

# COMPLEX NUMBERS

1) Sketch the following loci in separate Argand diagrams. Any relevant points or directions should be clearly indicated.

- a)  $|z| = 5$ ,                      b)  $|z - 2i| = 5$ ,                      c)  $|z - 4| \leq 2$ ,  
d)  $|z - 3 + 4i| = 5$ ,                  e)  $|z + 12 - 5i| = 13$ ,                  f)  $\arg(z) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ ,  
g)  $\arg(z - 2 - 3i) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ ,              h)  $\arg(z + 5 - 3i) = \frac{\pi}{6}$ ,              i)  $|z - 2| = |z - 2i|$ ,  
j)  $|z - 2| < |z - 2i|$ ,                  k)  $|z + 3 - 2i| = |z - 5 + 3i|$ .

2) A complex number  $z$  satisfies  $|z - 3 - 4i| = 2$ . Describe in geometrical terms, with the aid of a sketch, the locus of the point which represents  $z$  in an Argand diagram.

Find, i) the greatest value of  $|z|$ ,  
ii) the difference between the greatest and least values of  $\arg(z)$ .

3) Repeat question 2) for  $|z - 5 - 12i| = 4$ .

4) In an Argand diagram, the point  $P$  represents the complex number  $z$ . On a single diagram, illustrate the set of possible positions of  $P$  for each of the following cases. Any relevant points or directions should be clearly indicated.

- i)  $|z - 3i| \leq 3$ ,                      ii)  $\arg(z + 3 - 3i) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

Given that  $z$  satisfies both i) and ii), find the greatest possible value of  $|z|$ .

5) It is given that  $3 - i$  is a root of the quadratic equation  $z^2 - (a + bi)z + 4(1 + 3i) = 0$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are both real.

In either order,

- i) find  $a$  and  $b$ ,  
ii) find the other root of the equation, given that it is of the form  $ki$ , where  $k$  is real.

6) Given that  $z$  is a complex number such that  $z + 3z^* = 12 + 8i$ , find  $z$ , giving your answer in the form  $x + iy$ .  
**{Hint: substitute  $z = x + iy$ .}**

7) Given that  $|z - 5| = |z - 2 - 3i|$ , show on an Argand diagram the locus of the point which represents  $z$ . Any relevant points or directions should be clearly indicated.

Using your diagram, show that there is no value of  $z$  satisfying both

$|z - 5| = |z - 2 - 3i|$  and  $\arg(z) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . **{Hint: the locus of  $z$  is a straight line, find its gradient!}**

8) Given that  $(5 + 12i)z = 63 + 16i$ , express  $z$  in the form  $a + bi$  and hence find  $|z|$  and  $\arg(z)$ .

Given also that  $w = 3\left(\cos\frac{\pi}{3} + i\sin\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$ , find i)  $\left|\frac{z}{w}\right|$  and ii)  $\arg(zw)$ .

ANSWERS.

- 2) Circle centre (3, 4) radius 2 units.  
i) Greatest  $|z| = 7$ .    ii) 0.824 radians.
- 3) Circle centre (5, 12) radius 4 units.  
i) Greatest  $|z| = 17$ .    ii) 0.626 radians.
- 4) Greatest  $|z| = 6$ .
- 5) i)  $a = 3, b = 3$ .  
ii)  $4i$ .
- 6)  $z = 3 - 4i$ .
- 8)  $z = 3 - 4i$ .     $|z| = 5, \arg(z) = -0.927$  radians.  
i)  $\frac{5}{3}$ .  
ii) 1.974 radians.