

# COMPLEX NUMBER

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# KEY CONCEPTS

## 1. The Real Number System

**Natural Number (N)** : The number which are used for counting are known as Natural Number (also known as set of Positive Integers) i.e.

$$N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

**Whole Number (W)** : If '0' is included in the set of natural numbers then we get the set of Whole Numbers i.e.  $W = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$$= \{N\} + \{0\}$$

**Integers (Z or I)** : If negative natural number is included in the set of whole number then we get set of Integers i.e.

$$Z \text{ or } I = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

**Rational Numbers (Q)** : The numbers which are in the form of  $p/q$  (Where  $p, q \in I, q \neq 0$ ) are called as Rational Number e.g.  $\sqrt{2}, \frac{2}{3}, 3, \frac{1}{3}, 0.76, 1.2322$  etc.

**Irrational Numbers** : The numbers which are not rational i.e. which can not be expressed in  $p/q$  form or whose decimal part is non terminating non repeating but which may represent magnitude of physical quantities. e.g.,  $5^{1/3}, \pi, e, \dots$  etc.

**Real Numbers (R)** : The set of Rational and Irrational Number is called as set of Real Numbers i.e.  $N \subset W \subset Z \subset Q \subset R$

**Note :**

- Number zero is neither positive nor negative but is an even number.
- Square of a real number is always positive.
- Between two real numbers there lie infinite real numbers.
- The real number system is totally ordered, for any two numbers  $a, b \in R$ , we must say, either  $a < b$  or  $b < a$  or  $b = a$ .
- All real number can be represented by points on a straight line. This line is called as number line.

(vi) An Integer (Note) is said to be even, if it is divided by 2 other wise it is odd number.

(vii) The magnitude of a physical quantity may be expressed as a real number times, a standard unit.

(viii) Number '0' is an additive quantity

(ix) Number '1' is multiplicative quantity.

(x) Infinity ( $\infty$ ) is the concept of the number greater than greatest you can imagine. It is not a number, it is just a concept, so we do not associate equality with it.

(xi) Division by zero is meaning less.

(xii) A non zero integer  $p$  is called prime if  $p \neq \pm 1$  and its only divisors are  $\pm 1$  and  $\pm p$ .

### 1.1 Modulus of a Real Number :

The Modulus of a real number  $x$  is defined as follows

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{when } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{when } x = 0 \\ -x & \text{when } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{e.g. } |3| = 3 \quad | -6 | = -(-6) = 6$$

$$\text{Now } |x - a| = \begin{cases} x - a & \text{when } x \geq a \\ -(x - a) & \text{when } x < a \end{cases}$$

### 1.2 Intervals : Let $a, x, b$ are real number so that

$$x \in [a, b] \Rightarrow a \leq x \leq b$$

$[a, b]$  is known as the closed interval  $a, b$

$$x \in (a, b) \Rightarrow a < x < b$$

$(a, b)$  is known as the open interval  $a, b$

$$x \in (a, b] \Rightarrow a < x \leq b$$

$(a, b]$  is known as semi open, semi closed Interval

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## 2. Imaginary Number

Square root of a negative real number is an imaginary number, while solving equation  $x^2 + 1 = 0$  we get  $x = \pm \sqrt{-1}$  which is imaginary. So the quantity  $\sqrt{-1}$  is denoted by 'i' called 'iota' thus  $i = \sqrt{-1}$

Further  $\sqrt{-2}, \sqrt{-3}, \sqrt{-4} \dots \dots \dots$  may be expressed as  $\pm i\sqrt{2}, \pm i\sqrt{3}, \pm 2i \dots \dots \dots$

### 2.1 Integral powers of iota

As we have seen  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  so  $i^2 = -1$   
 $i^3 = -i$  and  $i^4 = 1$

Hence  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $i^n = i, -1, -i, 1$  attains four values according to the value of n, so

$$i^{4n+1} = i, \quad i^{4n+2} = -1$$
$$i^{4n+3} = -i, \quad i^{4n} \text{ or } i^{4n+4} = 1$$

In other words  $i^n = (-1)^{n/2}$  if n is even integer

$$i^n = (-1)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} i \text{ if n is odd integer.}$$

Note :-

- (i)  $i^2 = i \times i = \sqrt{-1} \times \sqrt{-1} \neq \sqrt{1}$
- (ii)  $\sqrt{a \cdot b} = \sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{b}$  possible iff both a, b are non-negative. (incorrect). It is also true for one positive and one negative no.

e.g.  $\sqrt{(-2)(3)} = \sqrt{-2} \cdot \sqrt{3}$

only invalid when both are negative means

$$\sqrt{a \cdot b} \neq \sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{b} \text{ iff a \& b both are negative.}$$

- (iii) 'i' is neither positive, zero nor negative, Due to this reason order relations are not defined for imaginary numbers.

## 3. Complex Number

A number of the form  $z = x + iy$  where  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  is called a complex number where x is called as real part and y is called imaginary part of complex number and they are expressed as

$$\operatorname{Re}(z) = x, \operatorname{Im}(z) = y$$

Here if  $x = 0$  the complex number is purely Imaginary and if  $y = 0$  the complex number is purely Real.

