



Hale School  
Mathematics Specialist  
Test 1 --- Term 1 2016  
Complex Numbers

Name: **ANSWERS**

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Instructions:

- CAS calculators are NOT allowed
  - External notes are not allowed
  - Duration of test: 45 minutes
  - Show your working clearly
  - Use the method specified (if any) in the question to show your working (Otherwise, no marks awarded)
  - This test contributes to 7% of the year (school) mark
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All arguments must be given using principal values.

Question 1 (4 marks: 1, 1, 1, 1)

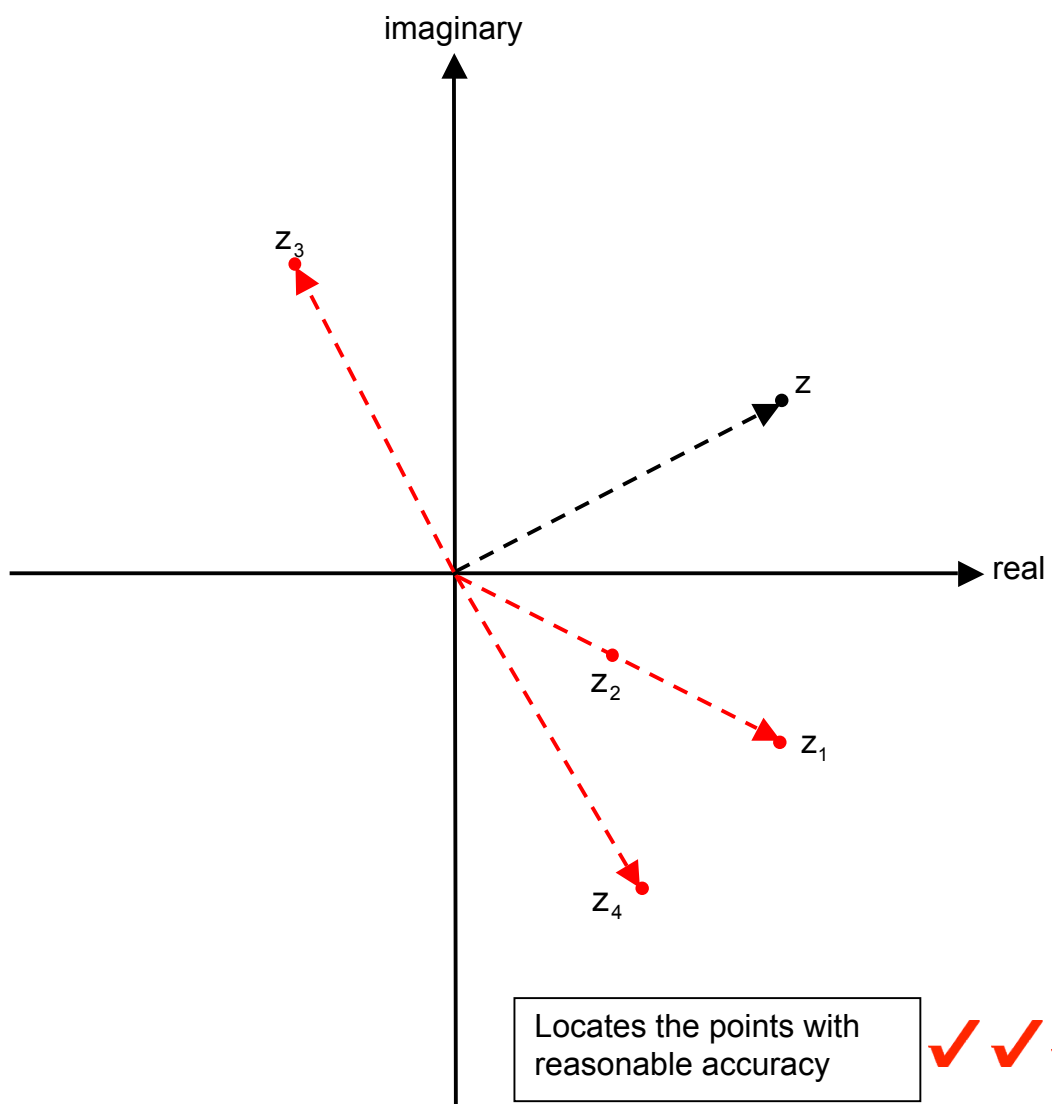
The following diagram shows a complex number  $z$  on the complex plane. Locate the following complex numbers. Label your answers clearly.

