Linear Algebra 2

Homework 1 – Complex Numbers

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2. We are tasked with solving the following equations for z.

(b)
$$z^{2} = -10 + 20i$$

$$(a+bi)^{2} = -10 + 20i$$

$$a^{2} + 2abi - b^{2} = -10 + 20i$$

$$a^{2} - b^{2} = -10$$

$$2ab = 20$$

$$b = \frac{10}{a}$$

$$a^{2} - \left(\frac{10}{a}\right)^{2} = -10$$

$$a^{2} - \frac{100}{a^{2}} = -10$$

$$a^{4} + 10a^{2} - 100 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } t = a^{2}$$

$$t^{2} + 10t - 100 = 0$$

$$t = -5 + 5\sqrt{5}$$

$$a = \pm \sqrt{-5 + 5\sqrt{5}} = \pm \sqrt{5}\sqrt{\sqrt{5} - 1}$$

$$b = \pm \frac{10}{\sqrt{5}\sqrt{\sqrt{5} - 1}} = \pm \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{\sqrt{5} - 1}}$$

$$z_{1} = \sqrt{5}\sqrt{\sqrt{5} - 1} + \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{\sqrt{5} - 1}}i$$

$$z_{2} = -\sqrt{5}\sqrt{\sqrt{5} - 1} - \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{\sqrt{5} - 1}}i$$

(d)
$$z^{2} + |z|^{2} = 2 - 4i$$
$$(a+bi)^{2} + |a+bi|^{2} = 2 - 4i$$
$$(a+bi)^{2} + \sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}^{2} = 2 - 4i$$
$$a^{2} - b^{2} + 2abi + a^{2} + b^{2} = 2 - 4i$$
$$2a^{2} + 2abi = 2 - 4i$$
$$2a^{2} = 2$$
$$2ab = -4$$
$$a^{2} = 1$$
$$b = -\frac{2}{a}$$
$$a = \pm 1$$
$$b = \mp 2$$
$$z_{1} = 1 - 2i$$
$$z_{2} = -1 + 2i$$