

ELEC 261

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Definition of a Complex number

$$z = x + iy \quad \text{with } x \text{ and } y \text{ real and}$$

$$i = \sqrt{-1} \text{ or } i^2 = -1$$

is a Complex number.

Two complex numbers $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$,

$$\text{and } z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$$

are equal if $x_1 = x_2$

$$\text{and } y_1 = y_2$$

Arithmetic operations

$$z_1 + z_2 = x_1 + iy_1 + x_2 + iy_2 = (x_1 + x_2) + i(y_1 + y_2)$$

$$z_1 - z_2 = (x_1 - x_2) + i(y_1 - y_2)$$

$$z_1 z_2 = \cancel{x_1} x_2 - y_1 y_2 + i(y_1 x_2 + x_1 y_2)$$

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{x_1 + iy_1}{x_2 + iy_2} = \frac{(x_1 + iy_1)(x_2 - iy_2)}{x_2^2 + y_2^2}$$

$$= \frac{x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2} + i \frac{x_2 y_1 - x_1 y_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2}$$

Commutative Law: $z_1 + z_2 = z_2 + z_1$

$$z_1 z_2 = z_2 z_1$$

Associative Law: $z_1 + (z_2 + z_3) = (z_1 + z_2) + z_3$

$$z_1 (z_2 z_3) = (z_1 z_2) z_3$$

Distributive Law:

$$z_1(z_2 + z_3) = z_1 z_2 + z_1 z_3$$

Example: Add $z_1 = 2 + 4i$ and $z_2 = -3 + 8i$

$$(2 + 4i) + (-3 + 8i) = -1 + 12i$$

Example: Multiply $z_1 = 2 - 3i$ and $z_2 = 4 + 5i$

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 z_2 &= (2 - 3i)(4 + 5i) = 8 - 12i + 10i + 15 \\ &= 23 - 2i \end{aligned}$$

Conjugate: $z = x + iy$

$\bar{z} = x - iy$ is called the
conjugate of z .

$$\overline{z_1 + z_2} = \bar{z}_1 + \bar{z}_2$$

$$\overline{z_1 z_2} = \bar{z}_1 \bar{z}_2$$

$$\overline{z_1 - z_2} = \bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_2$$

$$\overline{\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)} = \frac{\bar{z}_1}{\bar{z}_2}$$

Note that:

$$z + \bar{z} = x + iy + x - iy = 2x$$

So

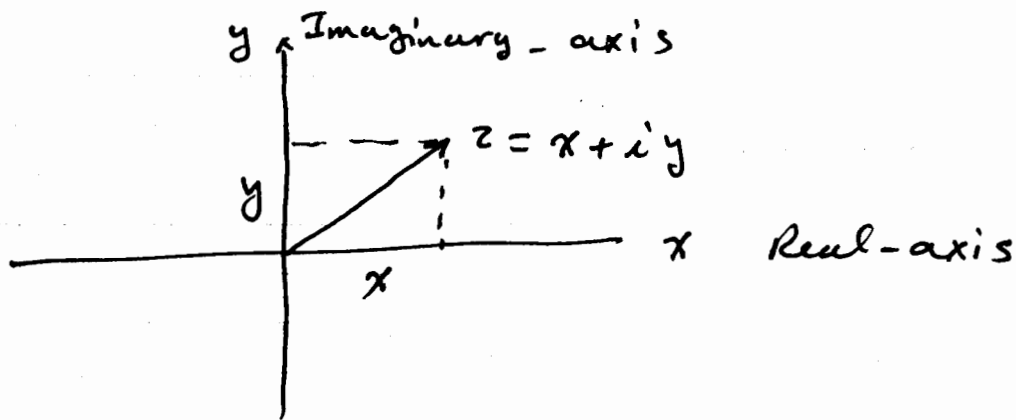
$$x = \operatorname{Re}[z] = \frac{z + \bar{z}}{2}$$

$$\text{Similarly } y = \operatorname{Im}(z) = \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2i}$$

Example: Divide $z_1 = 2 - 3i$ by $z_2 = 4 + 6i$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{z_1}{z_2} &= \frac{2-3i}{4+6i} = \frac{(2-3i)(4-6i)}{16+36} \\ &= \frac{8-12i-12i+18i^2}{52} \\ &= \frac{-10-24i}{52} \\ &= \boxed{-\frac{5}{26} - \frac{6}{13}i}\end{aligned}$$

Geometric Interpretation



Length of z or Modulus of z or Absolute value of z is:

$$|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{z\bar{z}}$$

Example: Find the length of Modulus of

$$z = 4 - 3i$$

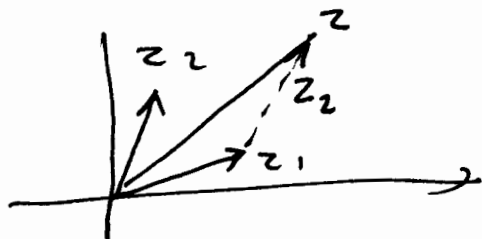
$$|z| = \sqrt{16 + 9} = 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} z\bar{z} &= (4 - 3i)(4 + 3i) = 16 - 12i + 12i - 9i^2 \\ &= 16 + 9 = 25 \end{aligned}$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{z\bar{z}} = 5$$

