

Multiplication

Definition

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Signature 0.1. Let n, m be natural numbers. $n \cdot m$ is a natural number.

Let the product of n and m stand for $n \cdot m$.

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Axiom 0.2. Let n be a natural number. Then $n \cdot 0 = 0$.

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Axiom 0.3. Let n, m be natural numbers. Then $n \cdot (m + 1) = (n \cdot m) + n$.

Computation Laws

Distributivity

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Proposition 0.4. Let n, m, k be natural numbers. Then $n \cdot (m + k) = (n \cdot m) + (n \cdot k)$.

Proof. Define $\Phi = \{k' \in \mathbb{N} \mid n \cdot (m + k') = (n \cdot m) + (n \cdot k')\}$.

(1) 0 is an element of Φ . Indeed $n \cdot (m + 0) = n \cdot m = (n \cdot m) + 0 = (n \cdot m) + (n \cdot 0)$.

(2) For all $k' \in \Phi$ we have $k' + 1 \in \Phi$.

Proof. Let $k' \in \Phi$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & n \cdot (m + (k' + 1)) \\ &= n \cdot ((m + k') + 1) \\ &= (n \cdot (m + k')) + n \\ &= ((n \cdot m) + (n \cdot k')) + n \\ &= (n \cdot m) + ((n \cdot k') + n) \\ &= (n \cdot m) + (n \cdot (k' + 1)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $n \cdot (m + (k' + 1)) = (n \cdot m) + (n \cdot (k' + 1))$. Thus $k' + 1 \in \Phi$. Qed.

Thus every natural number is contained in Φ . Therefore $n \cdot (m + k) = (n \cdot m) + (n \cdot k)$. \square

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Proposition 0.5. Let n, m, k be natural numbers. Then $(n + m) \cdot k = (n \cdot k) + (m \cdot k)$.

Proof. Define $\Phi = \{k' \in \mathbb{N} \mid (n + m) \cdot k' = (n \cdot k') + (m \cdot k')\}$.

(1) 0 belongs to Φ . Indeed $(n + m) \cdot 0 = 0 = 0 + 0 = (n \cdot 0) + (m \cdot 0)$.

(2) For all $k' \in \Phi$ we have $k' + 1 \in \Phi$.

Proof. Let $k' \in \Phi$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & (n + m) \cdot (k' + 1) \\ &= ((n + m) \cdot k') + (n + m) \\ &= ((n \cdot k') + (m \cdot k')) + (n + m) \\ &= (((n \cdot k') + (m \cdot k')) + n) + m \\ &= ((n \cdot k') + ((m \cdot k') + n)) + m \\ &= ((n \cdot k') + (n + (m \cdot k'))) + m \\ &= (((n \cdot k') + n) + (m \cdot k')) + m \\ &= ((n \cdot k') + n) + ((m \cdot k') + m) \\ &= (n \cdot (k' + 1)) + (m \cdot (k' + 1)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(n + m) \cdot (k' + 1) = (n \cdot (k' + 1)) + (m \cdot (k' + 1))$. Qed.

Thus every natural number is an element of Φ . Therefore $(n + m) \cdot k = (n \cdot k) + (m \cdot k)$. \square

Multiplication with 1 and 2

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Proposition 0.6. Let n be a natural number. Then $n \cdot 1 = n$.

Proof. $n \cdot 1 = n \cdot (0 + 1) = (n \cdot 0) + n = 0 + n = n$. \square

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Corollary 0.7. Let n be a natural number. Then $n \cdot 2 = n + n$.

Proof. $n \cdot 2 = n \cdot (1 + 1) = (n \cdot 1) + n = n + n.$ □

Associativity

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Proposition 0.8. Let n, m, k be natural numbers. Then $n \cdot (m \cdot k) = (n \cdot m) \cdot k.$

Proof. Define $\Phi = \{k' \in \mathbb{N} \mid n \cdot (m \cdot k') = (n \cdot m) \cdot k'\}.$

(1) 0 is contained in $\Phi.$ Indeed $n \cdot (m \cdot 0) = n \cdot 0 = 0 = (n \cdot m) \cdot 0.$

(2) For all $k' \in \Phi$ we have $k' + 1 \in \Phi.$

Proof. Let $k' \in \Phi.$ Then

$$\begin{aligned} & n \cdot (m \cdot (k' + 1)) \\ &= n \cdot ((m \cdot k') + m) \\ &= (n \cdot (m \cdot k')) + (n \cdot m) \\ &= ((n \cdot m) \cdot k') + (n \cdot m) \\ &= ((n \cdot m) \cdot k') + ((n \cdot m) \cdot 1) \\ &= (n \cdot m) \cdot (k' + 1). \end{aligned}$$

Qed.

Hence every natural number is contained in Φ (by ARITHMETIC_01_4764664342773760). Thus $n \cdot (m \cdot k) = (n \cdot m) \cdot k.$ □

Commutativity

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Proposition 0.9. Let n, m be natural numbers. Then

$$n \cdot m = m \cdot n.$$

Proof. Define $\Phi = \{m' \in \mathbb{N} \mid n \cdot m' = m' \cdot n\}.$

(1) 0 is contained in $\Phi.$

Proof. Define $\Psi = \{n' \in \mathbb{N} \mid n' \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot n'\}.$

(1a) 0 is contained in $\Psi.$

(1b) For all $n' \in \Psi$ we have $n' + 1 \in \Psi.$

Proof. Let $n' \in \Psi$. Then

$$(n' + 1) \cdot 0 = 0 = n' \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot n' = (0 \cdot n') + 0 = 0 \cdot (n' + 1).$$

Qed.

