

# Complex Numbers for JEE Main Preparation

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**In-Depth Theory, Hard-Level Examples, and Exercises**

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## Chapter Synopsis

This booklet provides a rigorous study of “Complex Numbers” for JEE Main, with a focus on advanced concepts and challenging problems. It includes:

- **Comprehensive Theory:** Detailed explanations with geometric insights and proofs.
- **Hard-Level Examples:** JEE Main/Advanced-style problems with step-by-step solutions.
- **Pattern-Based Exercises:** High-difficulty problems, including MCQs, integer-type, and assertion-reason questions.
- **Applications:** Real-world and geometric applications.

## 1 Introduction to Complex Numbers

A complex number  $z = a + bi$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, i = \sqrt{-1}$ , represents a point  $(a, b)$  in the complex plane. The real part is  $\operatorname{Re}(z) = a$ , and the imaginary part is  $\operatorname{Im}(z) = b$ .

### 1.1 Imaginary Unit

$$i^2 = -1, \quad i^3 = -i, \quad i^4 = 1, \quad i^n = i^{n \bmod 4}$$

Equality:  $a + bi = c + di$  if  $a = c, b = d$ .

#### Example 1 (Hard)

Solve for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ :  $(x + yi)^2 + 2(x - yi) = 5 + i$ .

**Solution:** Let  $z = x + yi$ , so  $\bar{z} = x - yi$ . The equation becomes:

$$z^2 + 2\bar{z} = 5 + i$$

Compute  $z^2 = (x + yi)^2 = x^2 - y^2 + 2xyi$ , and  $2\bar{z} = 2x - 2yi$ . Equate real and imaginary parts:

$$x^2 - y^2 + 2x = 5, \quad 2xy - 2y = 1$$

Solving yields a quartic equation:  $4t^4 + 16t^3 + 12t^2 - 1 = 0$ .

**Answer:** Requires numerical solver; approximate solutions exist.

### Example 2 (Hard)

Solve  $(2x + yi)^2 = 9 + 40i$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Solution:** Let  $z = 2x + yi$ . Then:

$$z^2 = (2x + yi)^2 = 4x^2 - y^2 + 4xyi = 9 + 40i$$

Equate parts:  $4x^2 - y^2 = 9$ ,  $4xy = 40$ . Thus,  $y = \frac{10}{x}$ . Substitute:

$$4x^2 - \frac{100}{x^2} = 9 \implies 4x^4 - 100 = 9x^2 \implies 4x^4 - 9x^2 - 100 = 0$$

Solve:  $x^2 = \frac{9 \pm \sqrt{81 + 1600}}{8} = 25, -\frac{16}{4}$ . Thus,  $x = \pm 5$ ,  $y = \pm 2$ .

**Answer:**  $(x, y) = (5, 2), (-5, -2)$ .

### Example 3 (Hard)

Find  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $(x + yi) + (x - yi)^2 = 3 + 4i$ .

**Solution:** Let  $z = x + yi$ ,  $\bar{z} = x - yi$ . The equation is:

$$z + \bar{z}^2 = 3 + 4i$$

Since  $\bar{z} = x - yi$ ,  $\bar{z}^2 = (x - yi)^2 = x^2 - y^2 - 2xyi$ . Then:

$$(x + yi) + (x^2 - y^2 - 2xyi) = (x + x^2 - y^2) + (y - 2xy)i = 3 + 4i$$

Equate:  $x + x^2 - y^2 = 3$ ,  $y - 2xy = 4$ . From the second,  $y(1 - 2x) = 4$ . Solve numerically or test:  $x = -1$ ,  $y = -2$  satisfies.

**Answer:**  $(x, y) = (-1, -2)$ .

### Example 4 (Hard)

Solve  $(x + yi)^3 = 8i$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Solution:** Let  $z = x + yi$ . Then  $z^3 = 8i = 8e^{i\pi/2}$ . The cube roots are:

$$z = 2e^{i(\pi/6 + 2k\pi/3)}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2$$

For  $k = 1$ ,  $\theta = \pi/6 + 2\pi/3 = 5\pi/6$ ,  $z = 2(\cos \frac{5\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{6}) = -\sqrt{3} + i$ .

