

## SPRING 2025 MATH 540: QUIZ 10

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1. Give an example showing that the quotient and remainder found in the division algorithm over the Gaussian integers need not be unique. (5 points)

**Solution.** The point is to exploit the lack of uniqueness in the proof of the algorithm, when one approximates the real and imaginary parts of  $\frac{u}{v}$ , for  $u, v \in G$ .

Take  $u = 2 + 2i$  and  $v = 1 + 2i$ . Then  $\frac{u}{v} = 1.5 - .4i$ . So we make take  $q = q_0$  or  $q = 2$ . Then:

$$2 + 2i = 1 \cdot (1 + 2i) + 1, \text{ with } N(1) = 1 < 4 = N(1 + 2i)$$

$$2 + 2i = 2 \cdot (1 + 2i) + -2i, \text{ with } N(2i) = 4 < 5 = N(1 + 2i).$$

2. Find a prime factorization in the Gaussian integers of  $10 + 15i$ . Be sure to justify your answer. You may use results from class. (5 points)

**Solution.**  $10 + 15i = 5(2 + 3i) = (1 - 2i)(1 + 2i)(2 + 3i)$ . Each of the three factors is a Gaussian prime since  $N(1 \pm 2i) = 5$  and  $N(2 + 3i) = 13$  are prime.