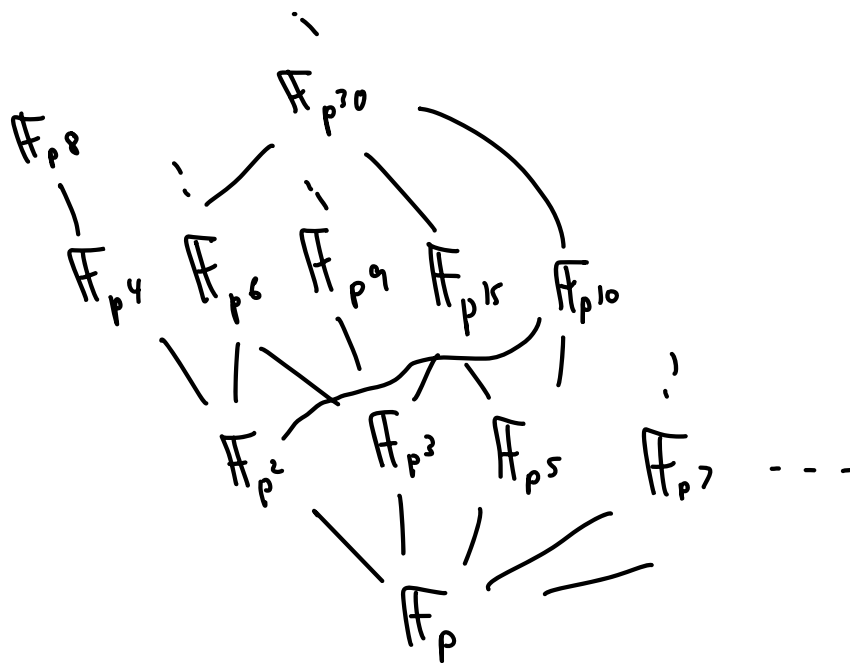


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Last bit of finite fields:

Let's extend the containment diagrams infinitely:



Notice that $\mathbb{F}_{p^{n_1}}, \dots, \mathbb{F}_{p^{n_k}} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_{p^{n_1 \cdots n_k}}$

So the alg. closure is

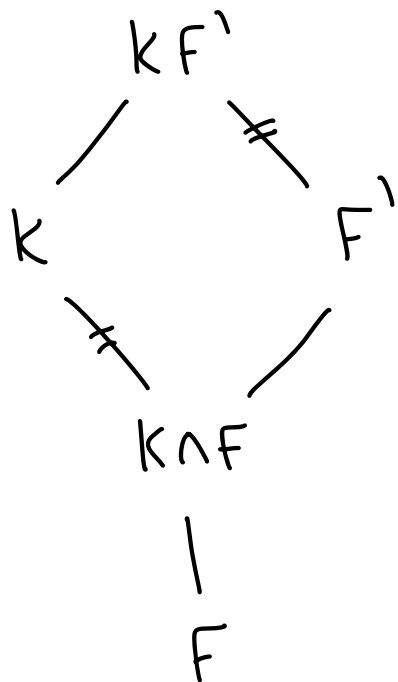
$$\overline{\mathbb{F}_p} = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{F}_{p^n}$$

§ 14.4: Composite ext'n's & simple ext'n's

Prop 19: K/F Galois, F'/F any ext'n.

Then, KF'/F Galois and

$$\text{Gal}(KF'/F') \cong \text{Gal}(K/K \cap F')$$



Pf: Let $f \in F[x]$ be sep & irred. w/ splitting field K over F . Then the splitting field of f over F' is KF' , so KF'/F' is Galois.

The map $\text{Gal}(KF'/F') \longrightarrow \text{Gal}(K/F)$

$$\sigma \longmapsto \sigma|_K$$

is an inj. hom. w/ image $\text{Gal}(K/K \cap F')$

(details in D&F)

□

Cor 20: With the same setup,

$$[KF':F] = \frac{[K:F][F':F]}{[K \cap F':F]}$$

Pf: Use Tower Law, noting that

$$[KF':F'] = |\text{Gal}(KF'/F')| = |\text{Gal}(K/K \cap F')| = [K:K \cap F'] \quad \square$$

Prop 21: $K_1/F, K_2/F$ Galois.

Then,

a) $(K_1 \cap K_2)/F$ Galois

b) $K_1, K_2/F$ Galois, and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gal}(K_1, K_2/F) &\cong \{(\sigma, \tau) \mid \sigma|_{K_1 \cap K_2} = \tau|_{K_1 \cap K_2}\} \\ &\subseteq \text{Gal}(K_1/F) \times \text{Gal}(K_2/F) \end{aligned}$$

Colloquially, pick an autom. of each field ext'n, but make sure they don't conflict.

Cor 22: $k_1/F, k_2/F$ Galois, $k_1 \cap k_2 = F$

Then,

$$\text{Gal}(k_1 k_2 / F) \cong \text{Gal}(k_1 / F) \times \text{Gal}(k_2 / F)$$

Def: Let E/F be sep. $K \supseteq E$ is called the Galois closure of E over F if K/F Galois, and if $L \supseteq E$, L/F Galois, then $K \subseteq L$.

Cor 23: This always exists (and is unique).

Pf: Recall: E/F sep. \Leftrightarrow every elt. of E is a root of a sep. poly. over F .

Let w_1, \dots, w_n be a basis for E/F , and let f be the squarefree prod. of their min'l polys. The splitting field of f contains E and is Galois / F , so take K to be the intersection of all such fields. \square

Prop 24: K/F finite. Then,

K/F simple $\Leftrightarrow \exists$ finitely many int. fields $F \subseteq E \subseteq K$.

Pf: \Rightarrow : Let $k = F(\theta)$, and suppose $F \subseteq E \subseteq k$.
called "primitive elt."

Let $f(x) = m_{\theta, F}(x)$, $g(x) = m_{\theta, E}(x)$; then $g \mid f$ over F .

Let $E' = F(\text{coeffs. of } g(x))$. Then $E' \subseteq E$, and

since $m_{\theta, E}(x) = g(x) = m_{\theta, E'}(x)$, $E = E'$.

Since E was arbitrary, any int. field is gen'd by the coeffs. of (monic) factors of $f \Rightarrow$ finitely many.

\Leftarrow : If F finite, done (Prop 17), so assume F infinite.

If $k = F(\alpha, \beta)$, then finitely many int. fields \Rightarrow

$\exists c \neq c' \in F$ s.t. $F(\alpha + c\beta) = F(\alpha + c'\beta)$. But then

$\beta \in \frac{1}{c-c'}(\alpha + c\beta - \alpha - c'\beta) \in F(\alpha + c\beta)$, and so

$F(\alpha, \beta) = F(\alpha + c\beta)$ simple.

General k follows by induction. \square

E.g.: $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})$

Thm 25 (Primitive Element Theorem):

K/F finite, sep. $\Rightarrow K/F$ simple

In particular K/F finite, char 0 \Rightarrow simple

Since irred. polys in char 0 are sep.

Pf: Let L be the Galois closure of K over F .

$\text{Gal}(L/F)$ finite \Rightarrow finitely many subgps. of
 $\text{Gal}(L/F)$

\Rightarrow finitely many int. fields $F \subseteq E \subseteq L$

\Rightarrow finitely many int. fields $F \subseteq E \subseteq K$

$\Rightarrow K/F$ simple

\nearrow
Prop 24

Next time: when is $\text{Gal}(K/F)$ abelian?