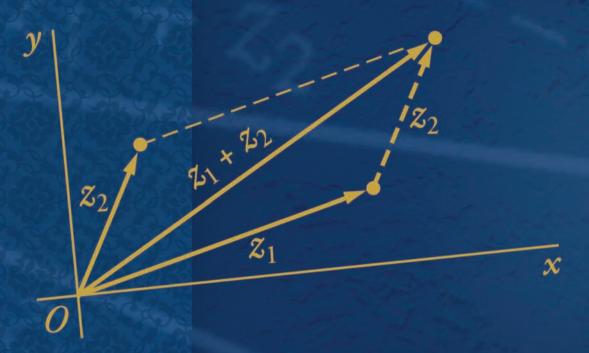
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To the Memory of My Father George H. Brown

and of My Long-Time Friend and Coauthor Ruel V. Churchill

THESE DISTINGUISHED MEN OF SCIENCE FOR YEARS INFLUENCED THE CAREERS OF MANY PEOPLE, INCLUDING MYSELF.

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# **PREFACE**

This book is a revision of the seventh edition, which was published in 2004. That edition has served, just as the earlier ones did, as a textbook for a one-term introductory course in the theory and application of functions of a complex variable. This new edition preserves the basic content and style of the earlier editions, the first two of which were written by the late Ruel V. Churchill alone.

The *first objective* of the book is to develop those parts of the theory that are prominent in applications of the subject. The *second objective* is to furnish an introduction to applications of residues and conformal mapping. With regard to residues, special emphasis is given to their use in evaluating real improper integrals, finding inverse Laplace transforms, and locating zeros of functions. As for conformal mapping, considerable attention is paid to its use in solving boundary value problems that arise in studies of heat conduction and fluid flow. Hence the book may be considered as a companion volume to the authors' text "Fourier Series and Boundary Value Problems," where another classical method for solving boundary value problems in partial differential equations is developed.

The first nine chapters of this book have for many years formed the basis of a three-hour course given each term at The University of Michigan. The classes have consisted mainly of seniors and graduate students concentrating in mathematics, engineering, or one of the physical sciences. Before taking the course, the students have completed at least a three-term calculus sequence and a first course in ordinary differential equations. Much of the material in the book need not be covered in the lectures and can be left for self-study or used for reference. If mapping by elementary functions is desired earlier in the course, one can skip to Chap. 8 immediately after Chap. 3 on elementary functions.

In order to accommodate as wide a range of readers as possible, there are footnotes referring to other texts that give proofs and discussions of the more delicate results from calculus and advanced calculus that are occasionally needed. A bibliography of other books on complex variables, many of which are more advanced, is provided in Appendix 1. A table of conformal transformations that are useful in applications appears in Appendix 2. The main changes in this edition appear in the first nine chapters. Many of those changes have been suggested by users of the last edition. Some readers have urged that sections which can be skipped or postponed without disruption be more clearly identified. The statements of Taylor's theorem and Laurent's theorem, for example, now appear in sections that are separate from the sections containing their proofs. Another significant change involves the extended form of the Cauchy integral formula for derivatives. The treatment of that extension has been completely rewritten, and its immediate consequences are now more focused and appear together in a single section.

Other improvements that seemed necessary include more details in arguments involving mathematical induction, a greater emphasis on rules for using complex exponents, some discussion of residues at infinity, and a clearer exposition of real improper integrals and their Cauchy principal values. In addition, some rearrangement of material was called for. For instance, the discussion of upper bounds of moduli of integrals is now entirely in one section, and there is a separate section devoted to the definition and illustration of isolated singular points. Exercise sets occur more frequently than in earlier editions and, as a result, concentrate more directly on the material at hand.

Finally, there is an *Student's Solutions Manual* (ISBN: 978-0-07-333730-2; MHID: 0-07-333730-7) that is available upon request to instructors who adopt the book. It contains solutions of selected exercises in Chapters 1 through 7, covering the material through residues.

In the preparation of this edition, continual interest and support has been provided by a variety of people, especially the staff at McGraw-Hill and my wife Jacqueline Read Brown.

James Ward Brown

# **CHAPTER**

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# **COMPLEX NUMBERS**

In this chapter, we survey the algebraic and geometric structure of the complex number system. We assume various corresponding properties of real numbers to be known.

#### 1. SUMS AND PRODUCTS

Complex numbers can be defined as ordered pairs (x, y) of real numbers that are to be interpreted as points in the complex plane, with rectangular coordinates x and y, just as real numbers x are thought of as points on the real line. When real numbers x are displayed as points (x, 0) on the real axis, it is clear that the set of complex numbers includes the real numbers as a subset. Complex numbers of the form (0, y) correspond to points on the y axis and are called pure imaginary numbers when  $y \neq 0$ . The y axis is then referred to as the imaginary axis.

It is customary to denote a complex number (x, y) by z, so that (see Fig. 1)

$$(1) z = (x, y).$$

The real numbers x and y are, moreover, known as the *real and imaginary parts* of z, respectively; and we write

$$(2) x = \operatorname{Re} z, y = \operatorname{Im} z.$$

Two complex numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are *equal* whenever they have the same real parts and the same imaginary parts. Thus the statement  $z_1 = z_2$  means that  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  correspond to the same point in the complex, or z, plane.

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The sum  $z_1 + z_2$  and product  $z_1z_2$  of two complex numbers

$$z_1 = (x_1, y_1)$$
 and  $z_2 = (x_2, y_2)$ 

are defined as follows:

(3) 
$$(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2),$$

(4) 
$$(x_1, y_1)(x_2, y_2) = (x_1x_2 - y_1y_2, y_1x_2 + x_1y_2).$$

Note that the operations defined by equations (3) and (4) become the usual operations of addition and multiplication when restricted to the real numbers:

$$(x_1, 0) + (x_2, 0) = (x_1 + x_2, 0),$$
  
 $(x_1, 0)(x_2, 0) = (x_1x_2, 0).$ 

The complex number system is, therefore, a natural extension of the real number system.

Any complex number z = (x, y) can be written z = (x, 0) + (0, y), and it is easy to see that (0, 1)(y, 0) = (0, y). Hence

$$z = (x, 0) + (0, 1)(y, 0);$$

and if we think of a real number as either x or (x, 0) and let i denote the pure imaginary number (0,1), as shown in Fig. 1, it is clear that\*

$$(5) z = x + iy.$$

Also, with the convention that  $z^2 = zz$ ,  $z^3 = z^2z$ , etc., we have

$$i^2 = (0, 1)(0, 1) = (-1, 0),$$

or

(6) 
$$i^2 = -1.$$

<sup>\*</sup>In electrical engineering, the letter j is used instead of i.

Because (x, y) = x + iy, definitions (3) and (4) become

(7) 
$$(x_1 + iy_1) + (x_2 + iy_2) = (x_1 + x_2) + i(y_1 + y_2),$$

(8) 
$$(x_1 + iy_1)(x_2 + iy_2) = (x_1x_2 - y_1y_2) + i(y_1x_2 + x_1y_2).$$

Observe that the right-hand sides of these equations can be obtained by formally manipulating the terms on the left as if they involved only real numbers and by replacing  $i^2$  by -1 when it occurs. Also, observe how equation (8) tells us that *any complex number times zero is zero*. More precisely,

$$z \cdot 0 = (x + iy)(0 + i0) = 0 + i0 = 0$$

for any z = x + iy.

#### 2. BASIC ALGEBRAIC PROPERTIES

Various properties of addition and multiplication of complex numbers are the same as for real numbers. We list here the more basic of these algebraic properties and verify some of them. Most of the others are verified in the exercises.

The commutative laws

$$(1) z_1 + z_2 = z_2 + z_1, z_1 z_2 = z_2 z_1$$

and the associative laws

(2) 
$$(z_1 + z_2) + z_3 = z_1 + (z_2 + z_3), (z_1 z_2) z_3 = z_1 (z_2 z_3)$$

follow easily from the definitions in Sec. 1 of addition and multiplication of complex numbers and the fact that real numbers obey these laws. For example, if

$$z_1 = (x_1, y_1)$$
 and  $z_2 = (x_2, y_2)$ ,

then

$$z_1 + z_2 = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2) = (x_2 + x_1, y_2 + y_1) = z_2 + z_1.$$

Verification of the rest of the above laws, as well as the distributive law

$$(3) z(z_1 + z_2) = zz_1 + zz_2,$$

is similar.

According to the commutative law for multiplication, iy = yi. Hence one can write z = x + yi instead of z = x + iy. Also, because of the associative laws, a sum  $z_1 + z_2 + z_3$  or a product  $z_1z_2z_3$  is well defined without parentheses, as is the case with real numbers.

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The additive identity 0 = (0, 0) and the multiplicative identity 1 = (1, 0) for real numbers carry over to the entire complex number system. That is,

$$(4) z + 0 = z and z \cdot 1 = z$$

for every complex number z. Furthermore, 0 and 1 are the only complex numbers with such properties (see Exercise 8).

