

Math 421 sec 1 (32001) - Complex Variables - Fall 2024

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Text: *Complex Variables and Applications*, 8-th Edition, by James Ward Brown and Ruel V. Churchill, McGraw-Hill.

Prerequisites: Math 233.

Homework: Will be assigned weekly and will be due each Thursday unless mentioned otherwise. The homework will be graded by a special grader. Due to lack of funds it will not be possible to grade all the homework problems assigned. A few of the homework problems will be corrected and graded every week. Nevertheless, for your own benefit, you will be asked to hand in *all* the homework problems assigned. Your grade on each homework assignment will be calculated as follows:

70% The grade on the corrected problems.

30% Credit for handing in *most* of the homework problems assigned. Partial credit will be given.

Late homework will not be collected. Instead, your three lowest grades will be dropped.

Grades:

Homework–20%

Two Midterms–50% (each 25%)

Final Exam –30%

First Midterm: Thursday, October 10, during class period.

Second Midterm: Thursday, November 14, during class period.

Final: To be scheduled by the registrar. Make-ups will not be given to accommodate travel plans.

Calculators Policy: Calculators will **not** be allowed in the exams. Calculators and computers may be used to check answers on the homework assignments. Nevertheless, an unsubstantiated answer will not receive credit.

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Homework Assignment 1 (Due Thursday, September 12)

Section 2 page 5: 4

Section 3 page 8: 1 (a), (b)

Section 4 page 12: 4, 5 (a), (c), 6

Section 5 page 14: 1 (c), (d), 9, and the extra problem:

Use established properties of moduli to show that when $|z_3| \neq |z_4|$, then

$$\left| \frac{z_1 + z_2}{z_3 + z_4} \right| < \frac{|z_1| + |z_2|}{||z_3| - |z_4||}$$

Section 8 page 22: 1 (a), 2, 3, 4, 5 (c), 5 (a), 6, 9, 10.

Check our website for likely additional problems.

Syllabus:

- 1) Complex Numbers: algebraic and geometric properties, polar form, powers and roots.
- 2) Analytic functions: Differentiability and Cauchy-Riemann equations, Harmonic functions, examples.
- 3) Elementary functions of a complex variable: exponential and trigonometric functions, logarithms.
- 4) Path integrals: contour integration and Cauchy's integral formula; Liouville's theorem, Maximum modulus theorem, the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra.
- 5) Series: Taylor and Laurant expansions, convergence, term-by-term operations with infinite series.
- 6) Isolated singularities and residues. Essential singularities and poles.
- 7) Evaluation of Improper integrals via residues.

If time permits:

- 8) Mappings by elementary functions and linear fractional transformations; conformal mappings.

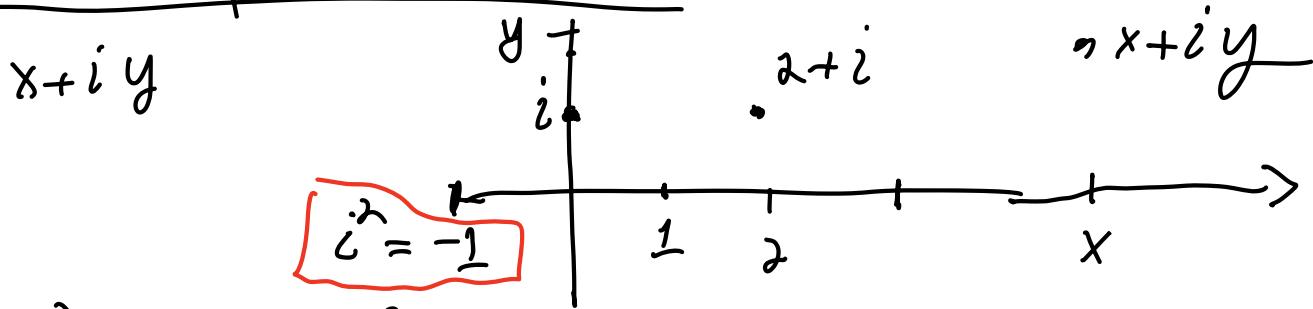
Complex numbers (x, y) are just vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 .

