

Practice test IV: Resultant

- You can use any theorem, proposition or corollary of the class lectures, just by citing its number inside the corresponding lecture: (example: "Lect II, Cor. 1" refers to the Corollary 1 of Lecture II, that is the Primitive Element Theorem).

Exercise 1 Write the Sylvester matrix of the polynomials A and B :

A	$2x^2 + x - 1$	$x - 1$	$x^n + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1x + a_0$
B	$30x^3 + 6x^2 + x + 1$	$x + 1$	3

Exercise 2 Question 1 Are the following matrices in row echelon form ? (the empty entries mean zero)

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ & 4 & 1 & 1 & \\ & & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ & & 2 & 3 & -2 & -3 \\ & & & -1 & -2 & 3 \\ & & & & & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Exercise 3 Consider the 2 polynomials A and B ,

$$A = 2x^2 + x - 1 \quad B = 30x^3 + 6x^2 + x + 1.$$

We have $\text{Res}(A, B) = 812$.

Given $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, we consider the map $\phi_n : \mathbb{Z}[X] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}[X]$, $\sum_i a_i X^i \mapsto \sum_i (a_i \bmod n) X^i$.

Question 1 Use Proposition 1 to compute:

$$r_5 = \text{Res}(\phi_5(A), \phi_5(B)) = \text{Res}(A \bmod 5, B \bmod 5)$$

$$r_3 = \text{Res}(\phi_3(A), \phi_3(B)) = \text{Res}(A \bmod 3, B \bmod 3)$$

Question 2 Can we use Proposition 2 to compute $r_2 = \text{Res}(\phi_2(A), \phi_2(B)) = \text{Res}(A \bmod 2, B \bmod 2)$? Compute anyway r_2 .

Exercise 4 Let R be an integral domain (Lect. II, Def. 7... like $R = \mathbb{Z}$ or $R = k[X, Y]$) Let $A, B, C \in R[X]$. Show the formula:

$$\text{Res}(AB, C) = \text{Res}(A, C)\text{Res}(B, C).$$

(advice: use the formulas of Theorem 1, Slide 9)

Exercise 5 Consider the algebraic numbers $\alpha = (i + \sqrt{2})^{\frac{1}{7}} + (i + \sqrt{2})^{\frac{3}{7}} + (i + \sqrt{2})^{\frac{5}{7}} + 1$, and $\beta = (\sqrt{2} + 3^{\frac{1}{3}})^2 + \sqrt{1 + 3^{\frac{1}{3}}}$.

The aim of this exercise is to compute a vanishing polynomial p_α of α and a vanishing polynomial p_β of β . Finally to compute $p_{\alpha\beta}$, a vanishing polynomial of the product $\alpha\beta$.

Question 1 Let $\alpha_1 = i + \sqrt{2}$. Compute a vanishing polynomial p_{α_1} of α_1 . Deduce one for $\alpha_2 = \alpha^{\frac{1}{7}}$.

Question 2 Show that there exists a polynomial h such that $\alpha = h(\alpha_2)$. Use the resultant (Part II notes, n°2) to compute p_α .

Question 3 Compute a vanishing polynomial of $1 + 3^{\frac{1}{3}}$. Deduce one for $\sqrt{1 + 3^{\frac{1}{3}}}$.

Question 4 Use the resultant to compute a vanishing polynomial of $\beta_1 = \sqrt{2} + 3^{\frac{1}{3}}$. Deduce one for $\beta_2 = \beta_1^2$.

Question 5 Use the resultant to compute p_β .

Question 6 Use the resultant to compute $p_{\alpha\beta}$.