Hence every natural number is contained in Ψ (by ARITHMETIC_01_4764664342773760). Thus $n \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot n$. Qed.

(2) 1 belongs to Φ .

Proof. Define $\Theta = \{n' \in \mathbb{N} \mid n' \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot n'\}$.

(2a) 0 is contained in Θ .

(2b) For all $n' \in \Theta$ we have $n' + 1 \in \Theta$.

Proof. Let $n' \in \Theta$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & (n' + 1) \cdot 1 \\ &= (n' \cdot 1) + 1 \\ &= (1 \cdot n') + 1 \\ &= 1 \cdot (n' + 1). \end{aligned}$$

Qed.

Thus every natural number is contained in Θ (by ARITHMETIC_01_4764664342773760). Therefore $n \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot n$. Qed.

(3) For all $m' \in \Phi$ we have $m' + 1 \in \Phi$.

Proof. Let $m' \in \Phi$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & n \cdot (m' + 1) \\ &= (n \cdot m') + (n \cdot 1) \\ &= (m' \cdot n) + (1 \cdot n) \\ &= (1 \cdot n) + (m' \cdot n) \\ &= (1 + m') \cdot n \\ &= (m' + 1) \cdot n. \end{aligned}$$

Indeed $((1 \cdot n) + (m' \cdot n)) = (1 + m') \cdot n$. Qed.

Hence every natural number is contained in Φ (by ARITHMETIC_01_4764664342773760). Thus $n \cdot m = m \cdot n$. \square

Non-Existence of Zero-Divisors

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Proposition 0.10. Let n, m be natural numbers such that $n \cdot m = 0$. Then $n = 0$ or $m = 0$.

Proof. Suppose $n, m \neq 0$. Take natural numbers n', m' such that $n = (n' + 1)$ and $m = (m' + 1)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 0 \\
 &= n \cdot m \\
 &= (n' + 1) \cdot (m' + 1) \\
 &= ((n' + 1) \cdot m') + (n' + 1) \\
 &= (((n' + 1) \cdot m') + n') + 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Indeed $(n' + 1) \cdot (m' + 1) = ((n' + 1) \cdot m') + (n' + 1)$. Hence $0 = k + 1$ for some natural number k . Contradiction. \square

Cancellation

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Proposition 0.11. Let n, m, k be natural numbers. Assume $k \neq 0$.
If $n \cdot k = m \cdot k$ then $n = m$.

Proof. Define $\Phi = \{n' \in \mathbb{N} \mid \text{for all } m' \in \mathbb{N} \text{ if } n' \cdot k = m' \cdot k \text{ and } k \neq 0 \text{ then } n' = m'\}$.

(1) 0 is contained in Φ .

Proof. Let $m' \in \mathbb{N}$. Assume $0 \cdot k = m' \cdot k$ and $k \neq 0$. Then $m' \cdot k = 0$. Hence $m' = 0$ or $k = 0$. Thus $m' = 0$. Qed.

(2) For all $n' \in \Phi$ we have $n' + 1 \in \Phi$.

Proof. Let $n' \in \Phi$.

Let us show that for all $m' \in \mathbb{N}$ if $(n' + 1) \cdot k = m' \cdot k$ and $k \neq 0$ then $n' + 1 = m'$. Let $m' \in \mathbb{N}$. Assume $(n' + 1) \cdot k = m' \cdot k$ and $k \neq 0$.

Case $m' = 0$. Then $(n' + 1) \cdot k = 0$. Hence $n' + 1 = 0$. Contradiction. End.

Case $m' \neq 0$. Take a natural number l such that $m' = l + 1$. Then $(n' + 1) \cdot k = (l + 1) \cdot k$. Hence $(n' \cdot k) + k = (n' \cdot k) + (1 \cdot k) = (n' \cdot k) + k = (l + 1) \cdot k = (l \cdot k) + (1 \cdot k) = (l \cdot k) + k$. Thus $n' \cdot k = l \cdot k$ (by ARITHMETIC_03_3137702874578944). Indeed $n' \cdot k$ and $l \cdot k$ are natural numbers. Then we have $n' = l$. Indeed if $n' \cdot k = l \cdot k$ and $k \neq 0$ then $n' = l$. Therefore $n' + 1 = l + 1 = m'$. End. End.

Hence $n' + 1 \in \Phi$. Qed.

Thus every natural number is contained in Φ (by ARITHMETIC_01_4764664342773760). Therefore if $n \cdot k = m \cdot k$ then $n = m$. \square

Corollary 0.12. Let n, m, k be natural numbers. Assume $k \neq 0$. If $k \cdot n = k \cdot m$ then $n = m$.

Proof. Assume $k \cdot n = k \cdot m$. We have $k \cdot n = n \cdot k$ and $k \cdot m = m \cdot k$. Hence $n \cdot k = m \cdot k$. Thus $n = m$ (by ARITHMETIC_06_31055184658432). \square