## **Complex Number**

## 1. The Real Number System

**Natural Number (N)**: The number which are used for counting are known as Natural Number (also known as set of Positive Integers) i.e.

$$N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots \}$$

Whole Number (W): If '0' is included in the set of natural numbers then we get the set of Whole Numbers i.e.W =  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ 

$$= \{N\} + \{0\}$$

**Integers** (**Z** or **I**): If negative natural number is included in the set of whole number then we get set of Integers i.e.

Z or 
$$I = \{..., -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, ...\}$$

**Rational Numbers (Q):** The numbers which are in the form of p/q (Where p, q  $\in$  I, q  $\neq$  0) are called as Rational Number e.g.  $\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\frac{2}{3}$ , 3,  $\frac{1}{3}$ , 0.76, 1.2322 etc.

**Irrational Numbers :** The numbers which are not rational i.e. which can not be expressed in p/q form or whose decimal part is non terminating non repeating but which may represent magnitude of physical quantities. e.g.,  $5^{1/3}$ ,  $\pi$ , e,....etc.

**Real Numbers (R):** The set of Rational and Irrational Number is called as set of Real Numbers i.e.  $N \subset W \subset Z \subset Q \subset R$ 

#### Note:

- (i) Number zero is neither positive nor negative but is an even number.
- (ii) Square of a real number is always positive.
- (iii) Between two real numbers there lie infinite real numbers.
- (iv) The real number system is totally ordered, for any two numbers  $a, b \in R$ , we must say, either a < b or b < a or b = a.

- (v) All real number can be represented by points on a straight line. This line is called as number line.
- (vi) An Integer (Note) is said to be even, if it is divided by 2 other wise it is odd number.
- (vii) The magnitude of a physical quantity may be expressed as a real number times, a standard unit.
- (viii) Number '0' is an additive quantity
- (ix) Number '1' is multiplicative quantity.
- (x) Infinity (∞) is the concept of the number greater than greatest you can imagine. It is not a number, it is just a concept, so we do not associate equality with it.
- (xi) Division by zero is meaning less.
- (xii) A non zero integer p is called prime if  $p \neq \pm 1$  and its only divisors are  $\pm 1$  and  $\pm p$ .

#### 1.1 Modulus of a Real Number:

The Modulus of a real number x is defined as follows

$$|x| = x$$
 when  $x > 0$ 

0 when 
$$x = 0$$

$$-x$$
 when  $x < 0$ 

e.g. 
$$|3| = 3$$
  $|-6| = -(-6) = 6$ 

Now 
$$|x-a| = \begin{cases} x-a & \text{when } x \ge a \\ -(x-a) & \text{when } x < a \end{cases}$$

**1.2 Intervals :** Let a, x, b are real number so that

$$x \in [a, b] \implies a \le x \le b$$

[a,b] is known as the closed interval a, b

$$x \in (a, b) \implies a < x < b$$

(a, b) is known as the open interval a, b

$$x \in (a, b] \implies a < x \le b$$

(a, b] is known as semi open, semi closed Interval

$$x \in [a, b) \implies a \le x < b$$

[a, b) is known as semi closed, semi open Interval

## 2. Imaginary Number

Square root of a negative real number is an imaginary number, while solving equation  $x^2+1=0$  we get  $x=\pm\sqrt{-1}$  which is imaginary. So the quantity  $\sqrt{-1}$  is denoted by 'i' called 'iota' thus  $i=\sqrt{-1}$ 

Further  $\sqrt{-2}$ ,  $\sqrt{-3}$ ,  $\sqrt{-4}$  .....may be expressed as  $\pm i\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\pm i\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\pm 2i$  ......

#### 2.1 Integral powers of iota

As we have seen 
$$i = \sqrt{-1}$$
 so  $i^2 = -1$   
 $i^3 = -i$  and  $i^4 = 1$ 

Hence  $n \in N$ ,  $i^n = i, -1, -i, 1$  attains four values according to the value of n, so

$$i^{4n+1} = i$$
,  $i^{4n+2} = -1$   
 $i^{4n+3} = -i$ ,  $i^{4n}$  or  $i^{4n+4} = 1$ 

In other words  $i^n = (-1)^{n/2}$  if n is even integer

$$i^n = (-1)^{\frac{n-1}{2}}i$$
 if n is odd integer.

