

④ Identity :

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Consider a nonempty set A and a binary operation \* on A. Then the operation \* has an identity property if there exists an element e in A such that

$$a * e \text{ (right identity)} = e * a \text{ (left identity)} \\ = a \quad \forall a \in A.$$

Q: Consider the binary operation \* on I, the set of tve integers defined by  $a * b = \frac{ab}{2}$ . Determine the identity for the binary operation \* if exists.

Ans: →

Let e be a tve integer num,

$$e * a = a \quad \frac{ea}{2} = a \Rightarrow \frac{ed}{2} = a \quad \text{ed} = 2a \quad \text{or } e = 2$$

Similarly,  $a * e = a$

$$\frac{ae}{2} = a \quad \text{or } e = 2$$

from (1) and (2) for  $e = 2$ , we have

$$e * a = a * e = a$$

∴ 2 is the identity element for \*.

⑤ Idempotent :

Consider a non-empty set A and a binary operation \* on A. Then the operation \* has the inverse property i.e.  $a * a = a \quad \forall a \in A$ .

## ⑦ Distributivity :

Consider a non-empty set  $A$  and 2 binary operations  $*$  and  $+$  on  $A$ .

$$a * (b+c) = (a * b) + (a * c)$$

$$\text{and } (b+c) * a = (b * a) + (c * a)$$

## ⑧ Cancellation :

Consider a non-empty set  $A$  and a binary operation  $*$  on  $A$ . Then, operation  $*$  has the cancellation property, if we have

$$a * b = a * c \Rightarrow b = c$$

$$\text{and } b * a = c * a \Rightarrow b = c$$

## Semi-Group :

Let us consider an Algebraic System  $(A, *)$ ,

where  $*$  is a binary operation on  $A$ .

Then the system  $(A, *)$  is said to be a semi-group, if it satisfies the following properties.

① The operation  $*$  is a closed operation on set  $A$ .

② The operation  $*$  is an associative operation.

Ques. Consider an algebraic system  $(A, *)$  (2)  
 where  $A = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, \dots\}$  the set of all +ve odd integers and  $*$  is a binary operation means multiplication. Determine whether  $(A, *)$  is a semi-group.

Ans. Closure: The operation  $*$  is a closed operation because multiplication of two +ve odd integers is a +ve odd number.

Associative: The operation is an associative operation on set A. we have

$$(a * b) * c = a * (b * c) \rightarrow \text{eg.}$$

Hence, algebraic system  $(A, *)$  is a semigroup

Q-2. Let  $S$  be a semi-group with an identity element  $e$  and if  $b$  and  $b'$  are inverses of an element  $a \in S$ , then prove that  $b = b'$  i.e. inverse are unique, if they exist.

Ans. Given  $b$  is an inverse of  $a$ , so, we have

$$a * b = e = b * a$$

Also,  $b'$  is an inverse of  $a$ , so, we have

$$a * b' = e = b' * a$$

Consider  $b * (a * b') = b * e = b \quad \text{---(1)}$   
 $(b * a) * b' = e * b' = b' \quad \text{---(2)}$

Now, associativity holds in S.  
∴  $b = b'$

Q: Let N be a set of +ve integers and let \* be the binary operation of (L.C.M) on N. find

(a)  $4 * 6, 3 * 5, 9 * 18, 1 * 6$

(b) Is  $(N, *)$  a semi-group

(c) Is N commutative

(d) Find the identity element of N.

(e) Which elements of N have inverses?

Ans: Let  $x, y \in N$  and  $x * y = \text{L.C.M of } x$  and  $y$ .

$$4 * 6 = \text{L.C.M of } 4 \text{ and } 6 = 12$$

$$3 * 5 = \text{L.C.M of } 3 \text{ and } 5 = 15$$

$$9 * 18 = \text{L.C.M of } 9 \text{ and } 18 = 18$$

$$1 * 6 = \text{L.C.M of } 1 \text{ and } 6 = 6$$

(b) We know that operation of L.C.M is associative i.e.

$$a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c \quad \forall a, b, c \in N.$$

∴ N is a semi-group under \*.

(c) Also for  $a, b \in N$

$$a * b = \text{L.C.M of } a \text{ and } b = \text{L.C.M of } b \text{ and } a = b * a$$

∴ N is commutative also.

(d) for  $a \in N$ , Consider  $a * 1 = \text{L.C.M of } a \text{ and } 1 = a$  (3)

Also,  $1 * a = \text{L.C.M of } 1 \text{ and } a = a$

$$\therefore a * 1 = a = 1 * a$$

i.e.  $1$  is the identity element of  $N$ .

(e) Consider  $a * b = 1$  i.e. L.C.M of  $a$  and  $b$  is  $1$ , which is possible if  $a=1$  and  $b=1$  i.e. the only element which has an inverse is  $1$  and it is its own inverse.

(d) Let  $e$  is the identity element of  $\mathcal{Q}$   $\therefore$  for  $a \in \mathcal{Q}$ , we have

$$a * e = a$$

$$a + e - ae = a$$

$$e - ea = 0$$

$$e(1-a) = 0$$

$$e = 0 \text{ if } a \neq 1$$

$\therefore$  Identity of  $\mathcal{Q}$  is  $0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Consider the set  $\mathbb{Q}$  of rational no's  
and let \* be the operation on  $\mathbb{Q}$   
defined by  $a * b = a + b - ab$

(a) find  $3 * 4, 2 * (-5), 7 * \frac{1}{2}$

(b) Is  $(\mathbb{Q}, *)$  a semi group?

(c) Is  $\mathbb{Q}$  commutative?

