

Calculus Rectangular Complex Number Practice #2

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5. Find c if $(x + 6 + i)$ is a factor of $x^3 + cx^2 + 73x + 111$.
6. If $w = 3 + 2i$ and $v = 4 + ki$ and w^2v is entirely real, find k .
7. $4x - \sqrt{3}i$ is a factor of $16x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 12$. What are a and b ?
8. Show that $\frac{1+i+i^2+i^3+i^4+i^5}{1-i} = i$

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1. $g(x)$ is a quadratic such that $g(4 + 6i) = 0$, write $g(x)$ in expanded polynomial form.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } g(x) = 0, \text{ then we have a root and also conjugate: } g(x) &= (x - 4 - 6i)(x - 4 + 6i) \\ &= x^2 - 4x + 6xi - 4x + 16 - 24i - 6xi + 24i - 36i^2 \quad g(x) = x^2 - 8x + 52 \end{aligned}$$

2. Show that $5x^2 + kx - 9$ will never have complex roots.

$$\Delta = k^2 - 4 \times 5 \times -9 = k^2 + 20 \quad \text{As } k^2 + 20 > 0 \text{ for all } k, \text{ there are always real roots}$$

3. Write $\frac{k+2i}{2-i}$ in the form $a + bi$.

$$\frac{k+2i}{2-i} \times \frac{2+i}{2+i} = \frac{2k+ki+4i+2i^2}{4-i^2} = \frac{2k-2+ki+4i}{5} = \frac{2k-2}{5} + \frac{k+4}{5}i$$

4. Find k if $2 + 2i$ is a solution to $x^3 - 8x^2 + 24x + k = 0$.

$$(2+2i)^3 + 4(2+2i)^2 + 24(2+2i) + k = 0 \quad (-16+16i) - 8(8i) + 24(2+2i) + k = 0$$

$$\text{Real parts: } -16 + 48 + k = 0 \quad k = -32$$

5. Find c if $(x + 6 + i)$ is a factor of $x^3 + cx^2 + 73x + 111$.

$$\text{Factor Theorem: } (-6 + i)^3 + c(-6 + i)^2 + 73(-6 + i) + 111 = 0$$

$$(-198 + 107i) + c(35 - 12i) + 73(-6 + i) + 111 = 0$$

$$-198 + 35c + -438 + 111 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow c = 15$$

6. If $w = 3 + 2i$ and $v = 4 + ki$ and w^2v is entirely real, find k .

$$w^2v = (3 + 2i)^2(4 + ki) = (5 + 12i)(4 + ki) = 20 + 48i + 5ki + 12ki^2$$

$$\text{Entirely real, so imaginary part is zero: } 48i + 5ki = 0. \quad \Rightarrow k = 9.6$$

7. $4x - \sqrt{3}i$ is a factor of $16x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 12$. What are a and b ?

$$f(\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{3}i) = 0 \text{ by Factor Theorem so } 16(\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{3}i)^3 + a(\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{3}i)^2 + b(\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{3}i) + 12 = 0$$

$$\frac{16 \times 3\sqrt{3}i^3}{64} + \frac{a \times 3i^2}{16} + b\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{3}i + 12 = 0 \quad \text{Comparing real and imaginary parts}$$

$$\frac{-3a}{16} + 12 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow a = 64 \quad \frac{-3\sqrt{3}i}{4} + \frac{b\sqrt{3}i}{4} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow b = 3$$

8. $\frac{1+i+i^2+i^3+i^4+i^5}{1-i} = \frac{1+i+(-1)+(-i)+(1)+(i)}{1-i}$

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