



axioms



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# algebraic properties\* [axioms]

field properties

property	addition	multiplication
associative	$(a+b)+c = a+(b+c)$	$(ab)c = a(bc)$
commutative	$a+b = b+a$	$ab = ba$
identity	$a+0 = a = 0+a$	$a \cdot 1 = a = 1 \cdot a$
inverse	$a+(-a) = 0 = (-a)+a$	$a \cdot a^{-1} = 1 = a^{-1} \cdot a$ if $a \neq 0$
distributive	$a(b+c) = ab+ac$ and $ab+ac = a(b+c)$	

\*given a, b, and c are real numbers

# algebraic properties\* [axioms]

properties of equality and inequality (1)