



# Group Theory

## Summary Lecture 1

# Introduction to Abstract Algebra

## Group Theory

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## INTRODUCTION TO GROUP THEORY





# Group Theory

## Topic 1

### What is Algebraic/Abstract Structure?

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An algebraic structure (Abstract Structure) :

(A Non-Empty Set + One or more Closed Operations)





Algebraic Structure : (AS)

(Base set, \*, #, -, ., . . . )  
Operations  
AS)



## Algebraic structure:

- ✓  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  - GATE
- $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \times, -)$  - Base set
- $(\mathbb{N}, +, \times)$  - Operations
- ✓ (set of Matrices, product) - GATE

$$(\mathbb{Z}, +) \xrightarrow{\text{Alg. Structure}} \text{binary op}^n$$
$$\begin{array}{l} (2) + (3) = 5 \\ (2) + (2) = 4 \end{array}$$



An algebraic structure (Abstract Structure) :

(A Non-Empty Set + One or more Closed Operations)

$$(N, f) ; f(a,b,c) = ab+c$$



$$(N, f) ; \quad f(a, b, c) = ab + c$$

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

$$f(2, 3, 5) = 2 \times 3 + 5 = 11$$

$$f(1, 1, 1) = 1 \times 1 + 1 = 2$$



An algebraic structure (Abstract Structure) :

(A Non-Empty Set + One or more n-ary Closed Operations)

Abstract Algebra:  
Study of these Algebraic Structures.



In mathematics, an **algebraic structure** consists of a nonempty set  $A$ , a collection of operations on  $A$  of finite arity, and a finite set of identities, known as axioms, that these operations must satisfy.

An algebraic structure is understood to be an arbitrary non-empty set, with one or more operations defined on it. And **algebra**, then, is defined to be the study of algebraic structures.



In GATE syllabus:

We have algebraic structures(Abstract Structure) with single binary operation.

(A Non-Empty Set + One Binary Operation)

# Algebraic Structures : (Abstract Structures)

Examples of algebraic structures with a single binary operation are:

- Magma
- Quasigroup
- Monoid
- Semigroup
- Group

} GATE

Examples involving several operations include:

- Ring
- Field
- Module
- Vector space
- Algebra over a field
- Associative algebra

- Lie algebra
- Lattice
- Boolean algebra

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Lattice:

$(\downarrow, \wedge, \vee, \text{Set})$   
two binary operations



# Lattice

- The **lattice** is an algebraic system  $\langle A, \vee, \cdot \rangle$ , given  $a, b, c$  in  $A$ , the following axioms are satisfied:
  1. Idempotent laws:  $a \vee a = a$ ,  $a \cdot a = a$ ;
  2. Commutative laws:  $a \vee b = b \vee a$ ,  $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$
  3. Associative laws:  $a \vee (b \vee c) = (a \vee b) \vee c$ ,  
 $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$
  4. Absorption laws:  $a \vee (a \cdot b) = a$ ,  $a \cdot (a \vee b) = a$



# Algebraic Structures with Single Binary Operation:

Magma/Groupoid

Semi-Group

Monoid

Group

Abelian Group

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Algebraic Structures with Single Binary Operation:

**Magma/Groupoid** (Closure Property)

**Semi-Group** (Closure + Associative Property)

**Monoid** (Closure + Associative + Identity Property)

**Group** (Closure + Associative + Identity + Inverse Property)

**Abelian Group** (Group + Commutative Property)



## §1.1 Group Theory?

You may be wondering what it is. Here's a definition from Wikipedia:

**Definition 1.1 (Group Theory)** — **Group theory** studies the algebraic structures known as groups.

The concept of a group is central to abstract algebra: other well-known algebraic structures, such as rings, fields,





# Group Theory

## Summary Lecture 2

# Binary Operation(Closed Operation)

## ( The Closure Property )





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Next Topic:

The Closure Property

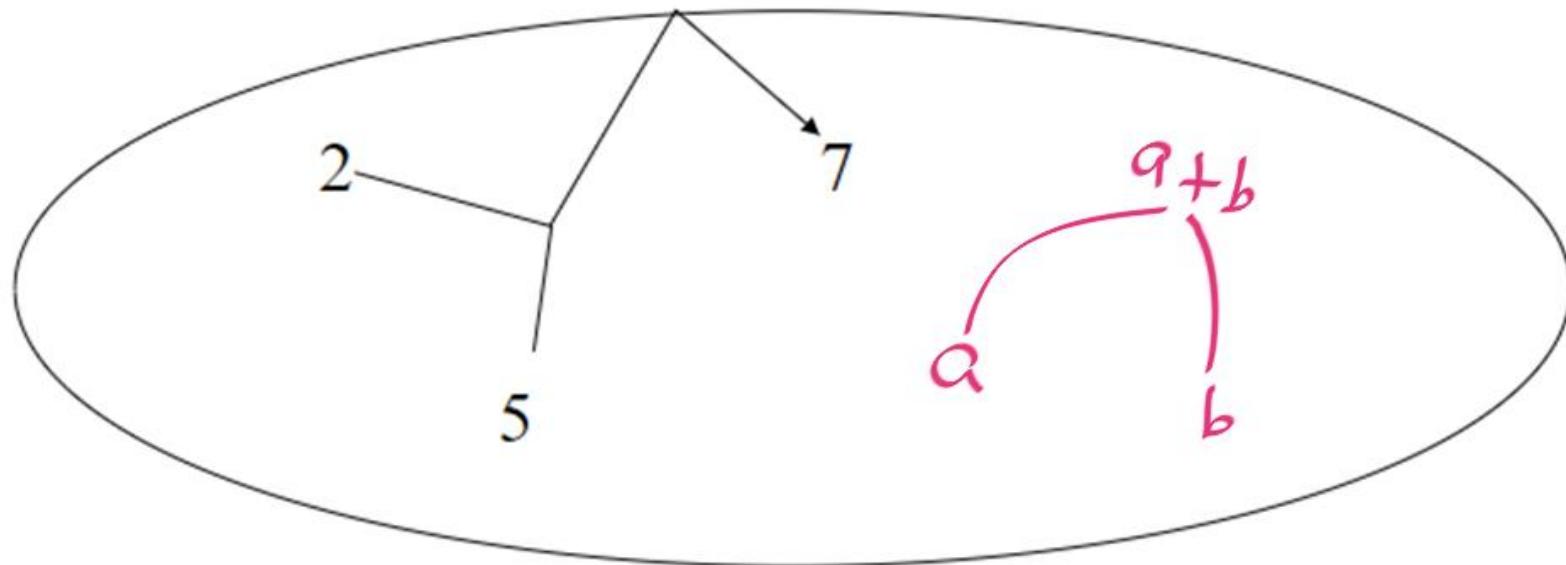
What happens inside a set, should remain inside  
the set.

