

MATH1050 Proof-writing Exercise 3 (Answers and selected solution)

1. (a) —
(b) —
(c) —

(d) **Solution.**

Suppose s, t are Gaussian integers. By definition, $\operatorname{Re}(s), \operatorname{Im}(s), \operatorname{Re}(t), \operatorname{Im}(t)$ are integers.

- Note that $\bar{s} = \operatorname{Re}(s) - i\operatorname{Im}(s) = \operatorname{Re}(s) + i(-\operatorname{Im}(s))$.
Note that $\operatorname{Re}(s), -\operatorname{Im}(s)$ are integers.
Then, by definition, \bar{s} is a Gaussian integer.
- Note that $s + t = (\operatorname{Re}(s) + \operatorname{Re}(t)) + i(\operatorname{Im}(s) + \operatorname{Im}(t))$.
Then $\operatorname{Re}(s + t) = \operatorname{Re}(s) + \operatorname{Re}(t)$. Also, $\operatorname{Im}(s + t) = \operatorname{Im}(s) + \operatorname{Im}(t)$.
Since $\operatorname{Re}(s), \operatorname{Re}(t), \operatorname{Im}(s), \operatorname{Im}(t)$ are integers, $\operatorname{Re}(s + t)$ and $\operatorname{Im}(s + t)$ are integers.
Hence $s + t$ is a Gaussian integer.
- Note that $st = (\operatorname{Re}(s)\operatorname{Re}(t) - \operatorname{Im}(s)\operatorname{Im}(t)) + i(\operatorname{Re}(s)\operatorname{Im}(t) + \operatorname{Im}(s)\operatorname{Re}(t))$.
Then $\operatorname{Re}(st) = \operatorname{Re}(s)\operatorname{Re}(t) - \operatorname{Im}(s)\operatorname{Im}(t)$. Also, $\operatorname{Im}(st) = \operatorname{Re}(s)\operatorname{Im}(t) + \operatorname{Im}(s)\operatorname{Re}(t)$.
Since $\operatorname{Re}(s), \operatorname{Re}(t), \operatorname{Im}(s), \operatorname{Im}(t)$ are integers, $\operatorname{Re}(st)$ and $\operatorname{Im}(st)$ are integers.
Hence st is a Gaussian integer.

2. (a) —
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(d) **Solution.**

Let $u, v, w \in \mathbb{G}$. Suppose u is \mathbb{G} -divisible by v and v is \mathbb{G} -divisible by w .

Since u is \mathbb{G} -divisible by v , there exists some $s \in \mathbb{G}$ such that $u = sv$.

Since v is \mathbb{G} -divisible by w , there exists some $t \in \mathbb{G}$ such that $v = tw$.

Then $u = stw$. Since $s, t \in \mathbb{G}$, we have $st \in \mathbb{G}$ by the results in Question (1d).

Hence u is \mathbb{G} -divisible by w .