

Def :-

Subring :- Any nonempty subset S of a ring $(R, +, \cdot)$ is called a subring if $(S, +, \cdot)$ is itself a ring.

NOTE :-

Each ring has trivial subrings $\{0\}$ and R .

Eg :-

(1) Under usual addⁿ & multipⁿ

$$E = \{0, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 6, \dots\}$$

Z = set of integers

Q = set of rationals

R = set of reals

C = set of complex.

Are all rings.

From this we can say that E is a subring of each of these rings.

Z is a subring of each ring $\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$ and etc.

(2) Denote $M_n = M_n(\mathbb{R})$, the set of $n \times n$ matrices over the real field \mathbb{R} .

Then M_2 is a non commutative ring under matrix addⁿ and matrix multipⁿ so that $M_2(\mathbb{R})$ is a subring of $M_n(\mathbb{R})$.

In general $M_n(\mathbb{R})$ is a subring of $M_n(\mathbb{C})$.

Theorem

Q.13) Prove that a non-empty subset S of a ring R is a subring of $R (\Rightarrow x-y, xy \in S \text{ for } x, y \in S)$?

Proof:- Given that S is a non-empty subset of ring $(R, +, \cdot)$

Part I :-

Suppose that S is a subring of R
 $\Rightarrow S$ is itself a ring

$\because x, y \in S$

$\Rightarrow x, -y \in S$ - By G_4 of R_1 in S .

$\Rightarrow x + (-y) \in S$ - By G_{11} of R_1 in S .

$\Rightarrow x - y \in S$

Also $x, y \in S \Rightarrow xy \in S$ - By G_{11} of R_2 of S

Thus $x-y, xy \in S, \forall x, y \in S$

This proves necessary condition.

Part II :-

Conversely suppose that $x-y, xy \in S, \forall x, y \in S$

we want to prove that S is subring of R .

(i) S is a non-empty subset of group $(R, +)$ together with

$$x + (-y) = x - y \in S, \forall x, y \in S$$

∴ By a theorem of subgroup, $(S, +)$ is a subgroup of $(R, +)$.

But $(R, +)$ is commutative group.

∴ $(S, +)$ is also a commutative group i.e. R_1 holds for S .

(ii) We have $xy \in S, \forall x, y \in S$

Also associativity for multipⁿ is satisfied for element of S because of G_2 of R_2 in R .

⇒ (S, \cdot) is a semigrp i.e. R_2 holds for S

(iii) let $a, b, c \in S \subseteq R$

∴ By R_3 of R we have $a(b+c) = ab+ac$

$$\text{Also } (b+c) \cdot a = ba+ca$$

$$\forall a, b, c \in S$$

i.e. R_3 holds for S .

Hence $(S, +, \cdot)$ is a ring but S is a non-empty subset of R .

$\therefore S$ is a subring of R .

This proves sufficient conditions hence follows the theorem.

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Q. (4) let S_1 & S_2 be subrings of a ring R , then prove that $S_1 \cap S_2$ is a subring of R ?

Solⁿ:- Given that S_1 & S_2 are subrings of R

$\Rightarrow S_1$ & S_2 are non-empty subsets of R . Also $0 \in S_1, 0 \in S_2$

$\Rightarrow 0 \in S_1 \cap S_2$

$\therefore S_1 \cap S_2$ is a non-empty subset of R

let $x, y \in S_1 \cap S_2$

$\Rightarrow x, y \in S_1$ & $x, y \in S_2$

But S_1 & S_2 are subrings of R .

\therefore By a theorem

$x - y, xy \in S_1$ & $x - y, xy \in S_2$

$\Rightarrow x - y, xy \in S_1 \cap S_2$

$\therefore x - y, xy \in S_1 \cap S_2 \forall x, y \in S_1 \cap S_2$

From (A) & (B), a standard thm on subring implies that $S_1 \cap S_2$ is a subring of R .

In general intersection of any 2 subring of a ring R is a subring of R .

NOTE :-

Intersection of any family of subring of a ring R is a subring of R .

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[W7] Ideals :-

Defⁿ :- A nonempty subset U of a ring R is called

(1) left ideal of R if

(i) U is a subgroup of $(R, +)$

(ii) $x \in R, u \in U \Rightarrow xu \in U$

(2) Right ideal of R if

(i) U is a subgroup of $(R, +)$

(ii) $x \in R, u \in U \Rightarrow ux \in U$

(3) An ideal or two sided ideal of R if

(i) U is a subgroup of $(R, +)$

(ii) $x \in R, u \in U \Rightarrow xu, ux \in U$.

