

Groups.

Def: A set G with a multiplication $*$ is a group if
("multiplication" is a bimap (binary operation))

$$*: G \times G \longrightarrow G$$
$$(a, b) \mapsto a * b$$

(1). $a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c$ *association law.*

(2). $\exists e \in G$ st $a * e = e * a = a$ *identity.*

(3). For any $a \in G$, $\exists b \in G$ s.t. $a * b = b * a = e$ *inverse*

denoted by $(G, *)$. If $a * b = b * a$, G is called abelian.
commutation law

Fields.

Def: A set F with "+" and "x" is called a field if

(1). $(F, +)$ is abelian group with addition identity "0"

(2). $(F \setminus \{0\}, \times)$ is abelian group with multiplication identity "1"

(3). "+" and "x" are compatible, i.e.

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

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

distribution law.

(I think since "x" is commutative
 $a \times (b + c) = a \times b + a \times c$ is enough)

Rings

Def: A set R with "+" and "x" is called a ring if

(1). $(R, +)$ form a abelian group with addition identity "0"

(2). (R, \times) form a "semigroup", that is

$$a \times (b \times c) = (a \times b) \times c$$

(3). "+" and "x" are compatible. that is:

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

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

(need two equation since
"x" may not commutative)

Observation:

① A field is a ring ② A ring is not necessarily a field.

Moreover (i) if $ab=ba, \forall a, b \in R$. R is called commutative ring

(ii). if $e \in R$ s.t $ae=ea=a, \forall a \in R$. the e is called the identity of R .

Q: ① How to construct gp. G ?

② What do we ask about a gp. G ?

(G, \times)

Let $(H, *)$ be groups

Def: $X = G \times H = \{(g, h) \mid g \in G, h \in H\}$ multi. " "

$$(g_1, h_1) \cdot (g_2, h_2) = (g_1 \times g_2, h_1 * h_2)$$

claim $(G \times H, \cdot)$ is a group. Check it !

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Product
of
 (G, \times)
and
 $(H, *)$