

Solution Assignment 1: Modern Physics

1. Answer 1

(a) $z^2 = 8(1 + \sqrt{3} i)$

i. **Rectangular Form:** We are given that

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 &= 8(1 + \sqrt{3} i) \\ z^2 &= 8 + 8\sqrt{3} i \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Let $z = a + ib$

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 &= (a + ib)^2 \\ &= a^2 - b^2 + i2ab \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Compare equation ?? and ?? we get,

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 - b^2 + i2ab &= 8 + 8\sqrt{3} i \\ (a^2 - b^2) + i(2ab) &= 8 + (8\sqrt{3}) i \end{aligned}$$

Compare Real and imaginary parts on both sides we get,

$$a^2 - b^2 = 8 \tag{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2ab &= 8\sqrt{3} \\ \Rightarrow a &= \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{b} \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

Substitute value of a from equation ?? to equation ?? we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{b}\right)^2 - b^2 &= 8 \\ 48 - b^4 &= 8b^2 \\ b^4 + 8b^2 - 48 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solution of above quadratic equation will be,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{either } b &= \pm 2 \text{ or } b = \pm 2\sqrt{3} i \text{ (not possible)} \\ \Rightarrow a &= \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{\pm 2} = \pm 2\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore rectangular form of given complex number is,

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

ii. **Polar Form:** We are given that

$$z^2 = 8(1 + \sqrt{3} i)$$

$$\text{If } z^2 = r\text{Cis}(\theta + 2k\pi) \quad \text{where } k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{then } z = (r\text{Cis}(\theta + 2k\pi))^{1/2}$$

$$z = \sqrt{r}(\text{Cis}(\theta + 2k\pi))^{1/2}.$$

By De-Moivre's theorem

$$z = \sqrt{r} \left(\text{Cis} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{2k\pi}{2} \right) \right) = \sqrt{r} \left(\text{Cis} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + k\pi \right) \right). \quad (5)$$

Now let's calculate r and θ .

$$r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{8^2 + (8\sqrt{3})^2} = 16,$$

$$\text{and } \theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{b}{a} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{8\sqrt{3}}{8} \right) = \tan^{-1} \sqrt{3} = \frac{\pi}{3}.$$

Thus given complex number in polar form will be,

$$z = \sqrt{16} \left(\text{Cis} \left(\frac{\pi/3}{2} + k\pi \right) \right)$$

$$z = 4 \left(\text{Cis} \left(\frac{\pi}{6} + k\pi \right) \right).$$

$$\text{(For } k = 0) \quad z = 4\text{Cis} \left(\frac{\pi}{6} \right) = 4 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right).$$

$$\text{(For } k = 1) \quad z = 4\text{Cis} \left(\frac{\pi}{6} + \pi \right) = -4 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right).$$

$$(b) \quad z^2 = -5(1 - \sqrt{7} i)$$

i. **Rectangular Form:** We are given that

$$z^2 = -5(1 - \sqrt{7} i)$$

$$z^2 = -5 + 5\sqrt{7} i \quad (6)$$

$$\text{Let } z = a + ib$$

$$z^2 = (a + ib)^2$$

$$= a^2 - b^2 + i2ab \quad (7)$$

Compare equation ?? and ?? we get,

$$a^2 - b^2 + i2ab = -5 + 5\sqrt{7} i$$

$$(a^2 - b^2) + i(2ab) = -5 + (5\sqrt{7}) i$$

Compare Real and imaginary parts on both sides we get,

$$a^2 - b^2 = -5 \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2ab &= 5\sqrt{7} \\ \Rightarrow a &= \frac{5\sqrt{7}}{2b} \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Substitute value of a from equation ?? to equation ?? we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{5\sqrt{7}}{2b}\right)^2 - b^2 &= -5 \\ 175 - 4b^4 &= -20b^2 \\ 4b^4 - 20b^2 - 175 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solution of above quadratic equation will be,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{either } b &= \pm 3.09 \quad \text{or } b = 2.14i \text{ (not possible)} \\ \Rightarrow a &= \frac{5\sqrt{7}}{2 \times 3.09} \\ a &= \pm 2.14 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore rectangular form of given complex number is,

