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A finite group  $G$  is admissible over a field  $K$  if  $G$  is the Galois group of  $L/K$  where  $L$  is a maximal subfield of a finite dimensional central division algebra over  $K$ .

We explore the admissibility of the simple group of order 168,  $PSL(2, 7)$ , over various number fields  $K$ . Applications are given to the problem of admissibility of its double cover  $SL(2, 7)$ , where the obstruction involves the splitting of a quaternion algebra. (Received September 26, 2005)