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Elementary Number Theory II						
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1. (8+12 pts.) a) Find two solutions of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 25$  in positive integers. (You can use  $\sqrt{18} = [4, \overline{4, 8}]$ ).

Let  $(x_n, y_n)$  be a solution of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 1$ , then  $x_n^2 - 18y_n^2 = 1$   
 $25(x_n^2 - 18y_n^2) = 25$

Fundamental sol. of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 1$  :  $(p_1, q_1)$

n	-2	-1	0	1	2
a <sub>n</sub>	<del>8</del>	4	4	4	8
p <sub>n</sub>	0	1	4	17	
q <sub>n</sub>	1	0	1	4	

$(x_1, y_1) = (17, 4)$  is the fundamental sol.

$(5x_1, 5y_1)$  is a solution of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 25$ .

$$(x_2 + y_2 \sqrt{18}) = (17 + 4\sqrt{18})^2 = (289 + 16 \cdot 18 + 136\sqrt{18}) = (579 + 136\sqrt{18})$$

So  $(579, 136)$  is a second sol. of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 25$

Then 2 sol. of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 25$  are  $(5 \cdot 17, 5 \cdot 4) = (85, 20)$  and  $(5 \cdot 579, 5 \cdot 136) = (2895, 680)$

b) What is the set of all solutions of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 25$ ?

We know that for the fundamental solution  $(x_1, y_1) = (17, 4)$  of the Pell's Equation  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 1$ , all solutions of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 1$  in positive integers are

$(x_n, y_n)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  where  $x_n + y_n \sqrt{18} = (x_1 + y_1 \sqrt{18})^n = (17 + 4\sqrt{18})^n$

Then all sol. of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 1$  in integers is  $\{(\pm 1, 0)\} \cup \{(\pm x_n, \pm y_n) \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$   
 In part a above we showed that if  $(x, y)$  is a sol. of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 1$ , then  $(5x, 5y)$  is a sol. of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 25$ . We now show that all sol. of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 25$  are of this form.

Let  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 25$ , then  $x^2 - 3y^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$  and  $x^2 + 2y^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ .  
 $x^2$  and  $y^2$  can be congruent to 0, 1 or 4 modulo 5. So  $x^2 + 2y^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$  implies

So  $x = 5a, y = 5b$ , and

$$x^2 - 18y^2 = 25a^2 - 18 \cdot 25b^2 = 25 \Rightarrow a^2 - 18b^2 = 1$$

Therefore any solution  $(x, y)$  of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 25$  is of the form  $(x, y) = (5a, 5b)$  where  $(a, b)$  is a sol. of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 1$ .

Therefore: solution set of  $x^2 - 18y^2 = 25$  is:

$$\{(\pm 5, 0)\} \cup \{(\pm 5x_n, \pm 5y_n) \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$$

$x_n, y_n$  as written above.

2. (10 pts.) Solve the system of equations  $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$ ,  $x + y + z = 90$  in positive integers.

$(x, y, z)$  is a solution  $\Leftrightarrow (y, x, z)$  is a solution.

$$x^2 + y^2 = z^2 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = k \cdot 2st, y = (s^2 - t^2)k, z = (s^2 + t^2)k \\ \text{or interchange } y \text{ and } x. \end{cases} \text{ for } k, s, t \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \\ s > t, \gcd(s, t) = 1, s \not\equiv t \pmod{2}$$

Then

$$x + y + z = k(2st + s^2 - t^2 + s^2 + t^2) = k \cdot 2s(s+t) = 90 \Rightarrow ks(s+t) = 45$$

$$k=1 \Rightarrow s(s+t) = 45, s=5, t=4 \Rightarrow (x, y, z) = (40, 9, 41) \text{ or } (9, 40, 41)$$

$$k=3 \Rightarrow s(s+t) = 15, s=3, t=2 \Rightarrow (x, y, z) = (36, 15, 39) \text{ or } (15, 36, 39)$$

$$k=5 \Rightarrow s(s+t) = 9 \text{ no } s, t \text{ or } 1, 1, 1.$$

$$k=9 \Rightarrow s(s+t) = 5 \text{ " " "}$$

$$k=15 \Rightarrow s(s+t) = 3 \text{ " " "}$$

$$k=45 \Rightarrow s(s+t) = 1 \text{ " " "}$$

3. (5+10 pts.) a) Fill in the blanks with appropriate Gaussian integers (no explanation is necessary):

Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$  be a Gaussian prime. If  $N(\alpha)$  divides a power of 3, then  $\alpha$  is an associate of 3.