A complex number may also be defined as an ordered pair of real numbers any may be denoted by the symbol (a, b). If we write  $z = (a, b)$  then a is called the real part and b the imaginary part of the complex number z.

Note :

- (i) Inequalities in complex number are not defined because 'i' is neither positive, zero nor negative so  $4 + 3i < 1 + 2i$  or  $i < 0$  or  $i > 0$  is meaning less.

- (ii) If two complex numbers are equal, then their real and imaginary parts are separately equal. Thus if  $a + ib = c + id$   
 $\Rightarrow a = c$  and  $b = d$

$$\text{so if } z = 0 \Rightarrow x + iy = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ and } y = 0$$

The student must note that

$x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x, y \neq 0$ . Then if

$$x + y = 0 \Rightarrow x = y \text{ is correct}$$

$$\text{but } x + iy = 0 \Rightarrow x = -iy \text{ is incorrect}$$

Hence a real number cannot be equal to the imaginary number, unless both are zero.

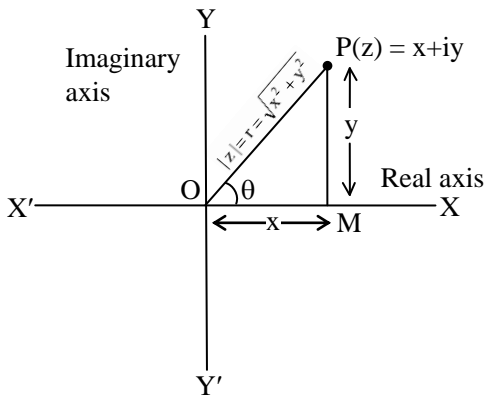
- (iii) The complex number 0 is purely real and purely imaginary both.

### 3.1 Representation of a Complex Number :

#### (a) Cartesian Representation :

The complex number  $z = x + iy = (x, y)$  is represented by a point P whose coordinates are referred to rectangular axis  $xox'$  and  $yoy'$ , which are called real and imaginary axes respectively. Thus a complex number z is represented by a point in a plane, and corresponding to every point in this plane there exists a complex number such a plane is called Argand plane or Argand diagram or complex plane or gaussian plane.





**Note :**

- (i) Distance of any complex number from the origin is called the modulus of complex number and is denoted by  $|z|$ . Thus,  $|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ .
- (ii) Angle of any complex number with positive direction of x-axis is called amplitude or argument of  $z$ . Thus,  $\text{amp}(z) = \arg(z) = \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}$ .
- (b) **Polar Representation :** If  $z = x + iy$  is a complex number then  $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$  is a polar form of complex number  $z$  where  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$  and  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = |z|$ .
- (c) **Exponential Form :** If  $z = x + iy$  is a complex number then its exponential form is  $z = r e^{i\theta}$  where  $r$  is modulus and  $\theta$  is amplitude of complex number.
- (d) **Vector Representation :** If  $z = x + iy$  is a complex number such that it represent point  $P(x, y)$  then its vector representation is  $z = \vec{OP}$

**3.2 Algebraic operations with Complex Number:**

Addition  $(a + ib) + (c + id) = (a + c) + i(b + d)$   
 Subtraction  $(a + ib) - (c + id) = (a - c) + i(b - d)$   
 Multiplication  $(a + ib)(c + id) = ac + iad + ibc + i^2bd = (ac - bd) + i(ad + bc)$   
 Division  $\frac{a + ib}{c + id} = \frac{(a + ib)(c - id)}{(c + id)(c - id)}$   
 (when at least one of  $c$  and  $d$  is non zero)  

$$= \frac{(ac + bd)}{c^2 + d^2} + i \frac{(bc - ad)}{c^2 + d^2}$$

**3.2.1 Properties of Algebraic operations with Complex Number**

Let  $z, z_1, z_2$  and  $z_3$  are any complex number then their algebraic operation satisfy following properties-

**Commutativity :**  $z_1 + z_2 = z_2 + z_1$  &  $z_1 z_2 = z_2 z_1$

**Associativity :**  $(z_1 + z_2) + z_3 = z_1 + (z_2 + z_3)$   
 and  $(z_1 z_2) z_3 = z_1(z_2 z_3)$

**Identity element :** If  $0 = (0, 0)$  and  $1 = (1, 0)$  then  $z + 0 = 0 + z = z$  and  $z.1 = z$ . Thus 0 and 1 are the identity elements for addition and multiplication respectively.

**Inverse element :** Additive inverse of  $z$  is  $-z$  and multiplicative inverse of  $z$  is  $\frac{1}{z}$ .

**Cancellation Law :**

$$\left. \begin{aligned} z_1 + z_2 &= z_1 + z_3 \\ z_2 + z_1 &= z_3 + z_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow z_2 = z_3$$

and  $z_1 \neq 0$   $\left. \begin{aligned} z_1 z_2 &= z_1 z_3 \\ z_2 z_1 &= z_3 z_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow z_2 = z_3$

**Distributivity :**  $z_1(z_2 + z_3) = z_1 z_2 + z_1 z_3$   
 and  $(z_2 + z_3) z_1 = z_2 z_1 + z_3 z_1$

**3.3 Conjugate Complex Number :**

The complex numbers  $z = (a, b) = a + ib$  and  $\bar{z} = (a, -b) = a - ib$  where  $b \neq 0$  are said to be complex conjugate of each other (Here the complex conjugate is obtained by just changing the sign of  $i$ ) e.g. conjugate of  $z = -3 + 4i$  is  $\bar{z} = -3 - 4i$ .

