

Gaussian Integers:

Sums of squares is an elementary question, whose solution requires some descent number theory.

Ex:

$$2 = 1+1, 5 = 1+4, 13 = 4+9$$

$$17 = 1+16, 29 = 4+25, 37 = 1+36.$$

$$\text{but } 3 \neq 1+1; 7 \neq 1+1, 1+4;$$

$$\text{And: } 11 \neq 1+1, 1+4, 4+4, 1+9.$$

Thm 1.1 Detect pattern.
Thm 1.1 For all prime numbers $p \neq 2$,
 one has:

$$p = a^2 + b^2 \text{ for some } a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}.$$

And: Definition of congruence.

To explain this phenomenon concerning $\mathbb{Z}$, take $\mathbb{Z}[i]$.

$$\mathbb{Z}[i] = \{a + bi : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$$
$$i^2 = -1.$$

Ans: Compute $(x + iy)(x - iy)$.

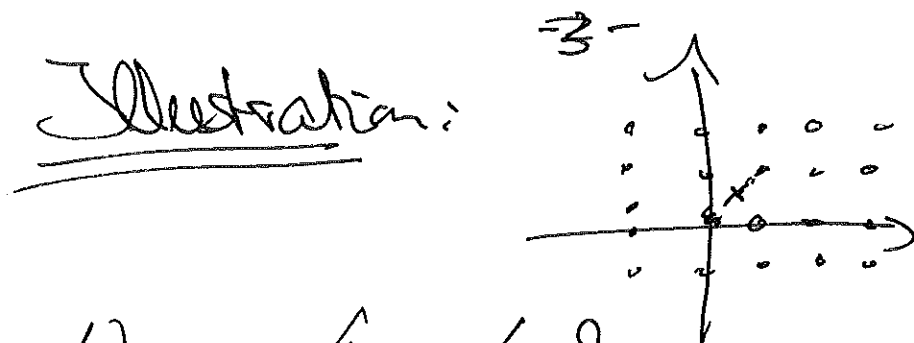
$p = (x + iy)(x - iy)$ yields factorization in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$.

Ans: Recall def. of euclidean rings.

Recall def. of unique factorization ring.

Fact: A ring R commutative, and unital that is euclidean is unique factorization.

Prop 1.2 and proof.



Norm from book

Ans: Compute factorization of 29 and 11 in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$.

Fact (Wilson's thm): A positive integer n is prime if and only if

$$(n-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{n}.$$

Ans: Verify non-prime case. ~~if~~ Sketch proof.

Proof of Thm 1.1. from book

Ans: Recall def of units, irreducible, and prime.

Fact: If A is an integral domain, then every prime elt is irred.

Ex: $\mathbb{Z}[x]/x^2$ with prime elt $x = (1+x)x$

Def A number a is a unit iff $\mu(a) = 1$. (Ex. 1)

Prop 1.3 from book (proof).

Recall associate dts.

Thm 1.4 from book incl proof

Ex: Factor 2, 3, 7 in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$.

Prime decomposition from book.

Role of $\mathbb{Z}[i] \subset \mathbb{Q}(i)$:

Prop 1.5 from book incl. proof.

For Ex session! : Ex 2.

Ex ~~→~~ 2 : Ex 3.

Ex ~~→~~ 3 : Ex 3, 4, 5