Triangle inequality

$$\text{Let } z = z_1 + z_2$$



$$\text{Then } |z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$$

in general

$$|z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n| \leq |z_1| + |z_2| + \dots + |z_n|$$

$$|z_1| = |z_1 + z_2 + (-z_2)| \leq |z_1 + z_2| + |z_2|$$

$$\text{or } |z_1 + z_2| \geq ||z_1| - |z_2||$$

Example :

Find : $\frac{1}{z}$ if $z = 2 + 3i$

$$\frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{2+3i} = \frac{2-3i}{(2+3i)(2-3i)} = \frac{2-3i}{4+6i-6i+9}$$

$$\frac{1}{z} = \frac{2-3i}{13} = \boxed{\frac{2}{13} - \frac{3}{13}i}$$

Example : Calculate

$$\frac{(1+i)(1-2i)}{(2+i)(4-3i)}$$

$$\frac{(1+i)(1-2i)}{(2+i)(4-3i)} = \frac{1+i-2i+2}{8+4i-6i+3} = \frac{3-i}{11-2i} = \frac{(3-i)(11+2i)}{11^2+2^2}$$

$$= \frac{33-11i+6i+2}{125} = \frac{35-5i}{125} = \frac{7-i}{25} = \boxed{\frac{7}{25} - \frac{1}{25}i}$$

Example :

Show that for all points z on the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 4$, we have

$$|z + 6 + 8i| \leq 12$$

$$\frac{12}{2} = 6$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} |z + 6 + 8i| &= |(x+iy) + 6 + 8i| = |(x+6) + i(y+8)| \\ &= \sqrt{(x+6)^2 + (y+8)^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + 12x + 36 + y^2 + 16y + 64} \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 12x + 16y + 100} \\ &= \sqrt{4 + 12x + 16y + 100} \\ &= \sqrt{104 + 12x + 16y} \end{aligned}$$

$$|2+6+8i| \leq |2| + |6+8i| = 2 + \sqrt{36+64} = 12$$

Example: Take $z_1 = 10+8i$

and $z_2 = 11-6i$

Which one is closer to origin

$$\begin{array}{r} 121 \\ 36 \\ \hline 157 \end{array}$$

$$|z_1| = \sqrt{100+64} = \sqrt{164}$$

$$|z_2| = \sqrt{11^2+36} = \sqrt{157}$$

$|z_2| < |z_1|$ so z_2 is closer to zero.

Polar form of Complex numbers

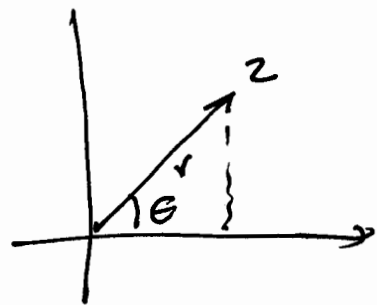
Let $z = x + iy$

then let

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

and

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$



then

$$\begin{aligned} z &= r \cos \theta + i r \sin \theta \\ &= r (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = r e^{i\theta} \end{aligned}$$

Example:

Express $z = 1 - \sqrt{3}i$ in polar form

$$r = |z| = \sqrt{1 + (\sqrt{3})^2} = 2$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{1} = \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{1} = \arg(z)$$

So

$$z = 2 \left(\cos \frac{5\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{3} \right) = 2 \left[\cos\left(\frac{-\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{-\pi}{3}\right) \right]$$

Multiplication and Division:

$$z_1 = r_1 (\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1) = r_1 e^{i\theta_1}$$

and

$$z_2 = r_2 (\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2) = r_2 e^{i\theta_2}$$

$$z_1 z_2 = r_1 r_2 e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

$$= r_1 r_2 [\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)]$$

So

$$|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2|$$

$$\text{and } \arg(z_1 z_2) = \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2)$$

We could also derive this directly

$$\begin{aligned}z_1 z_2 &= r_1 (\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1) r_2 (\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2) \\&= r_1 r_2 ((\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2) \\&\quad + i (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2)) \\&= r_1 r_2 [\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)]\end{aligned}$$

Division

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{z_1}{z_2} &= \frac{r_1 e^{i\theta_1}}{r_2 e^{i\theta_2}} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} e^{i(\theta_1 - \theta_2)} \\&= \frac{r_1}{r_2} [\cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2)]\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|}$$

and

$$\arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = \arg(z_1) - \arg(z_2)$$

Example: Find the polar form of $z = i$

$$|z| = 1 \quad \tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{x} = \frac{1}{0} = \infty$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow z = e^{i\pi/2} = \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Example: Let $z_1 = i$ and $z_2 = 1 - \sqrt{3}i$
 Find polar form of $z_1 z_2$ and z_1/z_2 .