**Answer:**  $(x, y) = (-\sqrt{3}, 1)$ .

### Example 5 (Hard)

Solve  $(x + yi)^2 = x - yi$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Solution:** Let  $z = x + yi$ . Then:

$$z^2 = \bar{z} \implies (x + yi)^2 = x - yi \implies x^2 - y^2 + 2xyi = x - yi$$

Equate:  $x^2 - y^2 = x$ ,  $2xy = -y$ . From the second,  $y(2x + 1) = 0$ . If  $y = 0$ , then  $x^2 = x \implies x = 0, 1$ . If  $2x + 1 = 0$ ,  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ , then  $y^2 = -\frac{1}{2}$ , impossible. Solutions:  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ .

**Answer:**  $(x, y) = (0, 0), (1, 0)$ .

## 2 Arithmetic Operations on Complex Numbers

For  $z_1 = a + bi$ ,  $z_2 = c + di$ :

- **Addition:**  $z_1 + z_2 = (a + c) + (b + d)i$
- **Subtraction:**  $z_1 - z_2 = (a - c) + (b - d)i$
- **Multiplication:**  $z_1 z_2 = (ac - bd) + (ad + bc)i$
- **Division:**  $\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{(ac+bd)+(bc-ad)i}{c^2+d^2}$

### Example 1 (Hard)

If  $z = \frac{(1+i)^3}{(2-i)^2}$ , find  $z$ .

**Solution:**

$$(1+i)^3 = -2 + 2i, \quad (2-i)^2 = 3 - 4i, \quad z = \frac{-2 + 2i}{3 - 4i} = -\frac{14}{25} - \frac{2}{25}i$$

**Answer:**  $-\frac{14}{25} - \frac{2}{25}i$ .

### Example 2 (Hard)

Compute  $\frac{(2+3i)^2}{(1+i)}$ .

**Solution:**

$$(2+3i)^2 = 4+12i-9 = -5+12i, \quad \frac{-5+12i}{1+i} \cdot \frac{1-i}{1-i} = \frac{(-5+12i)(1-i)}{2} = \frac{-5+5i+12i+12}{2} = \frac{7+17i}{2}$$

**Answer:**  $\frac{7}{2} + \frac{17}{2}i$ .

### Example 3 (Hard)

Find  $\frac{(3-i)^3}{(2+i)^2}$ .

**Solution:**

$$(3-i)^3 = 27 - 27i + 9i^2 - i^3 = 18 - 26i, \quad (2+i)^2 = 4 + 4i - 1 = 3 + 4i$$
$$\frac{18-26i}{3+4i} \cdot \frac{3-4i}{3-4i} = \frac{(18-26i)(3-4i)}{25} = \frac{54-72i-78i-104}{25} = \frac{-50-150i}{25} = -2-6i$$

**Answer:**  $-2 - 6i$ .

### Example 4 (Hard)

Compute  $(1+2i)^2(3-i)$ .

**Solution:**

$$(1+2i)^2 = 1 + 4i - 4 = -3 + 4i, \quad (-3+4i)(3-i) = -9 + 3i + 12i + 4 = -5 + 15i$$

**Answer:**  $-5 + 15i$ .

### Example 5 (Hard)

Find  $\frac{1+i}{2-3i} + \frac{2-i}{1+i}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1+i}{2-3i} \cdot \frac{2+3i}{2+3i} &= \frac{(1+i)(2+3i)}{13} = \frac{-1+5i}{13}, & \frac{2-i}{1+i} \cdot \frac{1-i}{1-i} &= \frac{(2-i)(1-i)}{2} = \frac{1-3i}{2} \\ \frac{-1+5i}{13} + \frac{1-3i}{2} &= \frac{-2+10i+13-39i}{26} = \frac{11-29i}{26}\end{aligned}$$

**Answer:**  $\frac{11}{26} - \frac{29}{26}i$ .

## 3 Modulus and Argument

For  $z = a + bi$ :

- **Modulus:**  $|z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$
- **Argument:**  $\theta = \arg(z) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$ , adjusted by quadrant.

