

## Complex Numbers 3A

1 a  $|z+3|=3|z-5|$

$$\Rightarrow |x+iy+3|=3|x+iy-5|$$

$$\Rightarrow |(x+3)+iy|=3|(x-5)+iy|$$

$$\Rightarrow |(x+3)+iy|^2=3^2|(x-5)+iy|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+3)^2+y^2=9[(x-5)^2+y^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2+6x+9+y^2=9[(x^2-10x+25+y^2)]$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2+6x+9+y^2=9x^2-90x+225+9y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 0=8x^2-96x+8y^2+216 \quad (\div 8)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2-12x+y^2+27=0$$

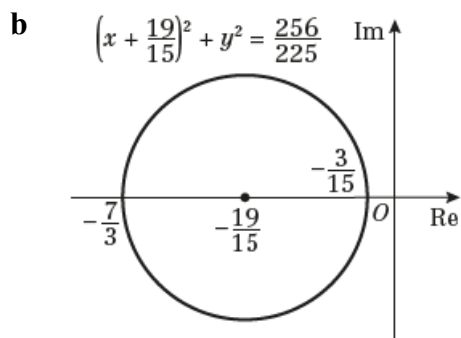
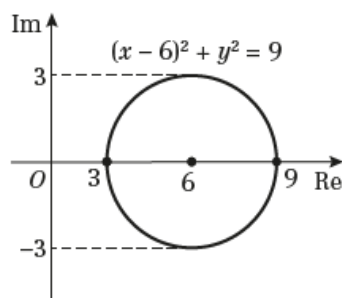
$$\Rightarrow (x-6)^2-36+y^2+27=0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-6)^2+y^2-9=0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-6)^2+y^2=9$$

The Cartesian equation of the locus of  $z$  is  $(x-6)^2+y^2=9$ .

This is a circle centre  $(6, 0)$ , radius = 3



$$|z-3|=4|z+1|$$

$$|x+iy-3|=4|x+iy+1|$$

$$|x-3+iy|^2=16|x+1+iy|^2$$

$$(x-3)^2+y^2=16((x+1)^2+y^2)$$

$$x^2-6x+9+y^2=16(x^2+2x+1+y^2)$$

$$=16x^2+32x+16+16y^2$$

$$15x^2+38x+15y^2+7=0$$

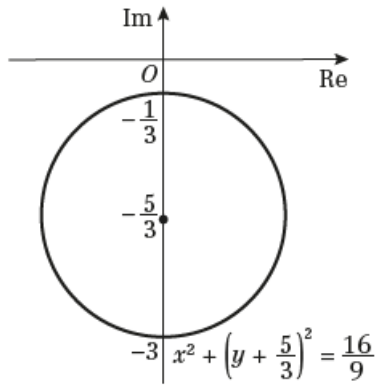
$$x^2+\frac{38}{15}x+y^2+\frac{7}{15}=0$$

$$\left(x+\frac{19}{15}\right)^2-\frac{19^2}{15^2}+y^2+\frac{7}{15}=0$$

$$\left(x+\frac{19}{15}\right)^2+y^2=\frac{256}{225}$$

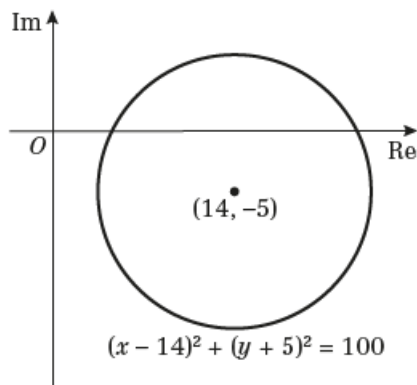
Circle centre  $\left(-\frac{19}{15}, 0\right)$  radius  $\frac{16}{15}$

1 c



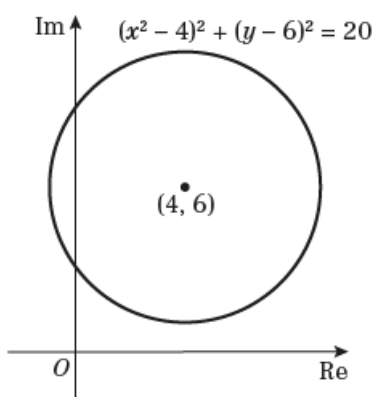
$$\begin{aligned}
 |z - i| &= 2|z + i| \\
 |x + iy - i| &= 2|x + iy + i| \\
 |x + i(y - 1)|^2 &= 4|x + i(y + 1)|^2 \\
 x^2 + (y - 1)^2 &= 4[x^2 + (y + 1)^2] \\
 x^2 + y^2 - 2y + 1 &= 4(x^2 + y^2 + 2y + 1) \\
 &= 4x^2 + 4y^2 + 8y + 4 \\
 3x^2 + 3y^2 + 10y + 3 &= 0 \\
 x^2 + y^2 + \frac{10}{3}y + 1 &= 0 \\
 x^2 + \left(y + \frac{5}{3}\right)^2 - \frac{25}{9} + 1 &= 0 \\
 x^2 + \left(y + \frac{5}{3}\right)^2 &= \frac{16}{9} \\
 \text{Circle centre } \left(0, -\frac{5}{3}\right) &\text{ radius } \frac{4}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

d



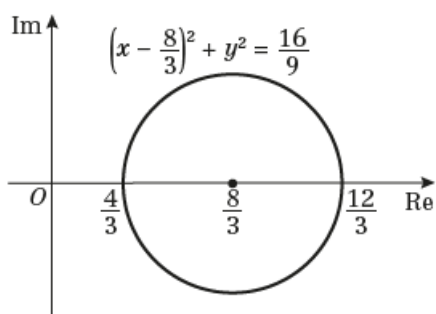
$$\begin{aligned}
 |z + 2 - 7i| &= 2|z - 10 + 2i| \\
 |x + iy + 2 - 7i| &= 2|x + iy - 10 + 2i| \\
 |(x + 2) + i(y - 7)|^2 &= 4|(x - 10) + i(y + 2)|^2 \\
 (x + 2)^2 + (y - 7)^2 &= 4[(x - 10)^2 + (y + 2)^2] \\
 x^2 + 4x + 4 + y^2 - 14y + 49 &= 4[x^2 - 20x + 100 + y^2 + 4y + 4] \\
 3x^2 - 84x + 3y^2 + 30y + 363 &= 0 \\
 x^2 - 28x + y^2 + 10y + 121 &= 0 \\
 (x - 14)^2 - 14^2 + (y + 5)^2 - 5^2 + 121 &= 0 \\
 (x - 14)^2 + (y + 5)^2 &= 100 \\
 \text{Circle centre } (14, -5) &\text{ radius } 10
 \end{aligned}$$