$$z = \pm(2.14 + 3.09i).$$

ii. **Polar Form:** We are given that

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 &= -5(1 - \sqrt{7}i) \\ \text{If } z^2 &= r \text{ Cis}(\theta + 2k\pi) \quad \text{where } k \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \text{then } z &= (r \text{ Cis}(\theta + 2k\pi))^{1/2} \\ z &= \sqrt{r}(\text{Cis}(\theta + 2k\pi))^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

By De-Moivre's theorem

$$z = \sqrt{r} \left(\text{Cis} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{2k\pi}{2} \right) \right) = \sqrt{r} \left(\text{Cis} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + k\pi \right) \right). \quad (10)$$

Now let's calculate r and θ .

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{(-5)^2 + (5\sqrt{7})^2} = 10\sqrt{2} = 14.14, \\ \text{and } \theta &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{b}{a} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{5\sqrt{7}}{-5} \right) = \tan^{-1}(-\sqrt{7}) = -69.2^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

Thus given complex number in polar form will be,

$$z = \sqrt{10\sqrt{2}} \left(\text{Cis} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + k\pi \right) \right)$$

$$z = \sqrt{10\sqrt{2}} \left(\text{Cis} \left(\frac{-69.2^\circ}{2} + k\pi \right) \right).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(For } k = 0) \quad z &= \sqrt{14.14} \text{ Cis}(-34.6^\circ) \\ &= \sqrt{14.14} (\cos(-34.6^\circ) + i \sin(-34.6^\circ)) \\ &= \sqrt{14.14} (\cos(34.6^\circ) - i \sin(34.6^\circ)). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(For } k = 1) \quad z &= \sqrt{14.14} \text{ Cis}(-34.6^\circ + \pi) \\ &= \sqrt{14.14} (\cos(-34.6^\circ + \pi) + i \sin(-34.6^\circ + \pi)) \\ &= -\sqrt{14.14} (\cos(34.6^\circ) - i \sin(34.6^\circ)). \end{aligned}$$

2. Answer 2

We are given three complex numbers $z_1 = 3 + 5i$, $z_2 = 4 + 2i$, and $z_3 = 6 - i$.

(a)

$$z_1 + z_2 = (3 + 5i) + (4 + 2i) = (3 + 4) + (5 + 2)i = 7 + 7i$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 - z_2 + z_3 &= (3 + 5i) - (4 + 2i) + (6 - i) \\ &= (3 - 4 + 6) + (5 - 2 - 1)i = 5 + 2i \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 z_2 z_3 &= (3 + 5i)(4 + 2i)(6 - i) = (3 + 5i)(24 - 4i + 12i + 2) \\ &= (3 + 5i)(26 + 8i) = (78 + 24i + 130i - 40) = 38 + 154i \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z_1}{z_3} &= \frac{3 + 5i}{6 - i} = \frac{3 + 5i}{6 - i} \times \frac{6 + i}{6 + i} \quad (\text{taking conjugate}) \\ &= \frac{18 + 3i + 30i - 5}{36 + 1} = \frac{13 + 33i}{37} = \frac{13}{37} + \frac{33}{37}i \end{aligned}$$

(e) i.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{z_1^2} &= \frac{1}{(3+5i)^2} = \frac{1}{(3+5i)(3+5i)} \\
&= \frac{1}{(9+15i+15i-25)} = \frac{1}{(-16+30i)} \\
&= \frac{1}{(-16+30i)} \times \frac{(-16-30i)}{(-16-30i)} = \frac{(-16-30i)}{(256+900)} \\
&= \frac{(-16-30i)}{1156} = \frac{(-8-15i)}{578} = -\frac{8}{578} - \frac{15}{578}i
\end{aligned}$$

ii.

