

If z and \bar{z} represent adjacent vertices of a regular polygon of n sides with centre at origin and

if $\frac{\text{Im}z}{\text{Re}z} = \sqrt{2} - 1$, then the value of n is equal to

A 2

B 4

C 6

D 8

Let z_1 be the first vertex of the polygon in the first quadrant,

Hence

$$\arg(z_1) = \frac{2\pi}{8} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi}{8}, \dots$$

(angle between two corresponding vertices will be $\frac{2\pi}{n}$, hence angle made by one vertex with the horizontal x-axis will be exactly half of it).

$$\therefore \frac{\operatorname{Im}(z)}{\operatorname{Re}(z)} = \tan(\arg(z))$$

$$= \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right)$$

$$= \sqrt{2} - 1$$

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{\pi}{n} = \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2} - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{n} = \frac{\pi}{8}$$

Thus $n = 8$.

Hence, the option 'D' is correct.