

2. Simplify each of the following expressions, expressing your answer in the form of a Gaussian integer  $a + bi$ .
- a)  $(-1 + i)^3(1 + i)^3$       b)  $(3 + 2i)(3 - i)^2$       c)  $(2 + i)^2(5 - i)^3$
- 3. Determine whether the Gaussian integer  $\alpha$  divides the Gaussian integer  $\beta$  if
- a)  $\alpha = 2 - i, \beta = 5 + 5i$ .      c)  $\alpha = 5, \beta = 2 + 3i$ .  
 b)  $\alpha = 1 - i, \beta = 8$ .      d)  $\alpha = 3 + 2i, \beta = 26$ .
4. Determine whether the Gaussian integer  $\alpha$  divides the Gaussian integer  $\beta$ , where
- a)  $\alpha = 3, \beta = 4 + 7i$ .      c)  $\alpha = 5 + 3i, \beta = 30 + 6i$ .  
 b)  $\alpha = 2 + i, \beta = 15$ .      d)  $\alpha = 11 + 4i, \beta = 274$ .
5. Give a formula for all Gaussian integers divisible by  $4 + 3i$  and display the set of all such Gaussian integers in the plane.
6. Give a formula for all Gaussian integers divisible by  $4 - i$  and display the set of all such Gaussian integers in the plane.
7. Show that if  $\alpha, \beta$ , and  $\gamma$  are Gaussian integers and  $\alpha \mid \beta$  and  $\beta \mid \gamma$ , then  $\alpha \mid \gamma$ .
8. Show that if  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \mu$ , and  $\nu$  are Gaussian integers and  $\gamma \mid \alpha$  and  $\gamma \mid \beta$ , then  $\gamma \mid (\mu\alpha + \nu\beta)$ .
- 9. Show that if  $\epsilon$  is a unit for the Gaussian integers, then  $\epsilon^5 = \epsilon$ .
10. Find all Gaussian integers  $\alpha = a + bi$  such that  $\bar{\alpha} = a - bi$ , the conjugate of  $\alpha$ , is an associate of  $\alpha$ .
- 11. Show that the Gaussian integers  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are associates if  $\alpha \mid \beta$  and  $\beta \mid \alpha$ .
- 12. Show that if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are Gaussian integers and  $\alpha \mid \beta$ , then  $N(\alpha) \mid N(\beta)$ .
- 13. Suppose that  $N(\alpha) \mid N(\beta)$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are Gaussian integers. Does it necessarily follow that  $\alpha \mid \beta$ ? Supply either a proof or a counterexample.
14. Show that if  $\alpha$  divides  $\beta$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are Gaussian integers, then  $\bar{\alpha}$  divides  $\bar{\beta}$ .
15. Show that if  $\alpha = a + bi$  is a nonzero Gaussian integer, then  $\alpha$  has exactly one associate  $c + di$  (including  $\alpha$  itself), where  $c > 0$  and  $d \geq 0$ .
16. For each pair of values for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , find the quotient  $\gamma$  and the remainder  $\rho$  when  $\alpha$  is divided by  $\beta$  computed following the construction in the proof of Theorem 14.6, and verify that  $N(\rho) < N(\beta)$ .
- a)  $\alpha = 14 + 17i, \beta = 2 + 3i$       c)  $\alpha = 33, \beta = 5 + i$   
 b)  $\alpha = 7 - 19i, \beta = 3 - 4i$
- 17. For each pair of values for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , find the quotient  $\gamma$  and the remainder  $\rho$  when  $\alpha$  is divided by  $\beta$  computed following the construction in the proof of Theorem 14.6, and verify that  $N(\rho) < N(\beta)$ .
- a)  $\alpha = 24 - 9i, \beta = 3 + 3i$       c)  $\alpha = 87i, \beta = 11 - 2i$   
 b)  $\alpha = 18 + 15i, \beta = 3 + 4i$
18. For each pair of values for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in Exercise 16, find a pair of Gaussian integers  $\gamma$  and  $\rho$  such that  $\alpha = \beta\gamma + \rho$  and  $N(\rho) < N(\beta)$  different from that computed following the construction in Theorem 14.6.

