

Example 19.1. Reduce $1 - \cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha$ to the modulus amplitude form.

Solution. Put $1 - \cos \alpha = r \cos \theta$ and $\sin \alpha = r \sin \theta$

$$r = (1 - \cos \alpha)^2 + \sin^2 \alpha = 2 - 2 \cos \alpha = 4 \sin^2 \alpha/2$$

i.e.,

$$r = 2 \sin \alpha/2$$

and

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \alpha}{1 - \cos \alpha} = \frac{2 \sin \alpha/2 \cos \alpha/2}{2 \sin^2 \alpha/2} = \cot \alpha/2$$

$$= \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \therefore \theta = \frac{\pi - \alpha}{2}$$

$$\text{Thus } 1 - \cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha = 2 \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \left[\cos \frac{\pi - \alpha}{2} + i \sin \frac{\pi - \alpha}{2} \right]$$

Example 19.2. Find the complex number z if $\arg(z + 1) = \pi/6$ and $\arg(z - 1) = 2\pi/3$.

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Solution. Let $z = x + iy$ so that $z + 1 = (x + 1) + iy$ and $(z - 1) = (x - 1) + iy$

$$\text{Since } \arg(z + 1) = \pi/6, \therefore \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x+1} \right) = 30^\circ$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{y}{x+1} = \tan 30^\circ = 1/\sqrt{3}, \text{ or } \sqrt{3}y = x + 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Also since } \arg(z - 1) = 2\pi/3, \therefore \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x-1} \right) = 120^\circ$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{y}{x-1} = \tan 120^\circ = -\sqrt{3}, \text{ or } y = -\sqrt{3}x + \sqrt{3} \text{ or } \sqrt{3}y = -3x + 3 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Subtracting (ii) from (i), we get $4x - 2 = 0$ i.e., $x = 1/2$

From (i), $\sqrt{3}y = 1/2 + 1$, i.e., $y = \sqrt{3}/2$

$$\text{Hence } z = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$$

Example 19.3. Find the real values of x, y so that $-3 + ix^2y$ and $x^2 + y + 4i$ may represent complex conjugate numbers.

Solution. If $z = -3 + ix^2y$, then $\bar{z} = x^2 + y + 4i$

so that

$$z = (x^2 + y) - 4i$$

\therefore

$$-3 + ix^2y = x^2 + y - 4i$$

Equating real and imaginary parts from both sides, we get

$$-3 = x^2 + y, \quad x^2 y = -4$$

Eliminating

$$x, \quad (y + 3)y = -4$$

$$y^2 + 3y - 4 = 0 \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad y = 1 \text{ or } -4$$

or

When $y = 1$,

$$x^2 = -3 - 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = +2i \text{ which is not feasible}$$

When $y = -4$,

$$x^2 = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \pm 1$$

Hence $x = 1$,

$$y = -4 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -1, y = -4.$$

Example 19.5. Find the locus of $P(z)$ when

- (i) $|z - a| = k$;
- (ii) $\text{amp}(z - a) = \alpha$, where k and α are constants.

Solution. Let a, z be represented by A and P in the complex plane, O being the origin (Fig. 19.6).

Then $z - a = \vec{OP} - \vec{OA} = \vec{AP}$

- (i) $|z - a| = k$ means that $AP = k$.

Thus the locus of $P(z)$ is a circle whose centre is $A(a)$ and radius k .

(ii) $\text{amp}(z - a)$, i.e., $\text{amp}(\vec{AP}) = \alpha$, means that AP always makes a constant angle with the X -axis.
Thus the locus of $P(z)$ is a straight line through $A(a)$ making an $\angle \alpha$ with OX .

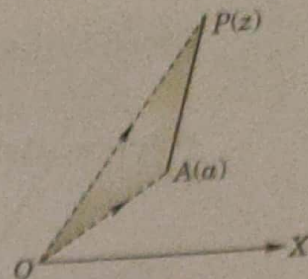


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Example 19.6. Determine the region in the z -plane represented by

- (i) $1 < |z + 2i| \leq 3$ (ii) $R(z) > 3$ (iii) $\pi/6 \leq \text{amp}(z) \leq \pi/3$.

Solution. (i) $|z + 2i| = 1$ is a circle with centre $(-2i)$ and radius 1 and $|z + 2i| = 3$ is a circle with the same centre and radius 3.

Hence $1 < |z + 2i| \leq 3$ represents the region outside the circle $|z + 2i| = 1$ and inside (including circumference of) the circle $|z + 2i| = 3$ [Fig. 19.7].

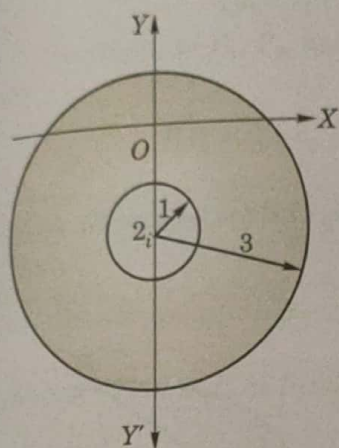


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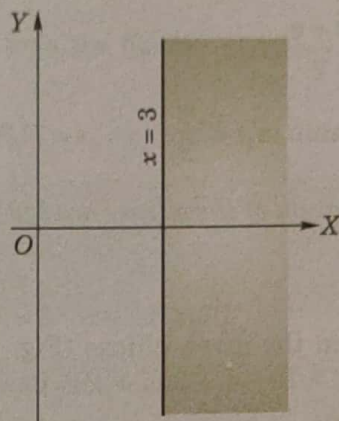


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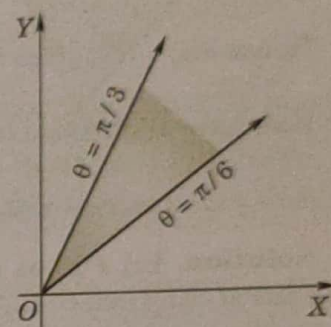


Fig. 19.9

(ii) $R(z) > 3$, defines all points (z) whose real part is greater than 3. Hence it represents the region of the complex plane to the right of the line $x = 3$ [Fig. 19.8].