e



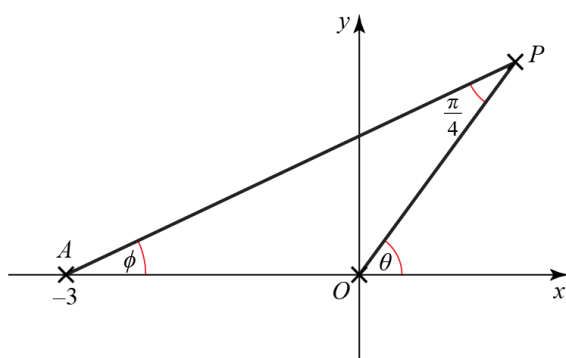
$$\begin{aligned}
 |z + 4 - 2i| &= 2|z - 2 - 5i| \\
 |x + iy + 4 - 2i| &= 2|x + iy - 2 - 5i| \\
 |(x + 4) + i(y - 2)|^2 &= 4|(x - 2) + i(y - 5)|^2 \\
 (x + 4)^2 + (y - 2)^2 &= 4[(x - 2)^2 + (y - 5)^2] \\
 x^2 + 8x + 16 + y^2 - 4y + 4 &= 4[x^2 - 4x + 4 \\
 &\quad + y^2 - 10y + 25] \\
 3x^2 - 24x + 3y^2 + 36y + 96 &= 0 \\
 x^2 - 8x + y^2 - 12y + 32 &= 0 \\
 (x - 4)^2 - 16 + (y - 6)^2 - 36 + 32 &= 0 \\
 (x - 4)^2 + (y - 6)^2 &= 20 \\
 \text{Circle centre } (4, 6) &\text{ radius } \sqrt{20} = 2\sqrt{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

1 f

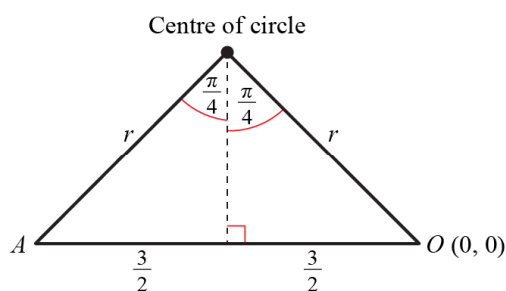


$$\begin{aligned}
 |z| &= 2|2-z| \\
 &= 2|-1||z-2| \\
 |x+iy| &= 2 \times 1 \times |x+iy-2| \\
 x^2+y^2 &= 4((x-2)^2+y^2) \\
 x^2+y^2 &= 4(x^2-4x+4+y^2) \\
 3x^2-16x+3y^2+16 &= 0 \\
 x^2-\frac{16}{3}x+y^2+\frac{16}{3} &= 0 \\
 \left(x-\frac{8}{3}\right)^2-\frac{64}{9}+y^2+\frac{16}{3} &= 0 \\
 \left(x-\frac{8}{3}\right)^2+y^2 &= \frac{16}{9} \\
 \text{Circle centre } \left(\frac{8}{3}, 0\right) \text{ radius } \frac{4}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

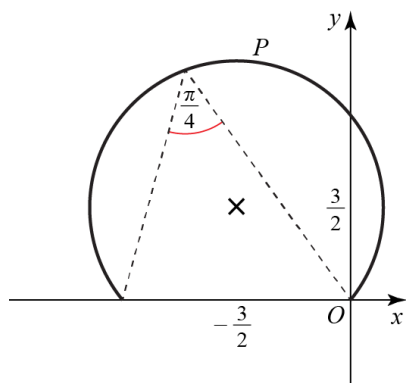
2 a



$$\begin{aligned}
 \arg\left(\frac{z}{z+3}\right) &= \frac{\pi}{4} \\
 \arg z - \arg(z+3) &= \frac{\pi}{4} \\
 \arg z - \arg(z-(-3)) &= \frac{\pi}{4} \\
 \arg z &= \theta \\
 \arg(z-(-3)) &= \phi \\
 \theta - \phi &= \frac{\pi}{4} \\
 \theta &= \phi + \frac{\pi}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

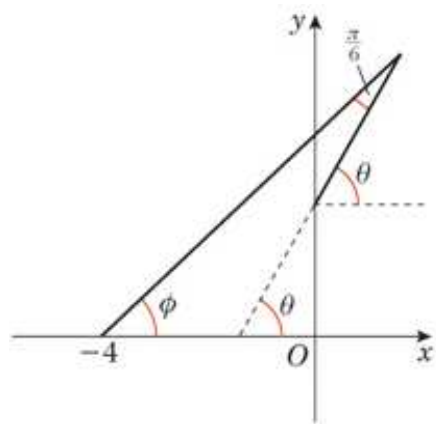


$P$  lies on an arc of a circle cut off at  $A(-3, 0)$  and  $O(0, 0)$   
 Angle at the centre is twice the angle at the circumference  $\therefore \frac{\pi}{2}$



It follows that the centre is at  $\left(-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right)$   
 and the radius is  $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{2}$

2 b



$$\arg\left(\frac{z-3i}{z+4}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

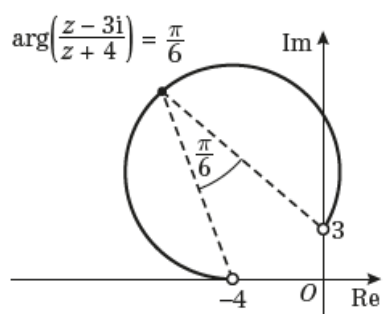
$$\arg(z-3i) - \arg(z-(-4)) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\arg(z-3i) = \theta.$$

$$\arg(z-(-4)) = \phi$$

$$\theta - \phi = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

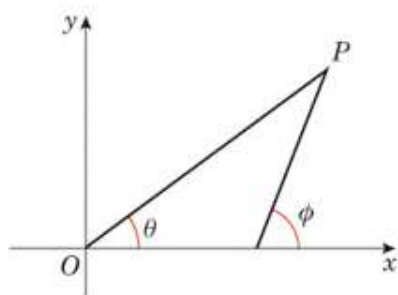
Arc of a circle from  $(-4,0)$  to  $(0,3)$



$$\arg\left(\frac{z-3i}{z+4}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

The centre is at  $\left(-\frac{4+3\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{3+4\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$ , though you do not need to calculate this for a sketch.

