

Module CNAP:

Complex numbers and Phasors

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Where innovation starts

Importance sinusoidal signals (sinusoids)

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- Many signals represented by sum of sinusoids (Fourier, 1807)



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Birdsounds



Vowels



Male



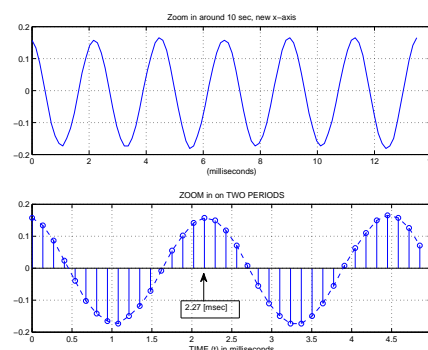
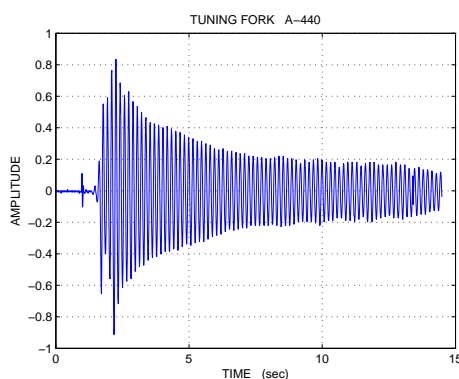
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Racecar

- Sinusoids most basic in theory of signals and systems.

Example: Tuning fork



440 Hz? From detailed figure $\Rightarrow f_0 = \frac{1}{2.27 \cdot 10^{-3}} = 440 \text{ Hz}$

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Property	Equation
Equivalency	$\sin(\theta) = \cos(\theta - \pi/2)$ or $\cos(\theta) = \sin(\theta + \pi/2)$
Periodicity	$\cos(\theta + k \cdot 2\pi) = \cos(\theta)$, for k integer
Evenness cos	$\cos(-\theta) = \cos(\theta)$
Oddness sin	$\sin(-\theta) = -\sin(\theta)$
Zeros sin	$\sin(k \cdot \pi) = 0$ for k integer
Ones cos	$\cos(k \cdot 2\pi) = 1$ for k integer
Minus ones cos	$\cos((k + \frac{1}{2}) \cdot 2\pi) = -1$ for k integer
Cos: slope sin	$\frac{d \sin(\theta)}{d\theta} = \cos(\theta)$
Sin: negative slope cos	$\frac{d \cos(\theta)}{d\theta} = -\sin(\theta)$
	$\sin^2(\theta) + \cos^2(\theta) = 1$
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Many other basic trigonometric identities

Can be derived simply by using phasor description (see further on)

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Review sine- cosine- functions

Mathematical formula continuous-time cosine:

$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega_0 \cdot t + \phi) = A \cos(2\pi \cdot f_0 \cdot t + \phi)$$

Symbol	Name	Dimension
A	Amplitude	-
ω_0	Radian frequency	rad/sec
ϕ	phase	rad
f_0	(cyclic) frequency	$\text{sec}^{-1} = \text{Hz}$

Relation period - frequency:

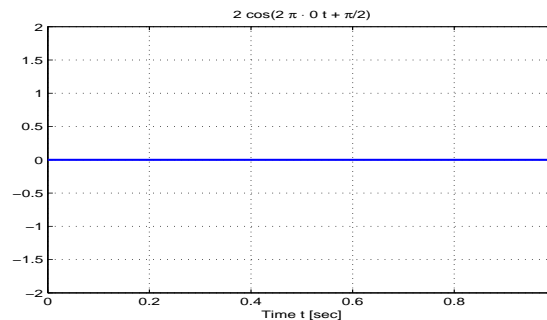
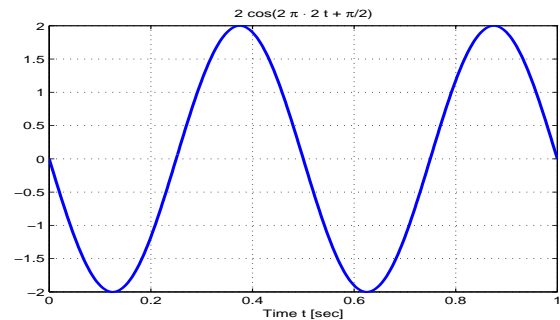
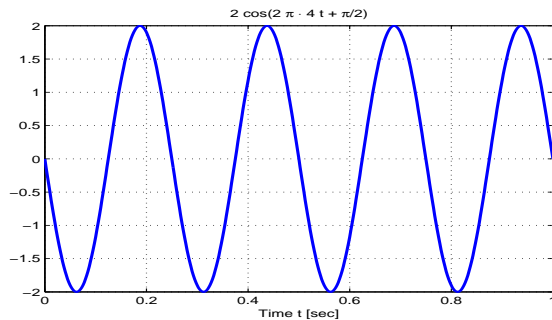
$$x(t + T_0) = x(t)$$