(iii) If $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$, then $\text{amp}(z) = \theta$.

$\therefore \pi/6 \leq \text{amp}(z) \leq \pi/3$ defines the region bounded by and including the lines $\theta = \pi/6$ and $\theta = \pi/3$. [Fig. 19.9].

Example 19.7. If z_1, z_2 be any two complex numbers, prove that

(i) $|z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$ [i.e., the modulus of the sum of two complex numbers is less than or at the most equal to the sum of their moduli].

(ii) $|z_1 - z_2| \geq |z_1| - |z_2|$ [i.e., the modulus of the difference of two complex numbers is greater than or at the most equal to the difference of their moduli].

Solution. Let P_1, P_2 represent the complex numbers z_1, z_2 (Fig. 19.10). Complete the parallelogram OP_1PP_2 , so that

$$|z_1| = OP_1, |z_2| = OP_2 = P_1P,$$

and

$$|z_1 + z_2| = OP.$$

Now from $\triangle OP_1P$, $OP \leq OP_1 + P_1P$, the sign of equality corresponding to the case when O, P_1, P are collinear.

$$\text{Hence } |z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2| \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Again } |z_1| = |(z_1 - z_2) + z_2| \leq |z_1 - z_2| + |z_2|$$

$$\text{Thus } |z_1 - z_2| \geq |z_1| - |z_2| \quad \dots(ii)$$

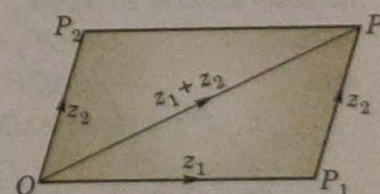


Fig. 19.10

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Obs. $|z_1 + z_2 + z_3| \leq |z_1| + |z_2| + |z_3|$.

In general, $|z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n| \leq |z_1| + |z_2| + \dots + |z_n|$.

Example 19.8. If $|z_1 + z_2| = |z_1 - z_2|$, prove that the difference of amplitudes of z_1 and z_2 is $\pi/2$.

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Solution. Let $z_1 + z_2 = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ and $z_1 - z_2 = r(\cos \phi + i \sin \phi)$

Then

$$2z_1 = r[(\cos \theta + \cos \phi) + i(\sin \theta + \sin \phi)]$$

$$= r \left\{ 2 \cos \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} \cos \frac{\theta - \phi}{2} + 2i \sin \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} \cos \frac{\theta - \phi}{2} \right\}$$

or

$$z_1 = r \cos \frac{\theta - \phi}{2} \left(\cos \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} + i \sin \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} \right) \text{ i.e., amp } (z_1) = \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} \quad \dots(i)$$

Also

$$2z_2 = r(\cos \theta - \cos \phi) + i(\sin \theta - \sin \phi)$$

$$= 2r \sin \frac{\theta - \phi}{2} \left(-\sin \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} + i \cos \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} \right)$$

or

$$z_2 = r \sin \frac{\theta - \phi}{2} \left\{ \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} \right) \right\}$$

i.e.,

$$\text{amp } (z_2) = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\theta + \phi}{2} \quad \dots(ii)$$

Hence [(ii) - (i)], gives $\text{amp } (z_2) - \text{amp } (z_1) = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Example 19.9. Show that the equation of the ellipse having foci at z_1, z_2 and major axis $2a$, is $|z - z_1| + |z - z_2| = 2a$.

Also find its eccentricity.

Solution. Let $P(z)$ be any point on the given ellipse (Fig. 19.11) having foci at $S(z_1)$ and $S'(z_2)$ so that $SP = |z - z_1|$ and $S'P = |z - z_2|$.

We know that $SP + S'P = AA' (= 2a)$

$$\text{i.e., } |z - z_1| + |z - z_2| = 2a$$

which is the desired equation of the ellipse.

Also we know that $SS' = 2ae$, e being the eccentricity.

$$\text{or } |\vec{OS'} - \vec{OS}| = 2ae \quad \text{or} \quad |z_2 - z_1| = 2ae$$

$$\text{or } |z_1 - z_2| = 2ae \text{ whence } e = |z_1 - z_2|/2a.$$

(3) Geometric Representation of $z_1 z_2$. Let P_1, P_2 represent the complex numbers

$$z_1 = x_1 + iy_1 = r_1(\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1)$$

$$\text{and } z_2 = x_2 + iy_2 = r_2(\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)$$

Measure off $OA = 1$ along OX (Fig. 19.12). Construct $\triangle OP_2P$ on OP_2 directly similar to $\triangle OAP_1$,

$$\text{so that } OP/OP_1 = OP_2/OA \text{ i.e., } OP = OP_1 \cdot OP_2 = r_1 r_2$$

$$\text{and } \angle AOP = \angle AOP_2 + \angle P_2OP = \angle AOP_2 + \angle AOP_1 = \theta_2 + \theta_1$$

$\therefore P$ represents the number

$$r_1 r_2 [\cos (\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i \sin (\theta_1 + \theta_2)].$$

Hence the product of two complex numbers z_1, z_2 is represented by the point P , such that (i) $|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| \cdot |z_2|$.

(ii) $\text{amp } (z_1 z_2) = \text{amp } (z_1) + \text{amp } (z_2)$.

Cor. The effect of multiplication of any complex number z by $\cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ is to rotate its direction through an angle θ , for the modulus of $\cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ is unity.

(4) Geometric representation of z_1/z_2 .

