

# 21-235 Math Studies Analysis I

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# Chapter 1

## 1.1 Ordered Fields (Review)

### Definition 1.1.1: Order

Let  $E$  be a set. An *order* on  $E$  is a relation  $<$  on  $E$  such that for all  $x, y, z \in E$ :

1. (Trichotomy) Exactly one of the following holds:  $x < y$ ,  $x = y$ , or  $x > y$ .
2. (Transitivity) If  $x < y$  and  $y < z$ , then  $x < z$ .

### Example 1.1.1 (Examples of Ordered Sets)

1. This definition develops orders on basic number systems: e.g.  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and  $\mathbb{R}$ .
2. Define  $\lesssim$  on  $\mathbb{Z}$  as follows: We say that  $m \lesssim n$  for  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  if:
  - (a)  $m$  is even and  $n$  is odd
  - (b)  $m, n$  are even and  $m < n$
  - (c)  $m, n$  are odd and  $m < n$ .

Key Concepts:

- upper/lower bounds of sets
- bounded sets
- max/min
- supremum/infimum
- supremum/infimum property: An ordered set  $E$  satisfies such a property if every nonempty set  $A \subseteq E$  that's bounded above/below has a supremum/infimum in  $E$ .
- Fact:  $\sup \text{ prop} \implies \inf \text{ prop}$

### Definition 1.1.2: Ordered Field

Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a field with order  $<$ . We say that  $\mathbb{F}$  is an *ordered field* provided that:

1. For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{F}$ , if  $x < y$ , then  $x + z < y + z$ .
2. For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{F}$ , if  $0 < x$  and  $0 < y$ , then  $0 < x \cdot y$ .

**Example 1.1.2**

$\mathbb{Q}$  is a field.

Facts of any ordered field:

1.  $0 < 1$
2.  $\nexists x \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $x^2 = -1$ .

**Definition 1.1.3: Ordered Subfield, Homomorphism, Isomorphism**

Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be an ordered field.

1. A set  $\mathbb{K} \subseteq \mathbb{F}$  is called an *ordered subfield* if  $\mathbb{K}$  is an algebraic subfield and  $\mathbb{K}$  is an ordered field equipped with  $<$  from  $\mathbb{F}$ .
2. Let  $\mathbb{G}$  be an ordered field and let  $f : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$ . We say that  $f$  is an *ordered field homomorphism* if it's a field homomorphism and  $f(x) < f(y)$  whenever  $x < y$ .
3.  $f$  is an *ordered field isomorphism* if  $f$  is an ordered field homomorphism and  $f$  is bijective.

**Note:**

1. If  $f : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$  is an ordered field homomorphism,  $f(\mathbb{F})$  is an ordered subfield of  $\mathbb{G}$ .
2. OF property  $\implies f$  is injective.
3.  $\therefore$  every ordered field homomorphism  $f : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$  is such that  $f$  induces a bijection  $f : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow f(\mathbb{F}) \subseteq \mathbb{G}$ .

**Theorem 1.1.1**  $\mathbb{Q}$  is the smallest ordered field. More precisely, if  $\mathbb{F}$  is an ordered field, then there exists a canonical ordered field homomorphism  $f : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ .

Upshot/notation abuse: We identify  $f(\mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q}$  to view  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{F}$ . In turn,  $\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{F}$ .

## 1.2 Types of Ordered Fields

**Definition 1.2.1: Archimedean, Dedekind complete**

Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be an ordered field.

1. We say that  $\mathbb{F}$  is Archimedean if  $\forall 0 < x \in \mathbb{F}, \exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n > x$ .
2. We say that  $\mathbb{F}$  is Dedekind complete if it satisfies the supremum property.

Facts:

1.  $\mathbb{Q}$  is Archimedean.
2. If  $\mathbb{F}$  is Dedekind complete, then  $\forall 0 < x \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $\forall 0 < n \in \mathbb{N}, \exists! 0 < y \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $y^n = x$ .
3.  $\mathbb{Q}$  is not Dedekind complete. ( $\sqrt{2}$  is a counterexample.)

**Theorem 1.2.1**

Suppose  $\mathbb{F}$  is a Dedekind complete ordered field. Then  $\mathbb{F}$  is Archimedean.

*Proof.* If not, then  $\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{F}$  is bounded above, and so the supremum property provides  $x \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $x = \sup \mathbb{N}$ . But then  $x - 1$  is an upper bound for  $\mathbb{N}$ , so there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $x - 1 < n$ . Hence  $x < n + 1$ , which contradicts the definition of  $x$  as an upper bound. Therefore,  $\mathbb{F}$  is Archimedean.  $\odot$

## 1.3 Dedekind Completion

Throughout this section, let  $\mathbb{F}$  be an Archimedean ordered field.

### Definition 1.3.1: Dedekind cut

We say a set  $C \subseteq \mathbb{F}$  is *Dedekind cut* if:

1.  $C \neq \emptyset$  and  $C \neq \mathbb{F}$ .
2. If  $p \in C$  and  $q \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $q < p$ , then  $q \in C$ .
3. If  $p \in C$ , then  $\exists r \in C$  such that  $p < r$ .

We will write  $\mathbb{F}^*$  for the set of all Dedekind cuts in  $\mathbb{F}$ . It is called the *Dedekind completion* of  $\mathbb{F}$ .

### Note:

Let  $C \subseteq \mathbb{F}$  be a cut. Then:

1. If  $p \in C$ , then  $q \notin C$ , then  $p < q$ .
2. If  $r \notin C$ , and  $r < s \in \mathbb{F}$ , then  $s \notin C$ .

### Example 1.3.1 (Cut examples)

1. Let  $q \in \mathbb{F}$  and define  $C_q = \{p \in \mathbb{F} \mid p < q\}$ . Then  $C_q$  is a cut.

*Proof.* (a)  $q - 1 < q \implies q - 1 \in C_q$ .  $q \not< q \implies q \notin C_q \implies C_q \neq \mathbb{F}$ .

(b) Let  $p \in C_q$ . Suppose  $s \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $s < p$ . Then  $s < q \implies s \in C_q$ .

(c) Let  $p \in C_q$ . Then  $p < \frac{p+q}{2} < q \implies \frac{p+q}{2} \in C_q$ . ☺

2. Suppose  $\mathbb{F}$  is such that  $\nexists x \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $x^2 = 2$ . Let  $C = \{p \in \mathbb{F} \mid p \leq 0 \text{ or } 0 < p^2 < 2\}$ . Then  $C$  is a cut.

*Proof.* (a)  $1 \in C$  and  $1^2 = 1 < 2$ .  $2 \notin C$  and  $2^2 = 4 > 2$ .

(b) Let  $p \in C$  and  $q \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $q < p$ . If  $q \leq 0$ , then  $q \in C$  trivially. Suppose  $0 < q < p$ . Then  $0 < q^2 < p^2 < 2$ , so  $q \in C$ .

(c) Let  $p \in C$ . If  $p \leq 0$ , then  $1 \in C$  and  $p < 1$ , so we're done. Suppose  $0 < p^2 < 2$ . Note,  $0 < 2 - p^2$ , so  $\frac{2p+1}{2-p^2} > 0$ . Then we can define  $r = 1 + \frac{2p+1}{2-p^2} \geq \max(1, \frac{2p+1}{2-p^2})$ . Then  $(p + 1/r)^2 = p^2 + \frac{2p}{r} + \frac{1}{r^2}$ . We have:

$$\begin{aligned} p^2 + \frac{2p}{r} + \frac{1}{r^2} &< p^2 + \frac{2p}{r} + \frac{1}{r} \\ &= p^2 + \frac{2p+1}{r} \\ &\leq p^2 + 2 - p^2 \\ &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $p < p + 1/r < 2$  and  $p + 1/r \in C$ . ☺

### 1.3.1 Ordering $\mathbb{F}^*$

#### Lemma 1.3.1

The following hold:

1. If  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ , then exactly one holds:
  - $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}$
  - $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B}$
  - $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{A}$
2. If  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{F}^*$  and  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{C}$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{C}$ .

*Proof.* Proof of 2 is trivial, as well as the equality part for 1.

- If  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B}$ , we're done.
- Suppose  $\exists b \in \mathcal{B} \setminus \mathcal{A}$ . If  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ , then  $a < b$ , but  $\mathcal{B}$  is a cut so  $a \in \mathcal{B}$ , so  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}$ .
- Suppose  $\exists a \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{B}$ . Then  $a < b$  for all  $b \in \mathcal{B}$ , so  $a \in \mathcal{B}$ , so  $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{A}$ .

