

1. Find the value of
- $\log_2 ((\log_{16} 2)^{(\log_5 125)})$
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$$\log_{16} 2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\log_5 125 = 3$$

$$\therefore \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^3$$

$$= 3 \log_2 \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= 3 \cdot (-2)$$

$$= -6$$

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2. Find the value of
- k
- so that the line containing
- $(k, 4)$
- and
- $(-1, 7)$
- is perpendicular to the line
- $4x + 2y = 3$
- .

$$2y = -4x + 3$$

$$y = -2x + \frac{3}{2}$$

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$$y = \frac{1}{2}x + b$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} + b = 7$$

$$b = \frac{15}{2}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{15}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{k+15}{2} = 4$$

$$\therefore k = -7$$

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3. Find the quotient and remainder when
- $2x^4 + 3x^2 - 8x + 2$
- is divided by
- $x^2 + x + 1$
- .

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x^2 - 2x + 3 \\
 x^2 + x + 1 \overline{) 2x^4 + 0x^3 + 3x^2 - 8x + 2} \\
 \underline{2x^4 + 2x^3 + 2x^2} \\
 -2x^3 + x^2 - 8x \\
 \underline{-2x^3 - 2x^2 - 2x} \\
 3x^2 - 6x + 2 \\
 \underline{3x^2 + 3x + 3} \\
 -9x - 1
 \end{array}$$

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$$\therefore \text{quotient } 2x^2 - 2x + 3$$

$$\text{remainder } -9x - 1$$

4. When $z^{40} + kz - 3$ is divided by $z + i$ the remainder is 4. Find the value of k .

according to the remainder theorem,

$$(-i)^{40} + k(-i) - 3 = 4$$

$$1 - ik = 7$$

$$k = -\frac{6}{i}$$

$$\therefore k = 6i$$

5. An integer is said to be *fiveless* if it is written without using the digit 5. For example, 274 and 43 are fiveless whereas 252 is not. How many integers in the set $\{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 1 \leq n < 1000\}$ are fiveless?

$$1 - 100:$$

$$5, 15, 25, 35, 45, 55, 65, 75, 85, 95,$$

$$50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59,$$

$$700 - 799: 19$$

$$800 - 899: 19$$

$$900 - 999: 19$$

$$1 + 2 \times 9 = 19$$

$$101 - 200: 19$$

$$201 - 300: 19$$

$$301 - 400: 19$$

$$401 - 499: 19$$

$$500 - 599: 100$$

$$600 - 699: 19$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{fiveless} &= 19 \times 9 + 100 \\ &= 171 + 100 \\ &= 271 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{fiveless} &= 999 - 271 \\ &= 728 \end{aligned}$$

6. The cubic equation $x^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$ has roots -3 and $-1 \pm i\sqrt{5}$. Find the values of b , c and d .

$$-1 \pm i\sqrt{5} \Leftrightarrow \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{-20}}{2}$$

$$a = 1 \quad b = 2 \quad \Delta = -20$$

$$\Delta = 4 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot c = -20$$

$$c = 6$$

$$\therefore x^2 + 2x + 6 = 0$$

$$(x^2 + 2x + 6)(x + 3) = 0$$

$$x^3 + 2x^2 + 6x + 3x^2 + 6x + 18 = 0$$

$$x^3 + 5x^2 + 12x + 18 = 0$$

$$\therefore \begin{cases} b = 5 \\ c = 12 \\ d = 18 \end{cases}$$

7. Find the value of k so that the line $y = -3x + k$ is tangent to the parabola $y = 2x^2 + x$.

$$\begin{cases} y = -3x + k \\ y = 2x^2 + x \end{cases}$$

$$2x^2 + x = -3x + k$$

$$2x^2 + 4x - k = 0$$

$$0 = 16 + 4 \cdot k \cdot 2$$

$$= 16 + 8k = 0$$

$$\therefore k = -2$$



8. Suppose $b^{0.9} = 2$ and $b^{1.4} = 3$. Find the value of $\log_b 4\sqrt{3}$.

$$\log_b 2 = 0.9$$

$$\log_b 3 = 1.4$$

$$\log_b 2^2 \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= 2\log_b 2 + \frac{1}{2}\log_b 3$$

$$= 2 \cdot 0.9 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1.4$$

$$= 1.8 + 0.7$$

$$= 2.5$$



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9. Find the coordinates of all points in the plane that are equidistant from the x -axis, the y -axis and the point $(2, 1)$.

the points are on $y=x$ or $y=-x$

$$\therefore (a, a), (a, -a)$$

$$\therefore \text{distance} = \sqrt{(2-a)^2 + (1-a)^2} = |a| \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt{(2-a)^2 + (1+a)^2} = |a|$$

$$a^2 - 2a + 5 = 0$$

$$0 < 0,$$

inadmissible.