Let P_1, P_2 represent the complex numbers

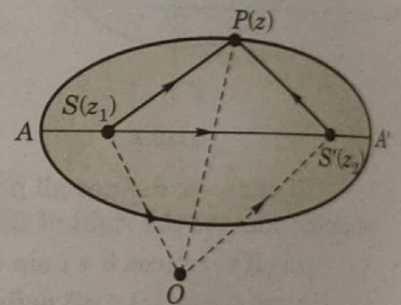


Fig. 19.11

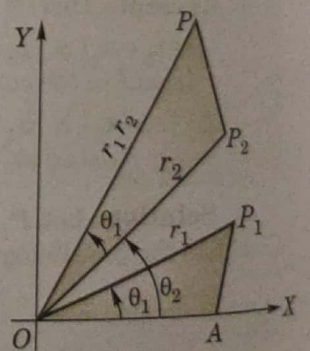


Fig. 19.12

$$z_1 = x_1 + iy_1 = r_1 (\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1)$$

$$z_2 = x_2 + iy_2 = r_2 (\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)$$

Measure off $OA = 1$, construct triangle OAP on OA directly similar to the triangle OP_2P_1 (Fig. 19.13), so that

$$\frac{OP}{OA} = \frac{OP_1}{OP_2} \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad OP = \frac{OP_1}{OP_2} = \frac{r_1}{r_2}$$

$$\angle XOP = \angle P_2OP_1 = \angle AOP_1 - \angle AOP_2 = \theta_1 - \theta_2.$$

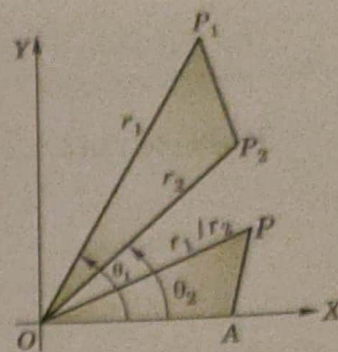


Fig. 19.13

$\therefore P$ represents the number $(r_1/r_2) [\cos (\theta_1 - \theta_2) + i \sin (\theta_1 - \theta_2)]$.

Hence the complex number z_1/z_2 is represented by the point P , such that

$$(i) |z_1/z_2| = |z_1|/|z_2|$$

$$(ii) \text{amp } (z_1/z_2) = \text{amp } (z_1) - \text{amp } (z_2).$$

Note. If $P_1(z_1)$, $P_2(z_2)$ and $P_3(z_3)$ be any three points, then

$$\text{amp } \left(\frac{z_3 - z_2}{z_1 - z_2} \right) = \angle P_1P_2P_3.$$

Join O , the origin, to P_1 , P_2 , and P_3 . Then from the figure 19.14, we have

$$\vec{P_2P_1} = z_1 - z_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{P_2P_3} = z_3 - z_2$$

$$\therefore \text{amp } \left(\frac{z_3 - z_2}{z_1 - z_2} \right) = \text{amp } \left[\frac{\vec{P_2P_3}}{\vec{P_2P_1}} \right]$$

$$= \text{amp } (\vec{P_2P_3}) - \text{amp } (\vec{P_2P_1}) = \beta - \alpha = \angle P_1P_2P_3.$$

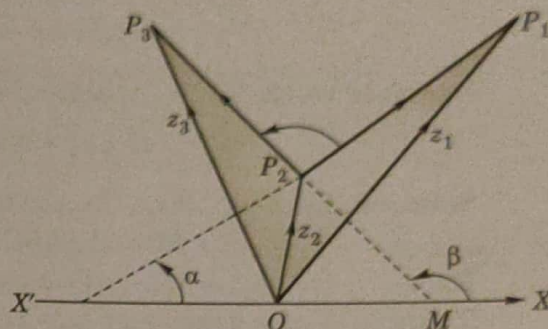


Fig. 19.14

Example 19.10. Find the locus of the point z , when

$$(i) \left| \frac{z-a}{z-b} \right| = k$$

$$(ii) \text{amp } \left(\frac{z-a}{z-b} \right) = \alpha \text{ where } k \text{ and } \alpha \text{ are constants.}$$

Solution. Let $A(a)$ and $B(b)$ be any two fixed points on the complex plane and let $P(z)$ be any variable point (Fig. 19.15).

(i) Since $|z-a| = AP$ and $|z-b| = BP$.

$$\therefore \text{The point } P \text{ moves so that } \left| \frac{z-a}{z-b} \right| = \left| \frac{AP}{BP} \right| = \frac{AP}{BP} = k$$

i.e., P moves so that its distances from two fixed points are in a constant ratio, which is obviously the *Appollonius circle*.

When $k = 1$, $BP = AP$ i.e., P moves so that its distance from two fixed points are always equal and thus the locus of P is the right bisector of AB .

Hence the locus of $P(z)$ is a circle (unless $k = 1$, when the locus is the right bisector of AB).

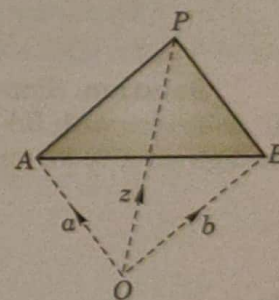


Fig. 19.15

Obs. For different values of k , the equation represents family of non-intersecting coaxial circles having A and B as its limiting points.

$$(ii) \text{ From the figure 19.16, we have } \text{amp } \left(\frac{z-a}{z-b} \right) = \angle APB = \alpha.$$

Hence the locus of $P(z)$ is the arc APB of the circle which passes through the fixed points A and B .

If, however, P' (z') be a point on the lower arc AB of this circle, then

$$\text{amp } \left(\frac{z'-a}{z'-b} \right) = \angle BP'A = \alpha - \pi, \text{ which shows that the locus of } P' \text{ is the arc } AP'B \text{ of the same circle.}$$

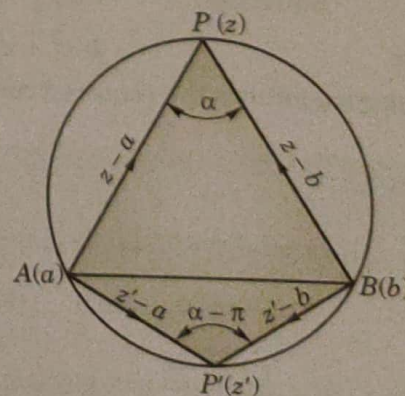


Fig. 19.16

Obs. For different values of α from $-\pi$ to π , the equation represents a family of intersecting coaxial circles having AB as their common radical axis.

