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**Exercise 45.** Prove the following theorem:

*If  $p(y)$  is the minimal polynomial of  $\alpha$  over the field  $k$ , then  $\text{norm}_{[k(\alpha)/k]}(h(x, \alpha))$  and  $\text{res}_y(h(x, y), p(y))$  agree up to a non-zero multiplicative constant.*

**Exercise 46.** Consider polynomials  $f, g \in k[x]$  of positive degrees  $m, n$  respectively. Let  $I$  denote the ideal in  $k[x]$  generated by  $f$ , and let  $\mu$  denote the multiplication map

$$\mu: k[x]/I \longrightarrow k[x]/I, \quad h + I \mapsto gh + I.$$

Demonstrate that  $\text{res}_x(f, g) = LC(f)^{\deg(g)} \det(\mu)$ .

**Exercise 47.** Consider  $f, g \in k[x]$  whose roots in  $\bar{k}$  are  $\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_m$  and  $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n$  respectively. Prove that

$$\text{res}_x(f, g) = LC(f)^{\deg(g)} \prod_{i=1}^{\deg(f)} g(\zeta_i) = (-1)^{\deg(f) \deg(g)} LC(g)^{\deg(f)} \prod_{j=1}^{\deg(g)} f(\eta_j)$$

**Exercise 48.** Given homogeneous polynomials

$$F = \sum_{i=0}^m a_i x^{m-i} y^i \quad \text{and} \quad G = \sum_{j=0}^n b_j x^{n-j} y^j$$

in  $k[x, y]$ , their resultant  $\text{res}(F, G)$  is defined as the Sylvester determinant of the corresponding univariate polynomials ( $n$  rows of coefficients of  $F(x, 1)$ ,  $m$  rows of coefficients of  $G(x, 1)$ ; notice that the ‘leading coefficients’ of  $F(x, 1)$  and  $G(x, 1)$  are allowed to be 0).

Prove the following statements.

1.  $\text{res}(F, G)$  is an integer polynomial in the coefficients of  $F, G$ , i.e., there is a polynomial  $\text{Res}_{m,n} \in \mathbb{Z}[s_0, \dots, s_m, t_0, \dots, t_n]$  such that

$$\text{res}(F, G) = \text{Res}_{m,n}(a_0, \dots, a_m, b_0, \dots, b_n)$$

for all homogeneous polynomials  $F, G$  of degrees  $m, n$ .

2.  $\text{res}(F, G) = 0$  iff  $F$  and  $G$  have a common solution in  $\mathbb{P}^1(\bar{k})$ .
3.  $\text{res}(x^m, y^n) = 1$ .