

SOLUTIONS TO LECTURE 30 PROBLEMS 127-132

P127 p. 272 # 5 Fraleigh Show $\alpha = \sqrt[3]{2-i}$ is algebraic over \mathbb{Q}

$$\alpha = \sqrt[3]{2-i} \Rightarrow \alpha^3 = 2-i$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^3 + i = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha^3 + i)^3 = 2^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^9 + 3i\alpha^6 + 3i^2\alpha^3 + i^3 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 3i\alpha^6 - i = 8 - \alpha^9 + 3\alpha^3$$

$$\Rightarrow i(3\alpha^6 - 1) = 8 + 3\alpha^3 - \alpha^9$$

$$\Rightarrow i^2(3\alpha^6 - 1)^2 = (8 + 3\alpha^3 - \alpha^9)(8 + 3\alpha^3 - \alpha^9)$$

$$\Rightarrow -1(9\alpha^{12} - 6\alpha^9 + 1) = 64 + 24\alpha^3 - 2\alpha^9 + 9\alpha^6 + 6\alpha^3 - 3\alpha^9$$

$\leftarrow -2\alpha^9 - 3\alpha^6 + \alpha^9$

Thus,

$$-9\alpha^{12} + 6\alpha^9 - 1 = 64 + 24\alpha^3 + 9\alpha^6 - 4\alpha^9 - 6\alpha^6 + \alpha^9$$

Hence,

$$\alpha^{12} + 3\alpha^6 + 3\alpha^3 + 12\alpha + 5 = 0$$

in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ is needed

Hence $P(x) = x^{12} + 3x^6 + 3x^3 + 12x + 5$ has $P(\alpha) = 0$

thus $\alpha = \sqrt[3]{2-i}$ is algebraic over \mathbb{Q} .

P128 #7 p. 272 Fraleigh | Find $\text{irr}(\alpha, \mathbb{Q})$ and $\text{deg}(\alpha, \mathbb{Q})$
for $\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \sqrt{7}}$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha^2 &= \frac{1}{3} + \sqrt{7} \Rightarrow \left(\alpha^2 - \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = (\sqrt{7})^2 \\ &\Rightarrow \alpha^4 - \frac{2\alpha^2}{3} + \frac{1}{9} = 7 = \frac{63}{9} \\ &\Rightarrow \alpha^4 - \frac{2}{3}\alpha^2 - \frac{62}{9} = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow 9\alpha^4 - 6\alpha^2 - 62 = 0\end{aligned}$$

Consider $q(x) = 9x^4 - 6x^2 - 62$

Note, modulo 4, $\overline{q(x)} = x^4 - 2x^2 - 2$

hence $\overline{q(0)} = -2$, $\overline{q(1)} = 1 - 2 - 2 = -1 = \overline{q(-1)} = \overline{q(3)}$

and $\overline{q(2)} = 16 - 2(4) - 2 = 8 - 2 = -2$ thus $\overline{q(x)}$

is irreducible ~~over~~ in $\mathbb{Z}_4[x]$ $\Rightarrow q(x)$ irreducible over \mathbb{Q} .

Hence, $\text{irr}\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \sqrt{7}}, \mathbb{Q}\right) = 9x^4 - 6x^2 - 62$

and $\text{deg}\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \sqrt{7}}, \mathbb{Q}\right) = 4$.

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Consider $\alpha = \sqrt{\pi}$ over $F = \mathbb{R}$. Classify α over \mathbb{R} as algebraic or transcendental. If algebraic find $\text{deg}(\alpha, \mathbb{R})$.

Note $\sqrt{\pi} \in \mathbb{R}$ and $P(x) = x - \sqrt{\pi}$ is irreducible over \mathbb{R} with $P(\sqrt{\pi}) = \sqrt{\pi} - \sqrt{\pi} = 0$ hence $\text{deg}(\sqrt{\pi}, \mathbb{R}) = 1$ and $\sqrt{\pi}$ is algebraic over \mathbb{R} .

oops! I NEED TO SHOW THIS QUARTIC CAN'T FACTOR IN $\mathbb{Z}_4[x]$. SEE OVER \rightarrow

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Need to prove $\overline{f(x)} = x^4 - 2x^2 - 2$ does not have a quadratic factor in $\mathbb{Z}_4[x]$. We showed $\overline{f(x)} \neq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}_4$ hence $\overline{f(x)}$ has no linear factor by the Factor Th^m. Note, if $\overline{g(x)} \mid \overline{f(x)}$ then $\overline{g(x)} \neq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}_4$.