# Closure Properties

- A set is closed under an operation if applying the operation to elements of the set produces another element of the set
- Example/Counterexample
  - set of integers and addition ✓
  - set of integers and division ✗



# Integers and Addition

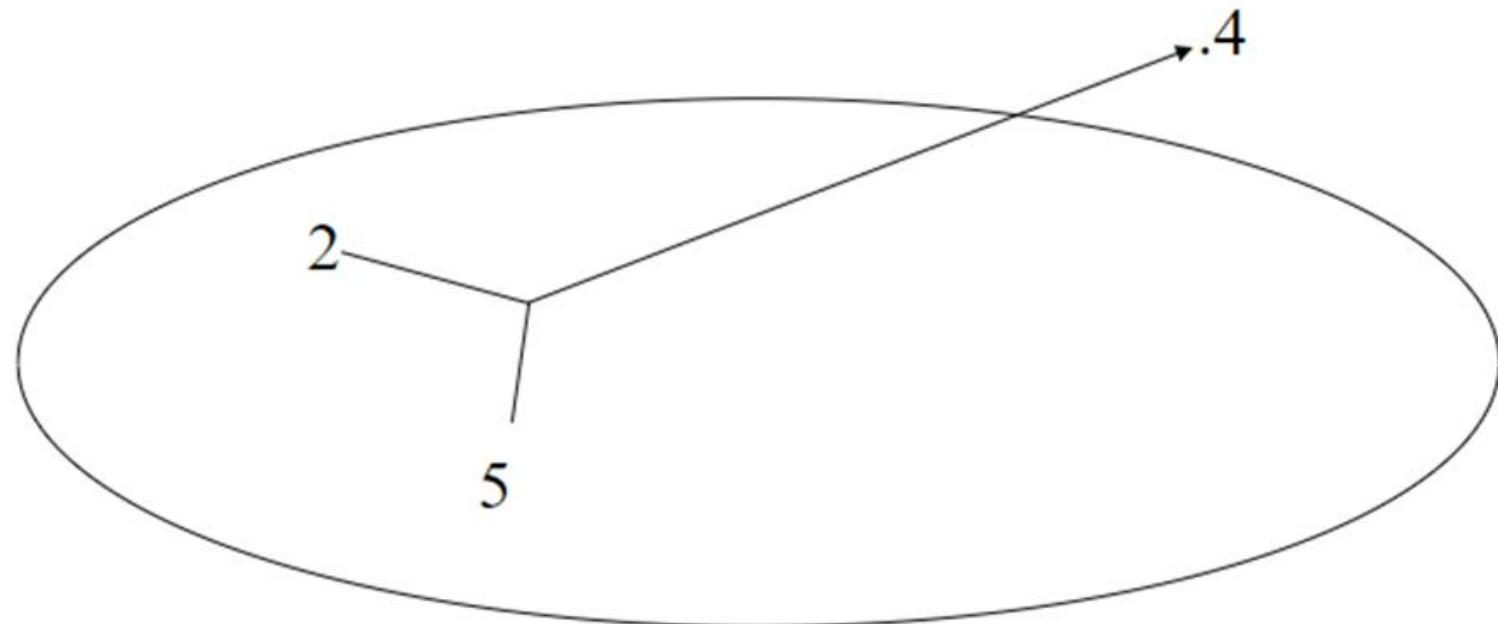


Integers





# Integers and Division



Integers





Closure Property :

Set S is Closed under Operation \*

iff

$$\forall a, b \in S$$

$$[ a * b \in S ] \checkmark$$



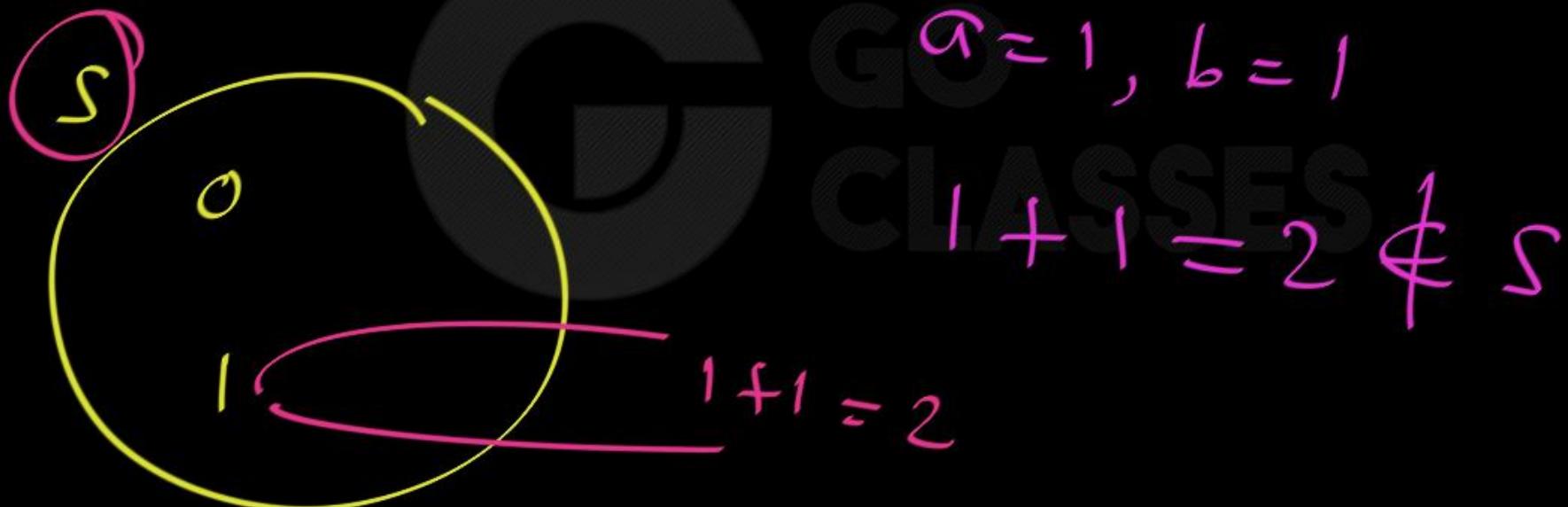
NOT Closes :

Set  $S$  is Not Closed under operation  $*$

iff  $\exists a, b \in S$

$$a * b \notin S$$

$(\{0, 1\}, \text{Addition})$





## The Property of Closure

A set has the **closure property** under a particular **operation** if the result of the operation is always an element in the set. If a set has the **closure property** under a particular **operation**, then we say that the set is “**closed under the operation.**”





