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2.1) Argand diagrams

Worked example

Plot on an Argand diagram:

$$4 + 3i$$

$$-1 + i$$

$$-2i$$

$$-1 - 3i$$

Your turn

Plot on an Argand diagram:

$$8 + 6i$$

$$1 - i$$

$$-2$$

$$-1 + 3i$$

Worked example

Plot on an Argand diagram:

$$4 + 3i$$

$$3i - 4$$

$$3 - 4i$$

Your turn

Plot on an Argand diagram:

$$-4i + 3$$

2.2) Modulus and argument

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Worked example

Determine the modulus and argument:

$$4 + 3i$$

$$-1 + i$$

$$-2i$$

$$-1 - 3i$$

Your turn

Determine the modulus and argument:

$$8 + 6i$$

$$\text{Modulus} = 10$$

$$\text{Argument} = 0.644 \text{ (3 sf)}$$

$$1 - i$$

$$\text{Modulus} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{Argument} = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$-2$$

$$\text{Modulus} = 2$$

$$\text{Argument} = \pm\pi$$

$$-1 + 3i$$

$$\text{Modulus} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$\text{Argument} = 1.25 \text{ (3 sf)}$$

Worked example

$$z = 3 - 2i$$

Find:

a) z^2

b) $|z^2|$

c) $\arg(z^2)$

d) Show z and z^2 on an Argand diagram

Your turn

$$z = 2 - 3i$$

Find:

a) z^2

b) $|z^2|$

c) $\arg(z^2)$

d) Show z and z^2 on an Argand diagram

(a) $-5 - 12i$

(b) 13

(c) -1.97 (3 sf)

(d) Shown

Worked example

$$w = 2 + 3i$$

Given that $\arg(\lambda + 5i + w) = \frac{\pi}{4}$, where λ is a real constant, find the value of λ

Your turn

$$w = 2 + 5i$$

Given that $\arg(\lambda + 3i + w) = \frac{\pi}{4}$, where λ is a real constant, find the value of λ

$$\lambda = 6$$

Worked example

The complex numbers w and z are given by $w = k - i$ and $z = 3 - 5ki$, where k is a real constant. Given that $\arg(w + z) = \frac{\pi}{3}$, find the exact value of k

Your turn

The complex numbers w and z are given by $w = k + i$ and $z = -4 + 5ki$, where k is a real constant. Given that $\arg(w + z) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$, find the exact value of k

$$k = \frac{21\sqrt{3} - 17}{22}$$

Worked example

The complex numbers w and z are defined such that $\arg w = \frac{\pi}{20}$, $|w| = 3$ and $\arg z = \frac{7\pi}{20}$.

Given that $\arg(w + z) = \frac{\pi}{4}$, find the value of $|z|$

Your turn

The complex numbers w and z are defined such that $\arg w = \frac{\pi}{10}$, $|w| = 5$ and $\arg z = \frac{2\pi}{5}$.

Given that $\arg(w + z) = \frac{\pi}{5}$, find the value of $|z|$

2.63 (3 sf)

2.3) Modulus-argument form of complex numbers

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Worked example

Express $z = -1 + i$ in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ where $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$

Your turn

Express $z = -1 - i$ in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ where $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$

$$r = \sqrt{2} \left(\cos \left(-\frac{3\pi}{4} \right) + i \sin \left(-\frac{3\pi}{4} \right) \right)$$

Worked example

Express $z = -\sqrt{3} + i$ in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ where $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$

Your turn

Express $z = -1 - \sqrt{3}i$ in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ where $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$

$$r = 2 \left(\cos \left(-\frac{2\pi}{3} \right) + i \sin \left(-\frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \right)$$

Worked example

The complex number z is such that $|z| = 3$ and $\arg z = \frac{\pi}{4}$. Find z in the form $a + bi$, where a and b are exact real numbers to be found.

The complex number z is such that $|z| = 4$ and $\arg z = -\frac{3\pi}{4}$. Find z in the form $a + bi$, where a and b are exact real numbers to be found.

Your turn

The complex number z is such that $|z| = 5$ and $\arg z = \frac{3\pi}{4}$. Find z in the form $a + bi$, where a and b are exact real numbers to be found.

$$a = -\frac{5\sqrt{2}}{2}, b = \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

Worked example

$$z_1 = 6\left(\cos\frac{5\pi}{12} + i\sin\frac{5\pi}{12}\right)$$

$$z_2 = 3\left(\cos\frac{3\pi}{4} + i\sin\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$$

