

# 1 Fields

what properties do the REAL numbers have?

algebracally:

$\exists$  two functions (maps):

$+: R \times R \mapsto R$  (addition)

$R \times R \mapsto R$  (multiplication)

XXXX axioms:

Def: let  $F$  be a set, then  $F$  is a field under maps:

addition: with  $a + b := +(a, b)$

multiplication: with  $ab := \cdot(a, b)$

satisfying all of the following:

$\forall a, b, c \in F$ :

A1:  $(a+b)+c = a+(b+c)$  (ASSOCIATIVITY)

A2:  $\exists$  an element  $0 \in F$  such that  $a + 0 = a = 0 + a$  (EXISTENCE OF ZERO)

A3: A2 hold and  $\forall x \in F, \exists y \in F$  such that  $x + y = 0 = y + x$  (EXISTENCE OF ADD)

A4:  $x + y = y + x$  (COMMUTATIVITY)

M1:  $a(bc) = (ab)c$

M2:  $\exists 1 \in F$  such that  $1 \neq 0$  and  $a \cdot 1 = a = 1 \cdot a$

M3: M2 hold,  $\forall x \neq 0 \in F \exists y \in F$  such that  $xy = 1 = yx$

M4:  $ab = ba$

D1:  $a(b + c) = ab + ac$

D2:  $(a + b)c = ac + bc$

comments: let  $F$  be a field,  $a, b, c \in F$ , then the followings are true

- $F \neq \emptyset$  and in fact at least there are 0, 1
- 0, 1 are unique
- If  $a + b = 0$ , then  $b$  is unique written  $-a$
- If  $a + b = 0 = a + c$ , then  $b = b + 0 = b + (a + c) = (b + a) + c = (a + b) + c = 0 + c = c$
- If  $a + b = a + c$ , then  $b = c$
- If  $a \neq 0$  and  $ab = 1$ , then  $b$  is unique written  $a^{-1}$
- $0 \cdot a = 0$  TO BE FILLED
- If  $a \cdot b = 0$ , then  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$
- If  $ab = ac$ ,  $a \neq 0$ , then  $b = c$
- $(-a)(-b) = ab$
- $-(-a) = a$
- If  $a \neq 0$ ,  $a^{-1} \neq 0$ , then  $(a^{-1})^{-1} = a$

## 2 example

2.  $\mathbb{Z}$  is not a field

3.  $F = \{0, 1\}$

4.  $\exists$  fields with  $n$  elements with  $n = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 16\}$

5. Let  $F$  be a field

let  $F[t] := \{\text{polynomials in indeterminate } t\}$ :

$$(a_0 + a_1t + \dots + a_nt^n) + (b_0 + b_1t + \dots + b_nt^n) = a_0b_0 + (a_0b_1 + a_1b_0)t + \dots$$

6. Let  $F$  be a field such that  $F(t) := \left\{ \frac{f}{g} \mid f, g \in F[t], g \neq 0 \right\}$