

8. Express $4 - 4i$ in polar form.

Hence find the value of $\frac{1}{(4 - 4i)^3}$.

$$\text{let } z = 4 - 4i$$

$$r = \sqrt{4^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{32}$$

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

$$\theta = 315^\circ$$

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$$45^\circ$$

polar form

$$z = 4\sqrt{2} \operatorname{cis} 315^\circ$$

$$\frac{1}{z^3} = z^{-3}$$

$$(r \operatorname{cis} \theta)^n = r^n \operatorname{cis} n\theta$$

$$z^{-3} = (4\sqrt{2})^3 \operatorname{cis} (-3)(315^\circ)$$

$$= \frac{1}{128\sqrt{2}} \operatorname{cis} (-945^\circ)$$

$$= \frac{1}{128\sqrt{2}} \left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} i \right)$$

$$= \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{128\sqrt{2}(2)} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{128\sqrt{2}(2)} i$$

$$= -\frac{1}{256} + \frac{1}{256} i$$

