

Algebra 2 4.4
 Perform operations with imaginary numbers
 Perform operations with complex numbers
 radical
 simplify by "casting out pairs"
 square root property
 real number
 imaginary unit
 pure imaginary numbers
 complex numbers
 complex conjugate

$(44)(44)$

Quiz 4.3-4.4 Fri.
 MCT 4.1-4.4 Tues.

$2 + 5i$
 $2 - 5i$

$(xx)x$ 44

$$2\sqrt{\frac{4}{2}} \cdot y^2 x \cdot 2\sqrt{11xy} = 2xy^2\sqrt{11xy}$$

$\sqrt{44x^3y^5}$

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StudyTip

Reading Math Electrical engineers use j as the imaginary unit to avoid confusion with the i for current.

Complex numbers are used with electricity. In these problems, j usually represents the imaginary unit. In a circuit with alternating current, the voltage, current, and impedance, or hindrance to current, can be represented by complex numbers. To multiply these numbers, use the FOIL method.

Real-World Example 6 Multiply Complex Numbers

ELECTRICITY In an AC circuit, the voltage V , current C , and impedance I are related by the formula $V = C \cdot I$. Find the voltage in a circuit with current $2 + 4j$ amps and impedance $9 - 3j$ ohms.

$V = C \cdot I$
 (voltage) = (current) · (impedance/resistance)

$$V = (2 + 4j)(9 - 3j)$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2 + 4j \\
 9 - 3j \\
 \hline
 -6j \quad 12jj \\
 18 + 36j \\
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 18 \quad -12
 \end{array}$$

$12i^2$

$$6 + 30j$$

Guided Practice

$$V = C \cdot I$$

$$V = 120$$

6. Find the voltage in a circuit with current $2 - 4j$ amps and impedance ~~$2 - 2j$ ohms~~.

$$120 = (2 - 4j)(I)$$

$$\frac{120}{2 - 4j} \cdot \frac{2 + 4j}{2 + 4j} = \frac{240 + 480j}{20} = \frac{240}{20} + \frac{480j}{20}$$
$$4 - 16j \cdot j = 4 - 16(-1)$$
$$12 + 24j$$

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