

Complex numbers Exercise 1

Question 1:

Express the given complex number in the form $a + ib$: $(5i)(-3i/5)$

Question 2:

Express the given complex number in the form $a + ib$: $i^9 + i^{19}$

Question 3:

Express the given complex number in the form $a + ib$: i^{-39}

Question 4:

Express the given complex number in the form $a + ib$: $3(7 + i7) + i(7 + i7)$

Question 5:

Express the given complex number in the form $a + ib$: $(1 - i) - (-1 + i6)$

Question 6:

Express the given complex number in the form $a + ib$:

$$(1/5 + 2i/5) - (4 + i5/2)$$

Question 7:

Express the given complex number in the form $a + ib$:

$$\left[\left(\frac{1}{3} + i \frac{7}{3} \right) + \left(4 + i \frac{1}{3} \right) \right] - \left(\frac{-4}{3} + i \right)$$

Question 8

Express the given complex number in the form $a + ib$: $(1 - i)^4$

Question 9:

Express the given complex number in the form $a + ib$: $(1/3 + 3i)^3$

Question 10

Express the given complex number in the form $a + ib$: $(-2 - 1i/3)^3$

Question 11:

Find the multiplicative inverse of the complex number $4 - 3i$.

Question 12:

Find the multiplicative inverse of the complex number

$$\sqrt{5} + 3i$$

Question 13

Find the multiplicative inverse of the complex number $-i$

Question 14

Express the following expression in the form of $a + ib$.

$$\frac{(3 + i\sqrt{5})(3 - i\sqrt{5})}{(\sqrt{3} + i\sqrt{2}) - (\sqrt{3} - i\sqrt{2})}$$

Solution 1

$$(5i)(-3i/5)$$

Multiplying

$$= -(15/5)i^2$$

Now we know that

$$i^2 = -1$$

so

$$= 3$$

Solution 2

$$i^9 + i^{19}$$

$$=i^{2 \times 4 + 1} + i^{4 \times 4 + 3}$$

$$=(i^2)^4 + (i^4)^4 i^3$$

Now $i^2 = -1$ so $i^4 = 1$ and $i^3 = -i$

$$=1 + (-i)$$

$$=1 - i = 0$$

Solution 3

$$\begin{aligned} i^{-39} &= i^{-4 \times 9 - 3} = (i^4)^{-9} \cdot i^{-3} \\ &= (1)^{-9} \cdot i^{-3} \quad [i^4 = 1] \\ &= \frac{1}{i^3} = \frac{1}{-i} \quad [i^3 = -i] \\ &= \frac{-1}{i} \times \frac{i}{i} \\ &= \frac{-i}{i^2} = \frac{-i}{-1} = i \quad [i^2 = -1] \end{aligned}$$

Solution 4:

$$3(7 + i7) + i(7 + i7)$$

$$=21 + 21i + 7i + 7i^2$$

Now $i^2 = -1$

So

$$=21 + 28i - 7$$

$$=14 + 28i$$

Solution 5:

$$(1 - i) - (-1 + i6)$$

$$= 2 - 7i$$

Solution 6:

$$(1/5 + 2i/5) - (4 + i5/2)$$

$$= [(1/5) - 4] + i[(2/5) - (5/2)]$$

$$= (-19/5) + (-21/10)i$$

Solution 7:

$$\left[\left(\frac{1}{3} + i \frac{7}{3} \right) + \left(4 + i \frac{1}{3} \right) \right] - \left(\frac{-4}{3} + i \right)$$

Opening the bracket

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{3} + i \frac{7}{3} + 4 + i \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{3} - i \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{3} + 4 + \frac{4}{3} \right) + i \left(\frac{7}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{17}{3} + i \frac{5}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 8

$$(1 - i)^4$$

Can be written as

$$= [(1-i)^2]^2$$

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

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

$$= 4i^2 = -4$$

Solution 9

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{1}{3} + 3i\right)^3 &= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + (3i)^3 + 3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)(3i)\left(\frac{1}{3} + 3i\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{27} + 27i^3 + 3i\left(\frac{1}{3} + 3i\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{27} + 27(-i) + i + 9i^2 \quad [i^3 = -i] \\
 &= \frac{1}{27} - 27i + i - 9 \quad [i^2 = -1] \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{27} - 9\right) + i(-27 + 1) \\
 &= \frac{-242}{27} - 26i
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 10

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(-2 - \frac{1}{3}i\right)^3 &= (-1)^3 \left(2 + \frac{1}{3}i\right)^3 \\
 &= -\left[2^3 + \left(\frac{i}{3}\right)^3 + 3(2)\left(\frac{i}{3}\right)\left(2 + \frac{i}{3}\right)\right] \\
 &= -\left[8 + \frac{i^3}{27} + 2i\left(2 + \frac{i}{3}\right)\right] \\
 &= -\left[8 - \frac{i}{27} + 4i + \frac{2i^2}{3}\right] \quad [i^3 = -i] \\
 &= -\left[8 - \frac{i}{27} + 4i - \frac{2}{3}\right] \quad [i^2 = -1] \\
 &= -\left[\frac{22}{3} + \frac{107i}{27}\right] \\
 &= -\frac{22}{3} - \frac{107}{27}i
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 11

Let $z = 4 - 3i$

Conjugate is given by

$$\bar{z} = 4+3i$$

Modulus is given by

$$|z|=5$$

Multiple inverse of any complex number z is given by

$$= \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2} = \frac{4+3i}{25}$$

Solution 12

$$\text{Let } z = \sqrt{5}+3i$$

Conjugate is given by

$$\bar{z} = \sqrt{5}-3i$$

Modulus is given by

$$|z| = \sqrt{5+9} = 14$$

Multiple inverse of any complex number z is given by

$$= \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2} = \frac{\sqrt{5}-3i}{14}$$

Solution 13

$$\text{Let } z = -i$$

Conjugate is given by

$$\bar{z} = i$$

Modulus is given by

$$|z|=1$$

Multiple inverse of any complex number z is given by

$$= \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2} = \frac{-i}{1} = -i$$

Solution 14

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(3+i\sqrt{5})(3-i\sqrt{5})}{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}i)-(\sqrt{3}-i\sqrt{2})} \\ &= \frac{(3)^2 - (i\sqrt{5})^2}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}i-\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}i} \\ &= \frac{9-5i^2}{2\sqrt{2}i} \\ &= \frac{9-5(-1)}{2\sqrt{2}i} \\ &= \frac{9+5}{2\sqrt{2}i} \times \frac{i}{i} \\ &= \frac{14i}{2\sqrt{2}i^2} \\ &= \frac{14i}{2\sqrt{2}(-1)} \\ &= \frac{-7i}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{-7\sqrt{2}i}{2} \end{aligned}$$