Example 19.11. If z_1, z_2 be two complex numbers, show that

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

Solution. Let $z_1 = r_1 \text{ cis } \theta_1$ and $z_2 = r_2 \text{ cis } \theta_2$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} |z_1 + z_2|^2 &= (r_1 \cos \theta_1 + r_2 \cos \theta_2)^2 + (r_1 \sin \theta_1 + r_2 \sin \theta_2)^2 \\ &= r_1^2 + r_2^2 + 2r_1 r_2 \cos (\theta_2 - \theta_1) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |z_1 - z_2|^2 &= (r_1 \cos \theta_1 - r_2 \cos \theta_2)^2 + (r_1 \sin \theta_1 - r_2 \sin \theta_2)^2 \\ &= r_1^2 + r_2^2 - 2r_1 r_2 \cos (\theta_2 - \theta_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore |z_1 + z_2|^2 + |z_1 - z_2|^2 = 2(r_1^2 + r_2^2) = 2\{|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2\}.$$

Example 19.12. If z_1, z_2, z_3 be the vertices of an isosceles triangle, right angled at z_2 , prove that

$$z_1^2 + z_3^2 + 2z_2^2 = 2z_2(z_1 + z_3).$$

Solution. Let $A(z_1), B(z_2), C(z_3)$ be the vertices of $\triangle ABC$ such that $AB = BC$ and $\angle ABC = \pi/2$. (Fig. 19.17)

Then $|z_1 - z_2| = |z_3 - z_2| = r$ (say).

If $\text{amp}(z_1 - z_2) = \theta$ then $\text{amp}(z_3 - z_2) = \pi/2 + \theta$

$$\therefore z_1 - z_2 = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta),$$

and

$$z_3 - z_2 = r \left[\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta \right) \right] = r(-\sin \theta + i \cos \theta)$$

i.e.,

$$z_3 - z_2 = ir(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = i(z_1 - z_2)$$

or

$$(z_3 - z_2)^2 = -(z_1 - z_2)^2 \text{ or } z_1^2 + z_3^2 + 2z_2^2 = 2z_2(z_1 + z_3).$$

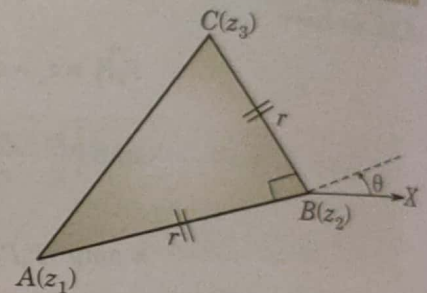


Fig. 19.17

Example 19.13. If z_1, z_2, z_3 be the vertices of an equilateral triangle, prove that

$$z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 = z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1.$$

Solution. Since $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral, therefore, BC when rotated through 60° coincides with BA (Fig. 19.18). But to turn the direction of a complex number through an $\angle \theta$, we multiply it by $\cos \theta + i \sin \theta$.

$$\therefore \vec{BC} (\cos \pi/3 + i \sin \pi/3) = \vec{BA}$$

i.e.,

$$(z_3 - z_2) \left(\frac{1 + i\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) = z_1 - z_2$$

or

$$i\sqrt{3}(z_3 - z_2) = 2z_1 - z_2 - z_3$$

Squaring,

$$-3(z_3 - z_2)^2 = (2z_1 - z_2 - z_3)^2$$

or

$$4(z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 - z_1 z_2 - z_2 z_3 - z_3 z_1) = 0$$

whence follows the required condition.

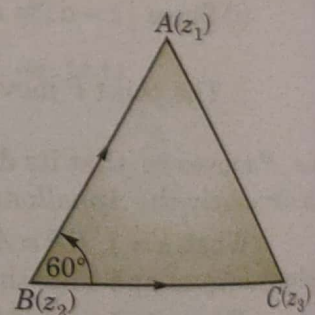


Fig. 19.18

Example 19.14. Simplify $\frac{(\cos 3\theta + i \sin 3\theta)^4 (\cos 4\theta - i \sin 4\theta)^5}{(\cos 4\theta + i \sin 4\theta)^3 (\cos 5\theta + i \sin 5\theta)^{-4}}$.

Solution. We have, $(\cos 3\theta + i \sin 3\theta)^4 = \cos 12\theta + i \sin 12\theta = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{12}$
 $(\cos 4\theta - i \sin 4\theta)^5 = \cos 20\theta - i \sin 20\theta = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{-20}$
 $(\cos 4\theta + i \sin 4\theta)^3 = \cos 12\theta + i \sin 12\theta = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{12}$
 $(\cos 5\theta + i \sin 5\theta)^{-4} = \cos 20\theta - i \sin 20\theta = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{-20}$

$$\therefore \text{The given expression} = \frac{(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{12} (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{-20}}{(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{12} (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{-20}} = 1.$$

Example 19.15. Prove that

$$(1 + \cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n + (1 + \cos \theta - i \sin \theta)^n = 2^{n+1} \cos^n (\theta/2) \cdot (\cos n\theta/2).$$

Solution. Put $1 + \cos \theta = r \cos \alpha$, $\sin \theta = r \sin \alpha$.

$$\therefore r^2 = (1 + \cos \theta)^2 + \sin^2 \theta = 2 + 2 \cos \theta = 4 \cos^2 \theta/2 \quad \text{i.e., } r = 2 \cos \theta/2$$

and $\tan \alpha = \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} = \frac{2 \sin \theta/2 \cdot \cos \theta/2}{2 \cos^2 \theta/2} = \tan \theta/2 \quad \text{i.e., } \alpha = \theta/2.$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{L.H.S.} &= [r(\cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha)]^n + [r(\cos \alpha - i \sin \alpha)]^n \\ &= r^n [(\cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha)^n + (\cos \alpha - i \sin \alpha)^n] = r^n (\cos n\alpha + i \sin n\alpha + \cos n\alpha - i \sin n\alpha) \\ &= r^n \cdot 2 \cos n\alpha \\ &= 2^{n+1} \cos^n (\theta/2) \cos (n\theta/2). \end{aligned}$$

