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	Field Extensions and Galois Theory							
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1. (8+7+7 pts.) a) Let  $F \subset L$  be a finite extension of fields. Write down 4 equivalent conditions for this extension to be a Galois extension.

b) Prove that  $F \subset L$  is a Galois extension if and only if for any  $\alpha \in L - F$  there exists a  $\sigma \in Gal(L/F)$  such that  $\sigma(\alpha) \neq \alpha$ .

c) Let  $F \subset K$  and  $K \subset L$  be Galois extensions. Prove that  $F \subset L$  is Galois if every  $\sigma \in Gal(K/F)$  extends to an automorphism of L.

- 2. (10+10 pts.) Let  $L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$ .
- a) Show that  $Gal(L/\mathbb{Q})$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ .
- b) Find all fields K such that  $\mathbb{Q} \subset K \subset L$ .

3.  $(4 \times 5 \text{ pts.})$  For each of the following field extensions, determine whether it is a Galois extension or not:

a)  $\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt[3]{2})$ 

b)  $\mathbb{Q} \subset @(\alpha, \beta)$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are distinct roots of  $x^3 + x^2 + 2x + 1$ .

c)  $F_p(t^p) \subset F_p(t)$  where t is a variable and  $F_p$  is finite field with p (prime) elements ( $\mathbf{F}_p = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ ).

d)C  $(t^n) \subset \mathbb{C}(t)$  where t is a variable and n is a positive integer.

4.  $(5 \times 4 \text{ pts.})$  Let F be a field extension of  $\mathbb{C}$ , and assume that  $f = x^n - \beta \in F[x]$  is irreducible. Let  $\alpha$  be a root of f in some extension field of F.

- a) Show that  $F(\alpha)$  is a splitting field of f over F.
- b) Show that  $F \subset F(\alpha)$  is a Galois extension.

c) Show that there exists a  $\sigma \in Gal(F(\alpha)/F)$  such that  $\sigma(\alpha) = \zeta_n \alpha$  where  $\zeta_n = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n}} \in \mathbb{C} \subset F$  is the primitive *n*th root of 1.

d) Show that  $Gal(F(\alpha)/F) = \langle \sigma \rangle$  and it is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  ( $\sigma$  as in part (c)).

e) Show that  $F \subset K$  is Galois for any intermediate field  $F \subset K \subset F(\alpha)$ .

5. (10+10 pts.) a) Let H be a subgroup of Gal(L/F) for a field extension  $F \subset L$ . Show that the fixed field of H in L defined as  $L_H = \{\alpha \in L | \sigma(\alpha) = \alpha \text{ for all } \sigma \in H\}$  is a subfield of L containing F. b) Assume that  $[L:F] = p^2$  where p is a prime and  $L \neq F(\alpha)$  for any  $\alpha \in L$ . Show that  $[F(\beta):F] = p$  for any  $\beta \in L - F$ . 6. (Bonus: 10 pts.) For each of the following statements, determine whether it is true or false (No explanation is asked, but two wrong answers will cancel one correct answer):

1) There exists finite extensions  $F \subset L$  which have infinitely many intermediate fields. ( )

2) [L:F] = 120 where  $L = \mathbb{Q}(x_1, ..., x_n)$  (field of rational functions in *n* variables) and  $F = \mathbb{Q}(\sigma_1, ..., \sigma_n)$ where  $\sigma_i$  are elementary symmetric polynomials in  $x_1, ..., x_n$ . ( )

3) For any finite extension  $F \subset L$  there exists an intermediate extension  $F \subset K \subset L$ ,  $K \neq L$  such that  $K \subset L$  is Galois. ( )

4) If  $char(F) \neq 0$  and  $F \subset L$  is a separable extension which is not Galois, then there is no extension  $L \subset M$  such that  $F \subset M$  is Galois. ( )

5) If  $f \in F[x]$  is irreducible and  $F \subset K$  is a finite extension, then f is irreducible in K[x]. ( )

6) If L is a splitting field of  $f \in F[x]$  over F and if  $F \subset K \subset L$  is an intermediate extension, then L is also a splitting field of f over K. ( )

7) Any finite and normal extension  $F \subset L$  is a splitting field. ( )

8) An algebraic extension is a finite extension. ( )

9) For finite extensions  $F \subset K \subset L$ , if  $\alpha \in L - K$  is separable over K, then  $\alpha$  is separable over F. ( )

10) For polynomials of degree d ( $d \ge 5$ ) over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , there is no formula (valid for all degree d polynomials) expressing the roots of the polynomial in terms of the coefficients of the polynomial using the operations of taking radicals (*n*th root), addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. ( )