

Complex numbers

specifications

Complex Numbers

Non-real roots of quadratic equations.

Sum, difference and product of complex numbers in the form $x+iy$.

Comparing real and imaginary parts.

Complex conjugates – awareness that non-real roots of quadratic equations with real coefficients occur in conjugate pairs.

Including solving equations e.g. $2z + z^* = 1+i$ where z^* is the conjugate of z .

The sets of numbers

The set of the Natural numbers:

$$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$$

Note: In some books, "0" is not considered a Natural number

The set of the Integers numbers:

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$$

The set of Rational numbers:

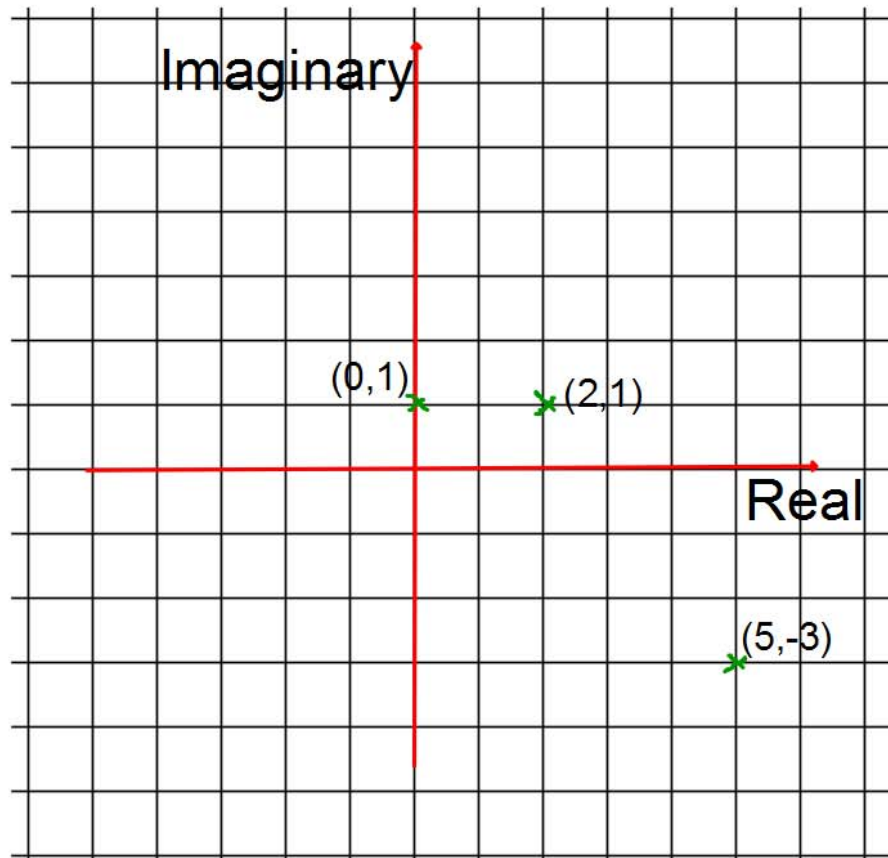
$$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{p}{q} \text{ with } p \in \mathbb{Z}, q \in \mathbb{N}, q \neq 0 \right\}$$

The set of Real numbers:

$$\mathbb{R} = \text{All rational and irrational numbers (} e, \pi, \sqrt{2}, \dots)$$

What's next?

To be able to solve equations like $x^2 = -1$
We consider numbers in "two dimensions"



These numbers are called
complex numbers:
 $z=(2,1)$, $i=(0,1)$, $w=(5,-3)$

Introducing new numbers is important,
but we also need to introduce
operations to manipulate them:

Rule of addition:

$$(a,b)+(c,d)=(a+c,b+d)$$

Rule of multiplication

$$(a,b)\times(c,d)=(ac-bd, ad+bc)$$

$$\lambda\times(a,b)=(\lambda a, \lambda b)$$

Work out

a) $z+w$

b) $z\times w$

c) $i\times z$

Let's make it simpler...

