

# Complex Numbers Problems

## 31-40

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# Important Identities Related to Cube Root of Unity

- ▶  $x^2 + x + 1 = (x - \omega)(x - \omega^2)$
- ▶  $x^2 - x + 1 = (x + \omega)(x + \omega^2)$
- ▶  $x^2 + xy + y^2 = (x - y\omega)(x - y\omega^2)$
- ▶  $x^2 - xy + y^2 = (x + y\omega)(x + y\omega^2)$
- ▶  $x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x + y\omega)(x + y\omega^2)$
- ▶  $x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)(x - y\omega)(x - y\omega^2)$
- ▶  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx =$   
 $(x + y\omega + z\omega^2)(x + y\omega^2 + z\omega) \text{ or } (x\omega + y\omega^2 + z)(x\omega^2 + y\omega + z) \text{ or } (x\omega + y + z\omega^2)(x\omega^2 + y + z\omega)$
- ▶  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = (x + y + z)(x + y\omega + z\omega^2)(x + y\omega^2 + z\omega)$

## Problem 31

**31.** Find the square root of  $7 + 8i$ .

## Solution of Problem 31

**Solution:** Let  $z = x + iy = \sqrt{7+8i}$ ,  $\Rightarrow (x^2 - y^2) + 2ixy = 7 + 8i$

Comparing real and imaginary parts, we get

$$x^2 - y^2 = 7, 2xy = 8 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = \sqrt{(x^2 - y^2)^2 + 4x^2y^2} = \sqrt{49 + 64} = \sqrt{113} [ \because x, y \in R, x^2 + y^2 > x^2 - y^2 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 \neq -\sqrt{113} ]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 = 7 + \sqrt{113} \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{7 + \sqrt{113}}{2}}$$

$$2y^2 = \sqrt{113} - 7 \Rightarrow y = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{113} - 7}{2}}$$

## Problem 32

**32.** Find the square root of  $a^2 - b^2 + 2iab \forall a, b \in R$ .

## Solution of Problem 32

**Solution:** Let  $z = x + iy = \sqrt{a^2 - b^2 + 2iab} \Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy = a^2 - b^2 + 2iab$

Comparing real and imaginary parts, we get

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 = a^2 - b^2, 2xy = 2ab \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = \sqrt{(a^2 - b^2)^2 + 4a^2b^2} = a^2 + b^2 [\because x, y \in R, x^2 + y^2 > x^2 - y^2 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 \neq -(a^2 + b^2)]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 = 2a^2 \Rightarrow x = \pm a \text{ and similarly, } y = \pm b$$

## Problem 33

**33.** Find the square root of  $\frac{x^2}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} + \frac{1}{2i} \left( \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x} \right) + \frac{31}{16}$ .

## Solution of Problem 33

**Solution:** Given equation can be rewritten as  $\frac{x^2}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{i}{4} \left( \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{z} \right) + \frac{i^2}{4^2} - \frac{i^2}{4^2} + \frac{31}{16}$

$$= \frac{x^2}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{i}{4} \left( \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{z} \right) + \frac{i^2}{4^2} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{31}{16}$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{i}{4} \left( \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{z} \right) + \frac{i^2}{4^2} + 2 \cdot \frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{y}{x}$$

$$= \left( \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x} - \frac{i}{4} \right)^2$$

Therefore, square root is  $\pm \left( \frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x} - \frac{i}{4} \right)$



## Problem 34

**34.** Find the square root of  $\frac{x^2}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} - \frac{1}{i} \left( \frac{x}{y} - \frac{y}{x} \right) - \frac{9}{4}$

## Solution of Problem 34

**Solution:** Like previous problem the given equation can be rewritten as  $\frac{x^2}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} + 2 \cdot \frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{x}{y} - \frac{y}{x} \right) + \frac{i^2}{2^2} - \frac{i^2}{2^2} - \frac{9}{4}$

$$= \frac{x^2}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} + 2 \cdot \frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{x}{y} - \frac{y}{x} \right) + \frac{i^2}{2^2} - 2$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{y^2} + \frac{y^2}{x^2} + 2 \cdot \frac{i}{2} \left( \frac{x}{y} - \frac{y}{x} \right) + \frac{i^2}{2^2} - 2 \cdot \frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{y}{x}$$

$$= \left( \frac{x}{y} - \frac{y}{x} + \frac{i}{2} \right)^2$$

Therefore, square root is  $\pm \left( \frac{x}{y} - \frac{y}{x} + \frac{i}{2} \right)$

## Problem 35

**35.** Find the square root of  $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 4i\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) - 6$

## Solution of Problem 35

**Solution:** Given equation can be written as  $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2.2i \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) + (2i)^2 - (2i)^2 - 6$

$$= x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2.2i \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) + 4i^2 - 2 = x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2.2i \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) + 4i^2 - 2.x.\frac{1}{x}$$
$$= \left(x - \frac{1}{x} + 2i\right)^2$$

Thus square root is  $\pm \left(x - \frac{1}{x} + 2i\right)$

## Problem 36

**36.** Find the minimum value of  $|z| + |z - 2|$

## Solution of Problem 36

**Solution:** We know that for two complex numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ ,  $|z_1| + |z_2| \geq |z_1 - z_2|$

$$|z| + |z - 2| \geq |z - (z - 2)| = |2| = 2$$

Therefore, minimum value is 2.

## Problem 37

**37.** If  $|z_1 - 1| < 1$ ,  $|z_2 - 2| < 2$  and  $|z_3 - 3| < 3$  then prove that maximum value of  $|z_1 + z_2 + z_3|$  is 12.

## Solution of Problem 37

**Solution:**  $|z_1 + z_2 + z_3| = |(z_1 - 1) + (z_2 - 2) + (z_3 - 3) + 6| \leq |z_1 - 1| + |z_2 - 2| + |z_3 - 3| + 6$   
 $< 1 + 2 + 3 + 6 = 12$

Thus, maximum value of  $|z_1 + z_2 + z_3|$  is 12.



## Problem 38

**38.** If  $\alpha, \beta$  are two complex numbers then prove that  $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = \frac{1}{2}(|\alpha + \beta|^2 + |\alpha - \beta|^2)$ .

## Solution of Problem 38

**Solution:**  $|\alpha + \beta|^2 = (\alpha + \beta)(\overline{\alpha + \beta}) = (\alpha + \beta)(\bar{\alpha} + \bar{\beta})$

$$= \alpha\bar{\alpha} + \alpha\bar{\beta} + \bar{\alpha}\beta + \beta\bar{\beta} = |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 + \alpha\bar{\beta} + \bar{\alpha}\beta$$

Similarly,  $|\alpha - \beta|^2 = |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 - \alpha\bar{\beta} - \bar{\alpha}\beta$

Thus,  $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = \frac{1}{2}(|\alpha + \beta|^2 + |\alpha - \beta|^2)$

## Problem 39

**39.** Find  $\sqrt{i}\sqrt{-i}$

## Solution of Problem 39

**Solution:** Let  $z = \sqrt{i}\sqrt{-i} = \sqrt{-i^2} = \sqrt{-1.i^2} = i^2 = -1$

## Problem 40

**40.** Simplify  $i^{n+80} + i^{n+50}$  in the form of  $A + iB$ .