

## Fields

Def. A field is a set  $F$  with two operations  $+$ ,  $\cdot$  called addition and multiplication satisfying "field axioms" (A) (M) (D).

(A) Axioms for addition (A1)  $x, y \in F \implies x+y \in F$  (A2)  $x+y = y+x$

$$(A3) (x+y)+z = x+(y+z) \quad (A4) \exists 0 \in F, x+0=x$$

$$(A5) x \in F, \exists y \in F \text{ s.t. } x+y=0 \text{ (write } y=-x)$$

(M) Axioms for multiplication (M1)  $x, y \in F, x \cdot y \in F$  (M2)  $xy = yx, x, y \in F$  (M3)  $(xy)z = x(yz)$

$$(M4) 1 \in F, x \cdot 1 = x \quad (M5) x \in F, x \neq 0, \exists y \in F \text{ s.t. } xy=1 \\ \text{write } y=1/x$$

(D) The distributive law:  $x(y+z) = xy+xz$  holds for  $x, y, z \in F$ .

Remark:  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a field. All familiar properties for  $\mathbb{Q}$  should hold for a field

For example: cancellation law:  $x+y=z+y \Rightarrow x=z$ .

Def An ordered field is a field which is also an ordered set s.t.

$$(i) \quad x+y < x+z \text{ if } x \in F, y < z.$$

$$(ii) \quad xy > 0 \text{ if } x > 0, y > 0$$

We will call  $x$  <sup>(negative)</sup> ~~positive~~ if  $x < 0$ ,  
positive if  $x > 0$ .

Remark:  $\mathbb{Q}$  is an ordered field  $x < y \Leftrightarrow y - x > 0$ .

Prop For  $x, y$  in an ordered field

(a) if  $x > 0$ , then  $-x < 0$  (b)  $x > 0, y < z \Rightarrow xy < xz$  (c)  $x < 0, y < z \Rightarrow x \cdot y > x \cdot z$

(d) If  $x \neq 0$  then  $x^2 > 0$ ; in particular,  $1 > 0$  (e)  $0 < x < y \Rightarrow 0 < \frac{1}{y} < \frac{1}{x}$

Proof: (a)  $0 < x \Rightarrow 0 + (-x) < x + (-x) \Rightarrow -x < 0$ . (b)  $0 < (z - y) \cdot x$

(c)  $(z - y)(-x) > 0$   $x > 0 \Rightarrow x \cdot x > 0$   
 $-zx + yx > 0 \Rightarrow xy > zx$  d)  $-x > 0 \Rightarrow (-x) \cdot (-x) > 0$  e)  $0 < \frac{x}{y} < 1$   
 $\frac{1}{x^2}$   $\Rightarrow 0 < \frac{1}{y} < \frac{1}{x}$ .

Thm There exists an ordered field  $\mathbb{R}$  contains  $\mathbb{Q}$  as a subfield, satisfying the least-upper-bound property

We call the member in  $\mathbb{R}$  a real number.

Construction: Dedekind cuts  $\alpha$ :

①  $\alpha \neq \mathbb{Q}$  non-empty ②  $\forall S \in \alpha, t \in \alpha \Rightarrow t \in S$  ③ no maximal rational in  $\alpha$ .

Can define addition:  $\alpha + \beta = \{s + t : s \in \alpha, t \in \beta\}$

multiplication is more tedious. First define positive cuts

Order:  $\alpha < \beta$  if  $\alpha \subset \beta$ .

Least-upper-bound property: If  $E$  is bounded above by  $\beta$ .

Let  $S = \bigcup_{\alpha \in E} \alpha < \beta$ . Can show this is  $S = \sup E$ . Say  $\delta < S$   
 $\exists \alpha \notin \delta \in S$ .

Archimedean property and Denseness of  $\mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(a) If  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ , there is a positive int.  $n$  s.t.  $n \cdot x > y$

(b) If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x < y$ , then there is a rat'l number  $r$  s.t.  $x < r < y$ .

Proof (a) If for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ ,  $n \cdot x \leq y$ , the set  $\{n \cdot x\}$  has an upper bound,

Then by LUB, let  $\alpha$  be the least upper bound of  $\{n \cdot x\}$ . Then  $\alpha - x$  is

not an upper bound of  $\{n \cdot x\}$ , i.e.  $\exists n \cdot x > \alpha - x \Rightarrow (n+1) \cdot x > \alpha$  ~~contradiction~~.

(b) WTF:  $x < \frac{m}{n} < y$ .  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $n(y-x) > 1 \Leftrightarrow ny > nx + 1 > nx$ . Just find  $m$  in between

$nx$  and  $ny$ .  $\exists$  integers  $m_1, m_2$   $m_1 < nx < m_2$   $\exists$  unique  $m$  s.t.  $m_1 < m < m_2$  ~~and~~

Decimals of  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Having chosen  $n_0, \dots, n_{k-1}$ , let  $n_k$  be the largest integer such that

$$n_0 + \frac{n_1}{10} + \dots + \frac{n_k}{10^k} \leq x.$$

Then  $x = \sup E$ ,  $E = \{n_0 + \frac{n_1}{10} + \dots + \frac{n_k}{10^k}\}$ . The decimal expression of  $x$  is  $n_0.n_1n_2\dots$

Thm. for  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ , there is a unique  $y > 0$  s.t.  $y^n = x$ .

Idea:  $E = \{t \in \mathbb{R} : t^n \leq x\}$   $y = \sup E \Rightarrow y^n = x$

(Such number  $y$  is denoted by  $\sqrt[n]{x}$  or  $x^{1/n}$ )

The symbol  $+\infty, -\infty$ . We define  $-\infty < x < +\infty$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Euclidean space.  $\mathbb{R}^k$ .

$$\mathbb{R}^k \ni \vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) \quad \text{s.t.}$$

$$\vec{x} + \vec{y} = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2, \dots, x_k + y_k)$$

$$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \alpha \cdot \vec{x} = (\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2, \dots, \alpha x_k)$$

$$\text{Inner product: } \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_k y_k$$

$$\text{Define: } |\vec{x}| = \sqrt{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{x}}.$$

$$\text{Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality: } \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} \leq |\vec{x}| \cdot |\vec{y}|$$

$$\text{Proof Notation: } \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n.$$

Want to show:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \leq \sqrt{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2\right) \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2\right)}$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i\right)^2 \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2\right).$$

$$(\lambda \vec{x} - \vec{y}) \cdot (\lambda \vec{x} - \vec{y}) \geq 0 \quad \text{for any } \lambda.$$

$$\lambda^2 |\vec{x}|^2 - 2\lambda \vec{y} \cdot \vec{x} + |\vec{y}|^2 \geq 0$$

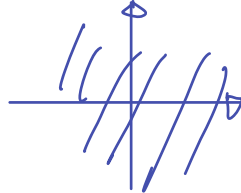
$$\lambda^2 A - 2\lambda B + C \geq 0$$

$$\parallel \Rightarrow A \cdot C \geq B^2$$

$$A \left(\lambda - \frac{B}{A}\right)^2 + \frac{AC - B^2}{A} \geq 0 \quad \square$$

Def the Distance between  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$  is  $|\vec{x} - \vec{y}| = \sqrt{\sum (x_i - y_i)^2}$

Example :  $\mathbb{R}^1$  : 

$\mathbb{R}^2$  : 

$\mathbb{R}^3$  : 