

Q) Let X be a non-empty set and $R = 2^X$ (power set of X).
Is (R, \cup, \cap) a ring?

Let (R, \cup, \cap) be a ring
Ans:- (R, \cup) should be a group
 $\Rightarrow \phi$ is the identity element in (R, \cup)

$R \ni A \neq \phi$ then we must have A' such that $A \cup A' = \phi$
but it is not possible.

$\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$ So (R, \cup, \cap) is not a ring

Q) Let $(G, +)$ be an abelian group with product defined in G as $ab = 0$ if $a, b \in G$. Show that G is a ring.

Ans:- Simple associativity \rightarrow closed

Q) Let X be a nonempty set. Show that the power set $R = 2^X$ with the set operations of symmetric difference $A+B := A \Delta B = (A \cap \bar{B}) \cup (B \cap \bar{A})$ and intersection $AB = A \cap B$, is a ring. Is R commutative? Does R has a unity?

Ans:- $A+(B+C) = (A \cap \overline{B \cap C}) \cup ((B \cap C) \cap \bar{A})$
 $= (A \cap (\overline{B \cap C}) \cup (\overline{B \cap C}) \cap A) \cup (\bar{A} \cap ((B \cap C) \cup (\overline{B \cap C})))$
 $= (A \cap \bar{B} \cap B) \cup (A \cap \bar{B} \cap \bar{C}) \cup (A \cap C \cap B) \cup (A \cap C \cap \bar{C})$
 $\cup (\bar{A} \cap B \cap \bar{C}) \cup (\bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \cap C)$
 $= (A+B)+C$ — associativity holds

Let $A \in R$,

$A+\phi = \phi+A = A$, $\phi \in R$ is the additive identity

$1 \cdot A = (A \cap \bar{A}) \cup (\bar{A} \cap \bar{A}) = \phi \cup \phi = \phi$ — unity holds

$$A+A = (A \cap \bar{A}) \cup (\bar{A} \cap \bar{\bar{A}}) = \phi \cup \phi = \phi \quad \text{— units holds}$$

$$A+B = (A \cap \bar{B}) \cup (\bar{A} \cap B) = (B \cap \bar{A}) \cup (\bar{B} \cap A) = B+A \quad \text{— commutativity holds}$$

$$A(B \cap C) = A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C \quad \text{— associative}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(B+C) &= A \cap (B+C) = A \cap ((B \cap \bar{C}) \cup (\bar{B} \cap C)) \\ &= (A \cap B \cap \bar{C}) \cup (A \cap \bar{B} \cap C) \\ &= AB + AC \end{aligned}$$

$AX = A \rightarrow X$ is the multiplicative identity $\rightarrow X$ is the unity
 So, (R, Δ, \cap) is a ring.

$$AB = A \cap B = B \cap A = BA \rightarrow R \text{ is commutative}$$

Q) ϕ is a map from R to S is a ring isomorphism. Show that $Z(R)$ (center of R) is isomorphic to center of S , $Z(S)$. Also, units of R are isomorphic to units of S under addition.

Ans - $\phi: R \rightarrow S$

$$Z(R) = \{x : xr = rx \text{ } \forall r \in R\}$$

$$Z(S) = \{y : ys = sy \text{ } \forall s \in S\}$$

$$\forall r \in R, \phi(xr) = \phi(x)\phi(r) = \phi(rx) = \phi(r)\phi(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x)\phi(r) = \phi(r)\phi(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) \in Z(S)$$

$$\psi: Z(R) \rightarrow Z(S)$$

$$x \rightarrow y \quad \text{where } y = \phi(x)$$

... has unique $\phi(x)$ as it will be for $\forall r \in R$ and $\forall s \in S$.

$x \rightarrow y$ where $y = \phi(x)$
 for bijection, x has unique $\phi(x)$ as it will be for $\forall r \in R$ and $\forall s \in S$.

$$U(R) = \left\{ x; xr = 1 \text{ for some } r \in R \right\}$$

$$U(S) = \left\{ y; ys = 1 \text{ for some } s \in S \right\}$$

$$\phi(1_R) = 1_S \quad x \in U(R)$$

$$\phi(xr) = \phi(1_R) = \phi(x)\phi(r) = 1_S$$

$$\phi(x) \in U(S)$$

$$\psi : U(R) \rightarrow U(S)$$

$$x \rightarrow y \text{ where } y = \phi(x)$$

similar reasoning for bijection.