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## anti-isomorphism

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Let R and S be rings and  $f: R \longrightarrow S$  be a function such that  $f(r_1r_2) = f(r_2)f(r_1)$  for all  $r_1, r_2 \in R$ .

If f is a homomorphism of the additive groups of R and S, then f is called an anti-homomorphism.

If f is a bijection and anti-homomorphism, then f is called an anti-isomorphism.

If f is an anti-homomorphism and R = S then f is called an *anti-endomorphism*.

If f is an anti-isomorphism and R = S then f is called an anti-automorphism.

As an example, when  $m \neq n$ , the mapping that sends a matrix to its transpose (or to its conjugate transpose if the matrix is complex) is an anti-isomorphism of  $M_{m,n} \to M_{n,m}$ .

R and S are *anti-isomorphic* if there is an anti-isomorphism  $R \to S$ . All of the things defined in this entry are also defined for groups.