

## 4 Unit Math Homework for Year 12

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# 1 Topic 1 — Complex Numbers Part 4

## 1.12 Curves and regions in the Argand diagram

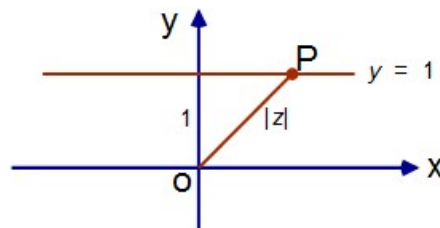
**Definition:** Let  $P$  be the representation on an Argand diagram of a complex number  $z$  which satisfies the equation  $\Re z = 3$ .

Let  $z = x + iy$ . Then  $\Re z = 3 \Rightarrow x = 3 \Rightarrow P$  lies in the line  $x = 3$ .

$\therefore$  the equation  $\Re z = 3$  defines the line  $x = 3$  in the Argand diagram.

**Example 1.12.1** Sketch the curve in the Argand diagram defined by the equation  $\text{Im}(z - 1 + 3i) = 4$ . Find the minimum value of  $|z|$  subject to this condition and state the value of  $z$  of  $z$  which this minimum is attained.

**Solution:**



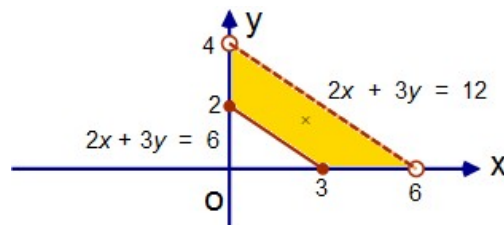
Let  $z = x + iy$ . then  $z - 1 + 3i = (x - 1) + i(y + 3)$ ,

$\therefore \text{Im}(z - 1 + 3i) = 4, \Rightarrow y + 3 = 4, \Rightarrow y = 1$ .

The curve has Cartesian equation  $y = 1$ .

**Example 1.12.2** Sketch the region in the Argand diagram defined by  $6 \leq \Re [(2 - 3i)z] < 12$  and  $\Re z \cdot \text{Im} z \geq 0$ .

**Solution:**



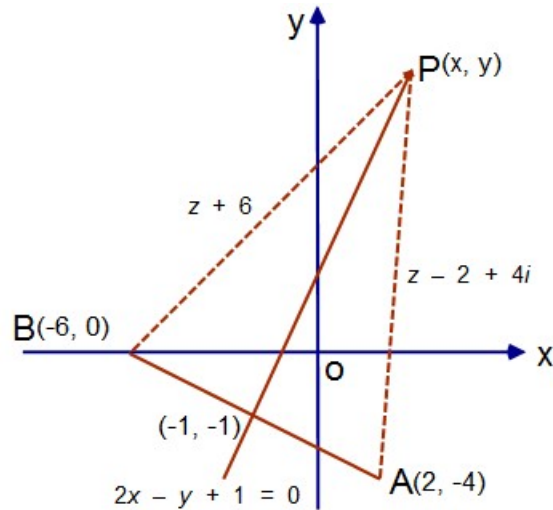
Let  $z = x + iy$ . Then  $(2 - 3i)(x + iy) = (2x + 3y) + i(2y - 3x)$ .

$6 \leq \Re [(2 - 3i)z] < 12 \Rightarrow 6 \leq 2x + 3y < 12$ ,

and  $\Re z \cdot \text{Im} z \geq 0 \Rightarrow xy \geq 0$ .

**Example 1.12.3**  $z$  satisfies  $|z - 2 + 4i| = |z + 6|$ . Sketch the locus of the point  $P$  representing  $z$  in the Argand diagram and find its Cartesian equation. Hence find the minimum value of  $|z|$ .

**Solution:**



Let  $P$  and  $A$  and  $B$  represent  $z$ ,  $2 - 4i$  and  $-6$  respectively.

Then  $\overrightarrow{AP}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{BP}$  represent  $z - (2 - 4i)$ ,  $z - (-6)$ ,

and  $|z - 2 + 4i| = |z + 6| \Rightarrow AP = BP$ .

The locus of  $P$  is the perpendicular bisector of  $AB$ .

Since  $AB$  has midpoint  $(-1, -1)$  and gradient  $-\frac{1}{2}$ ,

the locus of  $P$  passes through  $(-1, -1)$  with gradient  $2$

and has Cartesian equation  $2x - y + 1 = 0$ .

Now  $OP = |z|$ . Hence the minimum value of  $|z|$  is perpendicular distance from  $(0, 0)$  to the locus of  $P$ .

