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Problem 1

- a) Let $N = GF(7^{210})$ and $K = GF(7^7)$. Describe the Galois group $G(N | K)$ and list the fields E such that $K \subseteq E \subseteq N$.
- b) Determine the number of monic irreducible polynomials of degree two over $F = GF(7)$.

Problem 2

- a) Let $R = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-7}] (= \{a + b\sqrt{-7} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\})$. Show that 2 and $1 + \sqrt{-7}$ (as well as $1 - \sqrt{-7}$) are irreducible in R .
- b) Show that R is not a unique factorization domain (UFD).

Problem 3

- a) Let F , N and K be fields such that $N = F(\alpha)$, $K = F(\beta)$, and let $p(x) \in F[x]$, $q(x) \in F[x]$ be the minimal polynomials of α and β , respectively, over F . Assume $\text{degree}(p(x)) = 17$ and $\text{degree}(q(x)) = 16$. Show that $[F(\alpha, \beta) : F] = 17 \cdot 16 = 272$.
- b) Let E be the splitting field of $f(x) = x^{17} - 2 \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ over \mathbb{Q} . Determine $[E : \mathbb{Q}]$. Explain your argument.
- c) Let $G = G(E | \mathbb{Q})$ be the Galois group of E over \mathbb{Q} , where E is the field in b). Show that there exists an intermediate field L , $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq L \subseteq E$, such that L corresponds by the Galois correspondence to a normal subgroup H of G of order 17. Explain your argument.
- d) Show that there exists an intermediate field M , $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq M \subseteq E$, such that $[M : \mathbb{Q}] = 34$. [Hint: Use Sylow's Theorem.]
- e) Show that G is non-abelian. [Hint: G abelian implies that all subgroups are normal.]

Problem 4 Let $K_1 = F(\alpha)$ and $K_2 = F(\beta)$ be two finite and normal extensions of F . Show that $K = F(\alpha, \beta)$ is a finite and normal extension of F .

Problem 5 Let N be a Galois extension of K such that $G(N | K)$ is abelian. Let $\alpha \in N$ and let $p(x) \in K[x]$ be the minimal polynomial of α over K . Show that all roots of $p(x)$ lie in $K(\alpha)$.