[Substituting the values of r and α]

Example 19.16. If $2 \cos \theta = x + \frac{1}{x}$, prove that

$$(i) 2 \cos r\theta = x^r + 1/x^r, \quad (ii) \frac{x^{2n} + 1}{x^{2n-1} + x} = \frac{\cos n\theta}{\cos (n-1)\theta}$$

Solution. Since $x + 1/x = 2 \cos \theta \quad \therefore x^2 - 2x \cos \theta + 1 = 0$

whence $x = \frac{2 \cos \theta \pm \sqrt{(4 \cos^2 \theta - 4)}}{2} = \cos \theta \pm i \sin \theta.$

(i) Taking the + ve sign, $x^r = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^r = \cos r\theta + i \sin r\theta$

and $x^{-r} = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{-r} = \cos r\theta - i \sin r\theta$

Adding $x^r + 1/x^r = 2 \cos r\theta$. Similarly with the - ve sign, the same result follows.

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(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^{2n} + 1}{x^{2n-1} + x} &= \frac{(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{2n} + 1}{(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{2n-1} + \cos \theta + i \sin \theta} \\ &= \frac{\cos 2n\theta + i \sin 2n\theta + 1}{\cos (2n-1)\theta + i \sin (2n-1)\theta + \cos \theta + i \sin \theta} \\ &= \frac{(1 + \cos 2n\theta) + i \sin 2n\theta}{(\cos 2n-1\theta + \cos \theta) + i(\sin 2n-1\theta + \sin \theta)} \\ &= \frac{2 \cos^2 n\theta + 2i \sin n\theta \cos \theta}{2 \cos n\theta \cos n-1\theta + 2i \sin n\theta \cos n-1\theta} \\ &= \frac{\cos n\theta (2 \cos n\theta + 2i \sin n\theta)}{\cos n-1\theta (2 \cos n\theta + 2i \sin n\theta)} = \frac{\cos n\theta}{\cos n-1\theta} \end{aligned}$$

Example 19.17. If $\sin \alpha + \sin \beta + \sin \gamma = \cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma = 0$,
 prove that (i) $\sin 2\alpha + \sin 2\beta + \sin 2\gamma = 0$
 (ii) $\sin 3\alpha + \sin 3\beta + \sin 3\gamma = 3 \sin (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)$
 (iii) $\sin 4\alpha + \sin 4\beta + \sin 4\gamma = 2 \sin 2(\alpha + \beta)$
 (iv) $\sin (\alpha + \beta) + \sin (\beta + \gamma) + \sin (\gamma + \alpha) = 0$.

(Mumbai, 2009)

Solution. Let

$$a = \text{cis } \alpha, b = \text{cis } \beta \text{ and } c = \text{cis } \gamma.$$

$$\text{Then } a + b + c = (\cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma) + i(\sin \alpha + \sin \beta + \sin \gamma) = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$(i) \quad \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = (\cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha)^{-1} + (\cos \beta + i \sin \beta)^{-1} + (\cos \gamma + i \sin \gamma)^{-1}$$

$$= \sum \frac{\cos \alpha - i \sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha - i \sin \alpha} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha} = \sum (\cos \alpha - i \sin \alpha)$$

$$= (\cos \alpha + \cos \beta + \cos \gamma) - i(\sin \alpha + \sin \beta + \sin \gamma) = 0$$

(Given)

$$bc + ca + ab = 0$$

... (2)

$$\therefore a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = (a + b + c)^2 - 2(bc + ca + ab) = 0$$

[By (1) & (2) ... (3)]

$$(i) \quad (\text{cis } \alpha)^2 + (\text{cis } \beta)^2 + (\text{cis } \gamma)^2 = \text{cis } 2\alpha + \text{cis } 2\beta + \text{cis } 2\gamma = 0$$

Equating imaginary parts from both sides, we get

$$\sin 2\alpha + \sin 2\beta + \sin 2\gamma = 0$$

$$(ii) \text{ Since } a + b + c = 0, \therefore a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 3abc$$

$$(\text{cis } \alpha)^3 + (\text{cis } \beta)^3 + (\text{cis } \gamma)^3 = 3 \text{cis } \alpha \text{cis } \beta \text{cis } \gamma$$

$$\text{cis } 3\alpha + \text{cis } 3\beta + \text{cis } 3\gamma = 3 \text{cis } (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)$$

Equating imaginary parts from both sides, we get

$$\sin 3\alpha + \sin 3\beta + \sin 3\gamma = 3 \sin (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)$$

$$(iii) \text{ From (1), } a + b = -c \text{ or } (a + b)^2 = c^2 \text{ or } a^2 + b^2 - c^2 = -2ab$$

$$\text{Again squaring, } a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + 2a^2b^2 - 2b^2c^2 - 2c^2a^2 = 4a^2b^2$$

$$a^4 + b^4 + c^4 = 2(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)$$

$$(\text{cis } \alpha)^4 + (\text{cis } \beta)^4 + (\text{cis } \gamma)^4 = 2 \sum (\cos \alpha)^2 (\text{cis } \beta)^2$$

$$\text{cis } 4\alpha + \text{cis } 4\beta + \text{cis } 4\gamma = 2 \sum \text{cis } 2\alpha \text{cis } 2\beta = 2 \sum \text{cis } 2(\alpha + \beta)$$

Equating imaginary parts from both sides, we get

$$\sin 4\alpha + \sin 4\beta + \sin 4\gamma = 2 \sum \sin 2(\alpha + \beta)$$

$$(iv) \text{ From (2), } ab + bc + ca = 0$$

$$\text{cis } \alpha \text{cis } \beta + \text{cis } \beta \text{cis } \gamma + \text{cis } \gamma \text{cis } \alpha = 0$$

$$\text{cis } (\alpha + \beta) + \text{cis } (\beta + \gamma) + \text{cis } (\gamma + \alpha) = 0$$

Equating imaginary parts from both sides, we get

$$\sin (\alpha + \beta) + \sin (\beta + \gamma) + \sin (\gamma + \alpha) = 0$$

Example 19.18. Find the cube roots of unity and show that they form an equilateral triangle in the Argand diagram.

