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$$\begin{aligned} \{\text{field extension}\} &\longleftrightarrow \{\text{groups}\} \\ \{\text{extension by radicals}\} &\longrightarrow \{\text{solvability groups}\} \\ S_5(3x^5 - 15x + 5) &\rightarrow S_5 \text{ (not solvable)} \end{aligned}$$

The Fundamental Theorem ( $\text{char } F=0$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } E/F \text{ is a splitting field,} \\ \{K : E/K/F\} &\longleftrightarrow \{H : H \triangleleft \text{Gal}(E/F)\} \\ K &\longmapsto \text{Gal}(E/K) \\ E_H &\longleftarrow H \end{aligned}$$

Given

$E/F$

$$E \longleftrightarrow \text{Gal}(E/E) = \{e\}$$

$$[E:K] \quad |H| \quad \begin{matrix} \text{above is} \\ \text{subgroup} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} K &\longleftrightarrow \text{Gal}(E/K) = H \\ [CK:F] \quad [G:H] = \frac{|G|}{|H|} &\quad \begin{matrix} \text{above is} \\ \text{subgroup} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{If } K \text{ is splitting, then} \\ \text{it is normal} \end{matrix} \\ F &\longleftrightarrow \text{Gal}(E/F) = G \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gal}(K/F) &= G/H \\ &= \frac{\text{Gal}(E/F)}{\text{Gal}(E/K)} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: If  $E$  is a splitting field of  $x^n-a=0$  over  $F$ , then  $\text{Gal}(E/F)$  is solvable.

$\text{Gal}(S_F(x^n-a)/F)$  is solvable.

Def'n: A primitive root of unity of order  $n$  is an element  $w \in E$  s.t.  $w^n=1$  & if  $\eta^n=1$ , then  $\eta=w^k$  for some  $k$ .

Ex.  $n=4$ ,  $F=\mathbb{Q}$

roots of unity of order 4 are  $1, -1, i, -i$   
are roots of  $x^4-1=0$

powers of 1 are 1 so not primitive  
powers of -1 are 1 and -1 so not primitive  
(but primitive for  $n=2$ )

powers of  $i$  are  $i, i^2=-1, i^3=-i, i^4=1$  so

it is primitive

powers of  $-i$  are  $-i, (-i)^2=-1, (-i)^3=i, (-i)^4=1$   
so it is primitive.

General  $n$ ,  $F = \mathbb{C}$

$$w = e^{2\pi i/n} = \cos \frac{2\pi}{n} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{n}$$

is primitive.

$\frac{2\pi}{n}$

If  $w$  is a primitive root of unity of order  $n$ , then the other roots of unity are  $w^0, w^1, w^2, \dots, w^{n-1}$ .

### Proof of theorem

Case I:  $F$  already contains  $w$ , a primitive root of unity of order  $n$ .

Let  $b$  be some root of  $x^n - a = 0$ ,  
i.e.  $b^n = a$ .

Then  $b, wb, w^2 b, \dots, w^{n-1} b$  are all roots of  $x^n - a = 0$ , so  $E = F(b, wb, w^2 b, \dots) = F(b)$ .

Reminder: If  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(E/F)$ ,  $b$  is a root of  $f \in F[x]$  then  $\sigma b$  is also a root of  $f$ .

If  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(E/F)$ , then  $\sigma b = w^k b$  for some  $k$ , and that determines  $\sigma$ .

Likewise if  $\tau \in \text{Gal}(E/F)$  then  $\tau b = w^j b$  for some  $j$   
 $\sigma \tau b = \sigma(w^j b) = \sigma(w^j) \sigma(b) = w^j w^k b = w^{j+k} b$

$\sigma \tau b = \tau(\sigma b) = w^k w^j b = w^{k+j} b$

so  $\sigma \tau = \tau \sigma$  so

$\text{Gal}(E/F)$  is abelian and hence solvable.

### Case II: $w \notin F$

Debt: Any field has an extension that contains a primitive root of unity  
- obvious for subfields of  $\mathbb{C}$

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$E \subsetneq E(W)$ , let  $b \in E$  be a root of  $x^n - a = 0$   
 $E \setminus F \subsetneq F(W)$ . Then in  $E(W)$ , the roots of  $x^n - a = 0$   
 are  $b, wb, \dots$  but  $E$  was splitting field of  $x^n - a$ ,  $S_F(x^n - a)$ , so  
 $b, wb, w^2 b, \dots \in E$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{wb}{b} \in E \Rightarrow w \in E$

So, the inclusions picture is

the splitting field of  $x^n - 1$  over  $F$

Claim:  $\text{Gal}(F(w)/F)$  is Abelian

Pf:  $\sigma, \tau \in \text{Gal}(F(w)/F)$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau w &= w^j & \text{so } \tau \sigma w &= \tau(w^j) = (\tau(w))^j = (w^k)^j \\ \tau w &= w^k & & \text{automorphism} \\ \sigma \tau w &= \sigma(w^k) = (\sigma(w))^k = (w^j)^k = w^{kj} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sigma \tau = \tau \sigma \quad \square$$

$H$  &  $G/H$  are solvable so  $G$  is solvable.

