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#### Exercise 11.5.5

Let  $\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{k}$  be a Galois extension, and  $\mathbb{L}$ ,  $\mathbb{M}$  be intermediate fields. Denote by  $\mathbb{L} \vee \mathbb{M}$  the minimal subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$  containing  $\mathbb{L}$  and  $\mathbb{M}$ .

- (a)  $(\mathbb{L} \cap \mathbb{M})^* = \langle \mathbb{L}^*, \mathbb{M}^* \rangle$ .
- (b)  $(\mathbb{L} \vee \mathbb{M})^* = \mathbb{L}^* \cap \mathbb{M}^*$ .
- (c) Assume that  $\mathbb{L}/\mathbb{k}$  is normal. Then  $Gal(\mathbb{L}\vee\mathbb{M}/\mathbb{M})\cong Gal(\mathbb{L}/(\mathbb{L}\cap\mathbb{M}))$ .

#### Solution:

(a) We know that  $L \cap M \subseteq L$ , by the Galois correspondence, we have  $L^* \subseteq (L \cap M)^*$ . Similarly, we can see that  $M^* \subseteq (L \cap M)^*$ . Note that

#### Exercise 11.5.6

Let  $\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{k}$  be a finite Galois extension and p be a prime number.

- (a)  $\mathbb{K}$  has an intermediate subfield  $\mathbb{L}$  such that  $[\mathbb{K} : \mathbb{L}]$  is a prime power.
- (b) If  $\mathbb{L}_1$  and  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{H}}$  are intermediate subfields with  $[\mathbb{K} : \mathbb{L}_1]$ ,  $[\mathbb{K} : \mathbb{L}_2]$  both p-powers, and  $[\mathbb{L}_1 : \mathbb{k}]$ ,  $[\mathbb{L}_2 : \mathbb{k}]$  both prime to p, then  $\mathbb{L}_1$  is  $\mathbb{L}_1$  is  $\mathbb{k}$ -isomorphic to  $\mathbb{L}_2$ .

# Solution:

#### Exercise 11.5.7

Let  $f \in \mathbb{k}[x]$ ,  $\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{k}$  be a splitting field for f over  $\mathbb{k}$ , and  $G := \operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{k})$ .

- 1. G acts on the set of the roots of f.
- 2. G acts transitively if f is irreducible.
- 3. If f has no multiple roots and G acts transitively then f is irreducible.

# Solution:

### Exercise 11.6.2

Let  $\mathbb{k}$  be a field, p(x) be an irreducible polynomial in  $\mathbb{k}[x]$  of degree n, and let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a Galois extension of  $\mathbb{k}$  containing a root  $\alpha$  of p(x). Let  $G = \operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{k})$ , and  $G_{\alpha}$  be the set of all  $\sigma \in G$  with  $\sigma(\alpha) = \alpha$ . Then:

- (a)  $[G:G_{\alpha}] = n;$
- (b)  $G_{\alpha}^* = \mathbb{k}(\alpha)$ ;
- (c) If  $G_{\alpha}$  is normal in G then p(x) splits in the fixed field of  $G_{\alpha}$ .

Solution:

#### Exercise 11.6.3

Let  $\mathbb{k}(\alpha)/\mathbb{k}$  be a field extension obtained by adjoining a root  $\alpha$  of an irreducible separable polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{k}[x]$ . Then there exists an intermediate field  $\mathbb{k} \subseteq \mathbb{F} \subseteq \mathbb{k}(\alpha)$  if and only if  $\operatorname{Gal}(f;\mathbb{k})$  is imprimitive (as a permutation group on the roots), in which case  $\mathbb{F}$  can be chosen so that  $[\mathbb{F} : \mathbb{k}]$  is equal to the number of imprimitive blocks.

Solution:

## Exercise 11.6.6

Find all subfields of the splitting field of  $x^3 - 7$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Which of the subfields are normal over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ?

Solution:

## Exercise 11.6.7

Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a splitting field for  $x^4 + 6x^2 + 5$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Find subfields of  $\mathbb{K}$ .

Solution: