

# Chapter 2

## Polynomial and Rational Functions

### 2.1 Complex Numbers



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## Homework

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# Objectives:

- Add and subtract complex numbers.
- Multiply complex numbers.
- Divide complex numbers.
- Perform operations with square roots of negative numbers.
- Solve quadratic equations with complex imaginary solutions.





# Complex and Imaginary Numbers



 The imaginary unit,  $i$ , is defined as

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

The set of all numbers in the form  $a + bi$  with real numbers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $i$ , the imaginary unit, is called the set of **complex numbers**.

The **standard form** of a complex number is  $a + bi$

# Real and Imaginary Numbers



■ The set of all complex numbers is in the form  $a + bi$

The set of all **real** numbers have the form  $a + 0i$

Thus  $a$  is called the real part of  $a + bi$ .

The set of **pure imaginary** numbers have the form  $0 + bi$

Thus  $b$  is called the imaginary part of  $a + bi$ .

■ Note that the additive identity of the complex numbers is zero,  $0 + 0i = 0$ .

■ Additionally, the additive inverse of  $a + bi$  is  $-(a + bi) = -a - bi$ .



# Operations on Complex Numbers



- The form of a complex number  $a + bi$  is like the binomial  $a + bx$ . To add, subtract, and multiply complex numbers, we use the **same methods** that we use for binomials.
- To add two complex numbers, we add the two real parts and then add the two imaginary parts. That is,  $(a + bi) + (c + di) = (a + c) + (b + d)i$ .

$$a. (5 - 2i) + (3 + 3i)$$

$$= 5 + (-2i + 3) + 3i$$

$$= 5 + (3 + -2i) + 3i$$

$$= (5 + 3) + (-2i + 3i)$$

$$= 8 + (-2 + 3)i$$

$$= 8 + i$$

Associative Property of Addition

Commutative Property of Addition

Associative Property of Addition

Distributive Property

# Example: Subtracting Complex Numbers



 Perform the indicated operations, writing the result in standard form:

$$\begin{aligned} a. & (2 - 6i) - (12 - i) \\ & = (2 - 6i) + (-12 + i) \\ & = (2 + -12) + (-6i + i) \\ & = -10 - 5i \end{aligned}$$



# Example: Multiplying Complex Numbers



 Perform the indicated operations, writing the result in standard form:

***a.  $7i(2 - 9i)$***

$$= 14i - 63i^2$$

$$= 14i - 63(-1)$$

$$= 63 + 14i$$

***b.  $(5 + 4i)(6 - 7i)$***

$$= 5(6 - 7i) + 4i(6 - 7i)$$

$$= 30 - 35i + 24i - 28i^2$$

$$= 30 - 11i - 28(-1)$$

$$= 30 - 11i + 28$$

$$= 58 - 11i$$



# The F\*\*L Word



 Do NOT let me hear anyone use the “F” Word in my classroom.

 When we multiply two binomials, or any two polynomials, ...

**WE USE THE DISTRIBUTIVE PROPERTY**

 We, most assuredly, most emphatically, **DO NOT** use the F \*\*L Method, which is not a “method”, but simply a mnemonic device for the mathematically challenged.



# Powers of Complex Numbers



 Perform the indicated operation and write the result in standard form.

$$(2 - 3i)^2$$

$$= (2 - 3i)(2 - 3i)$$

$$= 4 - 6i - 6i + (3i)^2$$

$$= 4 - 12i + 9i^2$$

$$= 4 - 12i + 9(-1)$$

$$= -5 - 12i$$

$$(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(2 - 3i)^2 = 4 - 12i + (3i)^2$$



# Equity of Complex Numbers



Two complex numbers  $a + bi$  and  $c + di$  are equal **if and only if (iff)** the real and imaginary parts are equal.

$$a + bi = c + di \text{ iff } a = c \text{ and } b = d$$



# Special Products



 Perform the indicated operation and write the result in standard form.

$$(4 + 5i)(4 - 5i)$$

$$(a + b)(a - b) = a^2 - b^2$$

$$= 4^2 - (5i)^2$$

$$= 16 - 25(-1)$$

$$= 41$$

 A real number



# Conjugate of a Complex Number



■ For the complex number  $a + bi$ , its **complex conjugate** is defined to be  $a - bi$ .

