

Field Theory HW

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1. Let K be any field and $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$. Show that the polynomial $X^m - 1$ divides $X^n - 1$ in $K[X]$ iff m divides n in \mathbb{Z} .
2. Find a relationship between the irreducible polynomials of $\mathbb{Z}[X]$ and the irreducible polynomials of $\mathbb{Q}[X]$.
3. Show that there is an algorithm that decides whether or not a polynomial in $\mathbb{Z}[X]$ is irreducible.
4. Let R be a commutative ring.
 - 4a. Let $a \in R^*$ and $b \in R$. Show that the map $\varphi_{a,b}(f(X)) = f(aX + b)$ is a ring automorphism of $R[X]$ which is identity on R , i.e. $\varphi_{a,b} \in \text{Aut}_R(R[X], +, \cdot)$.
 - 4b. Show that the set of all such automorphisms is a group isomorphic to $R^+ \rtimes R^*$ (under composition of course).
 - 4c. Show that $\text{Aut}_R(R[X], +, \cdot) = \{\varphi_{a,b} : a \in R^* \text{ and } b \in R\}$.
5. Let $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ be a prime, $f, g, h \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be such that $gh = X^n + pf$.
 - 5a. Show that p divides $f(0)$ in \mathbb{Z} . (Hint: Work modulo p . This is Eisenstein's Criterion)
 - 5b. Conclude that the polynomial $X^{p-1} + X^{p-2} + \dots + X + 1$ is irreducible over \mathbb{Q} and over \mathbb{Z} . (Hint: Make change of variable: $Y = X - 1$ and use #4 and #2).
6. Let n be a positive integer, d a divisor of n and ζ_d a primitive d^{th} root of unity.
 - 6a. Show that the map φ_d from $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle X^n - 1 \rangle$ into $\mathbb{Q}[\zeta_d]$ defined by $\varphi_d(f(X)) = f(\zeta_d)$ is well-defined.
 - 6b. Show that the map $\varphi = \bigoplus_{d|n} \varphi_d$ from $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle X^n - 1 \rangle$ into $\bigoplus_{d|n} \mathbb{Q}[\zeta_d]$ defined by
$$\varphi(f) = \left(\bigoplus_{d|n} \varphi_d \right)(f) = (\varphi_d(f))_{d|n}$$
is well-defined and an isomorphism of \mathbb{Q} -algebras.
 - 6c. Show that $\varphi(\mathbb{Z}[X]/\langle X^n - 1 \rangle) \leq \bigoplus_{d|n} \mathbb{Z}[\zeta_d]$, but that the equality almost never arises.