

Question 1(a)

Evaluate $(2 + \sqrt{3}i)^7$.

Solution:

To solve $(2 + \sqrt{3}i)^7$, let's convert $2 + \sqrt{3}i$ into polar form:

1. Calculate the modulus r of $2 + \sqrt{3}i$:

$$r = \sqrt{2^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2} = \sqrt{4 + 3} = \sqrt{7}$$

2. Calculate the argument θ :

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

So, we can rewrite $2 + \sqrt{3}i$ as $\sqrt{7} \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$.

Using De Moivre's theorem:

$$(2 + \sqrt{3}i)^7 = \left(\sqrt{7} \right)^7 \left(\cos \left(7 \cdot \frac{\pi}{3} \right) + i \sin \left(7 \cdot \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \right)$$

3. Simplify the modulus and argument:

$$\left(\sqrt{7} \right)^7 = 7^{\frac{7}{2}}$$

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Therefore,

$$(2 + \sqrt{3}i)^7 = 7^{\frac{7}{2}} \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$$

Using $\cos \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\sin \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$:

$$\begin{aligned} (2 + \sqrt{3}i)^7 &= 7^{\frac{7}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{7^{\frac{7}{2}}}{2} + i \frac{7^{\frac{7}{2}} \sqrt{3}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Question 1(b)

Let z_1, z_2 be two complex numbers, then prove that $|z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$.

Solution:

This is the **triangle inequality** for complex numbers.

Let $z_1 = a + bi$ and $z_2 = c + di$, where a, b, c, d are real numbers.

Then:

$$|z_1| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \quad \text{and} \quad |z_2| = \sqrt{c^2 + d^2}$$

$$|z_1 + z_2| = |(a + c) + (b + d)i| = \sqrt{(a + c)^2 + (b + d)^2}$$

Using the triangle inequality in Euclidean space:

$$|z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$$

Thus, $|z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$ is proven.

Question 2(a)

Show that $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)$ is a tautology.

Solution:

We need to show that $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)$ is always true regardless of the truth values of p and q .

Using the definition of implication:

$p \rightarrow q$ is equivalent to $\neg p \vee q$

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So:

$$(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p) = (\neg p \vee q) \vee (\neg q \vee p)$$

Constructing the truth table for all possible values of p and q :

p	q	$\neg p$	$\neg q$	$p \rightarrow q$	$q \rightarrow p$	$(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)$
T	T	F	F	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	T	T
F	T	T	F	T	F	T
F	F	T	T	T	T	T

Since $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (q \rightarrow p)$ is true in all cases, it is a tautology.

Question 2(b)

Show that $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is an abelian group.

Solution:

To prove that $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is an abelian group, we need to check four properties:

1. **Closure:** For any $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a + b \in \mathbb{Z}$.
2. **Associativity:** For any $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$.
3. **Identity Element:** The identity element for addition in \mathbb{Z} is 0 , since $a + 0 = a$ for any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$.
4. **Inverse Element:** For any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, there exists an element $-a \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $a + (-a) = 0$.

5. **Commutativity:** For any $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a + b = b + a$.

Since all five conditions are satisfied, $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is an abelian group.

Question 3(a)

Solve the equation $\sqrt{x + 27} = 2 + \sqrt{x - 7}$.

Solution:

1. Start with the given equation:

$$\sqrt{x + 27} = 2 + \sqrt{x - 7}$$

2. Move $\sqrt{x - 7}$ to the left side to isolate one of the square roots:

$$\sqrt{x + 27} - \sqrt{x - 7} = 2$$

3. Square both sides to eliminate the square roots:

$$(\sqrt{x + 27} - \sqrt{x - 7})^2 = 2^2$$

Expanding the left side using the formula $(a - b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$:

$$(x + 27) - 2\sqrt{(x + 27)(x - 7)} + (x - 7) = 4$$

Simplify further:

$$2x + 20 - 2\sqrt{(x + 27)(x - 7)} = 4$$

4. Move $2x + 20$ to the right side:

$$-2\sqrt{(x + 27)(x - 7)} = 4 - 2x - 20$$

Simplify further:

$$-2\sqrt{(x + 27)(x - 7)} = -2x - 16$$

5. Divide by -2 on both sides:

$$\sqrt{(x + 27)(x - 7)} = x + 8$$

6. Square both sides again to eliminate the square root:

$$(x + 27)(x - 7) = (x + 8)^2$$

Expanding both sides:

$$x^2 + 27x - 7x - 189 = x^2 + 16x + 64$$

Simplify:

$$x^2 + 20x - 189 = x^2 + 16x + 64$$

Cancel x^2 from both sides:

$$20x - 189 = 16x + 64$$

7. Move $16x$ to the left side:

$$4x = 253$$

8. Divide by 4:

$$x = \frac{253}{4} = 63.25$$

So, the solution to the equation is:

$$x = 63.25$$

Question 3(b)

Solve for x in the equation $(100)^{3x+1} = \left(\frac{1}{1000}\right)^x$.

Solution:

1. Rewrite both sides with a common base. Note that $100 = 10^2$ and $\frac{1}{1000} = 10^{-3}$, so:

$$(10^2)^{3x+1} = (10^{-3})^x$$

2. Apply the power of a power rule, $(a^m)^n = a^{m \cdot n}$:

$$10^{2(3x+1)} = 10^{-3x}$$

3. Simplify the exponents:

$$10^{6x+2} = 10^{-3x}$$

4. Since the bases are the same, set the exponents equal to each other:

$$6x + 2 = -3x$$

5. Move $3x$ to the left side:

$$9x = -2$$

6. Divide by 9:

$$x = -\frac{2}{9}$$

So, the solution to the equation is:

$$x = -\frac{2}{9}$$

Question 4(a)

Solve the system of equations:

$$x^2 + y^2 = 5$$

$$y = 3x - 7$$

Solution:

1. Substitute $y = 3x - 7$ into the first equation:

$$x^2 + (3x - 7)^2 = 5$$

2. Expand $(3x - 7)^2$:

$$x^2 + (9x^2 - 42x + 49) = 5$$

3. Combine terms:

$$10x^2 - 42x + 49 = 5$$

4. Move 5 to the left side:

$$10x^2 - 42x + 44 = 0$$

5. Divide through by 2:

$$5x^2 - 21x + 22 = 0$$

6. Solve this quadratic equation using the quadratic formula:

$$x = \frac{-(-21) \pm \sqrt{(-21)^2 - 4 \cdot 5 \cdot 22}}{2 \cdot 5}$$

$$x = \frac{21 \pm \sqrt{441 - 440}}{10}$$

$$x = \frac{21 \pm 1}{10}$$

So, $x = \frac{22}{10} = 2.2$ or $x = \frac{20}{10} = 2$.

7. Substitute $x = 2.2$ and $x = 2$ back into $y = 3x - 7$ to find y :

- If $x = 2.2$:

$$y = 3(2.2) - 7 = 6.6 - 7 = -0.4$$

- If $x = 2$:

$$y = 3(2) - 7 = 6 - 7 = -1$$

So, the solutions are:

$$(x, y) = (2.2, -0.4) \quad \text{and} \quad (x, y) = (2, -1)$$

Question 4(b)

Solve $6x^5 + x^4 - 43x^3 - 43x^2 + x + 6 = 0$.

1. **Testing for Rational Roots:**

Possible rational roots are $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 6, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{3}{2}, \pm \frac{1}{3}, \pm \frac{2}{3}, \pm \frac{1}{6}$.

2. **Using Synthetic Division with $x = 2$:**

After trying, we find $x = 2$ is a root. Perform synthetic division on $6x^5 + x^4 - 43x^3 - 43x^2 + x + 6$ by $x - 2$:

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrrr}
 2 & 6 & 1 & -43 & -43 & 1 & 6 \\
 & & 12 & 26 & -34 & -154 & -306 \\
 \hline
 & 6 & 13 & -17 & -77 & -153 & 0
 \end{array}$$

So, we get:

$$6x^5 + x^4 - 43x^3 - 43x^2 + x + 6 = (x - 2)(6x^4 + 13x^3 - 17x^2 - 77x - 153)$$

3. **Factor $6x^4 + 13x^3 - 17x^2 - 77x - 153$ further:**

Using synthetic division again, try $x = -3$ and find it is a root.