There is associated with each complex number z = (x, y) an additive inverse

$$(5) -z = (-x, -y),$$

satisfying the equation z + (-z) = 0. Moreover, there is only one additive inverse for any given z, since the equation

$$(x, y) + (u, v) = (0, 0)$$

implies that

$$u = -x$$
 and  $v = -y$ .

For any *nonzero* complex number z = (x, y), there is a number  $z^{-1}$  such that  $zz^{-1} = 1$ . This multiplicative inverse is less obvious than the additive one. To find it, we seek real numbers u and v, expressed in terms of x and y, such that

$$(x, y)(u, v) = (1, 0).$$

According to equation (4), Sec. 1, which defines the product of two complex numbers, u and v must satisfy the pair

$$xu - yv = 1$$
,  $yu + xv = 0$ 

of linear simultaneous equations; and simple computation yields the unique solution

$$u = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}, \quad v = \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

So the multiplicative inverse of z = (x, y) is

(6) 
$$z^{-1} = \left(\frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}, \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2}\right) \qquad (z \neq 0).$$

The inverse  $z^{-1}$  is not defined when z=0. In fact, z=0 means that  $x^2+y^2=0$ ; and this is not permitted in expression (6).

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in Sec. 2. Inasmuch as such properties continue to be anticipated because they also apply to real numbers, the reader can easily pass to Sec. 4 without serious disruption.

We begin with the observation that the existence of multiplicative inverses enables us to show that if a product  $z_1z_2$  is zero, then so is at least one of the factors  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ . For suppose that  $z_1z_2 = 0$  and  $z_1 \neq 0$ . The inverse  $z_1^{-1}$  exists; and any complex number times zero is zero (Sec. 1). Hence

$$z_2 = z_2 \cdot 1 = z_2(z_1 z_1^{-1}) = (z_1^{-1} z_1) z_2 = z_1^{-1}(z_1 z_2) = z_1^{-1} \cdot 0 = 0.$$

That is, if  $z_1z_2 = 0$ , either  $z_1 = 0$  or  $z_2 = 0$ ; or possibly both of the numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are zero. Another way to state this result is that if two complex numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are nonzero, then so is their product  $z_1z_2$ .

Subtraction and division are defined in terms of additive and multiplicative inverses:

$$(1) z_1 - z_2 = z_1 + (-z_2),$$

(2) 
$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = z_1 z_2^{-1} \qquad (z_2 \neq 0).$$

Thus, in view of expressions (5) and (6) in Sec. 2,

(3) 
$$z_1 - z_2 = (x_1, y_1) + (-x_2, -y_2) = (x_1 - x_2, y_1 - y_2)$$

and

(4) 
$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = (x_1, y_1) \left( \frac{x_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2}, \frac{-y_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2} \right) = \left( \frac{x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2}, \frac{y_1 x_2 - x_1 y_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2} \right)$$

$$(z_2 \neq 0)$$

when  $z_1 = (x_1, y_1)$  and  $z_2 = (x_2, y_2)$ .

Using  $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$  and  $z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$ , one can write expressions (3) and (4) here as

(5) 
$$z_1 - z_2 = (x_1 - x_2) + i(y_1 - y_2)$$

and

(6) 
$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2} + i \frac{y_1 x_2 - x_1 y_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2} \qquad (z_2 \neq 0).$$

Although expression (6) is not easy to remember, it can be obtained by writing (see Exercise 7)

(7) 
$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{(x_1 + iy_1)(x_2 - iy_2)}{(x_2 + iy_2)(x_2 - iy_2)},$$

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#### **EXERCISES**

- 1. Verify that
  - (a)  $(\sqrt{2}-i)-i(1-\sqrt{2}i)=-2i;$  (b) (2,-3)(-2,1)=(-1,8);

(c) 
$$(3, 1)(3, -1)\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{10}\right) = (2, 1).$$

- 2. Show that
  - (a) Re(iz) = -Im z; (b) Im(iz) = Re z.
- 3. Show that  $(1+z)^2 = 1 + 2z + z^2$ .
- **4.** Verify that each of the two numbers  $z = 1 \pm i$  satisfies the equation  $z^2 2z + 2 = 0$ .
- 5. Prove that multiplication of complex numbers is commutative, as stated at the beginning of Sec. 2.
- **6.** Verify
  - (a) the associative law for addition of complex numbers, stated at the beginning of Sec. 2;
  - (b) the distributive law (3), Sec. 2.
- 7. Use the associative law for addition and the distributive law to show that

$$z(z_1 + z_2 + z_3) = zz_1 + zz_2 + zz_3.$$

- **8.** (a) Write (x, y) + (u, v) = (x, y) and point out how it follows that the complex number 0 = (0, 0) is unique as an additive identity.
  - (b) Likewise, write (x, y)(u, v) = (x, y) and show that the number 1 = (1, 0) is a unique multiplicative identity.
- **9.** Use -1 = (-1, 0) and z = (x, y) to show that (-1)z = -z.
- **10.** Use i = (0, 1) and y = (y, 0) to verify that -(iy) = (-i)y. Thus show that the additive inverse of a complex number z = x + iy can be written -z = -x iy without ambiguity.
- 11. Solve the equation  $z^2 + z + 1 = 0$  for z = (x, y) by writing

$$(x, y)(x, y) + (x, y) + (1, 0) = (0, 0)$$

and then solving a pair of simultaneous equations in x and y.

Suggestion: Use the fact that no real number x satisfies the given equation to show that  $y \neq 0$ .

Ans. 
$$z = \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$
.

#### 3. FURTHER PROPERTIES

In this section, we mention a number of other algebraic properties of addition and multiplication of complex numbers that follow from the ones already described

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multiplying out the products in the numerator and denominator on the right, and then using the property

The motivation for starting with equation (7) appears in Sec. 5.

**EXAMPLE.** The method is illustrated below:

$$\frac{4+i}{2-3i} = \frac{(4+i)(2+3i)}{(2-3i)(2+3i)} = \frac{5+14i}{13} = \frac{5}{13} + \frac{14}{13}i.$$

There are some expected properties involving quotients that follow from the relation

(9) 
$$\frac{1}{z_2} = z_2^{-1} \qquad (z_2 \neq 0),$$

which is equation (2) when  $z_1 = 1$ . Relation (9) enables us, for instance, to write equation (2) in the form

(10) 
$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = z_1 \left(\frac{1}{z_2}\right) \qquad (z_2 \neq 0).$$

Also, by observing that (see Exercise 3)

$$(z_1 z_2)(z_1^{-1} z_2^{-1}) = (z_1 z_1^{-1})(z_2 z_2^{-1}) = 1$$
  $(z_1 \neq 0, z_2 \neq 0),$ 

and hence that  $z_1^{-1}z_2^{-1}=(z_1z_2)^{-1}$ , one can use relation (9) to show that

(11) 
$$\left(\frac{1}{z_1}\right) \left(\frac{1}{z_2}\right) = z_1^{-1} z_2^{-1} = (z_1 z_2)^{-1} = \frac{1}{z_1 z_2} \qquad (z_1 \neq 0, z_2 \neq 0).$$

Another useful property, to be derived in the exercises, is

(12) 
$$\left(\frac{z_1}{z_3}\right) \left(\frac{z_2}{z_4}\right) = \frac{z_1 z_2}{z_3 z_4} \qquad (z_3 \neq 0, z_4 \neq 0).$$

Finally, we note that the *binomial formula* involving real numbers remains valid with complex numbers. That is, if  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are any two nonzero complex numbers, then

(13) 
$$(z_1 + z_2)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} z_1^k z_2^{n-k} \qquad (n = 1, 2, ...)$$

where

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} \qquad (k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n)$$

and where it is agreed that 0! = 1. The proof is left as an exercise.

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#### **EXERCISES**

1. Reduce each of these quantities to a real number:

(a) 
$$\frac{1+2i}{3-4i} + \frac{2-i}{5i}$$
; (b)  $\frac{5i}{(1-i)(2-i)(3-i)}$ ; (c)  $(1-i)^4$ .

Ans. (a) 
$$-2/5$$
; (b)  $-1/2$ ; (c)  $-4$ .

2. Show that

$$\frac{1}{1/z} = z \qquad (z \neq 0).$$

3. Use the associative and commutative laws for multiplication to show that

$$(z_1z_2)(z_3z_4) = (z_1z_3)(z_2z_4).$$

- **4.** Prove that if  $z_1z_2z_3 = 0$ , then at least one of the three factors is zero. *Suggestion:* Write  $(z_1z_2)z_3 = 0$  and use a similar result (Sec. 3) involving two factors.
- 5. Derive expression (6), Sec. 3, for the quotient  $z_1/z_2$  by the method described just after it
- 6. With the aid of relations (10) and (11) in Sec. 3, derive the identity

$$\left(\frac{z_1}{z_3}\right)\left(\frac{z_2}{z_4}\right) = \frac{z_1 z_2}{z_3 z_4} \qquad (z_3 \neq 0, z_4 \neq 0).$$

7. Use the identity obtained in Exercise 6 to derive the cancellation law

$$\frac{z_1 z}{z_2 z} = \frac{z_1}{z_2} \qquad (z_2 \neq 0, z \neq 0).$$

**8.** Use mathematical induction to verify the binomial formula (13) in Sec. 3. More precisely, note that the formula is true when n = 1. Then, assuming that it is valid when n = m where m denotes any positive integer, show that it must hold when n = m + 1.

