

Homework # 16- Due Tuesday 3/28/06, Assigned 3/21/06

1. Find all prime numbers p such that $x+2$ is a factor of $x^4+x^3+x^2-x+1$ in $\mathbb{Z}_p[x]$.
2. Find all irreducible polynomials of degree 3 in $\mathbb{Z}_3[x]$.
3. Demonstrate that $x^4 - 22x^2 + 1$ is irreducible over \mathbb{Q} . Be sure to justify your arguments.
4. Let $\phi : G \rightarrow H$ be a group homomorphism which is onto. Suppose G has 60 elements and H has 4 elements. Find $|\ker \phi|$. Let $h \in H$. How many elements of G map to h ? (i.e. find the size of $\phi^{-1}(h)$) You may cite results from any of your previous HW problems.
5. Show that $\alpha = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$ is algebraic over \mathbb{Q} by finding $f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ such that $f(\alpha) = 0$. Repeat for

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\sqrt[3]{2} - i}.$$

6. True or False (Not to be handed in)
 - a. The intersection of two normal subgroups of G is also normal..
 - b. There are no abelian simple groups of order 15.
 - c. \mathbb{C} is an extension field of \mathbb{R} .
 - d. $3x^3 + 6x^3 + 12x + 24$ is irreducible over $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ by the Eisenstein criterion.
 - e. The division algorithm works in the ring $\mathbb{Z}_{12}[x]$.
 - f. If $f(x) \in F[x]$ has a root in F then it cannot be irreducible over F .
 - g. If $f(x)$ is reducible in $F[x]$ then it must have a root in F .
 - h. Let $f : G \rightarrow H$ be a group homomorphism. If $g \in G$ and $g^4 = e$ then $f(g)^4 = e$.
 - i. Let $f : G \rightarrow H$ be a group homomorphism. If $g \in G$ has order 4 then $f(g)$ has order 4.
 - j. If $3x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x + 15$ has a rational root then it must have an integer root which divides 15.
 - k. Let G be a group with 60 elements. Then G must have an element of order 4.
 - l. Let G be a nonabelian simple group. Then the center of G contains only one element.
 - m. Let $n = ab$ with $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $6 \mid ab$ then $6 \mid a$ or $6 \mid b$.
 - n. $x^2 + 1$ is irreducible over \mathbb{C} .
 - o. A_4 is a simple group.
 - p. It is possible to have a homomorphism from a group with 60 elements to a group with 25 elements which is onto.
 - q. If R has zero divisors then so does $R[x]$.
 - r. Any cubic polynomial in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ must have a root in \mathbb{Q} .