(a)  $z_1 = \bar{z}$  (1 mark)

(b)  $z_2 = \frac{1}{z}$  given that  $|z|^2 = 2$  (1 mark)

(c)  $z_3 = iz$  (1 mark)

(d)  $z_4 = \frac{z}{i}$  (1 mark)



Question 2 (9 marks: 2, 3, 4)

(a) Convert  $z = -1 + i$  to polar form.

(2 marks)

$$|z| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\arg(z) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{-1}\right) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

So  $z = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{cis} \frac{3\pi}{4}$

Determines the modulus



Determines the argument



(b) Determine the value(s) of  $\theta$  and  $x$  if  $z = 6 \operatorname{cis} \theta = x - 3i$ .

(3 marks)

$$z = 6 \operatorname{cis} \theta = x - 3i$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \sin \theta = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = -\frac{\pi}{6} \quad \text{or} \quad -\frac{5\pi}{6}$$

So  $x = 3\sqrt{3}$  or  $-3\sqrt{3}$  respectively

Sets up the correct equation



Solves for  $\theta$  correctly



Solves for  $x$



(c) Determine the argument of  $z = \frac{1}{\sin \frac{7\pi}{10} - i \cos \frac{7\pi}{10}}$ .

(4 marks)

$$z = \frac{1}{\sin \frac{7\pi}{10} - i \cos \frac{7\pi}{10}} \times \frac{\sin \frac{7\pi}{10} + i \cos \frac{7\pi}{10}}{\sin \frac{7\pi}{10} + i \cos \frac{7\pi}{10}}$$

$$= \sin \frac{7\pi}{10} + i \cos \frac{7\pi}{10}$$

$$= \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{5}\right) + i \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{5}\right)$$

$$= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) - i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)$$

$$= \cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{5}\right) + i \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{5}\right)$$

So  $\arg(z) = -\frac{\pi}{5}$

Realises  $z$



Changes sin to cos etc



Simplifies correctly



States the answer



Question 3 (8 marks: 4, 4)

- (a) **Given** that if  $z = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$  then  $z^n = \cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta)$  is true for all positive integers.

Show that  $z^n = \cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta)$  is also true for all **negative** integers. (4 marks)

Let  $m = -n$  be a negative integer  
 $z^m = z^{-n} = (z^n)^{-1}$   
 $= [\cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta)]^{-1}$   
 $= \frac{1}{\cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta)} \times \frac{\cos(n\theta) - i \sin(n\theta)}{\cos(n\theta) - i \sin(n\theta)}$   
 $= \cos(n\theta) - i \sin(n\theta)$   
 $= \cos(-n\theta) + i \sin(-n\theta)$   
 $= \cos(m\theta) + i \sin(m\theta)$   
 So  $z^n = \cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta)$  is true for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Writes  $z^m = (z^n)^{-1}$  ✓  
 Uses the given result ✓  
 Realises the complex number ✓  
 Simplifies correctly ✓

- (b) Use De Moivre's theorem to show that  $\sin 3\theta = 3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta$ . (4 marks)

Consider  $z^3 = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^3$   
 Using De Moivre's theorem :  
 $z^3 = \cos 3\theta + i \sin 3\theta$   
 Using binomial theorem :  
 $z^3 = \cos^3 \theta + 3 \cos^2 \theta (i \sin \theta) + 3 \cos \theta (i \sin \theta)^2 + (i \sin \theta)^3$   
 $= (\cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta) + i(3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta)$   
 Equate i part :  
 $\sin 3\theta = 3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta$   
 $\Rightarrow \sin 3\theta = 3(1 - \sin^2 \theta) \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta$   
 $\therefore \sin 3\theta = 3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta$

Expands  $z^3$  using two different methods ✓  
 Simplifies and collects terms in the binomial expansion ✓  
 Equates the imaginary parts ✓  
 Simplifies correctly ✓

Question 4 (7 marks: 2, 2, 3)

It is given that **one** of the roots of the complex equation  $z^3 = u$  is  $2 \operatorname{cis} \frac{2\pi}{5}$ .

