

Lecture 12

Remember the result that led us to de Moivre's theorem:

that for any complex numbers z and w ,

$$(1) \quad |zw| = |z| |w|$$

$$(2) \quad \text{Arg}(zw) = \text{Arg}(z) + \text{Arg}(w).$$

It is worth noting that since $\frac{w}{w} = w \cdot \frac{1}{w} = 1$ then $|w \frac{1}{w}| = |w| |w^{-1}| = 1 \Rightarrow |w^{-1}| = \frac{1}{|w|}$

$$\text{i.e. } \left| \frac{1}{w} \right| = \frac{1}{|w|}$$

ie to calculate $|w^{-1}| = \left| \frac{1}{w} \right|$, we only need $|w|$ for then $\frac{1}{|w|}$ gives us $\left| \frac{1}{w} \right|$.

From this observation, it follows that

$$\left| \frac{z}{w} \right| = \left| z \cdot \frac{1}{w} \right| \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{from} \\ (1)}}}{=} |z| \left| \frac{1}{w} \right| = |z| \frac{1}{|w|} = \frac{|z|}{|w|}$$

$$\text{i.e. } (3) \quad \left| \frac{z}{w} \right| = \frac{|z|}{|w|}$$

Note that if $w = x + iy$, then $\frac{1}{w} = \frac{1}{x+iy} = \frac{x-iy}{x^2+y^2}$ ← Conjugate of w

$$\text{So } \frac{1}{w} = \frac{\bar{w}}{|w|^2} \text{ means that}$$

remember: multiply by $\frac{x-iy}{x-iy}$

$$\text{Arg}\left(\frac{1}{w}\right) = -\text{Arg}(w).$$

This also comes directly from de Moivre's theorem:

$$\text{Arg}(w^n) = n \text{Arg}(w)$$

taking $n = -1$.

It follows that $\text{Arg}\left(\frac{z}{w}\right) = \text{Arg}(z \cdot w^{-1}) = \text{Arg}(z) + \text{Arg}(w^{-1})$

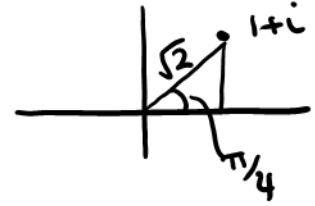
ie (4) $\text{Arg}\left(\frac{z}{w}\right) = \text{Arg}(z) - \text{Arg}(w)$ $= \text{Arg}(z) - \text{Arg}(w)$

Problem Evaluate $\left(\frac{1+i}{1-i}\right)^{10}$.

Solution

$$1+i = \sqrt{2} (\cos \pi/4 + i \sin \pi/4)$$

$$1-i = \sqrt{2} (\cos 7\pi/4 + i \sin 7\pi/4)$$



$$\text{So } \left(\frac{1+i}{1-i}\right)^{10} = \frac{\left(\sqrt{2} (\cos \pi/4 + i \sin \pi/4)\right)^{10}}{\left(\sqrt{2} (\cos 7\pi/4 + i \sin 7\pi/4)\right)^{10}} = \frac{(\cos \pi/4 + i \sin \pi/4)^{10}}{(\cos 7\pi/4 + i \sin 7\pi/4)^{10}}$$

$$= \frac{\cos \frac{10\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{10\pi}{4}}{\cos \frac{70\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{70\pi}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{\cos \pi/2 + i \sin \pi/2}{\cos 3\pi/2 + i \sin 3\pi/2}$$

$$= \cos(-\pi) + i \sin(-\pi)$$

$$= \cos(\pi) - i \sin(\pi)$$

$$= -1$$

Recall: for any θ ,
 $\cos(\theta) = \cos(-\theta)$
 $\sin(-\theta) = -\sin(\theta)$

Problem Find all z such that $z^4 = 1$.

Then factorize the polynomial $x^4 - 1$ as

i) a product of linear factors

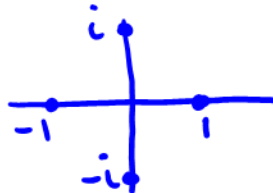
ii) a product of real linear/quadratic factors.

Solution: It's easy to see by inspection that

$$1^4 = 1, (-1)^4 = 1, i^4 = 1 \text{ (because } i^2 = -1$$

$$\text{and } (-i)^4 = 1.$$

$$\text{and so } (i^2)^2 = (-1)^2 = 1)$$



Next $p(x) = x^4 - 1$

$p(1) = 0, p(-1) = 0, p(i) = 0, p(-i) = 0$ So $x^4 - 1 = (x-1)(x+1)(x-i)(x+i)$

ii) a product of REAL factors $\rightarrow (x-1)(x+1)(x^2+1)$

i) a product of linear factors