2 c



$$\arg\left(\frac{z}{z-2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\arg z = \theta$$

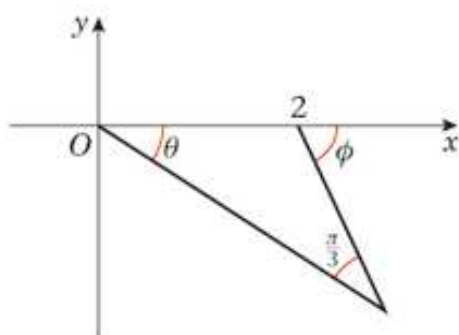
$$\arg(z-2) = \phi$$

$$\theta - \phi = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

As our diagram has  $\phi > \theta$ , we have  $P$  on the wrong side of the line joining  $O$  or  $\phi$ .

We want the arc below the  $x$ -axis.

Redrawing:



$$\arg z = -\theta$$

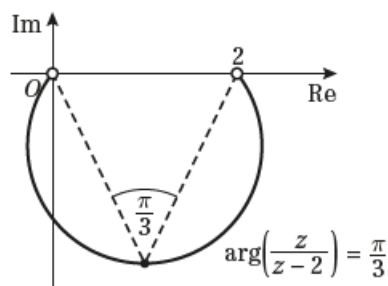
$$\arg(z-2) = -\phi$$

$$\text{Hence } \arg z - \arg(z-2) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\text{becomes } -\theta - (-\phi) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

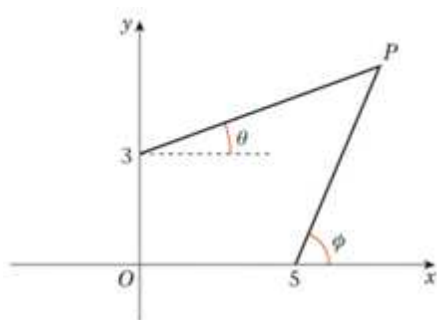
$$\phi = \theta + \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Arc of a circle, ends 0 and 2, subtending angle  $\frac{\pi}{3}$



(The centre is at  $\left(1, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$  radius  $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$  not needed to be calculated for a sketch)

2 d



$$\arg\left(\frac{z-3i}{z-5}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

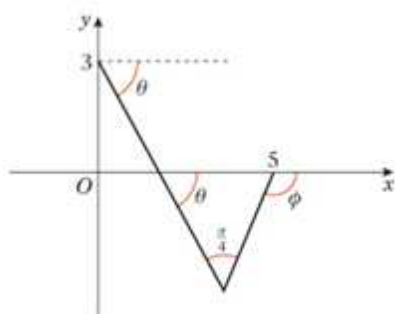
$$\arg(z-3i) - \arg(z-5) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\arg(z-3i) = \theta$$

$$\arg(z-5) = \phi$$

$$\theta - \phi = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

But  $\phi > \theta$ , we have  $P$  on the wrong side of the line joining  $3i$  and  $5$ .

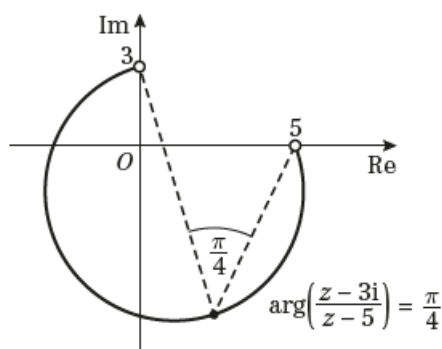


$$\arg(z-3i) = -\theta$$

$$\arg(z-5) = -\phi$$

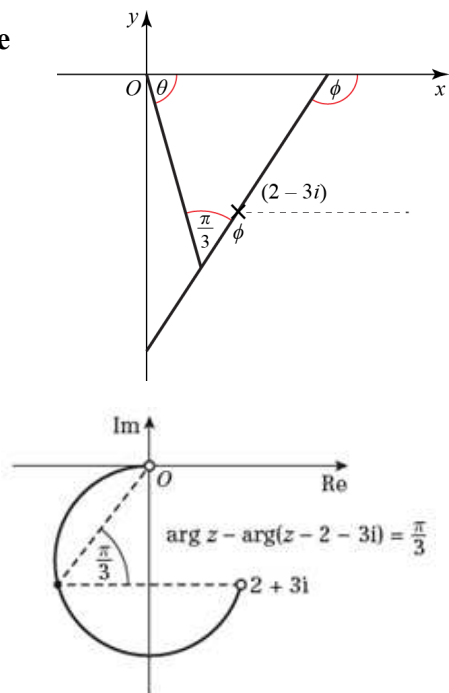
$$-\theta - (-\phi) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\phi = \theta + \frac{\pi}{4}$$



(Arc of circle centre  $(1, -1)$  radius  $\sqrt{17}$  not needed for sketch)

2 e



$$\arg z - \arg(z - 2 + 3i) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\arg z - \arg(z - (2 - 3i)) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\arg z = -\theta$$

$$\arg(z - (2 - 3i)) = -\phi$$

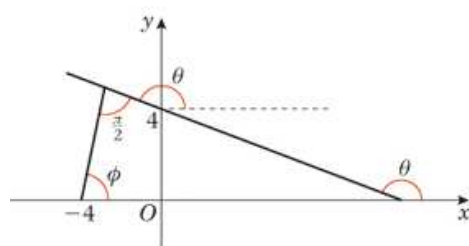
$$-\theta - (-\phi) = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\phi = \theta + \frac{\pi}{3}$$