The product of a complex number and its **conjugate** is a **real number**.

$$(a + bi)(a - bi)$$

$$= a^2 - (bi)^2$$

$$= a^2 - b^2(-1)$$

$$= a^2 + b^2$$



# Complex Number Division



- The goal of complex number division is to obtain a real number in the denominator (rationalize the denominator).
- We multiply the numerator and denominator of a complex number quotient by a value (usually the conjugate of the denominator) to obtain a real number in the denominator.



# Example: Dividing Complex Numbers



 Divide and express the result in standard form:

$$\frac{5 + 4i}{4 - i} = \frac{5 + 4i}{4 - i} \cdot \frac{4 + i}{4 + i}$$
$$= \frac{20 + 5i + 16i + 4i^2}{4^2 - i^2}$$

$$= \frac{16 + 21i}{17} \quad \text{In standard form}$$

$$\frac{16}{17} + \frac{21}{17}i$$

## STUDY TIP

Note that when you multiply the numerator and denominator of a quotient of complex numbers by

$$\frac{c - di}{c - di}$$

you are actually multiplying the quotient by a form of 1. You are not changing the original expression, you are only creating an expression that is equivalent to the original expression.



# Principal Square Root of a Negative



■ For any positive real number  $b$ , the principal square root of the negative number  $-b$  is defined by

$$\sqrt{-b} = i\sqrt{b}$$

■ Remember the order of operations, square root is an exponent and must be done first, thus

take care of the negative square root before any other operation.



## STUDY TIP

The definition of principal square root uses the rule

$$\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{a}\sqrt{b}$$

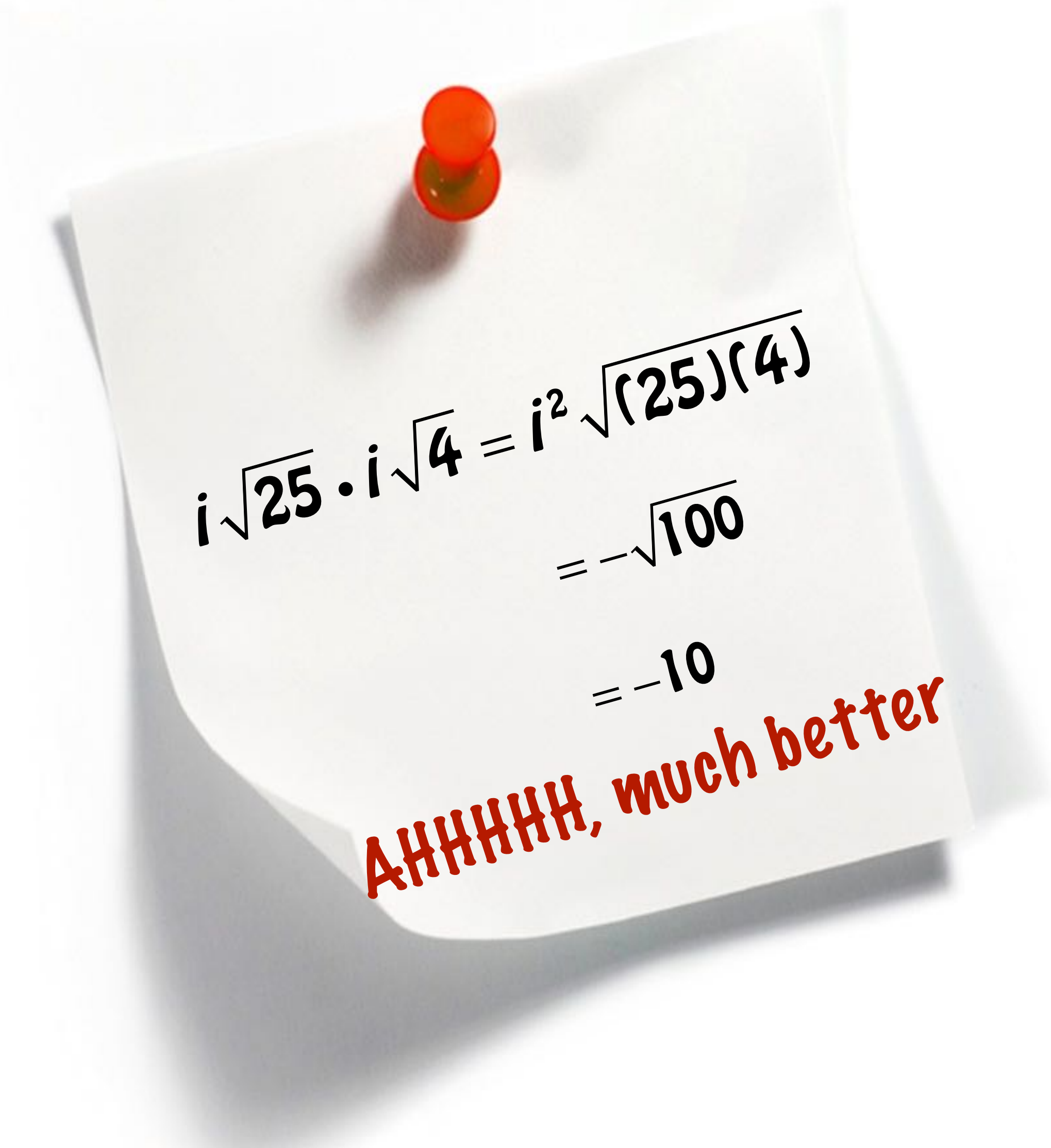
for  $a > 0$  and  $b < 0$ . This rule is not valid if *both*  $a$  and  $b$  are negative. For example,

