

1. The polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + ax - 1$ leaves remainder 5 on division by $x - 2$. Find the value of a .

$$f(2) = 8 + 12 + 2a - 1 = 5$$

$$2a = 5 - 19 = -14$$

$$a = -7$$

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2. The polynomial $7x^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e$ has real coefficients and roots $2 + i$ and $1 - 3i$. Find the value of e .

roots are $2 + i$, $2 - i$.

$1 - 3i$, $1 + 3i$.

$$2 + i + 2 - i = 4 \quad 1 - 3i + 1 + 3i = 2$$

$$(2 + i)(2 - i) = 5 \quad (1 - 3i)(1 + 3i) = 10$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 5 = 0 \quad x^2 - 2x + 10 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x^2 - 4x + 5)(x^2 - 2x + 10)$$

$$= x^4 - 2x^3 + 10x^2 - 4x^3 + 8x^2 - 40x + 5x^2 - 10x + 50$$

$$= x^4 - 6x^3 + 23x^2 - 50x + 50$$

$$x^4 - 6x^3 + 23x^2 - 50x + 50$$

$$= 7x^4 - 42x^3 + (23 \cdot 7)x^2 - 350x + 350$$

$$\therefore e = 350$$

3. How many bit strings of length 8 contain five 0's and three 1's with no two 1's adjacent?

The five 0's becomes the isolater

between the 1's, leaving 6 potential spots.

$${}^6C_3 = \frac{6 \times 5 \times 4}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 20$$

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4. Find the area of the shaded sector if the point A has coordinates $(-6\sqrt{2}, 6\sqrt{2})$.

$$\angle AOB = \arctan\left(\frac{|y_A|}{|x_A|}\right) = \arctan(1) = 45^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle AOC = 180^\circ - 45^\circ = 135^\circ$$

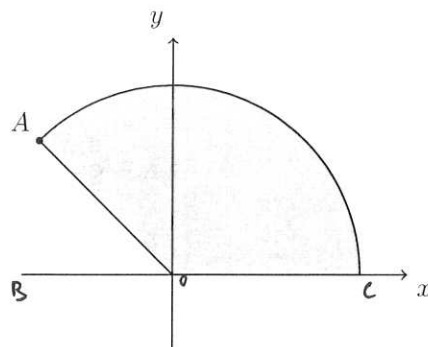
$$S = \frac{135^\circ}{360^\circ} \cdot \pi r^2$$

$$= \frac{3}{8} \cdot \pi AO^2$$

$$AO^2 = (-6\sqrt{2})^2 + (6\sqrt{2})^2 = 12^2 = 144$$

$$\therefore S = ~~54\pi~~$$

$$= 170. (3sf)$$



5. The constant term in the expansion of $\left(x - \frac{2}{x^2}\right)^9$ is an integer. Find its value.

$$\binom{9}{3} \cdot x^6 \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{x^2}\right)^3 = \binom{9}{3} \cdot x^6 \cdot \left(-\frac{8}{x^6}\right) = -8 \cdot \binom{9}{3} = -8 \cdot \frac{9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = -672$$

6. Solve $\tan \theta - 2 \cot \theta = 1$ for $0^\circ < \theta < 360^\circ$.

$$\text{Let } \tan \theta = a.$$

$$a - \frac{2}{a} = 1$$

$$a^2 - a - 2 = 0$$

$$(a-2)(a+1) = 0$$

$$a_1 = 2,$$

$$a_2 = -1$$

$$\therefore \tan \theta = 2 \text{ or } -1$$

$$\textcircled{1} \tan \theta = 2$$

$$\theta^* = 63.4^\circ (\pm 180^\circ)$$

$$\therefore \theta = 63.4^\circ \text{ or } 243^\circ (3sf).$$

$$\textcircled{2} \tan \theta = -1$$

$$\theta^* = 135^\circ (\pm 180^\circ)$$

$$\therefore \theta = 135^\circ \text{ or } 315^\circ$$

$$\therefore \theta = 63.4^\circ \text{ or } 243^\circ \text{ or } 135^\circ \text{ or } 315^\circ.$$

7. Solve $4^x = 2^{x+2} - 3$.

$$2^{2x} - 4 \cdot 2^x + 3 = 0$$

$$(2^x - 3)(2^x - 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore 2^x = 3 \text{ or } 1$$

$$\therefore x = \log_2 3 \text{ or } \log_2 1$$

$$\therefore x = 1.58 \text{ or } 0$$

(3 s.f.).

