

# Problem Solutions

8.3 5)  $\{1, \sqrt{2}\}$  basis for  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$   
 $\{1, \sqrt[3]{2}, (\sqrt[3]{2})^2\}$  basis for  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt[3]{2})$  over  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$   
 So  $\{1, \sqrt[3]{2}, (\sqrt[3]{2})^2, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}\sqrt[3]{2}, \sqrt{2}(\sqrt[3]{2})^2\}$  is a basis  
 of  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt[3]{2})$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt[3]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}] = 2 \cdot 3 = 6$

21) If  $E$  is a finite extension of  $F$ , every  $\alpha \in E, \alpha \notin F$   
 is algebraic over  $F$ , and  $\deg(\alpha, F) \mid [E : F]$ , But  
 $\deg(\alpha, F) = [F(\alpha) : F]$  so  $[F(\alpha) : F] \mid [E : F]$ , which is prime  
 and  $[F(\alpha) : F] > 1$  since  $\alpha \notin F$ . Hence  $[F(\alpha) : F] = [E : F] \Rightarrow F(\alpha) = E$

8.5 5) If  $\alpha$  is a generator of the 18<sup>th</sup> roots of unity  
 then any other generator is of the form  $\alpha^n$ , where  $n$   
 is relatively prime to 18. So the number of primitive  
 18<sup>th</sup> roots is  $\phi(18) = |\{1, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17\}| = 6$

11) Since  $\alpha$  generates  $F^*$ , and  $\mathbb{Z}_p(\alpha) \subseteq F$ , in fact  $\mathbb{Z}_p(\alpha) = F$   
 Thus  $F = \{a_0 + a_1\alpha + \dots + a_{n-1}\alpha^{n-1}\}$  by a counting argument ( $|F| = p^n$ )  
 So  $\{1, \alpha, \dots, \alpha^{n-1}\}$  is a basis for  $F$  over  $\mathbb{Z}_p(\alpha)$ , and  
 $\alpha^n = b_0 + b_1\alpha + \dots + b_{n-1}\alpha^{n-1}$  and  $\alpha$  satisfies  $p(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_{n-1}x^{n-1} - x^n$   
 Moreover,  $\alpha$  can't satisfy any lower degree polynomial (by  
 L.I. of  $\{1, \alpha, \dots, \alpha^{n-1}\}$ ) so  $p(x)$  is irr. ( $\alpha, F$ ) and  $\deg(\alpha, F) = n$

9.1 15)  $x \in \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) \Rightarrow x = a + b\sqrt{2} + c\sqrt{3} + d\sqrt{6}, a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Q}$

$$\sigma_1(x) = a - b\sqrt{2} + c\sqrt{3} - d\sqrt{6} \quad \sigma_1(x) = x \Rightarrow b = d = 0$$

$$\sigma_2(x) = a + b\sqrt{2} - c\sqrt{3} - d\sqrt{6} \quad \sigma_2(x) = x \Rightarrow c = d = 0$$

$$\sigma_3(x) = a - b\sqrt{2} - c\sqrt{3} + d\sqrt{6} \quad \sigma_3(x) = x \Rightarrow b = c = 0$$

$$E_{\{\sigma_1, \sigma_3\}} = \mathbb{Q}, \quad E_{\{\sigma_3\}} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{6}) \quad E_{\{\sigma_2, \sigma_3\}} = \mathbb{Q}$$