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Discussion: A04 Homework: 3

1. (a) Show that $\mathbb{Z}[w] = \{a + bw \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a subring of \mathbb{C} where $w = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{-3}}{2}$

Addition:

$$\left(a+b\left(\frac{-1+\sqrt{-3}}{2}\right)\right) - \left(c+d\left(\frac{-1+\sqrt{-3}}{2}\right)\right)$$

$$= \left((a-c) + (b+d)\left(\frac{-1+\sqrt{-3}}{2}\right)\right)$$

Multiplication:

$$\left(a + b \left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{-3}}{2} \right) \right) \cdot \left(c + d \left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{-3}}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$= ac + (ad + bc) \left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{-3}}{2} \right) + bd \left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{-3}}{2} \right)^{2}$$

$$= (ac - \frac{ad}{2} - \frac{bc}{2} - \frac{bd}{2}) + (ad + bc + bd) \frac{\sqrt{-3}}{2}$$

$$= ac - (ad + bc + bd) \frac{1}{2} + (ad + bc + bd) \frac{\sqrt{-3}}{2}$$

$$= ac + (ad + bc + bd) \frac{-1 + \sqrt{-3}}{2}$$

Hence shown $\mathbb{Z}[w]$ is a subring of \mathbb{C} .

(b) Show that the field of fraction of $\mathbb{Z}[w]$ is $\mathbb{Q}[w] = \{a + bw \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}.$