

# First-order Compactness exercises

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**Problem 1.** *Show that every Archimedean ordered field is elementarily equivalent to some countable, non-Archimedean ordered field.*

**Problem 2.** *Show that every non-Archimedean ordered field contains **infinitesimal** elements, that is, positive elements  $a$  that are less than every positive rational number.*

**Problem 3.** *Find an example of a non-Archimedean ordered field.*

**Problem 4.** *The **order** of an element  $g$  of a group is the size of the subgroup  $\{g^n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  that  $g$  generates. In a **periodic** group, all elements have finite order. Suppose  $G$  is a periodic group in which there is no finite upper bound on the orders of elements. Show that  $G \cong H$  for some non-periodic group  $H$ .*

**Problem 5.** *Suppose  $(X, <)$  is an infinite total order in which  $X$  is well-ordered by  $<$ . Show that there is a total order  $(X^*, <^*)$  such that*

$$(X, <) \cong (X^*, <^*),$$

*but  $X^*$  is not well-ordered by  $<^*$ .*