**Note :** Image of any complex number in x-axis is called its conjugate.

**3.3.1 Properties of Conjugate Complex Number**

Let  $z = a + ib$  and  $\bar{z} = a - ib$  then

- (i)  $\overline{(\bar{z})} = z$
- (ii)  $z + \bar{z} = 2a = 2 \text{Re}(z) = \text{purely real}$
- (iii)  $z - \bar{z} = 2ib = 2i \text{Im}(z) = \text{purely imaginary}$
- (iv)  $z \bar{z} = a^2 + b^2 = |z|^2$
- (v)  $\overline{z_1 + z_2} = \bar{z}_1 + \bar{z}_2$



$$(vi) \overline{z_1 - z_2} = \overline{z_1} - \overline{z_2}$$

$$(vii) \overline{re^{i\theta}} = re^{-i\theta}$$

$$(viii) \overline{\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)} = \frac{\overline{z_1}}{\overline{z_2}}$$

$$(ix) \overline{z^n} = (\overline{z})^n$$

$$(x) \overline{z_1 z_2} = \overline{z_1} \overline{z_2}$$

$$(xi) z + \overline{z} = 0 \text{ or } z = -\overline{z}$$

$$\Rightarrow z = 0 \text{ or } z \text{ is purely imaginary}$$

$$(xii) z = \overline{z} \Rightarrow z \text{ is purely real}$$

#### 4. Modulus of a Complex Number

If  $z = x + iy$  then modulus of  $z$  is equal to  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and it is denoted by  $|z|$ . Thus

$$z = x + iy \Rightarrow |z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

##### Note :

Modulus of every complex number is a non negative real number.

##### 4.1 Properties of modulus of a Complex Number

$$(i) |z| \geq 0$$

$$(ii) -|z| \leq \operatorname{Re}(z) \leq |z|$$

$$(iii) -|z| \leq \operatorname{Im}(z) \leq |z|$$

$$(iv) |z| = |\overline{z}| = | -z | = | -\overline{z} |$$

$$(v) z \overline{z} = |z|^2$$

$$(vi) |z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2|$$

$$(vii) \left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|} \quad (z_2 \neq 0)$$

$$(viii) |z|^n = |z^n|, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$(ix) |z| = 1 \Leftrightarrow \overline{z} = \frac{1}{z}$$

$$(x) z^{-1} = \frac{\overline{z}}{|z|^2}$$

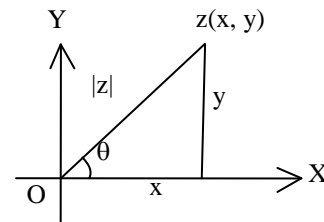
$$(xi) |z_1 \pm z_2|^2 = |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 \pm 2\operatorname{Re}(z_1 \overline{z_2})$$

$$(xii) |z_1 + z_2|^2 + |z_1 - z_2|^2 = 2[|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2]$$

$$(xiii) |re^{i\theta}| = r$$

#### 5. Amplitude or Argument of a Complex Number

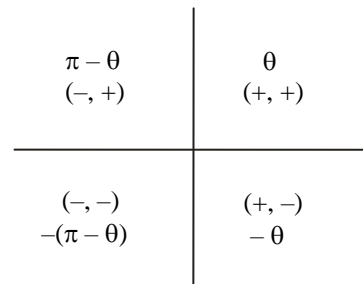
The amplitude or argument of a complex number  $z$  is the inclination of the directed line segment representing  $z$ , with real axis.



If  $z = x + iy$  then

$$\operatorname{amp}(z) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

For finding the argument of any complex number first check that the complex number is in which quadrant and then find the angle  $\theta$  and amplitude using the adjacent figure.



##### Note :

- (i) Principle value of any complex number lies between  $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$ .
- (ii) Amplitude of a complex number is a many valued function. If  $\theta$  is the argument of a complex number then  $(2n\pi + \theta)$  is also argument of complex number.
- (iii) Argument of zero is not defined.
- (iv) If a complex number is multiplied by  $i$  its amplitude will be increased by  $\pi/2$  and will be decreased by  $\pi/2$ , if is multiplied by  $-i$ .
- (v) Amplitude of complex number in I and II quadrant is always positive and in III and IV is always negative.

