

Q.1 a Solve the Equation $x^3 - 1 = 0$.

Ans Here $x^3 = 1$

$\Rightarrow x^3 - 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (x-1)(x^2+x+1) = 0$

giving $x=1$ or $x^2+x+1=0$

if $x^2+x+1=0$ we have in the usual way

$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{-3}}{2}$

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

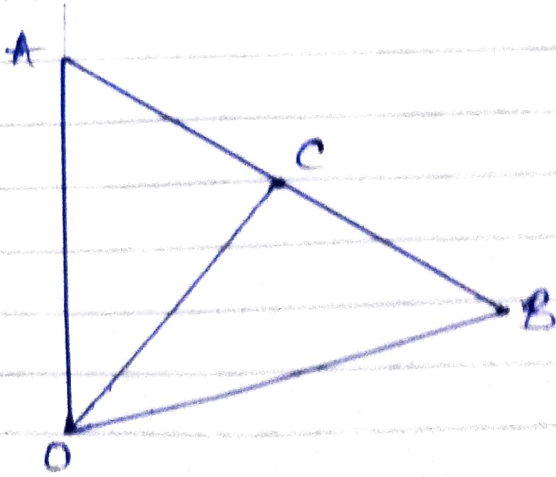
Hence the number $1, \frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{2}$ are called the three cube roots of unity.

Q.2 If a, b are complex number, prove geometrically that $|a+b|^2 + |a-b|^2 = 2|a|^2 + 2|b|^2$

Ans Let A, B be the point which represent a, b . Bisect AB at C , then

$\overline{OA} + \overline{OB} = 2\overline{OC}$

and $\overline{OA} - \overline{OB} = \overline{BA} = 2\overline{CA}$



Therefore $a+b$ and $a-b$ are represented by $\overline{2OC}$ and $\overline{2CA}$ hence

$$|a+b| = 2OC, |a-b| = 2CA$$

Now since C is the mid point of base AB .

$$OA^2 + OB^2 = 2OC^2 + 2CA^2$$

$$\therefore 2|a|^2 + 2|b|^2 = |a+b|^2 + |a-b|^2$$