

Solution (#117) The circle $|z - 1| = 1$ has a natural parametrization

$$z = 1 + \operatorname{cis} \alpha \quad 0 \leq \alpha < 2\pi.$$

As noted in #26 we have

$$z = 2 \cos \left(\frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \operatorname{cis} \left(\frac{\alpha}{2} \right).$$

So

$$z^2 = 4 \cos^2 \left(\frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \operatorname{cis} (\alpha)$$

Let $r = |z^2|$ and $\theta = \arg(z^2)$. Taking arguments then

$$\theta = \alpha \quad \text{and} \quad r = 4 \cos^2 \left(\frac{\alpha}{2} \right) = 2 + 2 \cos \alpha = 2 + 2 \cos \theta$$

as required.

Alternative Solution: Under the map $z \mapsto z^2$ the point $x + yi$ maps to $x + yi$ where $X = x^2 - y^2$ and $Y = 2xy$. Solving for x^2 and y^2 in terms of X and Y we obtain

$$x^2 - \frac{Y^2}{4x^2} = X \quad \implies \quad x^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{X^2 + Y^2} + X \right) \quad \text{and} \quad y^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{X^2 + Y^2} - X \right).$$

In terms of polar co-ordinates r, θ the image point (X, Y) we have

$$x^2 = \frac{r}{2} (1 + \cos \theta), \quad y^2 = \frac{r}{2} (1 - \cos \theta). \quad (8.8)$$

The equation of the original circle is

$$(x - 1)^2 + y^2 = 1 \quad \text{or equivalently} \quad x^2 - 2x + y^2 = 0.$$

Substituting in our expressions (8.8) this becomes the following constraint on r, θ :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r}{2} (1 + \cos \theta) - \sqrt{2r(1 + \cos \theta)} + \frac{r}{2} (1 - \cos \theta) &= 0, \\ \implies r &= \sqrt{2r(1 + \cos \theta)}, \\ \implies r &= 2(1 + \cos \theta). \end{aligned}$$