

Linear Algebra HW #15

① a) false - if $z = -1$, $\operatorname{Re}(z)$ is not > 0 .

b) false - if $z = 1$, $\operatorname{Im}(z)$ equals 0.

c) True, the n^{th} root of both sides leaves $x = \pm 1$ for real solutions if n is even.

d) True, x can be 1 but not -1 if n is odd, because -1 to an odd power is -1.

② All solutions for roots are separated by an angle of $\frac{2\pi}{n}$.
By De Moivre's theorem $z = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k}{n}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k}{n}\right)$, for $k \in \mathbb{N} < n-1$.
Since the angles are all good, connecting the segments leaves a regular polygon.

③ $x^m = 1$ $m = c \cdot n$

using De Moivre's theorem:

$$z = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k}{n}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k}{n}\right), \quad k \in 0, 1, \dots, m-1$$
$$\frac{2\pi k}{m} = \frac{2\pi k}{c \cdot n} = \frac{2\pi \left(\frac{k}{c}\right)}{n}$$

For all values where $\frac{k}{c} \in 0, 1, \dots, n-1$,
 $k \in 0, 1, \dots, m-1$

since m is $c \cdot n$.

Therefore if z is a root of order n ,
it's also a root of order m .