

Group and Ring

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Group

Definition: A group is a set G together with a binary operation $*$, denoted by $(G, *)$

$$(a, b) \mapsto a * b: G \times G \rightarrow G$$

satisfying the following conditions:

G1: (**closure**) if $\forall a, b \in G$; $a * b \in G$

G2: (**associativity**) for all $a, b, c \in G$,

$$a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c$$

G3: **(existence of identity element)** $e \in G$ such

that $\forall a \in G; \quad e * a = a * e = a$

e is an *identity element* for (with respect to $*$)

G4: **(existence of inverses)** for each $\forall a \in G, \exists a^{-1} \in G$

such that $a * a^{-1} = a^{-1} * a = e.$

then a^{-1} is *an inverse element* of $a.$

then $(G, *)$ is a group.

Note: If the $*$ satisfy the *commutative* property ;
if $\forall a; b \in G$;

$$a * b = b * a$$

then $(G, *)$ is commutative (abelian) group.

Proposition: Let $(G, *)$ be any group, then:

1- The identity element is unique.

2- Any element a have one inverse element a^{-1}

Example :

Show that the set of all integers $\dots, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$ is an infinite Abelian group with respect to the operation of addition of integers $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$

Solution:

Let us test all the group axioms for Abelian group.

(G1) Closure Axiom. We know that the sum of any two integers is also an integer, i.e., for all $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a + b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Thus \mathbb{Z} is closed with respect to addition.

(G2) Associative Axiom . Since the addition of integers is associative, the associative axiom is satisfied, i.e.,

for $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$

Such that $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$

(G3) Existence of Identity. We know that 0 is the additive identity and $0 \in \mathbb{Z}$, i.e., $0 + a = a = 0 + a \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{Z}$

Hence, additive identity exists.

(G4) Existence of Inverse. If $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $-a \in \mathbb{Z}$. Also,

$$(-a) + a = 0 = a + (-a)$$

Since addition of integers is a commutative operation, therefore $a + b = b + a \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

Hence $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is an Abelian group. Also, \mathbb{Z} contains an infinite number of elements. Therefore $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is an *Abelian group* of infinite order.

Example: $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$, $(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$, $(\mathbb{R}, +)$, $(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$, $(\mathbb{C}, +)$ and $(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$ are groups.

Example: $(\mathbb{N}, +)$, (\mathbb{N}, \cdot) and (\mathbb{Z}, \cdot) are not groups.

Semigroup: is an algebraic structure consisting of a set together with an **associative binary** operation.

or

A semigroup is a pair $(S, *)$ where S is a non-empty set and $*$ is an **associative** binary operation on S .

Example:

$(\mathbb{N}, +)$ is semi group

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If $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ then $a*(b*c) \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$a*(b*c) = a+(b+c) = (a+b)+c = (a*b)*$$

c

$$2+(6+1) = 9 = (2+6)+1 = 9$$

So it is associative

Subgroups

Definition: A subgroup **H** of a group **G** is a non-empty subset of **G** that forms a group under the binary operation of **G**.

or

Definition: Let S be a nonempty subset of a group G . If

$$S_1: a, b \in S \longrightarrow a*b \in S, \text{ and}$$

$$S_2: a \in S \longrightarrow a^{-1} \in S$$

then the $(S, *)$ is a subgroup of a group $(G, *)$.

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Z is a subset of Q

$(Z,+)$ is a subgroup of $(Q,+)$

$(Q,+)$ IS A GROUP

1) If $a,b \in Z$ then $a+b \in Z$

$-7,3 \in Z$

$-7+3 = -4 \in Z$

1) If $a \in Z$ then $a^{-1} \in Z$

$2 \in Z$ then $-2 \in Z$

-2 is inverse of 2

$2+(-2)=0$ 0 is identity of $+$ in Z

Ring

A ring is defined as a non-empty set R with two binary operations $+$, $\cdot : R \times R \rightarrow R$ with the properties:

(i) $(R, +)$ is an abelian group (zero element 0);

(ii) (R, \cdot) is a semigroup;

(iii) for all $a, b, c \in R$ the distributivity laws are valid:

$$(a + b)c = ac + bc, \quad a(b + c) = ab + ac.$$

And it's denoted by $(R, +, \cdot)$

Note:

- 1-The ring R is called commutative if (R, \cdot) is a commutative semigroup, i.e. if $ab = ba$ for all $a, b \in R$.
- 2-If there is an identity for multiplication, then R is said to have identity.

Example:

$(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ is a commutative ring with identity 1.

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$(\mathbb{C}, +, \cdot)$ is a commutative ring.

EXAMPLE :-

$(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ IS RING

$(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is abelian group

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(\mathbb{Z}, \cdot) is semi group

If $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ then $a \cdot (b \cdot c) \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$a \cdot (b \cdot c) = a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$$

$$2 \cdot (6 \cdot 1) = 12 = (2 \cdot 6) \cdot 1 = 12$$

1 is identity for multiplication (\cdot)

$$1 \cdot a = a$$

$$5 \cdot 1 = 5$$

