

Topic :- COMPLEX NUMBERS AND QUADRATIC EQUATIONS

1 (a)

CASE I When $x^2 + 4x + 3 \geq 0$ i.e. $x \leq -3$ or $x \geq -1$

In this case, we have

$$|x^2 + 4x + 3| = x^2 + 4x + 3$$

$$\therefore |x^2 + 4x + 3| + (2x + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 4x + 3 + 2x + 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -2, -4 \Rightarrow x = -4 \quad [\because x \leq -3 \text{ or } x \geq -1]$$

CASE II When $x^2 + 4x + 3 < 0$ i.e. $-3 < x < -1$

In this case, we have

$$|x^2 + 4x + 3| = -(x^2 + 4x + 3)$$

$$\therefore |x^2 + 4x + 3| + (2x + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -x^2 - 4x - 3 + 2x + 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -x^2 - 2x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-2 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{2} = -1 \pm \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1 - \sqrt{3} \quad [\because -3 < x < -1]$$

2 (d)

$$\text{Given, } x = \frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{2 - \sqrt{3}} = \frac{(2 + \sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{3})}{(2 - \sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{3})}$$

$$= 2 + \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore x^2(x - 4)^4 = (2 + \sqrt{3})^2(2 + \sqrt{3} - 4)^2$$

$$= (\sqrt{3} + 2)^2(\sqrt{3} - 2)^2$$

$$= [(\sqrt{3})^2 - (2)^2]^2$$

$$= (-1)^2 = 1$$

3 (d)

We have, $|\lambda_1 a_1 + \lambda_2 a_2 + \dots + \lambda_n a_n|$

$$\leq |\lambda_1 a_1| + |\lambda_2 a_2| + \dots + |\lambda_n a_n|$$

$$= |\lambda_1| |a_1| + \dots + |\lambda_n| |a_n|$$

$$= \lambda_1 |a_1| + \dots + \lambda_n |a_n| \quad (\because \text{each } \lambda_k \geq 0)$$

$$< \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n$$

($\because |a_k| < 1$ and so $\lambda_k |a_k| < \lambda_k$ for all $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$)

Hence, $|\lambda_1 a_1 + \lambda_2 a_2 + \dots + \lambda_n a_n| < 1$

4 (a)

It is given that $\tan \alpha$ and $\tan \beta$ are the roots of the equation $x^2 + px + q = 0$

$$\therefore \tan \alpha + \tan \beta = -p \text{ and } \tan \alpha \tan \beta = q$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{1 - \tan \alpha \tan \beta} = \frac{-p}{1 - q} = \frac{p}{q - 1}$$

The LHS of choice (a) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} &= \cos^2(\alpha + \beta) \{ \tan^2(\alpha + \beta) + p \tan(\alpha + \beta) + q \} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + \tan^2(\alpha + \beta)} \{ \tan^2(\alpha + \beta) + p \tan(\alpha + \beta) + q \} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + \frac{p^2}{(q-1)^2}} \left\{ \frac{p^2}{(q-1)^2} + \frac{p^2}{q-1} + q \right\} = q \end{aligned}$$

So, option (a) is correct

5 (c)

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{5} + i \left(1 - \cos \frac{\pi}{5} \right)$$

$$= 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{10} \cdot \cos \frac{\pi}{10} + i 2 \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{10}$$

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

$$\therefore \tan \theta = \frac{\sin \frac{\pi}{10}}{\cos \frac{\pi}{10}} = \tan \frac{\pi}{10} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{10}$$

6 (b)

We know that, sum of any four consecutive powers of i is zero

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sum_{n=1}^{13} (i^n + i^{n+1}) &= (i + i^2 + \dots + i^{13}) + (i^2 + i^3 + \dots + i^{14}) \\ &= i^{13} + i^{14} \\ &= i - 1 \end{aligned}$$

7 (a)

$$\log_3 x + \log_3 \sqrt{x} + \log_3 \sqrt[4]{x} + \log_3 \sqrt[8]{x} + \dots = 4$$

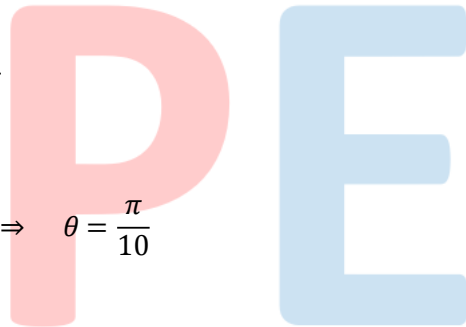
$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x + \frac{1}{2} + \log_3 x + \frac{1}{4} \log_3 x + \frac{1}{8} \log_3 x + \dots = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots \right] = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x \left[\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \right] = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_3 x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3^2 = 9$$