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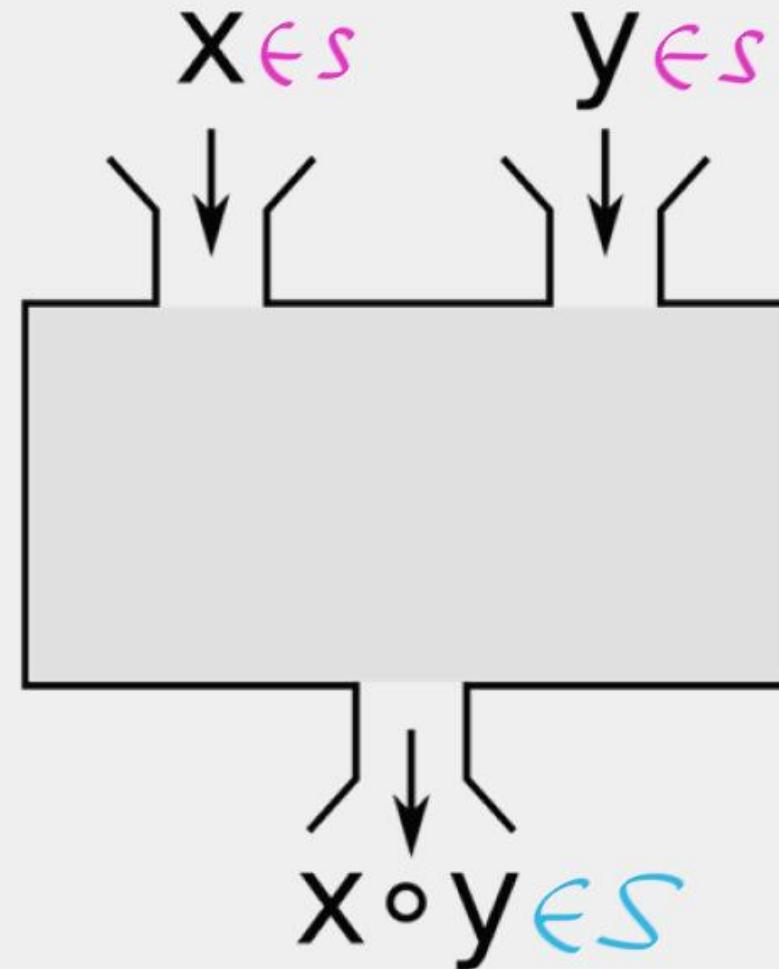
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The Binary Operation

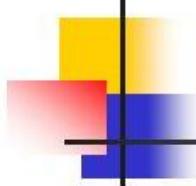
Applies on two elements (same or different), and  
must be closed.



Set  $S$ ,  $\circ$   
 $x \in S$  }  
 $y \in S$  }







## Definition:

- A *binary operation* on a nonempty set  $A$  is a mapping defined on  $A \times A$  to  $A$ , denoted by  $f: A \times A \rightarrow A$ .

$(\mathbb{N}, +)$  $+$  $N \times N$  $N$ 

$+ (1, 2) = 3$

$+ (2, 2) = 4$

$+ (1, 100) = 101$

$+ (1, 2) \leftarrow$   
 $1+2 \checkmark$

$+ (a, b) = \overline{\overline{a+b}}$

 $a \in \mathbb{N}$  $b \in \mathbb{N}$



The set  $\{1,2,3,4\}$  is **not closed** under the **operation** of addition because  $2 + 3 = 5$ , and 5 is **not** an element of the set  $\{1,2,3,4\}$ .



## 4.1: Binary Operations

*Closes Operation*DEFINITION 1. A binary operation \* on a nonempty set  $A$  is a function from  $A \times A$  to  $A$ .Addition, subtraction, multiplication are binary operations on  $\mathbb{Z}$ . ✓

$$a, b \in \mathbb{Z} ; a+b \in \mathbb{Z}, a-b \in \mathbb{Z}, a \times b \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Addition is a binary operation on  $\mathbb{Q}$  because

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) + \left(\frac{c}{d}\right) = \frac{ad+cb}{bd} \in \mathbb{Q}$$

Division is NOT a binary operation on  $\mathbb{Z}$  because

$$2, 3 ; 2/3 \notin \mathbb{Z}$$

Division is a binary operation on*set of nonzero Rational numbers.*

$$\underline{\underline{(\mathbb{Q}, \div)}}$$

NOT closed

$$a=2; b=0; a \div b = 2 \div 0 \notin \mathbb{Q}$$

$$(\underline{\underline{(\mathbb{Q}^*, \div)}})$$

Closed

$$\frac{a/b}{c/d} = \frac{ad}{bc} \in \mathbb{Q}^*$$

$$\mathbb{Q}^* = \mathbb{Q} - \{0\}$$



## §2.3 Binary Operation

A **Binary Operation** on a nonempty set is a map  $f : A \times A \rightarrow A$  such that  $f(a_1, a_2)$  is defined for every pair of elements  $a_1, a_2 \in A$  and  $f(a_1, a_2)$  is an element in  $A$ .

### Example 2.3

Arithmetic operations such as addition and multiplication are binary operations on the set of integers. Division is not a binary operation on the set of integers because the result of the division of two integers  $a, b$  is not always an integer for every pair of  $a, b$ . Division is a binary operation for the set of rationals excluding 0 because the division of two rational numbers always produces a rational number. (We exclude 0 because dividing by 0 causes problems).

But really, a binary operation can be anything we define it to be, as long as it takes 2 inputs and generates 1 output that is in the same set.<sup>2</sup>

$(N, \#)$ 

$$a \# b = \max(a, b)$$

$$\# : \underline{\underline{N \times N}} \rightarrow N$$
$$\boxed{\#(2, 3) = \max(2, 3) = 3}$$

$$2 \# 3 = \max(2, 3) = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \#(2, 2) \\ = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$3 \# 3 = 3$$



## Binary Operation

A binary operation  $f(x, y)$  is an operation that applies to two quantities or expressions  $x$  and  $y$ .

A binary operation on a **nonempty set**  $A$  is a map  $f : A \times A \rightarrow A$  such that

1.  $f$  is defined for every pair of elements in  $A$ , and
2.  $f$  uniquely associates each pair of elements in  $A$  to some element of  $A$ .

Examples of binary operation on  $A$  from  $A \times A$  to  $A$  include **addition** (+), **subtraction** (-), **multiplication** ( $\times$ ) and **division** ( $\div$ ).



**Definition.** Let  $G$  be a set. A **binary operation** is a map of sets:

$$*: G \times G \rightarrow G.$$

For ease of notation we write  $*(a, b) = a * b \forall a, b \in G$ . Any binary operation on  $G$  gives a way of *combining* elements. As we have seen, if  $G = \mathbb{Z}$  then  $+$  and  $\times$  are natural examples of binary operations. When we are talking about a set  $G$ , together with a fixed binary operation  $*$ , we often write  $(G, *)$ .



So, Binary Operation is same as Closed Operation.

Operation # on Set S is binary iff S is closed under operation #.

Binary Operation is a function from  $S \times S \rightarrow S$



# Group Theory

## Summary Lecture 3:

# Questions on Binary Operation

## (Closure Property)





## Question

Let S be the set of positive integers. If a,b are in S, which of the following is a binary operation?

- a\*b=a/b
- a\*b=a-2b
- a\*b=a<sup>3</sup>+b
- a\*b=ln(a+b)





## Question

Let  $S$  be the set of positive integers. If  $a, b$  are in  $S$ , which of the following is a binary operation?

$a * b = a/b$

$$a=2, b=3 ; \quad a * b = \frac{2}{3} \notin S$$

$a * b = a - 2b$

$$a=1, b=2 ; \quad a * b = a - 2b = 1 - 2 \times 2 = -3 \notin S$$

$a * b = a^3 + b$

$$a, b \in N, \quad a^3 \in N, \quad a^3 + b \in N$$

$a * b = \ln(a+b)$

$$a=1, b=1 ; \quad a * b = \ln(1+1) = \ln 2$$

$\ln = \underline{\underline{\log_e}}$

$$= 0.693 \notin S$$

Which of the following is a binary operation if  $a$  and  $b$  are in  $S$ ?

