-- Question Starting--

Match the following groups with their corresponding properties related to algebraic structures:

- 1. Groups 2. Rings 3. Fields
- A. Every non-zero element has a multiplicative inverse
- B. The set is closed under two operations, addition and multiplication, satisfying distributivity
- C. The additive structure is an abelian group
- D. The multiplicative structure (excluding zero) is an abelian group

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) 1-C, 2-B, 3-A
- (2) 1-D, 2-C, 3-B
- (3) 1-A, 2-D, 3-C
- (4) 1-B, 2-A, 3-D

Answer Key: 3

Solution:

- ? Groups: A set with a single operation, where each element has an inverse, and the operation is associative. For an abelian group, the operation is commutative.
- ? Rings: An algebraic structure with two operations; addition forms an abelian group, multiplication is associative, and distributivity holds.
- ? Fields: A ring where every non-zero element has a multiplicative inverse, and multiplication is commutative, making the non-zero elements form an abelian group under multiplication.

Matching these, the properties correspond as follows:

- ? Group: The inverse property (A) and abelian nature (D) for the additive group.
- ? Ring: Closure with addition and multiplication, with distributivity (B).
- ? Field: The multiplicative inverse for non-zero elements, (A), and multiplicative commutativity (D).

Hence, Option (3) is the right answer.

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- 3. Match the following graph types with their defining characteristics:
- 1. Tree 2. Bipartite Graph 3. Eulerian Path
- A. Contains a path traversing each edge exactly once, with all vertices of even degree
- B. Vertices can be split into two disjoint sets such that every edge connects a vertex from each set
- C. A connected acyclic graph with n vertices and n-1 edges

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- (1) 1-C, 2-B, 3-A
- (2) 1-B, 2-C, 3-A
- (3) 1-C, 2-A, 3-B
- (4) 1-A, 2-B, 3-C

Answer Key: 3

Solution:

- ? Tree: An acyclic connected graph with n vertices and n?1 edges, which is minimal and contains no cycles.
- ? Bipartite Graph: Vertices can be partitioned into two disjoint sets such that edges are only between these sets.
- ? Eulerian Path: A path that uses each edge exactly once; such a path exists if and only if the graph is connected and has exactly 0 or 2 vertices of odd degree.

In particular, an Eulerian circuit (a special case) occurs when all vertices are of even degree, which is a subset of Eulerian paths.

Matching these, the characteristics are:

- ? Tree: (C)
- ? Bipartite Graph: (B)
- ? Eulerian Path: (A)

Hence, Option (3) is the right answer.