

4-2 Review of Complex Numbers

Objective: Students will be able to:

Know the parts of a complex number

Know how to add, subtract, and multiply 2 complex numbers

Know what a conjugate is and how to find one

$$i = \sqrt{-1}$$

or

$$i^2 = -1$$

Definition

Complex numbers are numbers of the form $a+bi$, where a and b are real numbers. The real number a is called the real part and the number b is called the imaginary part.

Identify the real and imaginary parts of each complex number.

$$\overset{R}{\textcircled{4}} + \overset{I}{\textcircled{5i}}$$

$$5 - i$$

$$\overset{R}{\textcircled{3}} + \overset{I}{\textcircled{0i}}$$

$$7i$$

Write each of the following as a pure imaginary number.

$$\sqrt{-16}$$

$4i$

$$\sqrt{-3}$$

$i\sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3}i$

$$\sqrt{-18}$$

$3i\sqrt{2}$

$$-\sqrt{-81}$$

$-9i$

You Try

$$\sqrt{-12}$$

$$\sqrt{-5}$$

$$\sqrt{-36}$$

Write each in Standard Form. State the real and imaginary parts.

$$2 - \sqrt{-25}$$

$$\boxed{2 - 5i}$$

$$3 + \sqrt{-50}$$

$$3 + \sqrt{25 \cdot 2}$$

$$3 + 5i\sqrt{2}$$

$$3 + 5\sqrt{2}i$$

$$\frac{4 - \sqrt{-12}}{2}$$

$$\frac{4 - 2i\sqrt{3}}{2} = \boxed{2 - i\sqrt{3}}$$

You Try

$$-2 - \sqrt{-8}$$

$$\frac{6 - \sqrt{-72}}{3}$$

Add:

$$(4 - 3i) + (-2 + 5i)$$

$$2 + 2i$$

$$\left(4 + \sqrt{-25}\right) + \left(-6 - \sqrt{-16}\right)$$

$$-2 + i$$

Subtract:

$$(-3 + 7i) - (5 - 4i)$$

$$(3 + \sqrt{-12}) - (-2 - \sqrt{-27})$$

You Try

$$(4 - \sqrt{-4}) + (-7 + \sqrt{-9})$$

$$(4 - 2i) - (-2 + 7i)$$

Multiply

$$\begin{array}{r}
 4i(3 - 6i) \\
 \hline
 12i - 24i^2 \\
 \hline
 24 + 12i
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 i = \sqrt{-1} \\
 i^2 = -1
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 (-2 + 4i)(3 - i) \\
 \hline
 -6 + 2i + 12i - 4i^2 \\
 \hline
 -2 + 14i
 \end{array}$$

Remember from before:

$$\sqrt[n]{a} \sqrt[n]{b} = \sqrt[n]{ab}$$

only works when $\sqrt[n]{a}$ and $\sqrt[n]{b}$ are real numbers

This means that

$$\sqrt{a} \sqrt{b} \neq \sqrt{ab} \text{ if } a < 0 \text{ or } b < 0$$

Multiply

$$\sqrt{-25} \sqrt{-4}$$

$$(5i)(2i)$$

$$10i^2$$

$$\boxed{-10}$$

$$(2 + \sqrt{4i^2})(1 - \sqrt{-4})$$

You Try

$$\sqrt{-9}\sqrt{-36}$$

$$(2 + \sqrt{-36})(4 - \sqrt{-25})$$

Complex Conjugate

If $a+bi$ is a complex number, then its conjugate is defined as $a-bi$

Name the conjugate of the following complex numbers

$$3+2i \quad 4-3i \quad -16+32i$$

$$3-2i$$

$$4+3i$$

$$-16-32i$$

$$-17i$$

$$17i$$

$$4i$$

$$-4i$$

Multiply (What Happens?)

$$(4+3i)(4-3i)$$

$$16 - \cancel{12i} + \cancel{12i} - \cancel{9i^2} + 9$$

$$\boxed{25}$$

$$\frac{(3+2i)(7+6i)}{(7-6i)(7+6i)}$$

$$\frac{10\sqrt{5} - 10\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\frac{21 + 18i + 14i + \cancel{12i^2}^{-12}}{49 + \cancel{42i} - \cancel{42i} - \cancel{36i^2}^{-36} + 36}$$

$$= \frac{9 + 32i}{85}$$