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multiplication ring

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Let R be a commutative ring with non-zero unity. If \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} are two <http://planetmath.org/FractionalIdealOfCommutativeRing> *fractional ideals* of R with $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathfrak{b}$ and if \mathfrak{b} is <http://planetmath.org/FractionalIdealOfCommutativeRing> *invertible* then there is a \mathfrak{c} of R such that $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{c}$ (one can choose $\mathfrak{c} = \mathfrak{b}^{-1}\mathfrak{a}$).

Definition. Let R be a commutative ring with non-zero unity and let \mathfrak{a} and \mathfrak{b} be ideals of R . The ring R is a *multiplication ring* if $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq \mathfrak{b}$ always implies that there exists a \mathfrak{c} of R such that $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{b}\mathfrak{c}$.

Theorem. Every Dedekind domain is a multiplication ring. If a multiplication ring has no zero divisors, it is a Dedekind domain.

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