

## The Fundamental Theorem of Galois Theory (part 2)

### Definitions:

For  $L \supseteq E \supseteq K$ , define  $\Gamma(E) = \text{Gal}(L : E) = \{\sigma \in \text{Gal}(L : K) \mid \sigma(y) = y \text{ for all } y \in E\}$ .

For  $H \leq \text{Gal}(L : K)$ , define  $\Phi(H) = \{y \in L \mid \sigma(y) = y \text{ for all } \sigma \in H\}$ .

### The Fundamental Theorem of Galois Theory

Let  $L$  be a finite Galois extension of  $K$ .

- (i) The maps  $\Phi$  and  $\Gamma$  are inverses of each other.
- (ii) Suppose  $L \supseteq E \supseteq K$ . The extension  $E : K$  is Galois if and only if  $\text{Gal}(L : E)$  is a normal subgroup of  $\text{Gal}(L : K)$ . In this case,

$$\text{Gal}(E : K) \cong \text{Gal}(L : K) / \text{Gal}(L : E).$$

**Proof of  $\Rightarrow$  direction in (ii).** Suppose  $E : K$  is Galois. We will find a group homomorphism from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ whose kernel is \_\_\_\_\_.

Let  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(L : K)$ . **Claim:**  $\sigma(E) = E$ .

**Proof of Claim:** Since  $E$  is Galois over  $K$ , there exists an element  $\alpha \in E$  such that  $E = K(\alpha)$ , whose minimal polynomial  $p(x) \in K[x]$  is separable and splits over  $E$ . Consider the action of  $\sigma$  on the roots of  $p(x)$  and complete the proof:

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Then  $\sigma|_E \in \text{Gal}(E : K)$  because

Let  $\varphi : \_\_\_\_\_\_ \rightarrow \_\_\_\_\_\_$  be a map defined by  $\sigma \mapsto \_\_\_\_\_\_$ .

Check that  $\varphi$  is a group homomorphism with the desired kernel:

And  $\varphi$  is surjective because

**Proof of  $\Leftarrow$  direction in (ii).** Now suppose that  $\text{Gal}(L : E)$  is a normal subgroup of  $\text{Gal}(L : K)$ . We will show that  $E : K$  is Galois by showing that  $E$  is the splitting field of a separable polynomial over  $K$ .

**Claim:** For every  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(L : K)$ , we have  $\sigma(E) \subseteq E$ .

**Proof of Claim:** Let  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(L : K)$ . Since \_\_\_\_\_ is a normal subgroup of \_\_\_\_\_,

$$\sigma^{-1} \text{_____} \sigma = \text{_____}.$$

Then for any  $a \in E$  and for any  $\tau \in \text{Gal}(L : E)$ ,  $\sigma^{-1}\tau\sigma(a) = \text{_____}$  because

so  $\tau\sigma(a) = \text{_____}$ , which implies that  $\sigma(a) \in \text{_____}$  because

□

There exists a finite set  $A \subset E$  such that  $E = K(A)$ , because

Let  $B = \{\sigma(a) \mid a \in A \text{ and } \sigma \in \text{Gal}(L : K)\}$ . Let  $f(x) = \prod_{b \in B} (x - b)$ . Then  $f(x) \in \text{_____}$  because

But  $B \subseteq E$  because

Complete the proof: