
Valued Fields

Exercise Sheet 10

Fields of Generalized Power Series, Convex Valuations and Real Closed Fields

Exercise 10.1. (4 points)

Let k be an Archimedean field and let G be an ordered abelian group. Let $\mathbb{K} = k((G))$. Moreover, let i be an element in the algebraic closure of \mathbb{K} such that $i^2 = -1$. Show that

$$\mathbb{K}(i) \cong k(i)((G)).$$

Exercise 10.2. (4 points)

(a) Show that $|\mathbb{Q}^{\text{rc}}(\mathbb{Q})| = 2^{\aleph_0}$.

(Hint: Use without proof that $\aleph_0^{\aleph_0} = 2^{\aleph_0}$.)

(b) Find a countable non-Archimedean real closed subfield of $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{rc}}(\mathbb{Q})$.

Exercise 10.3. (4 points)

Let (K, \leq) be a non-Archimedean ordered field and let w be a valuation on K . Consider the following conditions from Script 17, Proposition 2.3:

(1) w is compatible with the order of K .

(5) $1 + I_w \subseteq K^{>0}$.

(6) The residue map

$$K_w \rightarrow Kw, a \mapsto a + I_w$$

induces an ordering on Kw given by

$$a + I_w \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow a \geq 0.$$

(7) The group

$$\mathcal{U}_w^{>0} := \{a \in K \mid w(a) = 0 \wedge a > 0\}$$

of positive units is a convex subgroup of $(K^{>0}, \cdot, 1, <)$.

Show that (5) \Rightarrow (6) \Rightarrow (7) \Rightarrow (1).

Exercise 10.4.

(4 points)

Let (K, \leq) be an ordered field such that for any $f(x) \in K[x]$ the *intermediate value property* holds, i.e. for any $a, b \in K$ with $a < b$ we have

$$f(a) < 0 < f(b) \implies \exists c \in]a, b[: f(c) = 0.$$

Show that K is real closed.

Submission:

Please hand in your solutions by **Tuesday, 30 June 2026, 10:00h** (postbox 17).