

FP3 Complex Numbers

1. [June 2010 qu.3](#)

In this question, w denotes the complex number $\cos \frac{2}{5} \pi + i \sin \frac{2}{5} \pi$.

(i) Express w^2 , w^3 and w^* in polar form, with arguments in the interval $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$. [4]

(ii) The points in an Argand diagram which represent the numbers

$$1, \quad 1 + w, \quad 1 + w + w^2, \quad 1 + w + w^2 + w^3, \quad 1 + w + w^2 + w^3 + w^4$$

are denoted by A, B, C, D, E respectively. Sketch the Argand diagram to show these points and join them in the order stated. (Your diagram need not be exactly to scale, but it should show the important features.) [4]

(iii) Write down a polynomial equation of degree 5 which is satisfied by w . [1]

2. [June 2010 qu.5](#)

Convergent infinite series C and S are defined by

$$C = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta + \frac{1}{4} \cos 2\theta + \frac{1}{8} \cos 3\theta + \dots,$$
$$S = \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2\theta + \frac{1}{8} \sin 3\theta + \dots$$

(i) Show that $C + iS = \frac{2}{2 - e^{i\theta}}$. [4]

(ii) Hence show that $C = \frac{4 - 2 \cos \theta}{5 - 4 \cos \theta}$, and find a similar expression for S . [4]

3. [Jan 2010 qu. 4](#)

(i) Write down, in cartesian form, the roots of the equation $z^4 = 16$. [2]

(ii) Hence solve the equation $w^4 = 16(1 - w)^4$, giving your answers in cartesian form. [5]

4. [Jan 2010 qu. 7](#)

(i) Solve the equation $\cos 6\theta = 0$, for $0 < \theta < \pi$. [3]

(ii) By using de Moivre's theorem, show that

$$\cos 6\theta \equiv (2 \cos^2 \theta - 1)(16 \cos^4 \theta - 16 \cos^2 \theta + 1). [5]$$

(iii) Hence find the exact value of $\cos\left(\frac{1}{12} \pi\right) \cos\left(\frac{5}{12} \pi\right) \cos\left(\frac{7}{12} \pi\right) \cos\left(\frac{11}{12} \pi\right)$, justifying your answer. [5]

5. [June 2009 qu.1](#)

Find the cube roots of $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{2}i$, giving your answers in the form $\cos \theta + i \sin \theta$, where $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$. [4]

6. [June 2009 qu.2](#)

It is given that the set of complex numbers of the form $re^{i\theta}$ for $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$ and $r > 0$, under multiplication, forms a group.

(i) Write down the inverse of $5e^{\frac{1}{3}\pi i}$. [1]

(ii) Prove the closure property for the group. [2]

(iii) Z denotes the element $e^{i\gamma}$, where $\frac{1}{2}\pi < \gamma < \pi$. Express Z^2 in the form $e^{i\theta}$, where $-\pi < \theta < 0$. [2]

7. [June 2009 qu.7](#)

(i) Use de Moivre's theorem to prove that $\tan 3\theta \equiv \frac{\tan \theta(3 - \tan^2 \theta)}{1 - 3 \tan^2 \theta}$. [4]

(ii) (a) By putting $\theta = \frac{1}{12}\pi$ in the identity in part (i), show that $\tan \frac{1}{12}\pi$ is a solution of the equation $t^3 - 3t^2 - 3t + 1 = 0$. [1]

(b) Hence show that $\tan \frac{1}{12}\pi = 2 - \sqrt{3}$. [4]

(iii) Use the substitution $t = \tan \theta$ to show that $\int_0^{2-\sqrt{3}} \frac{t(3-t^2)}{(1-3t^2)(1+t^2)} dt = a \ln b$,

where a and b are positive constants to be determined. [5]

8. [Jan 2009 qu. 2](#)

(i) Express $\frac{\sqrt{3}+i}{\sqrt{3}-i}$ in the form $re^{i\theta}$, where $r > 0$ and $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$. [3]

