

# Can you find an Euler Totient implementation in Python for Gaussian Primes?

To compute Euler's totient function for Gaussian integers (including Gaussian primes) in Python, we need an implementation that handles Gaussian integer arithmetic and prime factorization. Here's a solution using Python's integers for precision:

### **Gaussian Integer Totient Function**

```
from gaussint import GaussInt # From the Number-Theory-Python repository [^6]
def gaussian_totient(z):
   Compute Euler's totient function for Gaussian integer z.
   Formula: \varphi(z) = |z|^2 * product(1 - 1/|p|^2) for distinct Gaussian primes p dividing z
   if z == GaussInt(0, 0):
        raise ValueError("Totient undefined for zero")
   # Factorize into Gaussian primes
   factors = {}
   for p in z.factors():
        p_norm = p.norm()
        factors[p_norm] = factors.get(p_norm, 0) + 1
   result = z.norm()
   for p_norm, exp in factors.items():
        result = result // p_norm # Integer division
        result *= (p_norm - 1)
   return result
```

## **Key Features**

- 1. Arbitrary Precision: Uses Python's native integers for exact calculations with large numbers
- 2. Gaussian Prime Handling:
  - Works for Gaussian primes  $(\phi(p) = |p|^2 1)$
  - Handles composite Gaussian integers using multiplicative property [1] [2]
- 3. **Efficiency**: Leverages existing factorization from gaussint.py

### **Example Usage**

```
# Gaussian prime with norm 2
p = GaussInt(1, 1)
print(gaussian_totient(p)) # Output: 1 (since |p|² - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1) [^2]

# Composite Gaussian integer (1+i)^2 * (2+i)
z = GaussInt(1, 1)**2 * GaussInt(2, 1)
print(gaussian_totient(z)) # Output: 8 [^2][^4]
```

#### **Implementation Notes**

- Factorization: Uses gaussint.factors() which implements Gaussian prime factorization [3]
- Norm Calculation: GaussInt.norm() returns a<sup>2</sup> + b<sup>2</sup> as Python int
- Avoids Floating Points: Uses integer arithmetic throughout via:
  - // for integer division
  - Multiplicative formula adaptation

#### **Comparison to Integer Totient**

For rational primes  $p \equiv 3 \mod 4$  (which remain prime in Gaussian integers):

```
# Prime 3 in integers vs Gaussian integers
print(gaussian_totient(GaussInt(3, 0)))  # Output: 8 (3² - 1 = 8)
print(euler_phi(3))  # Output: 2 (standard integer totient) [^3]
```

This implementation maintains exact integer results while handling both Gaussian primes and composite Gaussian integers. For cryptographic applications or number theory research requiring Gaussian integers, this provides a precise totient calculation without floating-point inaccuracies.



- 1. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gaussian\_integer
- 2. https://cp-algorithms.com/algebra/phi-function.html
- 3. https://eoinmackall.wordpress.com/2018/10/22/the-euler-phi-function-for-the-gaussian-integers/