### Example 1 (Hard)

If  $|z-1| = |z+i|$ , find  $\arg(z)$ .

**Solution:** Let  $z = x + yi$ . Then:

$$\sqrt{(x-1)^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + (y+1)^2} \implies y = -x$$

Thus,  $z = x(1-i)$ , and  $\arg(z) = \tan^{-1}(-1) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$ .

**Answer:**  $-\frac{\pi}{4}$ .

### Example 2 (Hard)

If  $|z-2i| = |z+2i|$ , find  $\arg(z)$ .

**Solution:** Let  $z = x + yi$ . Then:

$$\sqrt{x^2 + (y-2)^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + (y+2)^2} \implies x^2 + y^2 - 4y + 4 = x^2 + y^2 + 4y + 4 \implies y = 0$$

Thus,  $z = x$ , and  $\arg(z) = 0$ .

**Answer:** 0.

### Example 3 (Hard)

Find  $\arg(z)$  if  $|z-3| = |z-i|$ .

**Solution:** Let  $z = x + yi$ . Then:

$$\sqrt{(x-3)^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + (y-1)^2} \implies x^2 - 6x + 9 + y^2 = x^2 + y^2 - 2y + 1 \implies x + y = 2$$

Thus,  $z = x + (2-x)i$ ,  $\arg(z) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2-x}{x}\right)$ . For  $x = 1$ ,  $\arg(z) = \tan^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

**Answer:**  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  (for  $x = 1$ ).

### Example 4 (Hard)

If  $|z| = 3$ , find  $\arg(z + 3)$ .

**Solution:** Let  $z = 3e^{i\theta}$ . Then  $z + 3 = 3(e^{i\theta} + 1) = 3(1 + \cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ . The argument is:

$$\arg(z + 3) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) = \frac{\theta}{2}$$

**Answer:**  $\frac{\arg(z)}{2}$ .

### Example 5 (Hard)

If  $|z - 1 - i| = \sqrt{2}$ , find possible  $\arg(z)$ .

**Solution:** Let  $z = x + yi$ . Then:

$$(x - 1)^2 + (y - 1)^2 = 2 \implies z \text{ lies on a circle centered at } (1, 1), \text{ radius } \sqrt{2}$$

For  $z = 2 + i$ ,  $\arg(z) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)$ .

**Answer:**  $\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)$  (one possible value).

## 4 Polar and Exponential Form

Polar form:  $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ , where  $r = |z|$ ,  $\theta = \arg(z)$ .

Exponential form:  $z = re^{i\theta}$ .

### Example 1 (Hard)

Express  $z = \frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{1-i}$  in exponential form.

**Solution:**

$$z = \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1 + \sqrt{3}}{2}i, \quad r = \sqrt{2}, \quad \theta \approx \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

**Answer:**  $\sqrt{2}e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}}$ .

### Example 2 (Hard)

Express  $z = \frac{1-i}{1+i}$  in exponential form.

**Solution:**

$$z = \frac{(1-i)(1-i)}{2} = \frac{1-2i-1}{2} = -i, \quad r = 1, \quad \theta = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

**Answer:**  $e^{-i\frac{\pi}{2}}$ .

### Example 3 (Hard)

Express  $z = \frac{2+2i}{\sqrt{3}-i}$  in exponential form.

**Solution:**

$$z = \frac{(2+2i)(\sqrt{3}+i)}{4} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}+2i+2i\sqrt{3}-2}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}i, \quad r = \sqrt{2}, \quad \theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

**Answer:**  $\sqrt{2}e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}}$ .

### Example 4 (Hard)

Express  $z = -1 + i\sqrt{3}$  in exponential form.

**Solution:**

$$r = \sqrt{1+3} = 2, \quad \theta = \tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{3}) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

**Answer:**  $2e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}}$ .

### Example 5 (Hard)

Express  $z = \frac{i}{1-i}$  in exponential form.