Suggestion: When n = m + 1, write

$$(z_1 + z_2)^{m+1} = (z_1 + z_2)(z_1 + z_2)^m = (z_2 + z_1) \sum_{k=0}^m {m \choose k} z_1^k z_2^{m-k}$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^m {m \choose k} z_1^k z_2^{m+1-k} + \sum_{k=0}^m {m \choose k} z_1^{k+1} z_2^{m-k}$$

and replace k by k-1 in the last sum here to obtain

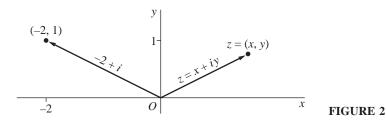
$$(z_1 + z_2)^{m+1} = z_2^{m+1} + \sum_{k=1}^{m} \left[ {m \choose k} + {m \choose k-1} \right] z_1^k z_2^{m+1-k} + z_1^{m+1}.$$

Finally, show how the right-hand side here becomes

$$z_2^{m+1} + \sum_{k=1}^m \binom{m+1}{k} z_1^k z_2^{m+1-k} + z_1^{m+1} = \sum_{k=0}^{m+1} \binom{m+1}{k} z_1^k z_2^{m+1-k}.$$

#### 4. VECTORS AND MODULI

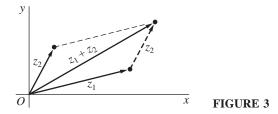
It is natural to associate any nonzero complex number z = x + iy with the directed line segment, or vector, from the origin to the point (x, y) that represents z in the complex plane. In fact, we often refer to z as the point z or the vector z. In Fig. 2 the numbers z = x + iy and z = -2 + iy are displayed graphically as both points and radius vectors.



When 
$$z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$$
 and  $z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$ , the sum

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

corresponds to the point  $(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2)$ . It also corresponds to a vector with those coordinates as its components. Hence  $z_1 + z_2$  may be obtained vectorially as shown in Fig. 3.



Although the product of two complex numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  is itself a complex number represented by a vector, that vector lies in the same plane as the vectors for  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ . Evidently, then, this product is neither the scalar nor the vector product used in ordinary vector analysis.

The vector interpretation of complex numbers is especially helpful in extending the concept of absolute values of real numbers to the complex plane. The *modulus*, or absolute value, of a complex number z = x + iy is defined as the nonnegative real number  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and is denoted by |z|; that is,

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

Geometrically, the number |z| is the distance between the point (x, y) and the origin, or the length of the radius vector representing z. It reduces to the usual absolute value in the real number system when y = 0. Note that while *the inequality*  $z_1 < z_2$  is meaningless unless both  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are real, the statement  $|z_1| < |z_2|$  means that the point  $z_1$  is closer to the origin than the point  $z_2$  is.

**EXAMPLE 1.** Since  $|-3+2i| = \sqrt{13}$  and  $|1+4i| = \sqrt{17}$ , we know that the point -3+2i is closer to the origin than 1+4i is.

The distance between two points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$  is  $|z_1 - z_2|$ . This is clear from Fig. 4, since  $|z_1 - z_2|$  is the length of the vector representing the number

$$z_1 - z_2 = z_1 + (-z_2);$$

and, by translating the radius vector  $z_1 - z_2$ , one can interpret  $z_1 - z_2$  as the directed line segment from the point  $(x_2, y_2)$  to the point  $(x_1, y_1)$ . Alternatively, it follows from the expression

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

and definition (1) that

$$|z_1 - z_2| = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}.$$

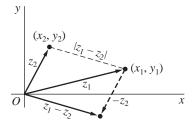


FIGURE 4

The complex numbers z corresponding to the points lying on the circle with center  $z_0$  and radius R thus satisfy the equation  $|z - z_0| = R$ , and conversely. We refer to this set of points simply as the circle  $|z - z_0| = R$ .

**EXAMPLE 2.** The equation |z - 1 + 3i| = 2 represents the circle whose center is  $z_0 = (1, -3)$  and whose radius is R = 2.

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It also follows from definition (1) that the real numbers |z|, Re z = x, and Im z = y are related by the equation

(2) 
$$|z|^2 = (\operatorname{Re} z)^2 + (\operatorname{Im} z)^2$$
.

Thus

(3) 
$$\operatorname{Re} z \leq |\operatorname{Re} z| \leq |z|$$
 and  $\operatorname{Im} z \leq |\operatorname{Im} z| \leq |z|$ .

We turn now to the *triangle inequality*, which provides an upper bound for the modulus of the sum of two complex numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ :

$$|z_1 + z_2| \le |z_1| + |z_2|.$$

This important inequality is geometrically evident in Fig. 3, since it is merely a statement that the length of one side of a triangle is less than or equal to the sum of the lengths of the other two sides. We can also see from Fig. 3 that inequality (4) is actually an equality when 0,  $z_1$ , and  $z_2$  are collinear. Another, strictly algebraic, derivation is given in Exercise 15, Sec. 5.

An immediate consequence of the triangle inequality is the fact that

$$|z_1 + z_2| \ge ||z_1| - |z_2||.$$

To derive inequality (5), we write

$$|z_1| = |(z_1 + z_2) + (-z_2)| < |z_1 + z_2| + |-z_2|,$$

which means that

(6) 
$$|z_1 + z_2| \ge |z_1| - |z_2|.$$

This is inequality (5) when  $|z_1| \ge |z_2|$ . If  $|z_1| < |z_2|$ , we need only interchange  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  in inequality (6) to arrive at

$$|z_1 + z_2| \ge -(|z_1| - |z_2|),$$

which is the desired result. Inequality (5) tells us, of course, that the length of one side of a triangle is greater than or equal to the difference of the lengths of the other two sides.

Because  $|-z_2| = |z_2|$ , one can replace  $z_2$  by  $-z_2$  in inequalities (4) and (5) to summarize these results in a particularly useful form:

$$|z_1 \pm z_2| < |z_1| + |z_2|,$$

$$|z_1 \pm z_2| \ge ||z_1| - |z_2||.$$

When combined, inequalities (7) and (8) become

$$(9) ||z_1| - |z_2|| < |z_1 \pm z_2| < |z_1| + |z_2|.$$

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**EXAMPLE 3.** If a point z lies on the unit circle |z| = 1 about the origin, it follows from inequalities (7) and (8) that

$$|z-2| < |z| + 2 = 3$$

and

$$|z-2| \ge ||z|-2| = 1.$$

The triangle inequality (4) can be generalized by means of mathematical induction to sums involving any finite number of terms:

$$(10) |z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n| \le |z_1| + |z_2| + \dots + |z_n| (n = 2, 3, \dots).$$

To give details of the induction proof here, we note that when n = 2, inequality (10) is just inequality (4). Furthermore, if inequality (10) is assumed to be valid when n = m, it must also hold when n = m + 1 since, by inequality (4),

$$|(z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_m) + z_{m+1}| \le |z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_m| + |z_{m+1}|$$
  
 $\le (|z_1| + |z_2| + \dots + |z_m|) + |z_{m+1}|.$ 

#### **EXERCISES**

**1.** Locate the numbers  $z_1 + z_2$  and  $z_1 - z_2$  vectorially when

(a) 
$$z_1 = 2i$$
,  $z_2 = \frac{2}{3} - i$ ; (b)  $z_1 = (-\sqrt{3}, 1)$ ,  $z_2 = (\sqrt{3}, 0)$ ; (c)  $z_1 = (-3, 1)$ ,  $z_2 = (1, 4)$ ; (d)  $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$ ,  $z_2 = x_1 - iy_1$ .

- **2.** Verify inequalities (3), Sec. 4, involving Re z, Im z, and |z|.
- **3.** Use established properties of moduli to show that when  $|z_3| \neq |z_4|$ ,

$$\frac{\operatorname{Re}(z_1+z_2)}{|z_3+z_4|} \le \frac{|z_1|+|z_2|}{||z_3|-|z_4||}.$$

**4.** Verify that  $\sqrt{2}|z| \ge |\operatorname{Re} z| + |\operatorname{Im} z|$ .

Suggestion: Reduce this inequality to  $(|x| - |y|)^2 > 0$ .

5. In each case, sketch the set of points determined by the given condition:

(a) 
$$|z-1+i|=1$$
; (b)  $|z+i| \le 3$ ; (c)  $|z-4i| \ge 4$ .

- **6.** Using the fact that  $|z_1 z_2|$  is the distance between two points  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ , give a geometric argument that
  - (a) |z-4i|+|z+4i|=10 represents an ellipse whose foci are  $(0,\pm 4)$ ;
  - (b) |z-1| = |z+i| represents the line through the origin whose slope is -1.