Arc of circle, centre at  $\left(\frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{9 + 2\sqrt{3}}{6}\right)$ ,

this need not be calculated for your sketch.

f



$$\arg\left(\frac{z - 4i}{z + 4}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\arg(z - 4i) - \arg(z + 4) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\arg(z - 4i) = \theta$$

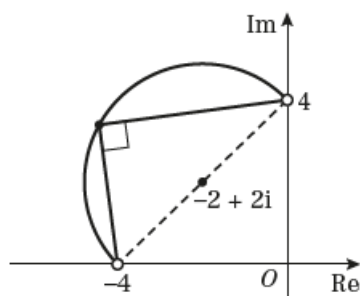
$$\arg(z + 4) = \phi = \arg(z - (-4i))$$

$$\theta - \phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\theta = \phi + \frac{\pi}{2}$$

The locus is an arc of a circle, ends at  $-4$  and  $4i$ , angle subtended being  $\frac{\pi}{2}$

$\therefore$  It is a semi-circle.



(Circle arc has centre  $(-2, 2)$ , radius  $2\sqrt{2}$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 3 \text{ a } & |z+1+i| = 2|z+4-2i| \\
 & \Rightarrow |x+iy+1+i| = 2|x+iy+4-2i| \\
 & \Rightarrow |(x+1)+i(y+1)| = 2|(x+4)+i(y-2)| \\
 & \Rightarrow |(x+1)+i(y+1)|^2 = 2^2 |(x+4)+i(y-2)|^2 \\
 & \Rightarrow (x+1)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 4[(x+4)^2 + (y-2)^2] \\
 & \Rightarrow x^2 + 2x + 1 + y^2 + 2y + 1 = 4[x^2 + 8x + 16 + y^2 - 4y + 4] \\
 & \Rightarrow x^2 + 2x + 1 + y^2 + 2y + 1 = 4x^2 + 32x + 64 + 4y^2 - 16y + 16 \\
 & \Rightarrow 0 = 3x^2 + 30x + 3y^2 - 18y + 64 + 16 - 1 - 1 \\
 & \Rightarrow 3x^2 + 30x + 3y^2 - 18y + 78 = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow x^2 + 10x + y^2 - 6y + 26 = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow (x+5)^2 - 25 + (y-3)^2 - 9 + 26 = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow (x+5)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 25 + 9 - 26 \\
 & \Rightarrow (x+5)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 8
 \end{aligned}$$

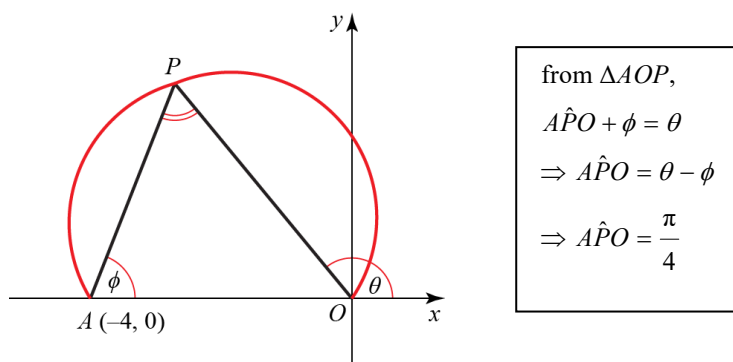
Therefore the locus of  $P$  is a circle centre  $(-5, 3)$ . (as required)

$$b \text{ radius} = \sqrt{8} = \sqrt{4} \cdot \sqrt{2} = 2\sqrt{2}$$

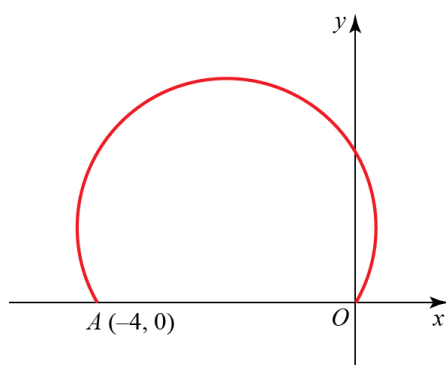
The exact radius is  $2\sqrt{2}$ .

$$4 \text{ a } \arg(z) - \arg(z+4) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta - \phi = \frac{\pi}{4}, \text{ where } \arg(z) = \theta \text{ and } \arg(z+4) = \phi$$

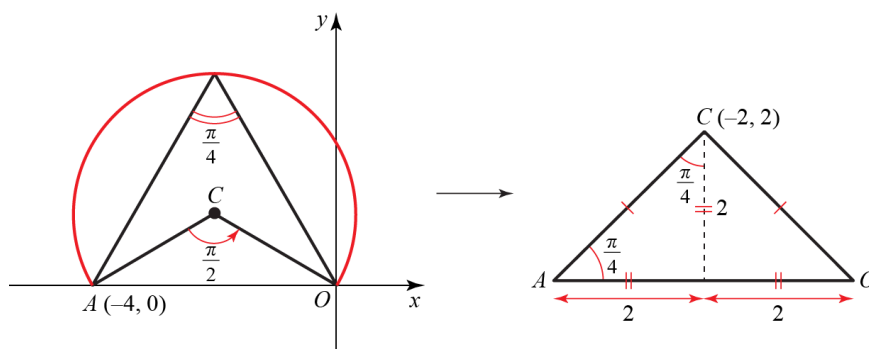


The locus of points  $P$  is an arc of a circle cut off at  $(-4, 0)$  and  $(0, 0)$ , as shown below.