Work out

$$1) (0,1) \times (0,1) =$$

$$2) (5,0) + (0,1)(6,0) =$$

$$3) (3,0) - (0,1)(2,0) =$$

Note: The complex numbers of the type $(a,0)$ is simply written a
(it is effectively a Real number)

From this we can establish the following notation:

The complex number $(0,1)$ is called "i"
and we have $i^2 = (-1,0) = -1$

A complex number $z = (a,b) = (a,0) + (0,1)(b,0)$
can be written $z = a + ib$

where "a" and "b" are two real numbers

"a" is called the **REAL** part of z

"b" is called the **IMAGINARY** part of z

Rule of addition:

$$(a,b) + (c,d) = (a+b, c+d)$$

Rule of multiplication

$$(a,b) \times (c,d) = (ac - bd, ad + bc)$$

$$\lambda \times (a,b) = (\lambda a, \lambda b)$$

Complex numbers and operations

Adding and subtracting complex numbers

Consider two complex numbers

$$z_1 = a_1 + ib_1 \quad \text{and} \quad z_2 = a_2 + ib_2$$

Then $z_1 + z_2 = (a_1 + a_2) + i(b_1 + b_2)$

and $z_1 - z_2 = (a_1 - a_2) + i(b_1 - b_2)$

Examples:

$$z_1 = 3 + 2i \quad \text{and} \quad z_2 = -2 + 4i$$

$$z_1 + z_2 = 1 + 6i$$

$$z_1 - z_2 = 5 - 2i$$

Multiplying complex numbers

Consider two complex numbers

$$z_1 = a_1 + ib_1 \quad \text{and} \quad z_2 = a_2 + ib_2$$

Then $z_1 \times z_2 = (a_1 a_2 - b_1 b_2) + i(a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_1)$

(just expand the brackets like you would do in algebra)

Examples:

$$z_1 = 3 + 2i \quad \text{and} \quad z_2 = -2 + 4i$$

$$z_1 \times z_2 = (3 + 2i)(-2 + 4i) = -6 + 12i - 4i + 8i^2$$

$$z_1 \times z_2 = -14 + 8i$$

Complex conjugates

Consider the complex number $z = a + ib$

The complex conjugate of z is noted z^*

with $z^* = a - ib$

Examples:

$$z = 3 + 2i$$

$$z^* = 3 - 2i$$

EXERCISE

1 Simplify each of the following:

(a) i^5 , (b) i^6 , (c) i^9 , (d) i^{27} ,

(e) $(-i)^3$, (f) $(-i)^7$, (g) $(-i)^{10}$.

2 Simplify:

(a) $(2i)^3$, (b) $(3i)^4$, (c) $(7i)^2$,

(d) $(-2i)^2$, (e) $(-3i)^3$, (f) $(-2i)^5$.

3 Solve each of the following equations, giving your answers in terms of i :

(a) $x^2 = -9$, (b) $x^2 = -100$, (c) $x^2 = -49$,

(d) $x^2 + 1 = 0$, (e) $x^2 + 121 = 0$, (f) $x^2 + 64 = 0$,

(g) $x^2 + n^2 = 0$, where n is a positive integer.

4 Find the exact solutions of each of the following equations, giving your answers in terms of i :

(a) $x^2 = -5$, (b) $x^2 = -3$, (c) $x^2 = -8$,

(d) $x^2 + 20 = 0$, (e) $x^2 + 18 = 0$, (f) $x^2 + 48 = 0$.

- 1 (a) i ; (b) -1 ; (c) i ; (d) -1 ;
 2 (a) $-8i$; (b) 81 ; (c) -49 ; (d) -4 ;
 3 (a) $-3i, 3i$; (b) $-10i, 10i$; (c) $-7i, 7i$; (d) $-1, 1$;
 4 (a) $-\sqrt{5}i, \sqrt{5}i$; (b) $-\sqrt{3}i, \sqrt{3}i$; (c) $-2\sqrt{2}i, 2\sqrt{2}i$;
 (d) $-2\sqrt{5}i, 2\sqrt{5}i$; (e) $-3\sqrt{2}i, 3\sqrt{2}i$; (f) $-4\sqrt{3}i, 4\sqrt{3}i$;
 (g) $-ni, ni$

EXERCISE

1 Find the complex conjugate of each of the following:

- (a) $3 - i$, (b) $2 + 6i$, (c) $-3 - 8i$, (d) $-7 + 5i$,
 (e) $3 + \sqrt{2}i$, (f) $4 - \sqrt{3}i$, (g) $-1 - \frac{1}{3}i$

2 Simplify each of the following:

- (a) $(3 + i) + (5 - 2i)$, (b) $(3 + i) - (5 - 2i)$,
 (c) $3(3 - 5i) + 4(1 + 6i)$, (d) $3(3 - 5i) - 4(1 + 6i)$,
 (e) $4(8 - 5i) - 5(1 - 4i)$, (f) $6(3 - 4i) - 2(9 - 6i)$.

