

Complex Numbers

A complex number is any number that can be written in the form $a + bi$, where a & b are real numbers and i is the imaginary unit.

$$i = \sqrt{-1} \quad i^2 = -1$$

Operations on Complex Numbers

$$(4 + 3i) - (5 - 6i) = \boxed{-1 + 9i}$$

$$(7 + \sqrt{-25}) + (2 - \sqrt{-16}) = (7 + 5i) + (2 - 4i) = \boxed{9 + i}$$

$$\overset{\text{FOIL}}{(1 + 3i)(4 - i)} = 4 - i + 12i - 3\cancel{i^2}(-1) = 4 + 11i + 3 = \boxed{7 + 11i}$$

$$\frac{6 + 5i}{1 - 2i} \left(\frac{1 + 2i}{1 + 2i} \right) = \frac{6 + 12i + 5i + 10\cancel{i^2}(-1)}{1 + 2i - 2i - 4\cancel{i^2}(-1)} = \frac{6 + 17i - 10}{1 + 4} = \boxed{\frac{-4 + 17i}{5}}$$

$$x^2 - 8x + 17 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 8x + \underline{16} = -17 + 16$$

$$\sqrt{(x-4)^2} = \sqrt{-1}$$

$$x-4 = \pm \sqrt{-1}i$$

$$\boxed{x = 4 \pm i}$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{(-8)^2 - 4(1)(17)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 68}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{4}i}{2}$$

$$\boxed{x = 4 \pm i}$$

Solve for x in simplest $a+bi$ form.

$$x^2 + 36 = 7 - 10x$$

$$x^2 + 10x + 29 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 10x + \underline{25} = -29 + 25$$

$$\sqrt{(x+5)^2} = \sqrt{-4}$$

$$x+5 = \pm 2i$$

$$\boxed{x = -5 \pm 2i}$$