

**4 Complex Numbers Dec 2019 (No Calculators)**

**3 pts 1.** Find the real number  $R$ , if  $(6 - 4i)(R + 2i) = 17 + 6i$ .

**Ans.** \_\_\_\_\_

**4 pts 2.** If  $a$  and  $b$  are integers and  $(3 + ai)(b + 5i) = 32 - i$ , find the value of  $a - b$ .

**Ans.** \_\_\_\_\_

**5 pts 3.** Express the expansion of  $[1 - \sqrt{3}i]^{10}$  in simplest  $a + bi$  form.

**(7) Ans.** \_\_\_\_\_ **5 pts**

**Complex Numbers**

1.  $(6 - 4i)(R + 2i) = 17 + 6i \Rightarrow 6R + 12i - 4Ri - 8i^2 = 17 - 6i$ ,  $6R + 8 = 17$ ,  $R = 3/2$ . **Ans. 3/2**

2.  $(3 + ai)(b + 5i) = 32 - i \Rightarrow 3b + 15i + abi + 5ai^2 = 32 - i \Rightarrow 3b + 15i + abi - 5a = 32 - i$ .

Thus (1)  $3b - 5a = 32$  and  $15 + ab = -1$  or (2)  $ab = -16$ . In (2):  $b = -16/a$ . Therefore in (1):

$3(-16/a) - 5a = 32 \Rightarrow -48 - 5a^2 = 32a \Rightarrow 0 = 5a^2 + 5a + 32 = (5a + 12)(a + 4)$ . So  $a = -4$ , since  $a$  and  $b$  are integers. In (2):  $(-4)b = -16$ , so  $b = 4$ .  $a - b = -4 - 4 = -8$ . **Ans. -8**

3.  $[1 - \sqrt{3}i]^2 = 1 - 2\sqrt{3}i + 3i^2 = -2 - 2\sqrt{3}i$ .  $[-2 - 2\sqrt{3}i]^2 = 4 + 8\sqrt{3}i - 12 = -8 + 8\sqrt{3}i$ .

$[-8 + 8\sqrt{3}i]^2 = 64 - 128\sqrt{3}i - 192 = -128 - 128\sqrt{3}i$ . This is the 8<sup>th</sup> power.

The tenth power is the 8<sup>th</sup> times the 2<sup>nd</sup>:  $(-128 - 128\sqrt{3}i)(-2 - 2\sqrt{3}i) = 256 + 512\sqrt{3}i - 768 =$

$-512 + 512\sqrt{3}i$ . Using DeMoivre's Theorem:  $[2(\cos 10(-60) + i\sin 10(-60))]^{10} =$

$2^{10}(\cos 120 + i\sin 120) = 1024(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i) = -512 + 512\sqrt{3}i$ .

**Ans. - 512 + 512√3 i**

4 Complex Numbers Dec 2018 (No Calculators)

3 pts 1. Expand  $(1 + i)^6$

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

4 pts 2. Simplify  $(8 + 4i)^2 - (8 - 4i)^2$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

5 pts 3. Find the following sum,  $|a| + |b|$ , if  $(5 + 2i)(a + bi) = 51 - 26i$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

**Complex Numbers**

1.  $(1 + i)^2 = (1 + i)(1 + i) = 1 + 2i + i^2 = 2i$ .  $(1 + i)^6 = ((1 + i)^2)^3 = (2i)^3 = -8i$ .      **Ans. -8i**

2.  $a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$ , so  $(8 + 4i + 8 - 4i)(8 + 4i - 8 + 4i) = 16(8i) = 128i$ .      **Ans. 128i**

3.  $(5 + 2i)(a + bi) = 51 - 26i \rightarrow 5a + 5bi + 2ai - 2b = 51 - 26i$ , so (1)  $5a - 2b = 51$  and  
(2)  $2a + 5b = -26$ .  $5(1) + 2(2)$  yields  $29a = 203$ , or  $a = 7$ . In (1):  $5(7) - 2b = 51$ .  $-16 = 2b$ ,

So  $b = -8$ . Thus  $|7| + |-8| = 15$ .