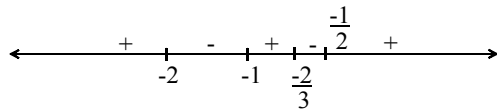
8 (d)

We have,

$$\frac{2x}{2x^2 + 5x + 2} > \frac{1}{x + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x}{2x^2 + 5x + 2} - \frac{1}{x + 1} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x^2 + 2x - 2x^2 - 5x - 2}{(x + 1)(2x + 1)(x + 2)} > 0$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{3x + 2}{(x + 1)(2x + 1)(x + 2)} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (-2, -1) \cup (-2/3, -1/2)$$

9 (c)

Let α, β be the roots of the equation $x^2 + px + 8 = 0$

Then, $\alpha + \beta = -p$ and $\alpha\beta = 8$

Now,

$$\alpha - \beta = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta = (2)^2 \Rightarrow p^2 - 32 = 4 \Rightarrow p = \pm 6$$

10 (d)

Let α be a common root of the equations $x^2 + ax + 10 = 0$ and $x^2 + bx - 10 = 0$. Then,

$$\alpha^2 + a\alpha + 10 = 10$$

$$\text{and, } \alpha^2 + b\alpha - 10 = 0$$

Adding and subtracting these two equations, we get

$$2\alpha^2 + \alpha(a + b) = 0 \text{ and } (a - b)\alpha + 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -\frac{a + b}{2} \text{ and } \alpha = -\frac{20}{a - b}$$

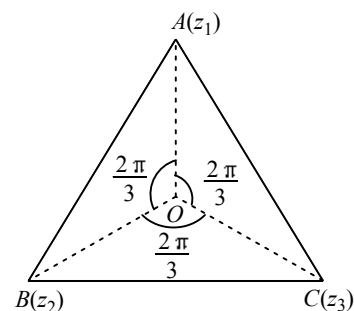
$$\Rightarrow -\frac{a + b}{2} = -\frac{20}{a - b} \Rightarrow a^2 - b^2 = 40$$

11 (a)

We have,

$$|z_1| = |z_2| = |z_3|$$

$\Rightarrow OA = OB = OC$, where O is the origin



\Rightarrow Circumcentre of ΔABC is at the origin

But, the triangle is equilateral. Therefore, its centroid coincides with the circumcentre

Thus,

$$\frac{z_1 + z_2 + z_3}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 0$$

$$\text{Clearly, } z_2 = z_1 e^{i2\pi/3} = z_1 \omega \text{ and } z_3 = z_1 e^{i4\pi/3} = z_1 \omega^2$$

Let OA be along x -axis such that $OA = 1$ unit. Then, $z_1 = 1$

$$\therefore z_2 = \omega \text{ and } z_3 = \omega^2$$

$$\text{Hence, } z_1 z_2 z_3 = \omega^2 = 1$$

Thus, we have

$$z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 0 \text{ and } z_1 z_2 z_3 = 1$$

12 (c)

We have,

$$\sqrt{x + iy} = \pm (a + ib)$$

$$\Rightarrow x + iy = a^2 - b^2 + 2iab$$

$$\Rightarrow x = a^2 - b^2, y = 2ab$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{-x - iy} = \sqrt{-(a^2 - b^2) - 2iab}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{-x - iy} = \sqrt{b^2 - a^2 - 2iab} = \sqrt{(b - ia)^2} = \pm (b - ia)$$

13 (c)

Since, α, β are the roots of the equation $x^2 + px + q = 0$, then

$$\alpha + \beta = p, \alpha\beta = q \dots(i)$$

and α^4, β^4 are the roots of $x^2 - rx + s = 0$.

$$\text{Then, } \alpha^4 + \beta^4 = r \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{and } \alpha^4 \beta^4 = s$$

If D is discriminant of the equation $x^2 - 4qx + 2q^2 - r = 0$,

$$\text{Then } D = 16q^2 - 4(2q^2 - r) = 8q^2 + 4r$$

$$= 8\alpha^2\beta^2 + 4(\alpha^4 + \beta^4) \text{ [from Eqs. (i) and (ii)]}$$

$$= 4(\alpha^2\beta^2)^2 \geq 0$$

Hence, the equation $x^2 - 4qx + 2q^2 - r = 0$ has always two real roots.