Find:

i) $|z_1 z_2|$

ii) $\arg(z_1 z_2)$

iii) $z_1 z_2$ in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$

iv) $z_1 z_2$ in the form $x + iy$

Your turn

$$z_1 = 8\left(\cos\frac{7\pi}{10} + i\sin\frac{7\pi}{10}\right)$$

$$z_2 = 4\left(\cos\frac{4\pi}{5} + i\sin\frac{4\pi}{5}\right)$$

Find:

i) $|z_1 z_2|$ 32

ii) $\arg(z_1 z_2)$ $-\frac{\pi}{2}$

iii) $z_1 z_2$ in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$

$$32\left(\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + i\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right)$$

iv) $z_1 z_2$ in the form $x + iy$

$$-32i$$

Worked example

$$z_1 = 6\left(\cos\frac{5\pi}{12} + i\sin\frac{5\pi}{12}\right)$$

$$z_2 = 3\left(\cos\frac{3\pi}{4} + i\sin\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$$

Find:

i) $\left|\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right|$

ii) $\arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)$

iii) $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$ in the form $r(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)$

iv) $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$ in the form $x + iy$

Your turn

$$z_1 = 8\left(\cos\frac{7\pi}{10} + i\sin\frac{7\pi}{10}\right)$$

$$z_2 = 4\left(\cos\frac{4\pi}{5} + i\sin\frac{4\pi}{5}\right)$$

Find:

i) $\left|\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right|$

2

ii) $\arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)$

$-\frac{\pi}{10}$

iii) $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$ in the form $r(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)$

$$2\left(\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{10}\right) + i\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{10}\right)\right)$$

iv) $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$ in the form $x + iy$

1.90 - 0.618i

Worked example

$$z_1 = 6\left(\cos\frac{5\pi}{12} - i\sin\frac{5\pi}{12}\right)$$

$$z_2 = 3\left(\cos\frac{3\pi}{4} + i\sin\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$$

Find:

i) $|z_1 z_2|$

ii) $\arg(z_1 z_2)$

iii) $z_1 z_2$ in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$

iv) $z_1 z_2$ in the form $x + iy$

Your turn

$$z_1 = 8\left(\cos\frac{7\pi}{10} + i\sin\frac{7\pi}{10}\right)$$

$$z_2 = 4\left(\cos\frac{4\pi}{5} - i\sin\frac{4\pi}{5}\right)$$

Find:

i) $|z_1 z_2|$ 32

ii) $\arg(z_1 z_2)$ $-\frac{\pi}{10}$

iii) $z_1 z_2$ in the form $r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$

$$32 \left(\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{10}\right) + i \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{10}\right) \right)$$

iv) $z_1 z_2$ in the form $x + iy$

$$30.4 - 9.89i$$

2.4) Loci in the Argand diagram

Worked example

Sketch the locus of points represented by
 $|z| = 3$

$$|z| = 4$$

Your turn

Sketch the locus of points represented by
 $|z| = 5$

Circle centre $(0, 0)$ radius 5
Cartesian equation: $x^2 + y^2 = 25$

Worked example

Sketch the locus of points represented by
 $|z + 3 - 5i| = 2$
and find its Cartesian equation

Sketch the locus of points represented by
 $|z - 3 + 5i| = 4$
and find its Cartesian equation

Your turn

Draw the locus of points that satisfy:
 $|z - 5 - 3i| = 6$
and find its Cartesian equation

Circle centre $(5, 3)$ radius 6
 $(x - 5)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 36$

Worked example

Sketch the locus of points represented by

$$|3 - z| = 5$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Sketch the locus of points represented by

$$|2i - z| = 4$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Sketch the locus of points represented by

$$|2 - 3i - z| = 2$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Your turn

Draw the locus of points that satisfy:

$$|3 - 2i - z| = 3$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Circle centre $(3, -2)$ radius 3

$$(x - 2)^2 + (y + 2)^2 = 9$$

Worked example

A complex number z is represented by the point P . Given that $|z - 3 + 5i| = 2$

- Sketch the locus of P
- Find the Cartesian equation of the locus.
- Find the maximum value of $\arg z$ in the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$
- Find the minimum and maximum values of $|z|$

Your turn

A complex number z is represented by the point P . Given that $|z - 5 - 3i| = 3$

- Sketch the locus of P
- Find the Cartesian equation of the locus.
- Find the maximum value of $\arg z$ in the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$
- Find the minimum and maximum values of $|z|$

(a) Circle centre $(5, 3)$ radius 3

(b) $(x - 5)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 36$

(c) 1.08 (3 sf)

(d) Max $|z| = \sqrt{34} + 3$

Min $|z| = \sqrt{34} - 3$

Worked example

Sketch the locus of points represented by
 $|z| = |z + 4i|$
and find its Cartesian equation

Sketch the locus of points represented by
 $|z| = |z - 5|$
and find its Cartesian equation

Your turn

Sketch the locus of points represented by
 $|z| = |z - 6i|$
and find its Cartesian equation

Perpendicular bisector of $(0, 0)$ and $(0, 6)$
 $y = 3$

Worked example

Sketch the locus of points represented by

$$|z - 3i| = |z + 1|$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Your turn

Sketch the locus of points represented by

$$|z - 3| = |z + i|$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Perpendicular bisector of $(3, 0)$ and $(0, -1)$

$$y = -3x + 4$$

Worked example

Find the Cartesian equation of the locus of z if $|z - 3i| = |z + 1|$ and sketch the locus of z on an Argand diagram.