(a) Write down all the other roots in polar form. (2 marks)

$$z_2 = 2 \operatorname{cis} \left(-\frac{14\pi}{5}\right)$$
$$z_3 = 2 \operatorname{cis} \left(-\frac{4\pi}{5}\right)$$

Shows angle  $2\pi/3$  between roots ✓

Shows same modulus for each ✓

(b) Determine the complex number  $u$ . (2 marks)

$$u = \left(2 \operatorname{cis} \frac{2\pi}{5}\right)^3$$
$$= 8 \operatorname{cis} \left(-\frac{4\pi}{5}\right)$$

Raises any root to power 3 ✓

Simplifies correctly ✓

(c) Use the given information that  $2 \operatorname{cis} \frac{2\pi}{5}$  is a solution of  $z^3 = u$  to determine **one** solution of the complex equation  $z^3 = -ui$ . (3 marks)

$$z^3 = -ui$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{z^3}{-i} = u$$
$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{z}{i}\right)^3 = u$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{z}{i} = 2 \operatorname{cis} \left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right)$$
$$\Rightarrow z = 2 \operatorname{cis} \left(\frac{9\pi}{10}\right)$$

Rearranges the equation to the form  $Z^3 = u$  ✓

Uses the given solution correctly ✓

States the answer ✓

Other roots:  $2 \operatorname{cis} \left(\frac{7\pi}{30}\right)$  and  $2 \operatorname{cis} \left(-\frac{13\pi}{30}\right)$

Question 5 (5 marks: 2, 3)

- (a) The locus of  $z$  such that  $|z - (1 + i)| = |z - (2 - 4i)|$  can be interpreted geometrically as the set of points equidistant from  $(1, 1)$  and  $(2, -4)$ .

Give a similar geometrical interpretation of  $|z - (1 + i)| = |2z - (2 - 4i)|$ . (2 marks)

$$|z - (1 + i)| = |2z - (2 - 4i)|$$

$$\Rightarrow |z - (1 + i)| = 2|z - (1 - 2i)|$$

Writes  $2z - (2 - 4i)$  as  $2[z - (1 - 2i)]$  ✓

Provides the correct interpretation ✓

So  $z$  is the set of points such that its distance from  $(1, 1)$  is twice that from  $(1, -2)$

- (b) Determine the Cartesian equation of  $|z - (1 + i)| = |2z - (2 - 4i)|$ . (3 marks)

$$|z - (1 + i)| = |2z - (2 - 4i)|$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 1)^2 + (y - 1)^2 = 4[(x - 1)^2 + (y + 2)^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 6x + 3y^2 + 18y + 18 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(x - 1)^2 + 3(y + 3)^2 = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 1)^2 + (y + 3)^2 = 4$$

Circle centred at  $(1, -3)$  with radius = 2.

Expresses the modulus of  $2z - (2 - 4i)$  correctly ✓

Sets up the equation ✓

Simplifies correctly ✓

Question 6 (6 marks: 4, 2)

