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- 1** Given that $(z + 2 - i)$ is a factor, factorise $z^4 + 4z^3 + 3z^2 - 8z - 10$ over:
- (a) the set of real numbers (b) the set of complex numbers.

- 2** Solve the following for z as a complex number.

(a) $z^2 - 4z + 8 = 0$ (b) $z^3 + 2z^2 - 2z + 3 = 0$ (c) $z^6 + 7z^3 - 8 = 0$

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3 Solve $z^3 + z^2 + 3z - 5 = 0$ for z as **(a)** a real number **(b)** a complex number.

4 Solve $z^5 + 3z^4 - z - 3 = 0$ for z as a real number.

5 What are the roots of $z^4 - 2z^3 - z + 2 = 0$ for z as a complex number?

A 1, 2

B $1, 2, -\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$

C -1, -2

D $-1, -2, \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$

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6 Find the values of the real numbers a and b such that $1 + i$ is a root of the equation $z^3 + az + b = 0$.

8 Solve $3z^3 - 4z^2 - 13z - 6 = 0$ for z if z is a real number.

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9 Solve $z^4 - z^3 + 6z^2 - z + 15 = 0$ for z given that $z = 1 - 2i$ is a root of the equation.

12 Write an equation of the lowest possible degree with (i) complex coefficients (ii) rational coefficients that includes the following among its roots.

(a) $2, 1 + i$

(b) $\sqrt{3} + 1, 2 - i$

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16 Find the real numbers k such that $z = ki$ is a root of the equation $z^3 + (2 + i)z^2 + (2 + 2i)z + 4 = 0$. Hence, or otherwise, find the three roots of the equation.

17 Solve the following equations using a calculus method.

(a) $z^4 + 4z^3 + 5z^2 + 4z + 4 = 0$, given that it has a root of multiplicity 2.

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18 If z is a complex number, solve $z^4 - 2z^2 + 9 = 0$, given that $1 + 2\sqrt{2}i = (\sqrt{2} + i)^2$.