Solution. If x be a cube root of unity, then

$$x = (1)^{1/3} = (\cos 0 + i \sin 0)^{1/3} = (\text{cis } 0)^{1/3} = (\text{cis } 2n\pi)^{1/3} = \text{cis } 2n\pi/3$$

where $n = 0, 1, 2$.

\therefore the three values of x are $\text{cis } 0 = 1$,

$$\text{cis } 2\pi/3 = \cos 120^\circ + i \sin 120^\circ = -\frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2},$$

and

$$\text{cis } 4\pi/3 = \cos 240^\circ + i \sin 240^\circ = -\frac{1}{2} - i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

These three cube roots are represented by the points A, B, C on the Argand diagram such that $OA = OB = OC$ and $\angle AOB = 120^\circ$, $\angle AOC = 240^\circ$ (Fig. 19.19).

\therefore these points lie on a circle with centre O and unit radius such that $\angle AOB = \angle BOC = \angle COA = 120^\circ$ i.e., $AB = BC = CA$.

Hence A, B, C form an equilateral triangle.

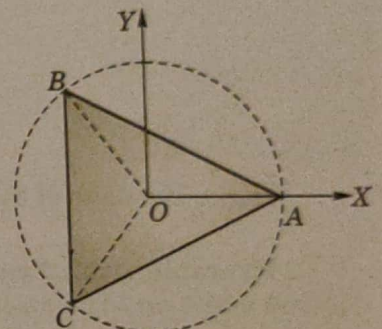


Fig. 19.19

Example 19.19. Find all the values of $\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)^{3/4}$.

(D.T.U., 2013)

Also show that the continued product of these values is 1.

(Nagpur, 2009)

Solution. Put $1/2 = r \cos \theta$ and $\sqrt{3}/2 = r \sin \theta$ so that $r = 1$ and $\theta = \pi/3$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}i}{2}\right)^{3/4} &= [(\cos \pi/3 + i \sin \pi/3)^3]^{1/4} = (\text{cis } \pi)^{1/4} \\ &= [\text{cis } (2n + 1)\pi]^{1/4} = \text{cis } (2n + 1)\pi/4 \text{ where } n = 0, 1, 2, 3. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the required values are $\text{cis } \pi/4$, $\text{cis } 3\pi/4$, $\text{cis } 5\pi/4$ and $\text{cis } 7\pi/4$.

$$\therefore \text{their continued product} = \text{cis } \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{3\pi}{4} + \frac{5\pi}{4} + \frac{7\pi}{4}\right) = \text{cis } 4\pi = 1.$$

Example 19.20. Use De Moivre's theorem to solve the equation.

$$x^4 - x^3 + x^2 - x + 1 = 0.$$

Solution. $x^4 - x^3 + x^2 - x + 1$ is a G.P. with common ratio $(-x)$, therefore

$$\frac{1 - (-x)^5}{1 - (-x)} = 0, \quad x \neq -1 \quad \text{or} \quad x^5 + 1 = 0$$

i.e.,

$$x^5 = -1 = \text{cis } \pi = \text{cis } (2n + 1)\pi$$

$$\therefore x = [\text{cis } (2n + 1)\pi]^{1/5} = \text{cis } (2n + 1)\pi/5, \text{ where } n = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$$

Hence the values are $\text{cis } \pi/5, \text{cis } 3\pi/5, \text{cis } \pi, \text{cis } 7\pi/5, \text{cis } 9\pi/5$

or

$$\cos \frac{\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{5}, \cos \frac{3\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{3\pi}{5}, -1, \cos \frac{3\pi}{5} - i \sin \frac{3\pi}{5}, \cos \frac{\pi}{5} - i \sin \frac{\pi}{5}$$

Rejecting the value -1 which corresponds to the factor $x + 1$, the required roots are :

$$\cos \pi/5 \pm i \sin \pi/5, \cos 3\pi/5 \pm i \sin 3\pi/5.$$

Example 19.21. Show that the roots of the equation $(x - 1)^n = x^n$, n being a positive integer are $\frac{1}{2}(1 + i \cot r\pi/n)$, where r has the values $1, 2, 3, \dots, n - 1$.

Solution. Given equation is $\left(\frac{x-1}{x}\right)^n = 1$ or $1 - \frac{1}{x} = (1)^{1/n}$

or

$$\frac{1}{x} = 1 - (1)^{1/n} = 1 - \text{cis } \frac{2r\pi}{n}, r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, (n-1).$$

or

$$= \left(1 - \cos \frac{2r\pi}{n}\right) - i \sin \frac{2r\pi}{n} = 2 \sin^2 \frac{r\pi}{n} - 2i \sin \frac{r\pi}{n} \cos \frac{r\pi}{n}$$

$$[\because 1 = \text{cis } 2\pi r]$$

\therefore

$$x = \frac{1}{2 \sin \frac{r\pi}{n}} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(\sin \frac{r\pi}{n} - i \cos \frac{r\pi}{n}\right)} = \frac{\sin \frac{r\pi}{n} + i \cos \frac{r\pi}{n}}{2 \sin \frac{r\pi}{n}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + i \cot \frac{r\pi}{n}\right), r = 1, 2, \dots, (n-1).$$

$$[\because \cot 0 \rightarrow \infty]$$

Hence the roots of the given equation are $\frac{1}{2}(1 + i \cot r\pi/n)$ where $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots, (n-1)$.

