Classifying Totally Ramified Galois Extensions of Prime Power Order Over Local Fields

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Introduction

We want to determine the Artin-Schreier equations which define Galois extensions.

The extensions we are interested in are:

- Over a local field K
- Of characteristic *p*, an odd prime
- Of degree p^4
- Totally ramified

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Definitions

Throughout this presentation, the following definitions will be used:

- $K = K_0$ is the base field.
- *K_i* is a degree *p* extension over *K_{i-1}*.
- *φ* is the Weierstrass *φ* function, defined as *φ*(*x*) = *x^p* − *x*.
- x_i is an element of $K_i K_{i-1}$ such that $\wp(x_i) \in K_{i-1}$.



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Presentations of Galois Groups

According to Burnside (2013), there are fifteen Galois groups for extensions of this definition. Five are abelian; ten are nonabelian.

$$\begin{array}{l} (xii) \\ (a,b,c:a^{\nu} = b^{\nu} = 1, c^{\nu} = a^{\nu}, ab = ba^{\iota+\nu}, ac = cab, bc = cb) \\ (xii) \\ (a,b,c:a^{\nu} = b^{\nu} = 1, c^{\nu} = a^{\nu}, ab = ba^{\iota+\nu}, ac = cab, bc = cb) \end{array}$$

$$(xiii) \qquad \langle a, b, c : a^{p^2} = b^p = 1, c^p = a^{np}, ab = ba^{1+p}, ac = cab, bc = cb, n \text{ is a non-residue } (mod p) \rangle$$

(xiv)
$$\langle a, b : a^{p^2} = b^{p^2} = 1, ab = ba^{1+p} \rangle$$

(xv)
$$\langle a, b : a^{p^3} = b^p = 1, ab = ba^{1+p^2} \rangle$$

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Process Overview

To determine the Artin-Schreier equations for each extension, the following general process was followed:

- Start with equations for degree p^3 extension K_3/κ
 - These were determined by Elder last year
- Observe group structure of $Gal(\kappa_4/\kappa_1)$ (degree p^3)
 - This determines all group actions except one
- Determine how σ acts on x₄, where $Gal(\kappa_1/\kappa) = \langle \sigma \rangle$
- Use all of this information to determine $\wp(x_4)$, giving an Artin-Schreier equation
- Redefine maps and elements to make definitions nicer and more consistent

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Specific Items

A few definitions and identities helped this process along:

Remark

When
$$Gal(L/\kappa) = \langle \sigma \rangle$$
, $Tr(L/\kappa) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sigma^i$, where $n = [L:K]$

Definitions (Witt Polynomials)

$$w(x) = \frac{x^{p} + \wp(x)^{p} - (x + \wp(x))^{p}}{p}$$

$$W(x, y) = \frac{x^{p^{2}} + \wp(x)^{p^{2}} - (x + \wp(x))^{p^{2}} + p(y^{p} + \wp(y)^{p} - (y + \wp(y) + w(x))^{p})}{p^{2}}$$

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Specific Items (continued)

When
$$[K(x):K] = p$$
 and $Gal(K(x)/K) = \langle \sigma \rangle$, we have:
• $Tr(K(x)/K)\left(\frac{x^{p}+1-(x+1)^{p}}{p}\right) = 1$
• $\wp\left(\frac{x^{p}+1-(x+1)^{p}}{p}\right) = (\sigma-1)w(x)$
When $K(x)/K$ is as above, $[K(x,y):K(x)] = p$, and
 $Gal(K(x,y)/K(x)) = \langle \sigma^{p} \rangle$, we have:
• $Tr(K(x,y)/K)\left(\frac{x^{p^{2}}+1-(x+1)^{p^{2}}+p\left(y^{p}-\left(y+\frac{x^{p}+1-(x+1)^{p}}{p}\right)^{p}\right)}{p^{2}}\right) = 1$
• $\wp\left(\frac{x^{p^{2}}+1-(x+1)^{p^{2}}+p\left(y^{p}-\left(y+\frac{x^{p}+1-(x+1)^{p}}{p}\right)^{p}\right)}{p^{2}}\right) = (\sigma-1)W(x,y)$

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Important Item

The most important item used was the additive version of Hilbert's Theorem 90, a direct result of the Normal Basis Theorem.

Hilbert's Theorem 90 (additive)

For a finite Galois extension L/κ , with $Gal(L/\kappa) = \langle \sigma \rangle$:

If
$$Tr(L/\kappa)(k_1) = 0$$
, where $k_1 \in L$, then:
 $\exists k_2 \in L$ such that $(\sigma - 1)k_2 = k_1$.

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Element Definitions

To simplify the results, define the following:

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$$\wp(x_1) = \beta_1$$
, where $\beta_1 \in K$

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$$\wp(x_2) = \beta_2$$
, where $\beta_2 \in K$

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$$\wp(x_3) = B_3 + \beta_3$$
, where $\beta_3 \in K$, $B_3 \in K_2$

•
$$\wp(x_4) = B_4 + \beta_4$$
, where $\beta_4 \in K$, $B_4 \in K_3$

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$$A_1 = \beta_2 x_1$$
, $A_3 = \beta_3 x_1$

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$$A_2 = \beta_2 \binom{x_1}{2} = \beta_2 \frac{x_1(x_1-1)}{2}$$

•
$$\sigma_i \in Gal(\kappa_4/\kappa)$$
 such that σ_i fixes K_{i-1} , $\sigma_i(x_i) = x_i + 1$

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Results

Extension	σ_1	σ_2	σ_3	σ_4	B_3	B_4
(vi)	d	c	b	a	0	A_1
(vii)	a	c	b	a^p	0	$-A_1 + w(x_1)$
(viii)	a	c	b	a^p	0	$A_3 + w(x_2)$
(ix), p = 3	c	a	b	a^p	A_1	$-A_2 - A_3 + w(x_2)$
(ix), p > 3	c	a	b	d	A_1	$A_2 + A_3$
(x)	a	c	b	a^p	$-A_1$	$w(x_1)$
(xi)	a	c	b	a^p	$-A_1$	$A_2 - A_3 + w(x_1)$
(xii)	a	c	b	a^p	$-A_1$	$A_2 - A_3 + w(x_1) + w(x_2)$
(xiii)	a	c	b	a^p	$-A_1$	$A_2 - A_3 + w(x_1) + nw(x_2)$
(xiv)	a	b	a^p	b^p	$-A_1 + w(x_1)$	$w(x_2)$
(xv)	a	b	a^p	a^{p^2}	$w(x_1)$	$-A_1 + W(x_1, x_3)$

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