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{z_1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3+5i}}$$

Let's at first solve $\sqrt{z_1}$.Let $z_1 = r \text{ Cis}(\theta + 2k\pi)$ where $k \in z$

$$\sqrt{z_1} = \sqrt{r \text{ Cis}(\theta + 2k\pi)} = \sqrt{r} [\text{Cis}(\theta + 2k\pi)]^{1/2} = \sqrt{r} \text{ Cis}\left(\frac{\theta}{2} + k\pi\right)$$

where $r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{3^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{9 + 25} = \sqrt{34} = 5.8$ and $\theta = \tan^{-1/2}\left(\frac{b}{a}\right) = \tan^{-1/2}\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) = 59^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \sqrt{z_1} &= \sqrt{5.8} \text{ Cis}\left(\frac{59^\circ}{2} + k\pi\right) = \sqrt{5.8} \text{ Cis}(29.5^\circ) \\
&= \sqrt{5.8}(\cos 29.5^\circ + i \sin 29.5^\circ) = 2.09 + 1.2i
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{z_1}} &= \frac{1}{2.09 + 1.2i} = \frac{1}{2.09 + 1.2i} \times \frac{2.09 - 1.2i}{2.09 - 1.2i} \\
&= \frac{2.09 - 1.2i}{5.8} = 0.36 - 0.2i
\end{aligned}$$

(f) i.

$$|z_1 + z_2| = |7 + 7i| = \sqrt{(7)^2 + (7)^2} = \sqrt{49 + 49} = \sqrt{98} = 9.89$$

ii.

$$\begin{aligned}
|z_2 - z_3| &= |(4 + 2i) - (6 - i)| = |(4 - 6) + (2 - 1)i| = |-2 + i| \\
&= \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (1)^2} = \sqrt{4 + 1} = \sqrt{5} = 2.24
\end{aligned}$$

iii.

$$|z_1| = |3 + 5i| = \sqrt{3^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{9 + 25} = \sqrt{34} = 5.8$$

3. Answer 3

(a) Since $i = \sqrt{-1}$, $i^2 = -1$.

(b) $i^3 = i^2 i = (-1)i = -i$.

(c) $i^4 = (i^2)^2 = (-1)^2 = 1$.

(d) $\frac{1}{i} = \frac{1}{i} \times \frac{i}{i} = \frac{i}{i^2} = \frac{i}{-1} = -i$.

(e) $\frac{1}{i^2} = \frac{1}{-1} = -1$.

(f) $\frac{1}{i^3} = \frac{1}{i^2} \times \frac{1}{i} = \frac{1}{-1}(-i) = i$.

4. Answer 4

We are given $z_1 = e^{ik_1x}$ and $z_2 = e^{ik_2x}$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 + z_2 &= e^{ik_1x} + e^{ik_2x} \\ &= (\cos(k_1x) + i \sin(k_1x)) + (\cos(k_2x) + i \sin(k_2x)) \\ &= (\cos(k_1x) + \cos(k_2x)) + i(\sin(k_1x) + \sin(k_2x)). \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 - z_2 &= e^{ik_1x} - e^{ik_2x} \\ &= (\cos(k_1x) + i \sin(k_1x)) - (\cos(k_2x) + i \sin(k_2x)) \\ &= (\cos(k_1x) - \cos(k_2x)) + i(\sin(k_1x) - \sin(k_2x)). \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} z_1 + z_2 &= (\cos(k_1x) + \cos(k_2x)) \\ \operatorname{Re} z_1 - z_2 &= (\cos(k_1x) - \cos(k_2x)). \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{z_1}{z_2} &= \frac{e^{ik_1x}}{e^{ik_2x}} \\
&= \frac{(\cos(k_1x) + i \sin(k_1x))}{(\cos(k_2x) + i \sin(k_2x))} \\
&= \frac{(\cos(k_1x) + i \sin(k_1x))}{(\cos(k_2x) + i \sin(k_2x))} \times \frac{(\cos(k_2x) - i \sin(k_2x))}{(\cos(k_2x) - i \sin(k_2x))} \\
&= \frac{\cos(k_1x) \cos(k_2x) - i(\cos(k_1x) \sin(k_2x) + i \sin(k_1x) \cos(k_2x) + \sin(k_1x) \sin(k_2x))}{\cos(k_2x)^2 + \sin(k_2x)^2} \\
&= \frac{(\cos(k_1x) \cos(k_2x) + \sin(k_1x) \sin(k_2x)) + i(\sin(k_1x) \cos(k_2x) - \cos(k_1x) \sin(k_2x))}{1} \\
&= \cos(k_1 - k_2)x + i \sin(k_1 - k_2)x \\
&= e^{i(k_1 - k_2)x}.
\end{aligned}$$