$X^2 + \alpha X + \beta = g(x)$ gives 16 choices.

$$X^2 = X(X)$$

① $X^2 + 1 \neq 0$

② $X^2 + 2 \neq 0$

$$X^2 + 3 = X^2 - 1 = (X+1)(X-1)$$

$$X^2 + X = X(X+1)$$

③ $X^2 + X + 1 \neq 0$

$$X^2 + X + 2 = (X-1)(X-2)$$

④ $X^2 + X + 3 \neq 0$

$$X^2 + 2X = X(X+2)$$

$$X^2 + 2X + 1 = (X+1)^2$$

$$X^2 + 2X + 2 = (X-1)(X+2)$$

⑤ $X^2 + 2X + 3 \neq 0$

$$X^2 + 3X = X(X+3)$$

⑥ $X^2 + 3X + 1 \neq 0$

$$X^2 + 3X + 2 = (X+1)(X+2)$$

⑦ $X^2 + 3X + 3 \neq 0$

By my calculations, $\exists 7$ irreducible quadratics in $\mathbb{Z}_4[x]$.

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$$\overline{f(x)} = x^4 - 2x^2 - 2 = x^4 + 2x^2 + 2$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x^2+1 \quad \begin{array}{r} x^2+1 \\ \hline x^4+2x^2+2 \\ x^4+x^2 \\ \hline x^2+2 \\ x^2+1 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x^2+2 \quad \begin{array}{r} x^2 \\ \hline x^4+2x^2+2 \\ x^4+2x^2 \\ \hline 2 \end{array}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad x^2+x+1 \quad \begin{array}{r} x^2-x+2 \\ \hline x^4+2x^2+2 \\ x^4+x^3+x^2 \\ \hline -x^3+x^2+2 \\ -x^3-x^2-x \\ \hline 2x^2+x+2 \\ 2x^2+2x+2 \\ \hline -x \end{array}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad x^2+x+3 \quad \begin{array}{r} x^2-x \\ \hline x^4+2x^2+2 \\ x^4+x^3+3x^2 \\ \hline -x^3-x^2+2 \\ -x^3-x^2-3x \\ \hline 3x+2 \end{array}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad x^2+2x+3 \quad \begin{array}{r} x^2-2x+3 \\ \hline x^4+2x^2+2 \\ x^4+2x^3+3x^2 \\ \hline -2x^3-x^2+2 \\ -2x^3-4x^2-6x \\ \hline 3x^2+6x+2 \\ 3x^2+6x+9 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad x^2+3x+1 \quad \begin{array}{r} x^2-3x+2 \\ \hline x^4+2x^2+2 \\ x^4+3x^3+x^2 \\ \hline -3x^3+x^2+2 \\ -3x^3-9x^2-3x \\ \hline 2x^2+3x+2 \\ 2x^2+6x+2 \\ \hline -3x \end{array}$$

$$\textcircled{7} \quad x^2+3x+3 \quad \begin{array}{r} x^2-3x \\ \hline x^4+2x^2+2 \\ x^4+3x^3+3x^2 \\ \hline -3x^3-x^2+2 \\ -3x^3-9x^2-9x \\ \hline 2+x \end{array}$$

thus $\overline{f(x)} = x^4 + 2x + 2$
is irreducible in $\mathbb{Z}_4[x]$
as it has no quadratic
factors by the above
calculations.

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Consider $\alpha = \pi^2$, find $\deg(\pi^2, \mathbb{Q}(\pi^3))$

Notice $\alpha^3 = \pi^6 = \pi^3 \pi^3 = \pi^2 \pi^2 \pi^2 \in \mathbb{Q}(\pi^3)$

