

Q1. Let $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{3}] = \{a+b\sqrt{3} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}$. That $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{3}]$ is a commutative ring with identity. Prove that $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{3}]$ is a field.

Since $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{3}]$ is a commutative ring with unity.

To prove $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{3}]$ is also a field, we need to show for any element (non-zero) of $\mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{3}]$ there exists a multiplicative inverse.

Let $a+b\sqrt{3} \in \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{3}]$ s.t. $a \neq 0$ and $b \neq 0$
s.t. $c+d\sqrt{3}$ is its multiplicative inverse.

$$\text{Hence } (a+b\sqrt{3})(c+d\sqrt{3}) = 1$$

$$(ac+3bd) + (ad+bc)\sqrt{3} = 1$$

$$\text{So } ac+3bd = 1$$

$$ad+bc = 0$$

Solving linear eqⁿ using matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 3b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 3b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a^2-3b^2} \begin{bmatrix} a & -3b \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{a^2-3b^2} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ -b \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence multiplicative inverse of $a+b\sqrt{3}$ is

$$\frac{a}{a^2-3b^2} - \left(\frac{b}{a^2-3b^2}\right)\sqrt{3} \in \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{3}]$$

Hence Proved.

Q2. Let \mathbb{Q} be the field of rational numbers
then show that $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})$.

Let $A = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$ and $B = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})$.

Since $\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3} \in A$

Hence $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} \in A$ [linear combination]

So, it follows $B \subseteq A$ — ①

Next we need to show $\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3} \in B$.

$$(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})^2 = (2+3) + 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{6} = \frac{(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})^2 - (2+3)}{2}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{6} \in B$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{a(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}) - \sqrt{ab}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})}{a-b}$$

$$= \frac{a\sqrt{a} + a\sqrt{b} - a\sqrt{b} - b\sqrt{a}}{a-b}$$

$$= \sqrt{a}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{b(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}) - \sqrt{ab}(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})}{b-a}$$

$$= \sqrt{b}$$

$$\text{replacing } a = \sqrt{2}, b = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{we get } \sqrt{2} \in B \text{ and } \sqrt{3} \in B$$

$$\therefore A \subseteq B \text{ — ②}$$

using ① and ② we can say that

$$A = B$$

$$\text{Hence } \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})$$

Q3 Find a basis of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[5]{3})$ over \mathbb{Q} .

Let w be root of polynomial $x^5 - 3 = 0$

By Eisenstein's Irreducibility criterion using $p=3$, we can show that $x^5 - 3$ is irreducible over \mathbb{Q} .

So we have $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[5]{3}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 5$

And basis is $\{1, \sqrt[5]{3}, \sqrt[5]{3^2}, \sqrt[5]{3^3}, \sqrt[5]{3^4}\}$

Q4. Gaussian integer is a complex number such that its real and imaginary parts are both integers. $\mathbb{Z}[i] = \{a+ib \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a ring of Gaussian integers. Prove that the ring of Gaussian integers modulo 3 is a field. Also find its characteristic;

Given $\mathbb{Z}[i] = \{a+ib \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a ring.

To prove $\{a+ib \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_3\}$ is a field.

$$a, b \in \{0, 1, 2\}$$

1. Identity / unity element:

$$a+ib \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$a=1, b=0$$

2. Commutative:

$$(a+ib)(c+id) \equiv (c+id)(a+ib) \pmod{3}$$

3. Multiplicative Inverse of non-zero element.

Let $a+ib \in \mathbb{Z}_3$ s.t. $a \neq 0$ and $b \neq 0$.

$$(a+ib)^{-1} = \frac{(a-ib)}{(a+ib)(a-ib)} = \frac{a}{a^2+b^2} - \frac{ib}{a^2+b^2}$$

Since 3 is prime, hence $\gcd(a, 3) = 1$
as $a \in \mathbb{Z}_3$.

Hence $a \left(\frac{1}{a^2+b^2} \right) \pmod{3}$ is integer s.t. $\in \mathbb{Z}_3$

Hence Inverse exists.

4. Characteristic: $x(a+ib) = 0 \pmod{3}$, then x must be 3.

$$\text{as } 3(a+ib) = 0 \pmod{3} \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_3$$

Hence characteristic = 3.

Q5. Is $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt[3]{7}$ algebraic over the field of rational numbers? Justify.

To find/check if an element is algebraic over \mathbb{Q} .

