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Homework for Lecture 11 - OK to post

① Let $x = u + v$. Plugging in for x , we obtain

$$(u+v)^3 - 9(u+v) - 28 = 0$$

Expanding,

$$u^3 + 3u^2v + 3uv^2 + v^3 - 9(u+v) - 28 = 0$$

We rewrite this as

$$u^3 + v^3 + (3u^2v + 3uv^2 - 9(u+v)) - 28 = 0$$

Factoring, we obtain

$$u^3 + v^3 + 3uv(u+v) - 9(u+v) - 28 = 0$$

$$u^3 + v^3 + (u+v)(3uv - 9) - 28 = 0$$

We make it so that $3uv - 9 = 0$. This means that

$$uv = 3$$

Thus $u^3v^3 = 27$.

Returning to the original equation, we see that $u^3 + v^3 = 28$

Thus u^3 and v^3 have a sum of 28 and a product of 27. We use the formula

$$x^2 - (\text{sum})(x) + \text{product}$$

to get that

$$x^2 - 28x + 27$$

Setting equal to 0 and factoring, we get

$$28 = \sqrt{\quad} \quad x = 27, x = 1 = \sqrt{\quad} =$$

So $u^3 = 27$ and $v^3 = 1$, therefore $u = 3$ and $v = 1$.

One solution is $x = u + v = 3 + 1 = 4$.

We find the other two roots by using $w = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}$ and $w^2 = \frac{-1 - \sqrt{3}i}{2}$

$$wu + w^2v = \left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)(3) + \left(\frac{-1 - \sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)(1) = -2 + \sqrt{3}i$$

$$w^2u + wv = \left(\frac{-1 - \sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)(3) + \left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)(1) = -2 - \sqrt{3}i$$

So the solutions are $4, -2 \pm \sqrt{3}i$

② Let $x = u + v$. Plugging in for x , we obtain

$$(u+v)^3 - 30(u+v) - 133 = 0$$

Expanding,

$$u^3 + 3u^2v + 3uv^2 + v^3 - 30(u+v) - 133 = 0$$

We rewrite this as

$$u^3 + v^3 + (3u^2v + 3uv^2 - 30(u+v)) - 133 = 0$$

Factoring, we obtain

$$u^3 + v^3 + 3uv(u+v) - 30(u+v) - 133 = 0$$

$$u^3 + v^3 + (u+v)(3uv - 30) - 133 = 0$$

We make it so that $3uv - 30 = 0$. This means that

$$uv = 10$$

Thus $u^3 v^3 = 1000$.

Returning to the original equation, we see that $u^3 + v^3 = 133$

Therefore u^3 and v^3 have a sum of 133 and a product of 1000. We use the formula

$$x^2 - (\text{sum})(x) + \text{product}$$

to get that

$$x^2 - 133x + 1000$$

Setting equal to 0 and using the quadratic formula, we get

$$\frac{133 \pm \sqrt{133^2 - 4(1)(1000)}}{2} = \frac{133 \pm 117}{2} = 125 \text{ and } 8$$

So $u^3 = 125$ and $v^3 = 8$, thus $u = 5$ and $v = 2$.

One solution is $x = u + v = 5 + 2 = 7$.

We find the other two solutions by using $\omega = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}$ and $\omega^2 = \frac{-1 - \sqrt{3}i}{2}$

$$\omega u + \omega^2 v = \left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)(5) + \left(\frac{-1 - \sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)(2) = -\frac{7}{2} + \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}i$$

$$\omega^2 u + \omega v = \left(\frac{-1 - \sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)(5) + \left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)(2) = -\frac{7}{2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}i$$

So the solutions are $7, -\frac{7}{2} \pm \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}i$

③ Let $x = u + v$. Plugging in for x , we obtain

$$(u+v)^3 + p(u+v) + q = 0$$

Expanding,

$$u^3 + 3u^2v + 3uv^2 + v^3 + p(u+v) + q = 0$$

We rewrite this as

$$u^3 + v^3 + (3u^2v + 3uv^2 + p(u+v)) + q = 0$$

Factoring, we obtain

$$u^3 + v^3 + 3uv(u+v) + p(u+v) + q = 0$$

$$u^3 + v^3 + (u+v)(3uv + p) + q = 0$$

We make it so that $3uv + p = 0$. This means that

$$uv = -\frac{p}{3}$$

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$$\text{Thus } u^3 v^3 = \frac{-p^3}{27}$$

Returning to the original equation, we see that $u^3 + v^3 = -q$

Therefore u^3 and v^3 have a sum of $-q$ and a product of $\frac{-p^3}{27}$. We use the formula

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$$x^2 - (\text{sum})(x) + \text{product}$$

to get that

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$$x^2 + qx - \frac{p^3}{27} = 0$$

Setting equal to 0 and using the quadratic formula, we obtain

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$$\frac{-q \pm \sqrt{q^2 - 4(1)\left(-\frac{p^3}{27}\right)}}{2} = \frac{-q \pm \sqrt{q^2 + \frac{4}{27}p^3}}{2}$$

So a formula for one of the roots is

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$$\left(\frac{-q + \sqrt{q^2 + \frac{4}{27}p^3}}{2}\right)^{1/3} + \left(\frac{-q - \sqrt{q^2 + \frac{4}{27}p^3}}{2}\right)^{1/3}$$

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(4) We start by using the formula $y = x + \frac{a}{3}$. In this case, $a = 3$, so we have $y = x + 1$. Rearranging, we get $x = y - 1$. Plugging this in, we get

$$(y-1)^3 + 3(y-1)^2 + 5(y-1) - 100 = 0$$

Expanding, we get

$$y^3 - 3y^2 + 3y - 1 + 3y^2 - 6y + 3 + 5y - 5 - 100 = 0$$

So the reduced cubic is $y^3 + 2y - 103 = 0$.