#### 5. COMPLEX CONJUGATES

The *complex conjugate*, or simply the conjugate, of a complex number z = x + iy is defined as the complex number x - iy and is denoted by  $\overline{z}$ ; that is,

$$(1) \overline{z} = x - iy.$$

The number  $\overline{z}$  is represented by the point (x, -y), which is the reflection in the real axis of the point (x, y) representing z (Fig. 5). Note that

$$\overline{\overline{z}} = z$$
 and  $|\overline{z}| = |z|$ 

for all z.

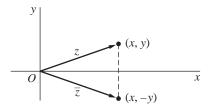


FIGURE 5

If 
$$z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$$
 and  $z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$ , then

$$\overline{z_1 + z_2} = (x_1 + x_2) - i(y_1 + y_2) = (x_1 - iy_1) + (x_2 - iy_2).$$

So the conjugate of the sum is the sum of the conjugates:

$$\overline{z_1 + z_2} = \overline{z_1} + \overline{z_2}.$$

In like manner, it is easy to show that

$$\overline{z_1 - z_2} = \overline{z_1} - \overline{z_2},$$

$$(4) \overline{z_1 z_2} = \overline{z_1} \, \overline{z_2},$$

and

(5) 
$$\overline{\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)} = \frac{\overline{z_1}}{\overline{z_2}} \qquad (z_2 \neq 0).$$

The sum  $z + \overline{z}$  of a complex number z = x + iy and its conjugate  $\overline{z} = x - iy$  is the real number 2x, and the difference  $z - \overline{z}$  is the pure imaginary number 2iy. Hence

(6) 
$$\operatorname{Re} z = \frac{z + \overline{z}}{2}$$
 and  $\operatorname{Im} z = \frac{z - \overline{z}}{2i}$ .

An important identity relating the conjugate of a complex number z = x + iy to its modulus is

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$$(7) z\overline{z} = |z|^2,$$

where each side is equal to  $x^2 + y^2$ . It suggests the method for determining a quotient  $z_1/z_2$  that begins with expression (7), Sec. 3. That method is, of course, based on multiplying both the numerator and the denominator of  $z_1/z_2$  by  $\overline{z_2}$ , so that the denominator becomes the real number  $|z_2|^2$ .

**EXAMPLE 1.** As an illustration,

$$\frac{-1+3i}{2-i} = \frac{(-1+3i)(2+i)}{(2-i)(2+i)} = \frac{-5+5i}{|2-i|^2} = \frac{-5+5i}{5} = -1+i.$$

See also the example in Sec. 3.

Identity (7) is especially useful in obtaining properties of moduli from properties of conjugates noted above. We mention that

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

and

(9) 
$$\left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|} \quad (z_2 \neq 0).$$

Property (8) can be established by writing

$$|z_1 z_2|^2 = (z_1 z_2)(\overline{z_1 z_2}) = (z_1 z_2)(\overline{z_1} \overline{z_2}) = (z_1 \overline{z_1})(z_2 \overline{z_2}) = |z_1|^2 |z_2|^2 = (|z_1||z_2|)^2$$

and recalling that a modulus is never negative. Property (9) can be verified in a similar way.

**EXAMPLE 2.** Property (8) tells us that  $|z^2| = |z|^2$  and  $|z^3| = |z|^3$ . Hence if z is a point inside the circle centered at the origin with radius 2, so that |z| < 2, it follows from the generalized triangle inequality (10) in Sec. 4 that

$$|z^3 + 3z^2 - 2z + 1| \le |z|^3 + 3|z|^2 + 2|z| + 1 < 25.$$

#### **EXERCISES**

1. Use properties of conjugates and moduli established in Sec. 5 to show that

(a) 
$$\overline{z} + 3i = z - 3i;$$
 (b)  $\overline{iz} = -i\overline{z};$   
(c)  $\overline{(2+i)^2} = 3 - 4i;$  (d)  $|(2\overline{z} + 5)(\sqrt{2} - i)| = \sqrt{3}|2z + 5|.$ 

2. Sketch the set of points determined by the condition

(a) 
$$\operatorname{Re}(\overline{z} - i) = 2;$$
 (b)  $|2\overline{z} + i| = 4.$ 

- **3.** Verify properties (3) and (4) of conjugates in Sec. 5.
- **4.** Use property (4) of conjugates in Sec. 5 to show that

(a) 
$$\overline{z_1 z_2 z_3} = \overline{z_1} \overline{z_2} \overline{z_3}$$
; (b)  $\overline{z^4} = \overline{z}^4$ .

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- 5. Verify property (9) of moduli in Sec. 5.
- **6.** Use results in Sec. 5 to show that when  $z_2$  and  $z_3$  are nonzero,

(a) 
$$\overline{\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2z_3}\right)} = \frac{\overline{z_1}}{\overline{z_2}\overline{z_3}};$$
 (b)  $\left|\frac{z_1}{z_2z_3}\right| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2||z_3|}.$ 

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7. Show that

$$|\operatorname{Re}(2+\overline{z}+z^3)| \le 4$$
 when  $|z| \le 1$ .

- **8.** It is shown in Sec. 3 that if  $z_1z_2 = 0$ , then at least one of the numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  must be zero. Give an alternative proof based on the corresponding result for real numbers and using identity (8), Sec. 5.
- **9.** By factoring  $z^4 4z^2 + 3$  into two quadratic factors and using inequality (8), Sec. 4, show that if z lies on the circle |z| = 2, then

$$\left|\frac{1}{z^4 - 4z^2 + 3}\right| \le \frac{1}{3}.$$

- 10. Prove that
  - (a) z is real if and only if  $\overline{z} = z$ ;
  - (b) z is either real or pure imaginary if and only if  $\overline{z}^2 = z^2$ .
- 11. Use mathematical induction to show that when  $n = 2, 3, \ldots$

(a) 
$$\overline{z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n} = \overline{z_1} + \overline{z_2} + \dots + \overline{z_n};$$
 (b)  $\overline{z_1 z_2 \cdots z_n} = \overline{z_1} \overline{z_2} \cdots \overline{z_n}.$ 

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**12.** Let  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n$   $(n \ge 1)$  denote *real* numbers, and let z be any complex number. With the aid of the results in Exercise 11, show that

$$\overline{a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots + a_n z^n} = a_0 + a_1 \overline{z} + a_2 \overline{z}^2 + \dots + a_n \overline{z}^n.$$

13. Show that the equation  $|z-z_0|=R$  of a circle, centered at  $z_0$  with radius R, can be written

$$|z|^2 - 2\operatorname{Re}(z\overline{z_0}) + |z_0|^2 = R^2.$$

**14.** Using expressions (6), Sec. 5, for Re z and Im z, show that the hyperbola  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$ can be written

$$z^2 + \overline{z}^2 = 2.$$

15. Follow the steps below to give an algebraic derivation of the triangle inequality (Sec. 4)

$$|z_1 + z_2| \le |z_1| + |z_2|$$
.

(a) Show that

$$|z_1 + z_2|^2 = (z_1 + z_2)(\overline{z_1} + \overline{z_2}) = z_1\overline{z_1} + (z_1\overline{z_2} + \overline{z_1}\overline{z_2}) + z_2\overline{z_2}.$$

(b) Point out why

$$z_1\overline{z_2} + \overline{z_1\overline{z_2}} = 2\operatorname{Re}(z_1\overline{z_2}) \le 2|z_1||z_2|.$$

(c) Use the results in parts (a) and (b) to obtain the inequality

$$|z_1 + z_2|^2 < (|z_1| + |z_2|)^2$$
,

and note how the triangle inequality follows.

#### 6. EXPONENTIAL FORM

Let r and  $\theta$  be polar coordinates of the point (x, y) that corresponds to a *nonzero* complex number z = x + iy. Since  $x = r \cos \theta$  and  $y = r \sin \theta$ , the number z can be written in *polar form* as

(1) 
$$z = r(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta).$$

If z = 0, the coordinate  $\theta$  is undefined; and so it is understood that  $z \neq 0$  whenever polar coordinates are used.

In complex analysis, the real number r is not allowed to be negative and is the length of the radius vector for z; that is, r=|z|. The real number  $\theta$  represents the angle, measured in radians, that z makes with the positive real axis when z is interpreted as a radius vector (Fig. 6). As in calculus,  $\theta$  has an infinite number of possible values, including negative ones, that differ by integral multiples of  $2\pi$ . Those values can be determined from the equation  $\tan \theta = y/x$ , where the quadrant containing the point corresponding to z must be specified. Each value of  $\theta$  is called an *argument* of z, and the set of all such values is denoted by  $\arg z$ . The *principal value* of  $\arg z$ , denoted by  $\arg z$ , is that unique value  $\Theta$  such that  $-\pi < \Theta \le \pi$ . Evidently, then,

(2) 
$$\arg z = \operatorname{Arg} z + 2n\pi \quad (n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...).$$

Also, when z is a negative real number, Arg z has value  $\pi$ , not  $-\pi$ .

