Lecture 1: Introduction and Complex Number

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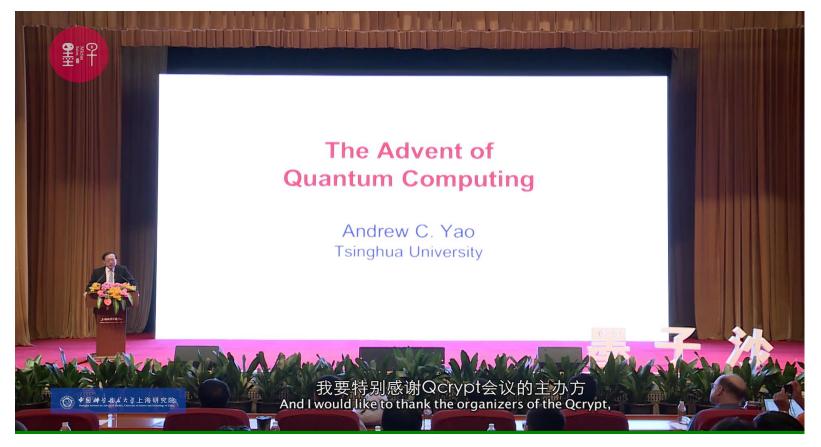
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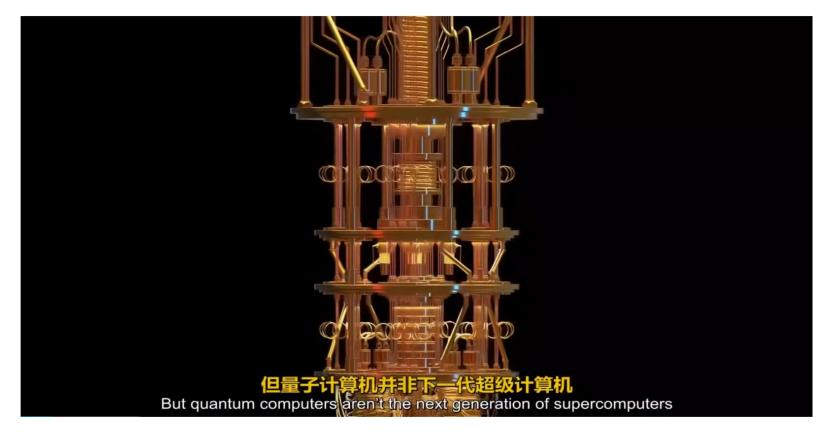
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1. Introduction to QC



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■ 量子力学必须是复数的



中国科学家实验确认,量子力学必须是复数的 https://www.163.com/v/video/VZVJ8JI1Q.html

Motivation

Algebraic equation

$$x^2 + 1 = 0$$

- No solutions in the following number sets
 - \triangleright positive numbers, $\mathbb{P} = \{1, 2, \cdots\}$
 - \triangleright natural numbers, $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \cdots\}$
 - ightharpoonup integers (or whole numbers), ${\Bbb Z}=\{-2,-1,0,1,2,\cdots\}$
 - ightharpoonup rational numbers, $\mathbb{Q}=\{\frac{m}{n}|m\in\mathbb{Z},n\in\mathbb{P}\}$
 - ightharpoonup real numbers, $\mathbb{R}=\mathbb{Q}\cup\{\overset{n}{\dots},\sqrt{2},\dots,e,\dots,\pi,\dots,\frac{e}{\pi},\dots\}$

(感谢弘毅学堂 2018级耿一洋同学指正此页 \mathbb{Q} 与 \mathbb{Z} 的符号错误)

Definitions

• Imaginary number *i* such that

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

• Complex number $c \in \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$c = a + b \times i = a + bi$$

- $ightharpoonup a\in\mathbb{R}$ is the real part of c
- $ightarrow b \in \mathbb{R}$ is the imaginary part of c
- > C denotes the complex number set

Example

Example 1.1.2 Let $c_1 = 3 - i$ and $c_2 = 1 + 4i$. We want to compute $c_1 + c_2$ and $c_1 \times c_2$.

$$c_1 + c_2 = 3 - i + 1 + 4i = (3 + 1) + (-1 + 4)i = 4 + 3i.$$
 (1.6)

Multiplying is not as easy. We must remember to multiply each term of the first complex number with each term of the second complex number. Also, remember that $i^2 = -1$.

$$c_1 \times c_2 = (3-i) \times (1+4i) = (3 \times 1) + (3 \times 4i) + (-i \times 1) + (-i \times 4i)$$
$$= (3+4) + (-1+12)i = 7+11i. \tag{1.7}$$

■ Proposition (命题)

Proposition 1.1.1 (Fundamental Theorem of Algebra). Every polynomial equation of one variable with complex coefficients has a complex solution.

