

MATH 1251 Mathematics 1B Algebra S2 2008
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1. We solve $(x + iy)^2 = 40 - 42i$. After expanding and equating real and imaginary parts and moduli we get:

$$x^2 - y^2 = 40 \quad (1)$$

$$2xy = -42 \quad (2)$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 58 \quad (3)$$

Granted, this is probably not so easy without a calculator. From this is easy to deduce $x + iy = \pm(7 - 3i)$. I was lenient when marking.

2. This was the hard question of the test. Note that Daniel Chan did go through a similar one in lectures. We have:

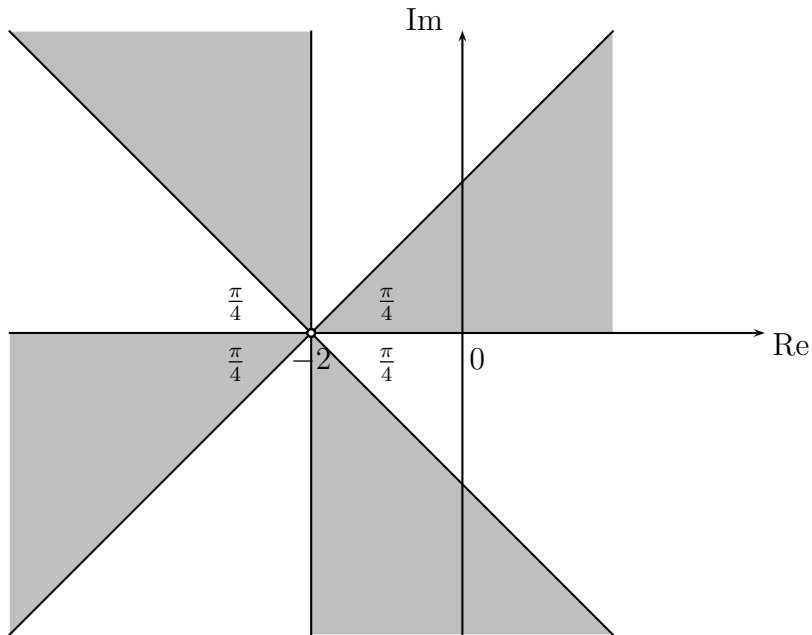
$$0 \leq \text{Arg}((z + 2)^4) \leq \pi$$

This implies

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq 4\text{Arg}(z + 2) + 2k\pi \leq \pi \\ \Rightarrow -\frac{k\pi}{2} &\leq \text{Arg}(z + 2) \leq \frac{\pi - 2k\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

For $k = -1, 0, 1, 2$ this gives

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \text{Arg}(z + 2) \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \frac{\pi}{2} &\leq \text{Arg}(z + 2) \leq \frac{3\pi}{4} \\ -\frac{\pi}{2} &\leq \text{Arg}(z + 2) \leq -\frac{\pi}{4} \\ -\pi &\leq \text{Arg}(z + 2) \leq -\frac{3\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$



3. (a) The characteristic equation is $3\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 2 = 0$ and so

$$\lambda = -\frac{2}{3} \pm \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{3}.$$

Since $|\lambda| = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} < 1$ the system is stable.

- (b) Since $\text{Re}(\lambda) = -\frac{2}{3} < 0$ the solution is stable.

4. (a) α is a root of $x^5 - 1 = 0$. Further $x^5 - 1 = (x - 1)(x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1)$ and since $\alpha \neq 1$ we must have $\alpha^4 + \alpha^3 + \alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 = 0$.

- (b)

$$\begin{aligned} (z - \alpha - \alpha^{-1})(z - \alpha^2 - \alpha^{-2}) &= z^2 - z(\alpha^2 + \alpha + \alpha^{-1} + \alpha^{-2}) \\ &\quad + (\alpha^3 + \alpha + \alpha^{-1} + \alpha^{-3}) \\ &= z^2 + z - 1 \end{aligned}$$

since $\alpha^{-1} = \alpha^4, \alpha^{-2} = \alpha^3, \alpha^{-3} = \alpha^2$.

5.

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \operatorname{Im} \left(\frac{4+3i}{a+2i} \right) &= 10 \\ \Rightarrow \operatorname{Im} \left(\frac{(4+3i)(a-2i)}{a^2+4} \right) &= 10 \\ \Rightarrow 3a-8 &= 10a^2+40 \\ \Rightarrow 5a^2-15a+24 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

which (unfortunately??) has no solutions.

6. We need to solve $z^6 = -64i = 64e^{2k\pi+\pi}$. Let $z = re^{i\theta}$ and so $r^6 = 64$ and so $r = 2$. Also, $4\theta = 2k\pi + \pi$ and so $\theta = \frac{2k\pi+\pi}{4}$. Thus

$$z = 2e^{\frac{2k\pi+\pi}{4}}, k = -2, -1, 0, 1.$$

So $z = 2e^{-\frac{3i\pi}{4}}, 2e^{-\frac{i\pi}{4}}, 2e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}}, 2e^{\frac{3i\pi}{4}}$.

7. This was the hard question of the test. Note that Daniel Chan did go through a similar one in lectures. We have:

$$0 \leq \operatorname{Arg}((z-1-3i)^3) \leq \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

This implies

$$\begin{aligned}0 \leq 3\operatorname{Arg}(z-1-3i) + 2k\pi &\leq \frac{3\pi}{4} \\ \Rightarrow -\frac{2k\pi}{3} \leq \operatorname{Arg}(z-1-3i) &\leq \frac{3\pi-8k\pi}{12}\end{aligned}$$

For $k = -1, 0, 1$ this gives

$$\begin{aligned}0 \leq \operatorname{Arg}(z-1-3i) &\leq \frac{\pi}{4} \\ -\frac{2\pi}{3} \leq \operatorname{Arg}(z-1-3i) &\leq \frac{-5\pi}{12} \\ \frac{2\pi}{3} \leq \operatorname{Arg}(z-1-3i) &\leq \frac{11\pi}{12}\end{aligned}$$

Hopefully, you can sketch these regions. Come see me if you want.

8. Its a GP with common ratio of $e^{2i\theta}$ and there are n terms. Thus the sum is