Note :-

(i) 
$$i^2 = i \times i = \sqrt{-1} \times \sqrt{-1} \neq \sqrt{1}$$

(ii)  $\sqrt{a.b} = \sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{b}$  possible iff both a, b are non-negative. (incorrect). It is also true for one positive and one negative no.

e.g. 
$$\sqrt{(-2)(3)} = \sqrt{-2} \cdot \sqrt{3}$$

only invalid when both are negative means  $\sqrt{a.b} \neq \sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{b}$  iff a & b both are negative.

(iii) ' i ' is neither positive, zero nor negative, Due to this reason order relations are not defined for imaginary numbers.

## 3. Complex Number

A number of the form z = x + iy where  $x, y \in R$  and  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  is called a complex number where x is called as real part and y is called imaginary part of complex number and they are expressed as

Re 
$$(z) = x$$
, Im  $(z) = y$ 

Here if x = 0 the complex number is purely Imaginary and if y = 0 the complex number is purely Real.

A complex number may also be defined as an ordered pair of real numbers any may be denoted by the symbol (a, b). If we write z = (a, b) then a is called the real part and b the imaginary part of the complex number z.

#### Note:

- (i) Inequalities in complex number are not defined because 'i' is neither positive, zero nor negative so 4 + 3i < 1 + 2i or i < 0
  - or i > 0 is meaning less.
- (ii) If two complex numbers are equal, then their real and imaginary parts are separately equal. Thus if a + ib = c + id

$$\Rightarrow$$
 a = c and b = d

so if 
$$z = 0 \Rightarrow x + iy = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$
 and  $y = 0$ 

The student must note that

$$x, y \in R$$
 and  $x, y \neq 0$ . Then if

$$x + y = 0 \implies x = y$$
 is correct

but 
$$x + i y = 0 \implies x = -iy$$
 is incorrect

Hence a real number cannot be equal to the imaginary number, unless both are zero.

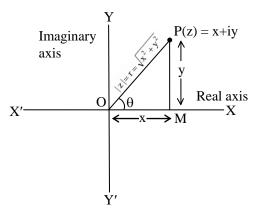
(iii) The complex number 0 is purely real and purely imaginary both.

#### 3.1 Representation of a Complex Number :

#### (a) Cartesian Representation:

The complex number z = x + iy = (x, y) is represented by a point P whose coordinates are

refered to rectangular axis xox´ and yoy´, which are called real and imaginary axes respectively. Thus a complex number z is represented by a point in a plane, and corresponding to every point in this plane there exists a complex number such a plane is called Argand plane or Argand diagram or complex plane or gussian plane.



#### Note:

- (i) Distance of any complex number from the origin is called the modulus of complex number and is denoted by |z|. Thus,  $|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ .
- (ii) Angle of any complex number with positive direction of x-axis is called amplitude or argument of z. Thus, amp (z) = arg (z) =  $\theta$  =  $tan^{-1}\frac{y}{x}$ .
- (b) Polar Representation: If z = x + iy is a complex number then  $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$  is a polar form of complex number z where  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$  and  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = |z|$ .
- (c) Exponential Form: If z = x + iy is a complex number then its exponential form is  $z = r e^{i\theta}$  where r is modulas and  $\theta$  is amplitude of complex number.
- (d) Vector Representation: If z = x + iy is a complex number such that it represent point P(x, y) then its vector representation is  $z = \overrightarrow{OP}$

#### 3.2 Algebraic operations with Complex Number:

Addition (a + ib) + (c + id) = (a + c) + i(b + d)

Subtraction (a + ib)-(c + id) = (a - c) + i(b - d)

Multiplication (a + ib) (c + id) = ac + iad + ibc +  $i^2bd$ = (ac - bd) + i(ad + bc)

Division 
$$\frac{a+ib}{c+id} = \frac{(a+ib)(c-id)}{(c+id)(c-id)}$$

(when at least one of c and d is non zero)

$$=\frac{(ac+bd)}{c^2+d^2}+i\frac{(bc-ad)}{c^2+d^2}$$

## 3.2.1 Properties of Algebraic operations with Complex Number

Let z,  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$  and  $z_3$  are any complex number then their algebraic operation satisfy following properties-

**Commutativity**:  $z_1 + z_2 = z_2 + z_1 \& z_1 z_2 = z_2 z_1$ 

**Associativity** :  $(z_1 + z_2) + z_3 = z_1 + (z_2 + z_3)$ 

and 
$$(z_1 z_2) z_3 = z_1(z_2 z_3)$$

**Identity element :** If O = (0, 0) and I = (1, 0) then z + 0 = 0 + z = z and  $z \cdot 1 = 1$ . z = z. Thus 0 and 1 are the identity elements for addition and multiplication respectively.