- a.  $a * b = ab + b^2$ ;  $S = \text{set of negative numbers}$
- b.  $a * b = \sqrt{a + b}$ ;  $S = \text{set of positive integers}$
- c.  $a * b = ab - a$ ;  $S = \text{set of real numbers except zero}$
- d.  $a * b = a^2 - b^2$ ;  $S = \text{set of real numbers except zero}$

a

b

c

d

$$\begin{aligned} a &= -1 \\ b &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a * b &= \\ ab + b^2 &= \\ = 2 + 4 &= \\ = 6 &\notin S \end{aligned}$$

Which of the following is a binary operation if  $a$  and  $b$  are in  $S$ ?

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- d.  $a * b = a^2 - b^2$ ;  $S = \text{set of real numbers except zero}$

⑥ NOT closed  $\equiv$  NOT binary op^n

$$a = 1, b = 2$$

$$a * b = \sqrt{1+2} = \sqrt{3} \notin S$$

$$(N, *)$$

Closes

$$a * b = \underbrace{ab + b^2}$$

$$a, b \in N$$

$$ab \in N ; b^2 \in N$$

$$ab + b^2 \in N$$

(C)

$(R^*, *)$

$$a * b = ab - a$$

$$R^* = R - \{(0)\}$$

$$a=1, b=1; a * b = 0 \notin R^*$$





A binary operation  $\Delta$  is defined on the set of real numbers by  $a\Delta b = a^b$ . Find the value of  $3 \Delta -2$ .

- A. -9    B.  $-\frac{1}{9}$     C.  $\frac{1}{9}$     D. -6

[SSSCE 1993 Qn 6]

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[SSSCE 1993 Qn 6]

$(R, \Delta)$ 

$$a \Delta b = a^b$$

$$3 \Delta 3 = 3^3 = 27$$

$$3 \Delta -2 = 3^{-2} = \frac{1}{9}$$





A binary operation \* is defined on the set of real numbers,  $R$ , by  $x * y = x^2 - y^2 + xy$ , where  $x, y \in R$ . Evaluate  $(\sqrt{3}) * (\sqrt{2})$ .

- A.  $1 + \sqrt{6}$
- B.  $\sqrt{6}$
- C.  $\sqrt{6} - 1$
- D.  $1 - \sqrt{6}$

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$$\underline{x * y = x^2 - y^2 + xy}$$

$$(\sqrt{3}) * (\sqrt{2}) =$$

$$(\sqrt{3})^2 - (\sqrt{2})^2 + \sqrt{3}\sqrt{2}$$

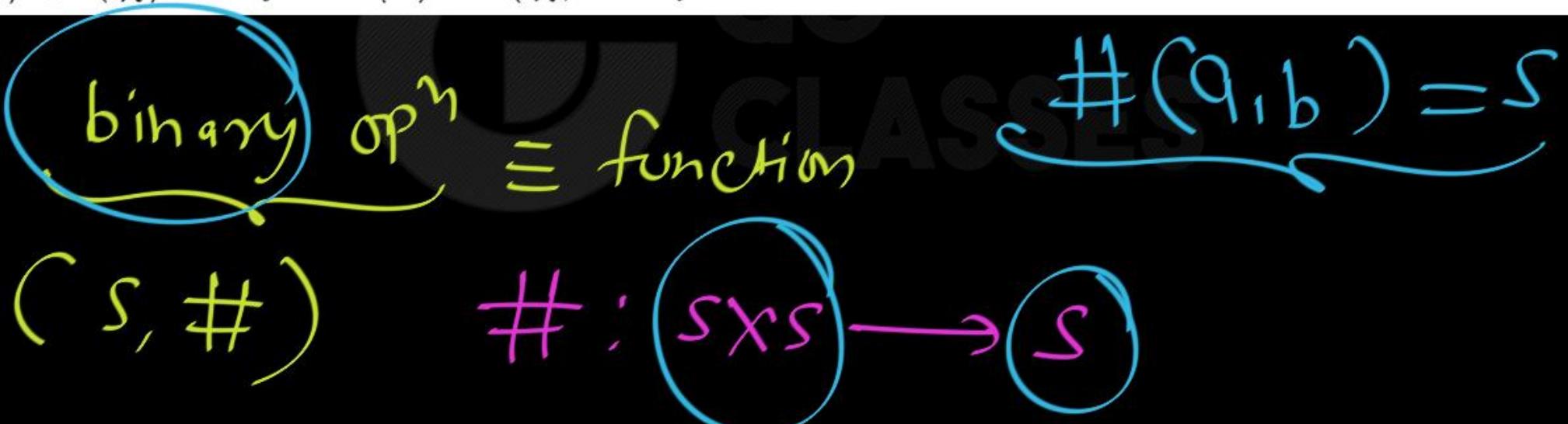
$$= 3 - 2 + \sqrt{6} = 1 + \sqrt{6}$$



Q 2 : Which of the following mappings are binary operations in  $P$ . ( $P$  is the set of Positive Integers)

Which of the following are binary operations in  $P$  (throughout  $(i, j) \in P^2$ ) ?

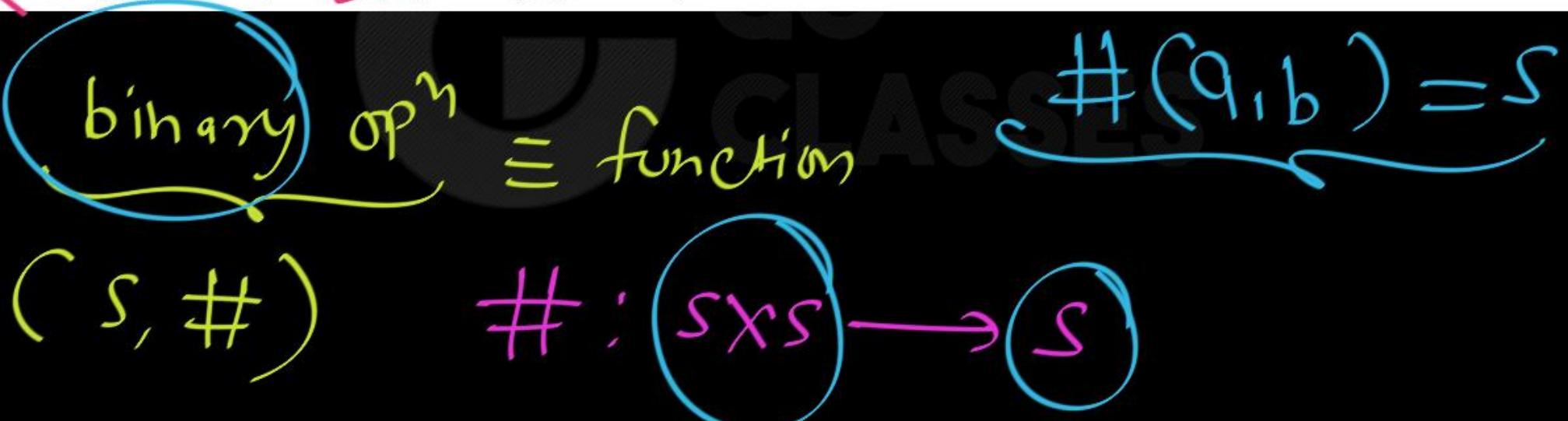
- (i)  $\alpha : (i, j) \rightarrow i + j$       (iii)  $\alpha : (i, j) \rightarrow i \div j$       (v)  $\alpha : (i, j) \rightarrow j$   
(ii)  $\alpha : (i, j) \rightarrow i - j$       (iv)  $\alpha : (i, j) \rightarrow i + j + i^2$



