

§ 55. In the very same way in which (83) was established, it can be proved

$$\text{that } R_{em}^{\frac{m}{n}} (R_{e\sigma}^{\lambda^{s-2}} R_{e\sigma\lambda}^{\lambda^{t-2}} \dots R_{e\sigma\lambda^{t-2}})^{\frac{\sigma}{n}} \dots (R_{e\beta}^{k^{b-2}} \dots)^{\frac{\beta}{n}} = Q_e R_e^{\frac{1}{n}}, \quad (121)$$

where Q_e is a rational function of w^e , and

$$\Delta = m^2 + \sigma^2(s-1)\lambda^{s-2} + \tau^2(t-1)k^{t-2} + \dots + \beta^2(b-1)k^{b-2}. \quad (122)$$

Because m is the continued product of the odd factors of n , m^2 is odd. But each of the expressions $s-1$, $t-1$, etc., is even. Therefore Δ is odd. Therefore Δ is prime to 4. Again, because m is the continued product of the odd factors of n , it is a multiple of b . And, because $\sigma\sigma = b\beta$, σ is a multiple of b . In like manner τ is a multiple of b . In this way all the separate members of the expression for Δ in (122) except the last are multiples of b . And, by the same reasoning as was used in § 44, $\beta^2(b-1)k^{b-2}$ is not a multiple of b . Therefore Δ is prime to b . In like manner it is prime to s , t , etc. Therefore it is prime to n . Therefore there are whole numbers v and r such that

$$v\Delta = rn + 1.$$

Therefore, from (121),

$$R_{em}^{\frac{mv}{n}} (R_{e\sigma}^{\lambda^{s-2}} \dots)^{\frac{\sigma v}{n}} (R_{e\tau}^{k^{t-2}} \dots)^{\frac{\tau v}{n}} \dots (R_{e\beta}^{k^{b-2}} \dots)^{\frac{\beta v}{n}} = (Q_e^v R_e^r) R_e^{\frac{1}{n}}. \quad (123)$$

For any integral value of z , let $R_z^{\frac{v}{n}}$ be written $P_z^{\frac{1}{n}}$. Then, by (103), putting A_e^{-1} for $Q_e^v R_e^r$, (123) becomes

$$R_e^{\frac{1}{n}} = A_e (P_{em}^m \phi_{e\sigma}^{\sigma} \psi_{e\tau}^{\tau} \dots F_{e\beta}^{\beta})^{\frac{1}{n}}. \quad (124)$$

Therefore

$$R_1 = A_1 (P_m^m \phi_{\sigma}^{\sigma} \psi_{\tau}^{\tau} \dots F_{\beta}^{\beta}). \quad (125)$$

But P_m is the same as R_m^v . Therefore, by § 54, P_m is of the form of the fundamental element of the root of a pure uni-serial Abelian quartic. Therefore the expression for R_1 in (125) is identical with that in (104), and thus the form of the fundamental element in (104) is established. Also, it was necessary to take $R_0^{\frac{1}{n}}$ with its rational value, because, by § 5, $nR_0^{\frac{1}{n}}$ is the sum of the roots of the equation $f(x) = 0$. And equation (124) is identical with (109), which establishes the necessity of the forms assigned to all those expressions which are contained under $R_e^{\frac{1}{n}}$. It remains to prove that the expressions contained under $R_{e\sigma}^{\frac{1}{n}}$, $\frac{n}{v}$ or y being a term in the series (107) distinct from n , have the forms assigned to them in (110). The details to be given here are very much a repetition of what is found in § 44; but, to prevent the confusion that might arise