

Assessment Schedule – 2013

Calculus: Apply the algebra of complex numbers in solving problems (91577)

Assessment Criteria

Achievement	Merit	Excellence
<p><i>Apply the algebra of complex numbers in solving problems</i> must involve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • using a range of appropriate algebraic methods • demonstrating knowledge of concepts and terms • and communicating using appropriate representations. 	<p><i>Apply the algebra of complex numbers, using relational thinking, in solving problems</i> must involve one or more of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • carrying out a logical sequence of steps • connecting different concepts and representations • demonstrating understanding of concepts • forming and using a model • and relating findings to a context, or communicating thinking using appropriate mathematical statements. 	<p><i>Apply the algebra of complex numbers, using extended abstract thinking, in solving problems</i> must involve one or more of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • devising a strategy to investigate or solve problem • identifying relevant concepts in context • developing a chain of logical reasoning, or proof • forming a generalisation • and using correct mathematical statements, or communicating mathematical insight.

Evidence Statement

One	Expected Coverage	Achievement (u)	Merit (r)	Excellence (t)
(a)	$-8 - 4\sqrt{5}$	Or equivalent.		
(b)	$-4 + 4i$ clearly marked on Argand diagram.	Must plot point.		
(c)	$z_1 = 2 - 3i \Rightarrow z_2 = 2 + 3i$ $(z - 2 - 3i)(z - 2 + 3i)$ $= z^2 - 4z + 13$ $(z^2 - 4z + 13)(z + k) = z^3 - 4z^2 + 13z + kz^2 - 4kz + 13k$ $= z^3 + (k - 4)z^2 + (13 - 4k)z + 13k$ $= 0$ $\Rightarrow k = 4$ $\therefore p = 52, \text{ roots } 2 + 3i, 2 - 3i, -4$	Either one other root found or $p = 52$	Both other roots and p found. CRO	
(d)	$w = \frac{1}{1+i} + i$ $= \frac{(1-i)}{(1+i)(1-i)} + i$ $= \frac{(1-i)}{2} + i$ $= \frac{1+i}{2}$ $= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$ $\text{Arg}(w) = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ or } 45^\circ$	Simplified expression for w or $\text{Arg}(w) = 0.785$	Exact value of argument found. CRO.	

One	Expected Coverage	Achievement (u)	Merit (r)	Excellence (t)
(e)	$uv = (6 + ki)(4 + ki)$ $= 24 + 10ki - k^2$ $\text{Arg} = \frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow \text{Re}(uv) = \text{Im}(uv)$ $24 - k^2 = 10k$ $k^2 + 10k - 24 = 0$ $(k + 12)(k - 2) = 0$ $k = -12 \text{ or } 2$ $k = -12 \Rightarrow uv = -120 - 120i$ $\therefore \text{Arg} = \frac{-3\pi}{4} \neq \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \therefore k \neq -12$ $k = 2 \Rightarrow uv = 20 + 20i$ $\therefore \text{Arg} = \frac{\pi}{4}$ $\therefore k = 2$	Expanded expression for uv . <i>CRO</i>	Two correct solutions for k from quadratic equation.	Correct answer ($k = 2$) with a logical chain of reasoning.

N0 = No relevant evidence	A3 = 2 u	M5 = 1 r	E7 = 1 t with 1 minor error
N1 = 1 partial solution	A4 = 3 u	M6 = 2 r	E8 = 1 t
N2 = 1 u			