**Inverse element :** Additive inverse of z is -z and multiplicative inverse of z is  $\frac{1}{z}$ .

#### Cancellation Law:

$$z_1 + z_2 = z_1 + z_3 z_2 + z_1 = z_3 + z_1$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $z_2 = z_3$ 

and 
$$z_1 \neq 0$$
 
$$z_1 z_2 = z_1 z_3$$
 
$$z_2 z_1 = z_3 z_1$$
  $\Rightarrow z_2 = z_3$ 

**Distributivity :**  $z_1 (z_2 + z_3) = z_1 z_2 + z_1 z_3$ 

and 
$$(z_2 + z_3) z_1 = z_2 z_1 + z_3 z_1$$

#### 3.3 Conjugate Complex Number:

The complex numbers z = (a, b) = a + ib and  $\overline{z} = (a, -b) = a - ib$  where  $b \neq 0$  are said to be complex conjugate of each other (Here the complex conjugate is obtained by just changing the sign of i) e.g.conjugate of z = -3 + 4i is  $\overline{z} = -3 - 4i$ .

**Note:** Image of any complex number in x-axis is called its conjugate.

#### 3.3.1 Properties of Conjugate Complex Number

Let z = a + ib and  $\overline{z} = a - ib$  then

(i) 
$$\overline{(\overline{z})} = z$$

(ii) 
$$z + \overline{z} = 2a = 2 \text{ Re } (z) = \text{purely real}$$

(iii) 
$$z - \overline{z} = 2ib = 2i \text{ Im } (z) = \text{purely imaginary}$$

(iv) 
$$z \overline{z} = a^2 + b^2 = |z|^2$$

(v) 
$$\overline{z_1 + z_2} = \overline{z_1} + \overline{z_2}$$

(vi) 
$$\overline{z_1 - z_2} = \overline{z_1} - \overline{z_2}$$

(vii) 
$$\overline{re^{i\theta}} = re^{-i\theta}$$

(viii) 
$$\overline{\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)} = \frac{\overline{z}_1}{\overline{z}_2}$$

$$(ix)$$
  $\overline{z}^n = (\overline{z})^n$ 

$$(x) \quad \overline{z_1 z_2} = \overline{z_1} \quad \overline{z_2}$$

(xi) 
$$z + \overline{z} = 0$$
 or  $z = -\overline{z}$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  z = 0 or z is purely imaginary

(xii) 
$$z = \overline{z} \implies z$$
 is purely real

## 4. Modulus of a Complex Number

If z = x + iy then modulus of z is equal to  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and it is denoted by |z|. Thus

$$z = x + iy \implies |z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

#### Note:

Modulus of every complex number is a non negative real number.

#### 4.1 Properties of modulus of a Complex Number

(i) 
$$|z| \ge 0$$

(ii) 
$$-|z| \le \text{Re}(z) \le |z|$$

(iii) 
$$-|z| \le \text{Im}(z) \le |z|$$

(iv) 
$$|z| = |\overline{z}| = |-z| = |-\overline{z}|$$

$$(v) \quad z \ \overline{z} = |z|^2$$

(vi) 
$$|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2|$$

(vii) 
$$\left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = \frac{\left| z_1 \right|}{\left| z_2 \right|} (z_2 \neq 0)$$

$$(viii) |z|^n = |z^n|, n \in N$$

(ix) 
$$|z| = 1 \Leftrightarrow \overline{z} = \frac{1}{z}$$

$$(x) \quad z^{-1} = \frac{\overline{z}}{\mid z \mid^2}$$

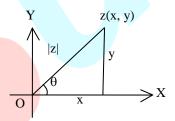
(xi) 
$$|z_1 \pm z_2|^2 = |z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 \pm 2\text{Re}(z_1 \overline{z}_2)$$

(xii) 
$$|z_1+z_2|^2 + |z_1-z_2|^2 = 2[|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2]$$

(xiii) 
$$|re^{i\theta}| = r$$

# 5. Amplitude or Argument of a Complex Number

The amplitude or argument of a complex number z is the inclination of the directed line segment representing z, with real axis.



If z = x + iy then

$$amp(z) = tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

For finding the argument of any complex number first check that the complex number is in which quadrant and then find the angle  $\theta$  and amplitude using the adjacent figure.

#### Note:

- (i) Principle value of any complex number lies between  $-\pi < \theta \le \pi$ .
- (ii) Amplitude of a complex number is a many valued function. If  $\theta$  is the argument of a

complex number then  $(2n\pi+\theta)$  is also argument of complex number.