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~~(ii)~~  $\alpha : (i, j) \rightarrow i - j$     ~~(iv)~~  $\alpha : (i, j) \rightarrow i + j + i^2$



$\underline{(\mathbb{N}, \alpha)}$ 
$$\boxed{\alpha : \underline{\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \underline{\mathbb{N}}}$$

i)  $\alpha(i, j) = i + j$  ✓

$i, j \in \mathbb{N}, i + j \in \mathbb{N}$

v)  $\underline{\underline{\alpha(i, j)}} = j \in \mathbb{N}$  ✓



# Group Theory

## Summary Lecture 4:

### Questions on Binary Operation

### (Closure Property) PART 2



The following are attempts to define a binary operation on a set, but are they actually binary operations on the given set? If so, simply write YES, and if not, write NO and provide a brief explanation.

- (a)  $a * b = a - 2020$  on the set  $\mathbb{Z}$  of integers
- (b)  $a * b = a \log b$  on the set  $\mathbb{R}^+$  of positive real numbers
- (c)  $a * b = |a - b|$  on the set  $\mathbb{N}$  of non-negative integers
- (d)  $a * b = \sqrt{|ab|}$  on the set  $\mathbb{Q}$  of rational numbers
- (e)  $x * y = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers
- (f)  $x * y = |x + y - 1|$  on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers
- (g)  $x * y = \max(x, y)$  on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers  
(The notation  $\max(x, y)$  refers to the maximum of the numbers  $x$  and  $y$ .)
- (h)  $x * y = \frac{xy}{x+y+1}$  on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers



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(d)  $a * b = \sqrt{|ab|}$  on the set  $\mathbb{Q}$  of rational numbers

(e)  $x * y = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers

(f)  $x * y = |x + y - 1|$  on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers

(g)  $x * y = \max(x, y)$  on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers

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(h)  $x * y = \frac{xy}{x+y+1}$  on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers

d)  $(\varphi, *)$   
Not Closed

$$a * b = \sqrt{|ab|}$$

$$\begin{cases} a=1 \\ b=2 \end{cases}$$

$$a * b = \sqrt{2} \notin \varphi$$

Not a binary opn  
on  $\varphi$

Rational  
Numbers

(b)  $(R, *)$

$$a * b = \frac{ab}{a+b+1}$$

Not a binary op<sup>n</sup>

$$a * b = \frac{0}{0} \notin R$$

$$a = -1$$
$$b = 0$$

(c)  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ;  $\underbrace{a * b = a - 2020}_{=}$   $\in \mathbb{Z}$

$(\mathbb{Z}, *)$   $\boxed{a * b = a - 2020} \checkmark$

$$-2 * 2 = -2 - 2020 = -2022$$

$$3 * 3 = 3 - 2020$$

$$3 * 5 = 3 - 2020$$

$(N, *)$ 

$$a * b = \underline{\underline{a - 2020}}$$

Not binary op<sup>n</sup>

$$a = 2, b = 3$$

$$a * b = \underline{\underline{2 - 2020}} \notin N$$

b)  $(R^+, *)$

$$a * b = a \log_2 b$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \log \frac{m}{n} \\ &= \log m - \log n \end{aligned}$$

NOT binary opn

$$a = 0; \quad b = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a * b &= a \log_2 b \notin R^+ \\ &= \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= \log_2 1 - \log_2 2 = 0 - 1 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

③  $(\mathbb{W}, *)$

$$a * b = |a - b|$$

$a, b \in \mathbb{W}$

$|a - b| \in \mathbb{W}$

$$|-2.5| = 2.5$$

$$|-3| = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} |3| &= 3 \\ |-1| &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$|0| = 0$$

