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Let K be a field of finite characteristic, such as F_p . Then the ring of polynomials, $K[X]$, is an integral domain. We may therefore construct its quotient field, namely the field of rational polynomials. This is an example of an infinite field with finite characteristic.