Q}(w)$ , so we must have

$$\boxed{\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}(w)) = \langle \tau, \sigma^2 \rangle.}$$

$$(\cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2)$$

$\mathbb{Q}(iw)$

Noting that  $[\mathbb{Q}(iw):\mathbb{Q}] = 4$  since  $\min(iw, \mathbb{Q}) = x^4-5$ , we look for a subgroup of  $\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q})$  of index 4 (& thus order 2) that fixes  $\mathbb{Q}(iw)$ . The subgroup  $\langle \tau\sigma^2 \rangle$  does the trick, since

$$\tau\sigma^2(a+b iw) = a+b(-i)(i^2w) = a+b iw.$$

$$\boxed{\text{Thus } \text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q}(iw)) = \langle \tau\sigma^2 \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_2}$$

$f(x) = x^3 - 2$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$

$$w = 2^{1/3}$$

Factor  $f(x) = (x-w)(x-\zeta_3 w)(x-\zeta_3^2 w)$  where  $\zeta_3 = e^{2\pi i/3}$ , then  $F := \mathbb{Q}(w, \zeta_3)$  is the splitting field of  $f(x)$ , and  $[F:\mathbb{Q}] = [F:\mathbb{Q}(w)][\mathbb{Q}(w):\mathbb{Q}]$

$$\cdot [\mathbb{Q}(w):\mathbb{Q}] = 3, \text{ since } \min(w, \mathbb{Q}) = x^3 - 2.$$

$$\cdot [F:\mathbb{Q}(w)] = 2 \text{ since } \min(\zeta_3, \mathbb{Q}(w)) = \Phi_3 = x^2 + x + 1.$$

$$\text{So } [F:\mathbb{Q}] = 6 = |G| := |\text{Gal}(F/\mathbb{Q})| \Rightarrow G \in \{\mathbb{Z}_6, S_3\}.$$

We can produce at least two automorphisms fixing  $\mathbb{Q}$ :  $\leadsto \tau: \begin{cases} w \mapsto w \\ \zeta_3 \mapsto \zeta_3^2 \end{cases} \leadsto (12)$

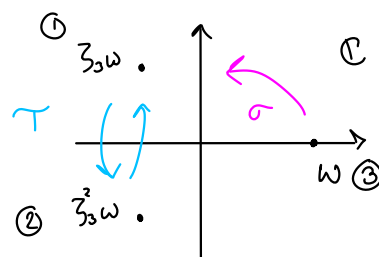
And we can check

$$(12)(123) = (1)(23)$$

$$(123)(12) = (13)(2) \neq (12)(123)$$

So  $G$  contains a non-abelian subgroup  $\langle \tau, \sigma \rangle$  & thus

$$\boxed{G \cong S_3}$$



$f(x) = (x^2 - 2)(x^2 - 5) / \mathbb{Q}$

Noting that  $x^2 - 5 = (x + w_5)(x - w_5)$  where  $w_5 = 5^{1/2}$ , the splitting field of  $f(x)$  will be

$$L := \mathbb{Q}(w, \zeta_3, w_5) = \mathbb{Q}(2^{1/3}, e^{2\pi i/5})(\sqrt{5}).$$

$$\text{Claim: } [L:\mathbb{Q}] = [L:\mathbb{Q}(w, \zeta_3)][\mathbb{Q}(w, \zeta_3):\mathbb{Q}] = 2 \cdot 6 = 12.$$

The only new content is that  $[L:\mathbb{Q}(w, \zeta_3)] = 2$ , i.e.  $\min(\sqrt{5}, \mathbb{Q}(w, \zeta_3)) = x^2 - 5$ .

The degree could not be higher, since  $E \subseteq F \Rightarrow \min(\alpha, F) \mid \min(\alpha, E)$  and  $\min(\sqrt{5}, \mathbb{Q}) = x^2 - 5$ .  
But it could not be 1, since  $\sqrt{5} \notin \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{3}, \sqrt[3]{5})$ .

So  $G := \text{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q}) \cong S_3$  as a subgroup by the previous problem, and is thus a nonabelian group of order 12. We can produce a new automorphism  $\gamma$ :

$$\gamma: \begin{cases} \sqrt{5} \mapsto -\sqrt{5} \\ \sqrt[3]{3} \mapsto \sqrt[3]{3} \\ \omega \mapsto \omega \end{cases}$$

Thus  $\langle \gamma \rangle$  is a subgroup of order 2,  $\langle \gamma \rangle \cap \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle = \{e\}$ ,

and  $|\langle \gamma \rangle| \cdot |\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle| = 2 \cdot 6 = 12 = |G|$ , and  $G = \underbrace{\langle \gamma \rangle \times \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle}_{\text{product of subgroups}} \Rightarrow \boxed{G = \langle \gamma \rangle \times \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times S_3}$

⑤

- a) Noting that  $g(x) \mid f(x)$  and  $f$  splits in  $F$ ,  $g$  must split in  $F$  as well. (Otherwise,  $g$  would have an irreducible nonlinear factor in  $F$  and thus  $f$  would as well.)
- b) The irreducible factors of  $g$  are separable in  $E$  and  $F/E$  is a splitting field for  $g$ , so by (3.3) above,  $F/E$  is Galois.
- c)  $K \subseteq E \Rightarrow \text{Aut}(F/E) \subseteq \text{Aut}(F/K)$ , and to see  $\text{Aut}(F/K) \subseteq \text{Aut}(F/E)$ , letting  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(F/K)$  we must have  $\sigma \in \text{Sym}(\{u_1, \dots, u_n\})$  and so
- $$\sigma(g(x)) = g(\sigma(x)) = \prod (\sigma(x) - u_i) = \sum v_i \sigma(x)^i$$
- $$\sigma\left(\sum_{i=0}^n v_i x^i\right) = \sum_{i=0}^n \sigma(v_i) \sigma(x)^i$$
- so  $\sigma(v_i) = v_i$  &  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(F/E)$ .

- ⑥ Suppose  $f$  is irreducible & not separable, so  $\gcd(f, f') > 1$ . Since  $\deg f' < \deg f$ , and  $f$  is irreducible, we have  $f'(x) \equiv 0$  in  $K[x]$ . But if  $f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^m a_j x^j$  ( $a_m \neq 0 \in K$ )
- $$f'(x) = m a_m x^{m-1} + \dots + a_1 \equiv 0.$$
- So in particular,  $m a_m = 0$  in  $K$ , forcing  $m = 0$  in  $K$  and since  $m \neq 0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , we must have  $\text{char}(K) \mid m$ .