MATH 1210 Assignment 2

Due: 1:30 pm Friday 6 February 2009 (at your instructor's office)

NOTES:

1. Late assignments will NOT be accepted.

2. If your assignment is not accompanied by a signed Faculty of Science "Honesty Declaration", it will NOT be graded.

Provide a complete solution to each of the following problems:

1. In each of the following cases, evaluate the given complex number, writing your answer in (simplified) Cartesian form:

(a)
$$(1+i) - (7+2i)$$

(b)
$$i^{57}$$

(c)
$$i^2(-1+3i)$$

(d)
$$\frac{2-3i}{4+2i}$$

(e)
$$\overline{\left(7-2\overline{i}\right)^2}$$

(f)
$$(1 - \sqrt{3}i)^4$$

(g)
$$(4-2i)^6$$

(h)
$$\left(2 + \overline{(-1+i)}\right)^2$$

(i)
$$\frac{(2+i)(4-6i)}{(3-i)i^3}$$

$$(j) \frac{2+i}{\left(1+\frac{1}{1-i}\right)}$$

2. (a) Let $z_1 = r_1(\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1)$ and $z_2 = r_2(\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)$ be any two given complex numbers, written in polar form. Show by direct calculation that

$$\left|\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|}$$
 and $arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = arg(z_1) - arg(z_2)$

where the latter equation must be interpreted in the manner described in the paragraph following equation (2.14b) on page 19 of the course notes.

(b) Let $z_1 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1+i)$ and $z_2 = \frac{-1+\sqrt{3}i}{2}$. Evaluate $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$ directly (i.e., in Cartesian form) and determine its argument,

1

and confirm that $arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = arg(z_1) - arg(z_2)$ (subject to the interpretation of part(a)).

HINT: You will need to use a calculator to compute $arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)$, and will probably need to include a "correction" involving some multiple of 2π in order to confirm this relation.

In addition, find the principal value of $arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)$, $arg(z_1)$ and $arg(z_2)$ and show that

$$p.v.\left(arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)\right) \neq p.v.(arg(z_1)) - p.v.(arg(z_2)).$$

- 3. Let a and b be any real numbers and consider the complex number a + ib.
 - (a) Use the Binomial Theorem to evaluate $(a+ib)^n$ for n=2,3 and 4, in **Cartesian form**, simplifying your answers as far as possible.
 - (b) Let $a = \cos \theta$ and $b = \sin \theta$, so that $a + ib = e^{i\theta}$. Use the Theorem of de Moivre, written in the form

$$\left(e^{i\theta}\right)^n = e^{i(n\theta)},$$

in order to derive the following **multiple-angle formulae** for the sine and cosine functions:

$$\sin(2\theta) = 2\sin\theta\cos\theta,$$

$$\cos(2\theta) = \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta,$$

$$\sin(3\theta) = 3\cos^2\theta\sin\theta - \sin^3\theta,$$

$$\cos(3\theta) = \cos^3\theta - 3\cos\theta\sin^2\theta,$$

$$\sin(4\theta) = 4\cos^3\theta\sin\theta - 4\cos\theta\sin^3\theta,$$

$$\cos(4\theta) = \cos^4\theta - 6\cos^2\theta\sin^2\theta + \sin^4\theta.$$

- 4. In each of the following cases, find **all solutions** of the given equation, writing your answers in both Cartesian and polar (or exponential) form, and graphically displaying these solutions in the complex plane:
 - (a) $x^6 + 1 = 0$,
 - (b) $x^2 + i = 0$,
 - (c) $x^3 + 4\sqrt{2}(1+i) = 0$.

Comment: The above problems could be rephrased as

(a) Find all sixth roots of -1,

- (b) Find all square roots of -i,
- (c) Find all cube roots of $-4\sqrt{2}(1+i)$.
- 5. Consider the function w = iz, in which both z and w are complex numbers and $i = \sqrt{-1}$.
 - (a) Suppose that we write z and w in Cartesian form as z = x + iy and w = u + iv, in which x, y, u and v are all **real**. Show that the given complex function is equivalent to the two (real) equations

$$u = -y$$
 and $v = x$.

- (b) Regard the latter two equations as defining a transformation of variables between the xy-plane and the uv-plane. Illustrate graphically the effect of this transformation on an arbitrary point (x, y) in the xy-plane.
- (c) Use the above results to geometrically describe (in words) the effect of the function w = iz, if it is regarded as a transformation between two copies of the complex plane (with z being any point in the first plane and w being the corresponding point (as determined by the function w = iz) on the second plane).
- (d) Use the exponential representation for complex numbers in order to confirm the result of part (c).
 - HINT: Let $z = re^{i\hat{\theta}}$ and $w = Re^{i\phi}$ and determine the relationships between R and r, and between ϕ and θ .