
Übungsblatt 14 zur Einführung in die Algebra: Solutions

Aufgabe 1. Sei K ein Körper der Charakteristik $p > 0$, so dass der Frobenius-Homomorphismus $\Phi_p : K \rightarrow K$ kein Automorphismus ist. Sei $a \in K \setminus \Phi_p(K)$. Zeige, dass $X^p - a \in K[X]$ irreduzibel und nicht separabel ist.

Solution

Since $f' = pX^{p-1} = 0$, we have clearly that f is not separable. It remains we show irreducibility of $f := X^p - a$ in $K[X]$. Obviously, $f \notin K^\times = K[X]^\times$. Now let $f = X^p - a$, and suppose that $f = gh$, where $g, h \in K[X]$ are monic. We show that $g = 1$ or $h = 1$. Choosing $b \in \bar{K}$ with $b^p = a$, we have $f = (X^p - a) = (X^p - b^p) = (X - b)^p$ since $\text{char } K[X] = \text{char } K = p \in \mathbb{P}$. Using that $K[X]$ is factorial, we get $g = (X - b)^i$ and $h = (X - b)^j$ for some $i, j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ such that $i + j = p$. We have to show that $i = 0$ or $j = 0$, i.e. $i \in \{0, p\}$. It suffices to show that $(i, p) = (p)$. But since p is prime, the only other possibility would be $(i, p) = 1$. In that case however, we would find $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $1 = si + tp$ leading to $b = b^{si+tp} = (b^i)^s (b^p)^t = (b^i)^s a^t \in K$ (since $g, f \in K[X]$), which is a contradiction to $a \notin \Phi_p(K)$.

Aufgabe 2. Sei $x \in \mathbb{R}$ mit $x^4 = 2$ und $L = \mathbb{Q}(i, x)$. Finde alle Zwischenkörper von $L|\mathbb{Q}$.

Solution

Let $f = X^4 - 2 \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$. Obviously

$$a_1 := \sqrt[4]{2}, \quad a_2 := -\sqrt[4]{2}, \quad a_3 := i\sqrt[4]{2} \quad \text{and} \quad a_4 := -i\sqrt[4]{2}$$

are the pairwise distinct zeros of f in \mathbb{C} . The splitting field of f over \mathbb{Q} is therefore $\mathbb{Q}(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4) = \mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt[4]{2}) = \mathbb{Q}(i, x) = L$. In particular, $L|\mathbb{Q}$ is normal and therefore a Galois extension (since $\text{char } \mathbb{Q} = 0$).

We now determine $[L : \mathbb{Q}]$. Since f is irreducible over $\mathbb{Q} = \text{qf}(\mathbb{Z})$ by Eisenstein, we have $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 4$. The minimum polynomial of i over $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2})$ is $X^2 + 1$, since $i \notin \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. So $[\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt[4]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2})] = 2$. Hence $[\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt[4]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = [\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt[4]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2})][\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 2 \cdot 4 = 8$, and hence $\#\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt[4]{2})|\mathbb{Q}) = [\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt[4]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 8$.

Let $G := \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt[4]{2})|\mathbb{Q}) \subseteq S_4$. We have $(3\ 4) \in G$ (as $\bar{a}_1 = a_1$, $\bar{a}_2 = a_2$ and $\bar{a}_3 = a_4$ under complex conjugation). Since f is irreducible in $\mathbb{Q}[X]$ (and therefore each two zeros of f are conjugated over \mathbb{Q}) there is also $\varphi \in G$ with $\varphi(\sqrt[4]{2}) = i\sqrt[4]{2}$. Then $\varphi(a_3) = \varphi(i\sqrt[4]{2}) = \varphi(i)\varphi(\sqrt[4]{2}) = (\pm i)(i\sqrt[4]{2}) = \mp\sqrt[4]{2} \in \{a_1, a_2\}$ and hence at least one of $(1\ 3)(2\ 4)$ and $(1\ 3\ 2\ 4)$ lies in G . Since the product of these two permutations is $(3\ 4)$ which is already known to lie in G , it follows that actually both of these permutations lie in G . Products of the three already found permutations yield

$$\{1, (1\ 2), (3\ 4), (1\ 2)(3\ 4), (1\ 3)(2\ 4), (1\ 4)(2\ 3), (1\ 3\ 2\ 4), (1\ 4\ 2\ 3)\}.$$

We know $\#G = 8$, and hence this set is the whole Galois group.

