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Let S be a groupoid (semigroup, group) and suppose  $R = \bigoplus_{s \in S} R_s$  is an S- graded ring.

We define the *support* of r to be the set supp  $(r) = \{s \in S \mid r_s \neq 0\}$ . We can extend this definition to supp  $(R) = \bigcup \text{supp } R_s \neq 0\}$ . If supp (R) is a finite set then we say that the ring R has *finite support*.