We usually write $x + iy$

Addition: Like vectors in \mathbb{R}^2

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

Multiplication:



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

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

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

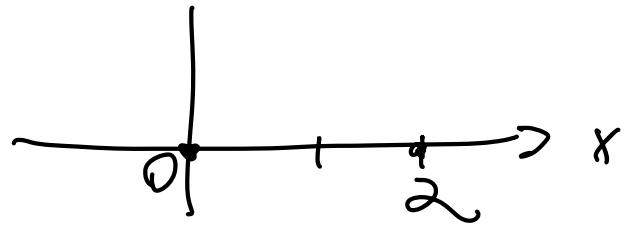
Real Part Imaginary Part

$$\operatorname{Re}(2+3i) = 2, \quad \operatorname{Im}(2+3i) = 3,$$

$$(x_1, y_1) \cdot (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 x_2 - y_1 y_2, x_1 y_2 + y_1 x_2)$$

The real numbers are identified with the points in the complex plane on the x -axis.

$$z = z + 0 \cdot i$$



Algebraic Properties:

Addition, Multiplication,

- Zero complex number $0 + 0i = 0$

$$z + 0 = z$$

$$\bullet 1 \cdot z = z$$

$$\bullet \text{Negative } z = (x, y) = x + iy$$

$$-z = -x - y = -x - iy$$

Multiplicative Inverse:

If $z = x + iy \neq 0 + 0i$, then

there exists a complex number z^{-1} such that $z \cdot z^{-1} = 1$

Example: $z = 1 + 2i$

$z^{-1} = u + iv$. Find u, v

$$1+0i = (1+2i)(u+iv) = (u-2v) + i(2u+v)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} u - 2v = 1 \\ 2u + v = 0 \end{array} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u - 2v = 1 \\ 0 \cdot u + 5v = -2 \end{array} \right. \quad \text{so } v = -\frac{2}{5}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Add } -2 \text{ Eq1 to Eq2}$$

$$z^{-1} = u + iv = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{2}{5}i$$

In general, if $z = x + yi \neq 0$
then $z^{-1} = u + iv$, where (u, v) is the
solution to

$$1+0i = (x+yi)(u+iv) = (xu-yv) + i(yu+xv)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} xu - yv = 1 \\ yu + xv = 0 \end{array} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x \quad -y) \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ (y \quad x) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & -y \\ y & x \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{x^2+y^2} \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ -y & x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{x^2+y^2} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ -y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$z = u + i v = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} + i \left(\frac{-y}{x^2+y^2} \right) = \frac{x-i y}{x^2+y^2}$$

Q.E.D

Division: If z_1, z_2 are complex numbers, with $z_2 \neq 0$, then

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} := z_1 \cdot (z_2^{-1})$$

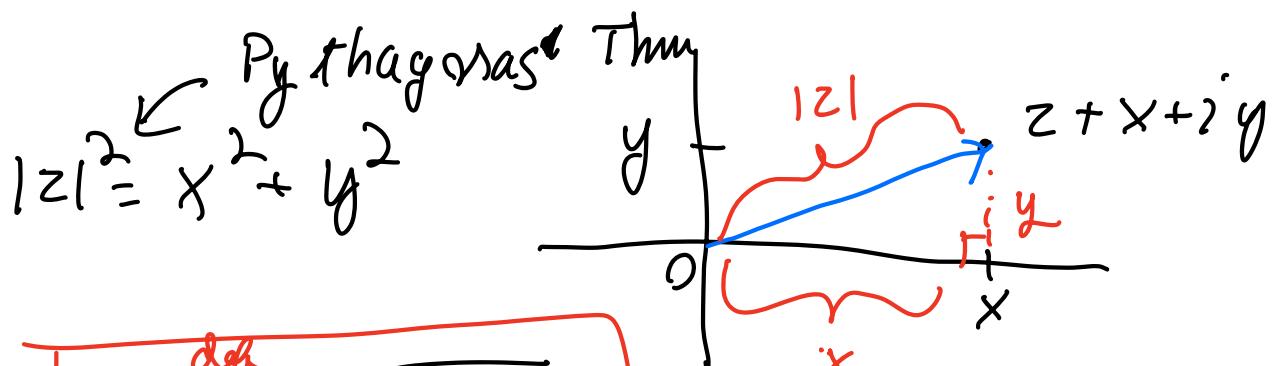
Ex:

$$\frac{1+2i}{1+i} = (1+2i) \underbrace{(1+i)}_{\frac{1-i}{2}}^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} (1+2i)(1-i) = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$$

Absolute Value: (Modulus)