If  $N(\alpha)$  divides a power of 5, then  $\alpha$  is an associate of either  $2+i$  or  $2-i$ .

If  $N(\alpha)$  divides a power of 13, then  $\alpha$  is an associate of either  $3+2i$  or  $3-2i$ .

b) How many distinct Gaussian integers  $\beta$  are there such that  $N(\beta) = 3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 13^2$ ? (Hint: Consider the factorization of  $\beta$  as a product of Gaussian primes. What can you say about the norms of these prime factors?)

$\beta = \pi_1 \pi_2 \pi_3 \pi_4$  (prime factorization in  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ ,  $\pi_i$ : Gaussian primes)

$$N(\beta) = 3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 13^2 = N(\pi_1) \cdot N(\pi_2) \cdot N(\pi_3) \cdot N(\pi_4)$$

After reordering  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3, \pi_4$  if necessary, we get  $N(\pi_1) | 3^2$ , so  $\pi_1$  is assoc. of  $3$

Note that  $N(\pi_i) = 2$  or  $p$  (where  $p$  is a prime,  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ) or  $q^2$  (where  $q$  is a prime,  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ )

$N(\pi_2) | 5 \Rightarrow N(\pi_2) = 5$   $N(\pi_3) = 13$   
 $\pi_2$  is an assoc. of  $2+i$  or  $2-i$

$N(\pi_3) = N(\pi_4) = 13$  so  $\pi_3, \pi_4$  are associates of  $3+2i$  or  $3-2i$

Then,  $\beta = \pi_1 \pi_2 \pi_3 \pi_4$  and

$\beta$  is an associate of  $3 \cdot (x) \cdot (y)$  where  $x = 2 \pm i$  (2 choices for  $x$ )

$y = (3+2i)^2$  or  $(3-2i)^2$  or  $(3+2i)(3-2i)$

$\beta$  is an associate of one of 6 choices for  $3xy$ .

(By unique factorization in  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ , no 2 of those 6 different choices are associates of each other.)

(2 choices for  $y$ )

For a nonzero  $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ , it has 4 distinct associates:  $\pm\gamma, \pm i\gamma$ .

Therefore, we have  $6 \cdot 4 = 24$  distinct such  $\beta$ .

Remark:  $\beta = x+iy \Rightarrow N(\beta) = x^2 + y^2 = 3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 13^2$

This question shows that  $585 = 3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 13$  can be written as a sum of 2 integers in 24 ways and as a sum of non-negative integers in 6 ways.

~~$(3+2i)^2$~~   
 ~~$(3-2i)^2$~~  are also associates.

4. (10 pts.) Show that  $I_{-21} = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-21}]$  is not a UFD (Hint: Factorize 22 in  $I_{-21}$ ).

$$22 = 2 \cdot 11 = (1 + \sqrt{-21})(1 - \sqrt{-21})$$

Claim: 2, 11,  $1 \pm \sqrt{-21}$  are all irreducible in  $I_{-21}$ :

$$N(1 + \sqrt{-21}) = 1^2 + 21 = 22 > 0$$

Proof of claim: If 2 is not irreducible  $2 = a \cdot b$ ,  $a, b$  nonunits  
 Similarly, if 11 is not irreducible, then  $11 = a' \cdot b'$ ,  $a', b'$  nonunits  
 $N(2) = N(a) \cdot N(b) = 4 = N(a) \cdot N(b)$   
 $N(11) = 121 = N(a') \cdot N(b')$   
 for some nonunits  $a, b$   
 $N(a) = N(b) = 2$   
 $N(a') = N(b') = 11$

since nonunits

Similarly, if  $1 \pm \sqrt{-21}$  is not irreducible,  $N(1 \pm \sqrt{-21}) = 22 = N(a) \cdot N(b)$  for nonunits  $a, b$   
 But  $N(x + y\sqrt{-21}) = x^2 + y^2 \cdot 21 = 2$  or 11 has no solution  $\left[ \begin{matrix} N(a) = 2 \text{ or } 11, \\ N(b) = 2 \text{ or } 11 \end{matrix} \right]$   
 $x, y$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Thus 2, 11,  $1 \pm \sqrt{-21}$  are all irreducible in  $I_{-21}$ .