REMARK :-

(1) U is an ideal of R if and only if $x, y \in U, z \in R \Rightarrow x-y \in U, zx \in U, xz \in U$

(2) Every ring R has 2 trivial ideals, $\{0\}$ and R . These are called improper ideals. Other ideals are called non-trivial or proper ideals.

(3) A ring which has only trivial ideals is called a simple ring.

Ex

(8) If V is a left or right or two sided ideal of a ring R . Then prove that V is a subring of R ?

Proof: Given that V is a left or right or two sided ideal of ring R .

Then we have

(i) V is a subgroup of $(R, +)$

$\therefore x - y \in V \quad \forall x, y \in V$

(ii) For $r \in R, u \in V$, we have

$ru \in V$ or $ur \in V$ or both $ru, ur \in V$.

\therefore For $x \in V \subseteq R$ and $y \in V$

we get $xy \in V$ because of left ideal

OR For $y \in V \subseteq R$ and $x \in V$

we get $xy \in V$ because of right ideal

OR $xy, yx \in V$ because of two sided ideal.

Thus,

$$x-y \in U, xy \in U \quad \forall x, y \in U \\ \Rightarrow U \text{ is a subring of } R.$$

[w6] Ex
6. (9)

let R be a ring then prove that intersection of 2 left ideals of R is a left ideal of R ?

Proof:- let U & V be 2 left ideals of a ring R . Then $0 \in U$ & $0 \in V$
 $\Rightarrow 0 \in U \cap V$

$\therefore U \cap V$ is a nonempty subset of R .

let $x, y \in U \cap V$ and $r \in R$ \hookrightarrow ①

$\Rightarrow x, y \in U$ and $x, y \in V$ with $r \in R$.

$\Rightarrow x-y \in U, rx \in U$ as U is left ideal of R .

Also $x-y \in V, rx, ry \in V$ as V is left ideal of R

$\Rightarrow x-y \in U \cap V$ and $rx, ry \in U \cap V$

$\therefore \left. \begin{array}{l} x-y \in U \cap V \\ \text{and } rx \in U \cap V \end{array} \right\} \forall x, y \in U \cap V \quad \text{②}$

\therefore From ① & ② we obtain $U \cap V$ is left ideal of R .

Thus intersection of 2 left ideals of R is again a left ideal.

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Q (e) If F is a field, then prove that its only ideals are $\{0\}$ and F itself?

Proof :- let F be a field

\Rightarrow F is a commutative division ring
we want to prove that $\{0\}$ and F are the only (improper) ideals of F . On the contrary we assume that S is any proper ideal of F .

\Rightarrow S is neither $\{0\}$ nor complete F .

let $0 \neq a \in S \subseteq F$.

then $a^{-1} \in F$ s.t

$$aa^{-1} = 1 = a^{-1}a \text{ - By } G_4 \text{ of } R_2 \text{ of } F$$

where 1 is unity of F .

Now, $a^{-1} \in F$ (ring), $a \in S$ (ideal)

$\Rightarrow a^{-1}a, aa^{-1} \in S$ - By defⁿ

$\Rightarrow 1 \in S$

$\Rightarrow S = F$ - by a result

which contradicts our

assumption that S is a proper ideal (subset) of F .

Hence a field F has only trivial ideals $\{0\}$ and F .

NOTE :-

A field F is thus a simple ring.

s5, s7] Theorem :-

8. (9) let R be a commutative ring with unit element whose only ideals are $\{0\}$ and R itself. Then prove that R is a field?

Proof :- We are given that R is a commutative ring with unit element 1. Also R has only trivial ideals $\{0\}$ and R .

We want to prove that R is a field. For this it is sufficient to prove that non-zero elements form a group under multiplication.

Clearly we have G_1, G_2, G_3, G_4 for multiplication in R .

We show that every non-zero element of R possess its inverse in R .

let $0 \neq a \in R$

Rem We define $Ra = \{xa \mid x \in R\}$.

Clearly for $1 \in R$ we have

$$1 \cdot a \in Ra$$

$$\Rightarrow a \in Ra$$

$\therefore Ra$ is a non-empty subset of R
 $\hookrightarrow \textcircled{1}$

we ^{prove} that Ra is an ideal of R

(i) let $u, v \in Ra$

$\Rightarrow u = xa, v = ya$ for some $x, y \in R$

Then $u - v = xa - ya$

$$= xa + (-ya)$$

$$= xa + [(-y)a] \text{ - by a result in } R$$

$$= [x + (-y)]a \text{ - by right distrib}$$

$$= (x - y)a$$

For $x, y \in R$ we have $x - y \in R$.