Example 19.22. Find the 7th roots of unity and prove that the sum of their n th powers always vanishes unless n be a multiple number of 7, n being an integer, and then the sum is 7.

(Mumbai, 2008 ; Kurukshetra, 2005)

Solution. We have $(1)^{1/7} = (\cos 2r\pi + i \sin 2r\pi)^{1/7} = \text{cis } \frac{2r\pi}{7} = \left(\text{cis } \frac{2\pi}{7}\right)^r$

Putting $r = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$, we find that 7th roots of unity are $1, \rho, \rho^2, \rho^3, \rho^4, \rho^5, \rho^6$ where $\rho = \text{cis } 2\pi/7$.

\therefore sum S of the n th powers of these roots $= 1 + \rho^n + \rho^{2n} + \dots + \rho^{6n}$... (i)

$$= \frac{1 - \rho^{7n}}{1 - \rho^n}, \text{ being a G.P. with common ratio } \rho$$

When n is not a multiple of 7, $\rho^{7n} = (\rho^7)^n = (\text{cis } 2\pi)^n = 1$.

i.e.,

$$1 - \rho^{7n} = 0 \text{ and } 1 - \rho^n \neq 0, \text{ as } n \text{ is not a multiple of } 7.$$

Thus $S = 0$.

When n is a multiple of 7 $= 7p$ (say)

$$\text{From (i), } S = 1 + (\rho^7)^p + (\rho^7)^{2p} + \dots + (\rho^7)^{6p} = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 7.$$

Example 19.23. Find the equation whose roots are $2 \cos \pi/7, 2 \cos 3\pi/7, 2 \cos 5\pi/7$.

Solution. Let $y = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$, where $\theta = \pi/7, 3\pi/7, \dots, 13\pi/7$.

Then

$$y^7 = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^7 = \cos 7\theta + i \sin 7\theta = -1 \quad \text{or} \quad y^7 + 1 = 0$$

$$(y + 1)(y^6 - y^5 + y^4 - y^3 + y^2 - y + 1) = 0$$

Leaving the factor $y + 1$ which corresponds to $\theta = \pi$,

$$y^6 - y^5 + y^4 - y^3 + y^2 - y + 1 = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

We get

Its roots are $y = \text{cis } \theta$ where $\theta = \pi/7, 3\pi/7, 5\pi/7, 9\pi/7, 11\pi/7, 13\pi/7$.

Dividing (i) by y^3 , $(y^3 + 1/y^3) - (y^2 + 1/y^2) + (y + 1/y) - 1 = 0$

$$\{(y + 1/y)^3 - 3(y + 1/y)\} - \{(y + 1/y)^2 - 2\} - (y + 1/y) - 1 = 0$$

$$x^3 - x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$x = y + 1/y = 2 \cos \theta.$$

Now since

$$\cos 13\pi/7 = \cos \pi/7, \cos 11\pi/7 = \cos 3\pi/7, \cos 9\pi/7 = \cos 5\pi/7$$

Hence the roots of (ii) are $2 \cos \frac{\pi}{7}, 2 \cos \frac{3\pi}{7}, 2 \cos \frac{5\pi}{7}$.

Example 19.24. Express $\cos 6\theta$ in terms of $\cos \theta$.

Solution. We know that $\cos n\theta = \cos^n \theta - {}^nC_2 \cos^{n-2} \theta \sin^2 \theta + {}^nC_4 \cos^{n-4} \theta \sin^4 \theta - \dots$
 Put $n = 6$, then $\cos 6\theta = \cos^6 \theta - {}^6C_2 \cos^4 \theta \sin^2 \theta + {}^6C_4 \cos^2 \theta \sin^4 \theta - {}^6C_6 \sin^6 \theta$
 $= \cos^6 \theta - 15 \cos^4 \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta) + 15 \cos^2 \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta)^2 - (1 - \cos^2 \theta)^3$
 $= 32 \cos^6 \theta - 48 \cos^4 \theta + 18 \cos^2 \theta - 1.$

(2) Addition formulae for any number of angles

We have, $\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_n) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_n)$
 $= (\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1)(\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2) \dots (\cos \theta_n + i \sin \theta_n)$
 $= \cos \theta_2 (1 + i \tan \theta_2) \dots (\cos \theta_n (1 + i \tan \theta_n))$ and so on.

Now $\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1 = \cos \theta_1 (1 + i \tan \theta_1)$, $\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2 = \cos \theta_2 (1 + i \tan \theta_2)$
 $\therefore \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_n) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_n)$
 $= \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \dots \cos \theta_n (1 + i \tan \theta_1)(1 + i \tan \theta_2) \dots (1 + i \tan \theta_n)$
 $= \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \dots \cos \theta_n [1 + i(\tan \theta_1 + \tan \theta_2 + \dots + \tan \theta_n)$
 $+ i^2(\tan \theta_1 \tan \theta_2 + \tan \theta_2 \tan \theta_3 + \dots) + i^3(\tan \theta_1 \tan \theta_2 \tan \theta_3 + \dots) + \dots]$
 $= \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \dots \cos \theta_n (1 + i s_1 - s_2 - i s_3 + s_4 + \dots)$

where $s_1 = \tan \theta_1 + \tan \theta_2 + \dots + \tan \theta_n$, $s_2 = \Sigma \tan \theta_1 \tan \theta_2$, $s_3 = \Sigma \tan \theta_1 \tan \theta_2 \tan \theta_3$ etc.

Equating real and imaginary parts, we have

$$\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_n) = \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \dots \cos \theta_n (1 - s_2 + s_4 - \dots)$$

$$\sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_n) = \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \dots \cos \theta_n (s_1 - s_3 + s_5 - \dots)$$

and by division, we get $\tan(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_n) = \frac{s_1 - s_3 + s_5 - \dots}{1 - s_2 + s_4 - s_6 + \dots}$.

Example 19.25. If $\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y + \tan^{-1} z = \pi/2$, show that $xy + yz + zx = 1$.