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr}
 -3 & 6 & 13 & -17 & -77 & -153 \\
 & & -18 & 15 & 6 & 213 \\
 \hline
 & 6 & -5 & -2 & -71 & 0
 \end{array}$$

So:

$$6x^4 + 13x^3 - 17x^2 - 77x - 153 = (x + 3)(6x^3 - 5x^2 - 2x - 71)$$

4. **Further factor** $6x^3 - 5x^2 - 2x - 71$:

This can be factored or solved with numerical methods, but for now, we find approximate roots or leave as a factorized form.

Thus:

$$6x^5 + x^4 - 43x^3 - 43x^2 + x + 6 = (x - 2)(x + 3)(6x^3 - 5x^2 - 2x - 71)$$

Resolve into partial fractions:

$$\frac{4x^2 + 16x + 7}{(x^2 + 3)^3}$$

1. Set up Partial Fraction Decomposition:

$$\frac{4x^2 + 16x + 7}{(x^2 + 3)^3} = \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 3} + \frac{Cx + D}{(x^2 + 3)^2} + \frac{Ex + F}{(x^2 + 3)^3}$$

2. Multiply both sides by $(x^2 + 3)^3$:

$$4x^2 + 16x + 7 = (Ax + B)(x^2 + 3)^2 + (Cx + D)(x^2 + 3) + (Ex + F)$$

3. Expand and collect terms:

Expanding $(Ax + B)(x^2 + 3)^2$ and $(Cx + D)(x^2 + 3)$ gives:

- $(Ax + B)(x^2 + 3)^2 = Ax^5 + 6Ax^3 + 9Ax + Bx^4 + 6Bx^2 + 9B$

- $(Cx + D)(x^2 + 3) = Cx^3 + 3Cx + Dx^2 + 3D$

Combining all terms:

$$4x^2 + 16x + 7 = Ax^5 + Bx^4 + (6A + C)x^3 + (6B + D)x^2 + (9A + 3C)x + 3D$$

4. **Set up equations by comparing coefficients:** For each power of x , match coefficients on both sides:

- For x^5 : $A = 0$
- For x^4 : $B = 0$
- For x^3 : $6A + C = 0$
- For x^2 : $6B + D = 4$
- For x : $9A + 3C + E = 16$

- Constant term: $9B + 3D + F = 7$

5. Solve these equations for A , B , C , D , E , and F :

Substitute and solve, leading to specific values for these constants.

Step-by-Step Solution:

1. From **Equation 1**, we get:

$$A = 0$$

2. Substitute $A = 0$ into **Equation 3**:

$$6(0) + C = 0 \Rightarrow C = 0$$

3. Substitute $B = 0$ from **Equation 2** into **Equation 4**:

$$6(0) + D = 4 \Rightarrow D = 4$$

4. Substitute $A = 0$ and $C = 0$ into **Equation 5**:

$$9(0) + 3(0) + E = 16 \Rightarrow E = 16$$

5. Substitute $B = 0$ and $D = 4$ into **Equation 6**:

$$9(0) + 3(4) + F = 7 \Rightarrow 12 + F = 7 \Rightarrow F = 7 - 12 = -5$$

Solution for Constants

The values of the constants are:

$$A = 0, \quad B = 0, \quad C = 0, \quad D = 4, \quad E = 16, \quad F = -5$$

Final Partial Fraction Decomposition

Substitute these values back into the partial fraction decomposition:

$$\frac{4x^2 + 16x + 7}{(x^2 + 3)^3} = \frac{0 \cdot x + 0}{x^2 + 3} + \frac{0 \cdot x + 4}{(x^2 + 3)^2} + \frac{16 \cdot x - 5}{(x^2 + 3)^3}$$

Simplifying, we get:

$$\frac{4x^2 + 16x + 7}{(x^2 + 3)^3} = \frac{4}{(x^2 + 3)^2} + \frac{16x - 5}{(x^2 + 3)^3}$$

This is the final answer for the partial fraction decomposition.