

## HOMEWORK 7-8. DUE FRIDAY MAY 23

HAND IN: 8.2.2, 8.5.1, 8.6.8, 8.6.15\* (**bonus problem**), 8.7.1, 8.7.3.

1. Let  $n$  be a positive integer and  $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^\times$  be of order  $n$  (such a  $\zeta$  is called a *primitive  $n$ -th root of unity*).

(i) Prove:  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta)$  is the splitting field of  $x^n - 1$ .

(ii)\* (**bonus question**) Prove:  $\text{Aut}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta))$  is abelian.

2. Let  $L \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be the splitting field of  $x^p - 2 \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ , where  $p$  is a prime.

(i) Prove:  $L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[p]{2}, \zeta_p)$ .

(ii) Deduce:  $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}} L \leq p(p-1)$ .

(iii) Prove:  $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}} L = p(p-1)$ .

(iv) Prove:  $x^p - 2 \in \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_p)[x]$  is irreducible.

3. (i) Prove:  $L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{3}, i)$  is the splitting field of  $x^4 - 3$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

(ii) Prove:  $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}}(L) = 8$ . ( $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{3}) \subseteq L$ .)

(iii) Prove: Some  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{Q}}(L)$  sends  $\sqrt[4]{3} \rightarrow i\sqrt[4]{3}$  and  $i \rightarrow i$ .

(iv) Prove: If  $\tau$  denotes the restriction to  $L$  of complex conjugation, then  $\text{Aut}_{\mathbb{Q}}(L) = \{1, \sigma, \sigma^2, \sigma^3, \tau, \sigma\tau, \sigma^2\tau, \sigma^3\tau\} \cong D_4$ . (Why are these elements of  $\text{Aut}_{\mathbb{Q}}(L)$  different?)

4. For  $F = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5})$ :

(i) Prove that  $G = \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{Q}}(F)$  has order 8.

(ii) Write down all 8 subgroups of  $G$ , and for each identify the fixed field as a simple extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . (There are 7 subgroups of order 2 and 7 of order 4.)

(iii) Exhibit the Galois correspondence for  $F$ .

DO NOT HAND IN: 8.1.1, 8.1.2, 8.1.3, 8.2.3, 8.6.1, 8.6.3.

AND

5. (i) Prove: for any integers  $n_1, \dots, n_k$ ,  $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{n_1}, \dots, \sqrt{n_k}) \leq 2^k$ .

(ii) NOW suppose that all of the  $n_i$  are distinct primes. Prove that this dimension =  $2^k$ . (Minimal polynomial and automorphisms.)

6. (i) True or False & Why:  $S_4$  is generated by  $(1, 2, 3, 4)$  together with any transposition (i.e., with any 2-cycle).

(ii) True or False & Why:  $S_6$  is generated by  $(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)$  together with any transposition.