**Solution:**

$$z = \frac{i(1+i)}{2} = \frac{i-1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i, \quad r = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad \theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

**Answer:**  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}}$ .

## 5 De Moivre's Theorem

$$[r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)]^n = r^n(\cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta)$$

### Example 1 (Hard)

Find  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}+i}{\sqrt{3}-i}\right)^5$ .

**Solution:** Convert to polar form, apply De Moivre's theorem:

$$e^{i\frac{5\pi}{3}} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

**Answer:**  $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$ .

### Example 2 (Hard)

Find  $(1+i)^8$ .

**Solution:** Polar form:  $r = \sqrt{2}$ ,  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . Then:

$$(\sqrt{2}e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}})^8 = 16e^{i2\pi} = 16$$

**Answer:** 16.

### Example 3 (Hard)

Find  $\left(\frac{1-i}{1+i}\right)^4$ .

**Solution:**  $\frac{1-i}{1+i} = -i$ , so  $(-i)^4 = (-1)^2 i^4 = 1$ .

**Answer:** 1.

### Example 4 (Hard)

Find  $(-1 + i\sqrt{3})^3$ .

**Solution:** Polar form:  $r = 2$ ,  $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ . Then:

$$(2e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}})^3 = 8e^{i2\pi} = 8$$

**Answer:** 8.

### Example 5 (Hard)

Find  $\left(\frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^6$ .

**Solution:** Polar form:  $r = 1$ ,  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ . Then:

$$(e^{i\frac{\pi}{3}})^6 = e^{i2\pi} = 1$$

**Answer:** 1.

## 6 Roots of Complex Numbers

The  $n$ -th roots of  $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ :

$$\sqrt[n]{z} = r^{1/n} \left( \cos \frac{\theta + 2k\pi}{n} + i \sin \frac{\theta + 2k\pi}{n} \right), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

### Example 1 (Hard)

Find the fourth roots of  $-16$ .

**Solution:**  $-16 = 16(\cos \pi + i \sin \pi)$ . Roots are:

$$\pm\sqrt{2} \pm \sqrt{2}i$$

**Answer:**  $\pm\sqrt{2} \pm \sqrt{2}i$ .

### Example 2 (Hard)

Find the cube roots of  $8i$ .

**Solution:**  $8i = 8e^{i\pi/2}$ . Roots are:

$$2e^{i(\pi/6+2k\pi/3)}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2 \implies \sqrt{3} + i, -\sqrt{3} + i, -2i$$

**Answer:**  $\sqrt{3} + i, -\sqrt{3} + i, -2i$ .

### Example 3 (Hard)

Find the fifth roots of 1.

**Solution:**  $1 = e^{i0}$ . Roots are:

$$e^{i2k\pi/5}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 \implies 1, e^{i2\pi/5}, e^{i4\pi/5}, e^{i6\pi/5}, e^{i8\pi/5}$$

**Answer:**  $1, \cos \frac{2\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{5}, \cos \frac{4\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{4\pi}{5}, \cos \frac{6\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{6\pi}{5}, \cos \frac{8\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{8\pi}{5}$ .

### Example 4 (Hard)

Find the square roots of  $-4$ .

**Solution:**  $-4 = 4e^{i\pi}$ . Roots are:

$$2e^{i(\pi/2+k\pi)}, \quad k = 0, 1 \implies 2i, -2i$$

**Answer:**  $\pm 2i$ .

### Example 5 (Hard)

Find the sixth roots of  $-1$ .

**Solution:**  $-1 = e^{i\pi}$ . Roots are:

$$e^{i(\pi/6+k\pi/3)}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \implies \cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6}, \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{2}, \dots$$

**Answer:**  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{i}{2}, i, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{i}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{i}{2}, -i, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{i}{2}$ .

## 7 Properties of Complex Numbers

- **Conjugate:**  $\bar{z} = a - bi, z\bar{z} = |z|^2$ .
- **Modulus:**  $|z_1 z_2| = |z_1||z_2|, \left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|}$ .
- **Argument:**  $\arg(z_1 z_2) = \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2) \bmod 2\pi$ .

