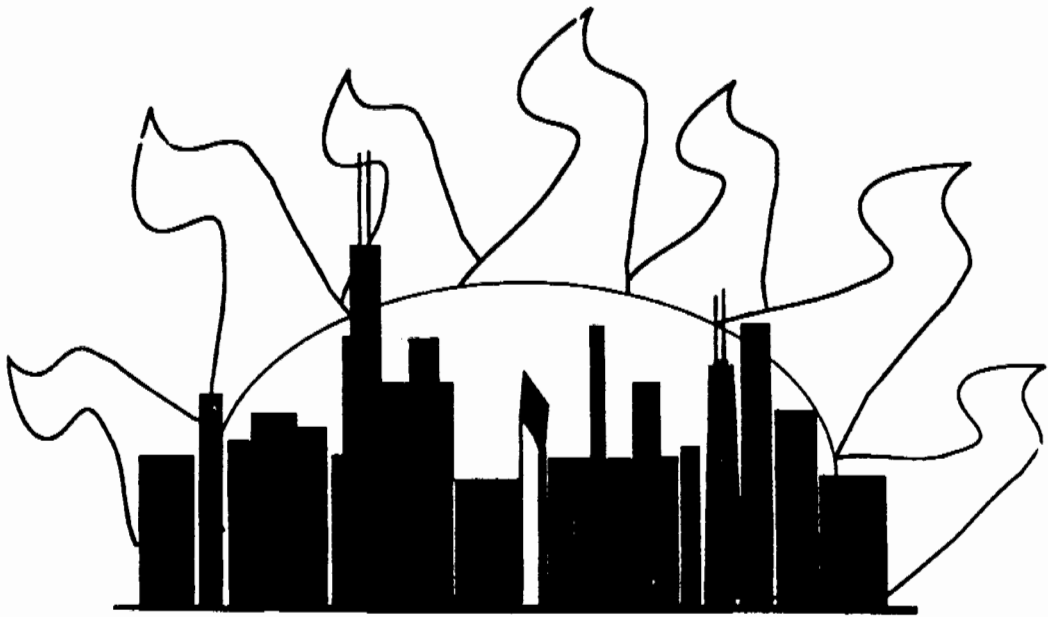


Alpha Division

Topic Test 2

Complex Numbers



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General Instructions:

Unless otherwise stated all answers should be written as decimals.

If you are asked to give your answer as a fraction, please give your answer in a/b form where a and b are relatively prime.

For all problems on this test, $i = \sqrt{-1}$

Questions

1. Solve the following equation for x . Express your answer in the form $a+bi$, where a and b are real numbers.

$$\frac{4-3i}{2+i}x + 3i - 6 = \frac{3+i}{2-i}x$$

2. If i is the imaginary unit, find the decimal equivalent of $\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^i$.
3. Determine $|4 + 3i|$
4. If $x = y^2$ and $y = x^2$, find the least non-negative value of $x^2 + x + 1$, where x and y are complex numbers.
5. Given that $i^2 = -1$, for how many integers, n , is $(n+1)^4$ an integer?
6. If $a + bi$, with a and b real numbers, is the complex conjugate of the multiplicative inverse of the product $(2-3i)(-2-4i)$, find the value of b . Round your answer to the nearest thousandth.
7. Given that one root of $f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 2x + 20$ is -2 , find the larger of the other roots.
8. Find the value of $(-i)^{4n-1}$ when n is a negative integer.
9. Suppose $[2 - (-2 + i\sqrt{3}) - (-2 - i\sqrt{3})][2 + (-2 + i\sqrt{3})^2 + (-2 - i\sqrt{3})^2][2 - (-2 + i\sqrt{3})^4 - (-2 - i\sqrt{3})^4] = 2^k 3^m$, find the value of k , if k and m are integers.

10. If two roots of the polynomial equation $x^6 - 6x^5 + 14x^4 - 22x^3 + 25x^2 + 8x = 60$ are $2i$ and $2-i$, then find the sum of the real roots.
11. Simplify $\frac{(2+i)^2}{2-i} - \frac{(2-i)^2}{2+i}$
12. Simplify $(\sqrt{9+40i} + \sqrt{9-40i})^2$
13. Simplify $(-1+i)^7$. Express your answer in the form $a+bi$.
14. Evaluate $(1-i\sqrt{3})^6$
15. If $w = 5 - i\sqrt{7}$ and \bar{w} is the conjugate, then evaluate $w^2 + 2w\bar{w} + \bar{w}^2$.
16. Find the product of the ordered pair of real numbers (x, y) for which $x + xi + y - yi = -1 + 7i$.
17. For how many integers $c \leq 50$ will the solutions of the equation $x^2 - 4x + c = 0$ be complex conjugates of the form $a + bi$, where a and b are positive integers?
18. Let z be a complex number and \bar{z} be its conjugate. Find the least value of z for which $z\bar{z} = 5$ and $z^2 + \bar{z}^2 = 6$. Write your answer in the form $a + bi$.
19. Find the sum of the absolute values of the imaginary roots of $8x^4 - 6x^3 + 15x^2 - 18x - 27 = 0$
20. If $e^x = i^i$, find x . Note: i^i is a real number, even though i is imaginary.