- (iii) Argument of zero is not defined.
- (iv) If a complex number is multiplied by iota (i) its amplitude will be increased by  $\pi/2$  and will be decreased by  $\pi/2$ , if is multiplied by -i.
- (v) Amplitude of complex number in I and II quadrant is always positive and in III and IV is always negative.

#### 5.1 Properties of argument of a Complex Number

- (i) amp (any real positive number) = 0
- (ii) amp (any real negative number) =  $\pi$
- (iii) amp  $(z \overline{z}) = \pm \pi/2$
- (iv) amp  $(z_1 \cdot z_2) = amp(z_1) + amp(z_2)$

(v) amp 
$$\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)$$
 = amp  $(z_1)$  – amp  $(z_2)$ 

- (vi) amp  $(\overline{z}) = -$  amp (z) = amp (1/z)
- (vii) amp  $(-z) = amp(z) \pm \pi$
- (viii) amp  $(z^n) = n$  amp (z)
- (ix) amp (iy) =  $\pi/2$  if y > 0 =  $-\pi/2$ , if y < 0
- (x) amp (z) + amp ( $\overline{z}$ ) = 0

## 6. Square root of a Complex Number

The square root of z = a + ib is -

$$\sqrt{a+ib} \ = \pm \left[ \sqrt{\frac{\mid z\mid +a}{2}} + i \sqrt{\frac{\mid z\mid -a}{2}} \right] \ for \ b>0$$

and 
$$\pm \left[ \sqrt{\frac{|z|+a}{2}} - i\sqrt{\frac{|z|-a}{2}} \right]$$
 for  $b < 0$ 

#### Note:

- (i) The square root of i is  $\pm \left(\frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$  (Here b=1)
- (ii) The square root of -i is  $\pm \left(\frac{1-i}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$  (Here b=-1)
- (iii) The square root of  $\omega$  is  $\pm \omega^2$
- (iv) The square root of  $\omega^2\, is \pm \omega$

## 7. Triangle Inequalities

- (i)  $|z_1 \pm z_2| \le |z_1| + |z_2|$
- (ii)  $|z_1 \pm z_2| \ge |z_1| |z_2|$

### 8. Miscellaneous Results

(i) If ABC is an equilateral triangle having vertices  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$ ,  $z_3$  then  $z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2$ 

$$= z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1$$

$$1 1 1$$

or 
$$\frac{1}{z_1 - z_2} + \frac{1}{z_2 - z_3} + \frac{1}{z_3 - z_1} = 0.$$

- (ii) If  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$ ,  $z_3$ ,  $z_4$  are vertices of parallelogram then  $z_1 + z_3 = z_2 + z_4$ .
- (iii) Let  $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$  and  $z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$  be two complex numbers represented by points P and Q respectively in Argand Plane then -

$$PQ = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$
$$= |(x_2 - x_1) + i(y_2 - y_1)| = |z_2 - z_1|$$

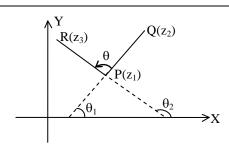
- (iv) If a point P divides AB in the ratio of m: n, then  $z = \frac{mz_2 + nz_1}{m+n}$  where  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$  and z represents the point A, B and P respectively.
- (v)  $|z z_1| = |z z_2|$  represents a perpendicular bisector of the line segment joining the points  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ .
- (vi) Let P be any point on a circle whose centre C and radius r, let the affixes of P and C be z and  $z_0$  then  $|z z_0| = r$ .
- (a) Again if  $|z z_0| < r$  represent interior of the circle of radius r.
- (b)  $|z z_0| > r$  represent exterior of the circle of radius r.
- (vii) Let  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$ ,  $z_3$  be the affixes of P, Q, R respectively in the Argand Plane. Then from the figure the angle between PQ and PR is.

$$\theta = \theta_2 - \theta_1$$

$$= \arg \overrightarrow{PR} - \arg \overrightarrow{PQ}$$

$$= \arg \left(\frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1}\right)$$

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- (a) If  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$ ,  $z_3$  are collinear, thus  $\theta=0$  therefore  $\frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1} \text{ is purely real.}$
- (b) If  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$ ,  $z_3$  are such that  $PR \perp PQ$ ,

$$\theta = \pi \, / \, 2 \; \text{So} \; \frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1} \; \text{is purely imaginary}.$$



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