

①  $E/F$  an algebraic extension,  $\sigma: E \hookrightarrow E$  a morphism of fields such that  $\sigma|_F = \text{Id}_F$ . Prove  $\sigma: E \xrightarrow{\cong} E$ .

Pf.  $\sigma: E \hookrightarrow E$  is injective because  $\text{Ker } \sigma \subsetneq E$  is an ideal. We need only show  $\sigma$  is surjective. Let  $\alpha \in E$ . We have:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xhookrightarrow{\sigma} & E \\ | & & | \\ F(\alpha) & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \sigma(F(\alpha)) \\ | & & | \\ F & \longrightarrow & F \\ \sigma|_F = \text{Id}_F & & \end{array}$$

Let  $p(x) \in F[x]$  be the min'l polynomial of  $\alpha$  over  $F$  (can be chosen since  $\alpha$  is algebraic), with  $p(\alpha) = 0$   $\rightarrow$  i.e.  $\beta_1 = \alpha$ . Let  $\{\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k\}$  be the roots of  $p(x)$  in  $\bar{E}$ .  $\sum_{j=1}^k \beta_j = n = \deg p(x)$ .

Claim:  $\sigma|_S: S \rightarrow S$ , i.e.  $\sigma(S) \subset S$ .

this is because  $p(x) \in F[x]$ ,  $\sigma|_F = \text{Id}_F \Rightarrow \sigma(p(x)) = p(x)$   
so for  $\beta_j \in S$ ,  $\sigma(p(\beta_j)) = \sigma(0) = 0$

$= p(\sigma(\beta_j))$ , thus  $\sigma(\beta_j) \in S$

$\sigma$  injective  $\Rightarrow \sigma|_S: S \hookrightarrow S$ , but  $S$  is finite so injective maps are surjective  $\Rightarrow \exists \beta_j \in S$  such that  $\sigma(\beta_j) = \alpha$ . So for any  $\alpha \in E$   $\exists \beta \in E$  with  $\sigma(\beta) = \alpha$ .  $\square$

③  $E/F$  a normal extension,  $K$  intermediate extension  $F \subset K \subset E$  and  $\sigma: K \hookrightarrow E$  an embedding s.t.  $\sigma|_F = \text{Id}_F$ . Then  $\sigma$  extends to an automorphism  $E \xrightarrow{\cong} E$ .

Pf.

We have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & & E \\ | & & | \\ K & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & \sigma(K) \\ | & & | \\ F & \longrightarrow & F \\ \sigma|_F = \text{Id}_F & & \end{array}$$

and  $E/F$  normal  $\Leftrightarrow E$  is splitting ext'n. of some  $P \subset F[x]$  ( $E = SF_F(P)$ )

Thus, since  $P \subset F[x] \subset K[x]$  and  $P \subset F[x] \subset \sigma(K)[x]$ ,  $E \not\models SF_K(P)$  and  $E = SF_{\sigma(K)}(P)$

Thus  $E$  is normal over  $K$  and  $\sigma(K)$ .

Note also that  $\sigma(\beta) = \beta$ . Thm. 30.2 then gives that  $\sigma$  extends to an automorphism  $\sigma: E \xrightarrow{\cong} E$ .  $\square$

(4)  $F = \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $E = SF_{\mathbb{Q}}(x^2 - 2) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ , and  $K = SF_E(x^2 - \sqrt{2}) = \mathbb{Q}(4\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}) = \mathbb{Q}(4\sqrt{2})$

Describe  $\text{Gal}(K/F)$  and prove  $K/F$  is not Galois.

Pf.

Note that over  $F = \mathbb{Q}$ , the minimal polynomial of  $\sqrt[4]{2}$  is  $x^4 - 2$ , irreducible by Eisenstein.

$$\Rightarrow [K:F] = 4. \text{ In general, } |\text{Gal}(K/F)| \leq [K:F]$$

(actually,  $|\text{Gal}(K/F)| / [K:F]$ )  $\Rightarrow |\text{Gal}(K/F)| \mid 4$ .

All the roots of  $x^4 - 2$  are  $\sqrt[4]{2}, \sqrt[4]{2}\omega, \sqrt[4]{2}\omega^2, \sqrt[4]{2}\omega^3$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  for  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/4}$

But  $\sqrt[4]{2}\omega^k \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$  for  $k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  so  $\sqrt[4]{2}\omega^k \notin \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}) \subset \mathbb{R}$   
 Thus  $x^4 - 2$  doesn't split into linear factors over  $K$  (Ex)  
 $\Rightarrow K/F$  not normal  $\Rightarrow K/F$  not Galois.

Let  $\alpha = \sqrt[4]{2} \Rightarrow K = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ . Any  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(K/F)$  is determined by  $\sigma(\alpha)$  since as a field  $K$  is generated by  $\{\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^3, 1\}$ .

Also,  $\sigma(x^4 - 2) = x^4 - 2$ , so  $\sigma(\alpha)$  must be a (real) root of  $x^4 - 2$ . Thus we have  $\sigma = \text{Id}$  or

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \alpha \text{ or } -\alpha. \end{matrix}$

$$\sigma = \sigma_1: K \xrightarrow{\cong} K$$

$$\alpha \mapsto -\alpha$$

$$\alpha^2 \mapsto \alpha^2$$

$$\alpha^3 \mapsto -\alpha^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Gal}(K/F) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2.$$

(5)  $E = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$ ,  $F = \mathbb{Q}$ . Is  $E/F$  Galois and compute  $\text{Gal}(E/F)$ .  $\square$

Pf.

