

$$P.12 \quad a \times b = 0 \iff (a=0) \overset{\text{or}}{\vee} (b=0)$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \leftarrow \text{if } a=0 \text{ then } a \times b &= 0 \times b \stackrel{P8}{=} 0 & \left(\text{skipping commutative} \right. \\ & \text{law i.e. } a \times b = b \times a = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{if } b=0 \text{ then } a \times b = a \times 0 \stackrel{P8}{=} 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ Assume $a \times b = 0$ if $a=0$ ✓.

otherwise, $a \neq 0$ and we have $a \times b = 0 \stackrel{P8}{=} a \times 0$
by multiplication cancellation (P_2) $a \times b = a \times 0 \therefore b=0$. □

there are infinite properties one could prove i.e. $b \neq 0, c \neq 0 \quad \frac{a}{\frac{b}{c}} = \frac{a}{b}$ etc.

eg $(a+b)(a-b) = a^2 - b^2$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} a(a-b) + b(a-b) &= a(a+b) + b(a+b) \\ &= a^2 + a \times b + b \times a + b^2 \text{ etc.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -2, -1, 0, 1, 2 &= 1+1 \quad (2 \text{ may or may not be } 0) \\ 3 &= 2+1, 4=3+1 \end{aligned}$$

$\hookrightarrow$ i.e. Field w/ 2 elements, you can say it doesn't have 2 or there is 2 but $0=2$, in that sense every field contains all integers even if they repeat themselves i.e. 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1 etc.

Theorem $\rightarrow$ means "unique"

$\exists ! \tau: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow F$ s.t.

1. $\tau(0_{\mathbb{Z}}) = 0_F$, $\tau(1_{\mathbb{Z}}) = 1_F$

2. $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \tau(m+n) = \tau(m) + \tau(n)$

3. $\forall m, n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \tau(m \cdot n) = \tau(m) \times \tau(n)$

Set $\tau(0) = 0_F$, $\tau(1) = 1_F$

$\tau(2) = \tau(1+1) = \tau(1) + \tau(1) = 1_F + 1_F$

$\tau(3) = \tau(2+1) = \tau(2) + \tau(1) = \tau(2) + 1$

because had to satisfy prop 2. no choice how to set τ in that sense unique.

[Exercise: Figure out how to define " τ " on negative integers]

Claim: the τ just defined satisfies properties 1-3.

(won't prove because requires induction etc)

Ex $\tau(27) = \tau(26+1) = \tau(26) + 1$
 $= \tau(2 \times 13) + 1$
 $= \tau(2) \times \tau(13) + 1$ (by 2)
 $= (1+1) \times \tau(13) + 1$
 $= 2 \times \tau(13) + 1$
 $= 0 + 1$
 $= 1$