The different subgroups of G are:

- $\langle 1 \rangle$ (order 1);
- $\langle (1\ 2) \rangle, \langle (3\ 4) \rangle, \langle (1\ 2)(3\ 4) \rangle, \langle (1\ 3)(2\ 4) \rangle, \langle (1\ 4)(2\ 3) \rangle$ (order 2);

- $\langle(1\ 3\ 2\ 4)\rangle, \langle(1\ 4\ 3\ 2)\rangle, \langle(1\ 2)\rangle, \langle(3\ 4)\rangle$ (order 4);
- G (order 8).

Intermediate fields of degree 1 over \mathbb{Q} :

- The fixed field of the subgroup of order 8 is \mathbb{Q} .

Intermediate fields of degree 2 over \mathbb{Q} : The subgroups of order 4 have index 2 in G . Hence their fixed fields have degree 2 over $L^G = \mathbb{Q}$.

- Setting $\varphi := (1\ 3\ 2\ 4)$,

$$\varphi(i) = \varphi\left(\frac{a_3}{a_1}\right) = \frac{\varphi(a_3)}{\varphi(a_1)} = \frac{a_2}{a_3} = -\frac{1}{i} = i,$$

shows that the fixed field of $\langle(1\ 3\ 2\ 4)\rangle$ is $\mathbb{Q}(i)$.

- Similarly, setting $\varphi := (1\ 4\ 3\ 2)$,

$$\varphi(\sqrt{2}i) = -\varphi(a_1a_3) = \varphi(a_1)\varphi(a_3) = a_4a_2 = i\sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2}i$$

shows that the fixed field of $\langle(1\ 4\ 3\ 2)\rangle$ is $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}i)$.

- Finally, setting $\varphi := (1\ 2)(3\ 4)$,

$$\varphi(\sqrt{2}) = \varphi(-a_1a_2) = -\varphi(a_1)\varphi(a_2) = -a_2a_1 = \sqrt{2}$$

shows that the fixed field of $\langle(1\ 2)(3\ 4)\rangle$ is $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$.

Intermediate fields of degree 4 over \mathbb{Q} :

The subgroups of order 2 have index 4 in G . Hence their fixed fields have degree 4 over $L^G = \mathbb{Q}$.

- Obviously a_3 lies in the fixed field of $\langle(1\ 2)\rangle$. But since $[\mathbb{Q}(a_3) : \mathbb{Q}] = 4$ by the irreducibility of f , we have that the fixed field of $\langle(1\ 2)\rangle$ actually equals $\mathbb{Q}(a_3) = \mathbb{Q}(i\sqrt[4]{2})$.
- Analogously, the fixed field of $\langle(3\ 4)\rangle$ is $\mathbb{Q}(a_1) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2})$.
- To determine the fixed field of $\langle(1\ 2)(3\ 4)\rangle$, we note that $\sqrt{2} = -a_1a_2$ and $i = \frac{a_3}{a_1}$ lie in it. Now since $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i) : \mathbb{Q}] = 4$, we have that it actually equals $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i)$.
- To determine the fixed field of $\langle(1\ 3)(2\ 4)\rangle$, we note that $(1+i)\sqrt[4]{2} = a_1 + a_3$ lies in it. To see that the fixed field equals $\mathbb{Q}((1+i)\sqrt[4]{2})$, we have however to show that $[\mathbb{Q}((1+i)\sqrt[4]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 4$. One way to do this, is to verify that $(1+i)\sqrt[4]{2}$ is a zero of $X^4 + 8$ and $X^4 + 8$ is irreducible over \mathbb{Q} . That $X^4 + 8$ is irreducible over \mathbb{Q} can be checked by direct computation (assume $X^4 + 8$ factors and get a contradiction).
- To determine the fixed field of $\langle(1\ 4)(2\ 3)\rangle$, we note that $(1-i)\sqrt[4]{2} = a_1 + a_4$ lies in it. Since this is the complex conjugate of $(1+i)\sqrt[4]{2}$, it follows from the above that the fixed field actually equals $\mathbb{Q}((1-i)\sqrt[4]{2})$.

