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# IB Maths: AA HL

## Complex Numbers

### Topic Questions

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Course	IB Maths
Section	1. Number & Algebra
Topic	1.8 Complex Numbers
Difficulty	Medium

**Level: IB Maths**

**Subject: IB Maths AA HL**

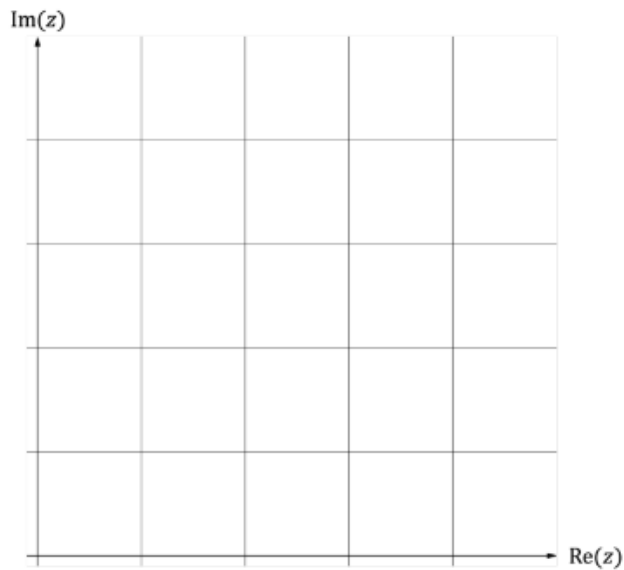
**Board: IB Maths**

**Topic: Complex Numbers**

### Question 1a

Consider the complex numbers  $z_1 = 2 + 2i$  and  $z_2 = 2 + 2\sqrt{3}i$ .

- a)  
Sketch  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  on the Argand diagram below, be sure to include an appropriate scale.



[2 marks]

- b)  
Find the modulus of  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ .

[3 marks]

- c)  
Find the argument of  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ .

[3 marks]

## Question 2

Solve the following equations for  $x$

(i)

$$x^2 + 4x + 5 = 0$$

(ii)

$$x^2 = -625$$

(iii)

$$x^4 = 24 - 2x^2$$

[7 marks]

## Question 3

Let  $w_1 = z_1 z_2$ , where  $z_1 = 5 + i$  and  $z_2 = 1 + 2i$ .

a)

Express  $w$  in the form  $w = a + bi$ .

[2 marks]

b)

Find the modulus and argument for  $w$

[4 marks]

### Question 4

let  $z = \frac{w_1}{w_2}$ , where  $w_1 = 4 - i$  and  $w_2 = 1 - 2i$ .

a)

Express  $z$  in the form  $z = a + bi$ .

[3 marks]

b)

Find the modulus and argument for  $z$ .

[4 marks]

### Question 5a

Consider the complex numbers  $z = 3 - 4i$  and  $w = 7 - 2i$ .

a)

Find

(i)

$z + w$

(ii)

$w - z$ .

[2 marks]

### Question 5b

let  $z^*$  and  $w^*$  represent the complex conjugates of  $z$  and  $w$ , respectively.

b)

Write down  $z^*$  and  $w^*$ , giving your answers in the form  $a + bi$ .

[2 marks]

### Question 5c

c)

Find

(i)

$$z^* w$$

(ii)

$$\frac{w^*}{z}$$

[4 marks]

### Question 6

Find all possible real values for  $a$  and  $b$  such that

(i)

$$a + bi = 8i$$

(ii)

$$(2 + 3i)(a + bi) = 13$$

(iii)

$$(a + i)(2 + bi) = -6 + 22i$$

[7 marks]

### Question 7

Consider the complex numbers  $w = iz$  and  $w + 2z = 7 + 6i$ .

Find

(i)

$\operatorname{Re}(w)$

(ii)

$\operatorname{Im}(w)$

(iii)

$\operatorname{Re}(z)$

(iv)

$\operatorname{Im}(z)$ .

[7 marks]

### Question 8

It is given that  $z_1 = 3 + 4i$  and  $z_2 = -2 + 2i$ .

Find

(i)

$iz_1 + z_2$

(ii)

$\frac{z_1}{iz_2}$

(iii)

$i(z_1 z_2)$

[7 marks]

### Question 9

Find the complex numbers  $z$  and  $w$  such that

$$2z - iw^* = 5 + 7i$$

$$w + iz^* = 5 + 16i$$

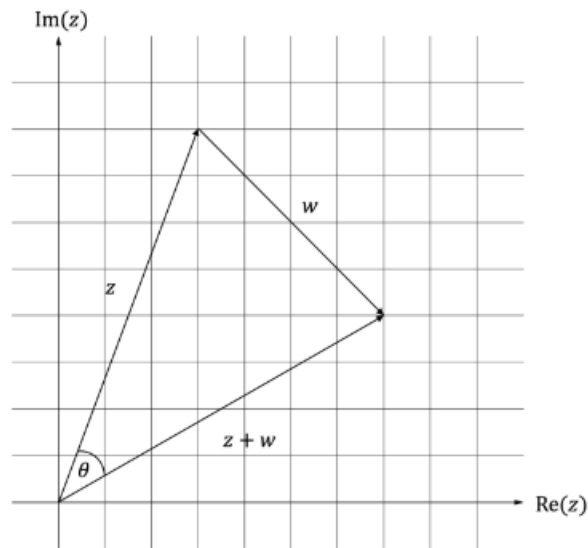
**[7 marks]**

### Question 10

Let  $z = 3 + 8i$  and  $w = 4 - 4i$ .

a)

Find  $\theta$ , the angle shown on the diagram below.



**[5 marks]**

b)

Find the area of the triangle formed in the diagram above.

**[3 marks]**

### Question 11

Let  $z = -1-3i$  and  $w = 1+i$ .

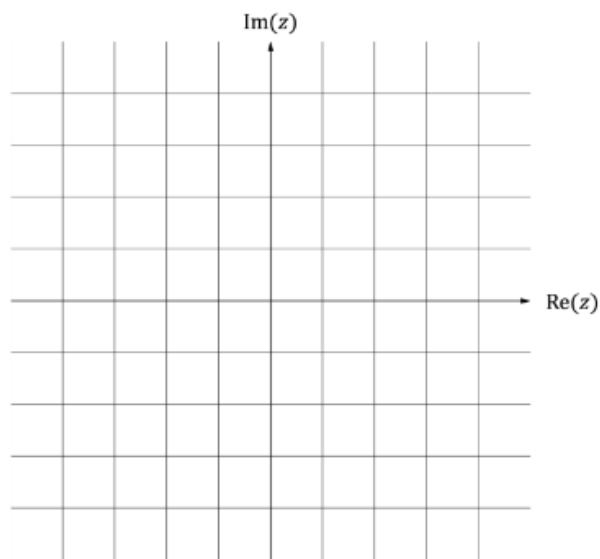
a)

Find  $zw$ .

[2 marks]

b)

Sketch  $z, w$  and  $zw$  on the Argand diagram below.



[3 marks]

### Question 11c

Let  $\theta$  be the angle between  $z$  and  $zw$  and  $\phi$  be the angle between  $w$  and  $zw$ .

c)

Find the angles  $\theta$  and  $\phi$ , giving your answers in degrees.

[4 marks]



## Question 12

let  $w = \frac{z+1}{z+1}$ , where  $z = a + bi$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .

a)

Write  $w$  in the form  $x + yi$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

[4 marks]

b)

Determine the conditions under which  $w$  is purely imaginary.

[3 marks]