$$A \cos(\omega_0 \cdot (t + T_0) + \phi) = A \cos(\omega_0 \cdot t + \phi)$$

$$\omega_0 T_0 = 2\pi \Rightarrow T_0 = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_0} \quad \text{or} \quad (2\pi f_0) T_0 = 2\pi \Rightarrow T_0 = \frac{1}{f_0}$$

Amplitude $A = 2$, Phase $\phi = \pi/2$, Frequency f_0 varies $4 \rightarrow 0$ [Hz]

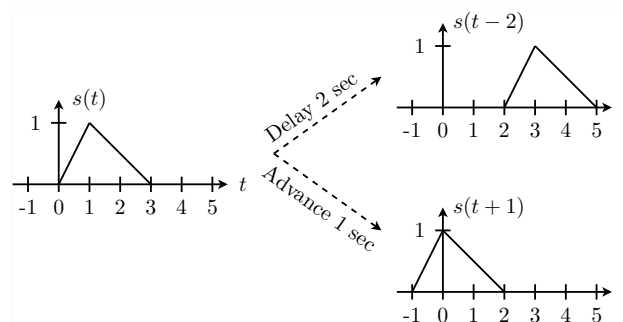
$$x(t) = 2 \cos(2\pi \cdot f_0 \cdot t + \pi/2)$$



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Phase and Time shift

Positive and negative time shift:



Conversion time- to phase shift:

$$x(t) = \cos(\omega_0 t) \Rightarrow x(t - t_1) = \cos(\omega_0(t - t_1)) = \cos(\omega_0 t + \phi)$$

$$\phi = -\omega_0 t_1 \Leftrightarrow t_1 = -\frac{\phi}{\omega_0} = -\frac{\phi}{2\pi f_0}$$

Notes:

- Phase negative for positive time shift (delay)
- Phase can always be chosen in $-\pi < \phi \leq \pi$. Why?

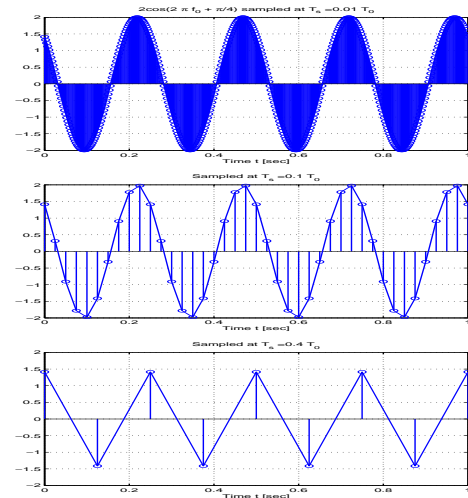
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$$x(t) = 2 \cos(2\pi \cdot 4 \cdot t + \pi/4) \rightarrow \text{One period? } T_0 = 1/4 = 0.25 \text{ [sec]}$$

