

Ring and field Tutorial

Ring : * Properties to prove for a ring OR condition to be satisfied for a ring $(A, +, \cdot)$

* I $(A, +)$ is a commutative group / Abelian group \rightarrow
 ie, (i) prove closure operation (ii) prove associative operation
 (iii) prove identity (left & right) operation (iv) Inverse operation
 (v) commutative operation. After proving all 5 condition
 we can say $(A, +)$ is a commutative / abelian group

* II (A, \cdot) is a semigroup :- ie (i) (\cdot) is a closed operation for multiplication (ii) (\cdot) is an associative operation for multiplication, ie, $(a \times b) \times c = a \times (b \times c)$

* III (A, \cdot) is distributive, ie, (\cdot) is distributed over $(+)$ ie $a \times (b + c) = (a \times b) + (a \times c)$

Integral Domain :- 3 necessary conditions for ring as an integral domain.

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| (i) It is a commutative ring
(ii) It has a (1) multiplicative identity element
(iii) It has no zero divisors | } | Definition given in notes |
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Field :- 3 necessary conditions for this kind of rings

- (i) It is commutative ~~ring~~ group / Abelian group.
- (ii) It has a unity (1) element (multiplicative identity element)
- (iii) Every non-zero element in the table has a multiplicative inverse

Note :- A field is an integral domain. However, not every integral domain is a field.

$R = \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8\}$. To prove it is ring for module (0).
Show it is integral domain? It is field? or both

$(R, +, \cdot)$ draw the table for $+$ and \times

$+$	0	2	4	6	8
0	0	2	4	6	8
2	2	4	6	8	0
4	4	6	8	0	2
6	6	8	0	2	4
8	8	0	2	4	6

\times	0	2	4	6	8
0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	4	8	2	6
4	0	8	6	4	8
6	0	2	4	6	8
8	0	6	2	8	4

fig (a): Table (1)

fig (b): Table (2)

1) We have to show $(R, +)$ is an abelian group:-

(a) $+$ is a closed operation. Since from fig (a) the elements of the table belong to set $\{0, 2, 4, 6, 8\}$

(b) $+$ is an associative operation, i.e., $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$
let $a = 2, b = 4, c = 6$

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

$$(2 + 4) + 6 = 2 + (4 + 6)$$

$$6 + 6 = 2 + 0$$

$$12 = 2$$

$$\therefore 2 = 2$$

By prove for $a = 4, b = 6, c = 8$

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

(c) Identity element from fig (a) is table 1 is '0'

$$\therefore a +_10 a = a = a +_10 0$$

Left identity

$$① \quad 0 +_10 0 = 0$$

$$② \quad 0 +_10 2 = 2$$

$$③ \quad 0 +_10 4 = 4$$

$$④ \quad 0 +_10 6 = 6$$

$$⑤ \quad 0 +_10 8 = 8$$

Right identity

$$0 +_10 0 = 0$$

$$2 +_10 0 = 2$$

$$4 +_10 0 = 4$$

$$6 +_10 0 = 6$$

$$8 +_10 0 = 8$$

(d) Inverse :- $0 +_10 0 = 0$, $2 +_10 8 = 0$, $4 +_10 6 = 0$,
 $6 +_10 4 = 0$, $8 +_10 2 = 0$
 OR $0^{-1} = 0$, $2^{-1} = 8$, $4^{-1} = 6$, $6^{-1} = 4$, $8^{-1} = 2$.

(e) Commutative property :- $a +_10 b +_10 c = c +_10 b +_10 a$.
 $a = 2, b = 4, c = 6$

$$\therefore 2 +_10 4 +_10 6 = 6 +_10 4 +_10 2$$

$$\therefore 12 = 12$$

$$\boxed{0 = 0}$$

$\therefore (R, +)$ is an abelian / commutative group.

II (R, \times) is a semigroup :-

(a) closure property :- from fig (b) table (2) it is clear that all the elements of the table (2) belong to the set R. So closure operation is proved.