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{-5}\sqrt{-5} &= \sqrt{5(-1)}\sqrt{5(-1)} \\ &= \sqrt{5}i\sqrt{5}i \\ &= \sqrt{25}i^2 \\ &= 5i^2 = -5\end{aligned}$$

whereas

$$\sqrt{(-5)(-5)} = \sqrt{25} = 5.$$

To avoid problems with square roots of negative numbers, be sure to convert complex numbers to standard form *before* multiplying.


$$\begin{aligned}i\sqrt{25} \cdot i\sqrt{4} &= i^2\sqrt{(25)(4)} \\ &= -\sqrt{100} \\ &= -10\end{aligned}$$

**AAAAHH, much better**



# Example



 Rewrite in standard form  $(1 - \sqrt{-14})^2$

$$= (1 - i\sqrt{14})^2$$

$$= 1^2 - 2i\sqrt{14} + (i\sqrt{14})^2$$

$$= 1 - 2i\sqrt{14} + 14i^2$$

$$= 1 - 2i\sqrt{14} + 14(-1)$$

$$= -13 - 2i\sqrt{14}$$

 Remember, take care of the negative first!

# Example: Square Roots of Negatives



 Perform the indicated operations and write the result in standard form.

$$a. \sqrt{-27} + \sqrt{-48}$$

$$= i\sqrt{27} + i\sqrt{48}$$

$$= 3i\sqrt{3} + 4i\sqrt{3}$$

$$= 7i\sqrt{3}$$

$$b. \left(-2 + \sqrt{-3}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(-2 + i\sqrt{3}\right)^2$$

$$= (-2)^2 + 2(-2)(i\sqrt{3}) + (i\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$= 4 + (-4i\sqrt{3}) + 3i^2$$

$$= 1 - 4i\sqrt{3}$$



# Quadratic Equations with complex roots



 Solve  $x^2 + 6x + 15 = 0$

$$x^2 + 6x + \_\_ = -15 + \_\_$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9 = -15 + 9$$

$$(x + 3)^2 = -6$$

$$x + 3 = \pm\sqrt{-6}$$

$$x + 3 = \pm i\sqrt{6}$$

$$x = -3 \pm i\sqrt{6}$$

 Complete the square

 Complex Conjugates

# Quadratic Equations with Complex Imaginary Solutions



■ A quadratic equation may be expressed in the general form

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

■ The quadratic can be solved using the quadratic formula,

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

■  $b^2 - 4ac$  is called the **discriminant**. If the discriminant is negative, a quadratic equation has no real solutions. Quadratic equations with negative discriminants have two solutions that are complex conjugates.



# Example: A Quadratic Equation with Imaginary Solutions



■ Solve using the quadratic formula:  $x^2 - 2x + 2 = 0$

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

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

$$= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 8}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-4}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm 2i}{2} = 1 \pm i$$

The solutions are complex conjugates.

The solution set is  $\{1 + i, 1 - i\}$ .