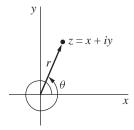


FIGURE 6

**EXAMPLE 1.** The complex number -1 - i, which lies in the third quadrant, has principal argument  $-3\pi/4$ . That is,

$$Arg(-1-i) = -\frac{3\pi}{4}.$$

It must be emphasized that because of the restriction  $-\pi < \Theta \le \pi$  of the principal argument  $\Theta$ , it is *not* true that  $Arg(-1 - i) = 5\pi/4$ .

According to equation (2),

$$\arg(-1-i) = -\frac{3\pi}{4} + 2n\pi \qquad (n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots).$$

Note that the term Arg z on the right-hand side of equation (2) can be replaced by any particular value of arg z and that one can write, for instance,

$$arg(-1-i) = \frac{5\pi}{4} + 2n\pi$$
  $(n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...).$ 

The symbol  $e^{i\theta}$ , or  $\exp(i\theta)$ , is defined by means of *Euler's formula* as

(3) 
$$e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta,$$

where  $\theta$  is to be measured in radians. It enables one to write the polar form (1) more compactly in *exponential form* as

$$(4) z = re^{i\theta}.$$

The choice of the symbol  $e^{i\theta}$  will be fully motivated later on in Sec. 29. Its use in Sec. 7 will, however, suggest that it is a natural choice.

**EXAMPLE 2.** The number -1 - i in Example 1 has exponential form

(5) 
$$-1 - i = \sqrt{2} \exp \left[ i \left( -\frac{3\pi}{4} \right) \right].$$

With the agreement that  $e^{-i\theta}=e^{i(-\theta)}$ , this can also be written  $-1-i=\sqrt{2}\,e^{-i3\pi/4}$ . Expression (5) is, of course, only one of an infinite number of possibilities for the exponential form of -1-i:

(6) 
$$-1 - i = \sqrt{2} \exp \left[ i \left( -\frac{3\pi}{4} + 2n\pi \right) \right] \qquad (n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots).$$

Note how expression (4) with r=1 tells us that the numbers  $e^{i\theta}$  lie on the circle centered at the origin with radius unity, as shown in Fig. 7. Values of  $e^{i\theta}$  are, then, immediate from that figure, without reference to Euler's formula. It is, for instance, geometrically obvious that

$$e^{i\pi} = -1$$
,  $e^{-i\pi/2} = -i$ , and  $e^{-i4\pi} = 1$ .

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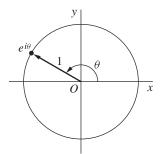


FIGURE 7

Note, too, that the equation

(7) 
$$z = Re^{i\theta} \qquad (0 < \theta < 2\pi)$$

is a parametric representation of the circle |z|=R, centered at the origin with radius R. As the parameter  $\theta$  increases from  $\theta=0$  to  $\theta=2\pi$ , the point z starts from the positive real axis and traverses the circle once in the counterclockwise direction. More generally, the circle  $|z-z_0|=R$ , whose center is  $z_0$  and whose radius is R, has the parametric representation

(8) 
$$z = z_0 + Re^{i\theta} \qquad (0 \le \theta \le 2\pi).$$

This can be seen vectorially (Fig. 8) by noting that a point z traversing the circle  $|z-z_0|=R$  once in the counterclockwise direction corresponds to the sum of the fixed vector  $z_0$  and a vector of length R whose angle of inclination  $\theta$  varies from  $\theta=0$  to  $\theta=2\pi$ .

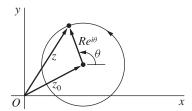


FIGURE 8

# 7. PRODUCTS AND POWERS IN EXPONENTIAL FORM

Simple trigonometry tells us that  $e^{i\theta}$  has the familiar additive property of the exponential function in calculus:

$$e^{i\theta_1}e^{i\theta_2} = (\cos\theta_1 + i\sin\theta_1)(\cos\theta_2 + i\sin\theta_2)$$

$$= (\cos\theta_1\cos\theta_2 - \sin\theta_1\sin\theta_2) + i(\sin\theta_1\cos\theta_2 + \cos\theta_1\sin\theta_2)$$

$$= \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i\sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) = e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}.$$

Thus, if  $z_1 = r_1 e^{i\theta_1}$  and  $z_2 = r_2 e^{i\theta_2}$ , the product  $z_1 z_2$  has exponential form

(1) 
$$z_1 z_2 = r_1 e^{i\theta_1} r_2 e^{i\theta_2} = r_1 r_2 e^{i\theta_1} e^{i\theta_2} = (r_1 r_2) e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}.$$

Furthermore,

(2) 
$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{r_1 e^{i\theta_1}}{r_2 e^{i\theta_2}} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} \cdot \frac{e^{i\theta_1} e^{-i\theta_2}}{e^{i\theta_2} e^{-i\theta_2}} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} \cdot \frac{e^{i(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}}{e^{i0}} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} e^{i(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}.$$

Note how it follows from expression (2) that the inverse of any nonzero complex number  $z = re^{i\theta}$  is

(3) 
$$z^{-1} = \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1e^{i0}}{re^{i\theta}} = \frac{1}{r}e^{i(0-\theta)} = \frac{1}{r}e^{-i\theta}.$$

Expressions (1), (2), and (3) are, of course, easily remembered by applying the usual algebraic rules for real numbers and  $e^x$ .

Another important result that can be obtained formally by applying rules for real numbers to  $z=re^{i\theta}$  is

(4) 
$$z^n = r^n e^{in\theta}$$
  $(n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...).$ 

It is easily verified for positive values of n by mathematical induction. To be specific, we first note that it becomes  $z = re^{i\theta}$  when n = 1. Next, we assume that it is valid when n = m, where m is any positive integer. In view of expression (1) for the product of two nonzero complex numbers in exponential form, it is then valid for n = m + 1:

$$z^{m+1} = z^m z = r^m e^{im\theta} r e^{i\theta} = (r^m r) e^{i(m\theta + \theta)} = r^{m+1} e^{i(m+1)\theta}$$

Expression (4) is thus verified when n is a positive integer. It also holds when n = 0, with the convention that  $z^0 = 1$ . If n = -1, -2, ..., on the other hand, we define  $z^n$  in terms of the multiplicative inverse of z by writing

$$z^{n} = (z^{-1})^{m}$$
 where  $m = -n = 1, 2, \dots$ 

Then, since equation (4) is valid for positive integers, it follows from the exponential form (3) of  $z^{-1}$  that

$$z^{n} = \left[\frac{1}{r}e^{i(-\theta)}\right]^{m} = \left(\frac{1}{r}\right)^{m}e^{im(-\theta)} = \left(\frac{1}{r}\right)^{-n}e^{i(-n)(-\theta)} = r^{n}e^{in\theta}$$

$$(n = -1, -2, \dots).$$

Expression (4) is now established for all integral powers.

Expression (4) can be useful in finding powers of complex numbers even when they are given in rectangular form and the result is desired in that form.

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**EXAMPLE 1.** In order to put  $(\sqrt{3} + 1)^7$  in rectangular form, one need only write

$$(\sqrt{3}+i)^7 = (2e^{i\pi/6})^7 = 2^7 e^{i7\pi/6} = (2^6 e^{i\pi})(2e^{i\pi/6}) = -64(\sqrt{3}+i).$$

Finally, we observe that if r = 1, equation (4) becomes

(5) 
$$(e^{i\theta})^n = e^{in\theta} \quad (n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots).$$

When written in the form

(6) 
$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \quad (n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots),$$

this is known as *de Moivre's formula*. The following example uses a special case of it.

**EXAMPLE 2.** Formula (6) with n = 2 tells us that

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^2 = \cos 2\theta + i \sin 2\theta,$$

or

$$\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta + i2 \sin \theta$$
  $\cos \theta = \cos 2\theta + i \sin 2\theta$ .

By equating real parts and then imaginary parts here, we have the familiar trigonometric identities

$$\cos 2\theta = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$
,  $\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$ .

(See also Exercises 10 and 11, Sec. 8.)

# 8. ARGUMENTS OF PRODUCTS AND QUOTIENTS

If  $z_1 = r_1 e^{i\theta_1}$  and  $z_2 = r_2 e^{i\theta_2}$ , the expression

(1) 
$$z_1 z_2 = (r_1 r_2) e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

in Sec. 7 can be used to obtain an important identity involving arguments:

(2) 
$$\arg(z_1 z_2) = \arg z_1 + \arg z_2.$$

This result is to be interpreted as saying that if values of two of the three (multiple-valued) arguments are specified, then there is a value of the third such that the equation holds.