## 5.1 Properties of argument of a Complex Number

- (i) amp (any real positive number) = 0
- (ii) amp (any real negative number) =  $\pi$
- (iii) amp  $(z - \bar{z}) = \pm \pi/2$
- (iv) amp  $(z_1 \cdot z_2) = \text{amp}(z_1) + \text{amp}(z_2)$
- (v) amp  $\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = \text{amp}(z_1) - \text{amp}(z_2)$
- (vi) amp  $(\bar{z}) = -\text{amp}(z) = \text{amp}(1/z)$
- (vii) amp  $(-z) = \text{amp}(z) \pm \pi$
- (viii) amp  $(z^n) = n \text{amp}(z)$
- (ix) amp  $(iy) = \pi/2$  if  $y > 0$   
 $= -\pi/2$ , if  $y < 0$
- (x) amp  $(z) + \text{amp}(\bar{z}) = 0$

## 6. Square root of a Complex Number

The square root of  $z = a + ib$  is -

$$\sqrt{a + ib} = \pm \left[ \sqrt{\frac{|z| + a}{2}} + i \sqrt{\frac{|z| - a}{2}} \right] \text{ for } b > 0$$

$$\text{and } \pm \left[ \sqrt{\frac{|z| + a}{2}} - i \sqrt{\frac{|z| - a}{2}} \right] \text{ for } b < 0$$

Note :

- (i) The square root of  $i$  is  $\pm \left(\frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$  (Here  $b = 1$ )
- (ii) The square root of  $-i$  is  $\pm \left(\frac{1-i}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$  (Here  $b = -1$ )
- (iii) The square root of  $\omega$  is  $\pm \omega^2$
- (iv) The square root of  $\omega^2$  is  $\pm \omega$

## 7. Triangle Inequalities

- (i)  $|z_1 \pm z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$
- (ii)  $|z_1 \pm z_2| \geq |z_1| - |z_2|$

## 8. Miscellaneous Results

- (i) If ABC is an equilateral triangle having vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  then  $z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 = z_1z_2 + z_2z_3 + z_3z_1$   
or  $\frac{1}{z_1 - z_2} + \frac{1}{z_2 - z_3} + \frac{1}{z_3 - z_1} = 0$ .

- (ii) If  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4$  are vertices of parallelogram then  $z_1 + z_3 = z_2 + z_4$ .
- (iii) Let  $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$  and  $z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$  be two complex numbers represented by points P and Q respectively in Argand Plane then -

$$PQ = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

$$= |(x_2 - x_1) + i(y_2 - y_1)| = |z_2 - z_1|$$

- (iv) If a point P divides AB in the ratio of  $m : n$ , then  $z = \frac{mz_2 + nz_1}{m + n}$  where  $z_1, z_2$  and  $z$  represents the point A, B and P respectively.
- (v)  $|z - z_1| = |z - z_2|$  represents a perpendicular bisector of the line segment joining the points  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ .
- (vi) Let P be any point on a circle whose centre C and radius  $r$ , let the affixes of P and C be  $z$  and  $z_0$  then  $|z - z_0| = r$ .

- (a) Again if  $|z - z_0| < r$  represent interior of the circle of radius  $r$ .

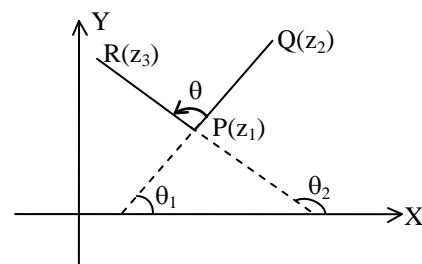
- (b)  $|z - z_0| > r$  represent exterior of the circle of radius  $r$ .

- (vii) Let  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  be the affixes of P, Q, R respectively in the Argand Plane. Then from the figure the angle between PQ and PR is.

$$\theta = \theta_2 - \theta_1$$

$$= \arg. \overrightarrow{PR} - \arg. \overrightarrow{PQ}$$

$$= \arg\left(\frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1}\right)$$



- (a) If  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  are collinear, thus  $\theta = 0$  therefore  $\frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1}$  is purely real.

- (b) If  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  are such that  $PR \perp PQ$ ,

$$\theta = \pi/2 \text{ So } \frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1} \text{ is purely imaginary.}$$

## SOLVED EXAMPLE

**Ex.1**  $\sqrt{-2} \sqrt{-3}$  is equal to -

- (A)  $i\sqrt{6}$                       (B)  $-\sqrt{6}$   
 (C)  $\sqrt{6}$                       (D) None of these

**Sol.**  $\sqrt{-2} \times \sqrt{-3} = \sqrt{2i} \times \sqrt{3i}$   
 $= \sqrt{6} (i)^2 = -\sqrt{6}$       **Ans.[B]**

**Ex.2** If  $x$  be real, the relation in  $a$  and  $b$ , when

$$\frac{1-ix}{1+ix} = a-ib, \text{ is}$$

- (A)  $ab = 1$                       (B)  $a^2 - b^2 = 1$   
 (C)  $a^2 + b^2 = 1$               (D) None of these

**Sol.**  $\therefore \frac{1-ix}{1+ix} = a-ib$

on taking modulus; we get

$$|a-ib| = \left| \frac{1-ix}{1+ix} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{a^2+b^2} = \frac{|1-ix|}{|1+ix|} = \frac{|1-ix|}{|1+ix|} = 1$$