Intermediate fields of degree 8 over \mathbb{Q} :

- The fixed field of the subgroup of order 1 is $L = \mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt[4]{2})$.

Resume: The different intermediate fields of $L|\mathbb{Q}$ (and therefore the subfields of L) are

$\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Q}(i), \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}i), \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}), \mathbb{Q}(i\sqrt[4]{2}), \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2}), \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i), \mathbb{Q}((1+i)\sqrt[4]{2}), \mathbb{Q}((1-i)\sqrt[4]{2})$ and $\mathbb{Q}(i, \sqrt[4]{2})$.

Aufgabe 3. Sei $K(x)|K$ eine algebraische Körpererweiterung von ungeradem Grad. Zeige $K(x^2) = K(x)$.

Solution

Clearly x is a root of $X^2 - x^2 \in K(x^2)[X]$, hence $[K(x) : K(x^2)] \leq 2$. By the tower law we have that

$$[K(x) : K] = [K(x) : K(x^2)] \cdot [K(x^2) : K],$$

which is odd by hypothesis. Therefore $[K(x) : K(x^2)] = 1$.

Aufgabe 4.

- (i) Zeige, dass die Galoisgruppe des Zerfällungskörpers eines irreduziblen separablen Polynoms vom Grad 3 über einem Körper isomorph zu S_3 oder C_3 ist
- (ii) Bestimme die Galoisgruppe des Zerfällungskörpers von $X^3 - X - 1$ über \mathbb{Q} .

Solution

- (i) Let K be a field and let $f \in K[X]$ be an irreducible polynomial of degree 3. Let L be a splitting field of f . $L|K$ is normal and separable, and $[L : K] = |\text{Aut}(L|K)| \leq 6$ and $\text{Aut}(L|K) \subseteq S_3$.

Let a, b, c be the roots of f in L . Since f is irreducible, we have that $[K(a) : K] = 3$. Hence we have a tower of fields $K \subseteq K(a) \subseteq L$ with $[L : K] \leq 6$ and $[K(a) : K] = 3$. By the tower law we have $[L : K(a)] = 1$ or 2 . We consider both cases.

If $[L : K(a)] = 2$, then $[L : K] = 6$, and so $\text{Aut}(L|K)$ has 6 elements. But $\text{Aut}(L|K) \subseteq S_3$ and $|S_3| = 6$, hence $\text{Aut}(L|K) = S_3$.

If $[L : K(a)] = 1$, then $[L : K] = 3$ and $\text{Aut}(L|K)$ has 3 elements. However, there is only one group of order 3, up to isomorphism, and that is C_3 .

- (ii) Let $f = X^3 - X - 1 \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$ and L be a splitting field of f over \mathbb{Q} . Since the characteristic of \mathbb{Q} is 0, the extension $L|\mathbb{Q}$ is separable. We now show that f is irreducible. If not, f having the degree 3, it would have a zero $\frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q}$ with $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$. We can assume without loss of generality that $(a, b) = (1)$ in \mathbb{Z} . Since $f(\frac{a}{b}) = 0$ it follows that $a^3 - ab^2 - b^3 = 0$, and hence that $a^3 = b^2(a + b)$. Let p be a prime number such that $p|a$. Then p must divide $a + b$ and therefore b , a contradiction. Hence $a = \pm 1$. Let q be a prime number with $q|b$. Then it follows that $q|a$, again a contradiction, hence $b = \pm 1$. Therefore $\frac{a}{b} = \pm 1$, but $f(\pm 1) \neq 0$, and hence f must be irreducible.