3 Simplify each of the following:

- (a) $(4 + i)(7 - 2i)$, (b) $(3 + 4i)(5 - 3i)$,
 (c) $(7 - 5i)(5 + 6i)$, (d) $3(3 - 5i)(4 + 3i)$,
 (e) $(8 - 5i)(8 - 5i)$, (f) $(3 - 4i)^2$.

4 Find the square of each of the following complex numbers:

- (a) $3 - i$, (b) $2 + 6i$,
 (c) $-3 - 8i$, (d) $-7 + 5i$,
 (e) $3 + \sqrt{2}i$, (f) $4 - \sqrt{3}i$.

5 The complex numbers z_1 and z_2 are given by $z_1 = 2 - 3i$ and $z_2 = -3 + 5i$.

Find: (a) $5z_1 + 3z_2$ (b) $3z_1 - 4z_2$ (c) z_1z_2

6 Given that z^* is the conjugate of z , find the values of

- (i) $z + z^*$, (ii) $z - z^*$, (iii) zz^*

for each of the following values of z :

- (a) $2 + 3i$, (b) $-4 + 2i$, (c) $-5 - 3i$, (d) $6 - 5i$,
 (e) $x + yi$, where x and y are real.

7 Find the value of the real constant p so that $(3 + 2i)(4 - i) + p$ is purely imaginary.

8 Find the value of the real constant q so that $(2 + 5i)(4 - 3i) + qi$ is real.

9 (a) Find $(1 + i)(2 - 3i)$.

(b) Hence, simplify $(1 + i)(2 - 3i)(5 + i)$.

10 (a) Find $(2 + i)^2$.

(b) Hence, find: (i) $(2 + i)^3$, (ii) $(2 + i)^4$.

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| 1 (a) $3 + i$ | (b) $2 - 6i$ | (c) $-3 + 8i$ | (d) $-7 - 5i$ | (e) $3 + \sqrt{2}i$ | (f) $4 + \sqrt{3}i$ | (g) $-1 + \frac{1}{3}i$ |
| 2 (a) $8 - i$ | (b) $-2 + 3i$ | (c) $13 + 9i$ | (d) $-12i$ | (e) $65 + 17i$ | (f) $-7 - 24i$ | (g) $-55 + 48i$ |
| 3 (a) $30 - i$ | (b) $27 + 11i$ | (c) $27 + 11i$ | (d) $27 + 11i$ | (e) $7 + 6\sqrt{2}i$ | (f) $13 - 8\sqrt{3}i$ | (g) $9 + 19i$ |
| 4 (a) $8 - 6i$ | (b) $-32 + 24i$ | (c) $-55 + 48i$ | (d) $-7 - 24i$ | (e) $7 + 6\sqrt{2}i$ | (f) $13 - 8\sqrt{3}i$ | (g) $9 + 19i$ |
| 5 (a) 1 | (b) $18 - 29i$ | (c) $9 + 19i$ | (d) $13 - 8\sqrt{3}i$ | (e) $7 + 6\sqrt{2}i$ | (f) $13 - 8\sqrt{3}i$ | (g) $9 + 19i$ |
| 6 (a) $(1) 4$ | (b) $4i$ | (c) $13i$ | (d) $20i$ | (e) $4i$ | (f) $20i$ | (g) $13i$ |
| 7 (a) 12 | (b) $-10i$ | (c) $34i$ | (d) $34i$ | (e) $4i$ | (f) $20i$ | (g) $13i$ |
| 8 (a) 12 | (b) $-10i$ | (c) $34i$ | (d) $34i$ | (e) $4i$ | (f) $20i$ | (g) $13i$ |
| 9 (a) 26 | (b) $26i$ | (c) $x^2 + y^2$ | (d) $26i$ | (e) $26i$ | (f) $-10i$ | (g) $6i$ |
| 10 (a) $3 + 4i$ | (b) $5 - i$ | (c) $3 + 4i$ | (d) $5 - i$ | (e) $3 + 4i$ | (f) $5 - i$ | (g) $3 + 4i$ |

Solving quadratic equations.

- 1) Solve $x^2 + 9 = 0$
- 2) work out the discriminant ($b^2 - 4ac$) of this quadratic equation.
what do you notice?

