

Exercises for Algebra 2
List 7

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Exercise 1.

Let K be a field and L the splitting field of a cubic polynomial f over K . Assume that $\zeta_3 \in L$ and that L/K is separable. Show that there is a subfield E of L such that $K \subset E \subset L$ is a tower of elementary radical extensions (with possibly $L = E$ or $E = K$). In which situations are E/K and L/E cyclotomic, Kummer and Artin-Schreier? What are E and L if $K = \mathbb{Q}$ and $f = T^3 - b \in \mathbb{Q}[T]$?

Exercise 2.

Let K be a field and L the splitting field of a polynomial f over K of degree 4 or less. Show that L/K is solvable if it is separable.

Exercise 3.

Let L/\mathbb{Q} be a cubic solvable extension, i.e. $[L : \mathbb{Q}] = 3$. Show that L/\mathbb{Q} is not radical. Show that such an extension exists.

Hint: Show that if L/\mathbb{Q} was radical, it must contain ζ_3 . Lead this to a contradiction.

Exercise 4.

Let p be a prime number and f an irreducible polynomial of degree p over \mathbb{Q} that has exactly 2 complex roots. Let L be the splitting field of f over \mathbb{Q} . Show that $\text{Gal}(L/\mathbb{Q}) \simeq S_p$.

***Exercise 5.**

Find a finite Galois extension L/\mathbb{Q} with Galois group A_5 , a primitive element $a \in L$ and its minimal polynomial f over \mathbb{Q} .