

A2R

UNIT 9: COMPLEX NUMBERS

PROBLEM SETS

Information in parenthesis is ixl.com reference for practice on the topic.

- 9.1: Imaginary Numbers (A2: H.1, H.8)
- 9.2: Complex Numbers (A2: H.1 – H.8)
- 9.3: Solving Quadratic Equations with Complex Solutions (A2: J.4, J.8, J.9 these may not all result in complex roots)
- 9.4: The Discriminant of a Quadratic (A2: J.10)

FLUENCY

1. The imaginary number i is defined as

(1) -1 (3) $\sqrt{-4}$

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

2. Which of the following is equivalent to $\sqrt{-128}$?

(1) $8\sqrt{2}$ (3) $-8\sqrt{2}$

(2) $8i$ (4) $8i\sqrt{2}$

3. The sum $\sqrt{-9} + \sqrt{-16}$ is equal to

(1) 5 (3) $7i$

(2) $5i$ (4) 7

4. Which of the following powers of i is *not* equal to one?

(1) i^{16} (3) i^{32}

(2) i^{26} (4) i^{48}

5. Which of the following represents all solutions to the equation $\frac{1}{3}x^2 + 10 = 7$?

(1) $x = \pm 3i$ (3) $x = \pm i$

(2) $x = \pm 5i$ (4) $x = \pm 2i$

6. Solve each of the following incomplete quadratics. Express your answers in simplest radical form.

(a) $2x^2 + 100 = -62$

(b) $\frac{2}{3}x^2 + 20 = 2$



7. Which of the following represents the solution set of $\frac{1}{2}x^2 - 12 = -37$?

(1) $\pm 7i$

(3) $\pm 5i\sqrt{2}$

(2) $\pm 7i\sqrt{2}$

(4) $\pm 3i\sqrt{2}$

8. Simplify each of the following powers of i into either -1 , 1 , i , or $-i$.

(a) i^2

(b) i^3

(c) i^4

(d) i^{11}

(e) i^{41}

(f) i^{30}

(g) i^{25}

(h) i^{36}

(i) i^{51}

(j) i^{45}

(k) i^{80}

(l) i^{70}

9. Which of the following is equivalent to $i^7 + i^8 + i^9 + i^{10}$?

(1) 1

(3) $1 - i$

(2) $2 + i$

(4) 0

10. When simplified the sum $5i^{18} + 7i^{25} + 2i^{28} + 6i^{43}$ is equal to

(1) $2 - 4i$

(3) $5 - 7i$

(2) $-3 + i$

(4) $8 + i$

11. The product $(6 + 2i)(4 - 3i)$ can be written as

(1) $24 - 6i$

(3) $2 + 5i$

(2) $18 + 10i$

(4) $30 - 10i$



FLUENCY

1. Find each of the following sum or difference.

(a) $(6 + 3i) + (-2 + 9i)$

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

(c) $(10 - 3i) + (6 - 8i)$

(d) $(-2 + 7i) - (15 - 6i)$

(e) $(15 + 2i) + (5 - 5i)$

(f) $(-1 + i) - (-5 - 6i)$

2. Which of the following is equivalent to $3(5 + 2i) - 2(3 - 6i)$?

(1) $9 + 18i$

(3) $9 - 6i$

(2) $21 + 8i$

(4) $21 - 2i$

3. Find each of the following products in simplest $a + bi$ form.

(a) $(5 - 2i)(-1 + 7i)$

(b) $(3 + 9i)(2 + 4i)$

(c) $(-4 - i)(-2 + 6i)$

4. Complex conjugates are two complex numbers that have the form $a + bi$ and $a - bi$. Find the following products of complex conjugates:

(a) $(5 - 7i)(5 + 7i)$

(b) $(10 + i)(10 - i)$

(c) $(-3 + 8i)(-3 - 8i)$

(d) What's true about the product of two complex conjugates?



