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# Exercise 2

Which of the following binary operations are associative?

- a. subtraction of integers
- b. division of nonzero rationals
- c. function composition of polynomials with real coefficients
- d. multiplication of 2 x 2 matrices with integer entries
- e. exponentiation of integers

# Exercise 4

Which of the following sets are closed under the given operation?

- a. 0, 4, 8, 12 addition mod 16
- b. 0, 4, 8, 12 addition mod 15
- c. 1, 4, 7, 13 multiplication mod 15
- d. 1, 4, 5, 7 multiplication mod 9

## Exercise 23

(Law of Exponents for Abelian Groups)

Let a and b be elements of an Abelian group and let n be any integer. Show that  $(ab)^n = a^n b^n$ . Is this also true for non-Abelian groups?

### Exercise 25

Prove that a group G is Abelian iff  $(ab)^{-1} = a^{-1}b^{-1}, \forall a, b \in G$ .

## Exercise 33

Suppose the table below is a group table. Fill in the blank entries.

	е	a	b	$^{\mathrm{c}}$	d			е	a	b	c	d
e	е	-	-	-	-	$\longrightarrow$	e	e	-	-	-	-
a	-	b	-	-	e		a	-	b	-	-	e
		$\mathbf{c}$					b	-	$\mathbf{c}$	d	e	-
$\mathbf{c}$	-	d	-	a	b				d			
d	-	-	-	-	-		d	-	-	-	-	-