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HW11 Key

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(1) Sufficient to prove $(-1)a + a = 0$. In fact, by distributive law $(-1)a + a = [(-1) + 1]a = 0a = 0$.

(2)(a) Direct computation.

(b) $r(1 - r) = 0$

(3)(a) $r + r = (r + r)^2 = r^2 + r^2 + r^2 + r^2 = r + r + r + r \implies r + r = 0$.

(b) $(r + s)(r + s) = (r + s) \implies r^2 + sr + rs + s^2 = r + s \implies r + s + sr + rs + s = r + s \implies sr = rs$.

(4) $b = b1 = bab$ Since b is not a zero divisor, $1 = ba$ by canceling b both sides.

(5) By showing

(i) F is a commutative subring with identity.

(ii) Every non-zero matrix in F is invertible (determinant $a^2 + b^2$), and inverse still in F .