Let $f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$

If $f(\alpha) = 0$, and i.e. it is root of $f(x)$ then α is algebraic over field \mathbb{Q} .

$$\text{Let } \alpha = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt[3]{7}$$

$$(\alpha - \sqrt{2}) = \sqrt[3]{7}$$

Take cube on both side

$$\alpha^3 - 2\sqrt{2} - 3\alpha^2\sqrt{2} + 6\alpha = 7$$

$$\alpha^3 + 6\alpha - 7 = \sqrt{2}(3\alpha^2 + 2)$$

Take square on both side

$$(\alpha^3 + 6\alpha - 7)^2 = 2(3\alpha^2 + 2)^2$$

$$\alpha^6 + 36\alpha^2 + 49 + 12\alpha^4 - 84\alpha - 14\alpha^3 = 18\alpha^4 + 12\alpha^2 + 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^6 - 6\alpha^4 - 14\alpha^3 + 24\alpha^2 - 84\alpha + 41 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^6 + (-6\alpha^4) + (-14\alpha^3) + 24\alpha^2 + (-84\alpha) + 41 = 0$$

Since all co-efficients of above eqⁿ lie in \mathbb{Q}

hence $f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$

where $\alpha = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt[3]{7}$ is root of $f(x)$

Hence $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt[3]{7}$ is algebraic over field of rational numbers.

Q6. Let F be the field of rational numbers and $f(x) = x^4 + x^2 + 1 \in F[x]$. Show that $F(\omega)$ where ω is cube root of unity is a splitting field of $f(x)$. Also determine the degree of splitting field $f(x)$ over F .

$$\text{cube root of unity} = 1, \omega, \omega^2$$

$$1 + \omega + \omega^2 = 0.$$

$$f(x) = x^4 + x^2 + 1$$

$$\text{let } x^2 = z$$

$$f(z) = z^2 + z + 1$$

$$z = \omega, \omega^2$$

$$\therefore x^2 = \omega, \omega^2$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{\omega}, \pm \omega$$

$$\therefore f(x) = (x - \sqrt{\omega})(x + \sqrt{\omega})(x - \omega)(x + \omega)$$

where $(x - \text{root})$ is a factor.

Hence $F(\omega)$ is a splitting field of $f(x)$.

Since $f(x)$ is monic irreducible in $F[x]$

hence degree of splitting field = 4.

Q7. Show that $\sqrt{2+\sqrt{3}}$ is algebraic over \mathbb{Q} .

$$\text{Let } \alpha = \sqrt{2+\sqrt{3}}$$

squaring both sides

$$\alpha^2 = 2+\sqrt{3}$$

$$(\alpha^2 - 2) = \sqrt{3}$$

squaring both sides

$$\alpha^4 + 4 - 4\alpha^2 = 3$$

$$f(\alpha) \Rightarrow \alpha^4 - 4\alpha^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$$

$$x^4 - 4x^2 + 1 \text{ is irreducible over } \mathbb{Q}.$$

$$\therefore f(\alpha) = 0$$

$$\alpha = \sqrt{2+\sqrt{3}}$$

Hence $\sqrt{2+\sqrt{3}}$ is algebraic over \mathbb{Q} .

Q8 Prove that $F_3[x]/x^2+1$ is a field.
How many elements does the field have?

$$F_3 = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

$$f(x) = x^2 + 1$$

$$f(0) \neq 0, f(1) \neq 0, f(2) \neq 0$$

Hence $f(x)$ is a monic irreducible polynomial of F_3

$$\therefore F_3[x]/x^2+1 = \mathcal{G}$$

$$\text{then } \deg(g) < \deg(x^2+1)$$

$\therefore F_3[x]/(x^2+1)$ is a field as proved in class.

$$F_3[x]/x^2+1 = \{a+b\alpha : a, b \in F_3, \text{ where } \alpha \text{ satisfy } f(\alpha)\}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \alpha^2 + 1 = 0$$

~~Addition~~ Total # elements in field = $(3)^2 = 9$.

