

If S & T are two non-empty sets, then mapping from S to T is a rule.
($f: S \rightarrow T$)

→ The Cartesian product of two sets S and T is defined as $S \times T = \{(a, b) : a \in S, b \in T\} \rightarrow$ product of sets

We say that $(a_1, b_1) = (a_2, b_2)$ if and only if $a_1 = a_2$ & $b_1 = b_2$

Binary Composition $*$ means addition (+) and multiplication (\cdot) of the elements of two sets.
e.g. $a * b$ ($a + b$ and $a \cdot b$) $a \in S$ & $b \in T$.

Definition - A mapping (function) $*$: $S \times S \rightarrow S$ is called a binary composition on the set S , where $S \times S = \{(a, b) : a, b \in S\}$.

The image of an element $(a, b) \in S \times S$ under $*$ binary composition is usually written as $a * b$ (i.e. $a + b$ & $a \cdot b$)

⊗ Note - If $*$ is a binary composition on a set S then $a * b \in S$ for all $a, b \in S$.

Exp. Addition and multiplication are binary composition in the set N of natural numbers $N = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, \dots\}$ since $a + b \in N$ and $a \cdot b \in N$ $\forall a, b \in N$. However, subtraction is not a binary composition in N since $2 \in N$ and $3 \in N$

Addition: $2 + 3 = 5 \in N$
Multiplication: $2 \cdot 3 = 6 \in N$ } binary composition
but subtraction: $2 - 3 = -1 \notin N \Rightarrow$ Not binary composition

Group: A non-empty set G with a binary $(+, \cdot)$ composition $*$ is called a group, if the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) Closure law: $a * b \in G, \forall a, b \in G$

(A₁) $a + b \in G \quad \forall a \in G, b \in G$

(M₁) $a \cdot b \in G \quad \forall a \in G, b \in G$

(2) Associative law: $(a * b) * c = a * (b * c) \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$

(A₂) $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c) \quad a, b, c \in G$

(M₂) $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c) \quad a, b, c \in G$

(3) Commutative law: $a * b = b * a \quad \forall a, b \in G$

(A₃) $a + b = b + a \quad \forall a, b \in G$

(M₃) $a \cdot b = b \cdot a \quad \forall a, b \in G$

(4) Existence of Identity: $\exists e \in G: a * e = e * a = a$

(A₄) Addition identity $e = 0, a + 0 = 0 + a = a \quad \forall a \in G$

(M₄) Multiplication identity $e = 1, a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a = a \quad \forall a \in G$

(5) Existence of inverse: $\forall a \in G, \exists b \in G$

$a * b = b * a = e$

(A₅) Addition inverse ($b = -a$), $a + (-a) = (-a) + a = 0$

(M₅) Multiplication inverse ($b = a^{-1}$) $a \cdot a^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot a = 1$

A group $(G, *)$ is called an abelian group if

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

$a + b = b + a \quad \forall a, b \in G$

$a \cdot b = b \cdot a \quad \forall a, b \in G$

Field - A non-empty set F with two binary compositions $(+)$, (\cdot) denoted by $+$ and \cdot is called a field, if the following these properties are satisfied.

- A 1) $a+b \in F \quad \forall a, b \in F$ Closure law
 A 2) $a+b = b+a \quad \forall a, b \in F$ Commutative law
 A 3) $a+(b+c) = (a+b)+c \quad \forall a, b, c \in F$ Associative law
 A 4) There exists an element $0 \in F$ such that $a+0 = 0+a = a \quad \forall a \in F$ (Additive identity)
 A 5) $\forall a \in F$, there exists some element $-a \in F$ such that $a+(-a) = 0 = (-a)+a$ (Additive inverse)

M 6) $a, b \in F \quad \forall a, b \in F$

M 7) $a \cdot b = b \cdot a \quad \forall a, b \in F$

M 8) $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c \quad \forall a, b, c \in F$

M 9) $\exists e \in F: a \cdot e = e \cdot a = a \quad \forall a \in F$, e is called multiplicative identity of F . As e by 1, so that $a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a = a \quad \forall a \in F$

M 10) $\forall a \in F, a \neq 0, \exists b \in F$ such that $a \cdot b = b \cdot a = 1$. We write b as a^{-1} and call it the multiplicative inverse of a . Thus $a \cdot a^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot a = 1$

(11) $a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c \quad \forall a, b, c \in F$ (Distributive law)

Exp. The set \mathbb{Q} of all rational numbers is a field w.r.t usual addition and multiplication.