

# Complex Numbers Problems

## 131-140

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## Problem 131

**131.** Find the intercept made by the circle  $z\bar{z} + \bar{\alpha}z + \alpha\bar{z} + r = 0$  on real axis on the complex plane.

## Solution of Problem 131

**Solution:** Let  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  be points on real axis which circle cuts with. Since these are on real axis and if  $z$  represents this points then  $z = \bar{z} [\because z = x + i.0]$

Substituting  $z = \bar{z}$  in the equation of the circle, we get  $z^2 + (\bar{\alpha} + \alpha)z + r = 0$

Since  $z_1, z_2$  are the roots  $\therefore z_1 + z_2 = -\alpha, z_1 z_2 = r$

$$\text{Length of intercept} = |z_1 - z_2| = \sqrt{(z_1 - z_2)^2} = \sqrt{(z_1 + z_2)^2 - 4z_1 z_2} = \sqrt{(\bar{\alpha} + \alpha)^2 - 4r}$$

## Problem 132

**132.** If  $a = \cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha$ ,  $b = \cos \beta + i \sin \beta$ ,  $c = \cos \gamma + i \sin \gamma$  and  $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} = 1$ , then find the value of  $\cos(\alpha - \beta) + \cos(\beta - \gamma) + \cos(\gamma - \alpha)$ .

## Solution of Problem 132

**Solution:** Clearly,  $a = e^{i\alpha}$ ,  $b = e^{i\beta}$ ,  $c = e^{i\gamma}$

Also given,  $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a} = 1 \Rightarrow e^{i(\alpha-\beta)} + e^{i(\beta-\gamma)} + e^{i(\gamma-\alpha)} = 1$

Comparing real parts, we get  $\cos(\alpha - \beta) + \cos(\beta - \gamma) + \cos(\gamma - \alpha) = 1$

## Problem 133

**133.** Find the locus of the center of a circle which touches the circles  $|z - z_1| = a$  and  $|z - z_2| = b$  externally.

## Solution of the Problem 133

**Solution:** Let  $A(z_1), B(z_2)$  be the centers of given circles and  $P$  be the center of the variable circle which touches given circles externally, then

$|AP| = a + r$  and  $|BP| = b + r$  where  $r$  is the radius of the variable circle. Clearly,

$$|AP| - |BP| = a - b \Rightarrow ||AP| - |BP|| = |a - b| = \text{a constant.}$$

Hence, locus of  $P$  is a right bisector if  $a = b$ , a hyperbola if  $|a - b| < |AB|$  an empty set if  $|a - b| > |AB|$ , set of all points on line  $AB$  except those which lie between  $A$  and  $B$  if  $|a - b| = |AB| \neq 0$ .

## Problem 134

**134.** Prove that  $\tan \left[ i \log \left( \frac{a-ib}{a+ib} \right) \right] = \frac{2ab}{a^2-b^2}.$



## Solution of Problem 134

**Solution:** Let  $a + ib = re^{i\theta}$ ,  $r^2 = a^2 + b^2 \Rightarrow a - ib = e^{-i\theta}$ ,  $\tan \theta = \frac{b}{a}$

$$\frac{a-ib}{a+ib} = e^{-2i\theta} \Rightarrow i \log \left( \frac{a-ib}{a+ib} \right) = i \log e^{-2i\theta} = 2\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \left[ i \log \left( \frac{a-ib}{a+ib} \right) \right] = \tan 2\theta = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$$

$$= \frac{2b/a}{1 - b^2/a^2} = \frac{2ab}{a^2 - b^2}.$$

## Pronlem 135

**135.**  $z_1 = a + ib$  and  $z_2 = c + id$  are complex numbers such that  $|z_1| = |z_2| = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(z_1 \overline{z_2}) = 0$ . Also,  $w_1 = a + ic, w_2 = b + id$  then prove that  $|w_1| = |w_2| = 1$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(w_1 \overline{w_2}) = 0$ .