### Example 1 (Hard)

If  $|z| = 2$ , find the minimum value of  $|z - 3 - 4i|$ .

**Solution:** Minimum distance is 3.

**Answer:** 3.

### Example 2 (Hard)

If  $|z| = 1$ , find the maximum value of  $|z + 2|$ .

**Solution:**  $z = e^{i\theta}$ , so  $|z + 2| = |e^{i\theta} + 2| \leq 1 + 2 = 3$ .

**Answer:** 3.

### Example 3 (Hard)

If  $|z - 1| = 2$ , find the minimum  $|z|$ .

**Solution:** Circle centered at  $(1, 0)$ , radius 2. Minimum  $|z|$  at  $z = -1$ ,  $|z| = 1$ .

**Answer:** 1.

### Example 4 (Hard)

Find  $\arg(z\bar{z})$  for any  $z \neq 0$ .

**Solution:**  $z\bar{z} = |z|^2$ , a positive real number, so  $\arg(z\bar{z}) = 0$ .

**Answer:** 0.

### Example 5 (Hard)

If  $|z| = 4$ , find the maximum  $|z - 5i|$ .

**Solution:** Maximum distance at  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $|z - 5i| = 4 + 5 = 9$ .

**Answer:** 9.

## 8 Solving Equations Involving Complex Numbers

Solve by equating parts or using polar forms.

### Example 1 (Hard)

Solve  $z^4 + 4z^2 + 16 = 0$ .

**Solution:** Roots are  $\pm(1 \pm i\sqrt{3})$ .

**Answer:**  $\pm 1 \pm i\sqrt{3}$ .

### Example 2 (Hard)

Solve  $z^3 + 8 = 0$ .

**Solution:**  $z^3 = -8 = 8e^{i\pi}$ . Roots:

$$2e^{i(\pi/3+2k\pi/3)}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2 \implies 1 + i\sqrt{3}, 1 - i\sqrt{3}, -2$$

**Answer:**  $1 \pm i\sqrt{3}, -2$ .

### Example 3 (Hard)

Solve  $z^2 - (2 + 2i)z + 4i = 0$ .

**Solution:** Quadratic formula:

$$z = \frac{2 + 2i \pm \sqrt{(2 + 2i)^2 - 16i}}{2} = 1 + i \pm \sqrt{-2i}$$

Solve for roots numerically or polar form.

**Answer:** Approximate solutions.

### Example 4 (Hard)

Solve  $z^5 = 1$ .

**Solution:** Roots are  $e^{i2k\pi/5}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

**Answer:**  $1, \cos \frac{2\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{5}, \cos \frac{4\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{4\pi}{5}, \cos \frac{6\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{6\pi}{5}, \cos \frac{8\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{8\pi}{5}$ .

### Example 5 (Hard)

Solve  $z^2 + z + 1 = 0$ .

**Solution:** Roots:

$$z = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4}}{2} = \frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

**Answer:**  $-\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$ .

## 9 Complex Number as a Geometric Entity

Complex numbers are points in the Argand plane. Multiplication by  $e^{i\theta}$  rotates by  $\theta$ .

### Example 1 (Hard)

If  $|z| = 1$ , find the locus of  $w = \frac{z+1}{z-1}$ .

**Solution:** Locus is the imaginary axis.

**Answer:** Imaginary axis.

### Example 2 (Hard)

Find the locus of  $z$  if  $|z - 1| = 2$ .

**Solution:** Circle centered at  $(1, 0)$ , radius 2.

**Answer:** Circle, center  $(1, 0)$ , radius 2.

### Example 3 (Hard)

Find the locus of  $w = z^2$  if  $|z| = 1$ .

**Solution:**  $z = e^{i\theta}$ ,  $w = e^{i2\theta}$ , so  $|w| = 1$ .

**Answer:** Unit circle.

### Example 4 (Hard)

Find the locus of  $z$  if  $\arg(z - i) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

**Solution:** Ray from  $(0, 1)$  at angle  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ .

**Answer:** Ray at  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  from  $(0, 1)$ .

### Example 5 (Hard)

Find the locus of  $w = \frac{z-i}{z+i}$  if  $|z| = 1$ .

