1125-14-2803 Neriman Tokcan* (tokcan2@illinois.edu). Relative Ranks of Binary Forms.

Suppose f(x,y) is a binary form of degree d with coefficients in a field $K \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. The K-rank of $f, L_K(f)$, is the smallest number of d-th powers of linear forms over K of which f is a K-linear combination. We prove that for $d \ge 5$, there always exists a form of degree d with at least three different ranks over various fields. We also find lower bounds for \mathbb{C} -rank and \mathbb{R} -rank of binary forms depending on their factorizations. (Received September 20, 2016)