

College Trigonometry

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1 Functions and Graphs

- Complex Numbers
- Trigonometric Form of Complex Numbers
- De Moivre's Theorem

Subsection 1

Complex Numbers

Complex Numbers

- The **imaginary unit** i is the number such that $i^2 = -1$;
- If a is a positive real number, then $\sqrt{-a} = \sqrt{(-1) \cdot a} = \sqrt{-1}\sqrt{a} = i\sqrt{a}$. The number $i\sqrt{a}$ is called an **imaginary number**;
- **Example:**
 - $\sqrt{-36} = i\sqrt{36} = 6i$;
 - $\sqrt{-18} = i\sqrt{18} = 3i\sqrt{2}$;
 - $\sqrt{-1} = i\sqrt{1} = i$;
- A **complex number** is a number of the form $a + bi$, where a and b are real numbers and $i = \sqrt{-1}$; The number a is the **real part** of $a + bi$ and the number b is the **imaginary part**;
- **Example:**
 - $-3 + 5i$ has real part -3 and imaginary part 5 ;
 - $2 - 6i$ has real part 2 and imaginary part -6 ;
 - $7i$ has real part 0 and imaginary part 7 ;

Standard Form

- A complex number written in the form $a + bi$ is said to be in the **standard form**;
- **Example:** Write $7 + \sqrt{-45}$ in the standard form;

$$7 + \sqrt{-45} = 7 + i\sqrt{45} = 7 + 3i\sqrt{5};$$

- **Example:** Write $6 - \sqrt{-1}$ in the standard form;

$$6 - \sqrt{-1} = 6 - i\sqrt{1} = 6 - i;$$

Addition and Subtraction of Complex Numbers

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If $a + bi$ and $c + di$ are complex numbers, then

Addition : $(a + bi) + (c + di) = (a + c) + (b + d)i;$

Subtraction : $(a + bi) - (c + di) = (a - c) + (b - d)i;$

● **Example:** Simplify the expressions:

- $(7 - 2i) + (-2 + 4i) = (7 - 2) + (-2 + 4)i = 5 + 2i;$
- $(-9 + 4i) - (2 - 6i) = (-9 - 2) + (4 - (-6))i = -11 + 10i;$

Multiplication of Complex Numbers

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If $a + bi$ and $c + di$ are complex numbers, then

$$(a + bi)(c + di) = (ac - bd) + (ad + bc)i;$$

• **Example:** Simplify the expressions:

- $(3 - 4i)(2 + 5i) = 6 + 15i - 8i - 20i^2 = 6 + 15i - 8i + 20 = 26 + 7i;$
- $(2 + \sqrt{-3})(4 - 5\sqrt{-3}) = (2 + i\sqrt{3})(4 - 5i\sqrt{3}) =$
 $8 - 10i\sqrt{3} + 4i\sqrt{3} + 5 \cdot 3 = 23 - 6i\sqrt{3};$

Division of Complex Numbers

- The complex number $a - bi$ is called the **complex conjugate** of the complex number $a + bi$;
- The product of a complex number and its conjugate is a real number:

$$(a + bi)(a - bi) = a^2 + b^2;$$

Division of Complex Numbers

If $a + bi$ and $c + di \neq 0$ are complex numbers, then

$$\frac{a + bi}{c + di} = \frac{(a + bi)(c - di)}{(c + di)(c - di)} = \frac{ac + bd}{c^2 + d^2} + \frac{bc - ad}{c^2 + d^2}i;$$

- Example:** Simplify the expression:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{16 - 11i}{5 + 2i} &= \frac{(16 - 11i)(5 - 2i)}{(5 + 2i)(5 - 2i)} = \frac{80 - 32i - 55i - 22}{25 + 4} = \\ \frac{58 - 87i}{29} &= \frac{58}{29} - \frac{87}{29}i = 2 - 3i; \end{aligned}$$