We now find the zeros of f . We know that f has at least one real zero, x_1 , as it is a polynomial of odd degree. Since $f' = 3X^2 - 1$, we see that f is increasing in the range $(-\infty, -\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}]$, decreasing in the range $[-\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}, \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}]$ and increasing again in the range $[\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}, \infty)$. We also have that $f(-\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}) < 0$, and hence f has only one real zero, x_1 . The two other zeros, x_2 and x_3 must be in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$. In particular we have

$$\mathbb{Q} \subsetneq \mathbb{Q}(x_1) \subsetneq \mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3),$$

where $\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ is the splitting field of f .

Since f is irreducible over \mathbb{Q} , we have that $[\mathbb{Q}(x_1) : \mathbb{Q}] = 3$. Since $\mathbb{Q}(x_1) \subsetneq \mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$, we have that $[\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3) : \mathbb{Q}(x_1)] \geq 2$, and by the tower law we must have $[\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3) : \mathbb{Q}(x_1)] = 2$ as $[\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3) : \mathbb{Q}] \leq 6$. It follows that $|\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3)|\mathbb{Q})| = 6$ and hence, by the first part of the question, $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Q}(x_1, x_2, x_3)|\mathbb{Q}) \cong S_3$.

Aufgabe 5. Sei $x \in \mathbb{C}$ eine Nullstelle von $X^6 + 3$. Zeige, dass $\mathbb{Q}(x)|\mathbb{Q}$ eine Galoiserweiterung ist.

Lösungsvorschlag:

Wegen $\text{char } \mathbb{Q} = 0$ reicht es zu zeigen, daß $\mathbb{Q}(x)|\mathbb{Q}$ normal ist. Hierzu zeigen wir, daß $\mathbb{Q}(x) = L$, wobei $L \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ den Zerfällungskörper von $X^6 + 3$ über \mathbb{Q} bezeichne. Es ist klar, daß $\mathbb{Q}(x) \subseteq L$. Zu zeigen ist daher nur $[\mathbb{Q}(x) : \mathbb{Q}] = [L : \mathbb{Q}]$. Da $X^6 + 3$ nach Eisenstein irreduzibel über $\mathbb{Q} = \text{qf}(\mathbb{Z})$ ist, gilt $[\mathbb{Q}(x) : \mathbb{Q}] = 6$. Zu zeigen bleibt daher nur $[L : \mathbb{Q}] = 6$.

Die paarweise verschiedenen Nullstellen von $X^6 + 3$ in \mathbb{C} sind offenbar $\zeta^k i \sqrt[6]{3}$ ($k \in \{0, \dots, 5\}$) mit $\zeta := e^{\frac{2\pi i}{6}}$. Daher gilt $L = \mathbb{Q}(i \sqrt[6]{3}, \zeta)$. Da $i \sqrt[6]{3}$ genauso wie x eine Nullstelle von $X^6 + 3$ ist, gilt wie oben $[\mathbb{Q}(i \sqrt[6]{3}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 6$. Zu zeigen ist daher $\zeta \in \mathbb{Q}(i \sqrt[6]{3})$.

Wir versuchen daher, ζ näher zu bestimmen. Offenbar bildet ζ zusammen mit den Punkten 0 und 1 ein Dreieck in der komplexen Zahlenebene, dessen vom Ursprung ausgehenden Seiten gleichlang sind (Länge 1). Dieses Dreieck hat also neben dem Innenwinkel $\frac{180^\circ}{6} = 60^\circ$ noch zwei gleichgroße Innenwinkel. Man überlegt sich leicht daß die Innenwinkelsumme in einem Dreieck 180° beträgt, woraus folgt, daß alle Innenwinkel dieses Dreiecks 60° betragen. Damit ist aber dieses Dreieck gleichseitig, woraus man $\zeta = \frac{1}{2} + bi$ für ein $b \in \mathbb{R}$ folgt. Es folgt $\frac{1}{4} + b^2 = |\zeta|^2 = 1$ und daher $b = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$. Wegen $2bi = \sqrt{3}i = -(i \sqrt[6]{3})^3$ folgt somit $\zeta \in \mathbb{Q}(i \sqrt[6]{3})$ wie gewünscht.