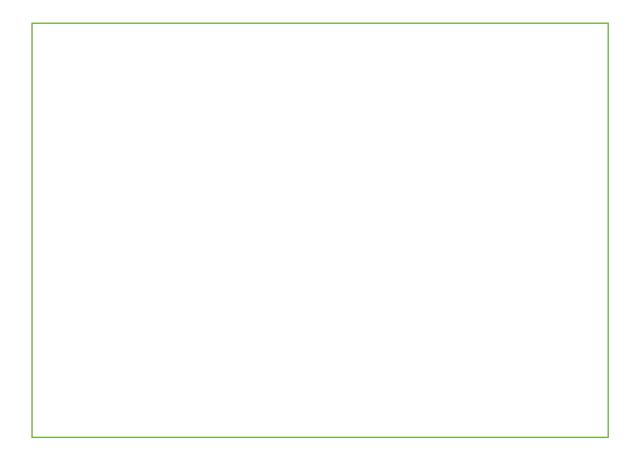
Roots of Polynomials

Roots of Quadratics



Example:

Find the quadratic equation with roots $\alpha = 2 + 4i$ and $\beta = 2 - 4i$ in the form $x^2 + ax + b = 0$

(2 Methods)

[Textbook] Given that $\alpha = 7 + 2i$ is one of the roots of a quadratic equation with real coefficients,

(a) state the value of the other root, β .

(b) find the quadratic equation.

Proof that Complex Roots Appear in Complex Pairs

Proof 1

Proof 2

Test Your Understanding

Given that 2 - 4i is a root of the equation

$$z^2 + pz + q = 0,$$

where p and q are real constants,

- (a) write down the other root of the equation, (1)
- (b) find the value of p and the value of q.

(3)

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