Addition Table

+	0	1	2	α	2α	$1+\alpha$	$1+2\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$
0	0	1	2	α	2α	$1+\alpha$	$1+2\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$
1	1	2	0	$1+\alpha$	$1+2\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$	α	2α
2	2	0	1	$2+\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$	α	2α	$1+\alpha$	$1+2\alpha$
α	α	$1+\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	2α	0	$1+2\alpha$	1	$2+2\alpha$	2
2α	2α	$1+2\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$	0	α	1	$1+\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$
$1+\alpha$	$1+\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	α	$1+2\alpha$	1	$2+2\alpha$	2	2α	0
$1+2\alpha$	$1+2\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$	2α	1	$1+\alpha$	2	$2+\alpha$	0	α
$2+\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	α	$1+\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$	2	2α	0	$1+2\alpha$	$1+\alpha$
$2+2\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$	2α	$1+2\alpha$	2	$2+\alpha$	0	α	1	$1+2\alpha$

multiplication Table

X	0	1	2	α	2α	$1+\alpha$	$1+2\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	α	2α	$1+\alpha$	$1+2\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$
2	0	2	1	2α	α	$2+2\alpha$	$\alpha+2$	$2\alpha+1$	$1+\alpha$
α	0	α	2α	2	1	$2+\alpha$	$\alpha+1$	$2\alpha+2$	$1+2\alpha$
2α	0	2α	α	1	2	$1+2\alpha$	$2\alpha+2$	$\alpha+1$	$\alpha+2$
$1+\alpha$	0	$1+\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	$1+2\alpha$	2α	2	1	α
$1+2\alpha$	0	$1+2\alpha$	$2+\alpha$	$1+\alpha$	$2+2\alpha$	2	α	2α	1
$2+\alpha$	0	$2+\alpha$	$1+2\alpha$	$2\alpha+2$	$\alpha+1$	1	2α	α	2
$2+2\alpha$	0	$2+2\alpha$	$1+\alpha$	$1+2\alpha$	$\alpha+2$	α	1	2	2α

Hence every non-zero element has a unique multiplicative inverse.

Q9. Prove that every non-zero element in $GF(2^n)$ possesses a unique multiplicative inverse.

Proof by contradiction.

For every non-zero element let $a \in GF(2^n)$ st it has more than one multiplicative inverse, say b, c .

$$\therefore ab \equiv ac \equiv 1 \pmod{p(x)}$$

where $p(x) = a_n x^n + \dots + a_0$

st $a_i \in GF(2)$ (Prime field)
 $\therefore a_i \in \{0, 1\}$

$$ab \equiv 1 \pmod{p(x)}$$

$$ac \equiv 1 \pmod{p(x)}$$

[b, c are assumed multiplicative inverse]

$$(ab - ac) \equiv 0 \pmod{p(x)}$$

$$a(b - c) \equiv 0 \pmod{p(x)}$$

Since $a \neq 0$ by defⁿ

$$\therefore b - c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b = c$$

Hence there exists a unique multiplicative inverse for all non-zero element in $GF(2^n)$

Q10. Construct the field F_{49} .

We will construct field as $\mathbb{Z}_7[x]/P(x)$,
s.t. $P(x)$ is a monic irreducible polynomial
over \mathbb{Z}_7

$$\mathbb{Z}_7 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$\text{Let } P(x) = x^2 + x + 3$$

$$P(0) \neq 0$$

$$P(1) \neq 0$$

$$P(2) \neq 0$$

$$P(3) \neq 0$$

$$P(4) \neq 0$$

$$P(5) \neq 0$$

$$P(6)$$

$$\therefore \mathbb{Z}_7[x]/x^2+x+3 = \mathcal{G}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \deg(g) < \deg(P(x))$$

$$\therefore \deg(g) \leq 2$$

So, $\mathbb{Z}_7[x]/(x^2+x+3) = \{a + bx; \text{ s.t. } a \text{ satisfies } P(x)\}$

$$\therefore a + bx$$

$$a, b \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$\text{Hence Total No of elements} = (7)^2 = 49.$$

elements =

$$0, x, 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 6x,$$

$$1, 1+x, 1+2x, 1+3x, 1+4x, 1+5x, 1+6x,$$

$$2, 2+x, 2+2x, 2+3x, 2+4x, 2+5x, 2+6x,$$

$$3, 3+x, 3+2x, 3+3x, 3+4x, 3+5x, 3+6x,$$

$$4, 4+x, 4+2x, 4+3x, 4+4x, 4+5x, 4+6x,$$

$$5, 5+x, 5+2x, 5+3x, 5+4x, 5+5x, 5+6x,$$

$$6, 6+x, 6+2x, 6+3x, 6+4x, 6+5x, 6+6x \quad \mathcal{G} = F_{49}$$

Q11. Find the number of monic irreducible polynomial in $F_3[x]$ of degree 12

irreducible polynomial of degree m over \mathbb{Z}_p is given by

$$N_p(m) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{d|m} \mu(d) p^{m/d}$$

