

Rotation Theorem.

Rotational theorem i.e., angle between two intersecting lines. This is also known as conic method.

Let z_1, z_2 and z_3 be the affixes of three points A, B and C respectively taken on argand plane.

Then we have $\overrightarrow{AC} = z_3 - z_1$ and $\overrightarrow{AB} = z_2 - z_1$

and let $\arg \overrightarrow{AC} = \arg(z_3 - z_1) = \theta$ and $\arg \overrightarrow{AB} = \arg(z_2 - z_1) = \phi$

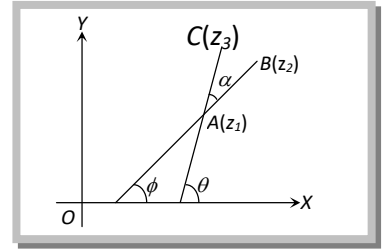
Let $\angle CAB = \alpha$, $\therefore \angle CAB = \alpha = \theta - \phi$

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

$$\text{or angle between AC and AB} = \arg\left(\frac{\text{affix of C} - \text{affix of A}}{\text{affix of B} - \text{affix of A}}\right)$$

For any complex number z we have $z = |z| e^{i(\arg z)}$

$$\text{Similarly, } \left(\frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1}\right) = \left|\left(\frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1}\right)\right| e^{i\left(\arg \frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1}\right)} \text{ or } \frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1} = \frac{|z_3 - z_1|}{|z_2 - z_1|} e^{i(\angle CAB)} = \frac{AC}{AB} e^{i\alpha}$$



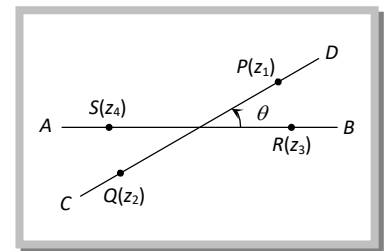
Note: Here only principal values of the arguments are considered.

$\arg\left(\frac{z_1 - z_2}{z_3 - z_4}\right) = \theta$, if AB coincides with CD, then $\arg\left(\frac{z_1 - z_2}{z_3 - z_4}\right) = 0$ or $\pm\pi$, so that $\frac{z_1 - z_2}{z_3 - z_4}$ is real. It

follows that if $\frac{z_1 - z_2}{z_3 - z_4}$ is real, then the points A, B, C, D are collinear.

If AB is perpendicular to CD, then $\arg\left(\frac{z_1 - z_2}{z_3 - z_4}\right) = \pm\pi/2$, so $\frac{z_1 - z_2}{z_3 - z_4}$ is

purely imaginary. It follows that if $z_1 - z_2 = \pm k(z_3 - z_4)$, where k purely imaginary number, then AB and CD are perpendicular to each other.



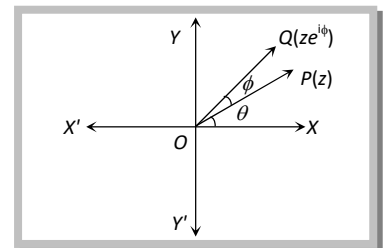
(1) **Complex number as a rotating arrow in the argand plane:** Let $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = re^{i\theta}$

.....(i) $re^{i\theta}$ be a complex number representing a point P in the argand plane.

Then $OP = |z| = r$ and $\angle POX = \theta$

Now consider complex number $z_1 = ze^{i\phi}$

$$\text{or } z_1 = re^{i\theta} \cdot e^{i\phi} = re^{i(\theta+\phi)} \quad \{\text{from (i)}\}$$



Clearly the complex number z_1 represents a point Q in the argand plane, when $OQ = r$ and $\angle QOX = \theta + \phi$.

Clearly multiplication of z with $e^{i\phi}$ rotates the vector \overrightarrow{OP} through angle ϕ in anticlockwise sense.

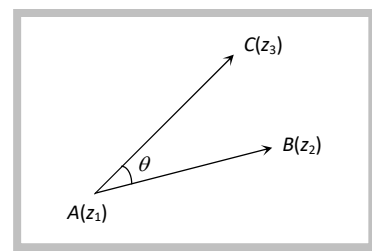
Similarly multiplication of z with $e^{-i\phi}$ will rotate the vector \overrightarrow{OP} in clockwise sense.

Note: If z_1, z_2 and z_3 are the affixes of the points A, B and C such that $AC = AB$ and $\angle CAB = \theta$.

Therefore, $\overrightarrow{AB} = z_2 - z_1$, $\overrightarrow{AC} = z_3 - z_1$.

Then \overrightarrow{AC} will be obtained by rotating \overrightarrow{AB} through an angle θ in anticlockwise sense, and therefore,

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{AB} e^{i\theta} \text{ or } (z_3 - z_1) = (z_2 - z_1) e^{i\theta} \text{ or } \frac{z_3 - z_1}{z_2 - z_1} = e^{i\theta}$$



If A, B and C are three points in argand plane such that $AC = AB$ and $\angle CAB = \theta$ then use the rotation about A to find $e^{i\theta}$, but if $AC \neq AB$ use conic method.

Let z_1 and z_2 be two complex numbers represented by point P and Q in the argand plane such that $\angle POQ = \theta$. Then, $z_1 e^{i\theta}$ is a vector of magnitude $|z_1| = OP$ along \overrightarrow{OQ} and $\frac{z_1 e^{i\theta}}{|z_1|}$ is a unit

vector along \overrightarrow{OQ} . Consequently, $|z_2| \cdot \frac{z_1 e^{i\theta}}{|z_1|}$ is a vector of magnitude $|z_2| = OQ$ along OQ i.e.,

$$z_2 = \frac{|z_2|}{|z_1|} \cdot z_1 e^{i\theta} = z_2 = \frac{|z_2|}{|z_1|}.$$

(2) Condition for four points to be noncyclic: If points A, B, C and D are concyclic

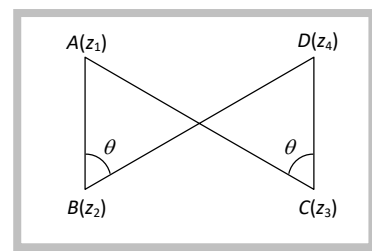
$$\angle ABD = \angle ACD$$

Using rotation theorem

$$\text{In } \triangle ABD \quad \frac{(z_1 - z_2)}{|z_1 - z_2|} = \frac{z_4 - z_2}{|z_4 - z_2|} e^{i\theta} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{In } \triangle ACD \quad \frac{(z_1 - z_3)}{|z_1 - z_3|} = \frac{z_4 - z_3}{|z_4 - z_3|} e^{i\theta} \quad \dots(ii)$$

From (i) and (ii)



$$\frac{(z_1 - z_2)(z_4 - z_3)}{|z_1 - z_3| |z_4 - z_2|} = \frac{|(z_1 - z_2)(z_4 - z_3)|}{|(z_1 - z_3)(z_4 - z_2)|} = \text{Real}$$

So if z_1, z_2, z_3 and z_4 are such that $\frac{(z_1 - z_2)(z_4 - z_3)}{(z_1 - z_3)(z_4 - z_2)}$ is real, then these four points are concyclic.