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$$d). S = \mathbb{Z} \quad a * b = \frac{a^2 + 2ab + b^2}{a+b} = \frac{(a+b)^2}{a+b}$$

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$$e). S = \mathbb{Z} \quad a * b = a + b - ab$$

- $a * b \in S \quad (\forall) a, b \in S$ it is a binary operation

• commutative:

$$a * b = a + b - ab \quad \text{so} \quad a * b = b * a \\ b * a = b + a - ba \quad (\forall) a, b \in S'$$

• associative:

$$(a * b) * c = (a + b - ab) * c = \\ = a + b - ab + c - (a + b - ab)c \\ = a + b - ab + c - ac - bc + abc$$

$$a * (b * c) = a * (b + c - bc) = \\ = a + b + c - bc - a(b + c - bc) = \\ = a + b + c - bc - ab - ac + abc$$