Theorem: Let  $f \in F[x]$ . If  $f$  splits over some field  $F(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$  s.t.  $a_j^{-1} \in F(a_1, \dots, a_{j-1})$  i.e.  $a_i^{-1} \in F()$ .

Then  $\text{Gal}(E/F)$ , where  $E$  is a splitting field for  $f$  over  $F$ , is solvable.

Proof: Let  $E_0 = F$ ,  $E_1$  a splitting field of  $x^{n_1} - a_1^{n_1}$  over  $E_0$ .  $F(a_1) \subset E_1$

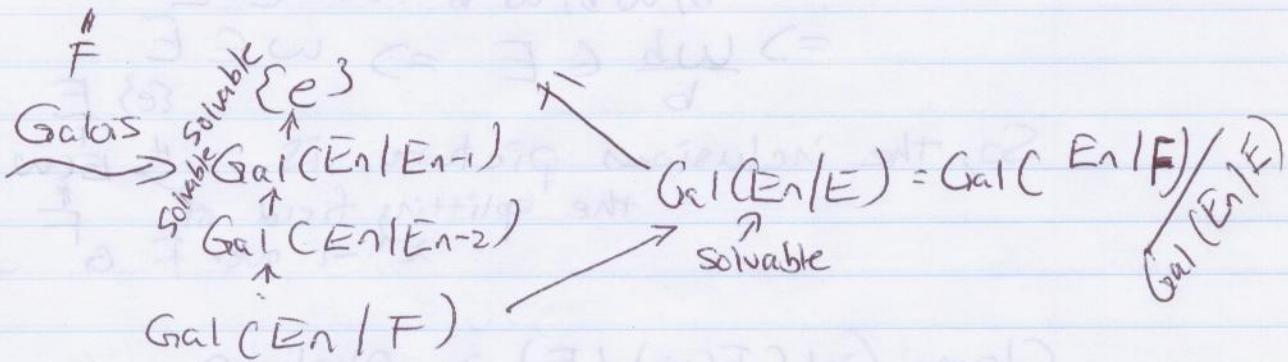
Let  $E_2$  be a splitting field of  $x^{n_2} - a_2^{n_2}$  over  $E_1$ ,   
 $F(a_1, a_2) \subset E_2$

$F(a_1, \dots, a_n) \subset E_n$  Apply Galois Theorem

$F(a_1, a_2) \subset E_2$   $E = S_F(f)$

$F(a_1) \subset E_1$   $E_0 = F$

Debt: A splitting extension of a splitting extension is  
 a splitting extension  
 i.e.  $E_2 = S_{F_2}(f_2) = S_F(g)$   
 $E_1 = S_F(f_1)$



$$\text{Gal}(E/F) = \frac{\text{Gal}(E_n/F)}{\text{Gal}(E_n/E)}$$

As a quotient of a solvable group  
 $\text{Gal}(E/F)$  is solvable

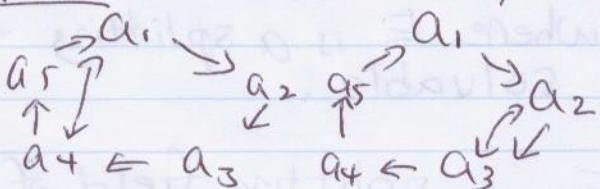
Claim: Suppose  $H \leq S_5$  contains a 5-cycle.

$$1 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1$$

a 2-cycle:  $\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ \downarrow \quad \swarrow \\ 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \\ \searrow \quad \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ 3 \quad 4 \end{array}$

In that case  $H = S_5$

Proof: This is a baby Rubik's cube exercise

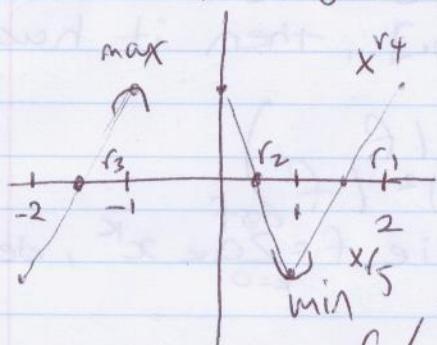


$$\{a_1, \dots, a_5\} = \{1, \dots, 5\}$$

can flip any  
non-neighbouring pair

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Consider  $3x^5 - 15x + 5$ 

zero; root between -1 and -2

0 and 1

1 and 2

$$f' = 15x^4 - 15 = 15(x^4 - 1)$$

on  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $f'$  has two roots

$\Rightarrow f$  has exactly 3 roots in  $\mathbb{R}$ .  
 $f / (x - r_1)(x - r_2)(x - r_3)$   
= quadratic