$\therefore a^2 + b^2 = 1$                       **Ans.[3]**

**Ex.3** If the vertices of any quadrilateral are

$A = 1 + 2i$ ,  $B = -3 + i$ ,  $C = -2 - 3i$ , and  
 $D = 2 - 2i$ , then it is-

- (A) Parallelogram      (B) Rhombus  
 (C) Square              (D) Rectangle

**Sol.**  $A = (1, 2)$ ,  $B = (-3, 1)$   
 $C = (-2, -3)$ ,  $D = (2, -2)$

$$\therefore AB = \sqrt{(-3-1)^2 + (1-2)^2} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(-2+3)^2 + (-3-1)^2} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$CD = \sqrt{(2+2)^2 + (-2+3)^2} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$DA = \sqrt{(1-2)^2 + (2+2)^2} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$\text{Diagonal } AC = \sqrt{(-2-1)^2 + (-3-2)^2} = \sqrt{34}$$

$$\text{and } BD = \sqrt{(2+3)^2 + (-2-1)^2} = \sqrt{34}$$

$$\therefore AB = BC = CD = DA \text{ and } AC = BD$$

$\therefore$  ABCD is a square                      **Ans.[3]**

**Ex.4** If  $z = \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$ , then the value of  $z^{-1}$  is-

- (A)  $\left(-\frac{2}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right)$               (B)  $\left(\frac{1}{5}, -\frac{2}{5}\right)$   
 (C)  $\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{2}{5}\right)$               (D)  $\left(\frac{2}{5}, -\frac{4}{5}\right)$

**Sol.**  $z^{-1} = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2} = \frac{(1/2)-i}{(1/2)^2+1} = \frac{2}{5} - \frac{4}{5}i$   
 $= \left(\frac{2}{5}, -\frac{4}{5}\right)$                       **Ans.[D]**

**Ex.5** If  $\frac{\tan \theta - i \left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} + \cos \frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{1 + 2i \sin \frac{\theta}{2}}$  is purely imaginary

then general value of  $\theta$  is-

- (A)  $n\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}$                       (B)  $2n\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}$   
 (C)  $n\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}$                       (D)  $2n\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}$

**Sol.** Multiply above and below by conjugate of denominator and put real part equal to zero.

$$= \frac{\tan \theta - i \left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} + \cos \frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{1 + 2i \sin \frac{\theta}{2}} \times \frac{1 - 2i \sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{1 - 2i \sin \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\tan \theta - 2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} + \cos \frac{\theta}{2}\right) - i \left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} + \cos \frac{\theta}{2} + 2 \tan \theta \sin \frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{1 + 4 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$\therefore \tan \theta - 2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} + \cos \frac{\theta}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} - (1 - \cos \theta) - \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta \left(\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\cos \theta}\right) - (1 - \cos \theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - \cos \theta) (\tan \theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\cos \theta = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = 2n\pi \text{ and}$$

$$\tan \theta = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = n\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}$$
                      **Ans.[A]**



**Ex.6** For any two non real complex numbers  $z_1, z_2$  if  $z_1 + z_2$  and  $z_1 z_2$  are real numbers, then

- (A)  $z_1 = 1/z_2$                       (B)  $z_1 = \bar{z}_2$   
 (C)  $z_1 = -z_2$                       (D)  $z_1 = z_2$

**Sol.** Let  $z_1 = a + ib$  and  $z_2 = c + id$  ( $b \neq 0, d \neq 0$ ).

Then  $z_1 + z_2$  and  $z_1 z_2$  are real

$$\Rightarrow b + d = 0 \text{ and } ad + bc = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow d = -b \text{ and } c = a (\because b \neq 0, d \neq 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow z_1 = \bar{z}_2 \quad \text{Ans. [B]}$$

**Ex.7** In a complex plane  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4$  taken in order are vertices of parallelogram if

- (A)  $z_1 + z_2 = z_3 + z_4$     (B)  $z_1 + z_3 = z_2 + z_4$   
 (C)  $z_1 + z_4 = z_2 + z_3$     (D) None of these

**Sol.** Let the given points be A, B, C, D respectively. Then ABCD is a parallelogram, so-

$$\vec{AB} = \vec{DC}$$

$$\Rightarrow z_2 - z_1 = z_3 - z_4$$

$$\Rightarrow z_1 + z_3 = z_2 + z_4 \quad \text{Ans. [B]}$$

**Ex.8** The complex numbers  $\sin x + i \cos 2x$  and  $\cos x - i \sin 2x$  are conjugate to each other when-

- (A)  $x = 0$                       (B)  $x = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi$

- (C)  $x = n\pi$                       (D) no value of  $x$

**Sol.**  $\sin x + i \cos 2x = \cos x + i \sin 2x$

$$\Rightarrow \tan x = 1 \text{ and } \tan 2x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = n\pi + \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ and } x = \frac{n\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \left\{ \dots, \frac{-7\pi}{4}, \frac{-3\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{9\pi}{4}, \dots \right\}$$

$$\cap \left\{ \dots, \frac{-7\pi}{8}, \frac{-3\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{5\pi}{8}, \frac{9\pi}{8}, \dots \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  there is no common value of  $x$ .