We start the verification of statement (2) by letting  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  denote any values of  $\arg z_1$  and  $\arg z_2$ , respectively. Expression (1) then tells us that  $\theta_1 + \theta_2$  is a value of  $\arg(z_1z_2)$ . (See Fig. 9.) If, on the other hand, values of  $\arg(z_1z_2)$  and

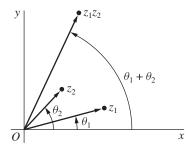


FIGURE 9

 $\arg z_1$  are specified, those values correspond to particular choices of n and  $n_1$  in the expressions

$$arg(z_1z_2) = (\theta_1 + \theta_2) + 2n\pi$$
  $(n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...)$ 

and

$$\arg z_1 = \theta_1 + 2n_1\pi$$
  $(n_1 = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...).$ 

Since

$$(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + 2n\pi = (\theta_1 + 2n_1\pi) + [\theta_2 + 2(n - n_1)\pi],$$

equation (2) is evidently satisfied when the value

$$\arg z_2 = \theta_2 + 2(n - n_1)\pi$$

is chosen. Verification when values of  $arg(z_1z_2)$  and  $arg z_2$  are specified follows by symmetry.

Statement (2) is sometimes valid when *arg* is replaced everywhere by *Arg* (see Exercise 6). But, as the following example illustrates, that is *not always* the case.

**EXAMPLE 1.** When 
$$z_1 = -1$$
 and  $z_2 = i$ ,

$$Arg(z_1 z_2) = Arg(-i) = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$
 but  $Arg z_1 + Arg z_2 = \pi + \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{3\pi}{2}$ .

If, however, we take the values of  $\arg z_1$  and  $\arg z_2$  just used and select the value

$$Arg(z_1 z_2) + 2\pi = -\frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi = \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

of  $arg(z_1z_2)$ , we find that equation (2) is satisfied.

Statement (2) tells us that

$$\arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = \arg(z_1 z_2^{-1}) = \arg z_1 + \arg(z_2^{-1});$$

and, since (Sec. 7)

$$z_2^{-1} = \frac{1}{r_2} e^{-i\theta_2},$$

one can see that

$$\arg(z_2^{-1}) = -\arg z_2.$$

Hence

(4) 
$$\arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = \arg z_1 - \arg z_2.$$

Statement (3) is, of course, to be interpreted as saying that the set of all values on the left-hand side is the same as the set of all values on the right-hand side. Statement (4) is, then, to be interpreted in the same way that statement (2) is.

## **EXAMPLE 2.** In order to find the principal argument Arg z when

$$z = \frac{-2}{1 + \sqrt{3}i},$$

observe that

$$\arg z = \arg(-2) - \arg(1 + \sqrt{3}i).$$

Since

$$Arg(-2) = \pi$$
 and  $Arg(1 + \sqrt{3}i) = \frac{\pi}{3}$ ,

one value of arg z is  $2\pi/3$ ; and, because  $2\pi/3$  is between  $-\pi$  and  $\pi$ , we find that Arg  $z = 2\pi/3$ .

#### **EXERCISES**

1. Find the principal argument Arg z when

(a) 
$$z = \frac{i}{-2 - 2i}$$
; (b)  $z = (\sqrt{3} - i)^6$ .

Ans. (a) 
$$-3\pi/4$$
; (b)  $\pi$ .

- **2.** Show that (a)  $|e^{i\theta}| = 1$ ; (b)  $\overline{e^{i\theta}} = e^{-i\theta}$ .
- 3. Use mathematical induction to show that

$$e^{i\theta_1}e^{i\theta_2}\cdots e^{i\theta_n}=e^{i(\theta_1+\theta_2+\cdots+\theta_n)} \qquad (n=2,3,\ldots).$$

**4.** Using the fact that the modulus  $|e^{i\theta}-1|$  is the distance between the points  $e^{i\theta}$  and 1 (see Sec. 4), give a geometric argument to find a value of  $\theta$  in the interval  $0 \le \theta < 2\pi$  that satisfies the equation  $|e^{i\theta}-1|=2$ .

Ans. 
$$\pi$$
.

5. By writing the individual factors on the left in exponential form, performing the needed operations, and finally changing back to rectangular coordinates, show that

(a) 
$$i(1-\sqrt{3}i)(\sqrt{3}+i) = 2(1+\sqrt{3}i);$$
 (b)  $5i/(2+i) = 1+2i;$ 

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(c) 
$$(-1+i)^7 = -8(1+i)$$
;

(d) 
$$(1 + \sqrt{3}i)^{-10} = 2^{-11}(-1 + \sqrt{3}i)$$
.

**6.** Show that if Re  $z_1 > 0$  and Re  $z_2 > 0$ , then

$$Arg(z_1z_2) = Arg z_1 + Arg z_2$$

where principal arguments are used.

7. Let z be a nonzero complex number and n a negative integer (n = -1, -2, ...). Also, write  $z = re^{i\theta}$  and  $m = -n = 1, 2, \dots$  Using the expressions

$$z^m = r^m e^{im\theta}$$
 and  $z^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{r}\right) e^{i(-\theta)}$ ,

verify that  $(z^m)^{-1} = (z^{-1})^m$  and hence that the definition  $z^n = (z^{-1})^m$  in Sec. 7 could have been written alternatively as  $z^n = (z^m)^{-1}$ .

8. Prove that two nonzero complex numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  have the same moduli if and only if there are complex numbers  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  such that  $z_1 = c_1c_2$  and  $z_2 = c_1\overline{c_2}$ . Suggestion: Note that

$$\exp\left(i\frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2}{2}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{\theta_1 - \theta_2}{2}\right) = \exp(i\theta_1)$$

and [see Exercise 2(b)]

$$\exp\left(i\frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2}{2}\right) \overline{\exp\left(i\frac{\theta_1 - \theta_2}{2}\right)} = \exp(i\theta_2).$$

9. Establish the identity

$$1 + z + z^{2} + \dots + z^{n} = \frac{1 - z^{n+1}}{1 - z} \qquad (z \neq 1)$$

and then use it to derive Lagrange's trigonometric identity:

$$1 + \cos \theta + \cos 2\theta + \dots + \cos n\theta = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sin[(2n+1)\theta/2]}{2\sin(\theta/2)} \qquad (0 < \theta < 2\pi).$$

Suggestion: As for the first identity, write  $S = 1 + z + z^2 + \cdots + z^n$  and consider the difference S - zS. To derive the second identity, write  $z = e^{i\theta}$  in the first one.

10. Use de Moivre's formula (Sec. 7) to derive the following trigonometric identities:

(a) 
$$\cos 3\theta = \cos^3 \theta - 3\cos\theta \sin^2 \theta$$
; (b)  $\sin 3\theta = 3\cos^2 \theta \sin\theta - \sin^3 \theta$ .

(b) 
$$\sin 3\theta = 3\cos^2\theta\sin\theta - \sin^3\theta$$

11. (a) Use the binomial formula (Sec. 3) and de Moivre's formula (Sec. 7) to write

$$\cos n\theta + i\sin n\theta = \sum_{k=0}^{n} {n \choose k} \cos^{n-k} \theta (i\sin \theta)^k \qquad (n = 0, 1, 2, \ldots).$$

Then define the integer m by means of the equations

$$m = \begin{cases} n/2 & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ (n-1)/2 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

and use the above summation to show that [compare with Exercise 10(a)]

$$\cos n\theta = \sum_{k=0}^{m} {n \choose 2k} (-1)^k \cos^{n-2k} \theta \sin^{2k} \theta \qquad (n = 0, 1, 2, ...).$$

(b) Write  $x = \cos \theta$  in the final summation in part (a) to show that it becomes a polynomial

$$T_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{m} \binom{n}{2k} (-1)^k x^{n-2k} (1 - x^2)^k$$

of degree n (n = 0, 1, 2, ...) in the variable x.\*

#### 9. ROOTS OF COMPLEX NUMBERS

Consider now a point  $z=re^{i\theta}$ , lying on a circle centered at the origin with radius r (Fig. 10). As  $\theta$  is increased, z moves around the circle in the counterclockwise direction. In particular, when  $\theta$  is increased by  $2\pi$ , we arrive at the original point; and the same is true when  $\theta$  is decreased by  $2\pi$ . It is, therefore, evident from Fig. 10 that two nonzero complex numbers

$$z_1 = r_1 e^{i\theta_1} \quad and \quad z_2 = r_2 e^{i\theta_2}$$

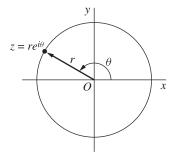


FIGURE 10

<sup>\*</sup>These are called Chebyshev polynomials and are prominent in approximation theory.

are equal if and only if

$$r_1 = r_2$$
 and  $\theta_1 = \theta_2 + 2k\pi$ ,

where k is some integer  $(k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...)$ .