**Ans. 15**

#### 4 Complex Numbers Dec 2017 (No Calculators)

3 pts 1. Simplify the following:  $(3i + 4i^2)(2i^3 + 5i^4)$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

4 pts 2. Solve the following:  $ix^2 - 3x - 2i = 0$

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

5 pts 3. Find the equation of the cubic with leading coefficient of 1, and whose solutions are  $1 + i$ ,  $1 - i$ , and 2.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Complex Numbers

1.  $(3i + 4i^2)(2i^3 + 5i^4) = (-4 + 3i)(5 - 2i) = -20 + 23i + 6 = -14 + 23i$ . **Ans.  $-14 + 23i$**

2. Dividing  $ix^2 - 3x - 2i$  by  $i$  yields  $x^2 + 3ix - 2 = (x + 2i)(x + i) = 0$ .  $x = -2i$  or  $-i$ .

**Ans.  $-2i$  or  $-i$**

3. Since the roots are  $1 + i$ ,  $1 - i$ , and 2, then (1)  $x = 1 + i$ , (2)  $x = 1 - i$ , and (3)  $x = 2$ . In (1) and (2)  $x - 1 - i = 0$  and  $x - 1 + i = 0$ . Multiplying:  $((x - 1) - i)((x - 1) + i) = 0 \rightarrow$

$x^2 - 2x + 1 + 1 = 0$  or  $x^2 - 2x + 2 = 0$ . In (2):  $x - 2 = 0$ . Multiplying:  $(x^2 - 2x + 2)(x - 2) \rightarrow$

$x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x - 2x^2 + 4x - 4 = 0 \rightarrow x^3 - 4x^2 + 6x - 4 = 0$ . **Ans.  $x^3 - 4x^2 + 6x - 4 = 0$**

**4 Complex Numbers Dec 2016-17 (No Calculators)**

**3 pts 1.** Find the value of the expression  $T - B$ , given that  $T + Bi = (8 + 2i)(4 - 3i)$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

**4 pts 2.** Evaluate  $\left| \frac{i + 3i^2 - 2i^3 + 4i^4 - 6i^5}{2i + 1} \right|$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

**5 pts 3.** Find the value of  $f(2)$ , if a zero of  $f(x) = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 4$  is  $2i$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

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1.  $T + Bi = (8 + 2i)(4 - 3i) = 32 - 24i + 8i - 6i^2 = 38 - 16i$ .  $T - B = 38 - (-16) = 54$ . **Ans. 54**

2.  $\left| \frac{i + 3i^2 - 2i^3 + 4i^4 - 6i^5}{2i + 1} \right| = \left| \frac{i - 3 + 2i + 4 - 6i}{2i + 1} \right| = \left| \frac{1 - 3i}{2i + 1} \cdot \frac{2i - 1}{2i - 1} \right| = \left| \frac{2i - 1 - 6i^2 + 3i}{4i^2 - 1} \right| = \left| \frac{5i + 5}{-5} \right| = |-i - 1| =$

$\sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$ .

**Ans.  $\sqrt{2}$**

3.  $f(2i) = (2i)^3 + a(2i)^2 + b(2i) + 4 = 0 \rightarrow -8i - 4a + 2bi + 4 = 0$ . Therefore  $-8 + 2b = 0$  or  $b = 4$  and  $-4a + 4 = 0$  or  $a = 1$ . Thus  $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 4x + 4$ , and

$f(2) = (2)^3 + (2)^2 + 4(2) + 4 = 8 + 4 + 8 + 4 = 24$ .

**Ans. 24**

4 Complex Numbers Dec 2015 (No Calculators)

3 pts 1. Find the cube of  $2 - \sqrt{3}i$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

4 pts 2. Find  $z$ , in simplest form for all  $a, b$  except for  $a = b = 0$ , if  $\frac{a+bi}{z} = b - ai$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

5 pts 3. Find all three roots of  $y = 2x^3 + 3ix^2 - 4x^2 + 9x - 6ix - 18$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

Complex Numbers

1.  $(2 - \sqrt{3}i)(2 - \sqrt{3}i) = 4 - 4\sqrt{3}i + 3i^2 = 1 - 4\sqrt{3}i$ .  $(1 - 4\sqrt{3}i)(2 - \sqrt{3}i) = 2 - \sqrt{3}i - 8\sqrt{3}i + 12i^2 = -10 - 9\sqrt{3}i$ .

Ans.  $-10 - 9\sqrt{3}i$

2.  $\frac{a+bi}{z} = b - ai \rightarrow z = \frac{a+bi}{b-ai} \cdot \frac{b+ai}{b+ai} = \frac{(a^2+b^2)i}{b^2+a^2} = i$ .

Ans.  $i$

3.  $y = 2x^3 + 3ix^2 - 4x^2 + 9x - 6ix - 18 = (2x^3 - 4x^2) + (3ix^2 - 6ix) + (9x - 18) =$

$2x^2(x-2) + 3ix(x-2) + 9(x-2) \rightarrow (x-2)(2x^2 + 3ix + 9) = 0$ , 2 is one root. The other two through

the quadratic formula:  $x = \frac{-3i \pm \sqrt{-9 - 4(18)}}{4} = \frac{-3i \pm 9i}{4} = \frac{6i}{4}$  or  $\frac{-12i}{4} = \frac{3}{2}i$  or  $-3i$ . Ans.  $2, -3i, \frac{3}{2}i$

