

## 5.6 Complex Numbers

When working with quadratics, to solve for x we often use square roots.  $x^2 = 100$        $x^2 - 8 = 0$

Perfect Squares need to be memorized.

1 4 9 16 25 36 49 64 81 100 121 144 169 196 225

Sometimes we have roots that are negative.  $x^2 = -4$      $x^2 + 8 = 0$

Negative Square Roots are Complex Numbers because they are not located on the Real Number Line.

The Complex Number  $i = \sqrt{-1}$

Square Root of a negative number, for any positive real number, a,  
 $\sqrt{-a} = i\sqrt{a}$

Simplify

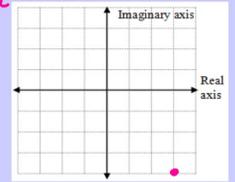
$$\frac{\sqrt{-2}}{\sqrt{-1 \cdot 2}} = \frac{\sqrt{-2}}{i\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{-12}}{\sqrt{-1 \cdot 12}} = \frac{\sqrt{-12}}{2i\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{-36}}{\sqrt{-1 \cdot 36}} = \frac{\sqrt{-36}}{6i}$$

Handwritten notes:  $12 = 2 \cdot 6 = 4 \cdot 3$

Complex Numbers: Imaginary numbers and real numbers together.  $a + bi$



$3 - 4i$

You can use the complex number plane to represent a single complex number geometrically. Locate the real part of the number on the horizontal axis and the imaginary part of the number on the vertical axis. Graph  $3 - 4i$  the same way you would graph  $(3, -4)$

Simplify. Write in the form  $a + bi$

$$\frac{\sqrt{-18} + 7}{\sqrt{-1 \cdot 18}} = \frac{\sqrt{-18} + 7}{3i\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{-121} - 7}{\sqrt{-1 \cdot 121}} = \frac{\sqrt{-121} - 7}{11i}$$

Absolute Value of a Complex Number—distance from the origin on the complex number plane. You can find the absolute value using Pythagorean Theorem.  $|a + bi| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$



Find  $|4i|$

$$|4i| = \sqrt{0^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{16} = 4$$

$$|6 - 4i| = \sqrt{6^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{36 + 16} = \sqrt{52} = 2\sqrt{13}$$

$$|-2 + 5i| = \sqrt{2^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{4 + 25} = \sqrt{29}$$

If the sum of two complex numbers is 0, then each number is the opposite, or *additive inverse*, of the other. The additive inverse of  $a$  is  $-a$ .

Find the additive inverse of:

$-5i$	$4 - 3i$	$a + bi$
$5i$	$-4 + 3i$	$-a - bi$

When simplifying expressions, treat  $i$  as if it were a variable.  
 Add/subtract complex numbers—combine the real parts and combine the imaginary parts.

Simplify:

$$(8 + 3i) + (-2 + 4i)$$

$$6 - i$$

$$7 - (3 + 2i)$$

$$7 + (-3 - 2i)$$

$$4 - 2i$$

$$(3 + 6i) - (4 - 8i)$$

$$(3 + 6i) + (-4 + 8i)$$

$$-1 + 14i$$

Multiplying complex numbers—multiply as you would real numbers or binomials. HINT:  $i^2 = -1$

Simplify:

$$(12i)(7i)$$

$$84i^2$$

$$84(-1)$$

$$-84$$

$$(6 - 5i)(4 - 3i)$$

	6	-5i	
4	24	-20i	
-3i	-18i	15i <sup>2</sup>	-15

$$9 - 38i$$

$$(5 - 4i)^2$$

$$25 - 40i + 16i^2$$

$$25 - 40i - 16$$

$$9 - 40i$$

Solve:  $\begin{matrix} E \\ M \\ A \end{matrix} \uparrow$

$$\frac{4x^2}{4} = \frac{-100}{4}$$

$$\pm\sqrt{x^2} = \pm\sqrt{-25}$$

$$x = \pm 5i$$

$\begin{matrix} E \\ M \\ A \end{matrix} \uparrow$

$$3x^2 + 48 = 0$$

$$-48 - 48$$

$$\frac{3x^2}{3} = \frac{-48}{3}$$

$$\pm\sqrt{x^2} = \pm\sqrt{-16}$$

$$x = \pm 4i$$

$$-5x^2 - 150 = 0$$

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$$\pm\sqrt{x^2} = \pm\sqrt{\frac{-30}{-1 \cdot 30}}$$

$$x = \pm i\sqrt{30}$$

Functions of the form  $f(z) = z^2 + c$  where  $c$  is a complex number generate fractal graphs on the complex plane. To test if  $z$  belongs to the graph, use  $z$  as the first input value and repeatedly use each output as the next input. If the output values do not become infinitely large, then  $z$  is on the graph.

Find the first three output values for:

$$f(z) = z^2 + i \quad \text{cycles; } z \text{ on graph}$$

$$f(0) = 0^2 + i = i$$

$$f(i) = i^2 + i = -1 + i$$

$$f(-1+i) = (-1+i)^2 + i = 1 - 2i + i^2 + i = 1 - 2i + i^2 + i \quad (-i)$$

$$f(z) = z^2 - 1 + i \quad \text{grows; } z \text{ not on graph}$$

$$f(0) = 0^2 - 1 + i = -1 + i$$

$$f(-1+i) = 1 - 2i + i^2 - 1 + i = -1 - i$$

$$f(-1-i) = 1 + 2i + i^2 - 1 + i = -1 + 3i$$

homework:

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