MY THEORY

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Definition 1. Let $k \subseteq L$ be a normal, separable field extension, also written L/k. Then the *Galois group* of L/k, denoted Gal(L/k), is the set of field automorphisms of L which fix k pointwise.

Note how the above definition appears inside of a *theorem environment*. The theorem environments in this document are initialized in the preamble of the document. Go find them. One of the nicest features of LATEX is that it automatically numbers your theorem environments.

Theorem 2. If L/k is a finite, normal, separable field extension, then the subgroups of Gal(L/k) are in bijective correspondence with the subextensions $k \subseteq E \subseteq L$ of $k \subseteq L$.

Using LATEX's labelling features, we can even automatically reference particular theorems and equations, such as Theorem 2.

Speaking of equations, they can either appear inline $(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ for (m, n) = 1) or in display mode:

 $\mathbb{Z}/mn\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ for (m, n) = 1.

You can even number and refer to specific equations, such as

(1)
$$\mathbb{Z}/30\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}.$$

Indeed, equation (1) is a specific instance of the Chinese Remainder Theorem.

Finally, you'll need a bibliography. If you have the time, learning BibTeX is well worth the investment. If you don't, then LATEX has an embedded bibliography system that you can read about in, *e.g.*, [1].

References

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