

18.04 PROBLEM SET 1
DUE IN CLASS, FEBRUARY 19TH, 2019

1.1) (30: 10,10,10 points)

- (a) Let $z_1 = 1 + i$, $z_2 = 1 + 3i$. Compute $z_1 z_2$, z_1/z_2 , $z_1^{z_2}$ (use the principal branch of \log).

(Give $z_1 z_2$ and z_1/z_2 in standard rectangular form and $z_1^{z_2}$ in polar form.)

- (b) Compute all the values of i^i . Say which one comes from the principal branch of \log .

(Give all your answers in standard form.)

Is it surprising that i^i is real?

- (c) Let $z = 1 + i\sqrt{3}$.

(i) Compute z^8 . *(Give your answer in standard form.)*

(ii) Find all the 4th roots of z .

1.2) (15: 5,5,5 points)

- (a) Show $\overline{e^z} = e^{\bar{z}}$.

- (b) Show that if $|z| = 1$ then $z^{-1} = \bar{z}$.

- (c) Let $\frac{x+iy}{x-iy} = a + ib$. Show that $a^2 + b^2 = 1$.

Hint: This takes one line if you look at it right. Think polar form.

1.3) (15: 5,10 points)

- (a) Sketch the curve $z = e^{t(1+i)}$, where $-\infty < t < \infty$.

- (b) Consider the mapping $z \rightarrow w = z^2$. Draw the image in the w -plane of the triangular region in the z -plane with vertices 0, 1 and i .

1.4) (10 points)

Let $z_k = e^{2\pi i/n}$. Show

$$1 + z_k + z_k^2 + z_k^3 + \dots + z_k^{n-1} = 0$$

Hint: The polynomial $z^n - 1$ has one easy root. Use that to factor it into a linear term and a degree $n - 1$ term.

1.5) (20 points)

Consider the mapping $w = e^z$.

- (i) Sketch in the w -plane the image under this mapping of vertical lines in the z -plane.

(ii) On the same graph sketch the image of horizontal lines.

Show enough lines to give a good idea of what's happening.

(iii) Show (argue either geometrically or analytically) that the images of a vertical and a horizontal lines meet at right angles.