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8. Solve $\cos 5\theta = \cos(\theta + 60^\circ)$ for $0^\circ \leq \theta < 180^\circ$.

$$\text{or } \begin{cases} 5\theta = \theta + 60^\circ \pm 360n^\circ \\ 5\theta = -\theta - 60^\circ \pm 360n^\circ \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \text{or } \begin{cases} 4\theta = 60^\circ \pm 360n^\circ \\ 6\theta = -60^\circ \pm 360n^\circ \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \text{or } \begin{cases} \theta = 15^\circ \pm 90n^\circ \\ \theta = -10^\circ \pm 60n^\circ \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \theta = 15^\circ, 105^\circ, 50^\circ, 110^\circ, 170^\circ.$$

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9. The roots α and β of the quadratic equation $x^2 - 2kx + k - 1 = 0$ satisfy $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 4$. Find the values of k .

$$\alpha + \beta = 2k$$

$$\alpha\beta = k-1$$

$$(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta = 4$$

$$= 4k^2 - 2(k-1)$$

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

$$\therefore 4k^2 - 2k + 2 = 4$$

$$\therefore 2k^2 - k - 1 = 0$$

$$(2k+1)(k-1) = 0$$

$$\therefore k_1 = 1$$

$$k_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Delta = 4k^2 - 4k + 4$$

$$= 4(k^2 - k + 1)$$

$$= 4(k-1)^2 + 3$$

$$= 4(0)^2 + 3$$

$$= 3$$

$$(a^2 - b^2 + 2abi)(a + bi) - 107i$$

$$= a^3 + a^2bi - ab^2 - b^3i + 2a^2bi + 2ab^2 - 107i$$

$$= (a^3 - b^3) + (3a^2b - b^3)i - 107i$$

$$\begin{matrix} 11 & 11 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a^3 - b^3 & 3a^2b - b^3 & -107 \end{matrix}$$

10. Find c if a , b and c are positive integers which satisfy $c = (a + bi)^3 - 107i$ where $i^2 = -1$.

$$c = (a^2 - b^2 + 2abi)(a + bi) - 107i$$

$$= a^3 + a^2bi - ab^2 - b^3i + 2a^2bi + 2ab^2 - 107i$$

$$= (a^3 - 3ab^2) + (-b^3 + 3a^2b - 107)i$$

$$\therefore \begin{cases} c = a^3 - 3ab^2 & (1) \\ b^3 = 3a^2b - 107 & (2) \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{2}: 3a^2b - b^3 = 107$$

$$b(3a^2 - b^2) = 107$$

$$\therefore \begin{cases} b = 1 \\ 3a^2 - b^2 = 107 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} b = 107 \\ 3a^2 - b^2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad 3a^2 = 108$$

$$a^2 = 36$$

$$a = \pm 6$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad 3a^2 = 11450$$

$$\therefore 3 \nmid 11450$$

\therefore inadmissible

$$\therefore (a, b) = (-b, 1), (b, 1)$$

$$\therefore c = a^3 - 3ab^2$$

$$(1) \quad (-b, 1)$$

$$c = -216 + 18 \cdot 1 = 0$$

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$$(2) \quad (b, 1)$$

$$c = 216 - 18 \cdot 1$$

$$= 216 - 18$$

$$= 198$$

$$\therefore c = 198$$

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Solutions to HL1 Test #4

1. By the remainder theorem $8 + 12 + 2a - 1 = 5$, whence $a = -7$.
2. By the conjugate roots theorem, the complete set of roots is $2 \pm i$, $1 \pm 3i$. By the product of the roots $e/7 = 50$, whence $e = 350$.
3. The required number is $\binom{6}{3} = 20$.
4. By Pythagoras's theorem $OA = 12$. By trigonometry the central angle of the sector is 145° . So the area of the circle is $\frac{3}{8} \times \pi \times 12^2 = 54\pi$.
5. The required term is $\binom{9}{3}x^6(-2/x^2)^3 = -672$.
6. Equivalently $\tan^2 \theta - \tan \theta - 1 = 0$, whence $\tan \theta = -1$ or $\tan \theta = 2$. Hence $\theta = 135^\circ, 315^\circ, 63.4^\circ, 243^\circ$ (3 s.f.).
7. Equivalently $2^{2x} - 4 \cdot 2^x + 3 = 0$, whence $2^x = 1$ or $2^x = 3$. Hence $x = 0$ or $x = 1.58$ (3 s.f.).
8. Observe $5\theta = \theta + 60^\circ + 360^\circ n$ or $5\theta = -(\theta + 60^\circ) + 360^\circ n$, whence $4\theta = 60^\circ + 360^\circ n$ or $6\theta = -60^\circ + 360^\circ n$. Hence $\theta = 15^\circ + 90^\circ n$ or $\theta = -10^\circ + 60^\circ n$. We conclude $\theta = 15^\circ, 105^\circ, 50^\circ, 110^\circ, 170^\circ$.
9. Now $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta = (2k)^2 - 2(k-1)$. So $4k^2 - 2k + 2 = 4$, whence $k = -1/2$ or $k = 1$.
10. On expanding both sides of the given equation we have $c + 107i = (a^3 - 3ab^2) + (3a^2b - b^3)i$. Equating real parts and imaginary parts gives $c = a^3 - 3ab^2$ and $107 = 3a^2b - b^3 = (3a^2 - b^2)b$. Since a, b are integers, this means b is a divisor of 107, which is a prime number. Thus either $b = 1$ or $b = 107$. If $b = 107$, $3a^2 - 107^2 = 1$ so $3a^2 = 107^2 + 1$, but $107^2 + 1$ is not divisible by 3, a contradiction. Thus we must have $b = 1$, $3a^2 = 108$ so $a^2 = 36$ and $a = 6$ (since we know a is positive). Thus $c = 6^3 - 3 \cdot 6 = 198$.