

Name: Solutions

Section: 100

Please complete the following exercises. Please answer individually (no collaboration).

1. Simplify each quantity to the form $a + bi$:

(a) $(\underline{3} + \underline{2i}) + (\underline{4} - \underline{7i})$

$$\boxed{7 - 5i}$$

(b) $(1 + i)^2$

$$\begin{aligned} (\underline{1} + \underline{i})(\underline{1} + \underline{i}) &= \underline{1} \cdot \underline{1} + 2 \cdot \underline{1} \cdot \underline{i} + \underline{i} \cdot \underline{i} = 1 + 2i + i^2 \\ &= 1 + 2i - 1 = \boxed{2i} \end{aligned}$$

(c) $(1 + i)^{-1}$

$$\frac{1}{1+i} \cdot \frac{1-i}{1-i} = \frac{1-i}{1^2 - i^2} = \frac{1-i}{1+1} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i}$$

← The conjugate of $1+i$

(d) $\frac{2i}{3+i}$

$$\frac{2i}{3+i} \cdot \frac{3-i}{3-i} = \frac{2i(3-i)}{3^2 - i^2} = \frac{6i - 2i^2}{9 + 1} = \frac{2 + 6i}{10} = \boxed{\frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{5}i}$$

(e) $|3 - 4i|$

$$\sqrt{3^2 + (-4)^2} = \sqrt{9 + 16} = \sqrt{25} = \boxed{5}$$

← Another conjugate

2. Give the roots to the quadratic equation $z^2 - 2z + 5$ as $z = x + iy$. ← It's still just the quadratic formula.

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 5}}{2 \cdot 1} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 20}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 4i}{2} \\ &= \boxed{1 \pm 2i} \end{aligned}$$

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3. If $z = x + iy$, describe the relationship between $|z|$ and z^{-1} .

Hint: Write down each of these in terms of x and y .

$$|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{x+iy} = \frac{1}{x+iy} \cdot \frac{x-iy}{x-iy} = \frac{x-iy}{x^2+y^2} = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2}$$

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Ah ha!

4. (a) Carefully compute the product $(2 + 3i)(-1 + 4i)$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \underline{2} \cdot \underline{(-1)} + \underline{(-1)} \cdot \underline{3i} + \underline{2} \cdot \underline{4i} + \underline{3i} \cdot \underline{4i} \\ & -2 - 3i + 8i + 12i^2 \\ & -2 + 5i - 12 = \boxed{-14 + 5i} \end{aligned}$$

(b) If you know linear algebra: Compute the product $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 4 \\ -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Even if you don't know linear algebra, I bet you can find a tool online that can multiply two matrices.

The answer will be :

$$\begin{pmatrix} -14 & 5 \\ -5 & -14 \end{pmatrix}$$

The correspondence is:

$$a + bi \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

5. Bonus: Considering the above, how would you relate $|2 + 3i|$ or $|-1 + 4i|$ to the respective matrices?

$$|2 + 3i| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 2^2 + 3^2 \quad !$$

$$\text{neat: } |z|^2 = \det(M_z)$$