(b) $(*)$ is an associative operation; i.e.,

$$(a \times_{10} b) \times_{10} c = a \times_{10} (b \times_{10} c)$$

Let $a=2, b=4, c=6$

$$\therefore (2 \times_{10} 4) \times_{10} 6 = 2 \times_{10} (4 \times_{10} 6)$$

$$\therefore 8 \times_{10} 6 = 2 \times_{10} 24$$

$$\therefore 48 = 48 \Rightarrow \boxed{8 = 8}$$

$\therefore (R, \times)$ is a semigroup.

III

We have to show operation \times_{10} is distributive over the operation $+_{10}$, i.e.,

$$a \times_{10} (b +_{10} c) = (a \times_{10} b) +_{10} (a \times_{10} c)$$

Let $a=2, b=4, c=6$

$$\therefore 2 \times_{10} (4 +_{10} 6) = (2 \times_{10} 4) +_{10} (2 \times_{10} 6)$$

$$\therefore 2 \times_{10} 0 = 8 +_{10} 2 \checkmark$$

$$\therefore 0 = 10$$

$$\boxed{0 = 0}$$

$\therefore \times_{10}$ is distributive over $+_{10}$. Thus we can say that Set $R = \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8\}$ is a ring with respect to addition & multiplication modulo 10.

Integral domain:-

- (a) It is a commutative ring i.e., $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$.
 $2 \times 4 = 4 \times 2$
 $8 = 8$
- (b) With unity element:- ~~A~~ ^{Set} of even integers with usual operation of $+$ and \times , i.e., $(R, +, \times)$ is a commutative ring without unity. Can be seen in table (2). [Notes Given in notes on pg 16-48] ex(2)
- (c) ~~So~~ Multiplicative inverse:- Set of even integers including zero with usual $+$ and \times is not an integral domain because it does not have a multiplicative identity. [Given in notes on pg 16-54].

Therefore, (R) is not an integral domain. Also, the non-zero elements of table (2) are not without zero divisors.

Field:- Since the multiplicative identity does not exist, there cannot be a multiplicative inverse. Hence it is not a field.

So, $(R, +, \times)$ is a ring. But it is not an integral domain and neither a field.

③ Show that set of 2×2 matrices is a ring is a non-commutative ring.

Sol: The set of 2×2 matrices: $R = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}; a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$

under matrix addition and multiplication is a ring with respect to additive and multiplicative ~~inverse~~ identities.

→ The ring is not commutative since in the matrix multiplication does not commute. ~~So~~ The ring of $n \times n$ matrices with usual matrix addition and multiplication is a ring but non-commutative.

Also, $n \times n$ matrices is a ring, but not a field. Since it does not have multiplicative inverse.

④ $R = \{\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot\}$ is set of real numbers, and $C = \{\mathbb{C}, +, \cdot\}$ is a set of complex numbers is a field.
 is a ring

Sol: (I) Set of real numbers (R) is a ring for $(R, +, \cdot)$.

- (a) R is closed under $+$ and \times
- (b) Since $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$, addition is associative
- (c) Since $a + 0 = 0 + a = a \in R$, additive identity exists.
- (d) Since we have every element $a \in R$ is an inverse. So inverse property also exists
- (e) Since $a + b = b + a$ so R is commutative. $\therefore (R, +)$ is a commutative group.

(II) $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$ for all $a, b, c \in R$, Hence (\cdot) is associative.

(III) Since $a \cdot (b + c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c)$. Hence (\cdot) is distributed over $(+)$. So set of real numbers $(R, +, \cdot)$ is a ring.

