

Question

Using the $\delta - \epsilon$ definition of limit, prove that for each $a \in \mathbf{C} - \{0\}$,

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} az = \infty.$$

Answer

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} az = \infty \quad (a \neq 0)$$

given $\epsilon > 0$, there is $\delta > 0$ so that if $z \in \cup_{\delta}(\infty) - \{\infty\}$ then $az \in \cup_{\epsilon}(\infty)$.

$$az \in \cup_{\epsilon}(\infty) : |az| > \epsilon \quad |z| > \frac{\epsilon}{|a|}$$

Take $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{|a|}$: then if $z \in \cup_{\delta}(\infty) - \{\infty\}$ then $|z| > \delta$ and so $|z| > \frac{\epsilon}{|a|}$ and so $|az| > \epsilon$ as desired.