Another Example of Division

- Simplify the expression:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{8-i}{2+3i} &= \frac{(8-i)(2-3i)}{(2+3i)(2-3i)} \\ &= \frac{16-24i-2i-3}{4+9} \\ &= \frac{13-26i}{13} \\ &= \frac{13}{13} - \frac{26}{13}i \\ &= 1-2i;\end{aligned}$$

Powers of i

- Let us compute a few of the first powers of i :

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 i^1 = i & i^2 = -1 & i^3 = -i & i^4 = 1 \\
 i^5 = i & i^6 = -1 & i^7 = -i & i^8 = 1 \\
 i^9 = i & i^{10} = -1 & i^{11} = -i & i^{12} = 1 \\
 \dots & & &
 \end{array}$$

Powers of i

If n is a positive integer, then $i^n = i^r$, where r is the remainder of the division of n by 4.

- Example:** Evaluate i^{153} ;

$$i^{153} = i^{4 \cdot 38 + 1} = i^{4 \cdot 38} \cdot i = (i^4)^{38} \cdot i = 1^{38} \cdot i = i;$$

- Example:** Evaluate i^{59} ;

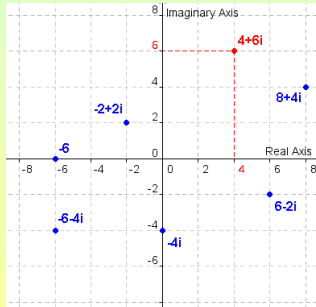
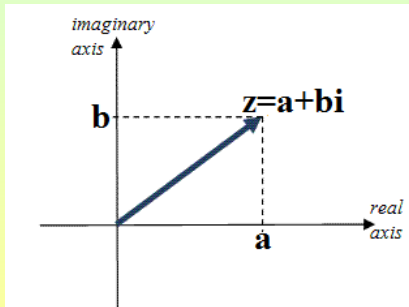
$$i^{59} = i^{4 \cdot 14 + 3} = i^3 = -i;$$

Subsection 2

Trigonometric Form of Complex Numbers

Complex Plane

- Complex numbers can be graphed in a coordinate plane called the **complex plane**;
- The horizontal axis is the **real axis** and the vertical axis the **imaginary axis**;
- A complex number in the **standard** or **rectangular form** $z = a + bi$ is associated with the point $P(a, b)$;



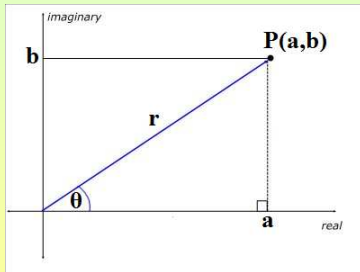
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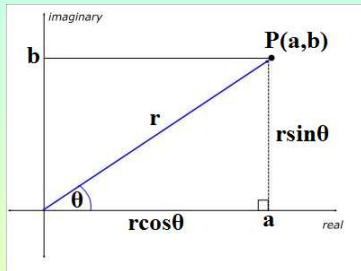
The **absolute value** of a complex number $z = a + bi$, denoted by $|z|$, is

$$|z| = |a + bi| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2};$$

- Consider the complex number $z = a + bi$;
- If $P(a, b)$ is the point in the complex plane corresponding to z , then $r = |z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$;



Trigonometric Form of a Complex Number



• $z = a + bi = r \cos \theta + ri \sin \theta = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta);$

Trigonometric or Polar Form of a Complex Number

The complex number $z = a + bi$ can be written in **trigonometric form** as

$$z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = r \operatorname{cis} \theta,$$

where $a = r \cos \theta$, $b = r \sin \theta$ and $r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$, $\tan \theta = \frac{b}{a}$.