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#### Definition 1.3.2: Order on cuts

Given  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ , we say that  $\mathcal{A} < \mathcal{B}$  if  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}$ . The lemma above shows that this is in fact an order.

#### Lemma 1.3.2

Let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{F}^*$  be nonempty and bounded above. Then  $\mathcal{B} = \bigcup_{\mathcal{A} \in E} \mathcal{A}$  is a cut.

*Proof.* 1. Since  $E \neq \emptyset$ , there exists  $\mathcal{A} \in E$ . So  $\mathcal{A} \neq \emptyset$ , hence  $\mathcal{B} \neq \emptyset$ .

Since  $E$  is bounded above, there exists  $\mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{F}^*$  such that  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{C}$  for all  $\mathcal{A} \in E$ . Since  $\mathcal{C}$  is a cut, there is  $q \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $q \notin \mathcal{C}$ . Then  $q \notin \mathcal{A}$  for all  $\mathcal{A} \in E$ , so  $q \notin \mathcal{B}$ .

2. Let  $p \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $q \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $q < p$ . Since  $\mathcal{B}$  is a union of cuts, it follows that  $p \in \mathcal{A}$  for some  $\mathcal{A} \in E$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}$  is a cut,  $q \in \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{B}$ .

3. Let  $p \in \mathcal{B}$ . Then  $p \in \mathcal{A}$  for some  $\mathcal{A} \in E$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}$  is a cut, there exists  $r \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $p < r$ . Since  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}$ , we have  $r \in \mathcal{B}$ .

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#### Theorem 1.3.1

$\mathbb{F}^*$  equipped with the order  $<$  satisfies the supremum property.

*Proof.* Let  $E \subseteq \mathbb{F}$  be a nonempty set that is bounded above. From last time, we know that  $\mathcal{B} = \bigcup_{\mathcal{A} \in E} \mathcal{A}$  is a cut. We claim that  $\mathcal{B} = \sup E$ .

If  $\mathcal{A} \in E$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{B}$ . And so  $\mathcal{A} \leq \mathcal{B}$ , so  $\mathcal{B}$  is an upper bound for  $E$ .

Next, suppose that  $\mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{F}^*$  is an upper bound of  $E$ . This means that  $\mathcal{A} \leq \mathcal{C}$  for every  $\mathcal{A} \in E$ , meaning  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{C} \forall \mathcal{A} \in E$ . So  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ . As such,  $\mathcal{B} \leq \mathcal{C}$ , so  $\mathcal{B} = \sup E$ .

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Remark: In none of the results leading up to this theorem did we use that  $\mathbb{F}$  is anything other than an ordered set. This shows that the cut construction of Dedekind works in general for ordered sets and yields  $\mathbb{F}^*$  that satisfies the supremum property. Also,  $\{C_p \mid p \in \mathbb{F}\} \subseteq \mathbb{F}^*$ .

### 1.3.2 Addition

Idea:  $\mathbb{F} \cong \{C_p \mid p \in \mathbb{F}\}$ .

#### Lemma 1.3.3

Let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ . Then  $C = \{a + b \mid a \in \mathcal{A}, b \in \mathcal{B}\}$  is a cut.

*Proof.* Claim:  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \neq \emptyset \implies C \neq \emptyset$ .

$\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  are cuts, so  $\exists M_1, M_2 \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $a < M_1$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $b < M_2$  for all  $b \in \mathcal{B}$ . Then  $a + b < M_1 + M_2$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}, b \in \mathcal{B}$ , so  $a + b < M_1 + M_2$ , meaning  $M_1 + M_2 \notin C$ .

Also, let  $c = a + b \in C$  for  $a \in \mathcal{A}, b \in \mathcal{B}$ . Let  $q < c \implies q - a < b \implies q - a \in \mathcal{B}$ . Hence,  $q = a + (q - a) \in C$ .

Thirdly, let  $c = a + b \in C$  for  $a \in \mathcal{A}, b \in \mathcal{B}$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ ,  $\exists r_a, r_b$  such that  $a < r_a \in \mathcal{A}, b < r_b \in \mathcal{B}$ . Then  $c = a + b < r_a + r_b$ , so  $r_a + r_b \in C$ .

