

COMPLEX NUMBERS & MATRICES (Q 3, PAPER 1)

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3 (a) If $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$, find the matrix C such that $C = A(A - B)$.

(b) Let $P(z) = z^3 - (10+i)z^2 + (29+10i)z - 29i$, where $i^2 = -1$.

(i) Determine the real numbers a and b if

$$P(z) = (z - i)(z^2 + az + b).$$

(ii) Plot on an argand diagram the solution set of $P(z) = 0$.

(c) (i) Let $\omega_1 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$ and $\omega_2 = (\omega_1)^2$.

Verify that

$$x^2 + xy + y^2 = (x - \omega_1 y)(x - \omega_2 y), \text{ where } x, y \in \mathbf{R}.$$

(ii) Express $2(1-i\sqrt{3})$ in the form $r(\cos\theta + i \sin\theta)$.

Using De Moivre's theorem find the values for

$$[2(1-i\sqrt{3})]^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

and write your answers in the form $p + qi$, $p, q \in \mathbf{R}$.

SOLUTION

3 (a)

$$C = A(A - B)$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore C = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 12 \\ 18 & 20 \end{pmatrix}$$

3 (b) (i)

$$z^3 - (10+i)z^2 + (29+10i)z - 29i = (z - i)(z^2 + az + b)$$

$$\Rightarrow z^3 - (10+i)z^2 + (29+10i)z - 29i = z^3 + az^2 + bz - iz^2 - aiz - ib$$

$$\Rightarrow z^3 - (10+i)z^2 + (29+10i)z - 29i = z^3 + (a-i)z^2 + (b-ai)z - ib$$

$$\therefore -(10+i) = a - i \Rightarrow -10 - i = a - i \Rightarrow a = -10$$

$$\therefore -29i = -ib \Rightarrow b = 29$$

3 (b) (ii)

$$P(z) = z^3 - (10+i)z^2 + (29+10i)z - 29i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow P(z) = (z-i)(z^2 - 10z + 29) = 0$$

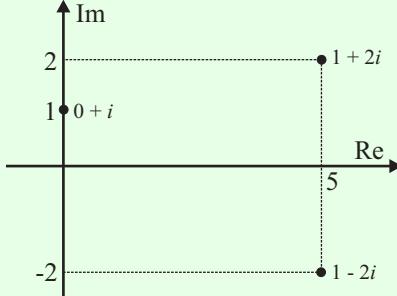
Solve the quadratic $z^2 - 10z + 29 = 0$.

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \dots\dots \text{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 1 \\ b &= -10 \\ c &= 29 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore z &= \frac{-(-10) \pm \sqrt{(-10)^2 - 4(1)(29)}}{2(1)} \\ \Rightarrow z &= \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100-116}}{2} = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{-16}}{2} \\ \Rightarrow z &= \frac{10 \pm 4i}{2} \\ \therefore z &= 5 \pm 2i \end{aligned}$$

Solutions of $P(z) = 0$: $z = i, 5 \pm 2i$



3 (c) (i)

$$w_1 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$$

$$w_2 = (w_1)^2 = \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)^2 = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right) + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow w_2 = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i - \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore w_2 = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$$

$$\begin{aligned} &(x - w_1 y)(x - w_2 y) \\ &= (x - \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)y)(x - \left(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)y) \\ &= (x + \frac{1}{2}y - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}iy)(x + \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}iy) \\ &= x^2 + \frac{1}{2}xy + \cancel{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}ixy} + \frac{1}{2}xy + \frac{1}{4}y^2 + \cancel{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}iy^2} - \cancel{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}ixy} - \cancel{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}iy^2} - \frac{3}{4}i^2y^2 \\ &= x^2 + \frac{1}{2}xy + \frac{1}{2}xy + \frac{1}{4}y^2 + \frac{3}{4}y^2 \\ &= x^2 + xy + y^2 \end{aligned}$$

3 (c) (ii)

STEPS

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

$$1. r = \sqrt{(2)^2 + (-2\sqrt{3})^2} = \sqrt{4+12} = \sqrt{16} = 4$$

2. Draw a picture.

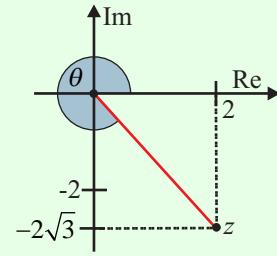
$$3. |\tan \theta| = \left| \frac{-2\sqrt{3}}{2} \right| = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \theta = 60^\circ$$

$$\text{Angle is in fourth quadrant} \Rightarrow \theta = 300^\circ = 300^\circ \times \frac{\pi}{180^\circ} = \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

$$4. \therefore z = 4(\cos \frac{5\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{3})$$

To find roots, write z in general polar form.

$$\begin{aligned} z &= 4\{\cos(\frac{5\pi}{3} + 2n\pi) + i \sin(\frac{5\pi}{3} + 2n\pi)\} \\ \Rightarrow z &= 4 \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{5\pi + 6n\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{5\pi + 6n\pi}{3}\right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$



STEPS

1. Write the complex number in general polar form.
2. Apply De Moivre's Theorem.
3. List all roots (start at $n = 0$) changing nice angles to Cartesian form.

$$(\cos \theta \pm i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n\theta \pm i \sin n\theta \quad \dots \dots \quad 4$$

$$1. z = 4 \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{5\pi + 6n\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{5\pi + 6n\pi}{3}\right) \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. z^{\frac{3}{2}} &= 4^{\frac{3}{2}} \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{5\pi + 6n\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{5\pi + 6n\pi}{3}\right) \right\}^{\frac{3}{2}} \\ \Rightarrow z^{\frac{3}{2}} &= 8 \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{5\pi + 6n\pi}{2}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{5\pi + 6n\pi}{2}\right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3. n = 0: z^{\frac{3}{2}} &= 8 \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{5\pi + 6(0)\pi}{2}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{5\pi + 6(0)\pi}{2}\right) \right\} = 8 \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{2}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{2}\right) \right\} \\ &= 8 \left\{ \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \right\} \\ &= 8(0 + i) = 0 + 8i \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} n = 1: z^{\frac{3}{2}} &= 8 \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{5\pi + 6(1)\pi}{2}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{5\pi + 6(1)\pi}{2}\right) \right\} = 8 \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{11\pi}{2}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{11\pi}{2}\right) \right\} \\ &= 8 \left\{ \cos \frac{3\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{3\pi}{2} \right\} \\ &= 8(0 - i) = 0 - 8i \end{aligned}$$