

Assignment 19

NORMALITY AND SEPARABILITY

1. Let K/k be a field extension and $f \in k[X]$. Prove that f is separable as a polynomial in $k[X]$, then it is separable as a polynomial in $K[X]$. Does the converse hold?
2. Let $f \in k[X]$ be a monic polynomial which splits and suppose that $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(k)$ fixes each root of f . Prove that σ fixes all the coefficients of f .
3. Let E/k be a splitting field of $f \in k[X]$ and consider an extension k' of k and the splitting field E' of f over k' . Show that each $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(E'/k')$ satisfies $\sigma(E) = E$ and that the resulting homomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gal}(E'/k') &\longrightarrow \text{Gal}(E/k) \\ \sigma &\longmapsto \sigma|_E \end{aligned}$$

is injective.

4. Let E/k be a finite field extension. Show that E/k is normal if and only if every irreducible polynomial $f \in k[X]$ which has a root in E splits completely over E .
5. Show that $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{R}) = \{\text{id}_{\mathbb{R}}\}$.