$E = SF_{\mathbb{Q}}(x^2 - 2, x^2 - 3)$  clearly as these have roots  $\pm\sqrt{2}, \pm\sqrt{3}$ .

$\Rightarrow E/F$  is normal, and  $x^2 - 2, x^2 - 3$  (and any poly.) is separable over  $\mathbb{Q} \Rightarrow E/F$  is Galois.

$$\Rightarrow |\text{Gal}(E/F)| = [E:F]$$

We compute  $[E:F]$ .

$$\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$$

$$\begin{array}{c} | \\ \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) \\ | \\ \mathbb{Q} \end{array}$$

$> 2$  since  $x^2 - 2$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$  by Eisenstein.

We claim  $x^2 - 3$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$ , else  $\sqrt{3} = a + b\sqrt{2}$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$   $\Rightarrow a^2 + 2b^2 + 2ab\sqrt{2} = 3 \Rightarrow \sqrt{2} = \frac{3 - a^2 - 2b^2}{2ab} \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

Thus  $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) : \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})] = 2$  so  $[E:F] = 4 = |\text{Gal}(E/F)|$ .

Let  $S = \text{roots of } P = \{\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3}\}$ . We need only determine  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(E/F)$  on  $\alpha = \sqrt{2}$  and  $\beta = \sqrt{3}$ .

A basis of  $E$  over  $F$  is  $\{1, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{6}\} = \{1, \alpha, \beta, \alpha\beta\}$ .

$\sigma \in \text{Gal}(E/F) \Rightarrow \sigma(x^2 - 2) = x^2 - 2$  so  $\sigma(\alpha^2 - 2) = \sigma(\alpha)^2 - 2 = 0$

so  $\sigma(\alpha)$  is a root of  $x^2 - 2$ , similarly for  $\beta$  and  $x^2 - 3$ .

so  $\text{Gal}(E/F)$  cannot interchange  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

Thus we have

$$\begin{array}{lll} \sigma_0: \alpha \mapsto \alpha & \sigma_1: \alpha \mapsto -\alpha & \sigma_2: \alpha \mapsto \alpha \\ \text{Id}'' \quad \beta \mapsto \beta & \beta \mapsto \beta & \beta \mapsto -\beta \end{array} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \sigma_3: \alpha \mapsto -\alpha \\ \beta \mapsto -\beta \end{array}$$

All are involutions  $\Rightarrow \text{Gal}(E/F) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ .  $\square$

⑥  $\alpha = \sqrt{2+\sqrt{2}} \in E$  and  $E = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ ,  $F = \mathbb{Q}$ . Compute  $\text{Gal}(E/F)$ .

Sol.

$$\alpha^2 = 2 + \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow (\alpha^2 - 2)^2 = 2 \Rightarrow \alpha^4 - 4\alpha^2 + 2 = 0$$

$[E:F] = 4 \leftarrow$  Thus  $x^4 - 4x^2 + 2$  is the minimal polynomial of  $\alpha$ , irreducible.

by Eisenstein. The quadratic formula gives

$$x^2 = 2 \pm \sqrt{2} \text{ for } x \text{ a root} \Rightarrow \text{the roots are } \sqrt{2+\sqrt{2}}, \sqrt{2-\sqrt{2}}, -\sqrt{2+\sqrt{2}}, -\sqrt{2-\sqrt{2}}$$

Let  $\alpha = \sqrt{2+\sqrt{2}}$ ,  $\beta = \sqrt{2-\sqrt{2}}$ .

note  $\alpha\beta = \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow \beta = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\alpha}$  (clearly  $\sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ .)

Very clearly.

$$E = SF_{\mathbb{Q}}(x^4 - 4x^2 + 2) \leftarrow$$

thus  $x^4 - 4x^2 + 2$  splits in  $E = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha) = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha, -\alpha, \beta, -\beta)$

which is thus normal, automatically separable and thus Galois.

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Hence  $|\text{Gal}(E/F)| = [E:F] = 4 \Rightarrow \text{Gal}(E/F) \cong \mathbb{Z}_4$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$

We show  $\text{Gal}(E/F)$  has an element of order 4.

Note:  $\alpha\beta = \sqrt{2}$ ,  $\alpha^2 - 2 = \sqrt{2}$ , and  $\beta = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\alpha}$

Let  $\sigma: E \xrightarrow{\sim} F$  be the map s.t.  $\sigma(\alpha) = \beta$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma(\alpha^2 - 2) = \sigma(\alpha)^2 - 2 = \beta^2 - 2 = -\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma(\beta) = \frac{\sigma(\sqrt{2})}{\beta} = \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{\beta} = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{2-\sqrt{2}}} = -\sqrt{2+\sqrt{2}} = -\alpha$$

Thus  $\sigma(\beta) = -\alpha$  and  $\sigma(-\beta) = \alpha$

$\Rightarrow \sigma: \alpha \mapsto \beta \mapsto -\alpha \mapsto -\beta \mapsto \alpha$  so  $\sigma$  has order 4  $\Rightarrow \text{Gal}(E/F) \cong \mathbb{Z}_4$ .  $\square$