Absolute value function



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## Summary Lecture 5

### The Associative Property

### The Commutative Property



## Classification of binary operations by their properties

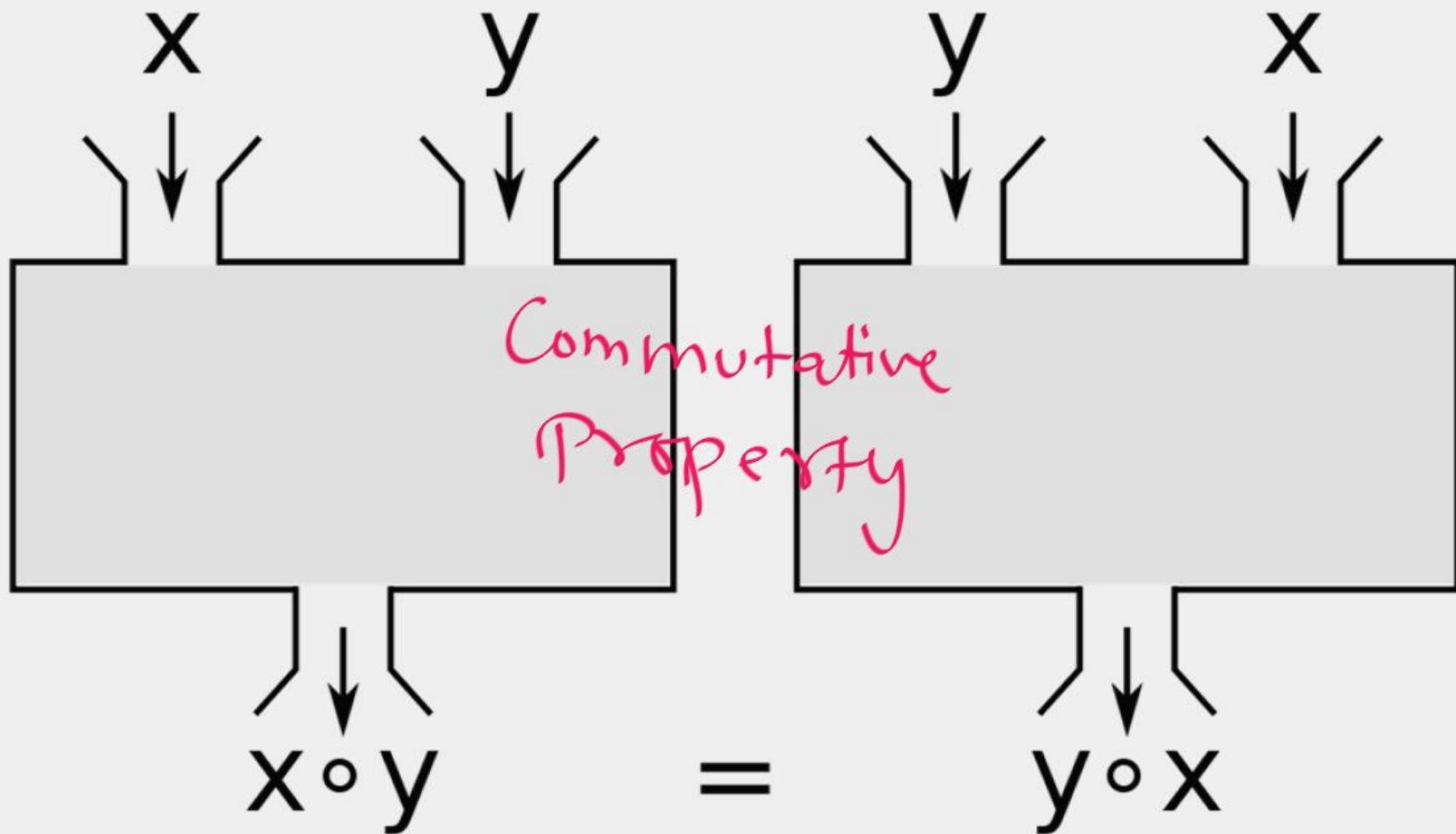
### Associative and Commutative Laws

**DEFINITION .** A binary operation  $*$  on  $A$  is **associative** if

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

A binary operation  $*$  on  $A$  is **commutative** if

$$\forall a, b \in A, \quad a * b = b * a.$$



( $S, *$ )  
Base Set  
binary op<sup>n</sup>

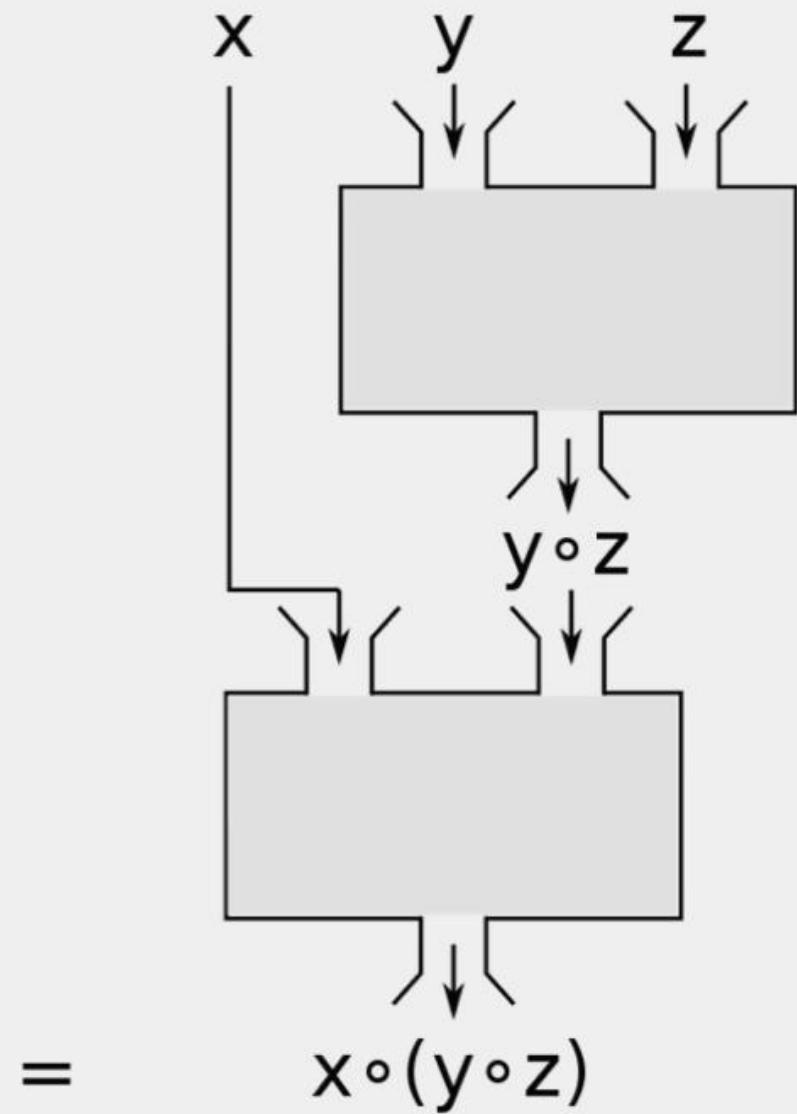
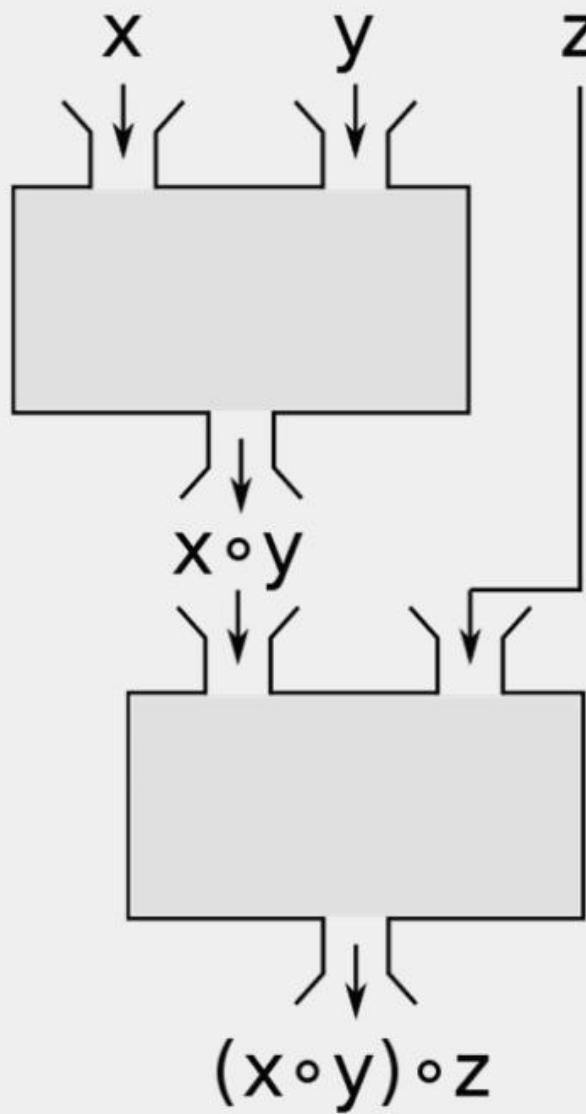
\* is Commutative iff

$$\forall a, b \quad a * b = b * a$$

Associative

$(\circ, \circ)$

$\forall x, y, z$





if  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  are variables that represent **any 3 arbitrary elements** in the set we are looking at (let's call the set we are looking at  $A$ ), and the symbol  $\#$  represents our operation, then the **associative property** for  $A$  with the operation  $\#$  would be:

$$(x\#y)\#z = x\#(y\#z).$$

This means that the **associative property** only holds for the set  $A$  and the operation  $\#$  if, **no matter what elements we take from  $A$  and put in place of  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$** ,  $(x\#y)\#z$  will always give us the same result as  $x\#(y\#z)$ .

Remember that the parentheses just tell us **which pair to do first**.