Writing a Complex Number in Trigonometric Form

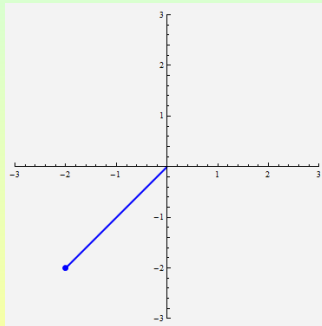
- Write $z = -2 - 2i$ in trigonometric form;

Recall the form $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$;

First calculate $r = |z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{8} = 2\sqrt{2}$;

Now factor r out in the rectangular form:

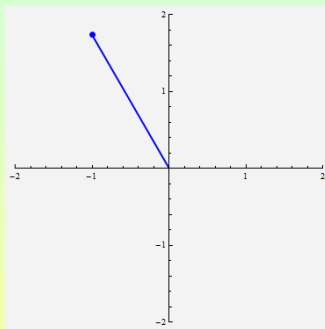
$$\begin{aligned} z &= -2 - 2i \\ &= 2\sqrt{2}\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i\right) \\ &= 2\sqrt{2}\left(\cos \frac{5\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{4}\right) \\ &= 2\sqrt{2}\operatorname{cis} \frac{5\pi}{4}; \end{aligned}$$



Writing a Complex Number in Standard Form

- Write $z = 2\text{cis}120^\circ$ in standard form;

$$\begin{aligned}z &= 2\text{cis}120^\circ \\&= 2(\cos 120^\circ + i \sin 120^\circ) \\&= 2\left(-\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \\&= -1 + i\sqrt{3};\end{aligned}$$



The Product Property of Complex Numbers

- Assume $z_1 = r_1(\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1)$ and $z_2 = r_2(\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)$ are two complex numbers in polar form;
- We multiply them:

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

The Product Property of Complex Numbers

If $z_1 = r_1 \operatorname{cis} \theta_1$ and $z_2 = r_2 \operatorname{cis} \theta_2$, then

$$z_1 z_2 = r_1 r_2 \operatorname{cis} (\theta_1 + \theta_2);$$

Example of the Product Property

- Find the product of $z_1 = -1 + i\sqrt{3}$ and $z_2 = -\sqrt{3} + i$ by using the trigonometric forms of the complex numbers; Then write the answer in standard form;

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Therefore, } z_1 z_2 &= 2 \cdot 2\left(\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3} + \frac{5\pi}{6}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3} + \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)\right) = \\&= 4\left(\cos \frac{3\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = 4(0 + i(-1)) = -4i;\end{aligned}$$

The Quotient Property of Complex Numbers

The Product Property of Complex Numbers

If $z_1 = r_1 \text{cis} \theta_1$ and $z_2 = r_2 \text{cis} \theta_2$, then

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} \text{cis}(\theta_1 - \theta_2);$$

- **Example:** Find the quotient of $z_1 = -1 + i$ and $z_2 = \sqrt{3} - i$ by using trigonometric forms. Write the answer in standard form;

$$z_1 = -1 + i = \sqrt{2}\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i\right) = \sqrt{2}\left(\cos \frac{3\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{3\pi}{4}\right);$$

$$z_2 = \sqrt{3} - i = 2\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i\right) = 2\left(\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right) + i \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right);$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{z_1}{z_2} &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\left(\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4} - \left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{4} - \left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right)\right) = \\ &\quad \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\left(\cos \frac{11\pi}{12} + i \sin \frac{11\pi}{12}\right) \approx 0.707(-0.966 + 0.259i) \\ &\quad \approx -0.683 + 0.183i;\end{aligned}$$

Subsection 3

De Moivre's Theorem

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If $z = r\text{cis}\theta$ and n is a positive integer, then

$$z^n = r^n\text{cis}n\theta.$$

- **Example:** Find $(2\text{cis}30^\circ)^5$; Write the answer in standard form;

$$(2\text{cis}30^\circ)^5 = 2^5\text{cis}(5 \cdot 30^\circ) = 32\text{cis}150^\circ =$$

$$32(\cos 150^\circ + i \sin 150^\circ) = 32\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + i\frac{1}{2}\right) = -16\sqrt{3} + 16i;$$

- **Example:** Find $(1 + i)^8$ using De Moivre's Theorem; Write the answer in standard form;

$$(1 + i)^8 = (\sqrt{2}(\text{cis}\frac{\pi}{4}))^8 = \sqrt{2}^8\text{cis}(8 \cdot \frac{\pi}{4}) = 16\text{cis}(2\pi) = 16;$$