(e)

$$\begin{aligned}
z_1 z_2 &= e^{ik_1x} \cdot e^{ik_2x} \\
&= (\cos(k_1x) + i \sin(k_1x)) \cdot (\cos(k_2x) + i \sin(k_2x)) \\
&= \cos(k_1x) \cos(k_2x) + i(\cos(k_1x) \sin(k_2x) + i \sin(k_1x) \cos(k_2x) - \sin(k_1x) \sin(k_2x)) \\
&= (\cos(k_1x) \cos(k_2x) - \sin(k_1x) \sin(k_2x)) + i(\sin(k_1x) \cos(k_2x) + \cos(k_1x) \sin(k_2x)) \\
&= \cos(k_1 + k_2)x + i \sin(k_1 + k_2)x \\
&= e^{i(k_1 + k_2)x}.
\end{aligned}$$

5. Answer 5

We are given $z_1 = 5e^{i(kx + \frac{\pi}{4})}$ and $z_2 = 6e^{i(kx - \frac{\pi}{3})}$.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Since } z_1 &= 5e^{i(kx + \frac{\pi}{4})} \\
&= 5 \left[\cos\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + i \sin\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right] \\
&= 5 \cos\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + i5 \sin\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\
\Rightarrow \operatorname{Re}\{z_1\} &= 5 \cos\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\
\operatorname{Im}\{z_1\} &= 5 \sin\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
z_2 &= 6e^{i(kx - \frac{\pi}{3})} \\
&= 6 \left[\cos\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \right] \\
&= 6 \cos\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) + i5 \sin\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\
\Rightarrow \operatorname{Re}\{z_2\} &= 6 \cos\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\
\operatorname{Im}\{z_2\} &= 6 \sin\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

(c) i.

$$\begin{aligned}
z_1 &= 5e^{i(kx + \frac{\pi}{4})} \\
&= 5 \left[\cos\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + i \sin\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right] \\
&= 5 \cos\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + i5 \sin\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\
|z_1| &= 5 \sqrt{\cos^2\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \sin^2\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)} \\
&= 5\sqrt{1} \\
&= 5
\end{aligned}$$

ii.

$$\begin{aligned}
z_1 + z_2 &= 5e^{i(kx + \frac{\pi}{4})} + 6e^{i(kx - \frac{\pi}{3})} \\
&= 5 \left[\cos\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + i \sin\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right] + 6 \left[\cos\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \right] \\
&= \left[5 \cos\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + 6 \cos\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \right] + i \left[5 \sin\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + 6 \sin\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \right] \\
|z_1 + z_2| &= \sqrt{\left[5 \cos\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + 6 \cos\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \right]^2 + \left[5 \sin\left(kx + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + 6 \sin\left(kx - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \right]^2} \\
&= \sqrt{25 + 36 + 60 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{3}\right)} = \sqrt{25 + 36 + 60 \cos \frac{7\pi}{12}} \\
&= \sqrt{45.47} \\
&= 6.7.
\end{aligned}$$