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① let R be a ring. let $a, b \in R$

② $a \times 0 = a \times (0+0) = a \times 0 + a \times 0 \Rightarrow \underline{a \times 0 = 0}$ ✓

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③ $0 = a + (-a)$
 $= 0 \times a = (1 + (-1)) \times a = 1 \times a + (-1) \times a = a + (-1) \times a$

$\Rightarrow a + (-a) = a + (-1) \times a \Rightarrow \underline{-a = (-1) \times a}$ ✓

④ $0 = a \times b - (a \times b)$
 $= 0 \times b = (a - a) \times b = a \times b + (-a) \times b$

$\Rightarrow a \times b - (a \times b) = a \times b + (-a) \times b \Rightarrow \underline{-(a \times b) = (-a) \times b}$ ✓

② describe explicitly the smallest subring of \mathbb{C} that contains the real cube root of 2:

$\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt[3]{2}] = \{ \beta \in \mathbb{C} \mid \beta = a_0 + a_1 \sqrt[3]{2} + a_2 (\sqrt[3]{2})^2 \text{ where } a_i \in \mathbb{Z} \}$ ✓
 please justify your answer.

③ ring or not?

② U is an arbitrary set, and R is the set of subsets of U . Addition and Multiplication of elts. of R are defined by the rules $A+B = (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$ and $A \cdot B = A \cap B$.

(hint: characteristic functions?) let $A, B, C \in R$.

- ① identity: $A + \emptyset = A \cup \emptyset - (A \cap \emptyset) = A - \emptyset = A$ ✓
- ② inverse: $A + A = A \cup A - (A \cap A) = A - A = \emptyset$ ✓
- ③ associative? (char. fun \rightarrow membership table) ✓

A	B	C	A+B	(A+B)+C	B+C	A+(B+C)
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	0	0	0

OK ---
 again, please explain.

$R, \times ?$

- ④ abelian ✓ $A \cdot B = (A \cap B) - (A \cap B) = (B \cap A) - (B \cap A) = B + A$ ✓
- ⑤ $1 = U$: $U \cdot A = U \cap A = A$ ✓
- ⑥ associative: $(A \cdot B) \cdot C = (A \cap B) \cap C$. $x \in (A \cap B) \cap C \Leftrightarrow x \in A \cap B \wedge x \in C$
 $\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in B \wedge x \in C$
 $\Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in B \cap C$
 $\Leftrightarrow x \in A \cap (B \cap C)$
 $\Rightarrow (A \cdot B) \cdot C = (A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C) = A \cdot (B \cdot C)$ ✓

distributive?

- ⑦ commutative? $A \cdot B = A \cap B = B \cap A = B \cdot A$ ✓
- ⑧ distributive? $(A+B) \cdot C = AC + BC$ ✓
 characteristic fun \rightarrow membership table (next page).

A	B	C	A+B	(A+B)C	AC	BC	A+BC
1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$-8 \Rightarrow R$ is a ring.



⑥ R is the set of continuous functions $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Addition + Multiplication: $[f+g](x) = f(x) + g(x)$
 $[f \circ g](x) = f(g(x))$

not a ring. $\circ R^+$ forms abelian group (group of continuous fens)

\circ multiplication is not commutative: let $f(x) = x^2, g(x) = 2x$. $f(g(x)) = 4x^2$
 $g(f(x)) = 2x^2$.

\circ multiplication is associative: $[(f \circ g) \circ h](x) = f(g(h(x))) = f(g \circ h(x)) = f \circ (g \circ h)(x)$.

\circ multi identity: $f(x) = x$. let $g \in R$. $f \circ g(x) = f(g(x)) = g(x)$,
 $g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = g(x)$.

\circ distributive? yes on the left at least. $\forall f, g, h \in R$

(let $\theta(x) = (f+g)(x)$)
 $((f+g) \circ h)(x) = f(h(x)) + g(h(x)) = f \circ h(x) + g \circ h(x) = (f+h) \circ h(x)$.

④ for which $n \in \mathbb{N}$ does $x^2 + x + 1 \mid x^4 + 3x^3 + x^2 + 7x + 5$ in $[\mathbb{Z}/(n)] [x]$?