Therefore the minimum value of  $|z|$  is  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$ .

**Exercise 1.12.1 Sketch the locus specified by:**

1.  $|z| \leq |z - 2|$  and  $-\frac{\pi}{4} \leq \arg(z) \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

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2.  $\operatorname{Re}\left(z - \frac{1}{z}\right) = 0$ , (state the equation(s) of the locus).

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3. Sketch on an Argand diagram the locus of the point  $P$  representing  $z$ , given that  $|z|^2 = z + \bar{z} + 1$ .

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### 1.13 Past HSC Exam Questions

**Exercise 1.13.1** Let  $z = 3 + i$  and  $w = 1 - i$ . Find in the form  $x + iy$ ,

1.  $2z + iw$

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2.  $\bar{z}w$

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3.  $\frac{6}{w}$ .

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**Exercise 1.13.2** Let  $\beta = 1 - i\sqrt{3}$

1. Express  $\beta$  in modulus-argument form.

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2. Express  $\beta^7$  in modulus-argument form.

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3. Hence express  $\beta^7$  in the form  $x + iy$ .

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**Exercise 1.13.3** Sketch the region on the Argand diagram where the inequalities  $|z - \bar{z}| < 2$  and  $|z - 1| \geq 1$  hold simultaneously.

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**Exercise 1.13.4** Let  $\ell$  be the line in the complex plane that passes through the origin and makes an angle  $\alpha$  with the positive real axis, where  $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$ . The point P represents the complex number  $z_1$  where  $0 < \arg(z_1) < \alpha$ . The point P is reflected in the line  $\ell$  to produce the point Q, where represents the complex number  $z_2$ . Hence  $|z_1| = |z_2|$ .

1. Explain why  $\arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2) = 2\alpha$ .

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2. Deduce the  $z_1 z_2 = |z_1|^2 (\cos 2\alpha + i \sin 2\alpha)$ .

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3. Let  $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{4}$  and let R be the point that represents the complex number  $z_1 z_2$ . Describe the locus of R as  $z_1$  varies.

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**Exercise 1.13.6**

1. Evaluate  $\arg[(2 + i)\bar{\omega}]$ , given that  $\omega = -1 - 3i$ .

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2. Write  $x^2 - 12x + 48$  as the product of two linear factors.

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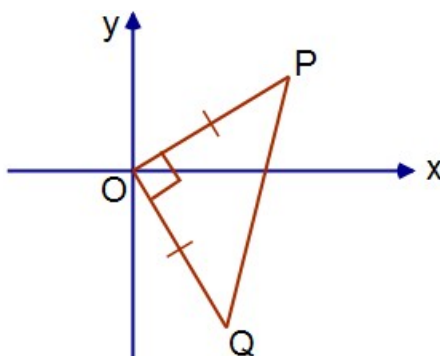


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3. In the diagram given below, triangle  $POQ$  is an isosceles right-angled triangle. If  $P$  represents the complex number  $a + bi$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are real, find the complex number represented by  $Q$ .




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**Exercise 1.13.7**

1. Find, in modulus-argument form, the three cube roots of -8.

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2. Write the two unreal cube roots of -8 in the form  $a + bi$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are real.

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3. If  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  are the unreal cube roots of -8, show that  $\omega_1^{6n} + \omega_2^{6n} = 2^{6n+1}$  for all integers  $n$ .

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**Exercise 1.13.8**

1. Express  $\sqrt{3} + i$  and  $\sqrt{3} - i$  in modulus -argument form.

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2. Hence, simplify  $(\sqrt{3} + i)^{15} + (\sqrt{3} - i)^{15}$ .

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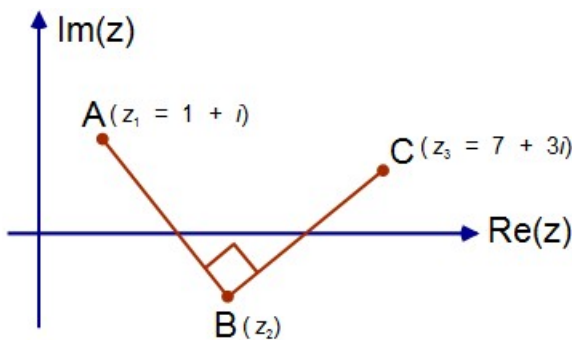
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3. The points A and C represent the complex numbers  $z_1 = 1 + i$  and  $z_3 = 7 + 3i$ . Find the complex number  $z_2$  represented by B such that  $\triangle ABC$  is isosceles and right angled at B.




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