We argue $P(x) = x^3 - \pi^6 \in \mathbb{Q}(\pi^3)[x]$ and

$P(\pi^2) = (\pi^2)^3 - \pi^6 = 0$. It remains to

show $P(x)$ is irreducible over $\mathbb{Q}(\pi^3)$. Once

that is shown, $\deg(\pi^2, \mathbb{Q}(\pi^3)) = \deg(P(x)) = \boxed{3}$

Suppose $P(x) = (x + \alpha)(x^2 + \beta x + \delta)$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - \pi^6 = x^3 + x^2(\alpha + \beta) + x(\delta + \alpha\beta) + \alpha\delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\alpha + \beta = 0}_{\beta = -\alpha}, \quad \underbrace{\delta + \alpha\beta = 0}_{\delta = -\alpha\beta = \alpha^2}, \quad \underbrace{-\pi^6 = \alpha\delta}_{-\pi^6 = \alpha^3}$$

Thus $\alpha = -\pi^2 \notin \mathbb{Q}(\pi^3) \Rightarrow \therefore \underline{P(x) \text{ irred. over } \mathbb{Q}(\pi^3)}$

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TRUE/FALSE

TRUE	a.	The number π is transcendental over \mathbb{Q}
TRUE	b.	\mathbb{C} is simple extension of \mathbb{R}
TRUE	c.	every element of F is algebraic over F (a field)
TRUE	d.	\mathbb{R} is an extension field of \mathbb{Q}
FALSE	e.	\mathbb{Q} is an extension field of \mathbb{Z}_2
TRUE	f.	$\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ algebraic over \mathbb{Q} with degree n . If $f(x) = 0$ for $f(x) \neq 0 \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$
FALSE	g.	$\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ alg. over \mathbb{Q} with deg n . If $f(x) = 0$ for $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]$, $f(x) \neq 0$ then then $\deg(f(x)) \geq n$.
TRUE	h.	every nonconstant poly. in $F[x]$ has zero in some ext. of F $\deg(f(x)) \geq n$
FALSE	i.	every nonconstant poly. in $F[x]$ has a zero in every extension of F
TRUE	j.	If x is an indeterminant, $\mathbb{Q}[\pi] \cong \mathbb{Q}[x]$

(b.) $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R}(i)$

(c.) if $c \in F$ then $P(x) = x - c \in F[x]$ and $P(c) = 0$.

(d.) $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ (same field ops.)

(e.) $\mathbb{Z}_2 \not\subseteq \mathbb{Q}$ (different addition, multiplication etc.)

(f.) if $f(\alpha) = 0$ for $\deg(f(x)) < n$ then this $\rightarrow \leftarrow$
the very defⁿ of $\deg(\alpha, \mathbb{Q}) = n$.

(g.) $\deg(\sqrt{2}, \mathbb{Q}) = 2$ but $f(x) = x - \sqrt{2} \in \mathbb{R}[x]$
and $f(\sqrt{2}) = 0$ yet $\deg(f(x)) = 1 < 2$.

(h.) Kronecker's Th^m

(i.) \mathbb{R} is its own extension consider $f(x) = x^2 + 1$.

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(a.) Show $x^3 + x^2 + 1$ is irred. over \mathbb{Z}_2 .

Note $f(x)$ has $f(0) = 1$ and $f(1) = 1 + 1 + 1 = 1$

thus $f(x)$ is irred. over \mathbb{Z}_2 .

(b.) Let us extend \mathbb{Z}_2 to $\mathbb{Z}_2(\alpha)$ where $\alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + 1 = 0$
factor $x^3 + x^2 + 1$ in $(\mathbb{Z}_2(\alpha))[x]$.

$$\begin{array}{r} X - \alpha \sqrt{\begin{array}{r} X^2 + (1+\alpha)X - (\alpha^2 + \alpha) \\ X^3 + X^2 + 1 \\ X^3 - \alpha X^2 \\ \hline (1+\alpha)X^2 + 1 \\ (1+\alpha)X^2 - \alpha(1+\alpha)X \\ \hline 1 - (\alpha^2 + \alpha)X \\ (\alpha^2 + \alpha)X - \alpha^3 - \alpha^2 \\ \hline 1 + \alpha^3 + \alpha^2 = 0 \end{array}} \end{array}$$

Thus, $x^3 + x^2 + 1 = (x - \alpha)(x^2 + (1 + \alpha)x - \alpha^2 - \alpha)$.

It remains to determine if the quadratic piece also splits... indeed, after some calculation, I found

$$x^3 + x^2 + 1 = (x - \alpha)(x - \alpha^2)(x + 1 + \alpha + \alpha^2)$$

this could look quite different as $\alpha^2 + 1 = -\alpha^3$ etc.