This observation, together with the expression  $z^n = r^n e^{in\theta}$  in Sec. 7 for integral powers of complex numbers  $z = re^{i\theta}$ , is useful in finding the *n*th roots of any nonzero complex number  $z_0 = r_0 e^{i\theta_0}$ , where *n* has one of the values  $n = 2, 3, \ldots$ . The method starts with the fact that an *n*th root of  $z_0$  is a nonzero number  $z = re^{i\theta}$  such that  $z^n = z_0$ , or

$$r^n e^{in\theta} = r_0 e^{i\theta_0}.$$

According to the statement in italics just above, then,

$$r^n = r_0$$
 and  $n\theta = \theta_0 + 2k\pi$ ,

where k is any integer  $(k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...)$ . So  $r = \sqrt[n]{r_0}$ , where this radical denotes the unique *positive n*th root of the positive real number  $r_0$ , and

$$\theta = \frac{\theta_0 + 2k\pi}{n} = \frac{\theta_0}{n} + \frac{2k\pi}{n}$$
  $(k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...).$ 

Consequently, the complex numbers

$$z = \sqrt[n]{r_0} \exp\left[i\left(\frac{\theta_0}{n} + \frac{2k\pi}{n}\right)\right] \qquad (k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots)$$

are the *n*th roots of  $z_0$ . We are able to see immediately from this exponential form of the roots that they all lie on the circle  $|z| = \sqrt[n]{r_0}$  about the origin and are equally spaced every  $2\pi/n$  radians, starting with argument  $\theta_0/n$ . Evidently, then, all of the *distinct* roots are obtained when  $k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, n - 1$ , and no further roots arise with other values of k. We let  $c_k$  ( $k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, n - 1$ ) denote these distinct roots and write

(1) 
$$c_k = \sqrt[n]{r_0} \exp \left[ i \left( \frac{\theta_0}{n} + \frac{2k\pi}{n} \right) \right]$$
  $(k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1).$ 

(See Fig. 11.)

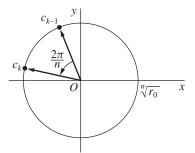


FIGURE 11

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The number  $\sqrt[n]{r_0}$  is the length of each of the radius vectors representing the n roots. The first root  $c_0$  has argument  $\theta_0/n$ ; and the two roots when n=2 lie at the opposite ends of a diameter of the circle  $|z| = \sqrt[n]{r_0}$ , the second root being  $-c_0$ . When  $n \ge 3$ , the roots lie at the vertices of a regular polygon of n sides inscribed in that circle.

We shall let  $z_0^{1/n}$  denote the *set* of *n*th roots of  $z_0$ . If, in particular,  $z_0$  is a positive real number  $r_0$ , the symbol  $r_0^{1/n}$  denotes the entire set of roots; and the symbol  $\sqrt[n]{r_0}$  in expression (1) is reserved for the one positive root. When the value of  $\theta_0$  that is used in expression (1) is the principal value of  $\arg z_0$  ( $-\pi < \theta_0 \le \pi$ ), the number  $c_0$  is referred to as the *principal root*. Thus when  $z_0$  is a positive real number  $r_0$ , its principal root is  $\sqrt[n]{r_0}$ .

Observe that if we write expression (1) for the roots of  $z_0$  as

$$c_k = \sqrt[n]{r_0} \exp\left(i\frac{\theta_0}{n}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{2k\pi}{n}\right) \quad (k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1),$$

and also write

(2) 
$$\omega_n = \exp\left(i\frac{2\pi}{n}\right),$$

it follows from property (5), Sec. 7. of  $e^{i\theta}$  that

(3) 
$$\omega_n^k = \exp\left(i\frac{2k\pi}{n}\right) \quad (k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1)$$

and hence that

(4) 
$$c_k = c_0 \omega_n^k \quad (k = 0, 1, 2, ..., n - 1).$$

The number  $c_0$  here can, of course, be replaced by any particular nth root of  $z_0$ , since  $\omega_n$  represents a counterclockwise rotation through  $2\pi/n$  radians.

Finally, a convenient way to remember expression (1) is to write  $z_0$  in its most general exponential form (compare with Example 2 in Sec. 6)

(5) 
$$z_0 = r_0 e^{i(\theta_0 + 2k\pi)} \qquad (k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots)$$

and to *formally* apply laws of fractional exponents involving real numbers, keeping in mind that there are precisely n roots:

$$z_0^{1/n} = \left[ r_0 e^{i(\theta_0 + 2k\pi)} \right]^{1/n} = \sqrt[n]{r_0} \exp\left[ \frac{i(\theta_0 + 2k\pi)}{n} \right] = \sqrt[n]{r_0} \exp\left[ i\left(\frac{\theta_0}{n} + \frac{2k\pi}{n}\right) \right]$$

$$(k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1).$$

The examples in the next section serve to illustrate this method for finding roots of complex numbers.

#### 10. EXAMPLES

In each of the examples here, we start with expression (5), Sec. 9, and proceed in the manner described just after it.

**EXAMPLE 1.** Let us find all values of  $(-8i)^{1/3}$ , or the three cube roots of the number -8i. One need only write

$$-8i = 8 \exp\left[i\left(-\frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi\right)\right]$$
  $(k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...)$ 

to see that the desired roots are

(1) 
$$c_k = 2 \exp \left[ i \left( -\frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{2k\pi}{3} \right) \right] \qquad (k = 0, 1, 2).$$

They lie at the vertices of an equilateral triangle, inscribed in the circle |z| = 2, and are equally spaced around that circle every  $2\pi/3$  radians, starting with the principal root (Fig. 12)

$$c_0 = 2 \exp\left[i\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right] = 2\left(\cos\frac{\pi}{6} - i\sin\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \sqrt{3} - i.$$

Without any further calculations, it is then evident that  $c_1 = 2i$ ; and, since  $c_2$  is symmetric to  $c_0$  with respect to the imaginary axis, we know that  $c_2 = -\sqrt{3} - i$ .

Note how it follows from expressions (2) and (4) in Sec. 9 that these roots can be written

$$c_0, c_0\omega_3, c_0\omega_3^2$$
 where  $\omega_3 = \exp\left(i\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$ .

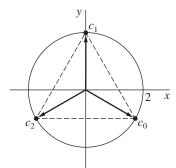


FIGURE 12

**EXAMPLE 2.** In order to determine the *n*th roots of unity, we start with

$$1 = 1 \exp[i(0 + 2k\pi)] \qquad (k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2...)$$

and find that

(2) 
$$1^{1/n} = \sqrt[n]{1} \exp\left[i\left(\frac{0}{n} + \frac{2k\pi}{n}\right)\right] = \exp\left(i\frac{2k\pi}{n}\right)$$
  $(k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1).$ 

When n = 2, these roots are, of course,  $\pm 1$ . When  $n \ge 3$ , the regular polygon at whose vertices the roots lie is inscribed in the unit circle |z| = 1, with one vertex corresponding to the principal root z = 1 (k = 0). In view of expression (3), Sec. 9, these roots are simply

$$1, \omega_n, \omega_n^2, \dots, \omega_n^{n-1}$$
 where  $\omega_n = \exp\left(i\frac{2\pi}{n}\right)$ .

See Fig. 13, where the cases n = 3, 4, and 6 are illustrated. Note that  $\omega_n^n = 1$ .

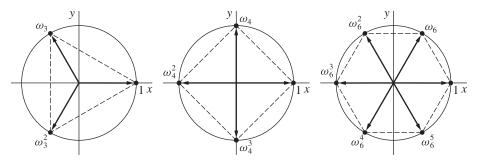


FIGURE 13

**EXAMPLE 3.** The two values  $c_k$  (k = 0, 1) of  $(\sqrt{3} + i)^{1/2}$ , which are the square roots of  $\sqrt{3} + i$ , are found by writing

$$\sqrt{3} + i = 2 \exp\left[i\left(\frac{\pi}{6} + 2k\pi\right)\right]$$
  $(k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...)$ 

and (see Fig. 14)

(3) 
$$c_k = \sqrt{2} \exp \left[ i \left( \frac{\pi}{12} + k\pi \right) \right] \qquad (k = 0, 1).$$

Euler's formula tells us that

$$c_0 = \sqrt{2} \exp\left(i\frac{\pi}{12}\right) = \sqrt{2} \left(\cos\frac{\pi}{12} + i\sin\frac{\pi}{12}\right),$$

and the trigonometric identities

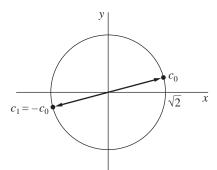


FIGURE 14

(4) 
$$\cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{1 + \cos \alpha}{2}, \quad \sin^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos \alpha}{2}$$

enable us to write

$$\cos^2 \frac{\pi}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \cos \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) = \frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{4},$$
$$\sin^2 \frac{\pi}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \cos \frac{\pi}{6} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) = \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{4}.$$

Consequently,

$$c_0 = \sqrt{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{4}} + i\sqrt{\frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{4}} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \sqrt{2+\sqrt{3}} + i\sqrt{2-\sqrt{3}} \right).$$

Since  $c_1 = -c_0$ , the two square roots of  $\sqrt{3} + i$  are, then,

$$\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}} + i\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{3}} \right).$$

#### **EXERCISES**

**1.** Find the square roots of (a) 2i; (b)  $1 - \sqrt{3}i$  and express them in rectangular coordinates.

Ans. (a) 
$$\pm$$
 (1 + i); (b)  $\pm \frac{\sqrt{3} - i}{\sqrt{2}}$ .