$$T_s = 0.0025 \text{ [sec]} \rightarrow 100 \text{ samples in } T_0$$

$$T_s = 0.025 \text{ [sec]} \rightarrow 10 \text{ samples in } T_0$$

$$T_s = 0.1 \text{ [sec]} \rightarrow 2.5 \text{ samples in } T_0$$

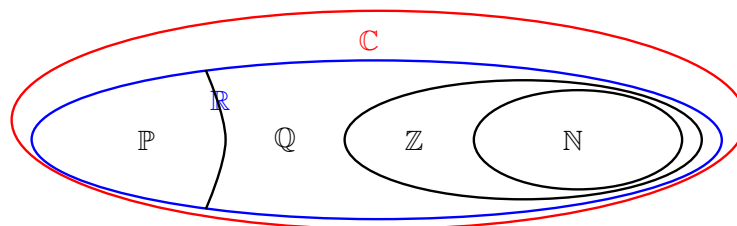


- Choice of T_s depends on frequency cosine
- String of numbers at sampling space T_s (stem)
- Matlab `plot` connects samples by lines
- How large T_s for accurate reconstruction?

Notes:

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From real numbers towards complex numbers



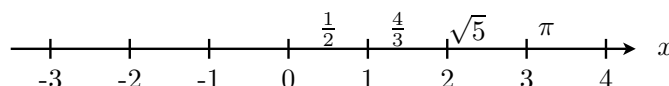
\mathbb{R} : Set of real numbers is extension of:

\mathbb{N} : Natural numbers, e.g. $0, 1, 2, \dots$

\mathbb{Z} : Integer numbers, e.g. $-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots$

\mathbb{Q} : Rational numbers, e.g. $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{4}{5}, \dots$

\mathbb{P} : Irrational numbers, e.g. $\pi, \sqrt{5}, \dots$



$\Rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is set of numbers x for which $x^2 \geq 0$

- Is there a set \mathbb{C} for which $x^2 < 0$, which is extension of \mathbb{R} ?
- Physical meaning of such a set \mathbb{C} ?

• Two examples: Tuning fork:  Harmonic oscillator: 

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$$\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \{f(\theta)\} + f(\theta) = 0$$

General solution $f(\theta) = e^{c \cdot \theta}$ with c some unknown constant

$$\Rightarrow c^2(e^{c \cdot \theta}) + (e^{c \cdot \theta}) = 0 \Rightarrow c^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow c^2 = -1 \Rightarrow c = \pm \sqrt{-1}$$

Define **complex number** : $j \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \sqrt{-1}$

\Rightarrow General solution 2nd order DE writes as complex exponential:

$e^{\pm j\theta}$ and all linear combinations

However we know physical solution is sinusoidal!

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Relation $e^{j\theta}$ with sinusoidal

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{(x)}{1!} + \frac{(x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(x)^4}{4!} + \frac{(x)^5}{5!} + \dots$$

$$e^{j\theta} = 1 + \frac{(j\theta)}{1!} + \frac{(j\theta)^2}{2!} + \frac{(j\theta)^3}{3!} + \frac{(j\theta)^4}{4!} + \frac{(j\theta)^5}{5!} + \dots$$

With $j \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \sqrt{-1}$ we obtain: $j^2 = -1$, $j^3 = -j$, $j^4 = +1$, $j^5 = j$ etc.

$$e^{j\theta} = \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2!} + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} - \dots\right) + j \left(\theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^5}{5!} - \dots\right)$$

With geometric series expansion of sine- and cosine function:

$$\cos(\theta) = 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2!} + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} - \dots \quad \text{and} \quad \sin(\theta) = \theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^5}{5!} - \dots$$

• **Alternative expression $e^{j\theta}$:**

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$$\Rightarrow e^{j\theta} = \cos(\theta) + j \sin(\theta) \quad \text{Euler}$$

- **Linear combinations $e^{\pm j\theta}$ also valid solutions of DE:**

$$\frac{e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta}}{2} = \frac{(\cos(\theta) + j \sin(\theta)) + (\cos(\theta) - j \sin(\theta))}{2} = \cos(\theta) \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\frac{e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta}}{2j} = \frac{(\cos(\theta) + j \sin(\theta)) - (\cos(\theta) - j \sin(\theta))}{2j} = \sin(\theta) \in \mathbb{R}$$

- **Notes on complex exponential $e^{j\theta} = \cos(\theta) + j \sin(\theta)$:**

