

4-8 Reteaching

Complex Numbers

- A *complex number* consists of a real part and an imaginary part. It is written in the form $a + bi$, where a and b are real numbers.
- $i = \sqrt{-1}$ and $i^2 = (\sqrt{-1})(\sqrt{-1}) = -1$
- When adding or subtracting complex numbers, combine the real parts and then combine the imaginary parts.
- When multiplying complex numbers, use the Distributive Property or FOIL.

Problem

What is $(3 - i) + (2 + 3i)$?

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

$$= \boxed{3} - \boxed{i} + \boxed{2} + \boxed{3i}$$

$$= (3 + 2) + (-1 + 3)i$$

$$= 5 + 2i$$

Circle real parts. Put a square around imaginary parts.

Combine.

Simplify.

Problem

What is the product $(7 - 3i)(-4 + 9i)$?

Use FOIL to multiply:

$$(7 - 3i)(-4 + 9i)$$

$$\text{First} = 7(-4)$$

$$\text{Outer} = 7(9i)$$

$$\text{Inner} = (-3i)(-4)$$

$$\text{Last} = (-3i)(9i)$$

$$(7 - 3i)(-4 + 9i) = 7(-4) + 7(9i) + (-3i)(-4) + (-3i)(9i)$$

$$= -28 + 63i + 12i - 27i^2$$

$$= -28 + 75i - 27i^2$$

You can simplify the expression by substituting -1 for i^2 .

$$(7 - 3i)(-4 + 9i) = -28 + 75i - 27(-1)$$

$$= -1 + 75i$$

Exercises

Simplify each expression.

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

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

3. $(4 + 3i)(1 + 2i)$
 $-2 + 11i$

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

5. $3i(4 - i)$
 $3 + 12i$

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

7. $4i(6 - 2i)$
 $8 + 24i$

8. $(5 + 6i) + (-2 + 4i)$
 $3 + 10i$

9. $9(11 + 5i)$
 $99 + 45i$

4-8 Reteaching (continued)

Complex Numbers

- The *complex conjugate* of a complex number $a + bi$ is the complex number $a - bi$.
- $(a + bi)(a - bi) = a^2 + b^2$
- To divide complex numbers, use complex conjugates to simplify the denominator.

Problem

What is the quotient $\frac{4 + 5i}{2 - i}$?

$$\frac{4 + 5i}{2 - i}$$

$$= \frac{4 + 5i}{2 - i} \cdot \frac{2 + i}{2 + i}$$

$$= \frac{8 + 4i + 10i + 5i^2}{(2 - i)(2 + i)}$$

$$= \frac{8 + 4i + 10i + 5i^2}{2^2 + 1^2}$$

$$= \frac{8 + 14i + 5(-1)}{4 + 1}$$

$$= \frac{3 + 14i}{5}$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} + \frac{14}{5}i$$

The complex conjugate of $2 - i$ is $2 + i$.

Multiply both numerator and denominator by $2 + i$.

Use FOIL to multiply the numerators.

Simplify the denominator. $(a + b)(a - b) = a^2 + b^2$

Substitute -1 for i^2 .

Simplify.

Write as a complex number $a + bi$.

Exercises

Find the complex conjugate of each complex number.

10. $1 - 2i$ $1 + 2i$

11. $3 + 5i$ $3 - 5i$

12. i $-i$

13. $3 - i$ $3 + i$

14. $2 + 3i$ $2 - 3i$

15. $-5 - 2i$ $-5 + 2i$

Write each quotient as a complex number.

16. $\frac{3i}{1 - 2i}$ $-\frac{6}{5} + \frac{3}{5}i$

17. $\frac{6}{3 + 5i}$ $\frac{9}{17} - \frac{15}{17}i$

18. $\frac{2 + 2i}{i}$ $2 - 2i$

19. $\frac{2 + 5i}{3 - i}$ $\frac{1}{10} + \frac{17}{10}i$

20. $\frac{-4 - i}{2 + 3i}$ $-\frac{11}{13} + \frac{10}{13}i$

21. $\frac{6 + i}{-5 - 2i}$ $-\frac{32}{29} + \frac{7}{29}i$