

MATH 721, Algebra II

Exercises 9 and 10

Due Fri 28 Mar

**Exercise 1.** Let  $K \rightarrow L$  be a field extension, and let  $u, v \in L$  be algebraic over  $K$ . Show that, if the minimal polynomials of  $u$  and  $v$  over  $K$  have relatively prime degrees, then the minimal polynomial of  $u$  is irreducible in  $K(v)[x]$ .

**Exercise 2.** Let  $K$  be a splitting field for the polynomial  $g = x^3 - 2$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Find an element  $u \in K$  such that  $K = \mathbb{Q}(u)$ .

**Exercise 3.** Find the Galois groups of the following field extensions:

- (a)  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq K$  where  $K$  is a splitting field for the polynomial  $f = x^2 - 2$ ,
- (b)  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq L$  where  $L$  is a splitting field for the polynomial  $g = x^3 - 2$ ,
- (c)  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq M$  where  $M$  is a splitting field for the polynomial  $h = (x^3 - 2)(x^2 - 2)$ .
- (d)  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq N$  where  $N$  is a splitting field for the polynomial  $h = x^5 - 7$ .

**Exercise 4.** Show that  $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$  is algebraic over  $\mathbb{Q}$  of degree 4.

**Exercise 5.** Let  $p_1, \dots, p_n$  be distinct positive prime integers. Show that the extension  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \dots, \sqrt{p_n})$  is Galois and has degree  $2^n$ .