4 Complex Numbers Dec 2014 (No Calculators)

3 pts 1. If  $M = 1 + 3i$  and  $N = 2 - i$ , find  $M(M + N)$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

4 pts 2. Let  $P = 1 + 3i$ . Let  $Q = 2 - i$ . Find  $\frac{P-Q}{Q^4}$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

5 pts 3. Find all values of  $a$  such that  $([a - i][a + i])^2 = 36$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

Complex Numbers

1.  $M + N = 3 + 2i$ .  $(3 + 2i)(1 + 3i) = 3 + 11i + 6i^2 = -3 + 11i$

$-3 + 11i$   
 Ans.  $-3i + 11$

2.  $\frac{1+3i-(2-i)}{(2-i)^4} = \frac{-1+4i}{(3-4i)^2} = \frac{(-1+4i)(-7+24i)}{(-7-24i)(-7+24i)} = \frac{7-24i-28i+96i^2}{49-576i^2} =$

Ans.  $\frac{-89-52i}{625}$

3.  $([a - i][a + i])^2 = 36 \rightarrow (a^2 + 1)^2 = 36 \rightarrow a^2 + 1 = \pm 6 \rightarrow a^2 = -1 \pm 6$ , therefore  
 $a^2 = 5$  or  $a^2 = -7$ .  $a = \pm \sqrt{5}$  or  $a = \pm \sqrt{7}i$ .

Ans.  $\pm \sqrt{5}, \pm \sqrt{7}i$

4 Complex Numbers Dec 2013 (No Calculators)

3 pts 1. Simplify:  $(3 - 4i)(4 - 3i) - (3 - 4i)(3 - 4i)$

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

4 pts 2. Solve for  $z$ :  $(3 + i)z + 4 - i = 2i$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

5 pts 3. Express the following in simplest form:

$$(1 - \sqrt{3}i)^8$$

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

Complex Numbers

1.  $(3 - 4i)(4 - 3i) - (3 - 4i)(3 - 4i) = (3 - 4i)(1 + i) = 3 - 4i + 3i - 4i^2 = 7 - i$ .    **Ans.  $7 - i$**

2.  $(3 + i)z + 4 - i = 2i \rightarrow (3 + i)z = -4 + 3i \rightarrow z = \frac{-4 + 3i}{3 + i} \cdot \frac{3 - i}{3 - i} = \frac{-12 + 4i + 9i - 3i^2}{9 + 1} = \frac{-9 + 13i}{10}$ .    **Ans.  $\frac{-9 + 13i}{10}$**

3.  $(1 - \sqrt{3}i)^8 = (((1 - \sqrt{3}i)^2)^2)^2 = ((-2 + 2\sqrt{3}i)^2)^2 = (-8 - 8\sqrt{3}i)^2 = -128 - 128\sqrt{3}$ .  
**Ans.  $-128 - 128\sqrt{3}$**

4 Complex Numbers Dec 2012 (No calculators)

5 pts 1. Simplify:  $(2 + 3i)^2(2 - 3i)^2$

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

4 pts 2. Express the following as a single complex number in the form  $a + bi$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are rational numbers:

$$\frac{(4 + 2i)(6 + 3i)}{(8 - 4i)(2 - i)}$$

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

5 pts 3. Find all values of  $x$  such that:  $2ix = x^2 + 15$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

Complex Numbers

$$(2 - 3i)^2 = ((2 + 3i)(2 - 3i))^2 = (4 - 9i^2)^2 = 13^2 = 169.$$

Ans. 169

$$2. \frac{(4 + 2i)(6 + 3i)}{(8 - 4i)(2 - i)} = \frac{6(2 + i)^2}{4(2 - i)^2} = \frac{3(4 + 4i + i^2)}{2(4 - 4i + i^2)} = \frac{3(3 + 4i)(3 + 4i)}{2(3 - 4i)(3 + 4i)} = \frac{3(9 + 24i + 16i^2)}{2(9 + 16)} =$$

Ans.  $-\frac{21}{50} + \frac{36}{25}i$

$$\frac{3(-7 + 24i)}{50} = -\frac{21}{50} + \frac{36}{25}i.$$

$$3. 2ix = x^2 + 15 \rightarrow x^2 - 2ix + i^2 = -15 + i^2 \rightarrow (x - i)^2 = -16 \rightarrow x - i = \pm 4i \rightarrow x = i \pm 4i. \text{ So } x = 5i \text{ or } -3i$$



3 pts 1. Find the product:  $(2 + 3i)(1 - 3i)(2 - 3i)$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

4 pts 2. The equation  $x^2 + 4ix - 9 = 0$  has two roots, one in quadrant 3 of the complex plane and the other in quadrant 4. Find the root in quadrant 4.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

