

14 Quiz 14 MAT 1275 Professor Chiu

Name: _____

- This quiz consists of **1** question for a total of **10** points.
- You have **15** minutes to complete the quiz.
- Show all work and justify your answers.
- Scientific calculators are allowed.
- Wishing you success.

1. Solve for x :

$$x^3 - 7x^2 + 16x - 10 = 0$$

(Hint: You can find a root of $x^3 - 7x^2 + 16x - 10$ from $x = 1, -1, 2, -2, 5, -5, 10, \text{ or } -10$)

① Using educated guess to find one root of $x^3 - 7x^2 + 16x - 10$.

$$x=1, (1)^3 - 7(1)^2 + 16 \cdot (1) - 10 = 1 - 7 + 16 - 10 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow x=1$ is a root and $(x-1)$ is a factor of $x^3 - 7x^2 + 16x - 10$.

② Using long division to factor $x^3 - 7x^2 + 16x - 10$ by its GCF $(x-1)$.

$$x^3 - 7x^2 + 16x - 10 = (x-1) \cdot (x^2 - 6x + 10)$$

③ Find all roots of $x^3 - 7x^2 + 16x - 10$.

$$x^3 - 7x^2 + 16x - 10 = (x-1) \cdot (x^2 - 6x + 10) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x-1=0 \quad \text{or} \quad |x^2 - 6x + 10 = 0$$

+1 +1 A=1, B=-6, C=10

$$\Rightarrow x=1$$

$$x = \frac{-(-6) \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 10}}{2 \cdot 1} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 40}}{2}$$

$$36 - 40 = -4$$

$$\sqrt{-4} = \sqrt{4 \cdot (-1)} = 2i$$

$$\Rightarrow x=1, \quad x = \frac{6 \pm 2i}{2} = \frac{2(3 \pm i)}{2} = 3 \pm i.$$

$$\Rightarrow x=1, \quad x = 3+i, \quad x = 3-i.$$