

### 3.3 Tutorial 1 NNEW MAST30005 Semester 1, 2024: Last week's theorems

Last week we covered the following theorems. Write careful proofs of each.

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a field and let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$ . Then  $\mathbb{K}^H$  is a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$ .*

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $\varphi: A \rightarrow R$  be a ring homomorphism. Let  $K = \ker(\varphi)$ . Then the function*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \frac{A}{\ker(\varphi)} & \rightarrow & \text{im}(\varphi) \\ a + K & \mapsto & \varphi(a) \end{array} \quad \text{is a ring isomorphism.}$$

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a subfield of a field  $\mathbb{K}$  and let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$ . Let  $\mathbb{F}[x] \xrightarrow{\text{ev}_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}} \mathbb{K}$  be the evaluation homomorphism. Let  $\mathbb{F}(\alpha)$  be the smallest subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$  containing  $\mathbb{F}$  and  $\alpha$ . Let*

$$\mathbb{F}[\alpha] = \text{im}(\text{ev}_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}) \quad \text{and let} \quad m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \cdots + c_{\ell-1}x^{\ell-1} + x^\ell \in \mathbb{F}[x]$$

be such that

$$\ker(\text{ev}_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}) = (m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)), \quad \text{where} \quad (m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)) = m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)\mathbb{F}[x] = \{m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)g \mid g \in \mathbb{F}[x]\}.$$

Then

$$\mathbb{F}(\alpha) = \mathbb{F}[\alpha] \cong \frac{\mathbb{F}[x]}{(m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x))},$$

and, as a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ ,

$$\mathbb{F}(\alpha) \quad \text{has } \mathbb{F}\text{-basis} \quad \{1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^{\ell-1}\}.$$

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $\mathbb{E}$  be a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$  and assume that there exists  $f \in \mathbb{E}[x]$  such that  $\mathbb{K}$  is the splitting field of  $f$  over  $\mathbb{E}$ . Then the map*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{\text{field inclusions } \mathbb{F} \subseteq \mathbb{E} \subseteq \mathbb{K}\} & \longleftrightarrow & \{\text{group inclusions } \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{E}}(\mathbb{K}) \supseteq H \supseteq \{1\}\} \\ \mathbb{F} & \longmapsto & \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{F}}(\mathbb{K}) \\ \mathbb{K}^H & \longleftarrow & H \end{array}$$

is an isomorphism of posets.

**Some worked steps for the proof of Theorem 3.3:**

**HW 1:** Show that  $\text{im}(\text{ev}_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}) = \mathbb{F}[\alpha]$ .

*Proof.* This is clearly true.

This proof, as it is, should get 0 marks (or maybe negative marks). It is offensive to the reader that is trying hard and earnestly to learn this stuff and that reader does not deserve insults.  $\square$

**HW 2:** Show that  $\mathbb{F}\text{-span}\{1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^{\ell-1}\} = \mathbb{F}[\alpha]$ .

*Proof.* To show:  $\mathbb{F}\text{-span}\{1, \alpha, \dots, \alpha^{\ell-1}\} = \mathbb{F}[\alpha]$ .

Since  $\mathbb{F}[\alpha] = \text{im}(\text{ev}_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}})$  and  $\mathbb{F}[x]$  is spanned by  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots\}$  then  $\mathbb{F}[\alpha]$  is spanned by  $\{1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots\}$ .

If  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  then  $\alpha^{\ell+k} = \alpha^k(-c_0 - \dots - c_{\ell-1}\alpha^{\ell-1}) \in \mathbb{F}\text{-span}\{1, \alpha, \dots, \alpha^{\ell+k-1}\}$

So  $\mathbb{F}[\alpha]$  is spanned by  $\{1, \alpha, \dots, \alpha^{\ell-1}\}$ .

This proof, as it is, should not get full marks. It has too many skipped steps and the writing is rather incomprehensible.  $\square$

**HW 3:** Show that  $\{1, \alpha, \alpha^2, \dots, \alpha^{\ell-1}\}$  is  $\mathbb{F}$ -linearly independent in  $\mathbb{F}[\alpha]$ .

*Proof.* (c) To show:  $\{1, \alpha, \dots, \alpha^{\ell-1}\}$  is linearly independent.

Assume that  $a_0 + a_1\alpha + \dots + a_{\ell-1}\alpha^{\ell-1} = 0$ .

Then  $a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{\ell-1}x^{\ell-1} \in \ker(\text{ev}_{\alpha})$ .