4 b



Therefore the centre of the circle has coordinates  $(-2, 2)$ .

c  $r = \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{8} = \sqrt{4}\sqrt{2} = 2\sqrt{2}$

Therefore, the radius of  $C$  is  $2\sqrt{2}$ .

d The Cartesian equation of  $C$  is  $(x + 2)^2 + (y - 2)^2 = 8$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 4 \text{ e } \text{ Finite area} &= \text{Area of major sector } ACO + \text{Area } \Delta ACO \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{8})^2 \left( 2\pi - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{2}(4)(2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}(8) \left( 2\pi - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) + 4 \\
 &= 4 \left( \frac{3\pi}{2} \right) + 4 \\
 &= 6\pi + 4
 \end{aligned}$$

Finite area bounded by the locus of  $P$  and the  $x$ -axis is  $6\pi + 4$ .

**b, c, d** Method (2):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \arg z - \arg(z+4) &= \arg \left( \frac{z}{z+4} \right) \\
 &= \arg \left( \frac{x+iy}{x+iy+4} \right) \\
 &= \arg \left[ \frac{x+iy}{(x+4)+iy} \right] \\
 &= \arg \left[ \frac{x+iy}{(x+4)+iy} \times \frac{(x+4)-iy}{(x+4)-iy} \right] \\
 &= \arg \left[ \frac{x(x+4) - iyx + iy(x+4) + y^2}{(x+4)^2 + y^2} \right] \\
 &= \arg \left[ \left( \frac{x(x+4) + y^2}{(x+4)^2 + y^2} \right) + i \left( \frac{y(x+4) - yx}{(x+4)^2 + y^2} \right) \right] \\
 &= \arg \left[ \left( \frac{x^2 + 4x + y^2}{(x+4)^2 + y^2} \right) + i \left( \frac{xy + 4y - xy}{(x+4)^2 + y^2} \right) \right] \\
 &= \arg \left[ \left( \frac{x^2 + 4x + y^2}{(x+4)^2 + y^2} \right) + i \left( \frac{4y}{(x+4)^2 + y^2} \right) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Applying } \arg \left( \frac{z}{z+4} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{\left( \frac{4y}{(x+4)^2 + y^2} \right)}{\left( \frac{x^2 + 4x + y^2}{(x+4)^2 + y^2} \right)} = \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4y}{x^2 + 4x + y^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y = x^2 + 4x + y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = x^2 + 4x + y^2 - 4y$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+2)^2 - 4 + (y-2)^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+2)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+2)^2 + (y-2)^2 = (2\sqrt{2})^2$$

$C$  is a circle with centre  $(-2, 2)$ , radius  $2\sqrt{2}$  and has Cartesian equation  $(x+2)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 8$ .

5 a Curve  $F$  is described by  $|z| = 2|z + 4|$ . First, note that  $z$  can be written as  $z = x + iy$ :

$$|x + yi| = |2x + 2yi + 8|. \text{ Next, group the real and imaginary parts}$$

$$|x + yi| = 2|(x + 4) + yi|. \text{ Square both sides}$$

$$|x + yi|^2 = 2^2|(x + 4) + yi|^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4(x + 4)^2 + 4y^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4(x^2 + 8x + 16) + 4y^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4x^2 + 32x + 64 + 4y^2$$

$$4x^2 + 32x + 64 - x^2 + 4y^2 - y^2 = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 32x + 3y^2 + 64 = 0$$

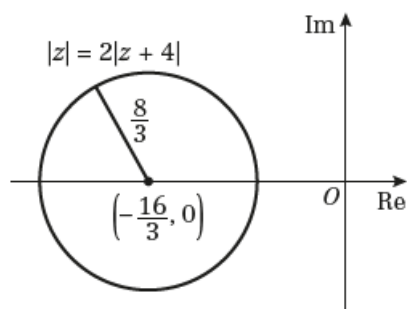
$$x^2 + \frac{32}{3}x + y^2 + \frac{64}{3} = 0$$

Completing the square for  $x$

$$\left(x + \frac{16}{3}\right)^2 + y^2 = \frac{64}{9} = \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^2$$

Thus we see that  $F$  is a circle centred at  $\left(-\frac{16}{3}, 0\right)$  with radius  $r = \frac{8}{3}$

b



c The circle is centred at  $\left(-\frac{16}{3}, 0\right)$  and its radius is  $r = \frac{8}{3}$ . This means that it stretches out from  $-\frac{8}{3}$  to  $\frac{8}{3}$  along the imaginary axis. Thus  $-\frac{8}{3} \leq \text{Im}(z) \leq \frac{8}{3}$

- 6 We are given curve defined by  $|z-8| = 2|z-2-6i|$ . To visualise this, express  $z$  as real and imaginary parts and square both sides

$$|x-8+yi| = 2|x-2+yi-6i|$$

$$|x-8+yi|^2 = 2^2|x-2+yi-6i|^2$$

$$(x-8)^2 + y^2 = 4(x-2)^2 + 4(y-6)^2$$

$$x^2 - 16x + 64 + y^2 = 4x^2 - 16x + 16 + 4y^2 - 48y + 144$$

$$3x^2 + 3y^2 - 48y + 96 = 0$$

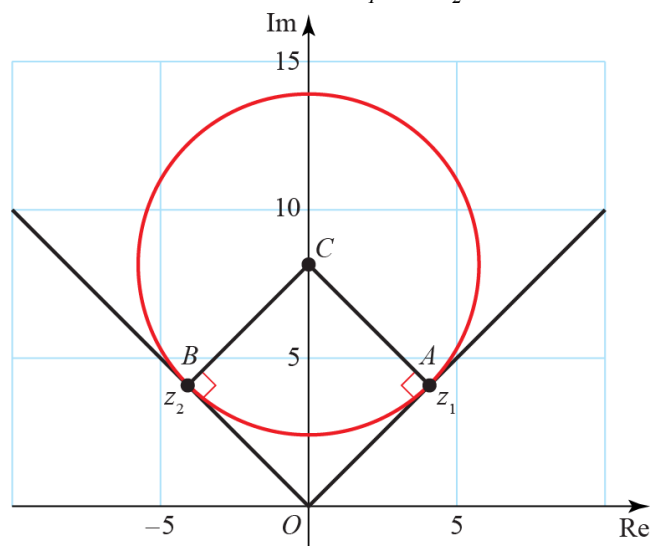
$$x^2 + y^2 - 16y + 32 = 0$$

$$x^2 + (y-8)^2 - 64 + 32 = 0$$

$$x^2 + (y-8)^2 = 32 = (4\sqrt{2})^2$$

So this curve is a circle centred at  $(0,8)$  with radius  $r = 4\sqrt{2}$ . Now the largest and smallest values of  $\arg(z)$  will be found at the points of tangency of the circle to the lines going through the origin.