2 further complex roots  $\Leftrightarrow \sim \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \rightarrow z, \bar{z}$ .Consider  $G = \text{Gal}(S_Q(f)/\mathbb{Q})$ any  $\sigma \in G$  permutes  $r_1, \dots, r_5$  $\sigma$  is determined by this permutation

$$S_Q(f) = \mathbb{Q}(r_1, \dots, r_5)$$

 $\Rightarrow G \leq S_5$  [G can be regarded as subgroup of  $S_5$ ]
 $4 \begin{matrix} \longleftarrow \\ \xrightarrow[r_1 \rightarrow r_2]{} \end{matrix} \bar{4} \Rightarrow G \text{ contains a 2-cycle.}$ 

$$\begin{matrix} r_2 \rightarrow r_2 \\ r_3 \rightarrow r_3 \end{matrix}$$

$$r_4 \leftrightarrow r_5$$

f is irreducible by Eisenstein

Consider  $(\mathbb{Q}(r_1)) \cong \mathbb{Q}[x]/\langle f \rangle$ 

$$\text{so } [\mathbb{Q}(r_1) : \mathbb{Q}] = 5$$

$$E = \mathbb{Q}(r_1, \dots, r_5) \quad 5 | [E : \mathbb{Q}]$$

$$\begin{matrix} 1 \\ \mathbb{Q}(r_1) \end{matrix} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 | |\text{Gal}(E/\mathbb{Q})| = |G|$$

$$\begin{matrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ \mathbb{Q} \end{matrix}$$

Sylow's theorem

P prime,  $P | |G| \Rightarrow G$  has a subgroup of order  $P$ . $\Rightarrow G$  has a subgroup of order 5

$$\Rightarrow G > \mathbb{Z}/5$$

 $\Rightarrow G$  has a 5-cycle. $\Rightarrow G$  has 2-cycle,  $G$  has 5-cycle

$$\Rightarrow G = S_5$$

Theorem: Let  $E/F$ ,  $f \in F[x]$ .

If  $f$  is irreducible over  $F[x]$ , then it has no multiple roots even in  $E$ .

( $a$  is a root iff  $(x-a) | f$ )

( $a$  is a multiple iff  $(x-a)^2 | f$ )

Definition: If  $f \in F[x]$ , ie  $f = \sum_{k=0}^{\deg f} a_k x^k$ , define  
 $f' = \sum_{k=1}^{\deg f} k a_k x^{k-1}$

Claim: 1.  $a' = 0$ . 2.  $(af + bg)' = af' + bg'$   
3.  $(fg)' = f'g + g'f$

Proposition:  $f$  has multiple roots (in some extension  $E/F$ )  
iff  $f$  &  $f'$  have a common factor of  $\deg > 0$  in  $F[x]$ .

Proposition implies Theorem: If  $f$  is irreducible, then  
 $f$  &  $f'$  have no common factors, QED.

Proof of proposition

$\Rightarrow$  Assume  $f$  has a multiple root  $a \in E$

$(x-a)^2 | f \Rightarrow f = (x-a)^2 g$  for some  $g$

$f' = 2(x-a)g + g'(x-a)^2 = (x-a)(2g + (x-a)g')$

$\Rightarrow x-a | f'$  but  $a \in E$  but not proven for base field  $F$ .  $\deg > 0$

Assume  $f$  &  $f'$  have no common factor in  $F[x]$ .

$\langle f, f' \rangle = \langle p \rangle$  for  $p \in F[x]$ .

$\Rightarrow p | f$ ,  $p | f' \Rightarrow p = 1 \Rightarrow \deg p = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow \langle f, f' \rangle = \langle 1 \rangle \Rightarrow f \nmid g, g' \in F[x]$  s.t.

$\alpha f + \beta f' = 1 \Rightarrow$  since  $x-a | f$  &  $x-a | f'$   
 $\Leftrightarrow x-a | 1 \Rightarrow \infty$

$\therefore f$  and  $f'$  do have common factor of  $\deg > 0$  in  $F[x]$ .

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose  $p | f$  &  $p | f' \Rightarrow p$  is irreducible.

Let  $E$  be an extension of  $F$  in which  $p$  has a root  
call this root  $a$ .  $(E = F[x]/(p))$

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$$\Rightarrow f(a) = 0, \quad f'(a) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x-a) \mid f' \quad \text{if } f' \in E[x]$$

$$f = (x-a) \cdot g \\ f' = g + (x-a)g' \\ \Rightarrow g = \underbrace{f'}_{(x-a)f'} - \underbrace{(x-a)g'}_{(x-a)(x-a)}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-a) \mid g$$

$$\Rightarrow g = (x-a) h$$

$$\Rightarrow f = (x-a)g = (x-a)(x-a)h = (x-a)^2 h \quad \square$$