5. Show that the product of $a+bi$ and $a-bi$ is the purely real number a^2+b^2 .

6. The product of $(-8+2i)$ and its conjugate is equal to

(1) $64+4i$

(3) 68

(2) 60

(4) $60-4i$

7. The complex computation $(6+2i)(6-2i)-(3-4i)(3+4i)$ can be simplified to

(1) 15

(3) -10

(2) 39

(4) -35

8. Perform the following complex calculation. Express your answer in simplest $a+bi$ form.

$$(8+5i)(3+2i)-(4+i)(4-i)$$

9. Perform the following complex calculation. Express your answer in simplest $a+bi$ form.

$$7(3-5i)+(4-2i)(-6+7i)$$

10. Simplify the following complex expression. Write your answer in simplest $a+bi$ form.

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



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9.3 Problem Set – Solving Quadratic Equations with Complex Solutions

FLUENCY

1. Solve each of the following quadratic equations. Express your solutions in simplest $a + bi$ form. Check.

(a) $x^2 + 4x + 20 = 12x - 5$

(b) $x^2 = x - 1$

(c) $2x^2 - 25x + 27 = -15x - 10$

(d) $8x^2 + 36x + 24 = 12x + 5$

(e) $x^2 + 6x + 15 = 8x - 2$

(f) $4x^2 + 38x + 50 = 10x - 35$



2. Which of the following represents the solution set to the equation $x^2 - 2x + 2 = 0$?

(1) $x = -1$ or 2 (3) $x = 2 \pm i$

(2) $x = 1 \pm 2i$ (4) $x = 1 \pm i$

3. The solutions to the equation $x^2 + 6x + 11 = 0$ are

(1) $x = -3 \pm i\sqrt{2}$ (3) $x = -6 \pm i\sqrt{11}$

(2) $x = -3 \pm 2i\sqrt{2}$ (4) $x = -6 \pm 2i\sqrt{11}$

4. Using the discriminant, $b^2 - 4ac$, determine whether each of the following quadratics has real or imaginary zeroes.

(a) $y = 2x^2 - 7x + 6$

(b) $y = 3x^2 + 2x + 1$

(c) $y = x^2 - 8x + 14$

(d) $y = 2x^2 - 12x + 26$

(e) $y = -2x^2 + 6x - 5$

(f) $y = 4x^2 - 4x + 1$

5. Which of the following quadratics, if graphed, would lie entirely above the x -axis? Try to use the discriminant to solve this problem and then graph to check.

(1) $y = 2x^2 + x - 21$ (3) $y = x^2 - 4x + 7$

(2) $y = x^2 - x - 6$ (4) $y = x^2 - 10x + 16$

REASONING

6. For what values of c will the quadratic $y = x^2 + 6x + c$ have no real zeroes? Set up and solve an inequality for this problem.



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9.4 Problem Set – The Discriminant of a Quadratic

SKILLS

1. For each of the following quadratic equations, determine the number and the nature of the roots by first calculating the quadratic's discriminant.

(a) $2x^2 + 4x + 5 = 0$

(b) $9x^2 - 12x + 4 = 0$

(c) $4x^2 - 13x + 3 = 0$

(d) $x^2 + 8x + 11 = 0$

(e) $4x^2 + 4x - 7 = 0$

(f) $36x^2 - 12x + 1 = 0$

(g) $-3x^2 + 4x - 8 = 0$

(h) $3x^2 + 8x + 4 = 0$

(i) $x^2 + 8x + 41 = 0$

2. The roots of $x^2 + 4x - 7 = 0$ are

(1) unequal and rational

(3) unequal and irrational

(2) unequal and imaginary

(4) equal and rational

3. Which of the following quadratics has imaginary roots?

(1) $x^2 + 3x - 5 = 0$

(3) $2x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$

(2) $x^2 + 6x + 10 = 0$

(4) $x^2 - 7x + 10 = 0$

4. Which of the following quadratic, when graphed, would touch the x-axis exactly once?

(1) $y = x^2 - 2x - 3$

(3) $y = x^2 + 5x - 2$

(2) $y = 2x^2 + 3x + 7$

(4) $y = x^2 - 12x + 36$



5. If graphed, which of the following parabolas would lie entirely below the x -axis?

(1) $y = x^2 + 5x + 10$ (3) $y = -2x^2 + 6x - 5$

(2) $y = -2x^2 - 5x + 3$ (4) $y = x^2 + 6x + 9$

6. Which parabola below, when graphed, would cross the x -axis at two unequal irrational locations?

(1) $y = 2x^2 + 11x + 12$ (3) $y = 9x^2 - 6x + 1$

(2) $y = x^2 + 2x - 4$ (4) $y = 2x^2 + 4x + 9$

REASONING

7. Determine all values of a that will cause the parabola $y = ax^2 + 10x + 1$ to cross the x -axis at two distinct locations.

8. Consider the parabola whose equation is $y = x^2 - 4x$ and the line whose equation is $y = 2x + b$, where b is some unknown constant. Determine the value of b such that the line and the parabola will intersect at exactly one location. Then, sketch the system of equations on the axes below. Label their intersection point.