These are shown below as  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ .



We can calculate the distance  $x$  from the origin to  $A$  using Pythagoras Theorem:

$$x^2 + r^2 = 8^2$$

$$x^2 = 64 - 32$$

$$x = 4\sqrt{2} = r$$

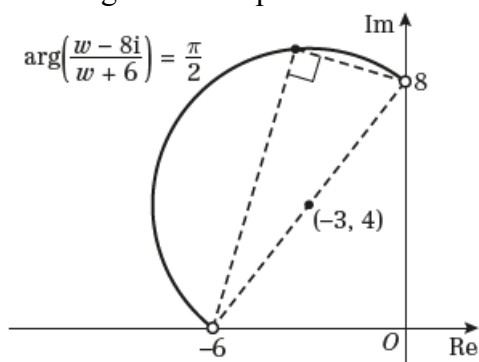
So the triangle created by the origin,  $z_1$  and the centre of the circle is a right-angled isosceles triangle, so the angle  $\sphericalangle COA = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . Similarly,  $\sphericalangle COB = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . Thus we conclude that  $\arg(z_1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$  and

$\arg(z_2) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ . So for any  $z$  lying on this circle we have  $\frac{\pi}{4} \leq \arg(z) \leq \frac{3\pi}{4}$

7 a We want to sketch the curve  $S$  satisfying  $\arg\left(\frac{w-8i}{w+6}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . We have

$$\arg\left(\frac{w-8i}{w+6}\right) = \arg(w-8i) - \arg(w+6) = \alpha - \beta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \text{ where } \arg(w-8i) = \alpha \text{ and } \arg(w+6) = \beta.$$

Since the constant angle is  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $S$  is a semicircle from  $(0,8)$  anticlockwise to  $(-6,0)$  but not including these two points.



b The centre of this semicircle lies in the middle of the line connecting  $(-6,0)$  and  $(0,8)$ , i.e. at  $(-3,4)$ . The radius can be found by using Pythagoras Theorem:

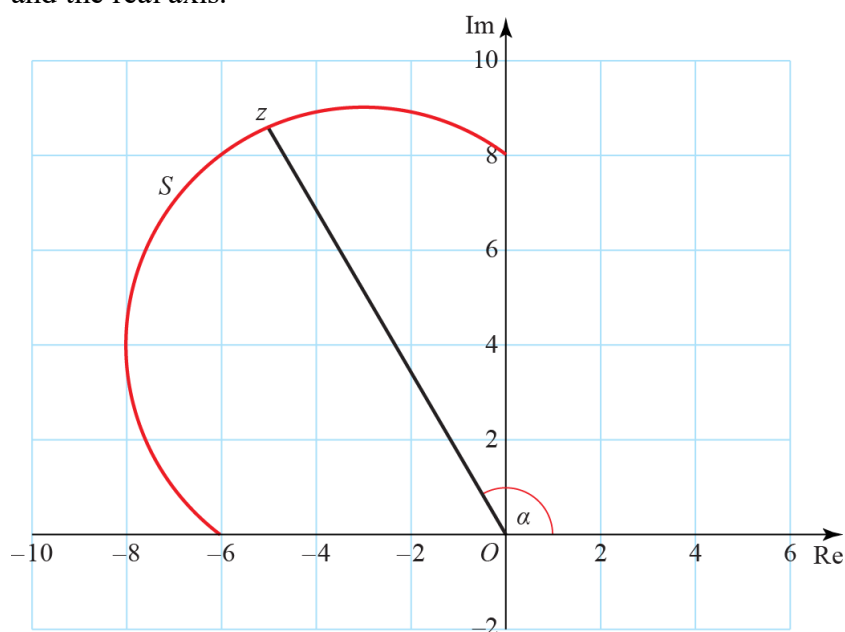
$$r^2 = 3^2 + 4^2 = 25$$

$$r = 5$$

Thus the Cartesian equation for  $S$  can be written as  $(x+3)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 25$ ,  $x < 0, y > 0$ .

Remember to specify the range of  $x$  and  $y$ . Here the inequalities are strict since  $(-6,0)$  and  $(0,8)$  are not included in the curve.

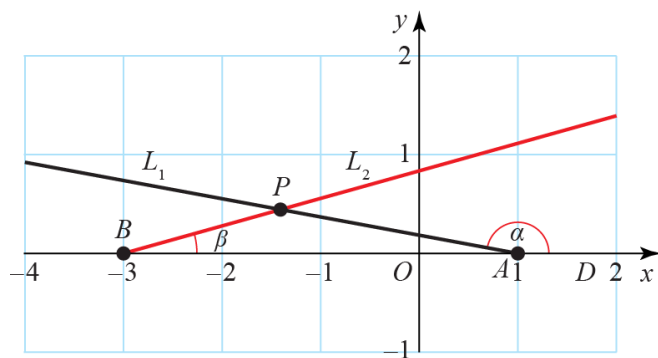
c The argument of an imaginary number  $z$  is the angle between the line connecting  $z$  to the origin and the real axis.



For curve  $S$  the smallest such angle is for  $z = 8i$  and the largest for  $z = -6$ . Remember that the endpoints are not included in the curve, so we have  $\frac{\pi}{2} < \arg(z) < \pi$

7 d The point furthest to the left is  $-8 + 4i$ , so the smallest possible value of  $\text{Re}(z)$  is  $-8$ . The endpoints of the semicircle are not included in the curve, so we need to use a strict inequality for the largest value of  $\text{Re}(z)$ . Thus  $-8 \leq \text{Re}(z) < 0$ .