## Non-associative operation [ edit ]

A binary operation  $*$  on a set  $S$  that does not satisfy the associative law is called **non-associative**. Symbolically,

$$(x * y) * z \neq x * (y * z) \quad \text{for some } x, y, z \in S.$$

For such an operation the order of evaluation *does* matter. For example:

- Subtraction

$$(5 - 3) - 2 \neq 5 - (3 - 2)$$

- Division

$$(4/2)/2 \neq 4/(2/2)$$

- Exponentiation

$$2^{(1^2)} \neq (2^1)^2$$

Non-~~Commutative~~ operation [edit]

A binary operation  $*$  on a set  $S$  that does not satisfy the ~~Commutative~~ law is called **non-commutative**.

$$a * b \neq b * a, \text{ for some } a, b \in S$$

For such an operation the order of evaluation *does* matter. For example:

- Subtraction

$$5 - 4 \neq 4 - 5$$

- Division

$$4 \div 2 \neq 2 \div 4$$

- Exponentiation

$$2^1 \neq 1^2$$

~~Commutative~~

Symbolically,

$a * b \neq b * a$

$(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  $\forall a, b, c$ 

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

$$(2 + 2) + 3 = 2 + (2 + 3)$$

$+, \times$  - Assoc, Comm       $a+b=b+a$   
 $a \times b=b \times a$

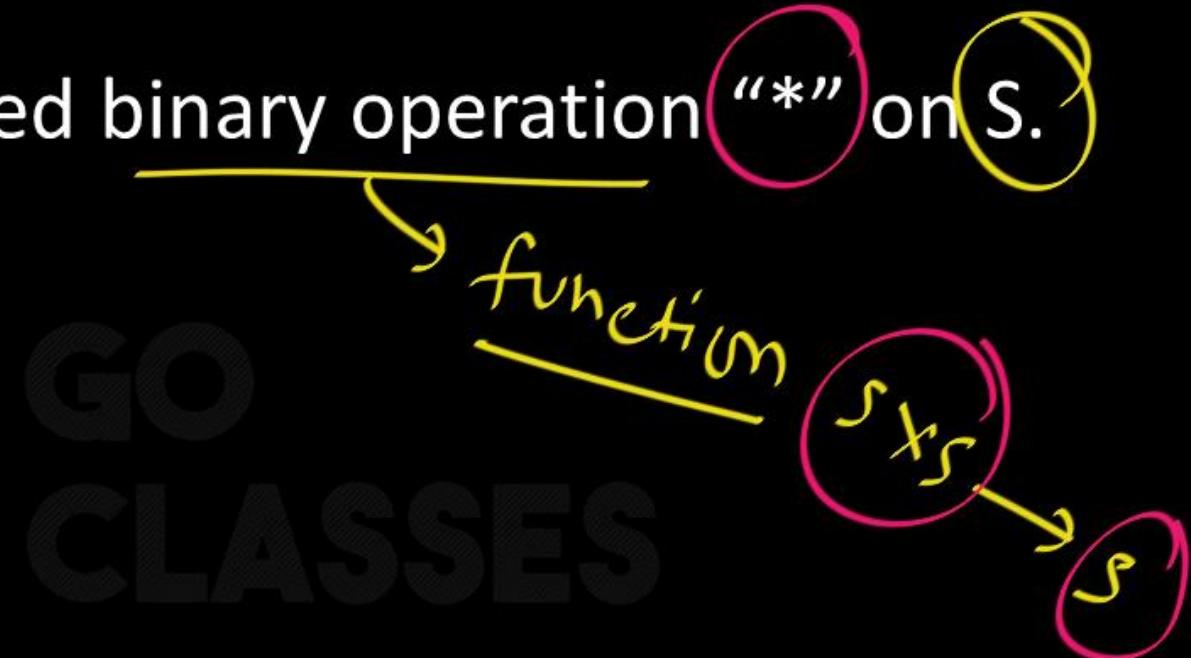
Q.

Let S be any set. We defined binary operation “\*” on S.  
defined by  $*(a,b) = a$ .

Is  $(S, *)$  Associative?

Is \* Associative on S?

Is \* Commutative on S?



Q.

$$\boxed{a * b = a}$$

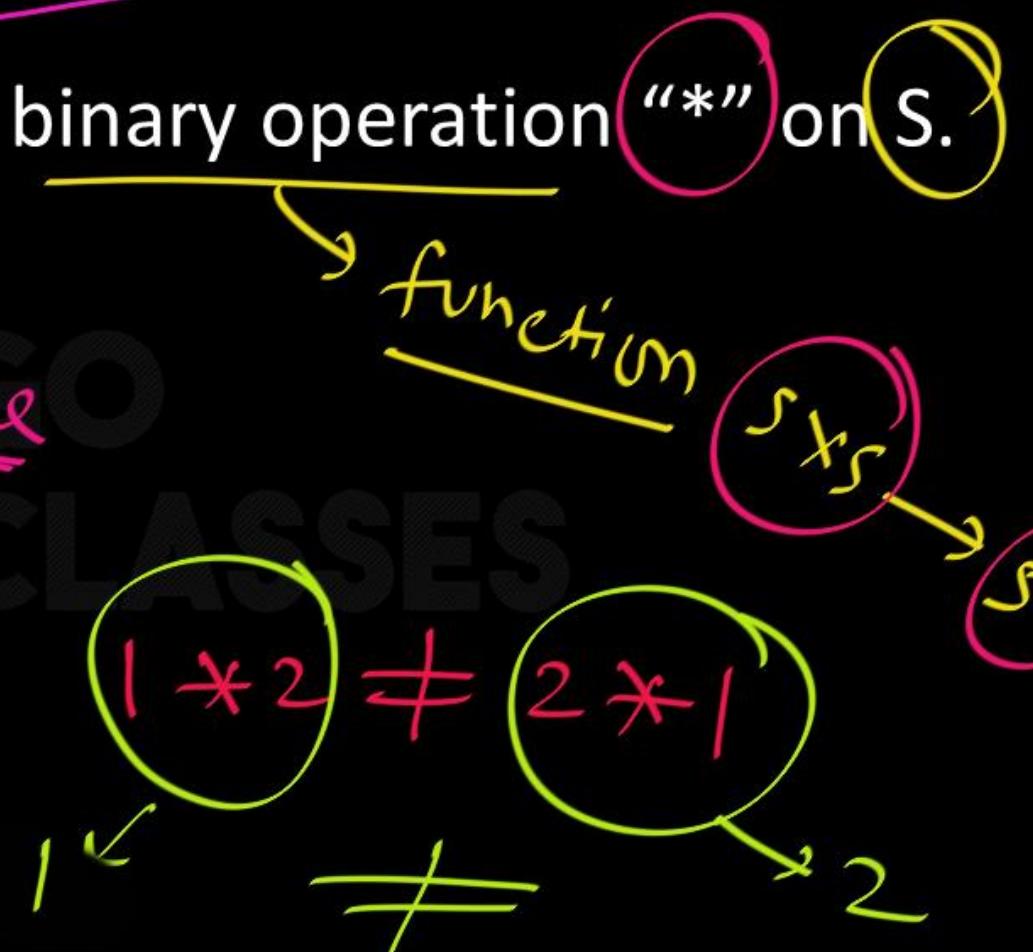
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$$(a * b) * c \stackrel{?}{=} a * (b * c)$$

$$\underbrace{a * c}_{a} = \underbrace{a * b}_{a}$$

NOTE:

When operation “\*” is NOT Associative, we cannot write:

$a * b * c$

Because it is Ambiguous. We should put parentheses to dis-ambiguate.

$$(a * b) * c \quad \checkmark$$

$$a * (b * c)$$

Subtraction :  $\rightarrow$  No + Also

$$4 - 5 - 7 \quad \text{Ambiguous}$$

$$(4 - 5) - 7 \neq 4 - (5 - 7)$$

Addition →

As so ✓

$4 + 5 + 7$  — NOT Ambiguous

$$(4 + 5) + 7 \underset{\text{---}}{=} 4 + (5 + 7)$$



NOTE:

When operation “\*” is Associative, we can write:

 $a * b * c$ 

So, we can drop/remove parentheses in case of  
Associative Operation.

