

Complex numbers

Discrete mathematics I – exercises

1. Calculate, and give the result in algebraic form:

a) $(3 + 2i)(2 + i)$; b) $(2 - 5i)^2$; c) $\frac{1}{1 + 2i}$; d) $\frac{3 + 4i}{1 - 2i}$; e) $\frac{i}{(1 - i)(1 - 2i)(1 + 2i)}$.

2. Solve for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$:

a) $(x + yi)(2 - i) = x + 3i$; b) $(x + i)(1 + yi) = 3y + xi$; c) $(1 + 2i)x + (3 - 5i)y = 1 - 3i$;

d) $\frac{5}{x + yi} + \frac{2}{1 + 3i} = 1$.

3. Solve for $z \in \mathbb{C}$:

a) $\frac{z + i - 3i\bar{z}}{z - 4} = i - 1$; b) $\left| \frac{z - 3}{2 - \bar{z}} \right| = 1 \wedge \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{z}{2 + i} \right) = 2$.

4. Convert to polar form:

a) $1 + i$; b) $\sqrt{3} - i$; c) $4i$; d) -3 ; e) $\frac{10}{\sqrt{3} - i}$; f) $\frac{2 + 3i}{5 + i}$; g) $3 - 4i$; h) $-2 + i$;

i) $\frac{1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}$; j) $\frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}$; k) $\cos \frac{2\pi}{3} - i \sin \frac{2\pi}{3}$; l) $-\cos \frac{2\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{3}$.

5. Calculate, using polar form:

a) $(1 + i)(-2 + 2i)$; b) $\frac{\sqrt{3} - i}{\sqrt{3} + i}$; c) $\left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2} \right)^5$;

d) $\frac{(1 + i)^9}{(1 - i)^7}$; e) $\left(\frac{2 - 2i}{\sqrt{3} - i} \right)^{24}$; f) $\left(\frac{\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3\sqrt{3}i}{2}}{-\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{5i}{2}} \right)^{12}$.

6. Calculate the square root of:

a) -4 ; b) $2i$; c) $-2 + 2\sqrt{3}i$; d) $3 - 4i$; e) $-7 - 24i$; f) $8 + 6i$.

7. Solve over \mathbb{C} :

a) $x^3 = 1$; b) $x^3 = i$; c) $x^3 = 2 + 2i$; d) $x^4 = i$; e) $x^8 = \sqrt{3} - i$; f) $x^6 = 1 + i$.

8. Calculate:

a) the 6th roots of 64; b) the 5th roots of $-16\sqrt{3} + 16i$; c) the 4th roots of $\frac{7 + 3i}{5 - 2i}$;

d) the 6th roots of $\frac{1 - i}{\sqrt{3} + i}$; e) the 4th roots of $\frac{-4}{(2 + i)^3}$.

9. Draw the following complex numbers on the Gaussian plane:

a) $\operatorname{Re}(z) \geq 2$; b) $\operatorname{Im}(z) \leq 1$; c) $\operatorname{Re}(z + 2i) \leq 0$; d) $\operatorname{Re}(z + 1) \geq \operatorname{Im}(z - 2i)$;

e) $|z| = 1$; f) $2 < |z| \leq 3$; g) $|z - 1| \leq 2$; h) $|z - i - 1| \leq 3$;

i) $|z - 1| < 1 \wedge \operatorname{Im}(z) > 0$; j) $|z + i| > 2 \wedge \operatorname{Re}(z) < 2$;

k) $|z + i| = |z - 3i|$; l) $|z - 3 + 2i| = |z + 4 - i|$;
m) $z = 1/\bar{z}$; n) $z + \bar{z} = 0$; o) $|z| = iz$; p) $z^3 = |z|$.

10. What geometric transformation does this function define on the Gaussian plane?

a) $z \mapsto 3z + 2$, b) $z \mapsto (1 + i)z$, c) $z \mapsto 1/\bar{z}$.

11. Let $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ be two different points on the Gaussian plane.

a) Find the midpoint of the line segment between z and w .

b) Find the third vertex of the equilateral triangle whose two vertices are z and w .

12. List:

a) the primitive third roots of unity; b) the primitive fourth roots of unity;

c) the primitive second roots of unity; d) the primitive first roots of unity;

e) the primitive sixth roots of unity; f) the primitive eighth roots of unity.

13. Decide whether it is a complex root of unity. If so, find its order, and find those n for which it is an n^{th} root of unity / primitive n^{th} root of unity.

a) 1; b) -1; c) i ; d) $1 + i$; e) $\frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}$; f) $\frac{1+\sqrt{3}i}{2}$; g) $\frac{-1+\sqrt{3}i}{2}$;

h) $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{361}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{361}\right)$; i) $\cos\left(\sqrt{2}\pi\right) + i \sin\left(\sqrt{2}\pi\right)$.

14. Prove that $\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{C} : \varepsilon^4 = i \implies 4 \mid o(\varepsilon)$.

15. Solve it using Cardano's formula (see e.g. Wikipedia):

a) $x^3 - 7x + 6 = 0$; b) $x^3 - 13x - 12 = 0$.

16. Prove that the multiplication of complex numbers is distributive over addition, i.e.:

$$\forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{C} : x(y + z) = xy + xz.$$

17. If $o(\varepsilon) = 128$, what can $o(i\varepsilon)$ be?