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# MATH 394 : GALOIS THEORY

### Problem Set 7 - due Thursday, April 12th

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

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- **7.1** Prove that  $\mathbb{Q}(\omega\sqrt[3]{2}) \simeq \mathbb{Q}(\omega^2\sqrt[3]{2})$ , but  $\mathbb{Q}(\omega\sqrt[3]{2}) \neq \mathbb{Q}(\omega^2\sqrt[3]{2})$ .
- **7.2** In class we found four fields lying between  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}(\omega, \sqrt[3]{2})$ . Prove that there are no others.
- **7.3** Carefully check that our lattice of all subgroups of  $D_3$  (the dihedral group of order 6) is correct and complete. Also identify all those subgroups which are normal.
- 7.4 We imitate the construction of the Galois correspondence from class, but this time with the polynomial  $f(x) := x^4 4x^2 + 2$ . Let  $\alpha := \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}$  denote one of the roots of f.
  - (a) Prove that  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  is a splitting field of f.
  - (b) Draw a lattice of all intermediate fields between  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ , along with the degrees of each extension.
  - (c) Determine Aut( $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ ). What familiar group is it isomorphic to?

(d) Draw a lattice of all subgroups of  $Aut(\mathbb{Q}(\alpha))$ , labelling all the connecting edges by the index of one group inside the other.

**7.5** Another Galois correspondence, this time for the polynomial  $g(x) := x^4 - 12x^2 + 35$ .

- (a) Determine a splitting field K of g. (Write it in the form  $\mathbb{Q}(\beta_1, \beta_2)$ .)
- (b) Draw a lattice of all intermediate fields between  $\mathbb{Q}$  and K, along with the degrees of each extension.
- (c) Determine Aut(K). What familiar group is it isomorphic to?

(d) Draw a lattice of all subgroups of Aut(K), labelling all the connecting edges by the index of one group inside the other.