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + x + 1 \overline{) x^4 + 3x^3 + x^2 + 7x + 5} \\ \underline{-x^4 - x^3 - x^2 - x - 1} \\ 2x^3 + 0x^2 + 7x + 5 \\ \underline{-2x^3 - 2x^2 - 2x - 0} \\ -2x^2 + 5x + 5 \\ \underline{+2x^2 + 2x + 1} \\ 7x + 7 \end{array}$$

$7x + 7 = 0 \Rightarrow n \in \{7, 13, \dots\}$
 $(n \mid 7)$ ✓

*⑤ find generators for the kernels of ...

coherently
 I struggled to formalize these, see last page for my attempt

① $\mathbb{R}[x, y] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ st. $f(x, y) \mapsto f(0, 0) \circ \ker = (x, y)$ ✓

② $\mathbb{R}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ st. $f(x) \mapsto f(2+i) \circ f(2+i) = 0 \Rightarrow (x - (2+i))(x - (2-i)) = x^2 - 4x + 5 \Rightarrow \ker = (x^2 - 4x + 5)$ ✓

③ $\mathbb{Z}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ st. $f(x) \mapsto f(1 + \sqrt{2}) \circ f(1 + \sqrt{2}) = 0 \Rightarrow (x - (1 + \sqrt{2}))(x - (1 - \sqrt{2})) = x^2 - 2x - 1 \Rightarrow \ker = (x^2 - 2x - 1)$ ✓

④ $\mathbb{Z}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ st. $x \mapsto \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} \circ \mapsto (x - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}))(x - (\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3})) = x^2 - 5 - 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3}x + 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3} = x^2 - 5 - 2\sqrt{6}x \Rightarrow \ker = (x^2 - 10x^2 + 9)$ ✓

⑤ $\mathbb{C}[x, y, z] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[t]$ st. $x \mapsto t, y \mapsto t^2, z \mapsto t^3 \circ (x^2 - y), (y^3 - z), (x^3 - z) \in \ker \dots$

$\hookrightarrow (x^2 - y, x^3 - z) \mapsto (y - x^2, z - x^3)$ ✓
 (for convenience)

⑥ an elt. $a \in R$ is a unit if $\exists b \in R$ st. $ab=1$. Let $R = \mathbb{Z}[i]$ be the ring of Gaussian integers. show that the units of R are $1, -1, i, -i$.

claim: $a \in R_0$ is a unit iff $(a) = R_0$. (let R_0 be a ring).
 ignore $(\Rightarrow) R_0 = (1) \Rightarrow$ if $a \in R_0$ is unit, then $\exists b \in R_0$ st. $ab=1 \Rightarrow 1 \in (a) \Rightarrow (a) = R_0$.
 $(\Leftarrow) (a) = R_0 \Rightarrow \exists r_1, \dots, r_k \in R_0$ st. $ra + \dots + r_k a = 1 \Rightarrow a(\underbrace{r_1 + \dots + r_k}_{\in R_0}) = 1 \Rightarrow a$ is a unit. \square

back to problem at hand: let $R = \mathbb{Z}[i]$. let $x \in R$ be a unit. will show: $x \in \{1, -1, i, -i\}$. let $S = \{x \in R \mid \exists y \in R \text{ st. } xy=1\}$.

$x \in S \Rightarrow \exists y \in R$ st. $x^{-1} = y \Rightarrow (y^{-1} = x \Rightarrow y \in S) \Rightarrow S^{\times}$ is an abelian group. $\Rightarrow S$ is a field.

② let $z = a+bi \in S \Rightarrow z^{-1} \in S \subset R \Rightarrow \exists a', b' \in \mathbb{Z}$ st. $z^{-1} = a'+b'i$.

$z^{-1} = \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{a+bi} = \frac{1}{a+bi} \frac{(a-bi)}{(a-bi)} = \frac{a-bi}{a^2+b^2} = \frac{a}{a^2+b^2} - \frac{b}{a^2+b^2}i = a'+b'i \Rightarrow a' = \frac{a}{a^2+b^2} \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $b' = \frac{-b}{a^2+b^2} \in \mathbb{Z}$
 $\Rightarrow a^2+b^2=1$. $a^2 \geq 0$ and $b^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow (a,b) \in \{(1,0), (0,1), (-1,0), (0,-1)\}$.
 $\Rightarrow z \in \{1, -1, i, -i\} \Rightarrow \{1, -1, i, -i\} \supseteq S$. \checkmark

③ $\{1, -1, i, -i\} \subseteq S$: $(1)(1)=1 \Rightarrow 1$ is unit. $(-1)(-1)=1 \Rightarrow -1$ is unit. $i(-i)=1, (-i)i=1 \Rightarrow i, -i$ are units.

