

6/ The result given $|z-w| \leq |z| + |w|$ (z, w are complex numbers)
 follows from the more familiar TRIANGLE INEQUALITY

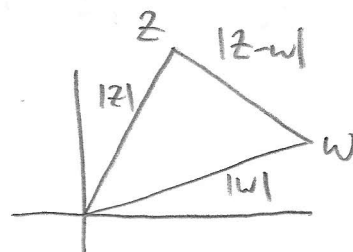
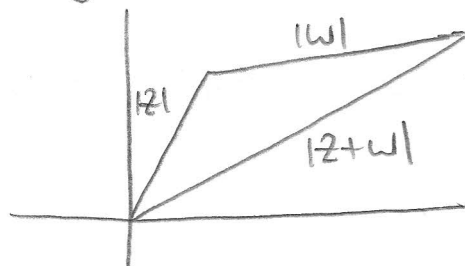
$$|z+w| \leq |z| + |w|$$

but when $w \rightarrow -w$

i.e. $|z-w| \leq |z| + |-w|$

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This is fairly obvious geometrically
 as is



[Proof using algebra: $|z+w|^2 = (z+w)(z^*+w^*)$

↑
 This will be useful later]

$$= zz^* + (wz^* + zw^*) + ww^*$$

$$= |z|^2 + |w|^2 + wz^* + zw^*$$

let $z = |z|e^{i\theta}$
 $w = |w|e^{i\phi}$

$$\therefore wz^* + zw^* = |z||w|(e^{i(\theta-\phi)} + e^{-i(\theta-\phi)})$$

$$= 2|z||w|\cos(\theta-\phi)$$

Now $\operatorname{Re}(wz^*) = \operatorname{Re}(zw^*) = |z||w|\cos(\theta-\phi)$

So $|z+w|^2 = |z|^2 + |w|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}(zw^*)$

Now max value of $\cos(\theta-\phi)$ is 1, so $\operatorname{Re}(zw^*) \leq |z||w|$
 \therefore Since $|z+w|^2 = |z|^2 + |w|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re}(zw^*)$

$$|z+w|^2 = |z|^2 + |w|^2 + 2|z||w|$$

$$\therefore |z+w|^2 \leq |z|^2 + |w|^2 + 2|z||w|$$

$$\therefore |z+w|^2 \leq (|z|+|w|)^2$$

$$\therefore \boxed{|z+w| \leq |z|+|w|} \quad \text{as required.}$$

Note

$$\begin{aligned} |z-w|^2 &= (z-w)(z^*-w^*) \\ &= |z|^2 + |w|^2 - (wz^* + zw^*) \\ &= |z|^2 + |w|^2 - 2\operatorname{Re}(zw^*) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Since } 2\operatorname{Re}(zw^*) = |z|^2 + |w|^2 - |z-w|^2$$

$$\text{and } \operatorname{Re}(zw^*) \leq |z||w|$$

$$\therefore |z|^2 + |w|^2 - |z-w|^2 \leq |z||w|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |z-w|^2 &\geq |z|^2 + |w|^2 - |z||w| \\ &\geq (|z|-|w|)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{|z-w| \geq |z|-|w|} \quad \text{as well}$$

So

$$\boxed{|z|-|w| \leq |z-w| \leq |z|+|w|} \quad]$$

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} |z-w|^2 &= (z-w)(z^*-w^*) \\ &= |z|^2 + |w|^2 - (wz^* + zw^*) \end{aligned}$$

Now let $E = zw^* + z^*w + 2|zw|$

$$\therefore zw^* + z^*w = E - 2|zw|$$

$$\therefore |z-w|^2 = |z|^2 + |w|^2 - E + 2|zw|$$

Now if $z = |z|e^{i\theta}$
 $w = |w|e^{i\phi}$

$$zw = |z||w|e^{i(\theta+\phi)}$$

$$\therefore |zw| = |z||w| |e^{i(\theta+\phi)}|$$

$$\therefore \boxed{|zw| = |z||w|}$$

$$\therefore |z-w|^2 = |z|^2 + |w|^2 + 2|z||w| - E$$

$$\boxed{|z-w|^2 = (|z| + |w|)^2 - E} \quad \text{as required}$$

Now from above: $wz^* + zw^* = 2\operatorname{Re}(zw^*)$

$$\therefore E = 2\operatorname{Re}(zw^*) + 2|z||w| \quad \text{so } \boxed{E \text{ is real}}$$

Now since $\operatorname{Re}(zw^*) = |z||w|\cos(\theta-\phi)$

$$-|z||w| \leq \operatorname{Re}(zw^*) \leq |z||w|$$

Since $-1 \leq \cos(\theta-\phi) \leq 1$

$$\therefore \boxed{E \geq 0} \quad \text{so } \boxed{E \text{ is real and positive}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad |1 - zw^*|^2 &= (1 - zw^*)(1 - z^*w) \\ &= 1 - zw^* - z^*w + |z||w| \\ &= 1 - (E - 2|z||w|) + |z|^2|w|^2 \\ &= 1 + 2|z||w| + (|z||w|)^2 - E \\ &= \boxed{(1 + |zw|)^2 - E} \end{aligned}$$

Again we $|z||w| = |zw|$

$$\text{So } |z-w|^2 = (|z| + |w|)^2 - E \quad (i)$$

$$|1-zw^*|^2 = (1 + |zw|)^2 - E \quad (ii)$$

Conjecture

$$\frac{|z-w|}{|1-zw^*|} \leq \frac{|z|+|w|}{1+|zw|}$$

Since both sides are positive

$$|z-w|^2 (1+|zw|)^2 \leq |1-zw^*|^2 (|z|+|w|)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \left((|z|+|w|)^2 - E \right) (1 + 2|z||w| + |zw|^2) \\ \leq \left((1+|zw|)^2 - E \right) (|z|^2 + 2|z||w| + |w|^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow E \left(1 + 2|z||w| + |zw|^2 - |z|^2 - 2|z||w| - |w|^2 \right) \\ \geq (|z|+|w|)^2 (1+|zw|)^2 - (1+|zw|)^2 (|z|+|w|)^2 \end{aligned}$$

↖ better to re-factorize

$$\Rightarrow E(1-|w|^2)(1-|z|^2) \geq 0$$

Now E is real and positive, so conjecture is

$$\text{true if } (1-|w|^2)(1-|z|^2) \geq 0 \quad (*)$$

if $|z| > 1$ and $|w| > 1$ then both $(-)$ are < 0

so $(*)$ is true.

if $|z| < 1$ and $|w| < 1$ then both (\dots) are > 0

so $(*)$ is also true.