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Exercise 1. (7 points)

1)

a) the negation is given by

$\exists x \in \mathbb{R} : 2x \leq x$(1pt)

b) the negation of proposition (b) is given by

$\exists x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0 \wedge 2x \leq x$(1pt)

c) the negation is given by

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad 5n + 11 \neq 3n + 14$(1pt)

d) the negation is given by

$\exists \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R} \quad \varepsilon > 0 \wedge \forall n \in \mathbb{N}^* : \frac{1}{n} \geq \varepsilon$(1pt)

2)

proposition (a) is false because its negation is true.

proposition (b) is true. For the proof, we proceed as follows

let $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

suppose that $x > 0$ hence $2x = x + x > x$

this completes the proof.....(3pt)

3)

proposition (c) is false. Solving the equation $5n + 11 = 3n + 14$

we find that the only solution is $n = \frac{3}{2}$, or $\frac{3}{2} \notin \mathbb{N}$

Therefore

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : \quad 5n + 11 \neq 3n + 14$

is true, or proposition " $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad 5n + 11 = 3n + 14$ " is false.

Exercise 2.

1) $\mathcal{R}$ is reflexive because:

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad e^x \leq e^x$, So, $x\mathcal{R}x$(1.5pt)

2) $\mathcal{R}$ is not symmetric because:

$\exists 0, 1 \in \mathbb{R}, \quad e^0 = 1 \leq e^1$ but $e^1 \not\leq e^0$(1.5pt)

3) $\mathcal{R}$ is anti-symmetric because:

$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x\mathcal{R}y \wedge y\mathcal{R}x \Leftrightarrow e^x \leq e^y \wedge e^y \leq e^x$
 $\Rightarrow e^x = e^y \Leftrightarrow x = y$(1.5pt)

4) $\mathcal{R}$ is transitive because:

$\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x\mathcal{R}y \wedge y\mathcal{R}z \Leftrightarrow e^x \leq e^y \wedge e^y \leq e^z \Rightarrow e^x \leq e^z \Leftrightarrow x\mathcal{R}z$(1.5pt)

In conclusion $\mathcal{R}$ is an order relation but it is not an equivalence relation.

Exercise 3.

1) $(x, y) + (x', y') = (x + x', y + y') \in A$ so the law $+$ is internal.....(0.5pt)

Let $(x, y), (x', y'), (x'', y'') \in A$, we have:

$$(x, y) + [(x', y') + (x'', y'')] = (x, y) + (x' + x'', y' + y'') \\ = (x + (x' + x''), y + (y' + y''))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= ((x + x') + x'', (y + y') + y'') \\
&= [(x, y) + (x', y')] + (x'', y'').
\end{aligned}$$

So the law $+$ is associative.....(1pt)

Let $(x, y), (x', y') \in A$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
(x, y) + (x', y') &= (x + x', y + y') \\
&= (x' + x, y' + y) \\
&= (x', y') + (x, y).
\end{aligned}$$

So the $+$ law is commutative.....(1pt)

Let $(a, b) \in A = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$, such that $(x, y) + (a, b) = (x, y)$,
it is clear that $(a, b) = (0, 0)$ is the unique neutral element.....(1pt)

Let $(x', y') \in A = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ such that $(x, y) + (x', y') = (0, 0)$
this is equivalent to:

$$(x + x', y + y') = (0, 0) \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x + x' = 0 \\ y + y' = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x' = -x \\ y' = -y \end{cases}$$

So the symmetric of (x, y) is $(-x, -y)$(1pt)

So $(A, +)$ is a commutative group.

2)

a) $\forall (x, y), (x', y') \in A : (x, y) \star (x', y') = (xx', xy' + x'y)$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (x'x, y'x + yx') \\
&= (x'x, x'y + xy') \\
&= (x', y') \star (x, y)
\end{aligned}$$

So $\star$ is commutative.....(0.5pt)

b) $\forall (x, y), (x', y'), (x'', y'') \in A :$

$$\begin{aligned}
[(x, y) \star (x', y')] \star (x'', y'') &= (xx', xy' + x'y) \star (x'', y'') \\
&= (xx'x'', xx'y'' + x''(xy' + x'y)) \\
&= (xx'x'', xx'y'' + x''xy' + x''x'y) \dots\dots\dots (1) \\
(x, y) \star [(x', y') \star (x'', y'')] &= (x, y) \star (x'x'', x'y'' + x''y') \\
&= (xx'x'', x(x'y'' + x''y') + x'x''y) \\
&= (xx'x'', xx'y'' + xx'y' + x'x''y) \\
&= (xx'x'', xx'y'' + x''xy' + x'x''y) \dots\dots\dots (2)
\end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2) we find that:

$$[(x, y) \star (x', y')] \star (x'', y'') = (x, y) \star [(x', y') \star (x'', y'')]$$

So the law $\star$ is associative.....(0.5pt)

c)

Let $(e, f) \in A$ such that for all $(x, y) \in A$,

$$(x, y) \star (e, f) = (x, y) \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} xe = x \\ xf + ey = y \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} e = 1 \\ f = 0 \end{cases}$$

$(1, 0) \in A$ is the neutral element of A for the law $\star$(0.5pt)

d)

All the properties for a set with two laws to be a ring are in the previous questions except the distributivity of $\star$ with respect to addition (+) (to the left or to the right since the law $\star$ is commutative, it is moreover this commutativity which makes the ring commutative).

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \star [(x', y') + (x'', y'')] &= (x, y) \star (x' + x'', y' + y'') \\
 &= (x(x' + x''), x(y' + y'')) + (x' + x'')y \\
 &= (xx' + xx'', xy' + xy'' + x'y + x''y) \\
 &= (xx' + xx'', xy' + x'y + xy'' + x''y) \\
 &= (xx', xy' + x'y) + (xx'', xy'' + x''y) \\
 &= [(x, y) \star (x', y')] + [(x, y) \star (x'', y'')] \dots \dots \dots (1pt)
 \end{aligned}$$

And here $(A, +, \star)$ is a commutative ring.