Ordered-Pair representation*

$$c = a + bi \mapsto (a, b)$$

- Examples
 - Ordinary real number $a = a + 0 \cdot i \mapsto (a, 0)$
 - Imaginary number $i = 0 + 1 \cdot i \mapsto (0, 1)$

^{*} It is not a vectorization. See its multiplication operation.

Addition

It add pairs componentwise

$$c_1 + c_2 = (a_1, b_1) + (a_2, b_2) = (a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2)$$

Multiplication

$$c_1 \times c_2 = (a_1, b_1) \times (a_2, b_2) = (a_1 a_2 - b_1 b_2, a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_1)$$

Note

$$c = a + bi = (a, b) = (a, 0) + (0, b)$$

= $(a, 0) + (b, 0) \times (0, 1)$

Example

Example 1.2.1 Let $c_1 = (3, -2)$ and $c_2 = (1, 2)$. Let us multiply them using the aforementioned rule:

$$c_1 \times c_2 = (3 \times 1 - (-2) \times 2, -2 \times 1 + 2 \times 3)$$

= $(3 + 4, -2 + 6) = (7, 4) = 7 + 4i$. (1.15)

■ Additive identity (加法单位元)

$$\forall c \in \mathbb{C}, \ c + (0,0) = c$$

■ Multiplicative identity (乘法单位元)

$$\forall c \in \mathbb{C}, \ c \times (1,0) = (1,0) \times c = c$$

- Commutativity
 - Both operations are commutative

$$c_1 + c_2 = c_2 + c_1$$
 and $c_1 \times c_2 = c_2 \times c_1$

- Associativity
 - Both operations are associative

$$(c_1 + c_2) + c_3 = c_1 + (c_2 + c_3)$$
 and $(c_1 \times c_2) \times c_3 = c_1 \times (c_2 \times c_3)$

- Distributive property (try to prove)
 - multiplication distributes over addition

$$c_1 \times (c_2 + c_3) = c_1 \times c_2 + c_1 \times c_3$$

Proof for distributive law

Let us verify this property: first we write the complex numbers as pairs $c_1 = (a_1, b_1)$, $c_2 = (a_2, b_2)$, and $c_3 = (a_3, b_3)$. Now, let us expand the left side

$$c_{1} \times (c_{2} + c_{3}) = (a_{1}, b_{1}) \times ((a_{2}, b_{2}) + (a_{3}, b_{3}))$$

$$= (a_{1}, b_{1}) \times (a_{2} + a_{3}, b_{2} + b_{3})$$

$$= (a_{1} \times (a_{2} + a_{3}) - b_{1} \times (b_{2} + b_{3}),$$

$$a_{1} \times (b_{2} + b_{3}) + b_{1} \times (a_{2} + a_{3}))$$

$$= (a_{1} \times a_{2} + a_{1} \times a_{3} - b_{1} \times b_{2} - b_{1} \times b_{3},$$

$$a_{1} \times b_{2} + a_{1} \times b_{3} + b_{1} \times a_{2} + b_{1} \times a_{3}).$$

$$(1.21)$$

Turning to the right side of Equation (1.20) one piece at a time gives

$$c_1 \times c_2 = (a_1 \times a_2 - b_1 \times b_2, a_1 \times b_2 + a_2 \times b_1) \tag{1.22}$$

$$c_1 \times c_3 = (a_1 \times a_3 - b_1 \times b_3, a_1 \times b_3 + a_3 \times b_1);$$
 (1.23)

summing them up we obtain

$$c_1 \times c_2 + c_1 \times c_3 = (a_1 \times a_2 - b_1 \times b_2 + a_1 \times a_3 - b_1 \times b_3,$$

$$a_1 \times b_2 + a_2 \times b_1 + a_1 \times b_3 + a_3 \times b_1),$$
 (1.24)

which is precisely what we got in Equation (1.21).

Subtraction

$$c_1 - c_2 = (a_1, b_1) - (a_2, b_2) = (a_1 - a_2, b_1 - b_2)$$

■ Division (try to prove)

$$rac{c_1}{c_2} = rac{(a_1,b_1)}{(a_2,b_2)} = \left(rac{a_1a_2 + b_1b_2}{a_2^2 + b_2^2}, rac{a_2b_1 - a_1b_2}{a_2^2 + b_2^2}
ight)$$

