

# Is $\sqrt[i]{i}$ a Real Number?

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Well, consider

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt[i]{i} &= i^{\frac{1}{i}} & \# \sqrt[n]{x} &= x^{\frac{1}{n}} \\ &= i^{-i} & \# x^{\frac{1}{n}} &= x^{-n} \\ &= \frac{1}{i^i} & \# x^{-n} &= \frac{1}{x^n} \\ &= \frac{1}{e^{(\frac{i\pi}{2})^i}} & \# i &= e^{\frac{i\pi}{2}} \text{ [1]} \\ &= \frac{1}{e^{\frac{i^2\pi}{2}}} & \# (x^m)^n &= x^{mn} \\ &= \frac{1}{e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}}} & \# i^2 &= -1 \\ &= e^{\frac{\pi}{2}} & \# \frac{1}{x^{-n}} &= x^n \\ &\approx 4.8105 & \# e^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \in \mathbb{R} &\Rightarrow \sqrt[i]{i} \in \mathbb{R}\end{aligned}$$

So apparently  $\sqrt[i]{i}$  is a real number and in particular  $\sqrt[i]{i} = e^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \approx 4.8105$ .

## References

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