

- (1) Which of the following is a number field?
- (a) the set of all nonnegative rational numbers;
  - (b) the set of numbers of the form  $a + b\sqrt{2} + c\sqrt{3}$  where  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Q}$ ;
  - (c) the set of numbers of the form  $a + b\sqrt{2} + c\sqrt[4]{2} + d\sqrt[4]{8}$  where  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Q}$ .  
*Hint:* Look at the appropriate tower of fields  $\mathbb{Q} = F_0 \subset F_1 = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}) \subset F_2$
  - (d) The set of irrational numbers.

- (2) Let  $F$  be the field consisting of real numbers of the form  $p + q\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}$  where  $p, q$  are of the form  $a + b\sqrt{2}$ , with  $a, b$  rational. Represent

$$\frac{1 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}}{2 - 3\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}}$$

in this form.

- (3) (a) Prove that  $\sqrt[3]{\pi}$  is not constructible.  
 (b) Prove that  $\pi^3$  is not constructible.
- (4) Find a polynomial with integer coefficients which has  $1 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$  as a root.
- (5) Find the cardinality of the set of all surds.
- (6) Is there a line in the plane such that every point on it is constructible?
- (7) Let  $t$  be a transcendental number. Prove that the set  $\{(a + bt) : a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  is not a number field.