**Ans. [D]**

**Ex.9** If A, B and C are respectively the complex numbers  $3 + 4i, 5 - 2i, -1 + 16i$ , then A, B, C are-

- (A) collinear  
 (B) vertices of right-angle triangle  
 (C) vertices of isosceles triangle  
 (D) vertices of equilateral triangle

**Sol.** Given points are A(3,4), B(5,-2) and C(-1, 16).

$$\text{Now slope of AB} = \frac{-2-4}{5-3} = -3$$

$$\text{slope of BC} = \frac{16+2}{-1-5} = -3$$

$\therefore$  slope of AB = slope of BC

$\Rightarrow$  A, B, C are collinear. **Ans. [A]**

**Ex.10** If complex numbers  $z_1, z_2$  and 0 are vertices of an equilateral triangle, then  $z_1^2 + z_2^2 - z_1 z_2$  is equal to-

- (A) 0                      (B)  $z_1 - z_2$   
 (C)  $z_1 + z_2$                       (D) 1

**Sol.**  $z_1, z_2, 0$  are vertices of an equilateral triangle, so we have

$$z_1^2 + z_2^2 + 0^2 = z_1 z_2 + z_2 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot z_1$$

(a property)

$$\Rightarrow z_1^2 + z_2^2 = z_1 z_2$$

$$\Rightarrow z_1^2 + z_2^2 - z_1 z_2 = 0. \quad \text{Ans. [A]}$$

**Ex.11** If  $w = \frac{z - (1/5)i}{z}$  and  $|w| = 1$ , then complex number  $z$  lies on

- (A) a parabola                      (B) a circle  
 (C) a line                      (D) None of these

**Sol.**  $|w| = 1 \Rightarrow |z - (1/5)i| = |z|$

$$\Rightarrow |z - (1/5)i|^2 = |z|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |x + iy - 1/5i|^2 = |x + iy|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + (y - 1/5)^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow -2/5y + 1/25 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 10y = 1, \text{ which is a line. } \quad \text{Ans. [C]}$$

**Ex.12** If complex numbers  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  represent the vertices of an equilateral triangle such that  $|z_1| = |z_2| = |z_3|$ ; then-

- (A)  $I(z_1 + z_2 + z_3) = 0$     (B)  $z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 0$   
 (C)  $R(z_1 + z_2 + z_3) = 0$     (D) None of these

**Sol.** Let A, B, C denote complex numbers  $z_1, z_2, z_3$ .

$$\text{Then } |z_1| = |z_2| = |z_3| \Rightarrow OA = OB = OC$$

$\Rightarrow$  O is the circumcentre of  $\Delta ABC$

$\Rightarrow$  O is the centroid of  $\Delta ABC$

( $\because$  it is equilateral)

$$\Rightarrow \vec{OA} + \vec{OB} + \vec{OC} = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 0 \quad \text{Ans. [B]}$$

**Ex.13** If  $z_1, z_2$  are any two complex numbers and  $a, b$  are any two real numbers, then  $|az_1 - bz_2|^2 + |bz_1 + az_2|^2$  is equal to-

- (A)  $(a^2 + b^2)(|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2)$
- (B)  $a^2b^2(|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2)$
- (C)  $(a + b)^2(|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2)$
- (D) None of these

**Sol.** Expression  

$$= (az_1 - bz_2) \overline{(az_1 - bz_2)} + (bz_1 + az_2) \overline{(bz_1 + az_2)}$$

$$= (az_1 - bz_2)(a\bar{z}_1 - b\bar{z}_2) + (bz_1 + az_2)(b\bar{z}_1 + a\bar{z}_2)$$

$$= a^2|z_1|^2 + b^2|z_2|^2 + b^2|z_1|^2 + a^2|z_2|^2$$

$$= (a^2 + b^2)(|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2) \quad \text{Ans.[A]}$$

**Ex.14** If  $z = x + iy$ , and if  $\log_{\sqrt{3}} \frac{|z|^2 - |z| + 1}{2 + |z|} < 2$  then  $z$  lies in the interior of the circle

- (A)  $|z| = 4$                       (B)  $|z| = 3$
- (C)  $|z| = 2$                       (D)  $|z| = 5$

**Sol.**  $\log_{\sqrt{3}} \frac{|z|^2 - |z| + 1}{2 + |z|} < 2$   

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|z|^2 - |z| + 1}{2 + |z|} < (\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |z|^2 - |z| + 1 < 6 + 3|z|$$

$$\Rightarrow |z|^2 - 4|z| - 5 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (|z| - 5)(|z| + 1) \Rightarrow (|z| - 5) < 0$$
 since  $|z| + 1 > 0 \Rightarrow |z| < 5$   
 Hence  $z$  lies inside the circle  $|z| = 5$   
**Ans.[D]**

**Ex.15** The amplitude of  $1 - \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$  is-

- (A)  $\frac{1}{2}(\pi - \theta)$                       (B)  $\frac{\theta}{2}$
- (C)  $-\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta}{2}$                       (D)  $\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta}{2}$