(d) Find the identity element of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Ans: (a)  $a * b = a + b - ab$

$$3 * 4 = 3 + 4 - 12 = -5, 2 * (-5) = 2 + (-5) - (-10)$$

$$7 * \frac{1}{2} = 7 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{7}{2} = 4$$

(b)  $\mathbb{Q}$  will be a semi group if it holds associativity  
under \* for  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Q}$

Consider  $a * (b * c) = a * (b + c - bc)$   
 $= a + (b + c - bc) - a(b + c - bc)$   
 $= a + b + c - bc - ab - ac + abc \quad (1)$

Also,  $(a * b) * c = (a + b - ab) * c$   
 $= a + b - ab + c - (a + b - ab)c$   
 $= a + b + c - ab - ac - bc + abc$   
 $= a + b + c - bc - ab - ac + abc \quad (2)$

from (1) and (2)

$$a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c$$

(c)  $a * b = a + b - ab = b + a - ba = b * a$

$\therefore \mathbb{Q}$  is commutative

Monoid :

(1)

Let us consider an algebraic system  $(A, o)$  where  $o$  is the binary operation on  $A$ .

Then the system  $(A, o)$  is said to be a monoid if it satisfies the following properties.

① The operation  $o$  is a closed operation on set  $A$ .

② The operation  $o$  is an associative opexn.

③ There exists an identity element w.r.t the operation  $o$ .

examples :  $(N, \times \cancel{+})$ ,  $(Z, +)$ ,  $(Q, +)$  are monoids.

Q: Consider an algebraic system  $(I, +)$  where the set  $I = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$  the set of natural nos. including 0 and  $+$  is an addition operation. Determine whether  $(I, +)$  is a monoid.

Ans: ~~Closure property~~  $\rightarrow$  The operation  $+$  is closed since sum of 2 natural no. is a natural no.

$$\text{Associative} \rightarrow (a+b)+c = a+(b+c)$$

Identity  $\rightarrow$  The element 0 is an identity element w.r.t operation  $+$ .

Hence,  $(I, +)$  is a monoid.

Q-2. Let  $S$  be a finite set and  $F(S)$  be the collection of all functions  $f: S \rightarrow S$  under the operation of composition of functions. Show that  $(F(S), \circ)$  is a semi-group. Is  $F(S)$  a monoid?

Ans: Let  $f, g, h \in F(S)$ , then we know that composition of functions is associative i.e.

$$f \circ (g \circ h) = (f \circ g) \circ h \quad \forall f, g, h \in F(S).$$

Hence  $F(S)$  is a semi group. Also the identity fn is an identity element of  $F(S)$ .

$\therefore F(S)$  is a monoid.

### Group

$\therefore$  Let us consider an algebraic system  $(G, *)$  where  $*$  is the binary operation on  $G$ . Then the system  $(G, *)$  is said to be a group if it satisfies the following properties;

- ① The operation  $*$  is a closed operxn.
- ② The operation  $*$  is an associative operxn.
- ③ There exists an identity element w.r.t the operation.

(u) for every  $a \in G$ , there exists  
an element  $a^{-1} \in G$  such that  $a' * a$   
 $= a * a^{-1} = e$

ex: (1) The sets  $(Q, +)$   $(R, +)$  and  
 $(C, +)$  are groups under addition.

(2) The sets  $R^*$  (set of non-zero reals)  
 $Q^*$  (set of non-zero rationals) and  $C^*$  (set  
of non zero complex numbers) are groups  
under multiplication.

Q- Consider an algebraic system  $(Q, *)$   
where  $Q$  is the set of rational numbers  
and  $*$  is a binary operation defined  
by  

$$a * b = a + b - ab \quad \forall a, b \in Q$$

Determine whether  $(Q, *)$  is a group.

Ans: Closure: Since the elements  $a * b \in Q$   
for every  $a, b \in Q$  hence the set  
 $Q$  is close under the operation  
 $*$ .

② Associative  $\rightarrow$  let us assume  $a, b, c \in Q$ ,  
then we have

$$\begin{aligned}(a * b) * c &= (a + b - ab) * c \\&= (a + b - ab) + c - (a + b - ab)c \\&= a + b - ab + c - ac - bc + abc \\&= a + b + c - ab - ac - bc + abc\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $a * (b * c) = a + b + c - ab - ac - bc$   
 $+ abc$

$$\therefore (a * b) * c = a * (b * c)$$

$\therefore *$  is associative.

③ Identity  $\rightarrow$  Let  $e$  is an identity element.

Then we have  $a * e = a \forall a \in Q$

$$\therefore a + e - ae = a \quad \text{or}$$

$$e - ae = 0$$

$$\text{or } e(1-a) = 0 \quad \text{or } e = 0, \text{ if } 1-a \neq 0$$

Similarly, for  $e * a = a \forall a \in Q$   
we have  $e = 0$

$\therefore$  for  $e = 0$ , we have  $a * e =$   
 $e * a = a$

Thus, 0 is the identity element.

Inverse :- Let us assume an element  $a \in S$ .  
Let  $a^{-1}$  is an inverse of  $a$ . Then we have

$$a * a^{-1} = 0$$

$$a + a^{-1} - aa^{-1} = 0$$

$$a^{-1} (1-a) = -a$$

$$\text{or } a^{-1} = \frac{a}{a-1}, a \neq 1$$

Now  $\frac{a}{a-1} \in S$  if  $a \neq 1$

$\therefore$  every element has inverse such  
that  $a \neq 1$ .

Since the algebraic system  $(S, *)$   
satisfy all the properties of a group.  
Hence  $(S, *)$  is a group.