

27. Axioms for Commutative Rings

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G. R. Blakley, S. Ôhashi and K. Iséki gave some new definitions of commutative rings and semirings (see [1]-[3]). In this note, we shall give other definitions of commutative rings with unity and semirings with zero and unity, where two binary operations are commutative.

Theorem 1. *A set with two nullary operations, 0 and 1, with one unary operation, $-$, and with two binary operations, $+$ and juxtaposition, such that*

- 1.1) $r+0=r$,
- 1.2) $r1=r$,
- 1.3) $((-r)+r)a=0$,
- 1.4) $(a+(b+cz))r=(br+ar)+z(cr)$

for any a, b, c, r, z , is a commutative ring with unity.

Proof. We can prove this theorem as follows.

- 1.5) $(-r)+r=0$ (See [1])
- 1.6) $0a=0$ (See [1])
- 1.7) $a+b$
 - $= (a+(b+00))1$ by 1.6, 1.1, 1.2.
 - $= (b1+a1)+0(01)$ by 1.4.
 - $= b+a$ by 1.2, 1.6, 1.1.
- 1.8) cz
 - $= (0+(0+cz))1$ by 1.7, 1.1, 1.2.
 - $= (01+01)+z(c1)$ by 1.4.
 - $= zc$ by 1.7, 1.2, 1.1.
- 1.9) $a+(b+c)$
 - $= (a+(b+c1))1$ by 1.2.
 - $= (b1+a1)+1(c1)$ by 1.4.
 - $= (a+b)+c$ by 1.7, 1.8, 1.2.
- 1.10) $(zc)r$
 - $= (0+(0+cz))r$ by 1.8, 1.7, 1.1.
 - $= (0r+0r)+z(cr)$ by 1.4.
 - $= z(cr)$ by 1.6, 1.7, 1.1.
- 1.11) $(b+c)r$
 - $= (0+(b+c1))r$ by 1.7, 1.1, 1.2.
 - $= (br+0r)+1(cr)$ by 1.4.
 - $= br+cr$ by 1.6, 1.1, 1.8, 1.2.