8 We have  $\arg(z-1) - \arg(z+3) = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ ,  $z \neq -3$ . Let  $L_1$  be the half-line satisfying  $\arg(z-1) = \alpha$  and  $L_2$  be the half-line satisfying  $\arg(z+3) = \beta$ . From the initial equation we have  $\alpha - \beta = \frac{3\pi}{4}$



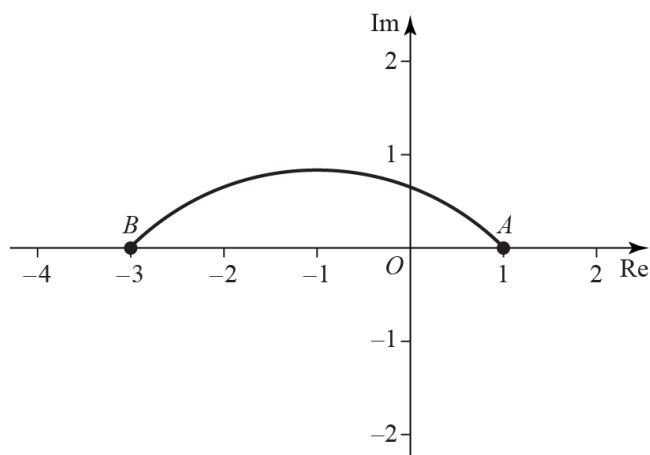
Now considering the triangle APB we see that

$$\hat{PBA} + \hat{APB} = \hat{DAP}$$

$$\hat{APB} = \hat{DAP} - \hat{PBA} = \alpha - \beta = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

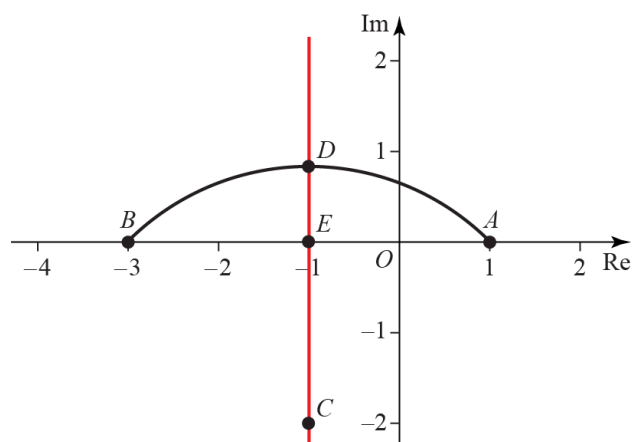
So, as  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  vary, the angle  $APB$  remains constant at  $\frac{3\pi}{4}$

So the locus will be an arc going anticlockwise from  $A$  to  $B$ :



## 8 (continued)

Now we know that the centre of this circle lies on the perpendicular bisector of the line segment connecting  $A$  and  $B$ , which has equation  $x = -1$ . Let  $C$  be the centre of this circle.



We know that  $\widehat{ADB} = \frac{3\pi}{4}$ , so  $\widehat{BCA} = 2\pi - 2\widehat{ADB} = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

So  $ACB$  is an isosceles, right-angled triangle.

So we have:

$$r^2 + r^2 = 4^2$$

$$r^2 = 8$$

$$r = 2\sqrt{2}$$

Now, using Pythagoras Theorem again, on triangle  $BEC$  we have that

$$CE^2 + 2^2 = r^2$$

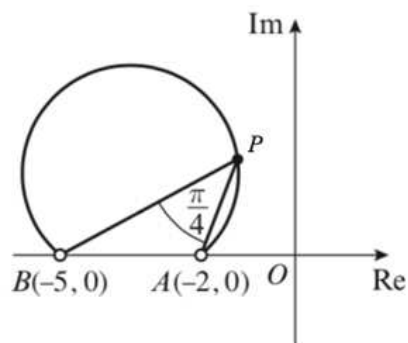
$$CE^2 = 4$$

$$CE = 2$$

So the centre has coordinates  $C = (-1, -2)$  and the Cartesian equation of this locus can be written as

$$(x+1)^2 + (y+2)^2 = 8, y > 0.$$

9 a



By considering the triangle APB, we have that

$$\widehat{PBA} + \widehat{APB} = \widehat{OAP}$$

$$\widehat{APB} = \widehat{OAP} - \widehat{PBA}$$

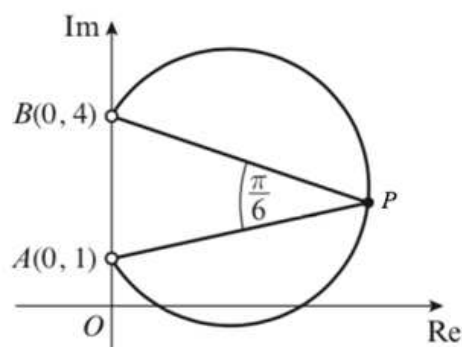
$$\widehat{OAP} - \widehat{PBA} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Moreover, we know that angles in the same segment of a circle are equal, so we're looking for all

numbers  $z$  for which  $\arg(z+2) - \arg(z+5) = \frac{\pi}{4}$

Thus the equation describing this locus is  $\arg\left(\frac{z+2}{z+5}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$

b



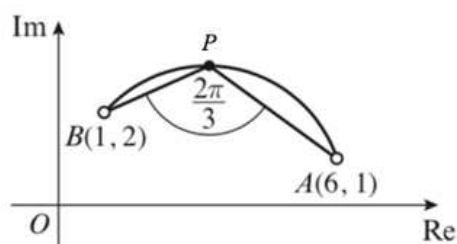
Similar to example a, we have

$$\arg(z-i) - \arg(z-4i) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\text{So } \arg\left(\frac{z-i}{z-4i}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$



9 c



Using the same techniques as for part **a** and **b** we have that the locus can be described as

$$\arg(z - (6 + i)) - \arg(z - (1 + 2i)) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\arg(z - 6 - i) - \arg(z - 1 - 2i) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\arg\left(\frac{z - 6 - i}{z - 1 - 2i}\right) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

**10 a** We have  $|z + 3| = 3|z - 5|$ . By representing  $z$  as real and imaginary parts and squaring both sides of the equation we see that:

$$|x + 3 + yi| = 3|x - 5 + yi|$$

$$|x + 3 + yi|^2 = 9|x - 5 + yi|^2$$

$$(x + 3)^2 + y^2 = 9(x - 5)^2 + 9y^2$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9 + y^2 = 9x^2 - 90x + 225 + 9y^2$$

$$8x^2 - 96x + 216 + 8y^2 = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 12x + 27 = 0$$

as required.