19. For each pair of values for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in Exercise 17, find a pair of Gaussian integers  $\gamma$  and  $\rho$  such that  $\alpha = \beta\gamma + \rho$  and  $N(\rho) < N(\beta)$  different from that computed following the construction in Theorem 14.6.
20. Show that for every pair of Gaussian integers  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  with  $\beta \neq 0$  and  $\beta \nmid \alpha$ , there are at least two different pairs of Gaussian integers  $\gamma$  and  $\rho$  such that  $\alpha = \beta\gamma + \rho$  and  $N(\rho) < N(\beta)$ .
- \* 21. Determine all possible values for the number of pairs of Gaussian integers  $\gamma$  and  $\rho$  such that  $\alpha = \beta\gamma + \rho$  and  $N(\rho) < N(\beta)$  when  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are Gaussian integers and  $\beta \neq 0$ . (*Hint*: Analyze this geometrically by looking at the position of  $\alpha/\beta$  in the square containing it and with four lattice points as its corners.)
- 22. Show that if a number of the form  $r + si$ , where  $r$  and  $s$  are rational numbers, is an algebraic integer, then  $r$  and  $s$  are integers.
23. Show that  $1 + i$  divides a Gaussian integer  $a + ib$  if and only if  $a$  and  $b$  are both even or both odd.
24. Show that if  $\pi$  is a Gaussian prime, then  $N(\pi) = 2$  or  $N(\pi) \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .
25. Find all Gaussian primes of the form  $\alpha^2 + 1$ , where  $\alpha$  is a Gaussian integer.
26. Show that if  $a + bi$  is a Gaussian prime, then  $b + ai$  is also a Gaussian prime.
- 27. Show that the rational prime 7 is also a Gaussian prime by adapting the argument given in Example 14.6 that shows 3 is a Gaussian prime.
- 28. Show that every rational prime  $p$  of the form  $4k + 3$  is also a Gaussian prime.
29. Suppose that  $\alpha$  is a nonzero Gaussian integer which is neither a unit nor a prime. Show that a Gaussian integer  $\beta$  exists such that  $\beta \mid \alpha$  and  $1 < N(\beta) \leq \sqrt{N(\alpha)}$ .
30. Explain how to adapt the sieve of Eratosthenes to find all the Gaussian primes with norm less than a specified limit.
31. Find all the Gaussian primes with norm less than 100.
32. Display all the Gaussian primes with norm less than 200 as lattice points in the plane.
- We can define the notion of congruence for Gaussian integers. Suppose that  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  are Gaussian integers and that  $\gamma \neq 0$ . We say that  $\alpha$  is *congruent* to  $\beta$  modulo  $\gamma$  and we write  $\alpha \equiv \beta \pmod{\gamma}$  if  $\gamma \mid (\alpha - \beta)$ .
33. Suppose that  $\mu$  is a nonzero Gaussian integer. Show that each of the following properties holds.
- If  $\alpha$  is a Gaussian integer, then  $\alpha \equiv \alpha \pmod{\mu}$ .
  - If  $\alpha \equiv \beta \pmod{\mu}$ , then  $\beta \equiv \alpha \pmod{\mu}$ .
  - If  $\alpha \equiv \beta \pmod{\mu}$  and  $\beta \equiv \gamma \pmod{\mu}$ , then  $\alpha \equiv \gamma \pmod{\mu}$ .
34. Suppose that  $\alpha \equiv \beta \pmod{\mu}$  and  $\gamma \equiv \delta \pmod{\mu}$ , where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ , and  $\mu$  are Gaussian integers and  $\mu \neq 0$ . Show that each of these properties holds.
- $\alpha + \gamma \equiv \beta + \delta \pmod{\mu}$
  - $\alpha - \gamma \equiv \beta - \delta \pmod{\mu}$
  - $\alpha\gamma \equiv \beta\delta \pmod{\mu}$
35. Show that two Gaussian integers  $\alpha = a_1 + ib_1$  and  $\beta = a_2 + ib_2$  can be multiplied using only three multiplications of rational integers, rather than the four in the equation shown

in the text, together with five additions and subtractions. (*Hint:* One way to do this uses the product  $(a_1 + b_1)(a_2 + b_2)$ . A second way uses the product  $b_2(a_1 + b_1)$ .)

