

Complex Analysis 2024. Homework 1.

1. Calculate the following complex numbers, indicate the real and imaginary parts, calculate their absolute value.

$$z_1 = (1 - 2i)(3 - 4i); \quad z_2 = (-2i)^7; \quad z_3 = i^{2024}; \quad z_4 = \frac{1 + 2i}{2 - i}.$$

Solution.

$$z_1 = -7 - 10i, \quad \operatorname{Re} z_1 = -7; \operatorname{Im} z_1 = -10; |z_1| = 5\sqrt{5};$$

$$z_2 = 2^7 i, \quad \operatorname{Re} z_2 = 0; \operatorname{Im} z_2 = 2^7; |z_2| = 2^7;$$

$$z_3 = 1, \quad \operatorname{Re} z_3 = 1; \operatorname{Im} z_3 = 0; |z_3| = 1;$$

$$z_4 = i, \quad \operatorname{Re} z_4 = 0; \operatorname{Im} z_4 = 1; |z_4| = 1;$$

2. Describe and draw sets defined by the equations

(a) $\operatorname{Re} z = 2 \operatorname{Im} z;$

Solution. This equation describes a line

$$x = 2y.$$

(b) $|z - 1 - i| = 3;$

Solution. This equation describes a circle of radius 3 with center at $(1, 1)$.

(c) $|z - 2| = \operatorname{Re} z.$

Solution. This equation describes a parabola

$$y^2 - 4x + 4 = 0; \quad x = \frac{y^2}{4} + 1.$$

3. Prove the parallelogram identity

$$|z_1 + z_2|^2 + |z_1 - z_2|^2 = 2(|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2).$$

Solution. First

$$|z_1 + z_2|^2 = (z_1 + z_2)\overline{z_1 + z_2} = (z_1 + z_2)(\bar{z}_1 + \bar{z}_2) = |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 + z_1\bar{z}_2 + z_2\bar{z}_1 = |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}(z_1\bar{z}_2)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} |z_1 + z_2|^2 + |z_1 - z_2|^2 &= \\ |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}(z_1\bar{z}_2) + |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 - 2\operatorname{Re}(z_1\bar{z}_2) &= \\ 2(|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2) &\quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

4. Prove that $z^{-1} = \bar{z}/|z|^2$.

Solution.

$$z(\bar{z}/|z|^2) = |z|^2/|z|^2 = 1.$$