Exercise 1

Verify that

(a)
$$(\sqrt{2}-i)-i(1-\sqrt{2}i)=-2i;$$
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Solution

Part (a)

$$(\sqrt{2} - i) - i(1 - \sqrt{2}i) = \sqrt{2} - i - i + \sqrt{2}i^{2}$$

= $\sqrt{2} - 2i - \sqrt{2}$
= $-2i$

Part (b)

$$(2,-3)(-2,1) = (2-3i)(-2+i)$$

$$= -4+2i+6i-3i^{2}$$

$$= -4+8i+3$$

$$= -1+8i$$

$$= (-1,8)$$

Part (c)

$$(3,1)(3,-1)\left(\frac{1}{5},\frac{1}{10}\right) = (3+i)(3-i)\left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{10}i\right)$$
$$= (9-i^2)\left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{10}i\right)$$
$$= 10\left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{10}i\right)$$
$$= 2+i$$
$$= (2,1)$$