36. When  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, let  $\{a + bi\} = \{a\} + \{b\}i$ , where  $\{x\}$  is the closest integer to the real number  $x$ , rounding up in the case of a tie. Show that if  $z$  is a complex number, no Gaussian integer is closer to  $z$  than  $\{z\}$  and  $N(z - \{z\}) \leq 1/2$ .

Let  $k$  be a nonnegative integer. The *Gaussian Fibonacci number*  $G_k$  is defined in terms of the Fibonacci numbers with  $G_k = f_k + if_{k+1}$ . Exercises 37–39 involve Gaussian Fibonacci numbers.

37. a) List the terms of the Gaussian Fibonacci sequence for  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ . (Recall that  $f_0 = 0$ .)  
 b) Show that  $G_k = G_{k-1} + G_{k-2}$  for  $k = 2, 3, \dots$
38. Show that  $N(G_k) = f_{2k+1}$  for all nonnegative integers  $k$ .
39. Show that  $G_{n+2}G_{n+1} - G_{n+3}G_n = (-1)^n(2 + i)$ , whenever  $n$  is a positive integer.
40. Show that every Gaussian integer can be written in the form  $a_n(-1 + i)^n + a_{n-1}(-1 + i)^{n-1} + \dots + a_1(-1 + i) + a_0$ , where  $a_j = 0$  or  $1$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1, n$ .
- 41. Show that if  $\alpha$  is a number of the form  $r + si$ , where  $r$  and  $s$  are rational numbers and  $\alpha$  is a root of a monic quadratic polynomial with integer coefficients, then  $\alpha$  is a Gaussian integer.
42. What can you conclude if  $\pi = a + bi$  is a Gaussian prime and one of the Gaussian integers  $(a + 1) + bi$ ,  $(a - 1) + bi$ ,  $a + (b + 1)i$ , and  $a + (b - 1)i$  is also a Gaussian prime?
43. Show that if  $\pi_1 = a - 1 + bi$ ,  $\pi_2 = a + 1 + bi$ ,  $\pi_3 = a + (b - 1)i$ , and  $\pi_4 = a + (b + 1)i$  are all Gaussian primes and  $|a| + |b| > 5$ , then 5 divides both  $a$  and  $b$  and neither  $a$  nor  $b$  is zero.
44. Describe the block of Gaussian integers containing no Gaussian primes that can be constructed by first forming the product of all Gaussian integers  $a + bi$  with  $a$  and  $b$  rational integers,  $0 \leq a \leq m$ , and  $0 \leq b \leq n$ .
45. Find all Gaussian integers  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  such that  $\alpha\beta\gamma = \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$ .
46. Show that if  $\pi$  is a Gaussian prime with  $N(\pi) \neq 2$ , then exactly one of the associates of  $\pi$  is congruent to either 1 or  $3 + 2i$  modulo 4.

## 14.1 Computational and Programming Exercises

### Computations and Explorations

Using a computation program such as Maple or *Mathematica*, or programs you have written, carry out the following computations and explorations.

- Find all pairs of Gaussian integers  $\gamma$  and  $\rho$  such that  $180 - 181i = (12 + 13i)\gamma + \rho$  and  $N(\rho) < N(12 + 13i)$ .
- Use a version of the sieve of Eratosthenes to find all Gaussian primes with norm less than 1000.
- Find as many different pairs of Gaussian primes that differ by 2 as you can.