

Complex numbers

Practice list

1. Compute
a) $(-i)^2$; b) i^{10} ; c) $(1+i)^{10}$; d) $(1-i)^{10}$; e) $(1+i)^{101}$.
2. Find $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$, such that $z + w = zw = 2$.
3. Find $1/(a+bi)$.
4. Compute the sum $1 + i + i^2 + i^3 + \dots + i^{100}$.
5. Solve the following equations:
a) $z^2 = 2$; b) $z^2 = -2$; c) $z^2 = 2i$; d) $z^2 = 1+i$;
e) $z^2 + 2z + 2 = 0$; f) $z^2 + (2i-7)z + 13 - i = 0$.
6. Compute real and imaginary parts of $(a+bi)(c+di)$.
7. Prove that $z + \bar{z} \in \mathbb{R}$.
8. Prove that
a) $\overline{z+w} = \bar{z} + \bar{w}$; b) $\overline{zw} = \bar{z} \bar{w}$; c) $\overline{z/w} = \bar{z}/\bar{w}$.
9. Compute
a) $(1+i)/(1-i)$; b) $(8+i)/(1+2i)$; c) $(5+i)(7-6i)/(3+i)$;
d) $(1+i)^5/(1-i)^3$; e) $(1+3i)(8-i)/(2+i)^2$.
10. Show that if $zw \in \mathbb{R}$ and $z + w \in \mathbb{R}$ then either both z and w are real, or $z = \bar{w}$.
11. Show that $|z|^2 = z\bar{z}$.
12. Find the distance from z to w .
13. Show that $|zw| = |z||w|$.
14. Find the real and imaginary part of a complex number with absolute value r and argument φ .
15. Find the locus
a) $z + \bar{z} = 1$; b) $z\bar{z} = 1$; c) $|z| = 1$; d) $|z-1| = 1$;
e) $|z| = |z+1|$; f) $|2z|^2 = z\bar{z}$; g) $\Re e z/(z-1) = 0$; h) $|z-a| = |z-b|$.
16. Prove that the points $0, 1/z$ and \bar{z} are collinear.
17. Show that the locus $z + \bar{z} = z\bar{z}$ is a circle. Find its center and radius.
18. Find all the $z \in \mathbb{C}$, such that $|z-3| \leq 2$ and $|z+4i| \leq 3$.
19. Show that the points $z, w, 1/\bar{z}, 1/\bar{w}$ belong to one circle.
20. Draw the locus $z\bar{z} + az + \bar{a}\bar{z} + c = 0$, where $a \in \mathbb{C}$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$. How does the answer depend on a and c ?
21. Solve the following equations:
a) $|z| - z = 1 + 2i$; b) $|z| + z = 2 + i$.

22. Show that

$$(\cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha)^k = \cos k\alpha + i \sin k\alpha.$$

23. Compute $(1 + \cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha)^k$.

24. Show that if $z + 1/z = 2 \cos \alpha$, then $z^m + 1/z^m = 2 \cos m\alpha$.

25. Write down the following complex numbers in the form $a + bi$:

a) $\sqrt[3]{8\sqrt{3}i - 8}$; b) $\sqrt[3]{(27 - 54i)/(2 + i)}$; c) $\sqrt[3]{1 + i}$.

26. Find an integer n such that $(\frac{2+i}{2-i})^n = 1$.

27. Compute

- a) $\cos x + \cos 2x + \cdots + \cos nx$;
- b) $\sin x + \sin 2x + \cdots + \sin nx$;
- c) $\sin^2 x + \sin^2 3x + \cdots + \sin^2 (2n-1)x$;
- d) $\cos x + 2 \cos 2x + 3 \cos 3x + \cdots + n \cos nx$.

28. Solve the following equations:

a) $x^4 + 6x^3 + 9x^2 + 100 = 0$; b) $x^4 + 2x^2 - 24x + 72 = 0$.

29. Compute

- a) $1 + 2\varepsilon + 3\varepsilon^2 + \cdots + n\varepsilon^{n-1}$, where $\varepsilon^n = 1$;
- b) $\varepsilon_0^k + \varepsilon_1^k + \cdots + \varepsilon_{n-1}^k$ ($\varepsilon_0, \dots, \varepsilon_{n-1}$ — n -roots of unity).