$\therefore (R, +)$ is a group

$$\therefore (x - y)a \in Ra$$

$$\text{i.e. } u - v \in Ra$$

$$\therefore u - v \in Ra, \forall u, v \in Ra \text{ --- (2)}$$

i.e. Ra is a subgroup of R under addition.

(ii) let $u \in Ra$ and $r \in R$

$\Rightarrow u = xa$ for some $x \in R$

$$\text{Then } ru = r(xa)$$

$$= (rx)a \text{ - by } G_2 \text{ of } R_2 \text{ of } R$$

For $r, x \in R$ we have $rx \in R$ - by G_1 of R_2 .

$$\therefore (rx)a \in Ra$$

$$\text{i.e. } ru \in Ra \subseteq R$$

But R is commutative ring

$$\therefore ru = ur \in Ra$$

Show that, $ux \in Ra \ \forall x \in R, \ \forall u \in Ra$
 \hookrightarrow (3)

From (1), (2) and (3) we obtain Ra is an ideal of R .

But we are given that R has only two trivial ideals, $\{0\}$ and R itself.

\therefore We must have either $Ra = \{0\}$ or $Ra = R$.

But $a \in Ra$ and $a \neq 0$

$\therefore Ra \neq \{0\}$

\therefore $Ra = R$

(2) We have R is with unit element 1 .

$\Rightarrow Ra$ also has 1 .

i.e. $1 \in Ra$

$\Rightarrow 1 = ba$ for some $b \in R$ - By defⁿ of Ra .

$\therefore 1 = ba = ab \Rightarrow R$ is commutative

Thus for $a \neq 0$ in R , \exists some $b \in R$

s.t. $ab = 1 = ba$

$\Rightarrow b$ is a multiplicative inverse of a in R .

\therefore Every non-zero element of R has multiplicative inverse in R .

Hence proved.
 $\therefore R$ is a field.

Defⁿ :-

Maximal ideal :-

An ideal $M \neq R$ in a ring R is said to be the maximal ideal of R if whenever U is an ideal of R s.t. $M \subset U \subset R$, then either $M = U$ or $U = R$.

REMARK :-

An ideal M different from ring R is maximal of R if there is no ideal betwⁿ M & R .

[S6] Theorem :-

11. (8) If R is a commutative ring with a unit element and M is an ideal of R . Then prove that M is a maximal ideal of R iff R/M is a field?

Proof :- We are given that

(1) R is a commutative ring with unit element 1 .

(2) M is an ideal of R .

Then $R/M = \{M+a / a \in R\}$ is a quotient ring under the operations of the form

Addition :- $(M+a) + (M+b) = M+(a+b)$

Multipⁿ :- $(M+a) \cdot (M+b) = M+(a \cdot b)$

Here the identity element w.r.t addition is $M+0=M$, where 0 is zero element of ring R .

Also,

$$(M+a) \cdot (M+b) = M + (a \cdot b)$$

$$= M + (b \cdot a) \quad \left\{ \because R \text{ is commu} \right.$$

$$= (M+b) \cdot (M+a)$$

$$\therefore (M+a) \cdot (M+b) = (M+b) \cdot (M+a) \quad \forall M+a, M+b \in R/M$$

$\Rightarrow R/M$ is a commutative ring.

$$\text{And } (M+a) \cdot (M+1) = M + (a \cdot 1)$$

$$= M + a \quad \text{— By } G_{13} \text{ of } R_2 \text{ in } R$$

$$\therefore (M+a) \cdot (M+1) = M+a = (M+1) \cdot (M+a)$$

$\Rightarrow (M+1)$ is unity of R/M . \hookrightarrow By commutativity in R/M
 $\forall M+a \in R/M$

★ Now by a result there is one to one correspondance betw the set of ideals of R/M to the set of ideals of R which contain M .

Part I :-

Given :- M is a maximal ideal of R

Claim :- R/M is a field

Since M is maximal ideal of R , there is no ideal of R betw M and R .

\therefore By result (*), R/M has only 2 ideals $\{0\}$ of R/M i.e. $\{M+0\}$ and

R/M itself.

Thus R/M is a commutative ring with unity having only 2 ideals $\{M+0\}$ and R/M itself.

$\Rightarrow R/M$ is a field - by a result.

This proves necessary condition.

Part II :-

Given :- R/M is a field.

Claim :- M is a maximal ideal of R .

Since R/M is a field, it has only two ideals $\{0\}$ of R/M i.e. $\{M+0\}$ and R/M itself.

\therefore By result (*) R has exactly 2 ideals which contain M .

$\Rightarrow R$ has only two ideals M and R itself.

\therefore By defⁿ, M is maximal ideal of R as there is no ideal of R betⁿ M and R .

This proves sufficient condition.

Hence follows the theorem.