

Lecture 17

Revision of Section 2

1. Write $\frac{5+6i}{7+8i}$ in the form $a+bi$

where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

2. Find the square roots of

$$-125 + 300i$$

and show that your solutions work

3. Find all n th roots of unity in
 (i) Trig form (ii) Radical form.

4. Express $\cos 10\theta$ in terms of
 a sum of powers of $\cos \theta$ and $\sin \theta$.

5. Write the following real polynomial as a product of real linear and real irreducible quadratic polynomials (you should show explicitly that your quadratics are irreducible).

$$P(x) =$$

$$x^7 - 6x^6 + 16x^5 - 36x^4 + 59x^3 - 54x^2 + 44x - 24$$

Clue : i is a root

Solutions

1.

$$\frac{5+6i}{7+8i} = \frac{(5+6i)(7-8i)}{(7+8i)(7-8i)} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Complex} \\ \text{conjugate} \\ \text{of } 7+8i \end{array}$$

$$= \frac{1}{49+64} [(5+6i)(7-8i)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{113} (83+2i)$$

$$= \frac{83}{113} + \frac{2}{113}i$$

2. Let $(x+iy)^2 = -125+300i$

Then $(x^2-y^2) + 2ixy = -125+300i$

Equate real and imaginary parts

① $x^2 - y^2 = -125$

② $xy = 150$

To get equation (3) modulus both sides

$$\begin{aligned} (3) \quad x^2 + y^2 &= \sqrt{125^2 + 300^2} \\ &= 325. \end{aligned}$$

(1) + (3) yields

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^2 &= -125 + 325 \\ &= 200 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore x^2 = 100$$

$$\therefore x = \pm 10$$

Now use (2)

$$\text{When } x = 10, \quad y = 15$$

$$\text{When } x = -10, \quad y = -15$$

\therefore Square roots of $-125 + 300i$ are

$$10 + 15i \quad \underline{\text{and}} \quad -(10 + 15i)$$

check $(10 + 15i)^2 = -125 + 300i$

Check I show now that $\omega^8 = 1$.

$$\omega^8 = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^8 (1+i)^8$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} (1+i)^8$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \sum_{j=0}^8 \binom{8}{j} i^j$$

I had to change my
used subscript of i
to j to avoid
confusion!

$$= \frac{1}{16} \left[\binom{8}{0} i^0 + \binom{8}{1} i^1 + \binom{8}{2} i^2 + \binom{8}{3} i^3 \right. \\ \left. + \binom{8}{4} i^4 + \binom{8}{5} i^5 + \binom{8}{6} i^6 + \binom{8}{7} i^7 \right. \\ \left. + \binom{8}{8} i^8 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \left[1 + \cancel{8i} + \cancel{28i^2} + \cancel{56i^3} + \cancel{70i^4} \right. \\ \left. + \cancel{56i^5} + \cancel{28i^6} + \cancel{8i^7} + \cancel{i^8} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} [1 + -28 - 28 + 1 + 70] = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

4. We use De Moivre's theorem and the binomial theorem. By De Moivre's theorem

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{10} = \cos 10\theta + i \sin 10\theta. \quad (*)$$

By the binomial theorem

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{10} = \sum_{j=0}^{10} \binom{10}{j} (\cos \theta)^{10-j} (i \sin \theta)^j \quad \boxplus$$

We need to calculate powers of i :

i^0	i^1	i^2	i^3	i^4	i^5	i^6	i^7	i^8	i^9	i^{10}
1	i	-1	$-i$	1	i	-1	$-i$	1	i	-1
↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑

Real powers of i

Now equate real and imaginary parts of

$(*)$ and \boxplus

$$j = 0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10$$

$$\cos 10\theta =$$

$$\binom{10}{0} \cos^{10} \theta + \binom{10}{2} \cos^8 \theta (i \sin \theta)^2$$

$$+ \binom{10}{4} \cos^6 \theta (i \sin \theta)^4 + \binom{10}{6} \cos^4 \theta (i \sin \theta)^6$$

$$+ \binom{10}{8} \cos^2 \theta (i \sin \theta)^8 + \binom{10}{10} (i \sin \theta)^{10}$$

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$$= \binom{10}{0} \cos^{10} \theta - \binom{10}{2} \cos^8 \theta \sin^2 \theta$$

$$+ \binom{10}{4} \cos^6 \theta \sin^4 \theta - \binom{10}{6} \cos^4 \theta \sin^6 \theta$$

$$+ \binom{10}{8} \cos^2 \theta \sin^8 \theta - \binom{10}{10} \sin^{10} \theta$$

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$$\binom{10}{0} = 1, \quad \binom{10}{10} = 1, \quad \binom{10}{4} = 210$$

$$\binom{10}{2} = 45, \quad \binom{10}{8} = 45, \quad \binom{10}{6} = 210$$

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$$\cos^{10} \theta =$$

$$\cos^{10} \theta - 45 \cos^8 \theta \sin^2 \theta + 210 \cos^6 \theta \sin^4 \theta$$

$$- 210 \cos^4 \theta \sin^6 \theta + 45 \cos^2 \theta \sin^8 \theta - \sin^{10} \theta$$

5. By the theory in the lecture, any integral roots must divide -24 . We quickly find that $1, 2,$ and 3 are roots. By dividing out by the linear factors $(x-1), (x-2)$ and $(x-3)$ we find that

$$p(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3)(x^4 + 5x^2 + 4).$$

We are given that i is a root of $p(x)$ and so i is a root of $x^4 + 5x^2 + 4$.

By the theory, $-i$ must also be a root.

So, $(x-i)(x+i) = x^2 + 1$ must

divide $x^4 + 5x^2 + 4$.

In fact,

$$x^4 + 5x^2 + 4 = (x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 4).$$

There are two ways to show this:

- (1) Long division (see my book)
- (2) We need to find $x^2 + ax + b$

such that

$$x^4 + 5x^2 + 4 = (x^2 + 1)(x^2 + ax + b)$$

$$= x^4 + ax^3 + bx^2 + x^2 + ax + b$$

$$= x^4 + ax^3 + (b+1)x^2 + ax + b$$

We see that $a = 0$, $b = 4$ works.

$$\text{Thus } x^4 + 5x^2 + 4 = (x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 4),$$

as claimed.

Check that $x^2 + 1$ and $x^2 + 4$
are irreducible (discriminants < 0)

Thus

$$p(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3)(x^2+1)(x^2+4)$$

is the decomposition of $p(x)$ as a product of
real linear polynomials and real irreducible
quadratic polynomials.