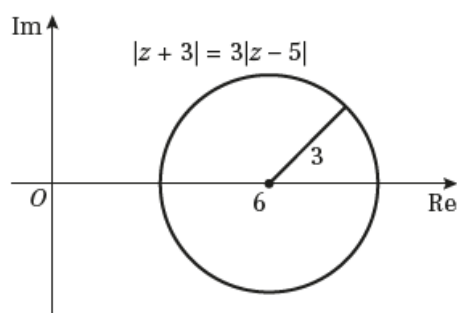
**b** The above equation can be rewritten as follows:

$$(x - 6)^2 - 36 + y^2 + 27 = 0$$

$$(x - 6)^2 + y^2 = 9$$

$$(x - 6)^2 + y^2 = 3^2$$

So the equation describes a circle centred at  $(6, 0)$  with radius  $r = 3$



**10 c** We have that  $\arg(z_1) = \frac{\pi}{6}$  and that  $z_1 \in C$ . If we write  $z_1 = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$  where  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$ , we see that  $z_1 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}r + \frac{1}{2}ri$ . Moreover, we know that  $z_1$  lies on the circle, so if we write  $z_1 = x + yi$ ,  $x$  and  $y$  must satisfy  $(x-6)^2 + y^2 = 3^2$ . Comparing the two expressions for  $z_1$ , we obtain

$x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}r$ ,  $y = \frac{1}{2}r$ . Substituting these values into the circle equation we have:

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}r - 6\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}r\right)^2 = 9$$

$$\frac{3}{4}r^2 - 6r\sqrt{3} + 36 + \frac{1}{4}r^2 = 9$$

$$r^2 - 6r\sqrt{3} + 27 = 0$$

$$(r - 3\sqrt{3})^2 = 0$$

$$r = 3\sqrt{3}$$

Thus we can write  $z_1 = 3\sqrt{3}\left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$

**11 a** We have the locus of points  $P$  satisfying  $|z - z_1| = k|z - z_2|$ . Moreover, we know that  $AP = 2BP$ ,  $A = (0, 6)$ ,  $B = (3, 0)$ . Thus we can write  $|z - 6i| = 2|z - 3|$ .

**b** Write  $z = x + yi$  and square both sides of equation derived in part **a**:

$$|x + yi - 6i| = 2|x - 3 + yi|$$

$$|x + yi - 6i|^2 = 4|x - 3 + yi|^2$$

$$x^2 + (y - 6)^2 = 4(x - 3)^2 + 4y^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 12y + 36 = 4x^2 - 24x + 36 + 4y^2$$

$$3x^2 - 24x + 3y^2 + 12y = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 4y = 0$$

as required.

**c** The equation for circle  $C$  derived in part **b** can be written as  $(x-4)^2 + (y+2)^2 = 20 = (2\sqrt{5})^2$ . This means the circle is centred at  $(4, -2)$  and has radius  $r = 2\sqrt{5}$ . We are given the locus of points  $w$  satisfying  $\arg(w-6) = \alpha$  and  $\alpha$  passes through the centre of the circle. The centre is at point  $c = 4 - 2i$  and we know that, since the centre lies in the 4<sup>th</sup> quadrant,  $\frac{\text{Im}(c)}{\text{Re}(c)} = \tan(2\pi - \alpha)$ .

Thus we can write  $\tan(2\pi - \alpha) = -\frac{1}{2}$  and so, since  $\alpha \in (0, 2\pi)$ , we have that

$$2\pi - \alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \approx -0.46$$

$$\alpha \approx 5.82$$

**11 d** We know that  $Q$  satisfies both  $\arg(w-6) = \alpha$  and  $m+n=b$ , since it lies on the intersection of the line and the circle. Thus, writing  $q = x_1 + y_1i$  we have  $\frac{y_1}{x_1} = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow x_1 = -2y_1$ .

Substituting this into the circle equation, we obtain:

$$4y_1^2 + y_1^2 + 16y_1 + 4y_1 = 0$$

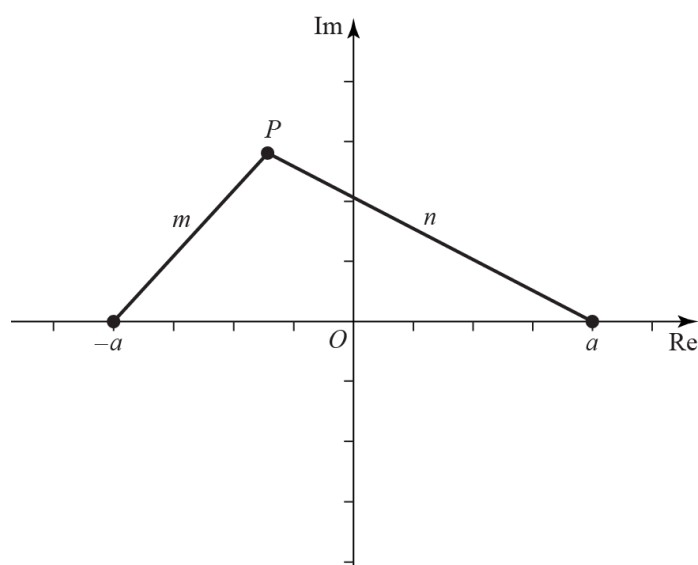
$$5y_1^2 + 20y_1 = 0$$

$$y_1(y_1 + 4) = 0$$

$$y_1 = 0 \text{ or } y_1 = -4$$

$y_1 = 0$  leads to  $x_1 = 0$ , so the origin. Thus we take  $y_1 = -4$  and  $x_1 = 8$ . So  $Q = (8, -4)$ .

### Challenge



The equation  $|z-a| + |z+a| = b$  describes all points  $P$  for which the sum of distances from  $a$  and  $-a$  is equal to  $b$ . According to the graph above, we have  $m+n=b$ . This is exactly the definition of an ellipse with foci at  $a$  and  $-a$  and the major axis of length  $b$ .