## Solution of Problem 135

**Solution:** Given,  $|z_1| = |z_2| = 1 \Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 = c^2 + d^2 = 1$

$$\operatorname{Re}(z_1 \overline{z_2}) = 0 \Rightarrow \operatorname{Re}[(a + ib)(c - id)] = 0 \Rightarrow ac + bd = 0$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2 + d^2 \Rightarrow (a + ic)^2 = (d - ib)^2 [\because ac = bd] \Rightarrow a + ic = d - ib \text{ or } -d + ib$$

$$\Rightarrow a = d \text{ and } c = -b \text{ or } a = -d, c = b$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + c^2 = b^2 + d^2 = 1 \Rightarrow |w_1| = |w_2| = 1$$

$$\operatorname{Re}(w_1 \overline{w_2}) = \operatorname{Re}[(a + ic)(b - id)] = ab + cd = 0$$

## Problem 136

**136.** If  $\left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = 1$  and  $\arg(z_1 z_2) = 0$ , then prove that  $|z_2|^2 = z_1 z_2$ .

## Solution of Problem 136

**Solution:** Let  $z_1 = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ . Given,  $\left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = 1$

$\Rightarrow |z_1| = |z_2| = r$ . Also given,  $\arg(z_1 z_2) = 0 \Rightarrow \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2) = 0$

$\Rightarrow \arg(z_2) = -\theta \Rightarrow z_2 = r[\cos(-\theta) + i \sin(-\theta)] = r[\cos \theta - i \sin \theta] = \overline{z_1}$

$\Rightarrow \overline{z_2} = z_1 \Rightarrow |z_2|^2 = z_1 z_2$ .

## Problem 137

**137.** Find the value of the expression

$$2\left(1 + \frac{1}{\omega}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{\omega^2}\right) + 3\left(2 + \frac{1}{\omega}\right)\left(2 + \frac{1}{\omega^2}\right) + 4\left(3 + \frac{1}{\omega}\right)\left(3 + \frac{1}{\omega^2}\right) + \dots + (n+1)\left(n + \frac{1}{\omega}\right)\left(n + \frac{1}{\omega^2}\right).$$

## Solution of Problem 137

**Solution:**  $t_n = (n+1) \left(n + \frac{1}{\omega}\right) \left(n + \frac{1}{\omega^2}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= n^3 + n^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{\omega} + \frac{1}{\omega^2}\right) + n \left(1 + \frac{1}{\omega} + \frac{1}{\omega^2}\right) + 1 \\ &= n^3 + n^2(1 + \omega + \omega^2) + n(1 + \omega + \omega^2) + 1 = n^3 + 1 \\ \therefore S_n &= \sum_{i=1}^n t_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (i^3 + 1) = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4} + 1. \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 138

**138.** If  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are two complex numbers satisfying the equation  $\left| \frac{z_1 + iz_2}{z_1 - iz_2} \right| = 1$ , then prove that  $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$  is purely real.



## Solution of Problem 138

**Solution:** Given  $|z_1 + iz_2| = |z_1 - iz_2|$

$$\Rightarrow (z_1 + iz_2)(\overline{z_1} - i\overline{z_2}) = (z_1 - iz_2)(\overline{z_1} + i\overline{z_2})$$

$$\Rightarrow \overline{z_1}z_2 = z_1\overline{z_2} \Rightarrow \frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{\overline{z_1}}{\overline{z_2}}$$

Thus,  $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$  is purely real.

## Problem 139

**139.** If  $z = -2 + 2\sqrt{3}i$ , then find values of  $z^{2n} + 2^{2n}z^n + 2^{4n}$ .

## Solution of Problem 139

**Solution:**  $z = -2 + 2\sqrt{3}i = 4\omega$

$$z^{2n} + 2^{2n}z^n + 2^{4n} = 4^{2n}[\omega^{2n} + \omega^n + 1]$$

The above expression has value of 0 if  $n$  is not a multiple of 3 and  $3 \cdot 4^{2n}$  if  $n$  is multiple of 3.

## Problem 140

**140.** If  $2 \cos \theta = x + \frac{1}{x}$  and  $2 \cos \phi = y + \frac{1}{y}$ , then find the values of  $\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x}, xy + \frac{1}{xy}$ .

## Solution of Problem 140

**Solution:**  $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \cos \theta, \Rightarrow x^2 - 2 \cos \theta x + 1 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2 \cos \theta \pm \sqrt{4 \cos^2 \theta - 4}}{2} = \cos \theta \pm i \sin \theta = e^{\pm i \theta}$$

Similarly,  $y = e^{\pm i \phi}$

$$\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x} = 2 \cos(\theta - \phi)$$

and  $xy + \frac{1}{xy} = 2 \cos(\theta + \phi)$