## Computation 1: Find a number z so that $z^2 = i$ . Write it in the form z = x + iy.

Solution: We wish to find a number z such that

$$(x+iy)^2 = i.$$

So  $x^2 - y^2 = 0$  and 2xy = 1. Thus we have  $x = y = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$  and hence

$$z = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \quad z = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}.$$

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3. With  $\omega = se^{i\phi}$ , where  $s \geq 0$  and  $\phi \in \mathbb{R}$ , solve the equation  $z^n = \omega$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  where n is a natural number. How many solutions are there?

Solution: Write z as  $re^{i\theta}$  where  $r \geq 0$  and  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ . Now,

$$r^n e^{ni\theta} = se^{i\phi}$$

so we have that  $r = s^{1/n}$  and  $\theta = \phi/n$ . Uhh, what's the number of soln here.

4. Show that it is impossible to define a total ordering on  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Solution: Assume such a relation,  $\succ$ , exists. Now, consider that  $i \succ 0$ . Furthermore, multiplying by i, we see that  $-1 \succ 0$ . Now, using (iii) again, multiplying by -1 gives  $(-1)(-1) = 1 \succ 0$ . This is a contradiction to (i) given that both  $1 \succ 0$  and  $-1 \succ 0$  hold.

Solution: Assume such a relation,  $\succ$ , exists with  $i \succ 0$ . Using condition (iii), observe that

$$\begin{aligned} i \cdot i &\succ 0 \cdot i \implies -1 \succ 0 \\ -1 \cdot i &\succ 0 \cdot i \implies -i \succ 0 \\ i \cdot (-i) &\succ 0 \cdot (-i) \implies 1 \succ 0. \end{aligned}$$

This breaks condition (i), so we've arrived at a contradiction, and there is no such relation.

- 5. Prove that an open set  $\Omega$  is pathwise connected if and only if  $\Omega$  is connected.
  - (a) Suppose first that  $\Omega$  is open and pathwise connected, and that it can be written as  $\Omega = \Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2$  where  $\Omega_1$  and  $\Omega_2$  are disjoint non-empty open sets. Choose two points  $\omega_1 \in \Omega_1$  and  $\omega_2 \in \Omega_2$  and let  $\gamma$  denote a curve in  $\Omega$  joining  $\omega_1$  to  $\omega_2$ . Consider a parametrization  $z : [0,1] \to \Omega$  of this curve with  $z(0) = \omega_1$  and  $z(1) = \omega_2$ , and let

$$t^{\star} = \sup_{0 \le t \le 1} \{t : z(s) \in \Omega_1 \text{ for all } 0 \le s < t\}.$$

Arrive at a contradiction by considering the point  $z(t^*)$ .

Solution: 0 is contained in the set  $T_1 = \{t : z(s) \in \Omega_1 \text{ for all } 0 \le s < t\}$ . Furthermore, when  $t^* = 1$ ,  $z(t^*) \in \Omega_2$  so the set  $T_2 = \{t : z(s) \in \Omega_2 \text{ for all } t \le s \le 1\}$  is non-empty. Now,  $T_1 \cup T_2 = [0, 1]$ , but intervals in  $\mathbb{R}$  are connected