



Math 311 - Spring 2014

Assignment # 1

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Question 1. [p 5, #2]

Show that

$$(a) \operatorname{Re}(iz) = -\operatorname{Im} z; \quad (b) \operatorname{Im}(iz) = \operatorname{Re} z.$$

Question 2. [p 8, #1 (b)]

Reduce the quantity $\frac{5i}{(1-i)(2-i)(3-i)}$ to a real number.

Question 3. [p 8, #1 (c)]

Reduce the quantity $(1-i)^4$ to a real number.

Question 4. [p 12, #4]

Verify that $\sqrt{2}|z| \geq |\operatorname{Re} z| + |\operatorname{Im} z|$.

Suggestion: Reduce this inequality to $(|x| - |y|)^2 \geq 0$.

Question 5. [p 12, #5]

In each case, sketch the set of points determined by the given condition:

$$(a) |z - 1 + i| = 1; \quad (b) |z + i| \leq 3; \quad (c) |z - 4i| \geq 4.$$

Question 6. [p 14, #1]

Use the properties of conjugates and moduli established in Sec. 5 to show that

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \overline{\overline{z} + 3i} &= z - 3i & (b) \overline{iz} &= -i\overline{z}; \\ (c) \overline{(2+i)^2} &= 3 - 4i; & (d) |(2\overline{z} + 5)(\sqrt{2} - i)| &= \sqrt{3} |2z + 5|. \end{aligned}$$

Question 7. [p 12, #3]

Use established properties of moduli to show that when $|z_3| \neq |z_4|$,

$$\left| \frac{z_1 + z_2}{z_3 + z_4} \right| \leq \frac{|z_1| + |z_2|}{||z_3| - |z_4||}.$$

Question 8. [p 22, #1 (a)]

Find the principal argument $\text{Arg } z$ when $z = \frac{i}{-2 - 2i}$.

Ans. $-\frac{3\pi}{4}$.

Question 9. [p 22, #4]

Using the fact that the modulus $|e^{i\theta} - 1|$ is the distance between the points $e^{i\theta}$ and 1 (see Sec. 4), give a geometric argument to find a value of θ in the interval $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ that satisfies the equation $|e^{i\theta} - 1| = 2$.

Ans. π .

Question 10. [p 23, #9]

Establish the identity

$$1 + z + z^2 + \cdots + z^n = \frac{1 - z^{n+1}}{1 - z} \quad (z \neq 1)$$

and then use it to derive *Lagrange's trigonometric identity*:

$$1 + \cos \theta + \cos 2\theta + \cdots + \cos n\theta = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sin [(2n+1)\theta/2]}{2 \sin (\theta/2)} \quad (0 < \theta < 2\pi).$$

Suggestion: As for the first identity, write $S = 1 + z + z^2 + \cdots + z^n$ and consider the difference $S - zS$. To derive the second identity, write $z = e^{i\theta}$ in the first one.