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# 1 Section 1

## 1.1 Basics

## 1.2 Binary operations

### Definition 1.1: Algebraic structures

A semigroup.

A monoid.

A group.

An abelian group.

### 1.3 Elementary number theory

### 1.4 Subgroups

### 1.5 Cyclic groups

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