

①  $\mathbb{Z}$  with multiplication is NOT a group.

• binary operation (multiplication)

•  $a(bc) = (ab)c$

• has an identity element  $1$   $1 \cdot a = a = a \cdot 1$ .

•  $0 \in \mathbb{Z}$  does not have an inverse.

$0 \cdot x = 1$  has no solution.

$2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  does not have an inverse. ( $\frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ )

②  $GL_2(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  is a group.

$H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$  is NOT a group.

$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in H$  but  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\boxed{2x = 1}$   $y = z = 0$

$w = 1$

has no  $\mathbb{Z}$  solutions.

$\begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in GL_2(\mathbb{R})$

but not in  $H$ .

③ Cross product is not associative.

$\vec{v} = (a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k})$   
 $\vec{w} = (r\hat{i} + s\hat{j} + t\hat{k})$

$\vec{v} \times \vec{w} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ a & b & c \\ r & s & t \end{vmatrix}$

$= (bt - cs)\hat{i} + (cr - at)\hat{j} + (as - br)\hat{k}$

$\vec{v} \times \vec{w} = -\vec{w} \times \vec{v}$   
 $i \times j = k \quad j \times k = i \quad k \times i = j$   
 $i \times i = j \times j = k \times k = 0$

$\underline{(i+j) \times i} \times k = (-k) \times k = 0$

$(i+j) \times (i \times k) = (i+j) \times (-j) = -k$