

Some Examples on Ring and Fields

Ex-1 Show that the ~~com~~ set of ~~all~~ ~~rational~~ numbers of the form $a\sqrt{2}$, where $a \in \mathbb{Q}$ is not a ring under usual addition and multiplication.

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Clearly the given set is a subset of irrational numbers.

Let S be the set.

$$\text{Now } 2\sqrt{2}, 3\sqrt{2} \in S$$

but $(2\sqrt{2}) \times (3\sqrt{2}) = 6 \times 2 = 12 \notin S$, since 12 is a rational number.

Hence S does not form a ring under usual addition and multiplication.

Ex-2 Show that the set $\{a + b\sqrt{7} : a, b \text{ are integers}\}$ forms a commutative ring with respect to usual addition and multiplication.

Solution

Let $M = \{a + b\sqrt{7} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$, where \mathbb{Z} is the set of integers.

Let $a_1 + b_1\sqrt{7}, a_2 + b_2\sqrt{7} \in M$, so $a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } (a_1 + b_1\sqrt{7}) + (a_2 + b_2\sqrt{7}) \\ = (a_1 + a_2) + (b_1 + b_2)\sqrt{7} \in M, \text{ since } a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again } (a_1 + b_1\sqrt{7}) \cdot (a_2 + b_2\sqrt{7}) &= (a_1a_2 + 7b_1b_2) + (a_2b_1 + a_1b_2)\sqrt{7} \in M \\ \text{since } a_1a_2 + 7b_1b_2, a_2b_1 + a_1b_2 &\in \mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$