**Sol.** Let  
 $z = 1 - \cos \theta - i \sin \theta = r(\cos \phi + i \sin \phi)$   
 $\therefore \tan \phi = -\frac{\sin \theta}{1 - \cos \theta}$   

$$= \frac{2 \sin(\theta/2) \cos(\theta/2)}{2 \sin^2(\theta/2)}$$

$$= -\cot(\theta/2)$$

$$= -\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{or } \tan \phi = \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore \text{amp}(z) = \frac{\theta}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{Ans.[C]}$$

**Ex.16** If  $x_n = \cos(\pi/2^n) + i \sin(\pi/2^n)$ , then  $x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots \dots \dots \infty$  is equal to-

- (A)  $-1$                                       (B)  $1$
- (C)  $0$                                       (D)  $\infty$

**Sol.**  $x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots \dots \dots \infty$   

$$= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2^2} + \frac{\pi}{2^3} + \dots\right)$$

$$+ i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2^2} + \frac{\pi}{2^3} + \dots\right) \quad \text{Ans.[A]}$$

**Ex.17** If  $z_1 = 10 + 6i$ ,  $z_2 = 4 + 6i$  and  $z$  is a complex number such that  $\text{amp}\left(\frac{z - z_1}{z - z_2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ , then

- (A)  $2\sqrt{2}$                                       (B)  $\sqrt{2}$
- (C)  $3\sqrt{2}$                                       (D)  $2\sqrt{3}$

**Sol.** If  $z = x + iy$ , then  $\text{amp}\left(\frac{z - z_1}{z - z_2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$   

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 14x - 18y + 112 = 0 \dots(1)$$
 Now  $|z - 7 - 9i|$   

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 - 14x - 18y + 130}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{2} \text{ (from 1)} \quad \text{Ans.[C]}$$

**Ex.18** The polar form of complex number

$$z = \frac{\{\cos(\pi/3) - i \sin(\pi/3)\}(\sqrt{3} + i)}{i - 1} \text{ is-}$$

- (A)  $\sqrt{2} \left(\cos \frac{7\pi}{12} + i \sin \frac{7\pi}{12}\right)$
- (B)  $\sqrt{2} \left(\cos \frac{13\pi}{12} + i \sin \frac{13\pi}{12}\right)$
- (C)  $\sqrt{2} \left(\cos \frac{11\pi}{12} + i \sin \frac{11\pi}{12}\right)$
- (D) None of these



**Sol.** Here  $|z|$

$$= \frac{|\cos(\pi/3) - i \sin(\pi/3)| |\sqrt{3} + i|}{|i-1|} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}$$

Again  $\text{amp}(z) = \text{amp} \{ \cos(\pi/3) - i \sin(\pi/3) \}$

+  $\text{amp}(\sqrt{3} + i) - \text{amp}(-1 + i)$

$$= -\frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi}{6} - \left( \pi - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = -\frac{11\pi}{12}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \sqrt{2} \left\{ \cos\left(-\frac{11\pi}{12}\right) + i \sin\left(-\frac{11\pi}{12}\right) \right\} \\ &= \sqrt{2} \left\{ \cos\left(-\frac{11\pi}{12} + 2\pi\right) + i \sin\left(-\frac{11\pi}{12} + 2\pi\right) \right\} \\ &= \sqrt{2} \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{13\pi}{12}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{13\pi}{12}\right) \right\} \quad \text{Ans.[B]} \end{aligned}$$

**Ex.19** If  $|z_1 + z_2|^2 = |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2$  then  $\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)$  is

- (A) zero or purely imaginary
- (B) purely imaginary
- (C) purely real
- (D) None of these

**Sol.**  $\because |z_1 + z_2|^2 = |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 + 2|z_1||z_2|\cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)$

$$\therefore \text{If } \theta_1 - \theta_2 = \pm \frac{\pi}{2};$$

Then  $|z_1 + z_2|^2 = |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2$

i.e.  $\text{Arg}(z_1) - \text{Arg}(z_2) = \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Arg}\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{z_1}{z_2}$  is purely imaginary Ans.[B]

**Ex.20** Square root of  $-8 - 6i$  is -

- (A)  $\pm(3 + i)$                       (B)  $\pm(1 + i\sqrt{3})$
- (C)  $\pm(1 - 3i)$                       (D)  $\pm(1 + 3i)$

**Sol.** Let  $\sqrt{-8 - 6i} = \pm(a + ib)$

$$\Rightarrow -8 - 6i = a^2 - b^2 + 2iab$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - b^2 = -8 \quad \dots[1]$$

$$2ab = -6 \Rightarrow ab = -3 \quad \dots[2]$$

$$(a^2 + b^2)^2 = (a^2 - b^2)^2 + 4a^2b^2$$

$$= (-8)^2 + (-6)^2$$

$$= 64 + 36 = 100$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 = 10 \quad \dots[3]$$

from equation (2) and (3)

$$a = 1, b = -3$$

So,  $\sqrt{-8 - 6i} = \pm(1 - 3i)$  Ans.[C]