Two	Expected Coverage	Achievement (u)	Merit (r)	Excellence (t)
(a)	-7	Remainder found.		
(b)	$\frac{1}{3}\text{cis}\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$	Or equivalent.		
(c)	$\alpha + \beta = -9$ $3\alpha + 3\beta = -27$ $\alpha\beta = -12$ $3\alpha \cdot 3\beta = 9\alpha\beta = -108$ $x^2 + 27x - 108 = 0$	Two correct terms out of x^2 , $27x$ or -108 .	A correct equation.	
(d)	$au^2 + bu + c = 0$ $a(x + iy)^2 + b(x + iy) + c = 0$ $ax^2 + 2axyi - ay^2 + bx + byi + c = 0$ (3) $ax^2 - ay^2 + bx + c + (2axy + by)i = 0$ so $ax^2 - ay^2 + bx + c = 0$ and $2axy + by = 0$ $a\bar{u}^2 + b\bar{u} + c$ $= a(x - iy)^2 + b(x - iy) + c$ $= ax^2 - 2axyi - ay^2 + bx - byi + c$ (8) $= ax^2 - ay^2 + bx + c - (2axy + by)i$ $= 0 - 0$ $= 0$ as required	Expanded expression for equation in terms of x and y (ie 3rd line).	Proof correct with logical mathematical statements.	
(e)	$\frac{z + 2i}{z - 2i} = \frac{x + iy + 2i}{x + iy - 2i}$ $= \frac{(x + (y + 2)i)(x - (y - 2)i)}{(x + (y - 2)i)(x - (y - 2)i)}$ $= \frac{x^2 - xyi + 2xi + xyi + 2xi + y^2 - 4}{x^2 + (y - 2)^2}$ (3) $= \frac{x^2 + y^2 - 4 + 4xi}{x^2 + (y - 2)^2}$ As purely imaginary, the real part equals zero. $x^2 + y^2 - 4 = 0$ or $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ Locus is a circle, radius 2, centred at (0,0). [excludes the point (0,2)]	<i>CRO</i>	Expanded expression with correct numerator or denominator. (ie 3rd line).	Correct answer with a logical chain of reasoning. Do not have to check when denominator equal to zero to find exclusion.

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A3 = 2 u

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E7 = 1 t with 1 minor error

N1 = 1 partial solution

A4 = 3 u

M6 = 2 r

E8 = 1 t

N2 = 1 u

Three	Expected Coverage	Achievement (u)	Merit (r)	Excellence (t)
(a)	$-3 \pm \sqrt{11}i$	Simplified solutions.		
(b)	$p = 3 + 4i$ $\bar{q} = 2 + 3i$ $p\bar{q} = -6 + 17i$	Simplified solution.		
(c)	$\sqrt{x-3} = \sqrt{x-p}$ $x - 6\sqrt{x} + 9 = x - p$ $6\sqrt{x} = p + 9$ (3) $36x = (p+9)^2$ $x = \frac{(p+9)^2}{36}$ or $x = \frac{p^2 + 18p + 81}{36}$ or $x = \frac{p^2}{36} + \frac{p}{2} + \frac{9}{4}$	Correct expression with x 's eliminated (ie 3rd line).	Or equivalent.	
(d)	$z^3 = -n$ $z^3 = n \text{cis } \pi$ $z_1 = \sqrt[3]{n} \text{cis} \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right)$ $z_2 = \sqrt[3]{n} \text{cis } \pi$ $z_3 = \sqrt[3]{n} \text{cis} \left(\frac{5\pi}{3} \right) = \sqrt[3]{n} \text{cis} \left(\frac{-\pi}{3} \right)$ Accept arguments in decimal radians: 1.047, 3.142, 5.236 or -1.047 Accept arguments in degrees: 60° , 180° , 300° or -60°	ONE correct solution.	THREE correct solutions.	
(e)	$6 + x = 4\sqrt{3x+k}$ $x^2 + 12x + 36 = 16(3x+k)$ $x^2 - 36x + 36 - 16k = 0$ (3) No real roots means $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ $(-36)^2 - 4(36 - 16k) < 0$ $1296 - 144 + 64k < 0$ $64k < -1152$ $k < -18$	CRO	Simplified quadratic expression (3rd line).	Correct answer with a logical chain of reasoning.

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Judgement Statement

	Not Achieved	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Score range	0 – 7	8 – 12	13 – 18	19 – 24