\therefore ②, ③ $\Rightarrow S = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$. \checkmark

⑦ let R be a ring of prime characteristic p . (a ring R has characteristic n if the kernel of the unique homomorphism $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R$ is $n\mathbb{Z}$) Prove that the map $R \rightarrow R$ defined by $x \mapsto x^p$ is a ring homomorphism.

let R be ring of prime char. p . let $\varphi: R \rightarrow R$ be the Frobenius map. let $\phi_p: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R$ st. $\ker \phi_p = p\mathbb{Z}$. let $a, b \in R$.

$\phi_p(p) = \phi_p(0) = \phi_p(\underbrace{1+\dots+1}_{p \text{ times}}) = \underbrace{1+\dots+1}_{p \text{ times}} = 0$.

$\varphi(a+b) = (a+b)^p = \sum_{k=0}^p \binom{p}{k} a^{p-k} b^k$. (note: $\binom{p}{k} = \frac{p!}{k!(p-k)!}$ where $p \geq k$.
 \Rightarrow for $k \notin \{0, p\}$, $p \mid \binom{p}{k}$.
 $= a^p + 0 + \dots + b^p = a^p + b^p = \varphi(a) + \varphi(b)$. \checkmark

① $\varphi(ab) = (ab)^p = a^p b^p$ (R is commutative ring).
 $= \varphi(a)\varphi(b)$. \checkmark

② $\varphi(1) = 1^p = 1$. \checkmark

$\therefore \varphi$ is ring homomorphism.

(*) (5) (a) $\varphi: \mathbb{R}[x, y] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: f(x, y) \mapsto f(0, 0)$ claim: $\ker \varphi = (x, y)$

$$\mathbb{R}[x, y] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x][y] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x, y) \mapsto f_x(x, y) \mapsto f_x(x, 0) \mapsto f_x(0)$$

let $g \in \ker \varphi \Rightarrow g(x, y) = y g_1(x, y) + r(x, y) \Rightarrow r(x, y) = 0$ (y is principle in $\mathbb{R}[x, y]$)
 $\Rightarrow g_x(x) = x g_2(x) + r(x) \Rightarrow r(x) = 0$ (x is principle in $\mathbb{R}[x]$)
 $\Rightarrow g(x, y) = x p(x, y) + y q(x, y)$ for some $p, q \in \mathbb{R}[x, y]$
 $\therefore \ker \varphi = (x, y)$

(b) $\varphi: \mathbb{R}[z] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}: f(z) \mapsto f(2+i)$ claim: $\ker \varphi = (z^2 - 4z + 5)$

let $p(z) \in \ker \varphi \Rightarrow p(z) = (z^2 - 4z + 5)q(z) + r(z)$
 $\Rightarrow r(z) = \alpha z + \beta$ or $r(z) = 0$ (monic)
 suppose $r(z) = \alpha z + \beta$ for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$
 but $\Rightarrow 0 = 2+i + \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha = -(2+i) \Rightarrow \alpha \notin \mathbb{R} \neq$ contradiction
 $\Rightarrow (z^2 - 4z + 5)$ is smallest and $\mathbb{R}[z]$ is field.
 $\therefore \ker \varphi = (z^2 - 4z + 5)$

(c) $\varphi: \mathbb{Z}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: f(x) \mapsto f(1+\sqrt{2})$. claim: $\ker \varphi = (x^2 - 2x - 1)$
 note: $x^2 - 2x - 1 = (x - \sqrt{2})(x + \sqrt{2}) - (1 - 2)$

consider $\mathbb{Z}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. let $p(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x] \mapsto p'(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$
 $f(x) \mapsto f(x) \mapsto f(1+\sqrt{2})$