$$p=3, m=12$$

$$\frac{1}{12} [\mu(1) \cdot 3^{12} + \mu(2) \cdot 3^6 + \mu(3) \cdot 3^4 + \mu(4) \cdot 3^3 + \mu(6) \cdot 3^2 + \mu(12) \cdot 3^1]$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} [3^{12} + (-1) \cdot 3^6 + (-1)3^4 + 0 + (-1)^2 \cdot 3^2 + 0]$$

$$= \frac{530640}{12} = 44220$$

Q 12. If a is an algebraic integer and m is an ordinary integer, prove.

a) $a+m$ is an algebraic integer

b) ma is an algebraic integer

a) a is given to be algebraic integer and m is an ordinary integer.

So, $f(a) = 0$ in some $f(x)$ over F .

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \alpha_n x^n + \dots + \alpha_0$$

$$f(x) = \alpha_n x^n + \alpha_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_0$$

Now for $x = a+m$

$$g(x) = \alpha_n (x-m)^n + \alpha_{n-1} (x-m)^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_0$$

This $g(x)$ will still be $\in F$ as ' m ' is an ordinary integer hence

coefficients of $g(x)$ still lie in same field F .

Thus $a+m$ is also algebraic integer with polynomial $g(x)$.

b) Let $f(x) = \alpha_n x^n + \alpha_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_0$ be polynomial for which $f(a) = 0$

\therefore we multiply m^n to polynomial, we get

$$m^n f(a) = g(ma) \\ \alpha_n (ma)^n + \alpha_{n-1} m (ma)^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_1 m^{n-1} (ma) + \alpha_0 m^n = 0$$

\therefore for this polynomial $g(x)$
' ma ' is an algebraic integer.

Q13 a) Let α be a root of $x^2+1=0$, and K be the field $F_3[\alpha]$. Write down basis for K , considered as a vector space over F_3 . Write out the elements of F_1 explicitly.

b) Deduce that if you repeat the construction in a) with different quadratic polynomial irreducible over F_3 (instead of x^2+1), you get the same field K .

c) $f(x) = x^2+1$
 $K = F_3[\alpha]$ $\alpha \in \{0, 1, 2\}$

Basis of K over $F_3 = \{1, \alpha\}$

elements of $F_1 = \{0, 1, -1, \alpha, 1+\alpha, -1+\alpha, -\alpha, 1-\alpha, -1-\alpha\}$

d) If we use any different polynomial (quadratic) other than x^2+1 , still all the roots of all polynomial will be in F_1 .

So, we will again get same field with 9 elements as in F_1 .

Q14. Find all the primitive elements of the field $GF(3^2) = GF(3)[x]/(x^2+x+2)$.

$$GF(3^2) = GF(3)[x]/(x^2+x+2)$$

$$\text{let } \alpha \in GF(3^2)$$

$$\deg(\alpha) < \deg(x^2+x+2)$$

$$GF(3^2) = \{a+b\alpha \mid \alpha \text{ satisfies } x^2+x+2\}$$

$$\text{Hence \# elements in } GF(3^2) = (3)^2 = 9$$

$$= \{0, 1, 2, \alpha, 2\alpha, \alpha+1, \alpha+2, 2\alpha+1, 2\alpha+2\}$$

To find primitive element we need to find an element $\alpha \in GF(3^2)$

$$\text{s.t. } \alpha^8 \equiv 1 \pmod{p(\alpha)}$$

Let $\alpha = 1$ Not primitive
 $\alpha = 2$ Not primitive } cannot generate α

$$\alpha = \alpha \quad \{ \alpha^1 = \alpha, \alpha^2 = 2\alpha+1, \alpha^3 = 2\alpha+2, \\ \alpha^4 = 2, \alpha^5 = 2\alpha, \alpha^6 = \alpha+2, \\ \alpha^7 = \alpha+1, \alpha^8 = 1 \}$$

Hence α is a primitive root

so, all generators are α^g s.t. $\gcd(g, 8) = 1$

$$\therefore g = 3, 5, 7$$

$\alpha, \alpha^3, \alpha^5, \alpha^7$ are primitive roots:

$\alpha, 2\alpha+2, 2\alpha, \alpha+1$ are the 4 primitive roots of $GF(3^2)$.