(ii) Hence find the smallest positive value of n for which $\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}+i}{\sqrt{3}-i}\right)^n$ is real and positive. [2]

9. [Jan 2009 qu. 8](#)

(i) By expressing $\sin \theta$ in terms of $e^{i\theta}$ and $e^{-i\theta}$, show that

$$\sin^6 \theta \equiv -\frac{1}{32}(\cos 6\theta - 6 \cos 4\theta + 15 \cos 2\theta - 10). \quad [5]$$

(ii) Replace θ by $(\frac{1}{2}\pi - \theta)$ in the identity in part (i) to obtain a similar identity for $\cos^6 \theta$. [3]

(iii) Hence find the exact value of $\int_0^{\frac{1}{4}\pi} (\sin^6 \theta - \cos^6 \theta) d\theta$. [4]

10. [June 2008 qu.4](#)

- (i) By expressing $\cos\theta$ in terms of $e^{i\theta}$ and $e^{-i\theta}$, show that $\cos^5\theta \equiv \frac{1}{16} (\cos 5\theta + 5\cos 3\theta + 10 \cos\theta)$. [5]
- (ii) Hence solve the equation $\cos 5\theta + 5\cos 3\theta + 9\cos\theta = 0$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$. [4]

11. [June 2008 qu.7](#)

The roots of the equation $z^3 - 1 = 0$ are denoted by 1, ω and ω^2 .

- (i) Sketch an Argand diagram to show these roots. [1]
- (ii) Show that $1 + \omega + \omega^2 = 0$. [2]
- (iii) Hence evaluate
- (a) $(2 + \omega)(2 + \omega^2)$, [2]
- (b) $\frac{1}{2 + \omega} + \frac{1}{2 + \omega^2}$. [2]
- (iv) Hence find a cubic equation, with integer coefficients, which has roots 2, $\frac{1}{2 + \omega}$ and $\frac{1}{2 + \omega^2}$. [4]

12. [Jan 2008 qu. 4](#)

The integrals C and S are defined by

$$C = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}\pi} e^{2x} \cos 3x \, dx \quad \text{and} \quad S = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}\pi} e^{2x} \sin 3x \, dx.$$

By considering $C + iS$ as a single integral, show that

$$C = -\frac{1}{13} (2 + 3e^\pi), \quad \text{and obtain a similar expression for } S.$$

(You may assume that the standard result for $\int e^{kx} \, dx$ remains true when k is a complex

constant, so that $\int e^{(a+ib)x} \, dx = \frac{1}{a+ib} e^{(a+ib)x}$ [8]

13. [Jan 2008 qu. 7](#)

- (i) (a) Verify, without using a calculator, that $\theta = \frac{1}{8}\pi$ is a solution of the equation $\sin 6\theta = \sin 2\theta$. [1]
- (b) By sketching the graphs of $y = \sin 6\theta$ and $y = \sin 2\theta$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{1}{2}\pi$ or otherwise, find the other solution of the equation $\sin 6\theta = \sin 2\theta$ in the interval $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi$. [2]

(ii) Use de Moivre's theorem to prove that $\sin 6\theta \equiv \sin 2\theta(16 \cos^4\theta - 16 \cos^2\theta + 3)$. [5]

(iii) Hence show that one of the solutions obtained in part (i) satisfies $\cos^2\theta = \frac{1}{4}(2 - \sqrt{2})$, and justify which solution it is. [3]

14. [June 2007 qu.1](#)

(i) By writing z in the form $re^{i\theta}$, show that $zz^* = |z|^2$. [1]

(ii) Given that $zz^* = 9$, describe the locus of z . [2]

15. [June 2007 qu.5](#)

(i) Use de Moivre's theorem to prove that $\cos 6\theta = 32 \cos^6\theta - 48 \cos^4\theta + 18 \cos^2\theta - 1$. [4]

(ii) Hence find the largest positive root of the equation $64x^6 - 96x^4 + 36x^2 - 3 = 0$, giving your answer in trigonometrical form. [4]