Let $z = x + iy$ be a complex number

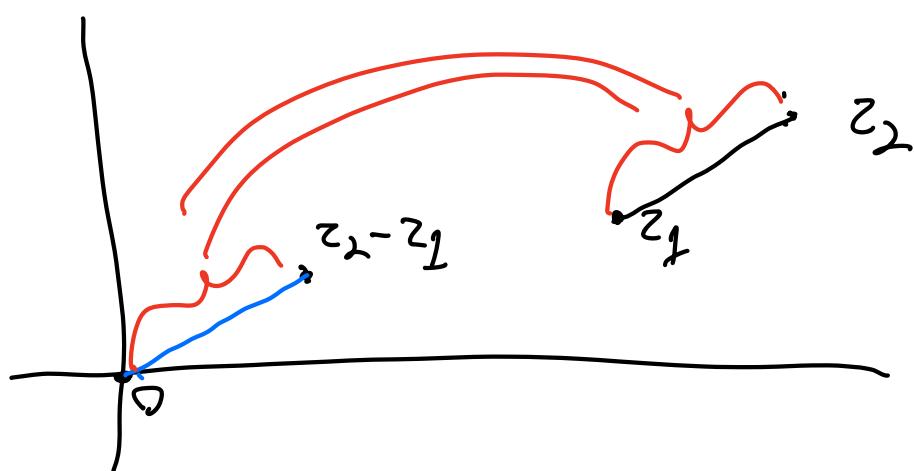
Def 1: The absolute value $|z|$ is the distance of z from 0



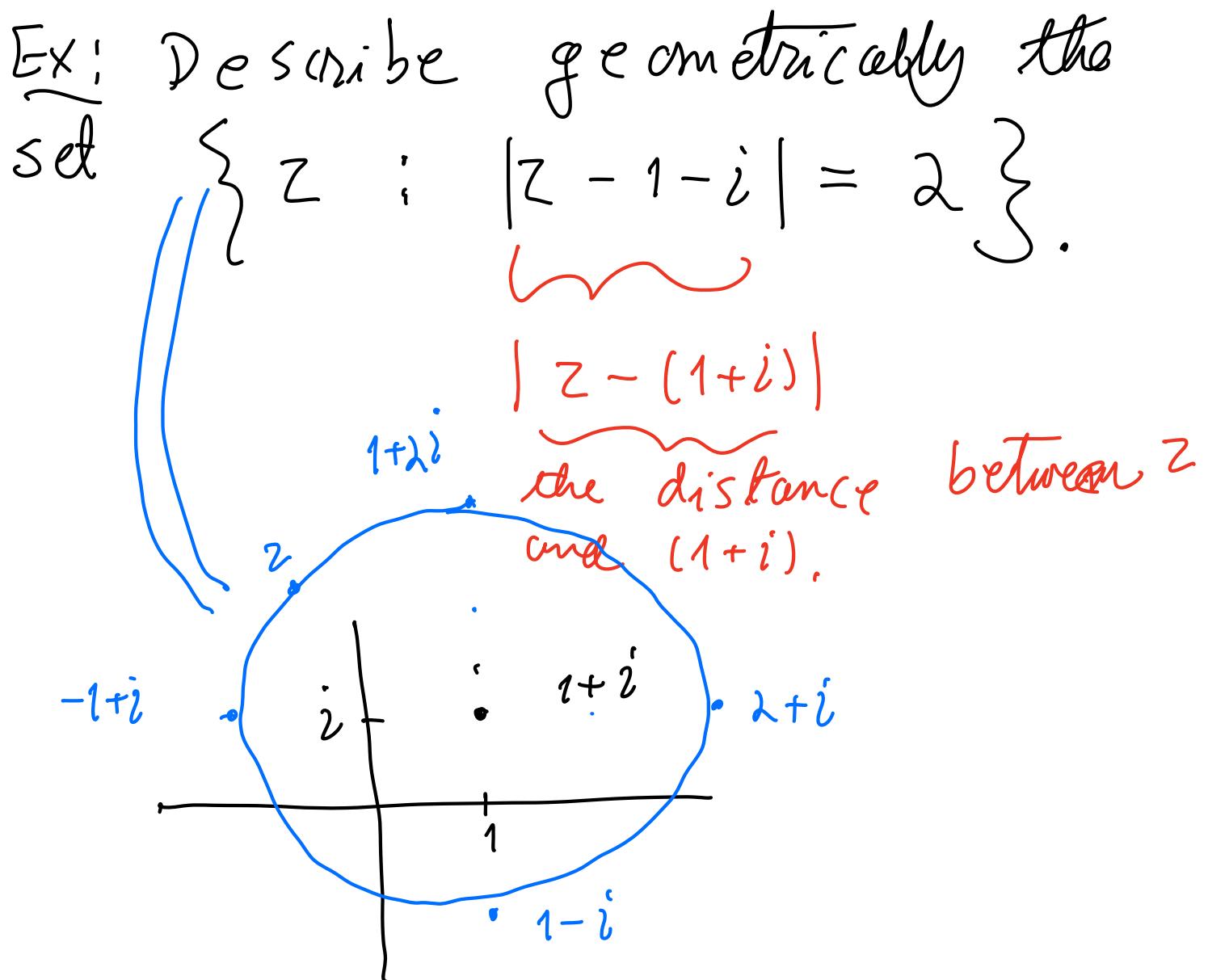
$$|z| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\text{Ex! } |2+3i| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{13}.$$