$$|z_1 z_2| = r_1 r_2 = 2 \times 1 = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Arg}(z_1 z_2) &= \text{Arg}(z_1) + \text{Arg}(z_2) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{5\pi}{3} = \frac{3\pi + 10\pi}{6} = \frac{13\pi}{6} = 2\pi + \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\pi}{6} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 z_2 &= 2 e^{i\pi/6} = 2 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \right) \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + i \frac{1}{2} \right) = \sqrt{3} + i \end{aligned}$$

Similarly (directly):

$$z_1 z_2 = i(1 - \sqrt{3}i) = \sqrt{3} + i$$

~~$z_1/z_2 = \frac{i}{1 - \sqrt{3}i} = \frac{i(1 + \sqrt{3}i)}{(1 - \sqrt{3}i)(1 + \sqrt{3}i)} = \frac{i + \sqrt{3}i^2}{1 - 3i^2} = \frac{i - \sqrt{3}}{1 + 3} = \frac{i - \sqrt{3}}{4}$~~

$$\begin{aligned} \arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) &= \arg(z_1) - \arg(z_2) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{5\pi}{3} \\ &= \frac{3\pi - 10\pi}{6} = -\frac{7\pi}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z_1}{z_2} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\cos \frac{5\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{6} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i \right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} + \frac{i}{4} \end{aligned}$$



Directly

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{i}{1-\sqrt{3}i} = \frac{i(1+\sqrt{3}i)}{(1-\sqrt{3}i)(1+\sqrt{3}i)} = \frac{i-\sqrt{3}}{4} \\ = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} + \frac{i}{4}$$

Powers of z :

$$z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = r e^{i\theta}$$

We saw that

$$z_1 z_2 = r_1 r_2 [\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)]$$

if $z_1 = z_2 = z$ then

$$z^2 = r^2 [\cos(2\theta) + i \sin(2\theta)]$$

in general

$$z^n = r^n [\cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta)]$$

Example: Find z^3 if $z = 1 - \sqrt{3}i$

$$z = 2 \left[\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \right]$$

$$\text{or } z = 2 \left[\cos\frac{5\pi}{3} + i \sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) \right]$$

$$z^3 = 8 \left[\cos 5\pi + i \sin 5\pi \right] \text{ Ans -}$$

$$= 8 \left[\cos \pi + i \sin \pi \right] = \boxed{-8}$$

n-th root of a complex number

$$z = r \left[\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta) \right] = w^n$$

$$\text{where } w = \rho \left[\cos(\alpha) + i \sin(\alpha) \right]$$

Then

$$w^n = \rho^n \left[\cos(n\alpha) + i \sin(n\alpha) \right] =$$

$$= r \left[\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta) \right]$$

So

$$\rho = r^{1/n}$$

$$\text{and } n\alpha = \theta + 2m\pi \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\theta + 2m\pi}{n}$$

So, any non-zero complex number z has n n th-roots as

$$\omega_k = r^{1/n} \left[\cos\left(\frac{\theta + 2\pi k}{n}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\theta + 2\pi k}{n}\right) \right]$$

for $k=0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

Example: Find the cube roots of $z = i$

$$r = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \theta = \arg z = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\omega_k = (1)^{1/3} \left[\cos\left(\frac{\pi/2 + 2k\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\pi/2 + 2k\pi}{3}\right) \right]$$

$$k = 0, 1, 2$$

So

$$\omega_0 = \cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$$

$$\omega_1 = \cos \frac{5\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{6} = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$$

$$\omega_2 = \cos \frac{3\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{3\pi}{2} = -i$$

Example: Find fourth-roots of $z = 1 + i$

$$r = \sqrt{1+1} = \sqrt{2} \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$w_k = (\sqrt{2})^{1/4} \left[\cos\left(\frac{\pi/4 + 2k\pi}{4}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\pi/4 + 2k\pi}{4}\right) \right]$$

$$k = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

$$w_0 = \sqrt{2}^{1/4} \left[\cos \pi/16 + i \sin \pi/16 \right] = 1.1664 + 0.2320i$$

$$w_1 = \sqrt{2}^{1/4} \left[\cos \frac{9\pi}{16} + i \sin \frac{9\pi}{16} \right] = -0.2320 + 1.1664i$$

$$w_2 = \sqrt{2}^{1/4} \left[\cos \frac{17\pi}{16} + i \sin \frac{17\pi}{16} \right] = -1.1664 - 0.2320i$$

$$w_3 = \sqrt{2}^{1/4} \left[\cos \frac{25\pi}{16} + i \sin \frac{25\pi}{16} \right] = 0.2320 - 1.1664i$$

Example: Find the 6th-roots of $z = 1$

$$z = 1 \Rightarrow |z| = r = 1, \theta = 0$$

$$w_k = 1^{1/6} \left[\cos\left(\frac{2\pi k}{6}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k}{6}\right) \right] \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 5$$

$$w_0 = 1$$

$$w_1 = \cos \frac{\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$w_2 = \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} = -\frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$w_3 = \cos \pi + i \sin \pi = -1$$

$$w_4 = \cos \frac{4\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{4\pi}{3} = -\frac{1}{2} - i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$w_5 = \cos \frac{5\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

$$w_5 = \frac{1}{2} - i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$