16. [June 2007 qu.7](#)

(i) Show that $(z - e^{i\phi})(z - e^{-i\phi}) \equiv z^2 - (2\cos\phi)z + 1$. [1]

(ii) Write down the seven roots of the equation $z^7 = 1$ in the form $e^{i\theta}$ and show their positions in an Argand diagram. [4]

(iii) Hence express $z^7 - 1$ as the product of one real linear factor and three real quadratic factors. [5]

17. [Jan 2007 qu. 3](#)

(i) Solve the equation $z^2 - 6z + 36 = 0$, and give your answers in the form $r(\cos\theta \pm i\sin\theta)$, where $r > 0$ and $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$. [4]

(ii) Given that Z is either of the roots found in part (i), deduce the exact value of Z^{-3} . [3]

18. [Jan 2007 qu. 8](#)

(i) Use de Moivre's theorem to find an expression for $\tan 4\theta$ in terms of $\tan \theta$. [4]

(ii) Deduce that $\cot 4\theta = \frac{\cot^4\theta - 6\cot^2\theta + 1}{4\cot^3\theta - 4\cot\theta}$. [1]

(iii) Hence show that one of the roots of the equation $x^2 - 6x + 1 = 0$ is $\cot^2\left(\frac{1}{8}\pi\right)$. [3]

(iv) Hence find the value of $\operatorname{cosec}^2\left(\frac{1}{8}\pi\right) + \operatorname{cosec}^2\left(\frac{3}{8}\pi\right)$, justifying your answer. [5]

19. [June 2006 qu.2](#)

(a) Given that $z_1 = 2e^{\frac{1}{6}\pi i}$ and $z_2 = 3e^{\frac{1}{4}\pi i}$, express $z_1 z_2$ and $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$ in the form $re^{i\theta}$, where $r > 0$ and $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$. [4]

(b) Given that $w = 2(\cos \frac{1}{8}\pi + i \sin \frac{1}{8}\pi)$, express w^{-5} in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$, where $r > 0$ and $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$. [3]

20. [June 2006 qu.7](#)

The series C and S are defined for $0 < \theta < \pi$ by

$$\begin{aligned} C &= 1 + \cos \theta + \cos 2\theta + \cos 3\theta + \cos 4\theta + \cos 5\theta, \\ S &= \sin \theta + \sin 2\theta + \sin 3\theta + \sin 4\theta + \sin 5\theta. \end{aligned}$$

(i) Show that $C + iS = \frac{e^{3i\theta} - e^{-3i\theta}}{e^{\frac{1}{2}i\theta} - e^{-\frac{1}{2}i\theta}} e^{\frac{5}{2}i\theta}$. [4]

(ii) Deduce that $C = \sin 3\theta \cos \frac{5}{2}\theta \operatorname{cosec} \frac{1}{2}\theta$ and write down the corresponding expression for S . [4]

(iii) Hence find the values of θ , in the range $0 < \theta < \pi$, for which $C = S$. [4]

21. [Jan 2006 qu. 4](#)

(i) By expressing $\cos \theta$ and $\sin \theta$ in terms of $e^{i\theta}$ and $e^{-i\theta}$, or otherwise, show that

$$\cos^2 \theta \sin^4 \theta = \frac{1}{32}(\cos 6\theta - 2\cos 4\theta - \cos 2\theta + 2) \quad [6]$$

(ii) Hence find the exact value of $\int_0^{\frac{1}{3}\pi} \cos^2 \theta \sin^4 \theta d\theta$. [3]

22. [Jan 2006 qu. 5](#)

(i) Solve the equation $z^4 = 64(\cos \pi + i \sin \pi)$, giving your answer in polar form. [2]

(ii) By writing your answer to part (i) in the form $x + iy$, find the four linear factors of $z^4 + 64$. [4]

(iii) Hence, or otherwise, express $z^4 + 64$ as the product of two real quadratic factors. [3]