

Section 2: Applications of de Moivre's theorem

Crucial points

1. **Make sure you know the expressions for $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$**

The relationships $\cos n\theta = \frac{z^n + z^{-n}}{2}$ and $\sin n\theta = \frac{z^n - z^{-n}}{2i}$ are fundamental to this work.

2. **Make sure you know the definition of $e^{i\theta}$**

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$

3. **Make sure you can work comfortably with both the exponential and modulus-argument forms**

Sometimes it is better to use the former and sometimes it's better to use the latter, you need to be comfortable with both.