Chapter 1: Unique Factorization

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Exercise 1.31. Show that 2 is divided by $(1+i)^2 \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$.

The ring morphism $\mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}[i]$ corresponds to a map of schemes $f : \operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}[i]) \to \operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{Z})$. Suppose (p) is a prime ideal of \mathbb{Z} . Might find the points of $f^{-1}(p) \in \operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}[i])$.

Proof. $(1+i)^2 = 2i \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$. Thus $2 \mid (1+i)^2 \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$. \square