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Recall:

- (1) $\mathbb{Z}[i] := \{a + bi | a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a unique factorization domain
- (2) The units in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ are ± 1 and $\pm i$ (i.e. $a + bi$ with $a^2 + b^2 = 1$)

ex:

$p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ is a prime. show p is not a prime in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$

pf:

we know $p = a^2 + b^2 \neq 1$ for some $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

Then $p = (a + bi)(a - bi)$ is not a prime.

ex:

$p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ is a prime. show p is a prime in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$

pf:

If $p = (a + bi)(c + di)$ in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$, where $a^2 + b^2 \neq 1$ and $c^2 + d^2 \neq 1$
then $p^2 = p\bar{p} = (a + bi)(c + di)(a + bi)(c + di) = (a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2)$
then $p = a^2 + b^2 = c^2 + d^2$ a contradiction to $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

ex:

$p = a^2 + b^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ is a prime

show that $a + bi, a - bi$ are primes in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$

pf: suppose $a + bi = \alpha\beta$ for some $\alpha\beta \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ not units

then $p = a^2 + b^2 = (a + bi)\overline{(a + bi)} = \alpha\beta\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta} = (\alpha\bar{\alpha})(\beta\bar{\beta})$

is factored into the product for two integers > 1 a contradiction.

ex:

$n \in \mathbb{Z}$ then $n = a^2 + b^2$ if and only if $n = 2^k m^2 p_1 p_2 \cdots p_t$

where $k, m, t \in \mathbb{N} \cup 0$ and $p_i \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ are primes.

(\Leftarrow)

$$2 = 1^2 + 1^2$$

$$m^2 = m^2 + 0^2$$

and $p_i = a_i^2 + b_i^2$ for some $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$n^2 = a^2 + b^2 \text{ for some } a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$$

(\Rightarrow)

It suffices to show each prime $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ appears even times in n as factorization in \mathbb{Z}

we have $n = (a + bi)\overline{(a + bi)}$

since p is a prime in $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ the number it appears in $a + bi$ is the same as it appears in $\overline{a + bi}$.