$$\therefore a^2 - 4a + 4 + a^2 - 2a + 1 = a^2$$

$$\therefore a^2 - 6a + 5 = 0$$

$$\therefore (a-5)(a-1) = 0$$

$$\therefore a_1 = 5$$

$$a_2 = 1$$

$$\therefore (5, 5) (1, 1)$$

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10. The three solutions of the equation $z^3 - 3z^2 + 3z + i = 1$ are the vertices of a triangle in the complex plane. What is the area of the triangle?

$$z^3 - 3z^2 + 3z + i = 1$$

$$\therefore (z-1)^3 = -i$$

$$\therefore z = \sqrt[3]{-i} + 1$$

$$\text{let } (a+bi)^3 = -i$$

$$\therefore a^3 + 3a^2bi - 3ab^2 - b^3i = -i$$

$$\therefore a^3 - 3ab^2 + (3a^2b - b^3)i = -i$$

$$\therefore \begin{cases} a(a^2 - 3b^2) = 0 \\ b(3a^2 - b^2) = -1 \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{1} a = 0, -b^3 = -1$$

$$\therefore b = 1$$

$$\textcircled{2} a \neq 0, a^3 = 3b^2$$

$$\therefore 8b^3 = -1, b = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore a = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\therefore z = a + bi + 1$$

$$\therefore z_1 = i + 1$$

$$z_2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i + 1$$

$$z_3 = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i + 1$$

$$\therefore (1, 1) \left(\frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\therefore S = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left[1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \right] \cdot \left(\frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2}$$

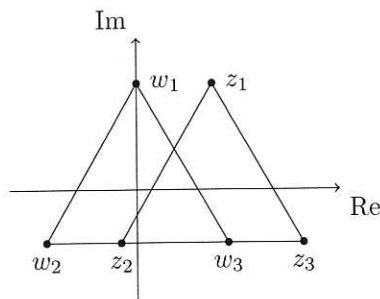
$$= \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

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Solutions to HL1 Assignment #9

1. $\log_2((\log_{16} 2)^{(\log_5 125)}) = \log_2[(\frac{1}{4})^3] = -6.$
2. The slope of the given line is -2 . So we must solve $\frac{7-4}{-1-k} = \frac{1}{2}$, whence $k = -7$.
3. Division gives $q(x) = 2x^2 - 2x + 3$ and $r(x) = -9x - 1$.
4. By the remainder theorem $f(-i) = 4$. So we have $(-i)^{40} - ki - 3 = 4$, whence $k = 6i$.
5. There are $8 \times 9 \times 9$ such 3-digit integers, 8×9 such 2-digit integers and 8 such 1-digit integers. Therefore in total there are 728 such integers.
Alternatively, consider the related set S of decimal strings of length 3. The number of fiveless strings in S is $9 \times 9 \times 9 = 729$. So our given set must have $729 - 1 = 728$ fiveless integers since 0, corresponding to 000 in S , is absent.
6. By the factor theorem the required cubic equation is $(x+3)(x+1-i\sqrt{5})(x+1+i\sqrt{5}) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 12x + 18$. Hence $b = 5$, $c = 12$ and $d = 18$.
7. Substitution gives $-3x + k = 2x^2 + x$, whence $2x^2 + 4x - k = 0$. For tangency we want just one solution for x , so the discriminant $\Delta = 16 + 8k = 0$, whence $k = -2$.
8. First we have $\log_b 2 = 0.9$ and $\log_b 3 = 1.4$. Now $\log_b 4\sqrt{3} = 2\log_b 2 + \frac{1}{2}\log_b 3 = 2 \times 0.9 + \frac{1}{2} \times 1.4 = 2.5$.
9. Points that are equidistant from the two axes either lie on the line $y = x$ or the line $y = -x$. However, for these points to be also the same distance from the point $(2, 1)$ they must lie on the line $y = x$ and be in the first quadrant. So such a point must have the form (x, x) where $x > 0$. Hence we must have $(x-2)^2 + (x-1)^2 = x^2$, whence $x = 1$ or $x = 5$. Hence the required points are $(1, 1)$ and $(5, 5)$.
10. Rewrite the equation as $z^3 - 3z^2 + 3z - 1 = -i$, which is equivalent to $(z-1)^3 = -i$. Letting $w = z - 1$ we now have the equation $w^3 = -i$, which can be written as $w^3 - i^3 = 0$. Next $w^3 - i^3$ factors as $(w-i)(w^2 + iw + i^2) = (w-i)(w^2 + iw - 1)$ giving the roots $w_1 = i$, $w_2 = (-\sqrt{3} - i)/2$ and $w_3 = (\sqrt{3} + i)/2$. Since $z_i = w_i + 1$, the z -triangle will be shifted one unit to the right of the w -triangle.



This means the two triangles are congruent and hence the z -triangle has the same area as the w -triangle, which has base $\sqrt{3}$ and height $3/2$. So the required area is $1/2 \times \sqrt{3} \times 3/2 = 3\sqrt{3}/4$.