5 pts 3. A cubic equation has the form  $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$ , where  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$  are integers with a greatest common factor of 1. If two of the roots of the equation are 2 and  $3 - 2i$ , find the product  $abcd$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

### Complex Numbers

1.  $(2 + 3i)(1 - 3i)(2 - 3i) = (2 + 3i)(2 - 3i)(1 - 3i) = 13(1 - 3i) = 13 - 39i$ .    **Ans.  $13 - 39i$**

2. Solving  $x^2 + 4ix - 9 = 0$  using the quadratic formula:  $x = \frac{-4i \pm \sqrt{-16 + 36}}{2} =$

$\frac{-4i \pm 2\sqrt{5}}{2} = -2i \pm \sqrt{5}$ . The solution in quadrant 4 is  $\sqrt{5} - 2i$ .    **Ans.  $\sqrt{5} - 2i$**

3. If 2 is a root then  $x - 2$  is a factor. Since the coefficients are real, then if  $3 - 2i$  is a root then  $3 + 2i$  must also be a root. Thus  $x^2 - 6x + 13$  is a factor. The only possible equations allowing a GCF of 1 are  $\pm(x - 2)(x^2 - 6x + 13) = 0$  or  $\pm(x^3 - 8x^2 + 25x - 26) = 0$ .

$abcd = 1(8)(25)(26) = 8(650) = 5200$ .

**Ans. 5200**

4 Complex Numbers (No Calculators) Dec 2010

3 pts 1. If  $x = 3 - 2i$ , and  $y = 4 - i$ , find the product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

4 pts 2. Find the solutions for  $x^2 + 2x = -6$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

5 pts 3. If  $\sqrt{-16 - 30i} = a + bi$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers, find the value of  $(a + b)^2$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

Complex Numbers

1.  $(3 - 2i)(4 - i) = 12 - 11i + 2i^2 = 12 - 11i - 2 = 10 - 11i$ .

Ans.  $10 - 11i$

2.  $x^2 + 2x = -6 \rightarrow x^2 + 2x + 1 = -6 + 1 \rightarrow (x + 1)^2 = -5 \rightarrow x + 1 = \pm i\sqrt{5}$ .

Ans.  $-1 \pm i\sqrt{5}$

3.  $\sqrt{-16 - 30i} = a + bi \rightarrow -16 - 30i = a^2 + 2ab - b^2$ . Since  $2ab = -30$ , then  $a = -\frac{15}{b}$ .

$a^2 - b^2 = -16$ , so  $\left(-\frac{15}{b}\right)^2 - b^2 = -16 \rightarrow 225 - b^4 = -16b^2 \rightarrow b^4 - 16b^2 - 225 = 0 \rightarrow$

$(b^2 - 25)(b^2 + 9) = 0$ . Thus  $b = \pm 5$ . If  $b = 5$ ,  $a = -3$ . If  $b = -5$ ,  $a = 3$ .  $(a + b)^2 = \text{Ans. } 4$

#### 4 Complex Numbers Dec 09 (No Calculators)

3 pts 1. For what value(s) of  $k$  is  $x - i$  a factor of  $x^2 - 6x + k$ .

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

4 pts 2. Solve over the set of complex numbers:

$$3z + iz + 4 - i = 2i$$

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

5 pts 3. The square of a complex number  $a + bi$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers and  $i$  is  $\sqrt{-1}$ , is  $2i$ . What complex number(s) satisfy this?

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Complex Numbers

1. Dividing synthetically: 
$$i \begin{array}{r|rrr} 1 & -6 & k \\ & i & -1-6i \\ \hline 1 & i-6 & k-1-6i \end{array}$$
 Since  $k - 1 - 6i = 0$   
then  $k = 1 + 6i$   
**Ans.  $1 + 6i$**

2.  $3z + iz + 4 - i = 2i \Rightarrow (3 + i)z = 3i - 4$ . Thus  $z = \frac{-4 + 3i}{3 + i} \cdot \frac{3 - i}{3 - i} = \frac{-12 + 13i + 3}{9 + 1} = \frac{-9 + 13i}{10}$  or  $-\frac{9}{10} + \frac{13}{10}i$ .  
**Ans.  $-\frac{9}{10} + \frac{13}{10}i$**

3.  $(a + bi)^2 = 2i \Rightarrow a^2 + 2abi - b^2 = 0 + 2i$ . Thus (1)  $a^2 - b^2 = 0$  and (2)  $2ab = 2$ .  
In (1):  $a = \pm b$ . If  $a = b$ , then in (2):  $2a^2 = 2$ , so  $a = \pm 1$ . When  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 1$  and when  $a = -1$ ,  $b = -1$ . Thus  $1 + i$  and  $-1 - i$  are the complex numbers. **Ans.  $1 + i$  and  $-1 - i$**