**Solution:**  $w$  maps to the real axis.

**Answer:** Real axis.

## 10 Applications of Complex Numbers

- **Electrical circuits:** Impedance as  $R + Xi$ .
- **Signal processing:** Fourier transforms.
- **Geometry:** Rotations and scaling.

### Example 1 (Hard)

Find the image of the line  $y = x$  under  $w = z^2$ .

**Solution:** Positive imaginary axis.

**Answer:** Positive imaginary axis.

### Example 2 (Hard)

Find the image of  $|z| = 1$  under  $w = z + 1$ .

**Solution:** Circle centered at  $(1, 0)$ , radius 1.

**Answer:** Circle, center  $(1, 0)$ , radius 1.

### Example 3 (Hard)

Find the image of  $y = 1$  under  $w = z^2$ .

**Solution:**  $z = x + i$ ,  $w = (x + i)^2 = x^2 - 1 + 2xi$ , a parabola  $u = v^2 - 1$ .

**Answer:** Parabola  $u = v^2 - 1$ .

### Example 4 (Hard)

Find the rotation angle of  $w = (1 + i)z$ .

**Solution:**  $1 + i = \sqrt{2}e^{i\pi/4}$ , rotates by  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ .

**Answer:**  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ .

### Example 5 (Hard)

Find the image of  $x = 1$  under  $w = z + i$ .

**Solution:**  $z = 1 + yi$ ,  $w = 1 + (y + 1)i$ , a line  $u = 1$ .

**Answer:** Line  $u = 1$ .

## 11 Pattern-Based Exercises (Hard)

### 11.1 Exercise 1

Solve  $z^3 = \bar{z}$ .

**Answer:**  $0, \pm 1, \pm i$ .

### 11.2 Exercise 2

Find the minimum  $|z|$  if  $|z - 2i| + |z + 2i| = 8$ .

**Answer:**  $2\sqrt{3}$ .

### 11.3 Exercise 3

Find  $\left(\frac{1+i}{1-i}\right)^{100}$ .

**Answer:** 1.

### 11.4 Exercise 4

Solve  $z^4 = i$ .

**Answer:**  $\cos \frac{\pi}{8} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{8}, \cos \frac{5\pi}{8} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{8}, \cos \frac{9\pi}{8} + i \sin \frac{9\pi}{8}, \cos \frac{13\pi}{8} + i \sin \frac{13\pi}{8}$ .

## 11.5 Exercise 5

Find the maximum  $|z|$  if  $|z - 1| + |z + 1| = 4$ .

**Answer:** 2.

## 12 Multiple Choice Questions (Hard)

1. If  $|z| = 2$ , the maximum value of  $|z - 4|$  is:

- (a) 2
- (b) 4
- (c) 6
- (d) 8

**Answer:** (c) 6.

## 13 Integer-Type Questions

1. Number of distinct solutions to  $z^5 = -1$ : **Answer:** 5.

2. Real part of  $\left(\frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^3$ : **Answer:**  $-\frac{1}{2}$ .

## 14 Assertion-Reason Questions

1. **Assertion:** If  $|z| = 1$ , then  $\arg(z^2) = 2 \arg(z)$ .

**Reason:**  $\arg(z^n) = n \arg(z) \bmod 2\pi$ .

**Answer:** Both true, Reason explains Assertion.

## 15 Summary

Complex numbers are critical for JEE Main, with applications in algebra, geometry, and physics. Key formulas:

$$z^n = r^n e^{in\theta}, \quad \sqrt[n]{z} = r^{1/n} e^{i\frac{\theta+2k\pi}{n}}, \quad |z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2|$$

## 16 Additional Hard Exercises

1. Solve  $z^4 = -i$ . **Answer:**  $\pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(1+i), \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(1-i)$ .

2. Find the locus of  $z$  if  $\arg\left(\frac{z-1}{z+1}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . **Answer:** Circle centered at  $(0,0)$ , radius 1, excluding  $z = -1$ .