

## Homework 11

Math 5591H

Due by Tuesday, April 16

**Cf. 14.2.28.** Let  $f \in F[x]$  be an irreducible polynomial of degree  $n$  over a field  $F$ , let  $\alpha$  be a root of  $f$ , and let  $K/F$  be a normal extension. Show that  $f$  splits over  $K$  into a product of irreducible polynomials of the same degree  $d = [K(\alpha) : K]$ . (You may assume that  $f$  is separable and  $K/F$  is finite and separable.) (*Hint:* If  $f$  is separable, let  $L$  be a splitting field of  $f$  over  $K$ , let  $L/F$  be the splitting field of  $f$  over  $K$ . If  $\alpha, \beta \in L$  are two roots of  $f$ , prove that there is  $\varphi \in \text{Aut}(L/F)$  with  $\varphi(\alpha) = \beta$ , and show that  $\varphi(m_{\alpha,K}) = m_{\beta,K}$ .)

**Cf. 14.6.20.** Let  $K$  be the splitting field of  $f(x) = (x^3 - 2)(x^3 - 3) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ , let  $G = \text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q})$ . Let  $\alpha = \sqrt[3]{2}$ ,  $\beta = \sqrt[3]{3}$ ,  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/3}$ .

(a) Consider  $K$  as the composite  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha, \omega)\mathbb{Q}(\beta)$  and represent  $G$  as a semidirect product of  $S_3$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_3$ . (Don't specify the homomorphism that defines the semidirect product, if you don't want to.)

(b) Consider  $K$  as the composite  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha, \omega)\mathbb{Q}(\beta, \omega)$  and represent  $G$  as a "relative direct product"  $S_3 \times_{\mathbb{Z}_2} S_3$ .

(c) Find all the subfields of  $K$  that contain  $N = \mathbb{Q}(\omega)$ .

**A1.** Let  $\alpha = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5}$ .

(a) Find all the conjugates of  $\alpha$  over  $L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$  and find the minimal polynomial  $m_{\alpha,L}$ .

(b) Find all the conjugates of  $\alpha$  over  $N = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$  and find the minimal polynomial  $m_{\alpha,N}$ .

(c) Find the minimal polynomial  $m_{\alpha,\mathbb{Q}}$ .

(d) Prove that  $\alpha$  is a primitive element of  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5})/\mathbb{Q}$ .

**A2.** Let  $K$  be a cubic extension  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{D})$  of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Obtain the formula for the norm  $N_{K/\mathbb{Q}}(\alpha)$  of the element  $\alpha = a + b\sqrt[3]{D} + c\sqrt[3]{D^2}$ ,  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Q}$ , of  $K$ .

**A3.** Prove the following:

(a) If  $K/F$  is a  $p$ -extension and  $L/F$  is a subextension of  $K/F$ , then both  $K/L$  and  $L/F$  are  $p$ -extensions.

(b) If  $L_1/F$  and  $L_2/F$  are  $p$ -subextensions of an extension  $K/F$ , then their composite  $L_1L_2/F$  is a  $p$ -extension.

(c) If  $K/L$  and  $L/F$  are  $p$ -extensions, then  $K/F$  is also a  $p$ -extension.

**14.7.12.** Let  $K$  be a Galois closure of a finite extension  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)/\mathbb{Q}$  and let  $G = \text{Gal}(K/\mathbb{Q})$ . For every prime  $p$  dividing  $|G|$ , prove that there exists a subfield  $L$  of  $K$  such that  $[K : L] = p$  and  $K = L(\alpha)$ .