* Same solⁿ
for Q2 -

Now, for $C = \{a+bi; a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ where $i = \sqrt{-1}$
This is a field and extension of \mathbb{R} and is called
complex numbers denoted by $C = \mathbb{R}[i]$ and
has binary operations.

$$(a+bi) + (c+di) = (a+c) + (b+d)i$$

$$(a+bi)(c+di) = (ac-bd) + (ad+bc)i$$

proves the addition and multiplication associative property. So it is a commutative group. It has a identity element and $a+bi \in C$ has a multiplicative inverse, i.e.,

$$(a+bi) \frac{1}{(a+bi)} = 1.$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{1}{a+bi} = \left(\frac{1}{a+bi} \right) \left(\frac{a-bi}{a-bi} \right)$$

$$= \frac{a-bi}{a^2+b^2}$$

$$= \frac{a}{a^2+b^2} + i \left(\frac{-b}{a^2+b^2} \right) \in C$$

Therefore it satisfies all the properties of field.

Q3) $\mathbb{I}_3(\mathbb{Z}_5, +, \times)$ a field! Modulo 5.

Soln.

$+$	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	1	2	3	4
1	1	2	3	4	0
2	2	3	4	0	1
3	3	4	0	1	2
4	4	0	1	2	3

fig (a): Table 1.

\times	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4
2	0	2	4	1	3
3	0	3	1	4	2
4	0	4	3	2	1

fig (b): Table 2

(I) This is a commutative ring with unity. 1 is the identity element given in table 2 for multiplication.

It is a commutative ring, i.e., $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$, $a = 1, b = 2$
 $1 \times 2 = 2 \times 1$
 $2 = 2$

(II) Also, To prove it is a commutative group:-

(a) Closure property: It is clear from table that \mathbb{Z}_5 is closed under addition and multiplication mod 5.

(b) Since: $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$, for $a = 1, b = 2, c = 3$
 $1 + (2 + 3) = (1 + 2) + 3$
 $1 + 0 = 3 + 3 = 6$
 $1 = 1$

\therefore Addition is also associative.

(c) Identity: '0' is the identity element for table 1.

So, $0 + a = a = a + 0$ for all $a \in \mathbb{Z}_5$.

$$0 +_5 1 = 1 = 1 +_5 0$$

$$0 +_5 2 = 2 = 2 +_5 0$$

$$0 +_5 3 = 3 = 3 +_5 0$$

$$0 +_5 4 = 4 = 4 +_5 0$$

So '0' is an identity is proved.

(d) Additive inverse:- $1 +_5 4 = 0$, $2 +_5 3 = 0$, $3 +_5 2 = 0$, $4 +_5 1 = 0$
So its additive inverse exists.

(e) ~~is~~ commutative property: $a + b = b + a$

$$1 + 2 = 2 + 1$$

$$3 = 3$$

so addition is commutative.

$\therefore (\mathbb{Z}_5, +)$ is a commutative group.

III Distributive property:- $a \times (b + c) = (a \times b) + (a \times c)$

$$1 \times (2 + 3) = (1 \times 2) + (1 \times 3)$$

$$1 \times 0 = 2 + 3 = 5$$

$$\boxed{0 = 0}$$

So, the ~~(x)~~ is distributed over (+).

IV Since (1) is the multiplicative identity element as seen from table (2), so the multiplicative inverse also exist, i.e., $1 \times 1 = 1$, $2 \times 3 = 1$, $3 \times 2 = 1$, $4 \times 4 = 1$,
i.e., $1^{-1} = 1$, $2^{-1} = 3$, $3^{-1} = 2$, $4^{-1} = 4$.

$\therefore (\mathbb{Z}_5, +, \times)$ is a field.

Q6) Is $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +, \times)$ a field?

soln:- This question is same as previous problem.
But it is not a field because the multiplicative inverse does not exist even though there exist an identity element in multiplication table(2)

$+$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	1	2	3	4	5
1	1	2	3	4	5	0
2	2	3	4	5	0	1
3	3	4	5	0	1	2
4	4	5	0	1	2	3
5	5	0	1	2	3	4

\times	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5
2	0	2	4	0	2	4
3	0	3	0	3	0	3
4	0	4	2	0	4	2
5	0	5	4	3	2	1