2 is not associate of  $1 \pm \sqrt{-21}$  since  $|N(2)| = 4 \neq 22 = |N(1 \pm \sqrt{-21})|$   
 (For associate elements, abs. values of norms are equal)  
 So 22 is factored in 2 different ways into product of irreducibles.  $I_{-21}$  is not a UFD.

5. (3 x 6 pts.) a) Factorize the principal ideal (5) as a product of prime ideals in  $I_{10} = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{10}]$ .

$$\text{Tr}(\sqrt{10}) = 0, N(\sqrt{10}) = -10, f(x) = x^2 - \text{Tr}(\sqrt{10})x + N(\sqrt{10}) = x^2 - 10$$

$$f(x) = x^2 - 10 \equiv x^2 \pmod{5} \text{ in } \mathbb{Z}_2[x]$$

$$P_1 = (5, \sqrt{10}) \quad P_2 = (5, \sqrt{10})$$

Then by Dedekind's Thm,  $(5) = (5, \sqrt{10})^2 = P_1^2$  ( $P_1$  is a prime ideal)

b) Is the ideal  $(5, \sqrt{10})$  a principal ideal in  $I_{10}$ ?

From part a,  $P_1 = (5, \sqrt{10})$  is prime and  $N(5) = N(P_1^2) = (N(P_1))^2$   
 Assume  $P_1 = (\alpha)$  for some  $\alpha \in I_{10}$   
 $25 = (N(P_1))^2 \Rightarrow N(P_1) = 5$

$$\text{Then } 5 = N(P_1) = |N(\alpha)| \Rightarrow N(\alpha) = \pm 5$$

$$x^2 - 10y^2 = \pm 5 \Rightarrow 5 | x^2 \Rightarrow 5 | x \Rightarrow x = 5z$$

$$25z^2 - 10y^2 = \pm 5 \Rightarrow 5z^2 - 2y^2 = \pm 1 \Rightarrow 5z^2 + 2y^2 = 5z^2$$

Thus  $5z^2 - 2y^2 = \pm 1$  has no solution in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .  
 There is no  $\alpha$  such that  $|N(\alpha)| = 5$ , thus  $P_1$  is NOT a principal ideal.  
 (but  $y^2 \equiv 0, 1$  or  $4 \pmod{5}$   
 $5z^2 + 2y^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ )

c) Show that if  $n$  is odd, then the equation  $x^2 - 10y^2 = 5^n$  has no solution  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ .

$$x^2 - 10y^2 = 5^n \Rightarrow N(x + y\sqrt{10}) = 5^n$$

$(5) = P_1^2 \Rightarrow P_1$  is the only ideal of norm 5

$N(\mathfrak{B}) = 5 \Rightarrow \mathfrak{B} | (5) = P_1 \Rightarrow \mathfrak{B} = P_1$  since  $P_1$  is the only prime ideal

$$n = 2k + 1, k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow 5^n = 5^{2k+1} = 5^{2k} \cdot 5$$

If  $N(x + y\sqrt{10}) = 5^{2k+1} = N(P_1)^{2k+1} = N(P_1^{2k+1})$ , then  $(x + y\sqrt{10}) = P_1^{2k+1}$   
 So  $P_1$  is principal if a solution of  $x^2 - 10y^2 = 5^{2k+1}$  exists.

$[P_1^{2k+1}] = [P_1]^{2k+1} = [P_1]^{2k} \cdot [P_1] = [I_d]^{2k} \cdot [P_1] = [I_d]^{2k+1} \cdot [P_1]$   
 since  $P_1$  is not principal,  $[P_1] \notin [I_d]$   
 only ideal of norm 5  
 (because  $P_1$  is the only ideal of norm 5)

$P_1^2 = (5) \Rightarrow [P_1^2] = [I_d]$  - identity in the class group. So  $[P_1]$  has order 2 in the class group.  
 $[P_1^2] = [I_d] \Rightarrow [P_1] \cdot [P_1] = [I_d]$

6. (12 pts.) Show that  $I_{-19} = \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1+\sqrt{-19}}{2}]$  is a UFD (Hint: Use the theorem on Minkowski constants).

$$\text{Tr}\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{-19}}{2}\right) = 1, \quad N\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{-19}}{2}\right) = 5 \quad f = x^2 - \text{Tr}(w_{-19})x + N(w_{-19}) = x^2 - x + 5 \quad \Delta = 1^2 - 4 \cdot 5 \cdot 1 = -19$$