**Ex.21** If  $z = x + iy$ ,  $z^{1/3} = a - ib$  and  $\frac{x}{a} - \frac{y}{b} = k(a^2 - b^2)$ , then k equals-

- (A) -2                      (B) 2                      (C) 4                      (D) 0

**Sol.** Here  $x + iy = (a - ib)^3$

$$= (a^3 - 3ab^2) + i(-3a^2b + b^3)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = a^3 - 3ab^2, y = b^3 - 3a^2b$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{a} - \frac{y}{b} &= (a^2 - 3b^2) - (b^2 - 3a^2) \\ &= 4(a^2 - b^2) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow k = 4$  Ans.[C]

**Ex.22** The complex number  $z$  having least positive argument which satisfy the condition

$|z - 25i| \leq 15$  is -

- (A) 25i                      (B) 12 + 25i
- (C) 16 + 12i                      (D) 12 + 16i

**Sol.** The required complex number is point of contact P as shown in the figure. C(0, 25) is the centre of the circle and radius is 15.

Now  $|z| = OP$

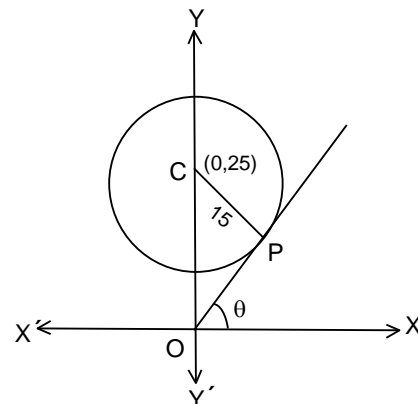
$$= \sqrt{OC^2 - PC^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{625 - 225} = 20$$

$\text{amp}(z) = \theta = \angle XOP = \angle OCP$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{PC}{OC} = \frac{15}{25} = \frac{3}{5}$$

and  $\sin \theta = \frac{OP}{OC} = \frac{20}{25} = \frac{4}{5}$



$$\therefore z = 20\left(\frac{3}{5} + \frac{4}{5}i\right)$$

$$= 12 + 16i.$$

Ans.[D]

- Ex.23** If  $|z + 2i| \leq 1$ , then greatest and least value of  $|z - \sqrt{3} + i|$  are -  
 (A) 3, 1 (B)  $\infty, 0$   
 (C) 1, 3 (D) None of these

**Sol.**  $|z - \sqrt{3} + i| = |(z + 2i) - (\sqrt{3} + i)|$   
 $\leq |(z + 2i)| + |(\sqrt{3} + i)|$   
 $\leq 1 + 2 = 3$

$\Rightarrow$  The greatest value of  $|z - \sqrt{3} + i|$  is 3.

Again  $|z - \sqrt{3} + i|$   
 $= |(z + 2i) - (\sqrt{3} + i)|$   
 $\geq |\sqrt{3} + i| - |z + 2i|$   
 $\geq 2 - 1 = 1$

Thus least value of  $|z - \sqrt{3} + i|$  is 1. **Ans.[A]**

- Ex.24** The value of  $\sum_{k=1}^6 \left( \sin \frac{2\pi k}{7} - i \cos \frac{2\pi k}{7} \right)$  is -  
 (A)  $-i$  (B) 0  
 (C)  $-1$  (D)  $i$

**Sol.**  $\left( \sin \frac{2\pi k}{7} - i \cos \frac{2\pi k}{7} \right)$   
 $= -i \left( \cos \frac{2\pi k}{7} + i \sin \frac{2\pi k}{7} \right) = -i e^{\frac{2\pi ki}{7}}$   
 $\therefore \sum_{k=1}^6 \left( \sin \frac{2\pi k}{7} - i \cos \frac{2\pi k}{7} \right)$   
 $= -i \left[ e^{\frac{2\pi i}{7}} + e^{\frac{4\pi i}{7}} + \dots + 6 \text{ terms} \right]$   
 $= -i e^{\frac{2\pi i}{7}} \left\{ \frac{1 - e^{\frac{12\pi i}{7}}}{1 - e^{\frac{2\pi i}{7}}} \right\} \quad (\because e^{2\pi i} = 1)$   
 $= -i \left\{ \frac{e^{\frac{2\pi i}{7}} - 1}{1 - e^{\frac{2\pi i}{7}}} \right\} = i$  **Ans.[D]**

- Ex.25** If  $z_0$  is the circumcenter of an equilateral triangle with vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3$ , then  $z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2$  is equal to -

- (A)  $z_0^2$  (B)  $2 \frac{z_0^2}{3}$   
 (C)  $3 z_0^2$  (D)  $\frac{z_0^2}{3}$

**Sol.** Since  $z_1, z_2, z_3$ , are vertices of an equilateral triangle, so

$z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2$   
 $= z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1 \quad \dots(1)$

Further the circumcenter of an equilateral triangle is same as its centroid, so

$z_0 = (z_1 + z_2 + z_3)/3$   
 $\Rightarrow 9z_0^2 = z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2$   
 $+ 2(z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1)$   
 $= z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 + 2(z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1)$   
 $\therefore z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 = 3z_0^2.$

**Ans.[C]**

