

FINAL Study Guide (LT 4.1-4.3)

Complex Numbers, Quadratic Formula, Vertex Form

Pure Imaginary Numbers A square root of a number n is a number whose square is n . For nonnegative real numbers

a and b , $\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{b}$ and $\sqrt{\frac{a}{b}} = \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b}}$, $b \neq 0$.

- The **imaginary unit** i is defined to have the property that $i^2 = -1$ and $i = \sqrt{-1}$
- Simplified square root expressions do not have an i in the denominator.

Example 1

a. Simplify $\sqrt{-48}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{-48} &= \sqrt{16 \cdot 3 \cdot (-1)} \\ &= \sqrt{16} \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{-1} \\ &= 4i\sqrt{3}\end{aligned}$$

b. Simplify $\sqrt{-63}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{-63} &= \sqrt{-1 \cdot 7 \cdot 9} \\ &= \sqrt{-1} \cdot \sqrt{7} \cdot \sqrt{9} \\ &= 3i\sqrt{7}\end{aligned}$$

Example 2

a. Simplify $-3i \cdot 4i$.

$$\begin{aligned}-3i \cdot 4i &= -12i^2 \\ &= -12(-1) \\ &= 12\end{aligned}$$

b. Simplify $\sqrt{-3} \cdot \sqrt{-15}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{-3} \cdot \sqrt{-15} &= i\sqrt{3} \cdot i\sqrt{15} \\ &= i^2 \sqrt{45} \\ &= \sqrt{-1} \cdot \sqrt{9} \cdot \sqrt{5} \\ &= -3\sqrt{5}\end{aligned}$$

Example 3: Solve $x^2 + 5 = 0$.

$$\begin{array}{ll}x^2 + 5 = 0 & \text{Original equation.} \\ x^2 = -5 & \text{Subtract 5 from each side.} \\ x = \pm \sqrt{5}i & \text{Square Root Property.}\end{array}$$

Use your notes and the examples above to solve the exercises below.

Simplify.

1. $\sqrt{-72}$

2. $\sqrt{\frac{-24}{3}}$

3. $\sqrt{-84}$

4. $\sqrt{-84} \cdot 2\sqrt{-4}$

Solve each equation.

5. $5x^2 + 45 = 0$

6. $4x^2 + 24 = 0$

7. $-9x^2 = 9$

8. $7x^2 + 84 = 0$

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Operations with Complex Numbers

Complex Number	A complex number is any number that can be written in the form $a + bi$, where a and b are real numbers and i is the imaginary unit ($i^2 = -1$). a is called the real part, and b is called the imaginary part.
Addition and Subtraction of Complex Numbers	Combine like terms. $(a + bi) + (c + di) = (a + c) + (b + d)i$ $(a + bi) - (c + di) = (a - c) + (b - d)i$
Multiplication of Complex Numbers	Use the definition of i^2 and the FOIL method: $(a + bi)(c + di) = (ac - bd) + (ad + bc)i$
Complex Conjugate	$a + bi$ and $a - bi$ are complex conjugates . The product of complex conjugates is always a real number.

To divide by a complex number, first multiply the dividend and divisor by the **complex conjugate** of the divisor.

Example 1: Simplify $(6 + i) + (4 - 5i)$.

$$\begin{aligned}(6 + i) + (4 - 5i) \\ &= (6 + 4) + (1 - 5)i \\ &= 10 - 4i\end{aligned}$$

Example 2: Simplify $(8 + 3i) - (6 - 2i)$.

$$\begin{aligned}(8 + 3i) - (6 - 2i) \\ &= (8 - 6) + [3 - (-2)]i \\ &= 2 + 5i\end{aligned}$$

Example 3: Simplify $(2 - 5i) \cdot (-4 + 2i)$.

$$\begin{aligned}(2 - 5i) \cdot (-4 + 2i) \\ &= 2(-4) + 2(2i) + (-5i)(-4) + (-5i)(2i) \\ &= -8 + 4i + 20i - 10i^2 \\ &= -8 + 24i - 10(-1) \\ &= 2 + 24i\end{aligned}$$

Example 4: Simplify $\frac{3 - i}{2 + 3i}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{3 - i}{2 + 3i} &= \frac{3 - i}{2 + 3i} \cdot \frac{2 - 3i}{2 - 3i} \\ &= \frac{6 - 9i - 2i + 3i^2}{4 - 9i^2} \\ &= \frac{3 - 11i}{13} \\ &= \frac{3}{13} - \frac{11}{13}i\end{aligned}$$

Use your notes and the examples above to solve the exercises below.

Simplify.

1. $(-4 + 2i) + (6 - 3i)$

2. $(5 - i) - (3 - 2i)$

3. $(6 - 3i) + (4 - 2i)$

4. $(-11 + 4i) - (1 - 5i)$

5. $(8 + 4i) + (8 - 4i)$

6. $(5 + 2i) - (-6 - 3i)$

7. $(2 + i)(3 - i)$

8. $(5 - 2i)(4 - i)$

9. $(4 - 2i)(1 - 2i)$

10. $\frac{5}{3 + i}$

11. $\frac{7 - 13i}{2i}$

12. $\frac{6 - 5i}{3i}$

13. t^{11}

14. t^{10}