

MATHEMATICS 2 (MA10193)
EXAMPLES SHEET 3: SOLUTIONS

1. $(7 - 2i) + (8 + 5i) = 15 + 3i$; $(3 - i)(6 + 5i) = 23 + 9i$; $(3 - i)/(6 + 5i) = \frac{13-21i}{65}$;
 $(2 + i)/i = 1 - 2i$; $\sqrt{-i} = \pm \frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}$.

2.

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 5 & -2 & -1 \\ -7 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

3. $z^2 = 8 + 6i$. You should be able to draw the points (3,1) and (8,6) without help.

4. $z_1 z_2 = (1 - 2i)(4 + yi) = 4 + yi - 8i + 2y$, so the real part is $4 + 2y$ which is zero if and only if $y = -2$.

$z_1/z_2 = (1 - 2i)/(4 + yi) = (1 - 2i)(4 - yi)/(16 + y^2)$. Since $16 + y^2$ is real, this is real if and only if the numerator, $(1 - 2i)(4 - yi)$, is real; that is, if its imaginary part is zero. But the imaginary part of $(1 - 2i)(4 - yi) = 4 + 2y - yi - 8i$ is $-y - 8$, so we need $y = 8$.

5. $|z| = \sqrt{\sqrt{3}^2 + 1^2} = 2$, and $\tan \arg z = 1/\sqrt{3}$ so $\arg z = \pi/3$ (since z is in the first quadrant). Note: it is $\pi/3$ exactly and a calculator approximation gives the wrong answer. The smallest positive integer n such that z^n is a real number is 3, since $\arg z^3 = 3 \arg z = \pi$ (this is why an approximation is wrong: we need to get exactly π here, not something close to it).

6. If $x^2 - 5x + 32 = 0$ then $x = \frac{1}{2}(5 \pm i\sqrt{103})$. The eigenvalues of $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 13 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ are found by solving the equation $\begin{vmatrix} 3-x & 13 \\ -2 & 2-x \end{vmatrix} = 0$ and that is $x^2 - 5x + 32 = 0$ so those are the eigenvalues.

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