

R_1 may be any one of the roots. This implies that if the roots, in the order in which they circulate, are

$$R_1, R_\lambda, R_\alpha, \dots, R_i, R_c, R_\theta,$$

the change of $R_1^{\frac{1}{n}}$ in the system of equations (141) into $R_\lambda^{\frac{1}{n}}$ will cause $R_\lambda^{\frac{1}{n}}$ to become $R_\alpha^{\frac{1}{n}}$, and $R_\alpha^{\frac{1}{n}}$ to become $R_\beta^{\frac{1}{n}}$, and so on. In fact, by exactly the same reasoning as that used in establishing the Criterion of pure uni-serial Abelianism, it can be made to appear that the n values of the expression (138) or of (140) obtained by taking the n values of $R_1^{\frac{1}{n}}$ for a given value of R_1 , and taking at the same time the appropriate values of $R_2^{\frac{1}{n}}, R_3^{\frac{1}{n}},$ etc., as determined by the equations (141), would not be the roots of an equation of the n^{th} degree with rational coefficients unless $R_\lambda^{\frac{1}{n}}$ could replace $R_1^{\frac{1}{n}}$ in the manner above indicated. In like manner, by changing $R_1^{\frac{1}{n}}$ in the system of equations (141) into $R_\alpha^{\frac{1}{n}}, R_\lambda^{\frac{1}{n}}$ becomes $R_\beta^{\frac{1}{n}}$, and so on. The principle can be extended to all the terms in the series

$$R_1^{\frac{1}{n}}, R_\lambda^{\frac{1}{n}}, R_\alpha^{\frac{1}{n}}, \dots, R_i^{\frac{1}{n}}, R_c^{\frac{1}{n}}, R_\theta^{\frac{1}{n}}. \quad (146)$$

§ 63. Let, then, the system of equations (141) be written

$$R_{e\lambda}^{\frac{1}{n}} = a'_e R_e^{\frac{1}{n}}, R_{e\alpha}^{\frac{1}{n}} = b'_e R_e^{\frac{1}{n}}, \text{ etc.}, \quad (147)$$

e being a general symbol under which all the terms in the series (143) are contained, while $a'_e, b'_e,$ etc., are rational functions of R_e . These equations give us

$$(R_e^e R_{e\lambda}^e R_{e\alpha}^e \dots R_{e\theta}^e R_{e\epsilon}^e)^{\frac{1}{n}} = G_e R_e^{\frac{1}{n}},$$

where G_e is a rational function of R_e , and

$$t = \theta + \epsilon\lambda + \delta\alpha + \dots + \theta = (n-1)\theta = (n-1)\lambda^{n-2}.$$

Because λ is a prime root of n , $(n-1)\lambda^{n-2}$ is prime to n . Therefore t is prime to n . Therefore whole numbers h and k exist such that

$$ht = kn + 1.$$

Therefore

$$(R_e^e R_{e\lambda}^e \dots R_{e\theta}^e)^{\frac{1}{n}} = (G_e^h R_e^k) R_e^{\frac{1}{n}}.$$

For every integral value of z , let $(R_{ez}^e)^{\frac{1}{n}}$ be written $r_{ez}^{\frac{1}{n}}$. Then, putting A_e^{-1} for $G_e^h R_e^k$,

$$R_e^{\frac{1}{n}} = A_e (r_{e\lambda}^e r_{e\alpha}^e \dots r_{e\theta}^e r_{e\epsilon}^e)^{\frac{1}{n}}. \quad (148)$$