

Problem 1. For a fixed $a \in \mathbb{C}$, show that $\frac{|z-a|}{|1-\bar{a}z|} = 1$ if $|z| = 1$ and $1 - \bar{a}z \neq 0$.

Proof. Assume $a \in \mathbb{C}$ and $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|z| = 1$ and $1 - \bar{a}z \neq 0$. Then for some $x, y, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ we have $a = x + iy$ and $z = c + id$.

Calculating $|1 - \bar{a}z|$ yields

$$|1 - \bar{a}z| = |1 - (x - iy)(c + id)| \quad (1)$$

$$|1 - \bar{a}z| = \sqrt{(1 - xc - yd)^2 + (yc - xd)^2} \quad (2)$$

$$|1 - \bar{a}z| = \sqrt{1 - 2xc - 2yd + 2xcyd + x^2c^2 + y^2d^2 + y^2c^2 - 2ycxd + x^2d^2} \quad (3)$$

$$|1 - \bar{a}z| = \sqrt{1 - 2xc - 2yd + x^2c^2 + x^2d^2 + y^2d^2 + y^2c^2} \quad (4)$$

$$|1 - \bar{a}z| = \sqrt{1 - 2xc - 2yd + x^2(c^2 + d^2) + y^2(c^2 + d^2)} \quad (5)$$

$$|1 - \bar{a}z| = \sqrt{1 - 2xc - 2yd + x^2 + y^2} \quad (6)$$

$$|1 - \bar{a}z| = \sqrt{c^2 + d^2 + x^2 + y^2 - 2xc - 2yd} \quad (7)$$

$$|1 - \bar{a}z| = \sqrt{(c - x)^2 + (d - y)^2} \quad (8)$$

$$|1 - \bar{a}z| = |z - a| \quad (9)$$

Based on the assumption of $|1 - \bar{a}z| \neq 0$ we have

$$\frac{|z - a|}{|1 - \bar{a}z|} = 1$$

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Problem 2. For which n is i an n th root of unity?

For any positive integer n where $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

Problem 3. If the point P on the sphere corresponds to z under stereographic projection, show that the antipodal point $-P$ on the sphere corresponds to $-\frac{1}{\bar{z}}$.

Proof. Assume that the point P corresponds to $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$ under stereographic projection. Then solving for the point z from the projection $-P$ by using the equations on page 12

$$\begin{cases} X = \frac{2x_0}{|z_0|^2 + 1} \\ Y = \frac{2y_0}{|z_0|^2 + 1} \\ Z = \frac{|z_0|^2 - 1}{|z_0|^2 + 1} \end{cases}$$

substituting in for $z = -\frac{X}{1+Z} - i\frac{Y}{1+Z}$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= -\frac{\frac{2x_0}{|z_0|^2+1}}{1 + \frac{|z_0|^2-1}{|z_0|^2+1}} - i\frac{\frac{2y_0}{|z_0|^2+1}}{1 + \frac{|z_0|^2-1}{|z_0|^2+1}} \\
 z &= -\frac{\frac{2x_0+i2y_0}{|z_0|^2+1}}{1 + \frac{|z_0|^2-1}{|z_0|^2+1}} \\
 z &= -\frac{\frac{2x_0+i2y_0}{|z_0|^2+1}}{\frac{2|z_0|^2}{|z_0|^2+1}} \\
 z &= -\frac{x_0 + iy_0}{|z_0|^2} \\
 z &= -\frac{x_0 + iy_0}{|z_0|^2} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{z_0}}{\frac{1}{z_0}} \\
 z &= -\frac{1}{\bar{z}_0}
 \end{aligned}$$

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