

**COMPLEX NUMBERS & MATRICES (Q 3, PAPER 1)**

**2008**

3 (a) Let  $A$  be the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Find the matrix  $B$ , such that  $AB = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(b) (i) Let  $z = \frac{5}{2+i} - 1$ , where  $i^2 = -1$ .

Express  $z$  in the form  $a + bi$  and plot it on an Argand diagram.

(ii) Use De Moivre's theorem to evaluate  $z^6$ .

(c) Prove, by induction, that

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \text{ for } n \in \mathbf{N}.$$

**SOLUTION**

**3 (a)**

To solve for an unknown matrix  $A$  isolate it by multiplying both sides by inverse matrices in the right order.

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1}AB = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow B = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

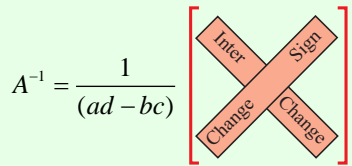
Find the inverse matrix of  $A$ .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{(3)(2) - (5)(1)} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{(ad - bc)} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \dots\dots \mathbf{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Remember it like this:

$$\therefore B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -7 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



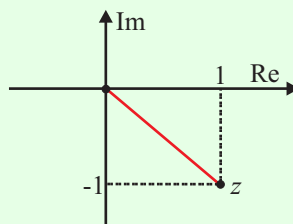
**3 (b) (i)**

**DIVISION:** Multiply above and below by the conjugate of the number on the bottom.  
If you multiply  $a + ib$  by its conjugate  $a - ib$  you get  $a^2 + b^2$ .

$$z = \frac{5}{2+i} - 1 = \frac{5}{(2+i)} \times \frac{(2-i)}{(2-i)} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{\cancel{5}(2-i)}{\cancel{5}} - 1 = 2 - i - 1$$

$$\therefore z = 1 - i$$



**3 (b) (ii)**

**CHANGING FROM CARTESIAN TO POLAR**

**STEPS**

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

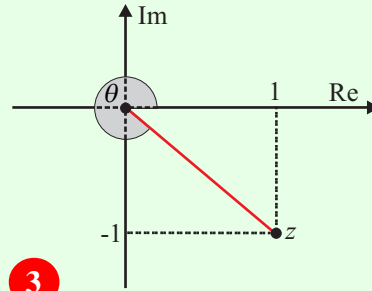
1.  $z = 1 - i \Rightarrow |z| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$   $|z| = r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{\text{Re}^2 + \text{Im}^2}$  ..... **1**

2. Picture on right.

3.  $\tan \theta = \left| \frac{-1}{1} \right| = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} 1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$   $\tan \theta = \frac{\text{Im}}{\text{Re}}$  ..... **2**

The angle is in the fourth quadrant.

$$\therefore \theta = 2\pi - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{7\pi}{4}$$



4.  $z = \sqrt{2} \left[ \cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) \right]$   $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$  ..... **3**

De Moivre's Theorem can be used to evaluate high whole number powers of complex numbers.

**STEPS**

1. Write complex number in polar form.
2. Apply De Moivre's Theorem.
3. Change to Cartesian.

1.  $z = \sqrt{2} \left[ \cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) \right]$

2.  $z^6 = (\sqrt{2})^6 \left[ \cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{4}\right) \right]^6$   $(\cos \theta \pm i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n\theta \pm i \sin n\theta$  ..... **4**

$$\Rightarrow z^6 = 8 \left[ \cos\left(\frac{21\pi}{4}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{21\pi}{4}\right) \right]$$

3.  $\therefore z^6 = 8 \left[ \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \right] = 8[0 + i] = 8i$

**3 (c)**

**STATEMENT OF DE MOIVRE'S THEOREM**

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \text{ for all } n \in \mathbf{N}_0.$$

**PROOF**

1. For  $n = 1$ : Prove  $(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^1 = \cos 1\theta + i \sin 1\theta$

i.e.  $\cos \theta + i \sin \theta = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ . This is obviously true.

2. For  $n = k$ : Assume  $(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^k = \cos k\theta + i \sin k\theta$

3. For  $n = k + 1$ : Prove  $(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{k+1} = \cos(k+1)\theta + i \sin(k+1)\theta$

$$\text{PROOF: } (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{k+1} = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^k (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^1$$

$$= (\cos k\theta + i \sin k\theta)(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) \text{ using STEP 2}$$

$$= (\cos k\theta \cos \theta - \sin k\theta \sin \theta) + i(\sin k\theta \cos \theta + \cos k\theta \sin \theta)$$

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

Therefore, it is true for  $n = k \Rightarrow$  true for  $n = k + 1$ .

So true for  $n = 1$  and true for  $n = k \Rightarrow$  true for  $n = k + 1 \Rightarrow$  true for all  $n \in \mathbf{N}_0$ .