$\Rightarrow p'(x) = (x^2 - 2x - 1)q(x) + r(x) \Rightarrow r(x) \in \ker$ suppose $r(x) = x + \alpha$ w/ $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$
 $\Rightarrow 0 = 1 + \sqrt{2} + \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha = -(1 + \sqrt{2}) \Rightarrow \alpha \notin \mathbb{Q} \Rightarrow r(x) = 0 \neq$
 $\Rightarrow r(x) = 0 \Rightarrow (x^2 - 2x - 1)$ is smallest in \mathbb{Q} so ideal is principle.
 (coefficients are integers! so we're done) more importantly, leading 1.
 $\therefore \ker \varphi = (x^2 - 2x - 1)$

(d) $\mathbb{Z}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}: x \mapsto \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$ claim: $\ker = (x^4 - 10x^2 + 1)$

note: $x^4 - 10x^2 + 1 = (x - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}))(x - (-\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}))(x - (-\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}))(x - (\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}))$

similar to above: let $p(x) \in \ker$ and consider $\mathbb{Z}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$\Rightarrow p(x) = (x^4 - 10x^2 + 1)q(x) + r(x) \Rightarrow \deg(r(x)) \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$

(0) $\deg(r) = 0 \Rightarrow r(x) \notin \ker \neq$

(1) $\deg(r) = 1 \Rightarrow r(x) = x - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}) \Rightarrow r(x) \notin \mathbb{Q}[x] \neq$
 $\Rightarrow \deg(r(x)) \neq 3$ (b/c we know how $x^4 - 10x^2 + 1$ factors)

(2) $\deg(r) = 2 \Rightarrow r(x) = (x - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}))g(x)$ where $\deg(g(x)) = 1$
 but the product of any two first deg. poly factors of $x^4 - 10x^2 + 1$ is not in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$. (contains $\sqrt{6}$ term).
 $\Rightarrow r(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \ker_{\mathbb{R}} = (x^4 - 10x^2 + 1)$

$\therefore \ker = (x^4 - 10x^2 + 1)$

(e) $\mathbb{C}[x, y, z] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[t]: x \mapsto t, y \mapsto t^2, z \mapsto t^3$ (stepping along)

let $p(x, y, z) \in \ker \Rightarrow p(t, t^2, t^3) = 0$ clearly $y - x^2, z - x^3 \in \ker$

$p(x, y, z) = (z - x^3)g(x, y, z) + r(x, y, z) \Rightarrow \deg(r(x, y, z)) < 1 \Rightarrow r(x, y, z) = 0$

$\Rightarrow p(x, y) = (y - x^2)g(x, y) + r(x, y) \Rightarrow \deg(r(x, y)) < 1 \Rightarrow r(x, y) = 0$

$p(x, y, z) = (y - x^2)(z - x^3)g(x, y, z) + r(x, y, z) \Rightarrow \deg(r(x, y, z)) < 1 \Rightarrow r(x, y, z) = 0$

$\therefore \ker = (y - x^2, z - x^3)$. (what about $y^3 - z^2$?)

A solution of Problem ③ using the hint (and avoiding dealing with venn diagrams.).

Recall $\mathcal{R} = \text{Set of subsets of a set } U$.

Define $\mathcal{S} = \text{Set of functions from } U \text{ to } \{0,1\}$.

Then there is a bijection $\mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ defined as follows

A subset $A \subset U \mapsto$ the function I_A defined by

$$I_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin A. \end{cases}$$

The inverse is

$$\{x \in U \mid f(x)=1\} \longleftarrow f$$

Now, let us interpret \cap and \times defined on \mathcal{R} in terms of \mathcal{S} .

We get $A \cap B \rightsquigarrow I_A \cdot I_B$ (with the usual definition of product function)

$$A \oplus B = A \cup B \setminus A \cap B \rightsquigarrow I_A + I_B \pmod{2}$$

Indeed, $x \in A \cup B \setminus A \cap B$ iff $x \in$ exactly one of A or B .

But $\cdot, + \pmod{2}$ clearly make \mathcal{S} a ring.

$\Rightarrow \cap, \oplus$ must make \mathcal{R} a ring.

8. Decide whether the following series converge or diverge. Clearly indicate the test(s) you use.

(a) (4 points) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{4^n + 3^n}{5^n}$

(b) (4 points) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(1/n)$