A quadratic equations can be written

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

The DISCRIMINANT is the value $b^2 - 4ac$

• If $b^2 - 4ac > 0$, there are two roots $x_1 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ and $x_2 = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

• If $b^2 - 4ac = 0$, there is a repeated root $x_0 = -\frac{b}{2a}$

• If $b^2 - 4ac < 0$, there are two complex conjugate roots $x_1 = \frac{-b + i\sqrt{-b^2 + 4ac}}{2a}$ and $x_2 = \frac{-b - i\sqrt{-b^2 + 4ac}}{2a}$

Solving $x^2 - 4x + 13 = 0$

$$x^2 - 4x + 13 = 0$$

$$\text{Discriminant: } (-4)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 13 = 16 - 52 = -36$$

The complex roots are $\frac{4 \pm i\sqrt{36}}{2}$, meaning

$$x_1 = \frac{4 + i\sqrt{36}}{2} \text{ or } x_2 = \frac{4 - i\sqrt{36}}{2}$$

EXERCISE

Find the complex roots of each of the following equations:

1 $x^2 - 2x + 5 = 0$

2 $x^2 + 4x + 13 = 0$

3 $x^2 - 2x + 10 = 0$

4 $x^2 - 6x + 25 = 0$

5 $x^2 - 8x + 20 = 0$

6 $x^2 + 4x + 5 = 0$

7 $x^2 - 12x + 40 = 0$

8 $x^2 + 2x + 50 = 0$

9 $x^2 + 8x + 17 = 0$

10 $x^2 - 10x + 34 = 0$

11 $2x^2 - 2x + 5 = 0$

12 $9x^2 + 6x + 10 = 0$

13 $4x^2 - 8x + 5 = 0$

14 $5x^2 - 6x + 5 = 0$

15 $13x^2 + 10x + 13 = 0$

16 $x^2 - 2x + 4 = 0$

17 $x^2 + 4x + 9 = 0$

18 $x^2 - 6x + 16 = 0$

19 $x^2 + 8x + 19 = 0$

20 $x^2 - x + 1 = 0$

EXERCISE			
1	$1 \pm 2i$	2	$-2 \pm 3i$
5	$4 \pm 2i$	6	$-2 \pm i$
9	$-4 \pm i$	10	$5 \pm 3i$
13	$1 \pm \frac{2}{i}$	14	$\frac{5}{3} \pm \frac{5}{4}i$
17	$-2 \pm \sqrt{5}i$	18	$3 \pm \sqrt{7}i$
4	$3 \pm 4i$	3	$1 \pm 3i$
8	$-1 \pm 7i$	7	$6 \pm 2i$
11	$\frac{2}{3} \pm \frac{2}{i}$	11	$\frac{1}{3} \pm \frac{2}{i}$
12	$-\frac{1}{3} \pm i$	12	$-\frac{1}{3} \pm i$
16	$1 \pm \sqrt{3}i$	15	$-\frac{13}{5} \pm \frac{13}{12}i$
20	$\frac{2}{1} \pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}i$	19	$-4 \pm \sqrt{3}i$

Equality of two complex numbers

Consider two complex numbers

$$z_1 = a_1 + ib_1 \quad \text{and} \quad z_2 = a_2 + ib_2$$

$$z_1 = z_2 \text{ when } a_1 = a_2 \quad \text{and} \quad b_1 = b_2$$

$$\text{or} \quad \text{Re}(z_1) = \text{Re}(z_2) \text{ and } \text{Im}(z_1) = \text{Im}(z_2)$$

Example: $z_1 = 3+ib$ and $z_2 = x+5 + 9i$

Knowing that $z_1 = z_2$, work out x and b

Find z so that

$$z + 2z^* = 6+3i$$

Method:

EXERCISE

- 1 Find the value of each of the real constants a and b such that $(a + 3i)^2 = 8b + 30i$.
- 2 Find the value of each of the real constants p and q such that $(3 + 4i)(p + 2i) = q + 26i$.
- 3 Find the value of each of the real constants t and u such that $(2 + 2i)^2(t + 3i) = u + 32i$.
- 4 Find the complex number z so that $3z + 4z^* = 28 + i$.
- 5 Find the complex number z so that $z + 3z^* = 12 - 8i$.
- 6 Find the complex number z so that $z - 4iz^* + 2 + 7i = 0$.

- 1 $a = 5, b = 2.$
- 2 $p = 5, q = 7.$
- 3 $t = 4, u = -24.$
- 4 $z = 4 - i.$
- 5 $z = 3 + 4i.$
- 6 $z = 2 + i.$