(a) Sketch the locus of  $u$ ,  $v$  and  $w$  if

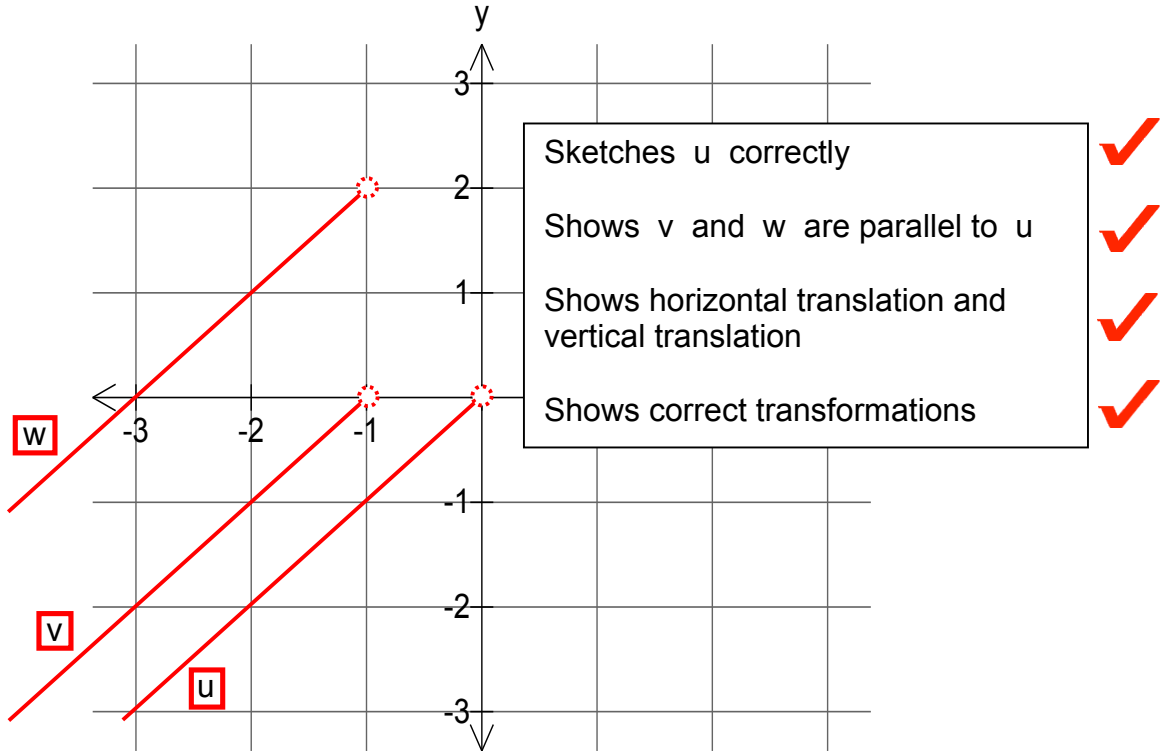
(i)  $\arg(u) = -\frac{3\pi}{4}$

(ii)  $\arg(v + 1) = -\frac{3\pi}{4}$

(iii)  $\arg(w + 1 - 2i) = -\frac{3\pi}{4}$

Label the loci clearly.

(4 marks)



(b) Determine  $z$  such that  $\arg(z + 1 - 2i) = -\frac{3\pi}{4}$  and  $|z|$  is a minimum.

(2 marks)

$\arg(z + 1 - 2i)$  and  $|z|$  is a min  
 $\Rightarrow$  (vector)  $z \perp$  (locus)  $w$   
 $\Rightarrow z = -\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2}i$

Recognizes that  $z \perp w$   
 States the answer

Question 7 (4 marks: 2, 2)

- (a) Show that  $(z - i)$  is a factor of  $P(z) = z^3 + iz^2 + (2 - 7i)z - 7$ . (2 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} P(z) &= z^3 + iz^2 + (2 - 7i)z - 7 \\ P(i) &= (i)^3 + i(i)^2 + (2 - 7i)(i) - 7 \\ &= -2i + 2i + 7 - 7 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (z - i)$  is a factor of  $P(z)$ .

Substitutes  $z = i$  into  $P(z)$  ✓

Shows  $P(i) = 0$  ✓

- (b) Form a polynomial with **integer** coefficients such that  $x = \sqrt{2}$  and  $x = i$  are two of the roots of the polynomial. (2 marks)  
(Note: The polynomial has other roots.)

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \sqrt{2} \quad \text{and} \quad x = i \\ \Rightarrow x^2 &= 2 \quad \text{and} \quad x^2 = -1 \\ \Rightarrow (x^2 - 2) \quad \text{and} \quad (x^2 + 1) \quad \text{are factors} \\ \Rightarrow P(x) &= (x^2 - 2)(x^2 + 1) \\ \therefore P(x) &= x^4 - x^2 - 2 \end{aligned}$$

Realises  $x = -i$  is also a root and forms  $(x - i)(x + i)$  ✓

Shows the other factor  $(x^2 - 2)$  ✓