14 (a)

Since, a, b and c are the sides of a ΔABC , then

$$|a - b| < |c| \Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 - 2ab < c^2$$

$$\text{Similarly, } b^2 + c^2 - 2bc < a^2, \quad c^2 + a^2 - 2ca < b^2$$

On adding, we get

$$(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) < 2(ab + bc + ca)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{ab + bc + ca} < 2 \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Also, } D \geq 0, (a + b + c)^2 - 3\lambda(ab + bc + ca) \geq 0$$

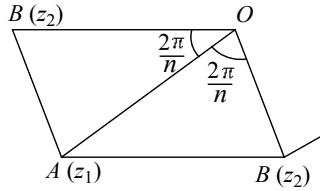
$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{ab + bc + ca} > 3\lambda - 2 \dots(ii)$$

From Eqs. (i) and (ii),

$$3\lambda - 2 < 2 \Rightarrow \lambda < \frac{4}{3}$$

15 (a)

Let A be the vertex with affix z_1 . There are two possibilities of z_2 i.e., z_2 can be obtained by rotating z_1 through $\frac{2\pi}{n}$ either in clockwise or in anti-clockwise direction.



$$\therefore \frac{z_2}{z_1} = \left| \frac{z_2}{z_1} \right| e^{\pm i \frac{2\pi}{n}}$$

$$\Rightarrow z_2 = z_1 \left(\cos \frac{2\pi}{n} \pm i \sin \frac{2\pi}{n} \right) \quad (\because |z_2| = |z_1|)$$

16 (d)

Given, $z = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta = e^{i\theta}$

$$\therefore \sum_{m=1}^{15} \operatorname{Im}(z^{2m-1}) = \sum_{m=1}^{15} \operatorname{Im}(e^{i\theta})^{2m-1}$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^{15} \operatorname{Im} e^{i(2m-1)\theta}$$

$$= \sin \theta + \sin 3\theta + \sin 5\theta + \dots + \sin 29\theta$$

$$= \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\theta + 29\theta}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{15 \times 2\theta}{2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{2\theta}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\sin(15\theta) \sin(15\theta)}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1}{4 \sin 2^\circ}$$

17 (d)

We have,

$$2z^2 + 2z + a = 0 \Rightarrow z = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 8a}}{4} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 2a}}{2}$$

For z to be non-real, we must have

$$4 - 8a < 0 \Rightarrow a > \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Let } z_1 = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{1 - 2a}}{2} \text{ and } z_2 = \frac{-1 - \sqrt{1 - 2a}}{2}$$

Now, origin and points representing z_1 and z_2 will form an equilateral triangle in the argand plane, if

$$z_1^2 + z_2^2 = z_1 z_2 \quad [\because z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 = z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1]$$

$$\Rightarrow (z_1 + z_2)^2 = 3 z_1 z_2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{3a}{2} \Rightarrow a = \frac{2}{3}$$

Clearly, $a = 2/3$ satisfies the condition $a > 1/2$
Hence, $a = 2/3$

18 (c)

Let P, A, B represent complex numbers $z, 1 + 0i, -1 + 0i$ respectively, then

$$|z - 1| + |z + 1| \leq 4 \Rightarrow PA + PB \leq 4$$

$\Rightarrow P$ moves in such a way that the sum of its distance from two fixed points is always less than or equal to 4

\Rightarrow Locus of P is the interior and boundary of ellipse having foci at $(1, 0)$ and $(-1, 0)$

19 (b)

On comparing the given circle with $\left| \frac{z - \alpha}{z - \beta} \right| = k$, we get

$$\alpha = i, \beta = -i, k = 5$$

$$\therefore \text{Radius} = \left| \frac{k(\alpha - \beta)}{1 - k^2} \right| = \left| \frac{5(i + i)}{1 - 25} \right| = \frac{5}{12}$$

20 (d)

We have,

$$(z + \alpha\beta)^3 = \alpha^3 \Rightarrow z = \alpha - \alpha\beta, z = \alpha\omega - \alpha\beta, z = \alpha\omega^2 - \alpha\beta$$

Thus, the vertices A, B and C of ΔABC are respectively, $\alpha - \alpha\beta, \alpha\omega - \alpha\beta$ and $\alpha\omega^2 - \alpha\beta$

Clearly, $AB = BC = AC = |\alpha| |1 - \omega| = \sqrt{3} |\alpha|$

ANSWER-KEY

Q.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A.	A	D	D	A	C	B	A	D	C	D
Q.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
A.	A	C	C	A	A	D	D	C	B	D

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