(P.T.U., 2003)

Solution. Let $\tan^{-1} x = \alpha$, $\tan^{-1} y = \beta$, $\tan^{-1} z = \gamma$ so that $x = \tan \alpha$, $y = \tan \beta$, $z = \tan \gamma$

We know that $\tan(\alpha + \beta + \gamma) = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta + \tan \gamma - \tan \alpha \tan \beta \tan \gamma}{1 - \tan \alpha \tan \beta - \tan \beta \tan \gamma - \tan \gamma \tan \alpha}$

$$\therefore \tan \pi/2 = \frac{x + y + z - xyz}{1 - xy - yz - zx} \quad \text{or} \quad 1 - xy - yz - zx = 0$$

Hence $xy + yz + zx = 1$.

Example 19.26. If $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3$ be three values of θ which satisfy the equation $\tan 2\theta = \lambda \tan(\theta + \alpha)$ and such that no two of them differ by a multiple of π , show that $\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 + \alpha$ is a multiple of π .

Solution. Given equation can be written as $\frac{2t}{1-t^2} = \lambda \frac{t + \tan \alpha}{1 - t \tan \alpha}$ where $t = \tan \theta$

$$\lambda t^3 + (\lambda - 2) \tan \alpha \cdot t^2 + (2 - \lambda) t - \lambda \tan \alpha = 0$$

$\therefore \tan \theta_1, \tan \theta_2, \tan \theta_3$, being its roots, we have

$$s_1 = \Sigma \tan \theta_i = -\frac{\lambda - 2}{\lambda} \tan \alpha$$

$$s_2 = \Sigma \tan \theta_1 \tan \theta_2 = \frac{2 - \lambda}{\lambda} \quad \text{and} \quad s_3 = \tan \alpha$$

$$\therefore \tan(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) = \frac{s_1 - s_3}{1 - s_2} = \frac{(-1 + 2/\lambda) \tan \alpha - \tan \alpha}{1 - (2/\lambda - 1)}$$

$$= -\tan \alpha = \tan(n\pi - \alpha)$$

Thus $\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = n\pi - \alpha$, whence follows the result.

(3) To expand $\sin^m \theta$, $\cos^n \theta$ or $\sin^m \theta \cos^n \theta$ in a series of sines or cosines of multiples of θ

If $z = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ then $1/z = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$.

By De Moivre's theorem, $z^p = \cos p\theta + i \sin p\theta$ and $1/z^p = \cos p\theta - i \sin p\theta$

$$\therefore z + 1/z = 2 \cos \theta, \quad z - 1/z = 2i \sin \theta; \quad z^p + 1/z^p = 2 \cos p\theta, \quad z^p - 1/z^p = 2i \sin p\theta$$

These results are used to expand the powers of $\sin \theta$ or $\cos \theta$ or their products in a series of sines or cosines of multiples of θ .

Example 19.27. Expand $\cos^8 \theta$ in a series of cosines of multiples of θ .

Solution. Let $z = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$, so that $z + 1/z = 2 \cos \theta$ and $z^p + 1/z^p = 2 \cos p\theta$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (2 \cos \theta)^8 &= (z + 1/z)^8 \\ &= z^8 + {}^8C_1 z^7 \cdot \frac{1}{z} + {}^8C_2 z^6 \cdot \frac{1}{z^2} + {}^8C_3 z^5 \cdot \frac{1}{z^3} + {}^8C_4 z^4 \cdot \frac{1}{z^4} + {}^8C_5 z^3 \cdot \frac{1}{z^5} + {}^8C_6 z^2 \cdot \frac{1}{z^6} + {}^8C_7 z \cdot \frac{1}{z^7} + \frac{1}{z^8} \\ &= (z^8 + 1/z^8) + {}^8C_1(z^6 + 1/z^6) + {}^8C_2(z^4 + 1/z^4) + {}^8C_3(z^2 + 1/z^2) + {}^8C_4 \\ &= (2 \cos 8\theta) + 8(2 \cos 6\theta) + 28(2 \cos 4\theta) + 56(2 \cos 2\theta) + 70. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\cos^8 \theta = \frac{1}{128} [\cos 8\theta + 8 \cos 6\theta + 28 \cos 4\theta + 56 \cos 2\theta + 35].$

Example 19.28. Expand $\sin^7 \theta \cos^3 \theta$ in a series of sines of multiples of θ .

Solution. Let $z = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$

so that $z + 1/z = 2 \cos \theta$, $z - 1/z = 2i \sin \theta$ and $z^p - 1/z^p = 2i \sin p\theta$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (2i \sin \theta)^7 (2 \cos \theta)^3 &= (z - 1/z)^7 (z + 1/z)^3 \\ &= (z - 1/z)^4 [(z - 1/z)(z + 1/z)]^3 = (z - 1/z)^4 (z^2 - 1/z^2)^3 \\ &= \left(z^4 - 4z^2 + 6 - \frac{4}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z^4} \right) \left(z^6 - 3z^2 + \frac{3}{z^2} - \frac{1}{z^6} \right) \\ &= \left(z^{10} - \frac{1}{z^{10}} \right) - 4 \left(z^8 - \frac{1}{z^8} \right) + 3 \left(z^6 - \frac{1}{z^6} \right) + 8 \left(z^4 - \frac{1}{z^4} \right) - 14 \left(z^2 - \frac{1}{z^2} \right) \\ &= 2i \sin 10\theta - 4(2i \sin 8\theta) + 3(2i \sin 6\theta) + 8(2i \sin 4\theta) - 14(2i \sin 2\theta) \end{aligned}$$

Since $i^7 = -i$,

$$\therefore \sin^7 \theta \cos^3 \theta = -\frac{1}{2^9} [\sin 10\theta - 4 \sin 8\theta + 3 \sin 6\theta + 8 \sin 4\theta - 14 \sin 2\theta].$$

Obs. The expansion of $\sin^m \theta \cos^n \theta$ is a series of sines or cosines of multiples of θ according as m is odd or even.