- **Real part** of $e^{j\theta}$: $\Re\{e^{j\theta}\} = \cos \theta$
- **Imaginary part** of $e^{j\theta}$ ("part after symbol j"): $\Im\{e^{j\theta}\} = \sin \theta$
- $e^{j\theta} = \cos(\theta) + j \sin(\theta)$ in which **both** $\cos(\theta)$ and $\sin(\theta)$ are **real** \Rightarrow

Set of complex numbers : $\mathbb{C} = \{z = x + jy | x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Basic trigonometric identities via Euler

1	$\sin^2(\theta) + \cos^2(\theta) = 1$
2	$\cos(2\theta) = \cos^2(\theta) - \sin^2(\theta)$
3	$\sin(2\theta) = 2 \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta)$
4	$\sin(\alpha \pm \beta) = \sin(\alpha) \cos(\beta) \pm \cos(\alpha) \sin(\beta)$
5	$\cos(\alpha \pm \beta) = \cos(\alpha) \cos(\beta) \mp \sin(\alpha) \sin(\beta)$

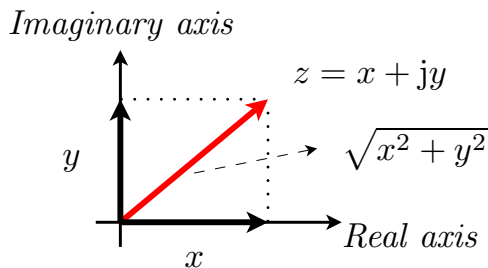
Simple proof via Euler, e.g. property 1:

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2(\theta) + \cos^2(\theta) &= \left(\frac{e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta}}{2j} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta}}{2} \right)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{e^{j2\theta} + e^{-j2\theta} - 2}{4(j)^2} \right) + \left(\frac{e^{j2\theta} + e^{-j2\theta} + 2}{4} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{-e^{j2\theta} - e^{-j2\theta} + 2}{4} \right) + \left(\frac{e^{j2\theta} + e^{-j2\theta} + 2}{4} \right) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

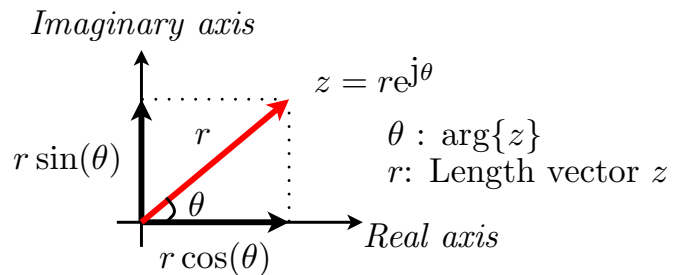
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• Visualization: 2-Dimensional vector representation (Animations)

Cartesian representation:



Polar representation:



• Conversion:

Polar \rightarrow Cartesian : $x = r \cos(\theta)$ and $y = r \sin(\theta)$

Cartesian \rightarrow polar : $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and $\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) (+\pi, \text{ for } x < 0)$

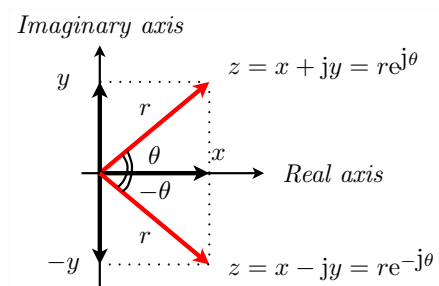
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Complex numbers: Conjugation and rules

• Complex conjugation z , denoted by z^* : Replace $+j$ by $-j$

$$z = re^{+j\theta} \Rightarrow z^* = re^{-j\theta}$$

$$z = x + jy \Rightarrow z^* = x - jy$$



• Calculation rules:

Equality : $x_1 + jy_1 = x_2 + jy_2 \Leftrightarrow x_1 = x_2 \text{ and } y_1 = y_2$

Addition : $(x_1 + jy_1) + (x_2 + jy_2) = (x_1 + x_2) + j(y_1 + y_2)$

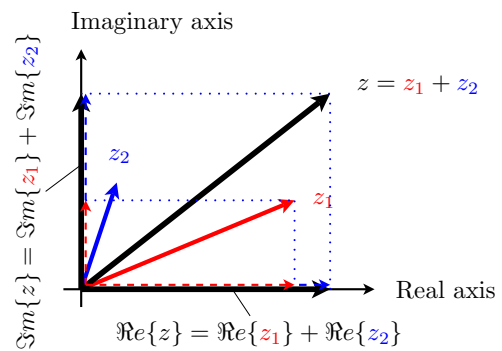
Scaling : $c \cdot (x + jy) = c \cdot x + jc \cdot y$

