

Complex numbers 29.4.2020

[41 marks]

Solve $z^2 = 4e^{\frac{\pi}{2}i}$, giving your answers in the form

1a. $re^{i\theta}$ where $r, \theta \in \mathbb{R}, r > 0$.

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1b. $a + ib$ where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

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Consider the complex number $z = \frac{2+7i}{6+2i}$.

2a. Express z in the form $a + ib$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$.

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2b. Find the exact value of the modulus of z .

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2c. Find the argument of z , giving your answer to 4 decimal places.

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3a. Find three distinct roots of the equation $8z^3 + 27 = 0$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$ giving your [6 marks]
answers in modulus-argument form.

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3b. The roots are represented by the vertices of a triangle in an Argand [3 marks]
diagram.

Show that the area of the triangle is $\frac{27\sqrt{3}}{16}$.

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4. Consider the complex numbers $u = 2 + 3i$ and $v = 3 + 2i$. [7 marks]

- (a) Given that $\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} = \frac{10}{w}$, express w in the form $a + bi$, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (b) Find w^* and express it in the form $re^{i\theta}$.

Consider $w = 2 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$

5a. Express w^2 and w^3 in modulus-argument form.

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5b. Sketch on an Argand diagram the points represented by w^0 , w^1 , w^2 and w^3 . [2 marks]

These four points form the vertices of a quadrilateral, Q .

- 5c. Show that the area of the quadrilateral Q is $\frac{21\sqrt{3}}{2}$. *[3 marks]*

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- 5d. Let $z = 2 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{n} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{n} \right)$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. The points represented on an Argand diagram by $z^0, z^1, z^2, \dots, z^n$ form the vertices of a polygon P_n . [6 marks]

Show that the area of the polygon P_n can be expressed in the form $a(b^n - 1) \sin \frac{\pi}{n}$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.