2. In each case, find all the roots in rectangular coordinates, exhibit them as vertices of certain squares, and point out which is the principal root:

(a) 
$$(-16)^{1/4}$$
; (b)  $(-8 - 8\sqrt{3}i)^{1/4}$ .  
Ans. (a)  $\pm \sqrt{2}(1+i)$ ,  $\pm \sqrt{2}(1-i)$ ; (b)  $\pm (\sqrt{3}-i)$ ,  $\pm (1+\sqrt{3}i)$ .

3. In each case, find all the roots in rectangular coordinates, exhibit them as vertices of certain regular polygons, and identify the principal root:

(a) 
$$(-1)^{1/3}$$
; (b)  $8^{1/6}$ .

Ans. (b) 
$$\pm \sqrt{2}$$
,  $\pm \frac{1 + \sqrt{3}i}{\sqrt{2}}$ ,  $\pm \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}i}{\sqrt{2}}$ .

**4.** According to Sec. 9, the three cube roots of a nonzero complex number  $z_0$  can be written  $c_0, c_0\omega_3, c_0\omega_3^2$  where  $c_0$  is the principal cube root of  $z_0$  and

$$\omega_3 = \exp\left(i\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2}.$$

Show that if  $z_0 = -4\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{2}i$ , then  $c_0 = \sqrt{2}(1+i)$  and the other two cube roots are, in rectangular form, the numbers

$$c_0\omega_3 = \frac{-(\sqrt{3}+1)+(\sqrt{3}-1)i}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad c_0\omega_3^2 = \frac{(\sqrt{3}-1)-(\sqrt{3}+1)i}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

5. (a) Let a denote any fixed real number and show that the two square roots of a+i are

$$\pm\sqrt{A}\exp\left(i\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$$

where  $A = \sqrt{a^2 + 1}$  and  $\alpha = \text{Arg}(a + i)$ .

(b) With the aid of the trigonometric identities (4) in Example 3 of Sec. 10, show that the square roots obtained in part (a) can be written

$$\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \sqrt{A+a} + i\sqrt{A-a} \right).$$

(Note that this becomes the final result in Example 3, Sec. 10, when  $a = \sqrt{3}$ .)

**6.** Find the four zeros of the polynomial  $z^4 + 4$ , one of them being

$$z_0 = \sqrt{2} e^{i\pi/4} = 1 + i.$$

Then use those zeros to factor  $z^2 + 4$  into quadratic factors with real coefficients.

Ans. 
$$(z^2 + 2z + 2)(z^2 - 2z + 2)$$
.

7. Show that if c is any nth root of unity other than unity itself, then

$$1 + c + c^2 + \cdots + c^{n-1} = 0$$

Suggestion: Use the first identity in Exercise 9, Sec. 8.

**8.** (a) Prove that the usual formula solves the quadratic equation

$$az^2 + bz + c = 0 \qquad (a \neq 0)$$

when the coefficients a, b, and c are complex numbers. Specifically, by completing the square on the left-hand side, derive the *quadratic formula* 

$$z = \frac{-b + (b^2 - 4ac)^{1/2}}{2a},$$

where both square roots are to be considered when  $b^2 - 4ac \neq 0$ ,

(b) Use the result in part (a) to find the roots of the equation  $z^2 + 2z + (1 - i) = 0$ .

Ans. (b) 
$$\left(-1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \left(-1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

**9.** Let  $z = re^{i\theta}$  be a nonzero complex number and n a negative integer (n = -1, -2, ...). Then define  $z^{1/n}$  by means of the equation  $z^{1/n} = (z^{-1})^{1/m}$  where m = -n. By showing that the m values of  $(z^{1/m})^{-1}$  and  $(z^{-1})^{1/m}$  are the same, verify that  $z^{1/n} = (z^{1/m})^{-1}$ . (Compare with Exercise 7, Sec. 8.)

#### 11. REGIONS IN THE COMPLEX PLANE

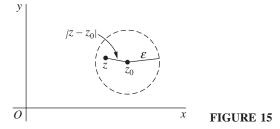
In this section, we are concerned with sets of complex numbers, or points in the z plane, and their closeness to one another. Our basic tool is the concept of an  $\varepsilon$  neighborhood

$$(1) |z - z_0| < \varepsilon$$

of a given point  $z_0$ . It consists of all points z lying inside but not on a circle centered at  $z_0$  and with a specified positive radius  $\varepsilon$  (Fig. 15). When the value of  $\varepsilon$  is understood or is immaterial in the discussion, the set (1) is often referred to as just a neighborhood. Occasionally, it is convenient to speak of a *deleted neighborhood*, or punctured disk,

$$(2) 0 < |z - z_0| < \varepsilon$$

consisting of all points z in an  $\varepsilon$  neighborhood of  $z_0$  except for the point  $z_0$  itself.



A point  $z_0$  is said to be an *interior point* of a set S whenever there is some neighborhood of  $z_0$  that contains only points of S; it is called an *exterior point* of S when there exists a neighborhood of it containing no points of S. If  $z_0$  is neither of these, it is a *boundary point* of S. A boundary point is, therefore, a point all of whose neighborhoods contain at least one point in S and at least one point not in S. The totality of all boundary points is called the *boundary* of S. The circle |z|=1, for instance, is the boundary of each of the sets

(3) 
$$|z| < 1$$
 and  $|z| \le 1$ .

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A set is *open* if it contains none of its boundary points. It is left as an exercise to show that a set is open if and only if each of its points is an interior point. A set is *closed* if it contains all of its boundary points, and the *closure* of a set S is the closed set consisting of all points in S together with the boundary of S. Note that the first of the sets (3) is open and that the second is its closure.

Some sets are, of course, neither open nor closed. For a set to be not open, there must be a boundary point that is contained in the set; and if a set is not closed, there exists a boundary point not contained in the set. Observe that the punctured disk  $0 < |z| \le 1$  is neither open nor closed. The set of all complex numbers is, on the other hand, both open and closed since it has no boundary points.

An open set S is *connected* if each pair of points  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  in it can be joined by a *polygonal line*, consisting of a finite number of line segments joined end to end, that lies entirely in S. The open set |z| < 1 is connected. The annulus 1 < |z| < 2 is, of course, open and it is also connected (see Fig. 16). A nonempty open set that is connected is called a *domain*. Note that any neighborhood is a domain. A domain together with some, none, or all of its boundary points is referred to as a *region*.

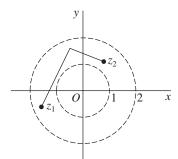


FIGURE 16

A set *S* is *bounded* if every point of *S* lies inside some circle |z| = R; otherwise, it is *unbounded*. Both of the sets (3) are bounded regions, and the half plane Re  $z \ge 0$  is unbounded.

A point  $z_0$  is said to be an *accumulation point* of a set S if each deleted neighborhood of  $z_0$  contains at least one point of S. It follows that if a set S is closed, then it contains each of its accumulation points. For if an accumulation point  $z_0$  were not in S, it would be a boundary point of S; but this contradicts the fact that a closed set contains all of its boundary points. It is left as an exercise to show that the converse is, in fact, true. Thus a set is closed if and only if it contains all of its accumulation points.

Evidently, a point  $z_0$  is *not* an accumulation point of a set S whenever there exists some deleted neighborhood of  $z_0$  that does not contain at least one point of S. Note that the origin is the only accumulation point of the set  $z_n = i/n$  (n = 1, 2, ...).

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### **EXERCISES**

- 1. Sketch the following sets and determine which are domains:
  - (a) |z-2+i| < 1;
- (b) |2z + 3| > 4;

(c) Im z > 1;

- (*d*) Im z = 1;
- (e)  $0 \le \arg z \le \pi/4 \ (z \ne 0);$
- $(f) |z-4| \ge |z|.$

Ans. (b), (c) are domains.

**2.** Which sets in Exercise 1 are neither open nor closed?

Ans. (e).

**3.** Which sets in Exercise 1 are bounded?

Ans. (a).

- 4. In each case, sketch the closure of the set:
  - (a)  $-\pi < \arg z < \pi \ (z \neq 0);$  (b) |Re z| < |z|;
  - (c)  $\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ;
- $(d) \operatorname{Re}(z^2) > 0.$
- **5.** Let S be the open set consisting of all points z such that |z| < 1 or |z 2| < 1. State why S is not connected.
- **6.** Show that a set S is open if and only if each point in S is an interior point.
- 7. Determine the accumulation points of each of the following sets:

- (a)  $z_n = i^n$  (n = 1, 2, ...); (b)  $z_n = i^n/n$  (n = 1, 2, ...); (c)  $0 \le \arg z < \pi/2$   $(z \ne 0);$  (d)  $z_n = (-1)^n(1+i)\frac{n-1}{n}$  (n = 1, 2, ...).

Ans. (a) None; (b) 0; (d)  $\pm (1+i)$ .

- 8. Prove that if a set contains each of its accumulation points, then it must be a closed
- **9.** Show that any point  $z_0$  of a domain is an accumulation point of that domain.
- 10. Prove that a finite set of points  $z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_n$  cannot have any accumulation points.