Multiplication : $z_1 \cdot z_2 = (x_1 + jy_1) \cdot (x_2 + jy_2) =$
 $= (x_1 \cdot x_2 - y_1 \cdot y_2) + j(x_1 \cdot y_2 + x_2 \cdot y_1)$

Alternative : $z_1 \cdot z_2 = r_1 e^{j\theta_1} \cdot r_2 e^{j\theta_2} = r_1 \cdot r_2 e^{j(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$

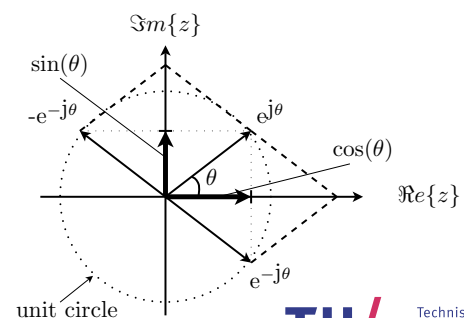
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$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= z_1 + z_2 \\
 &= (\Re\{z_1\} + \Re\{z_2\}) + \\
 &\quad + j(\Im\{z_1\} + \Im\{z_2\}) \\
 &= \Re\{z\} + j\Im\{z\}
 \end{aligned}$$



Inverse Euler via complex addition rule:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cos(\theta) &= \frac{e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta}}{2} \\
 \sin(\theta) &= \frac{e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta}}{2j}
 \end{aligned}$$



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Complex numbers: Some important facts

• Multiplication by its own complex conjugate

$$\text{Polar} : z \cdot z^* = r e^{j\theta} \cdot r e^{-j\theta} = r^2$$

$$\text{Cartesian} : z \cdot z^* = (x + jy) \cdot (x - jy) = (x^2 + y^2)$$

• Length complex vector z , denoted by $|z|$:

$$|z| \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \sqrt{z \cdot z^*} \hat{=} r \hat{=} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \geq 0$$

• Division complex numbers:

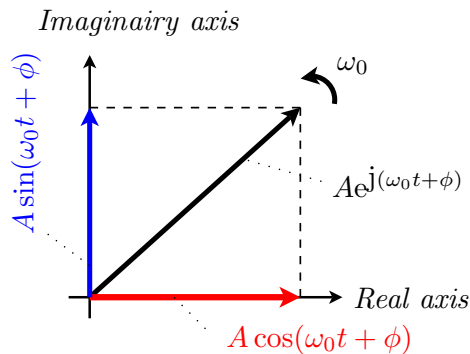
$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{z_1}{z_2} &= \frac{x + jy}{u + jv} = \frac{z_1}{z_2} \cdot \frac{z_2^*}{z_2^*} = \frac{x + jy}{u + jv} \cdot \frac{u - jv}{u - jv} = \frac{(xu + yv) + j(yu - xv)}{u^2 + v^2} \\
 &= \left(\frac{xu + yv}{u^2 + v^2} \right) + j \left(\frac{yu - xv}{u^2 + v^2} \right) \stackrel{?}{=} \hat{=} \alpha + j\beta
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$Ae^{j(\omega_0 t + \phi)}$$

$$\Re\{Ae^{j(\omega_0 t + \phi)}\} = A \cos(\omega_0 t + \phi)$$

$$\Im\{Ae^{j(\omega_0 t + \phi)}\} = A \sin(\omega_0 t + \phi)$$



(Animations)