So there exists  $f \in \mathbb{F}[x]$  such that  $a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{\ell-1}x^{\ell-1} = f \cdot m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)$ .

Since  $\deg(m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)) = \ell$  and  $\deg(a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{\ell-1}x^{\ell-1}) \leq \ell - 1$

$$\text{then } f = 0 \text{ and } a_0 = a_1 = \dots = a_{\ell-1} = 0.$$

So  $\{1, \alpha, \dots, \alpha^{\ell-1}\}$  is linearly independent.  $\square$

**HW 4:** Show that  $m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)$  exists.

*Proof.* To show:  $m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)$  exists (i.e. that  $\ker(\text{ev}_{\alpha})$  is generated by a single element).

Let  $m(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_{\ell}x^{\ell} \in \mathbb{F}[x]$  be a minimal degree element of  $\ker(\text{ev}_{\alpha})$  with  $c_{\ell} \neq 0$ .

Let

$$m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x) = c_{\ell}^{-1}m(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{\ell-1}x^{\ell-1} + x^{\ell}.$$

To show: If  $p(x) \in \ker(\text{ev}_{\alpha})$  then there exists  $g(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x]$  such that  $p(x) = m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)g(x)$ .

Assume  $p(x) \in \ker(\text{ev}_{\alpha})$ .

Write  $p(x) = m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)g(x) + r(x)$ , with  $\deg(r(x)) < \ell$ .

To show:  $r(x) = 0$ .

Since  $p(x) \in \ker(\text{ev}_{\alpha})$  and  $m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)g(x) \in \ker(\text{ev}_{\alpha})$  then  $r(x) = p(x) - m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)g(x) \in \ker(\text{ev}_{\alpha})$ .

Since  $m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)$  is minimal degree of elements of  $\ker(\text{ev}_{\alpha})$  then  $r(x) = 0$ .

So there exists  $g(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x]$  such that  $p(x) = m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)g(x)$ .

So  $p(x) \in (m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x))$ .  $\square$

**HW 5:** Show that  $\mathbb{F}(\alpha) = \mathbb{F}[\alpha]$ .

*Proof.* To show:  $\mathbb{F}[\alpha]$  is a field.

To show: If  $\beta \in \mathbb{F}[\alpha]$  and  $\beta \neq 0$  then  $\beta^{-1} \in \mathbb{F}[\alpha]$ .

Assume  $\beta \in \mathbb{F}[\alpha]$  and  $\beta \neq 0$ .

The  $\mathbb{F}$ -linear transformation of  $\mathbb{F}[\alpha]$  given by multiplication by  $\beta$  is

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{F}[\alpha] & \xrightarrow{\cdot\beta} & \mathbb{F}[\alpha] \\ \gamma & \mapsto & \gamma\beta \end{array}$$

If  $\gamma \in \mathbb{F}[\alpha]$  and  $\gamma\beta = 0$  then  $\gamma = 0$ .

So  $\ker(\cdot\beta) = 0$ .

Since  $\mathbb{F}[\alpha]$  is a finite dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  then  $\text{im}(\cdot\beta) = \mathbb{F}[\alpha]$ .

So the linear transformation  $\cdot\beta$  is surjective.

So  $1 \in \text{im}(\cdot\beta)$ .

So there exists  $\gamma \in \mathbb{F}[\alpha]$  such that  $\gamma\beta = 1$ .

Let  $\beta^{-1} = \gamma$ . □

### Some worked steps for the proof of Theorem 3.4:

Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a field.

- Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$ . The **Galois group of  $\mathbb{K}$  over  $\mathbb{F}$**  is

$$\text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{F}) = \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{F}}(\mathbb{K}) = \{\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{K}) \mid \text{if } e \in \mathbb{F} \text{ then } \sigma(e) = e\}.$$

- Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$ . The **fixed field of  $H$**  is

$$\text{Fix}(H) = \mathbb{K}^H = \{e \in \mathbb{K} \mid \text{if } \sigma \in H \text{ then } \sigma(e) = e\}.$$

**HW 1:** Show that  $\text{Aut}_{\mathbb{E}}(\mathbb{K})$  is a subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$ .

**HW 2:** Show that  $\mathbb{K}^H$  is a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$ .

**HW 3:** Let  $\mathbb{F} \subseteq \mathbb{K}$  be a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$ . Show that  $\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{F})) \supseteq \mathbb{F}$ .