Hence, find the least possible value of $|z|$.

Your turn

Find the Cartesian equation of the locus of z if $|z - 3| = |z + i|$, and sketch the locus of z on an Argand diagram.

Hence, find the least possible value of $|z|$.

$$\frac{2\sqrt{10}}{5}$$

Worked example

Given that the complex number z satisfies the equation $|z - 8 + 6i| = 5$, find the minimum value of $|z|$ and the maximum.

Your turn

Given that the complex number z satisfies the equation $|z - 12 - 5i| = 3$, find the minimum value of $|z|$ and the maximum.

Minimum = 10

Maximum = 16

Worked example

Sketch the locus of points represented by

$$\arg(z) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Sketch the locus of points represented by

$$\arg(z) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Your turn

Sketch the locus of points represented by

$$\arg(z) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Half-line from origin $(0, 0)$

$$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x, \quad x > 0, y > 0$$

Worked example

Sketch the locus of points represented by

$$\arg(z - 2 + 3i) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Your turn

Sketch the locus of points represented by

$$\arg(z + 3 + 2i) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

and find its Cartesian equation

Half-line from $(-3, -2)$

$$y = -x - 5, \quad x < -3, y > -2$$

Worked example

Find the complex number z which satisfies both $|z + 3 - 2i| = 50$ and $\arg(z + 3 - 2i) = \frac{\pi}{4}$

Your turn

Find the complex number z which satisfies both $|z + 3 + 2i| = 10$ and $\arg(z + 3 + 2i) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$

$$z = (-3 - 5\sqrt{2}) + i(-2 + 5\sqrt{2})$$

Worked example

If the complex number z satisfies both $\arg z = \frac{\pi}{4}$ and $\arg(z - 3) = \frac{\pi}{2}$,

- (a) Find the value of z
- (b) Hence, find $\arg(z - 6)$

Your turn

If the complex number z satisfies both $\arg z = \frac{\pi}{3}$ and $\arg(z - 4) = \frac{\pi}{2}$,

- (a) Find the value of z
- (b) Hence, find $\arg(z - 8)$

(a) $z = 4 + 4\sqrt{3}i$

(b) $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

Worked example

Given $|z + 4 - 8i| = 3$, show that the maximum value of $\arg(z + 12 - 5i)$ in the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$ is $2 \arcsin\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{73}}\right)$

Your turn

Given $|z + 8 - 4i| = 2$, show that the maximum value of $\arg(z + 15 - 2i)$ in the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$ is $2 \arcsin\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{53}}\right)$

Shown

2.5) Regions in the Argand diagram

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Worked example

On an Argand diagram, shade the region for which

$$|z - 3 + 5i| \leq 4$$

Your turn

On an Argand diagram, shade the region for which

$$|z + 3 - 5i| \leq 2$$

Inside of solid-lined circle, centre $(3, -5)$,
radius 2

Worked example

On an Argand diagram, shade the region for which

$$2 \leq |z - 3 + 5i| \leq 4$$

$$2 < |z - 3 - 5i| \leq 4$$

Your turn

On an Argand diagram, shade the region for which

$$2 \leq |z + 3 - 5i| < 4$$

Region enclosed between two circles.
One solid-lined circle centred $(-3, 5)$ radius 2
One dotted-lined circle centred $(-3, 5)$ radius
4

Worked example

On an Argand diagram, shade the region for which

$$|z - 3| < |z - 5|$$

$$|z - 3i| > |z + 5|$$

Your turn

On an Argand diagram, shade the region for which

$$|z + 3| < |z - 5i|$$

Dotted line perpendicular bisector of $(-3, 0)$ and $(0, 5)$. Shaded below the line

Worked example

On an Argand diagram, shade the region for which

$$\{z \in \mathbb{C}: |z - 4| \leq |z - 8 - 6i|\} \cap \{z \in \mathbb{C}: 0 \leq \arg(z - 2 - 4i) \leq \frac{\pi}{4}\}$$

Your turn

On an Argand diagram, shade the region for which

$$\{z \in \mathbb{C}: |z - 2| \leq |z - 6 - 8i|\} \cap \{z \in \mathbb{C}: 0 \leq \arg(z - 4 - 2i) \leq \frac{\pi}{2}\}$$

Shaded region in first quadrant enclosed by half lines $x = 4$ and $y = 2$ both extending from $(4, 2)$ and perpendicular bisector of $(2, 0)$ and $(6, 8)$ $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 6$

Worked example

On an Argand diagram, shade the region for which

$$0 \leq \arg(z - 3 - 5i) \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\arg(z - 3 + 5i) > \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Your turn

On an Argand diagram, shade the region for which

$$0 \leq \arg(z + 3 - 5i) \leq \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Shaded between two solid half-lines.
First half-line horizontal from point $(3, -5)$ in
4th quadrant only
Second half-line from point $(3, -5)$ at angle
of $\frac{\pi}{3}$ to the horizontal