Phasor : $z(t) = Ae^{j(\omega_0 t + \phi)}$

Sum of phasors with same frequency

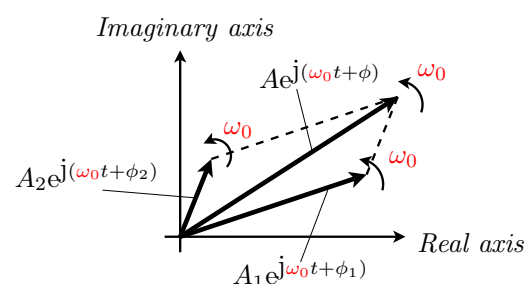
• Example: (Animations)

$$A_1 e^{j(\omega_0 t + \phi_1)} + A_2 e^{j(\omega_0 t + \phi_2)}$$

$$= \{A_1 e^{j\phi_1} + A_2 e^{j\phi_2}\} \cdot e^{j\omega_0 t}$$

$$= \{A e^{j\phi}\} \cdot e^{j\omega_0 t} = A e^{j(\omega_0 t + \phi)}$$

with $A e^{j\phi} = A_1 e^{j\phi_1} + A_2 e^{j\phi_2}$



• Phasor addition rule:

Sum cosine signals, same frequency $\omega_0 \hat{=}$ Single cosine, frequency ω_0 :

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=1}^N A_k \cos(\omega_0 t + \phi_k) \hat{=} A \cos(\omega_0 t + \phi) = \Re\{A e^{j\phi} e^{j\omega_0 t}\}$$

with $A e^{j\phi} = \sum_{k=1}^N A_k e^{j\phi_k}$

- **Periodic sine (cosine) wave:**

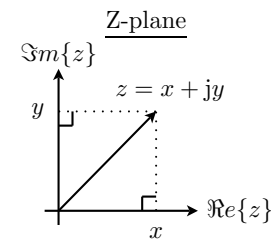
$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega_0 \cdot t + \phi) = A \cos(2\pi \cdot f_0 \cdot t + \phi)$$

- **Relation period sine wave and frequency:** $T_0 = 1/f_0$

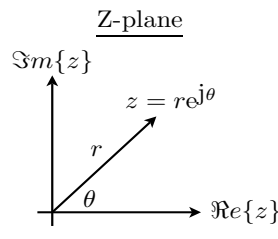
- **Relation phase- and time shift (delay):**

$$x(t) = \cos(\omega_0 t) ; x(t - \tau) = \cos(\omega_0 t + \phi) \Rightarrow \tau = -\frac{\phi}{\omega_0} = -\frac{\phi}{2\pi f_0}$$

- **Representation complex exponential in Z-plane ($j = \sqrt{-1}$)**



Cartesian representation



Polar representation

$$\Re\{re^{j\theta}\} = x = r \cos(\theta)$$

$$\Im\{re^{j\theta}\} = y = r \sin(\theta)$$

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

$$\text{if } x < 0 = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + \pi$$

- **Euler and inverse Euler:**

$$e^{j\theta} = \cos(\theta) + j \sin(\theta) \leftrightarrow \cos(\theta) = \frac{e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta}}{2} ; \sin(\theta) = \frac{e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta}}{2j}$$

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- **Addition rule complex numbers:** $z_1 = x_1 + jy_1 ; z_2 = x_2 + jy_2$

$$\Rightarrow z_3 = z_1 + z_2 = (x_1 + x_2) + j(y_1 + y_2)$$

- **Multiplication rule complex numbers:** $z_1 = r_1 e^{j\theta_1} ; z_2 = r_2 e^{j\theta_2}$

$$\Rightarrow z_3 = z_1 \cdot z_2 = r e^{j\theta} \text{ with } r = r_1 \cdot r_2 \text{ and } \theta = \theta_1 + \theta_2$$

- **Complex exponential (phasor):** $z(t) = A e^{j(\omega_0 t + \phi)} = A e^{j\phi} \cdot e^{j\omega_0 t}$

$$\Re\{z(t)\} = A \cos(\omega_0 t + \phi) ; \Im\{z(t)\} = A \sin(\omega_0 t + \phi)$$

- **Sum cosine signals with same frequency (phasor addition rule):**

$$\sum_{k=1}^N A_k \cos(\omega_0 t + \phi_k) = A \cos(\omega_0 t + \phi) = \Re\{A e^{j\phi} e^{j\omega_0 t}\}$$

$$\text{with } A e^{j\phi} = \sum_{k=1}^N A_k e^{j\phi_k}$$

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