*Proof.* To show: If  $y \in \mathbb{F}$  then  $y \in \text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{F}))$ .

Assume  $y \in \mathbb{F}$ ,

To show:  $y \in \text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{F}))$ .

To show: If  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{F})$  then  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

Assume  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{F})$ .

To show:  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

Since  $y \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{F}}(\mathbb{K})$  then  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

So  $y \in \text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{F}))$ .

So  $\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{F})) \supseteq \mathbb{F}$ . □

**HW 4:** Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$ . Show that  $\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H)/\mathbb{F}) \supseteq H$ .

*Proof.* To show: If  $\sigma \in H$  then  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H))$ .

Assume  $\sigma \in H$ .

To show:  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H))$ .

To show: If  $y \in \text{Fix}(H)$  then  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

Assume  $y \in \text{Fix}(H)$ .

To show:  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

Since  $y \in \text{Fix}(H)$  then  $y$  satisfies: If  $\sigma \in H$  then  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

So  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

So, If  $\sigma \in H$  then  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H))$ .

So  $\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H)) \supseteq H$ . □

**HW 5:** Let  $\mathbb{F}$  and  $\mathbb{G}$  be subfields of  $\mathbb{K}$  and assume that  $\mathbb{F} \subseteq \mathbb{G}$ . Show that  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{G}) \subseteq \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\mathbb{F} \subseteq \mathbb{G}$ .

To show:  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{G}) \subseteq \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

To show: If  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{G})$  then  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

Assume  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{G})$ .

To show:  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

To show: If  $y \in \mathbb{F}$  then  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

Assume  $y \in \mathbb{F}$ .

To show:  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

Since  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{G}}(\mathbb{K})$  and  $y \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $\mathbb{F} \subseteq \mathbb{G}$  then  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

So  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

So  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{G}) \subseteq \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ . □

**HW 6:** Let  $G$  and  $H$  be subgroups of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$  and assume that  $G \subseteq H$ . Show that  $\text{Fix}(G) \supseteq \text{Fix}(H)$ .

*Proof.* Assume  $G \subseteq H$ .

To show:  $\text{Fix}(G) \supseteq \text{Fix}(H)$ .

To show: If  $y \in \text{Fix}(G)$  then  $y \in \text{Fix}(H)$ .

Assume  $y \in \text{Fix}(G)$ .

To show:  $y \in \text{Fix}(H)$ .

To show: if  $\sigma \in H$  then  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

Assume  $\sigma \in H$ .

To show:  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

Since  $y \in \text{Fix}(G)$  and  $\sigma \in H$  and  $H \subseteq G$  then  $\sigma(y) = y$ .

So  $y \in \text{Fix}(H)$ .

So  $\text{Fix}(G) \supseteq \text{Fix}(H)$ . □

**HW 7:** Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$ . Show that  $\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H))) = \text{Fix}(H)$ .

*Proof.*

To show: (a)  $\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H))) \subseteq \text{Fix}(H)$ .

(b)  $\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H))) \supseteq \text{Fix}(H)$ .

(b) By HW 4,  $\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H)) \supseteq H$ .

Thus, by HW 6, then  $\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H))) \subseteq \text{Fix}(H)$ .

(a) Let  $\mathbb{F} = \text{Fix}(H)$ .

By HW 3,  $\mathbb{F} \subseteq \text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}))$ .

So  $\text{Fix}(H) \subseteq \text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H)))$ .

□

**HW 8:** Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$ . Show that  $\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}))) = \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

*Proof.*

To show: (a)  $\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}))) \subseteq \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

(b)  $\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}))) \supseteq \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

(b) By HW 3,  $\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})) \supseteq \mathbb{F}$ .

Thus, by HW 5, then  $\text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}))) \subseteq \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

(a) Let  $H = \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

By HW 4,  $H \subseteq \text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(H))$ .

So  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F}) \subseteq \text{Gal}(\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})))$ .

□

**HW 9:** Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$  and let  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$ . Show that  $\text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F})) = \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$  (subgroups of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$ ).

*Proof.* Assume  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$ .

To show:  $\text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F})) = \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$ .

To show: (a)  $\text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F})) \subseteq \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$ .

(b)  $\text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F})) \supseteq \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$

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To show: If  $\tau \in \text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F}))$  then  $\tau \in \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$ .

Assume  $\tau \in \text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F}))$

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To show:  $\sigma^{-1}\tau\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

To show: If  $y \in \mathbb{F}$  then  $\sigma^{-1}\tau\sigma(y) = y$ .

