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Problem-1

Statement: If the set of odd numbers with binary operation $\langle + \rangle$ is an abelian group or not explain the reason with necessary notations.

Answer: No, the set of odd integers under addition, denoted as $(O, +)$, is not a group (and hence not abelian). This is because it is not closed under the operation $+$ and it does not contain an additive identity element.

- set and operation: Let $O = \{2k+1 \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ be the set of all odd integers, and consider the binary operation $+$ (addition) restricted to O .
- A group $\langle G, * \rangle$ must satisfy the closure, associativity, identity and inverse axioms. It is an abelian group if operation is also commutative.

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failure of closure: Take any two arbitrary element $a, b \in O$. Let $a = 2m + 1$ and $b = 2n + 1$ for some integers m and n .

Their sum is:

$$a + b = (2m + 1) + (2n + 1) = 2m + 2n + 2$$

$$= 2(m + n + 1).$$

This is an even number

And therefore this is not in the set O . Since the set is not closed under addition, it fails a required group axiom.

The failure alone is sufficient to show that $\langle O, + \rangle$ is not a group.

Other axioms: Addition on integers is

associative and commutative. However

these property does not salvage the group structure since the axiom for closure and identity already fails.

Conclusion: $\langle O, + \rangle$ cannot be a group. Hence it cannot be an abelian group.