Partial proof for division equation

As for division, we have to work a little: If

$$(x, y) = \frac{(a_1, b_1)}{(a_2, b_2)},\tag{1.26}$$

then by definition of division as the inverse of multiplication

$$(a_1, b_1) = (x, y) \times (a_2, b_2)$$
 (1.27)

or

$$(a_1, b_1) = (a_2x - b_2y, a_2y + b_2x). (1.28)$$

So we end up with

$$(1) a_1 = a_2 x - b_2 y, (1.29)$$

$$(2) b_1 = a_2 y + b_2 x. (1.30)$$

Absolute value of a real number

$$|a| = +\sqrt{a^2}$$

Modulus of a complex number

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

$$\Leftrightarrow |c|^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

- ightharpoonup Property 1: $orall \, c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{C}, \ |c_1| \, |c_2| = |c_1 c_2|$
- ➤ Property 2: $\forall c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{C}, |c_1 + c_2| \leq |c_1| + |c_2|$

- Conjugation
 - Change the sign of the imaginary part

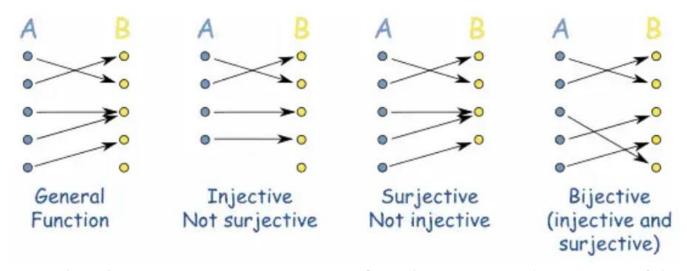
original:
$$c = a + bi$$

conjugate:
$$\overline{c} = a - bi$$

- ightharpoonup Conjugate respects addition $\overline{c_1+c_2}=\overline{c_1}+\overline{c_2}$
- ightharpoonup Conjugate respects multiplication $c_1 imes c_2=c_1 imes c_2$
- ullet Conjugation $c \longmapsto \overline{c}$ is bijective

Supplementary material

■ Injective (单射), surjective (满射) and bijective (双射)

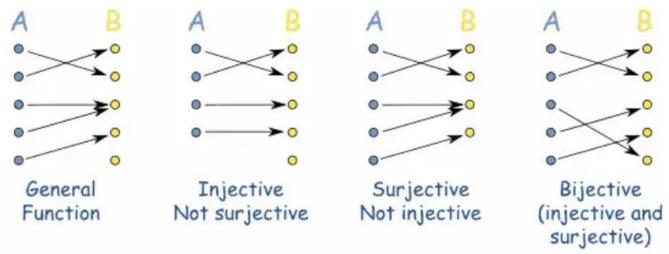


- Injective means every "A" has its own unique matching member in "B"
- Injective is strictly 1:1 (1:N and N:1 are NOT OK)

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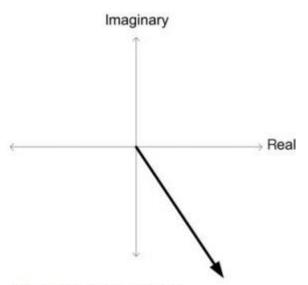
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- Surjective means every "B" has at least one matching "A"
- > Bijective means both injective and surjective

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- Complex plane and parallelogram rule
 - The Cartesian representation





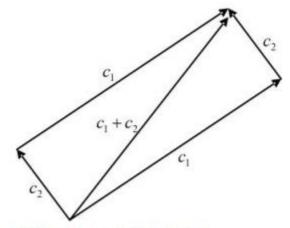


Figure 1.3. Parallelogram rule.

Cartesian 为什么翻译成笛卡尔? https://www.zhihu.com/question/23903885/answer/26029956

From Cartesian-to-Polar representation

$$c=a+bi\longmapsto (a,b)\longmapsto (
ho, heta)$$
 where $ho=\sqrt{(a^2+b^2)}$ and $heta= an2\,(b,a)\in (-\pi,\,\pi]$

Some alias

 $\triangleright \rho$: length, magnitude

 $\succ \theta$: time, phase

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补充说明

■ 关于atan2函数的说明

atan2是一个函数,在C语言里返回的是指方位角,C语言中atan2的函数原型为 double atan2(double y, double x),返回以弧度表示的 y/x 的反正切。
 y和x的值的符号决定了正确的象限。也可以理解为计算复数 x+yi 的辐角

$$atan2(y,x) = egin{cases} rctan(rac{y}{x}) & x>0 \ rctan(rac{y}{x}) + \pi & y \geq 0, x < 0 \ rctan(rac{y}{x}) - \pi & y < 0, x < 0 \ + rac{\pi}{2} & y > 0, x = 0 \ -rac{\pi}{2} & y < 0, x = 0 \ undefined & y = 0, x = 0 \end{cases}$$

参考资料: atan2, https://baike.baidu.com/item/atan2/10931300?fr=aladdin

- Why Polar representation
 - For fast multiplication and division

multiplication:
$$c_1 \times c_2 = (\rho_1, \theta_1) \times (\rho_2, \theta_2) = (\rho_1 \rho_2, \theta_1 + \theta_2)$$

division: $\frac{c_1}{c_2} = \left(\frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2}, \theta_1 - \theta_2\right)$

