

Exercise 12

In exercises 1-5, determine the gcd of the given gaussian integers

- ** 1. $\gcd(3 + 2i, 2 + 3i)$
- ** 2. $\gcd(12, 9 - 3i)$
- ** 3. $\gcd(5 - 5i, 3 + i)$
- ** 4. $\gcd(99, 17)$
- ** 5. $\gcd(13 + 2i, 7 - 11i)$

In exercises 6-10, factorise the given gaussian integer into (gaussian) primes.

- ** 6. $3 + 5i$
- ** 7. $5 + 3i$
- *** 8. $23 + 17i$
- ** 9. $11 + 2i$
- ** 10. $29 - i$

In exercises 11-15, either express the given number as a sum of two squares, or else show that this is not possible.

- ** 11. 233
- ** 12. 317
- ** 13. 613
- ** 14. 1009
- ** 15. 2010
- *** 16. Find a formula expressing

$$(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + t^2)(X^2 + Y^2 + Z^2 + T^2)$$

as a sum of 4 squares.

- *** 17. Show that every prime p can be expressed as a sum of 4 squares.
- ** 18. Deduce from the last 2 exercises that every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ can be expressed as a sum of 4 squares.
- ** 19. Show that if $n \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$ then n cannot be expressed as a sum of 3 squares.
- *** 20. Show that if $n = 4^e(8m + 7)$ then n cannot be expressed as a sum of 3 squares.

*** 21. Suppose $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ is prime. If $p = m^2 + n^2$, find $u, v \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$2p = u^2 + v^2,$$

and show that this representation of $2p$ as a sum of 2 squares is unique.

**** 22. Show that if p is a prime such that

$$2p = n^2 + 1$$

then p is the sum of the squares of two consecutive integers.

*** 23. Show that if the prime $p = m^2 + n^2$ and $p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{10}$ then

$$5 \mid xy.$$

*** 24. Find the smallest $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n, n + 1, n + 2$ are each a sum of 2 squares, but none is a perfect square.

**** 25. Show that there are arbitrarily long gaps between successive integers expressible as a sum of 2 squares.