Assume  $y \in \mathbb{F}$ .

To show:  $\sigma^{-1}\tau\sigma(y) = y$ .

Since  $\sigma(y) \in \sigma(\mathbb{F})$  and  $\tau \in \text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F}))$  then  $\tau(\sigma(y)) = \sigma(y)$  and

$$\sigma^{-1}\tau\sigma(y) = \sigma^{-1}\sigma(y) = y.$$

So  $\sigma^{-1}\tau\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$ .

So  $\tau \in \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$ .

So  $\text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F})) \subseteq \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$ .

(b) To show:  $\text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F})) \supseteq \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$ .

To show: If  $\tau \in \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$  then  $\tau \in \text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F}))$ .

Assume  $\tau \in \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$ .

To show:  $\tau \in \text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F}))$ .

To show: If  $y \in \sigma(\mathbb{F})$  then  $\tau(y) = y$ .

Assume  $y \in \sigma(\mathbb{F})$ .

To show:  $\tau(y) = y$ .

Let  $\beta \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $y = \sigma(\beta)$  and let  $\gamma \in \text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})$  such that  $\tau = \sigma\gamma\sigma^{-1}$ .

Then

$$\tau(y) = \sigma\gamma\sigma^{-1}(y) = \sigma\gamma\sigma^{-1}(\sigma(\beta)) = \sigma\gamma(\beta) = \sigma(\beta) = y.$$

So  $\tau \in \text{Gal}(\sigma\mathbb{F})$ .

So  $\text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F})) \supseteq \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$ .

So  $\text{Gal}(\sigma(\mathbb{F})) = \sigma\text{Gal}(\mathbb{F})\sigma^{-1}$ . □

**HW 10:** Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$  and let  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$ . Show that  $\text{Fix}(\sigma H \sigma^{-1}) = \sigma(\text{Fix}(H))$  (subfields of  $\mathbb{K}$ ).

*Proof.* Assume  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{K})$ .

To show:  $\text{Fix}(\sigma H \sigma^{-1}) = \sigma(\text{Fix}(H))$ .

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To show:  $y \in \sigma(\text{Fix}(H))$ .

To show:  $\sigma^{-1}(y) \in \text{Fix}(H)$ .

To show: If  $\tau \in H$  then  $\tau(\sigma^{-1}(y)) = \sigma^{-1}(y)$ .

Assume  $\tau \in H$ .

To show:  $\tau(\sigma^{-1}(y)) = \sigma^{-1}(y)$ .

Since  $y \in \text{Fix}(\sigma H \sigma^{-1})$  and  $\tau \in H$  then  $\sigma\tau\sigma^{-1}(y) = y$  and

$$\tau\sigma^{-1}(y) = \sigma^{-1}\sigma\tau\sigma^{-1}(y) = \sigma^{-1}(y).$$

So  $\sigma^{-1}(y) \in \text{Fix}(H)$ .

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Let  $\gamma \in H$  such that  $\tau = \sigma\gamma\sigma^{-1}$  and let  $\beta \in \text{Fix}(H)$  such that  $y = \sigma\beta$ .

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So  $\text{Fix}(\sigma H \sigma^{-1}) \supseteq \sigma(\text{Fix}(H))$ .

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**HW:** Show that  $m_{\alpha, \mathbb{F}}(x)$  exists.

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**HW:** Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$ . Show that  $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\text{Fix}(\text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{F}))) = \text{Gal}(\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{F})$ .

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**HW:** Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$  and assume that  $\mathbb{K} \supseteq \mathbb{F}$  is the splitting field of a polynomial  $f(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x]$  over  $\mathbb{F}$  and that  $f(x)$  factors as

$$f(x) = (x - \alpha_1) \cdots (x - \alpha_\ell), \quad \text{with } \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\ell \in \mathbb{K}.$$

Show that  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\ell)$ .

**HW:** Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$  and assume that  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\ell)$ . Show that there exists  $\gamma \in \mathbb{K}$  such that  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}(\gamma)$ .

**HW:** Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a subfield of  $\mathbb{K}$  and assume that  $\mathbb{K} \supseteq \mathbb{F}$  is Galois. Show that there exists  $\gamma \in \mathbb{K}$  such that  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}(\gamma)$ .

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$$m_{\gamma, \mathbb{F}}(x) = \prod_{\beta \in G\gamma} (x - \beta).$$

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