As such,  $C$  is a cut.  $\odot$

Before we define addition, we need to define the negative of a cut.

Heuristic: What we want is that  $-C_1 = C_{-1}$ . The way we do this is by defining  $C_{-p} = \{q \in \mathbb{F} \mid \exists p > q : p \in -C_p^C\}$ . This is the same as  $\{q \in \mathbb{F} \mid \exists p > q : -p \notin C_p\}$ .

Now we study  $\{q \in \mathbb{F} \mid \exists p > q : -p \notin C\}$ .

#### Lemma 1.3.4

Let  $C \in \mathbb{F}^*$ . Then  $\{q \in \mathbb{F} \mid \exists p > q : -p \notin C\}$  is a cut.

#### Definition 1.3.3: Addition

For  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ , we define  $\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B} = \{a + b \mid a \in \mathcal{A}, b \in \mathcal{B}\}$  and  $-\mathcal{A} = \{q \in \mathbb{F} \mid \exists p > q : -p \notin \mathcal{A}\}$ .

#### Theorem 1.3.2

Define  $0 = C_0 \in \mathbb{F}^*$ . The following hold:

1.  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^* \implies \mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ .
2.  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^* \implies \mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B} + \mathcal{A}$ .
3.  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{F}^* \implies (\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B}) + \mathcal{C} = \mathcal{A} + (\mathcal{B} + \mathcal{C})$ .
4.  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{F}^* \implies \mathcal{A} + 0 = \mathcal{A}$ .
5.  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{F}^* \implies \mathcal{A} + (-\mathcal{A}) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Easy proof, too lazy to write out.  $\odot$

Also:  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{F}^*$  and  $\mathcal{A} < \mathcal{B} \implies \mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C} < \mathcal{B} + \mathcal{C}$ .

Important Remark: The Archimedean property is actually needed for the above theorem in order to prove the 5th condition.

### 1.3.3 Multiplication

#### Lemma 1.3.5

Let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$  such that  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} > 0$ . Then  $C = \{p \in \mathbb{F} \mid p \leq 0\} \cup \{ab \mid a \in \mathcal{A}, b \in \mathcal{B}, a, b > 0\}$  is a cut.

#### Lemma 1.3.6

Let  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{F}^*$  be such that  $\mathcal{A} > 0$ . Then  $C = \{p \in \mathbb{F}^* \mid p \leq 0\} \cup \{0 < q \in \mathbb{F} \mid \exists p > q : p^{-1} \notin \mathcal{A}\}$  is a cut.

#### Definition 1.3.4: Multiplication

Let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ . We define multiplication as:

1. If  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} > 0$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{B} = \{ab \mid 0 < a \in \mathcal{A}, 0 < b \in \mathcal{B}\}$ .
2. If  $\mathcal{A} = 0$  or  $\mathcal{B} = 0$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{B} = 0$ .
3. If  $\mathcal{A} > 0$  and  $\mathcal{B} < 0$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{B} = -(\mathcal{A} \cdot (-\mathcal{B}))$ .
4. If  $\mathcal{A} < 0$  and  $\mathcal{B} > 0$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{B} = -((- \mathcal{A}) \cdot \mathcal{B})$ .
5. If  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} < 0$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{B} = (-\mathcal{A}) \cdot (-\mathcal{B})$ .

We define multiplication inversion via:

1. If  $\mathcal{A} > 0$ , then  $\mathcal{A}^{-1} = \{q \in \mathbb{F} \mid \exists p > q : p^{-1} \notin \mathcal{A}\}$ .
2. If  $\mathcal{A} < 0$ , then  $\mathcal{A}^{-1} = -(-\mathcal{A})^{-1}$ .

#### Theorem 1.3.3

Set  $1 = C_1$ . The following hold:

1. If  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ .
2. If  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B} \cdot \mathcal{A}$ .
3. If  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ , then  $(\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{B}) \cdot \mathcal{C} = \mathcal{A} \cdot (\mathcal{B} \cdot \mathcal{C})$ .
4. If  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot 1 = \mathcal{A}$ .
5. If  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{A}^{-1} = 1$ .

Also if  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{F}^*$  and  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} > 0$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{B} > 0$ .

#### Theorem 1.3.4

If  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{F}^*$ , then  $\mathcal{A} \cdot (\mathcal{B} + \mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{B} + \mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{C}$ .