Asso<sup>o</sup>

$$\underbrace{a * b * c}_{\text{ }} \checkmark$$

NOT Asso:

$$a * b * c \quad \underline{\text{Ambiguous}}$$

$$\frac{2 \times 3 \times 6}{\checkmark}$$

$$\frac{2 \div 4 \div 6}{\text{Ambiguous}}$$



# Group Theory

## Summary Lecture 6: Questions on Associative, Commutative Property



Q.

Give an Operation which is Associative and Commutative.





Q.

Give an Operation which is Associative and Commutative.

+,  $\times$

Number  
theory

;

$\wedge$ ,  $\vee$ ,  $\oplus$ ,  $\leftrightarrow$

Prop. logic

$\cup$ ,  $\cap$ ,  $\oplus$

Set  
theory



Q.

Give an Operation which is Associative But Not Commutative.





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Give an Operation which is Associative But Not Commutative.

Matrix multiplication

$(N, *)$

$$a * b = a$$

$$(A \times B) \times C = A \times (B \times C)$$

$$AB \neq BA$$

; function Composition  
 $(f \circ g) \circ h = f \circ (g \circ h)$



# Discrete Mathematics

$(\mathbb{Z}, *)$

$$a * b = \max(a, b)$$

Comm; Asso





Q.

Give an Operation which is Commutative But Not  
Associative.





Q.

Give an Operation which is Commutative But Not Associative.

Consider the operation  $(x, y) \mapsto xy + 1$  on the integers.

$$*) \quad j \quad x * y = xy + 1$$

$x * y$        $=$        $y * x$       ✓  
 $xy + 1$        $=$        $yx + 1$       ✓

y Comm

$(\mathbb{Z}, *)$ 

$x * y = xy + 1$

$$(a * b) * c \stackrel{?}{=} a * (b * c)$$

$$(ab + 1) * c \stackrel{?}{=} a * (bc + 1)$$

$$(ab + 1)c + 1 \neq a(bc + 1) + 1$$

$$abc + c + 1 \neq abc + a + 1$$



Q. Give an Operation which is Commutative But Not Associative.

The NAND is commutative but not associative.

$A$	$B$	$A \text{ nand } A$	$(A \text{ nand } A) \text{ nand } B$	$A \text{ nand } B$	$A \text{ nand } (A \text{ nand } B)$
0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0	1



$$a \uparrow b = \overline{(a_b)}$$

MAND

$$\underline{b \uparrow a} = \overline{\underline{(b_a)}} = \overline{(a_b)} = \underline{a \uparrow b}$$





Q. Give an Operation which is Commutative But Not Associative.

For  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ , define  $x * y = -x - y$ .

Commutativity is clear.

For associativity,

$$\begin{aligned} n * y &= -n - y \\ y * n &= -y - n \end{aligned} \quad \text{same}$$

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

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

so associativity fails if  $a \neq c$ .



Q. Give an Operation which is Commutative But Not Associative.

$$a * b = \frac{a + b}{2}, \varphi$$

$$a * b = \sqrt{ab}, R$$

$(N, *)$ 

NOT closed

$a=1, b=2$

$$a * b = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

Not a binary op<sup>n</sup> on N.

$$a * b = \frac{1+2}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \notin N$$

$(\varphi, *)$ 

Not closed

$$\begin{cases} a=1 \\ b=2 \end{cases}$$

$$a * b = \sqrt{ab}$$

Not a binary op<sup>y</sup>  
on  $\varphi$ .

$$a * b = \sqrt{2} \notin \varphi$$



Q. Give an Operation which is Commutative But Not Associative.

$$x * y = |x - y|, \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x * y &= |x - y| \\ y * x &= |y - x| \end{aligned} \quad \text{Same}$$

$$n=2$$

$$y=3$$

$$|2 - 3| = 1$$

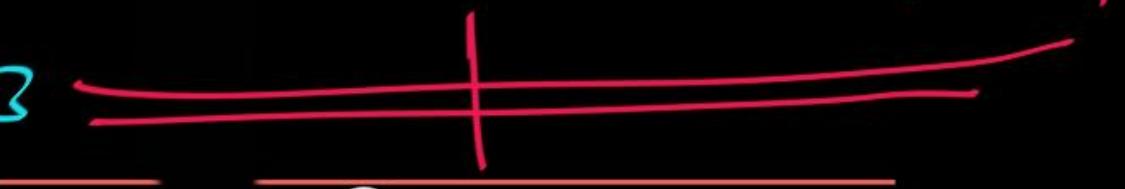
$$|3 - 2| = 1$$

$$(\mathbb{Z}, *)$$

$$x * y = |x - y|$$

$$\begin{array}{c} (2 * 3) * 4 \quad | \\ \underline{\underline{2}} \qquad \qquad \qquad \underline{\underline{3}} \qquad \qquad \qquad \underline{\underline{4}} \\ (|2 - 3|) * 4 \end{array}$$

$$1 * 4$$

$$= |1 - 4| = 3$$


$$2 * 1$$

$$|2 - 1| = 1$$



Q.

Give an Operation which is Neither Associative Not Commutative.

$-$ ,  $\div$

Number theory





Decide whether the statement is an example of the commutative, associative, identity, inverse, or distributive property.

$$-6 + (14 + 13) = (14 + 13) + (-6)$$

The statement is an example of which of the following properties?

- A. Distributive
- B. Associative
- C. Inverse
- D. Identity
- E. Commutative



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$$(14+13) = b \quad ; \quad -6 = a$$

$$\underline{a+b=b+a}$$

$$\boxed{a * b = b * a}$$



Identify the rule(s) of algebra illustrated by the statement. (Select all that apply.)

$$x + (y + 12) = (x + y) + 12$$

- Identity (Addition)
- Inverse (Addition)
- Distributive Property
- Identity (Multiplication)
- Inverse (Multiplication)
- Associative (Addition)
- Commutative (Addition)
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Name the property illustrated by the true statement.

$$(x + 9) + 5 = (9 + x) + 5$$

Choose the correct answer below.

- A. associative property of multiplication
- B. associative property of addition
- C. commutative property of addition
- D. commutative property of multiplication



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- D. commutative property of multiplication



Which Property of Addition is shown?  $(y + z) + (6) = (6) + (y + z)$

Select one:

- a. distributive property
- b. identity property
- c. commutative property
- d. associative property



Which Property of Addition is shown?  $(y + z) + (6) = (6) + (y + z)$

$$(y+z) = a$$

$$(6) = b$$

$$a+b = b+a$$

Select one:

a. distributive property

b. identity property

c. commutative property

d. associative property