Using De Moivre's Theorem to Find Roots

De Moivre's Theorem for Finding Roots

If $z = r\text{cis}\theta$ is a complex number, then there exist n distinct n -th roots of z , given by

$$w_k = r^{1/n} \text{cis} \frac{\theta + 360^\circ k}{n}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1;$$

- Find the three cube roots of 27;

$$27 = 27\text{cis}0^\circ;$$

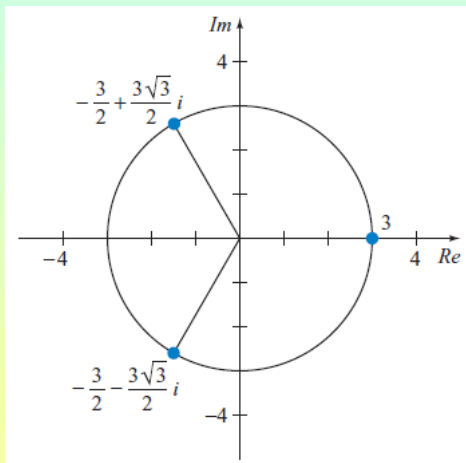
$$w_k = 27^{1/3} \text{cis} \frac{0^\circ + 360^\circ k}{3}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2;$$

$$w_0 = 27^{1/3} \text{cis}0 = 3;$$

$$w_1 = 27^{1/3} \text{cis} \frac{360^\circ}{3} = 3\text{cis}120^\circ = 3\left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right) = -\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}i;$$

$$w_2 = 27^{1/3} \text{cis} \frac{720^\circ}{3} = 3\text{cis}240^\circ = 3\left(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right) = -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}i;$$

The Three Cube Roots of 27



Another Example

- Find all fifth roots of $z = 1 + i\sqrt{3}$;

$$1 + i\sqrt{3} = 2\text{cis}60^\circ;$$

$$w_k = 2^{1/5}\text{cis}\frac{60^\circ + 360^\circ k}{5}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4;$$

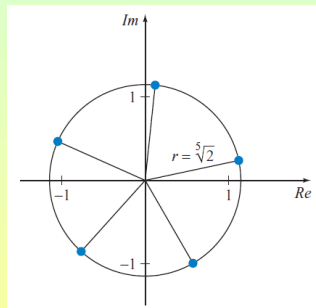
$$w_0 = \sqrt[5]{2}\text{cis}\frac{60^\circ}{5} = \sqrt[5]{2}\text{cis}12^\circ;$$

$$w_1 = \sqrt[5]{2}\text{cis}\frac{420^\circ}{5} = \sqrt[5]{2}\text{cis}84^\circ;$$

$$w_2 = \sqrt[5]{2}\text{cis}\frac{780^\circ}{5} = \sqrt[5]{2}\text{cis}156^\circ;$$

$$w_3 = \sqrt[5]{2}\text{cis}\frac{1140^\circ}{5} = \sqrt[5]{2}\text{cis}228^\circ;$$

$$w_4 = \sqrt[5]{2}\text{cis}\frac{1500^\circ}{5} = \sqrt[5]{2}\text{cis}300^\circ;$$



Properties of the n -th Roots of z

- **Geometric Property:** All n -th roots of z are equally spaced on a circle with center $(0,0)$ and a radius of $|z|^{1/n}$;
- **Absolute Value Properties:**
 - ① If $|z| = 1$, then each n -th root of z has absolute value 1;
 - ② If $|z| > 1$, then each n -th root has an absolute value of $|z|^{1/n}$, where $|z|^{1/n}$ is greater than 1 but less than $|z|$;
 - ③ If $|z| < 1$, then each n -th root has an absolute value of $|z|^{1/n}$, where $|z|^{1/n}$ is less than 1 but greater than $|z|$;
- **Argument Property:** If the argument of z is θ , then the argument of w_0 is $\frac{\theta}{n}$ and the arguments of the remaining roots can be determined by adding multiples of $\frac{360^\circ}{n}$ to $\frac{\theta}{n}$;