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Quick list (copy/paste this block, then prune what you really need)

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import Init.WF -- WellFounded, Acc, InvImage.wf, Subrelation.wf
import Batteries.WF -- makes WellFounded.fix / Acc.rec compile to code (optional but handy)
import Mathlib/Data/Nat/Order/Basic -- lemmas about <, ≤, succ, lt_succ_self, etc. on ℕ
import Mathlib/Data/Prod/Lex -- Prod.Lex, its constructors, and order instances
import Mathlib/SetTheory/Ordinal/Basic -- ordinals themselves
import Mathlib/SetTheory/Ordinal/Arithmetic -- ordinal +, ·, ^, etc.
import Mathlib/Tactic/Linarith/Frontend -- linarith
import Mathlib/Tactic/Ring/Basic -- ring, ring_nf, etc.
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If you just want “generic tactics”, `import Mathlib.Tactic` is OK, but it drags in a lot. Be surgical instead.

Line-by-line “wrong import” check

What you wrote	Status	Use instead / keep	Why / Where it lives
<code>import Mathlib.Data.Nat.Order</code>	Wrong / split	<code>import Mathlib/Data/Nat/Order/Basic</code> (and maybe <code>/Lemmas</code>) or just <code>Mathlib/Data/Nat/Basic</code> if you only need trivial stuff	The nat order material was split: <code>.../Order/Basic</code> & <code>.../Order/Lemmas</code> . GitLabGitLab
<code>import Mathlib.Data.Prod.Lex</code>	Correct	Keep it	Gives <code>Prod.Lex</code> and order instances. Floris van Doorn
<code>import Mathlib.Data.Ordinal.Basic</code>	Wrong path	<code>import Mathlib/SetTheory/Ordinal/Basic</code>	Ordinals live under <code>SetTheory</code> . leanprover-community.github.io leanprover-community.github.io
<code>import Mathlib.Data.Ordinal.Arithmetic</code>	Wrong path	<code>import Mathlib/SetTheory/Ordinal/Arithmetic</code>	Same reason. leanprover-community.github.io
<code>import Mathlib.Tactic</code>	Technically OK but huge	Prefer targeted imports: <code>Mathlib/Tactic/Linarith/Frontend</code> , <code>Mathlib/Tactic/Ring/Basic</code> , etc.	<code>linarith</code> doc: leanprover-community.github.io ; <code>ring</code> doc: leanprover-community.github.io
<code>import Init.WF</code>	Correct	Keep it	This is where <code>WellFounded</code> , <code>Acc</code> , <code>InvImage.wf</code> , <code>Subrelation.wf</code> , <code>measure</code> live now. leanprover-community.github.io GitHub
<code>import Mathlib.Tactic.Linarith</code>	Use sub-file	<code>import Mathlib/Tactic/Linarith/Frontend</code> (or <code>.../Preprocessing</code> , etc., if you need internals)	The main tactic entry point is in <code>Frontend</code> . leanprover-community.github.io math.iisc.ac.in
<code>import Mathlib.Tactic.Ring</code>	Use sub-file	<code>import Mathlib/Tactic/Ring/Basic</code> (and optionally <code>/RingNF</code>)	Mathlib4 split ring tactic into submodules. leanprover-community.github.io leanprover-community.github.io

<pre>import Std.Data.WellFounde d</pre>	Gone	Use Init.WF + Batteries.WF	Std was retired; Batteries hosts the compiled versions. leanprover-community.github.io
<pre>measure_wf , WellFounded.invImage , WellFounded.subrel, Prod.lex_wf</pre>	All renamed / moved	Use InvImage.wf , Subrelation.wf , and instances from <code>Prod.instWellFoundedRelation</code>	See Lean core docs for InvImage.wf ; <code>Nat.wfRel</code> : leanprover-community.github.io GitHub . Batteries note: leanprover-community.github.io . There is no <code>Prod.lex_wf</code> constant—build WF via instances. Floris van Doorn

Why your step proof goals wouldn't unify (the Lex.left/right spam)

Those “type mismatch ... expected Rel (rank ...) got Prod.Lex ...” errors are *not* solved by imports. They're a unification problem:

1. Your goal is `StepRank b a` which *defines* to `Rel (rank b) (rank a)`.
2. Lean keeps that def opaque. So `refine Prod.Lex.left ?_` can't see the pair.
3. Fix: **force the def to unfold at the goal line**

Do that once per case and 90% of your “invalid argument name 'r'” / “type mismatch Lex.left” disappears. The rest are trivial Nat inequalities—one `simp` + one Nat lemma (e.g. `Nat.lt_succ_self _`, `Nat.add_lt_add_left`) each. Stop shoving 10 things into `[simp ...]`; that's why you get the unused-arg linter.

Constants that changed name (double-check your code)

Old name you used	New / existing thing
<code>measure_wf</code>	InvImage.wf <code>f Nat.lt_wfRel.wf</code> (or write <code>WellFounded.measure</code> yourself) leanprover-community.github.ioGitHub
<code>WellFounded.invImage</code> (as a field)	InvImage.wf (a def in Init.WF) leanprover-community.github.io
<code>WellFounded.subrel</code>	Subrelation.wf (same file) leanprover-community.github.io
<code>Prod.lex_wf</code>	no such constant; use <code>(Prod.instWellFoundedRelation _ _).wf</code> (or build with InvImage.wf) Floris van Doorn

If you *do* this with ordinals

If you pivot to the ordinal interpretation: the only two imports you really need are

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import Mathlib/SetTheory/Ordinal/Basic
import Mathlib/SetTheory/Ordinal/Arithmetic
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Everything ordinal-related hangs under `Mathlib/SetTheory/Ordinal`. [leanprover-community.github.io](#)[leanprover-community.github.io](#)

Batteries note

You keep seeing slow `WellFounded.fix` codegen? Pull in:

```
import Batteries.WF
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This file “exports no public defs” but flips compiler switches so `Acc.rec / WellFounded.fix` produce compiled code instead of massive bytecode blobs. [leanprover-community.github.io](#)