For fast power and root calculation

$$n^{ ext{th}}$$
 power: $c^n=(
ho^n,n heta)$
$$n^{ ext{th}} ext{ root: } c^{rac{1}{n}}=\left(
ho^{rac{1}{n}},rac{1}{n}(heta+k2\pi)
ight), \ \ k=0,1,\cdots,n-1$$

Benefits of Polar representation

• Multiplication : $c_1 \times c_2 = (\rho_1, \theta_1) \times (\rho_2, \theta_2) = (\rho_1 \rho_2, \theta_1 + \theta_2)$

Example

Example 1.3.4 Let $c_1 = 1 + i$ and $c_2 = -1 + i$. Their product, according to the algebraic rule, is

$$c_1c_2 = (1+i)(-1+i) = -2 + 0i = -2. (1.61)$$

Now, let us take their polar representation

$$c_1 = \left(\sqrt{2}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right), \qquad c_2 = \left(\sqrt{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4}\right).$$
 (1.62)

(Carry out the calculations!) Therefore, their product using the rule described earlier is

$$c_1 c_2 = \left(\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2}, \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = (2, \pi).$$
 (1.63)

If we revert to its Cartesian coordinates, we get

$$(2 \times \cos(\pi), 2 \times \sin(\pi)) = (-2, 0),$$
 (1.64)

which is precisely the answer we arrived at with the algebraic calculation in Equation (1.61).

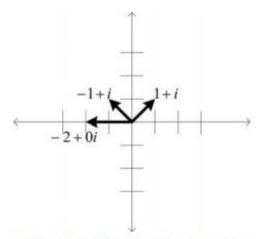


Figure 1.7. Two complex numbers and their product.

Benefits of Polar representation

$$ullet$$
 Division : $rac{c_1}{c_2} = \left(rac{
ho_1}{
ho_2}, heta_1 - heta_2
ight)$

Example

Example 1.3.5 Let $c_1 = -1 + 3i$ and $c_2 = -1 - 4i$. Let us calculate their polar coordinates first:

$$c_1 = \left(\sqrt{(-1)^2 + 3^2}, \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{-1}\right)\right) = (\sqrt{10}, \tan^{-1}(-3)) = (3.1623, 1.8925),$$

$$(1.70)$$

$$c_2 = \left(\sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-4)^2}, \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-4}{-1}\right)\right) = (\sqrt{17}, \tan^{-1}(4)) = (4.1231, -1.8158),$$
(1.71)

therefore, in polar coordinates the quotient is

$$\frac{c_1}{c_2} = \left(\frac{3.1623}{4.1231}, 1.8925 - (-1.8158)\right) = (0.7670, 3.7083). \tag{1.72}$$

- Benefits of Polar representation
 - n-th power : $c^n = (\rho^n, n\theta)$

Example

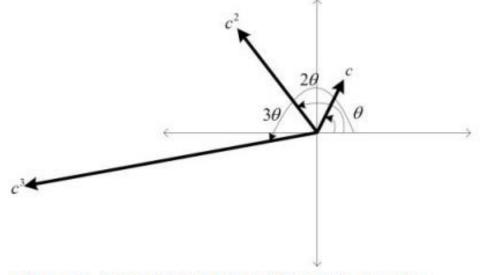


Figure 1.9. A complex number and its square and cube.

■ Benefits of Polar representation

$$\frac{2\pi}{n}$$
 $\frac{2\pi}{n}$

• *n*-th root : $c^{\frac{1}{n}} = \left(\rho^{\frac{1}{n}}, \frac{1}{n}(\theta + k2\pi)\right), k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$

Examples

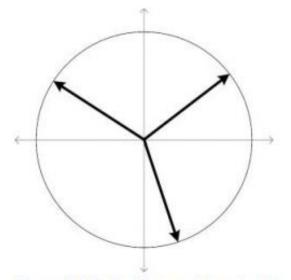


Figure 1.10. The three cube roots of unity.

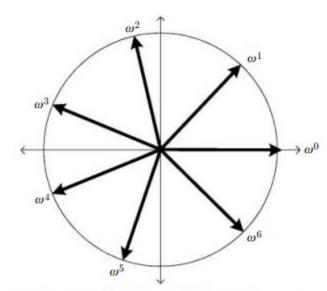


Figure 1.11. The seventh root of unity and its powers.

■ From Polar-to-Cartesian representation

$$c = \rho(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))$$

Euler Equation

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

New Cartesian Representation

$$c = \rho e^{i\theta}$$

Conclusion

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