

Complex Analysis

Homework 1: 1.1) 16, 30, 42

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16) Write the number $\frac{(4+5i)+2i^3}{(2+i)^2}$ in the form $a + bi$.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{(4+5i)+2i^3}{(2+i)^2} &= \frac{(4+5i)-2i}{4+4i-1} \\ &= \frac{4+3i}{3+4i} \\ &= \frac{(4+3i)(3-4i)}{(3+4i)(3-4i)} \\ &= \frac{12-16i+9i+12}{9+16} \\ &= \frac{24-7i}{25} \\ &= \frac{24}{25} - \frac{7}{25}i\end{aligned}$$

30) Let $z = x + yi$. Express $\text{Im}(\bar{z}^2 + z^2)$ in terms of x and y .

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{z}^2 + z^2 &= (x - yi)^2 + (x + yi)^2 \\ &= x^2 - 2xyi - y^2 + x^2 + 2xyi - y^2 \\ &= 2(x^2 - y^2) + 0i \\ \implies \text{Im}(\bar{z}^2 + z^2) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

42) Solve the equation $\frac{z}{1+\bar{z}} = 3 + 4i$ for $z = a + bi$.
 Note that $z = a + bi$ and $\bar{z} = a - bi$. Plugging in, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{a + bi}{1 + a - bi} &= 3 + 4i \\ \implies a + bi &= (3 + 4i)((1 + a) - bi) \\ &= 3 + 3a - 3bi + 4i + 4ai + 4b \\ &= (3a + 4b + 3) + (4a - 3b + 4)i\end{aligned}$$

By the definition of equality of complex numbers, we see that the above equality implies

$$a = 3a + 4b + 3 \quad \text{and} \quad b = 4a - 3b + 4$$

We see the second equation yields the value of b in terms of a :

$$\begin{aligned}b &= 4a - 3b + 4 \\ \implies 4b &= 4a + 4 \\ \implies b &= a + 1\end{aligned}$$

and plugging in for b in the first equation we can solve for a :

$$\begin{aligned}a &= 3a + 4b + 3 = 3a + (4a + 4) + 3 \\ \implies -6a &= 7 \\ \implies a &= -\frac{7}{6}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, simply plugging in the value of a to get b we have

$$z = -\frac{7}{6} - \frac{1}{6}i$$