We now know that  $\mathbb{F}^*$  is an ordered field.

### 1.3.4 Robert Rec

#### Theorem 1.3.5

$\mathbb{Q}$  is the smallest ordered field.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be any ordered field. Let  $1 \in \mathbb{F}$ . Let  $\iota : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ ,  $n \mapsto 1 + \dots + 1$   $n$  times. Then  $\iota(-n) = -\iota(n)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $-n \in \mathbb{Z}^-$ .

Then we say  $\iota(p/q) = \iota(p)\iota(q)^{-1}$  for  $p/q \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

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**Corollary 1.3.1** Every ordered field is infinite

$\iota[\mathbb{Q}] \subseteq \mathbb{F}$  is infinite.

**Roots**

Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a Dedekind complete ordered field,  $0 < x \in \mathbb{F}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\exists! y \in \mathbb{F}$  such that  $y > 0$  and  $y^n = x$ .

*Proof.*  $n = 1$  is silly. Assume  $n \geq 2$ . Let  $E = \{z \in \mathbb{F} \mid z > 0 \text{ and } z^n < x\}$ . Then  $E$  is nonempty and bounded above by  $x$ . Let  $y = \sup E$ . We claim that  $y^n = x$ .

We want to show that  $y^n \not> x$  and  $y^n \not< x$ .

**Lemma 1.3.7**

In any commutative ring  $R$ ,  $b^n - a^n = (b - a)(b^{n-1} + b^{n-2}a + \cdots + ba^{n-2} + a^{n-1})$ .

And hence for  $0 < a < b$  in  $\mathbb{F}$ , we have  $0 < b^n - a^n = (b - a)nb^{n-1}$ .

Suppose  $y^n < x$ , so  $x - y^n > 0$ . We define  $h = \frac{1}{2} \min\left(1, \frac{x - y^n}{n(y+1)^{n-1}}\right)$ .  $0 < h < 1$ , also  $0 < h < \frac{x - y^n}{n(y+1)^{n-1}}$ .

Then, by the inequality below the lemma, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &< (y + h)^n - y^n \\ &< hn(y + h)^{n-1} \\ &< hn(y + 1)^{n-1} \\ &< x - y^n, \end{aligned}$$

so  $(y + h)^n < x$ , which contradicts the definition of  $y$  as the supremum. ⊙

**Definition 1.3.5: Ring\***

A ring is a field where actually we don't care about inverses anymore.

**Definition 1.3.6: Domain**

$R$  is a domain when  $xy = 0 \implies x = 0 \wedge y = 0$ .

Let  $R$  be a ring. For  $(r, s) \in R \times R \setminus \{0\}$ , we say  $(r, s) \sim (r', s')$  if  $rs' = r's$ .

The field of fractions,  $\text{Frac}(R)$  is the set of equivalence classes of  $R \times R \setminus \{0\}$  under  $\sim$  equipped with the operations  $[(r, s)] + [(r', s')] = [(rs' + r's, ss')]$  and  $[(r, s)] \cdot [(r', s')] = [(rr', ss')]$ .

We check that  $[(r, s)] \cdot [(s, r)] = [(rs, sr)] = [(1, 1)]$ .

Let  $\mathbb{F}$  a field,  $\mathbb{F}^x$  its polynomial ring. Let  $\mathbb{F}(x)$  be the field of fractions of  $\mathbb{F}^x$ . Then  $\mathbb{F}(x) := \text{Frac}(\mathbb{F}^x)$  is the field of rational functions in  $x$  with coefficients in  $\mathbb{F}$ .

Given  $p, q \in \mathbb{F}^x$ , say  $p/q > 0$  if  $p$  and  $q$  have the same sign. Say  $f, g \in \mathbb{F}(x)$ , that  $f > g$  when  $f - g > 0$ .

**Theorem 1.3.6**

$\mathbb{F}(x)$  is never Archimedean.

*Proof.*  $x$  is an upper bound for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . ⊙

**Note:**

If  $\mathbb{F}$  is Archimedean,  $|\mathbb{F}| \leq 2^{\aleph_0}$ .

**Theorem 1.3.7**

Let  $\lambda$  be an infinite cardinal. Then there is an ordered field of cardinality  $\lambda$ .

**Corollary 1.3.2**

The Archimedean property is not a first-order property.