

COMPLEX NUMBERS & MATRICES (Q 3, PAPER 1)

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3 (a) Express $\sqrt{3} + i$ in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$, where $i^2 = -1$.

(b) If $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$, find AB .

Show that $B^{-1}AB$ is of the form $\begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & q \end{pmatrix}$, where $p, q \in \mathbf{N}_0$.

(c) Let $z = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$.

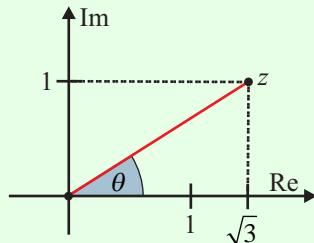
Express $\frac{2}{1+z}$ in the form $1 - i \tan(k\theta)$, $k \in \mathbf{Q}$ and $z \neq -1$.

SOLUTION

3 (a)

STEPS

1. Find $r = |z| = \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}^2 + \operatorname{Im}^2}$ first.
2. Draw a free-hand picture to see what quadrant θ is in.
3. Find θ from $|\tan \theta| = \left| \frac{\operatorname{Im}}{\operatorname{Re}} \right|$ and by looking at the picture.
4. Write $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$.



1. $r = \sqrt{(\sqrt{3})^2 + (1)^2} = \sqrt{3+1} = \sqrt{4} = 2$

2. Draw picture.

3. $|\tan \theta| = \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow \theta = 30^\circ = 30^\circ \times \frac{\pi}{180^\circ} = \frac{\pi}{6}$

4. $\therefore z = 2(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6})$

3 (b)

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 24 & 1 \\ 6 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{(ad - bc)} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \quad \dots\dots \text{ } \textcolor{red}{8}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow B^{-1} = \frac{1}{4(-1) - (1)(1)} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow B^{-1} = -\frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore B^{-1}AB &= -\frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 24 & 1 \\ 6 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow B^{-1}AB &= -\frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} -30 & 0 \\ 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

3 (c)

$$\begin{aligned}&\frac{2}{1+z} \\ &= \frac{2}{(1+\cos\theta)+i\sin\theta} \\ &= \frac{2}{(1+\cos\theta)+i\sin\theta} \times \frac{(1+\cos\theta)-i\sin\theta}{(1+\cos\theta)-i\sin\theta} \\ &= \frac{2[(1+\cos\theta)-i\sin\theta]}{(1+\cos\theta)^2 + \sin^2\theta} \\ &= \frac{2[(1+\cos\theta)-i\sin\theta]}{1+2\cos\theta+\cos^2\theta+\sin^2\theta} \\ &= \frac{2[(1+\cos\theta)-i\sin\theta]}{1+2\cos\theta+1} \\ &= \frac{2[(1+\cos\theta)-i\sin\theta]}{2+2\cos\theta} = \frac{\cancel{2}[(1+\cos\theta)-i\sin\theta]}{\cancel{2}(1+\cos\theta)} \\ &= \frac{(1+\cos\theta)}{(1+\cos\theta)} - \frac{\sin\theta}{(1+\cos\theta)}i \\ &= 1 - \frac{\sin\theta}{(1+\cos\theta)}i\end{aligned}$$

This needs to be written in the form $1 - i \tan(k\theta)$.

$$\therefore \cancel{2} - \left(\frac{\sin\theta}{1+\cos\theta} \right) = \cancel{2} - i \tan(k\theta).$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin\theta}{1+\cos\theta} = \frac{\sin k\theta}{\cos k\theta}$$

$$\tan A = \frac{\sin A}{\cos A}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta \cos k\theta = (1+\cos\theta) \sin k\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta \cos k\theta = \sin k\theta + \cos\theta \sin k\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta \cos k\theta - \cos\theta \sin k\theta = \sin k\theta \quad \boxed{\sin(A-B) = \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B} \quad \dots\dots \quad \text{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(\theta - k\theta) = \sin k\theta$$

$$\therefore \theta - k\theta = k\theta \Rightarrow \theta = 2k\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = 2k$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{2}{1+z} = 1 - i \tan\left(\frac{1}{2}\theta\right)$$