To show that  $I_{-19}$  is a UFD, it suffices to show that all ideals that divide  $(p)$  for primes  $p \leq \frac{2}{\pi} \sqrt{|D|}$  are principal

$$p \leq \frac{2}{\pi} \sqrt{|-19|} = \frac{2}{\pi} \sqrt{19} < \frac{2 \cdot 9}{\pi \cdot 2} = \frac{9}{\pi} < 3, \text{ so it suffices to consider } p=2.$$

$$f = x^2 - x + 5 \equiv x^2 + x + 1 \pmod{2}$$

$x^2 + x + 1$  is irreducible in  $\mathbb{Z}_2[x]$  (it has no roots in  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ ), then  $(2)$  is prime by Dedekind's Thm.

$\nexists \alpha \mid (2) \Rightarrow (\alpha) = (2)$  since  $(2)$  is a prime ideal of  $I_{-19}$

so  $\alpha \mid (2) \Rightarrow \alpha$  is principal ( $\alpha = (2)$ )

Therefore  $I_{-19}$  is a UFD.

7. (8+7 pts.) a) Let  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$  be a prime. Show that if  $p$  does not divide  $d$  and  $d$  is a squarefree integer, then either the principal ideal  $(p)$  is a prime ideal or  $(p) = \alpha\beta$  for two (not necessarily distinct) prime ideals  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in the ring of integers  $I_d$  of the quadratic extension  $Q(\sqrt{d})$ .

$p \nmid d \Rightarrow p \nmid d$  so  $(p) \neq (0)$ .

Thus,  $(p)$  factorizes as a product of prime ideals uniquely:

$$(p) = \alpha_1 \cdot \alpha_2 \cdot \alpha_3 \cdots \alpha_k \text{ where } \alpha_i \text{ are all prime ideals.}$$

$$p^2 = N((p)) = N(\alpha_1) \cdot N(\alpha_2) \cdots N(\alpha_k) \quad \left( N(\alpha_i) > 1 \text{ since } N(\alpha_i) = \left| \frac{I_d}{\alpha_i} \right| \right)$$

$p$  is prime in  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $N(\alpha_i) > 1$ ,  $N(\alpha_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^+$   $\Rightarrow$   $\begin{cases} k=1 \wedge N(\alpha_1) = p^2 \\ \text{or} \\ k=2, N(\alpha_1) = N(\alpha_2) = p \end{cases}$  and  $\alpha_i \neq I_d$

$k=1 \Rightarrow (p) = \alpha_1$  (a prime ideal)

$k=2 \Rightarrow (p) = \alpha_1 \alpha_2$ ,  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  are prime ideals,  $N(\alpha_1) = N(\alpha_2) = p$

(Take  $\alpha = \alpha_1$ ,  $\beta = \alpha_2$ , they may be equal or distinct)

b) Assume  $(p) = \alpha\beta$  as in part (a) above and suppose  $\alpha \neq \beta$  in  $I_d$ . How many ideals  $\delta$  are there in  $I_d$  such that  $N(\delta) = p^n$  where  $n$  is a positive integer, and what are these ideals  $\delta$ ?

$N(\alpha) = N(\beta) = p$  (as explained above)

Let  $\delta = \omega_1 \cdot \omega_2 \cdots \omega_r$  where  $\omega_i$  are prime ideals.

$$N(\delta) = p^n = N(\omega_1) \cdot N(\omega_2) \cdots N(\omega_r) \Rightarrow N(\omega_j) = p^{m_j} \text{ for some } m_j \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$N(\omega_j) \in \omega_j, \text{ so } (N(\omega_j)) \subseteq \omega_j$$

$$\omega_j \mid (N(\omega_j)) = (p^{m_j})$$

Thus each  $\omega_j$  is  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ , hence:

$$\delta = \alpha^s \cdot \beta^t \quad (s+t = r)$$

$$N(\delta) = p^n = N(\alpha^s) \cdot N(\beta^t) = (N(\alpha))^s \cdot (N(\beta))^t = p^s \cdot p^t = p^{s+t}$$

$$n = s+t$$

Therefore  $\delta = \alpha^s \cdot \beta^{n-s}$  for some  $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

There are  $n+1$  such ideals  $\delta$  with norm  $p^n$ .

$\omega_j$  is a prime ideal  
 $\omega_j \mid \alpha \vee \omega_j \mid \beta$   
 $\omega_j = \alpha \vee \omega_j = \beta$   
 (since  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are prime ideals)