Def 2: The Distance between two complex numbers z_1 and z_2 is $|z_2 - z_1|$.



Ex: The distance between $2+3i$ and $1+i$ is

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


Complex Conjugation:

Def 3: Let $z = x + iy$. The complex conjugate \bar{z} of z is the complex number

$$\boxed{\bar{z} = x - iy.}$$

Ex: $\overline{2+3i} = 2-3i$

Important Identity!

Let $z = x + iy$.

$$z \bar{z} = (x+iy)(x-iy) = (x^2 + y^2) + i(x(-y) + yx)$$

$$\boxed{z \bar{z} = |z|^2}$$

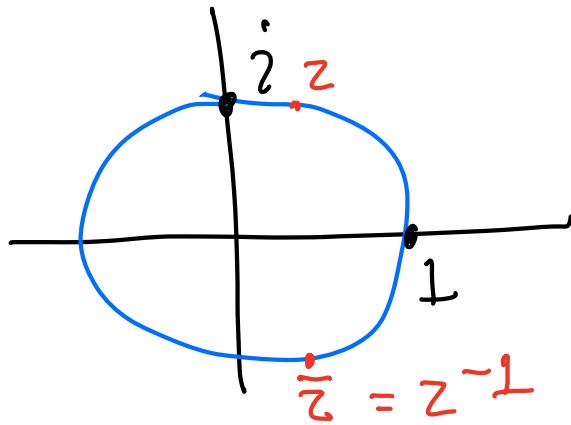
If $z \neq 0$, then

$$z \cdot \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2} = 1. \text{ So}$$

Real Number! $\textcircled{1}$

$$\boxed{z^{-1} = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2} = \frac{x-iy}{x^2+y^2}}$$

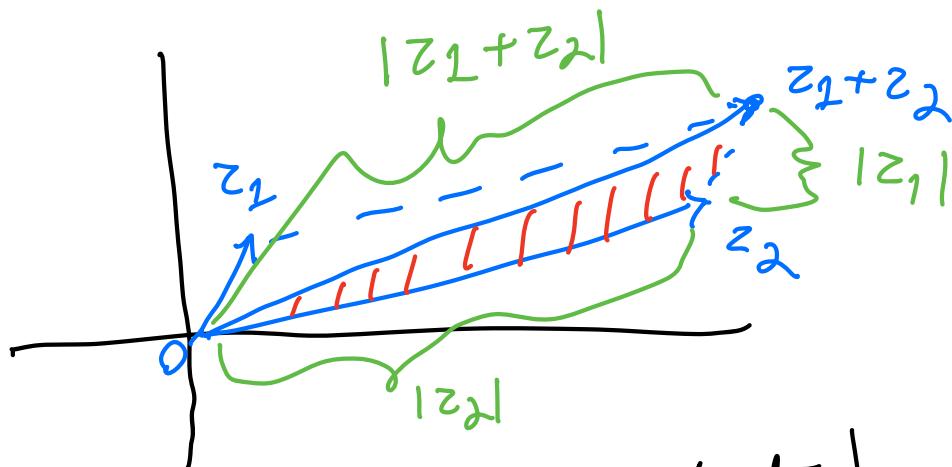
Ex: On the unit circle $\{z : |z|=1\}$



TRIANGLE INEQUALITY:

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

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



Thm: (Triangle Inequality)

$$|z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$$

and equality holds if and only if one of the two cpx numbers z_1, z_2 is a non-zero real multiple of the other.

Con: $|z_1 + z_2| \stackrel{*}{\geq} ||z_1| - |z_2||$

Proof: $|z_1| = |(z_1 + z_2) - z_2| = |(z_1 + z_2) + (-z_2)|$

$$\leq |z_1 + z_2| + \underbrace{|-z_2|}_{|z_2|}$$

$$|z_1| \leq |z_1 + z_2| + |z_2|. \quad \text{So}$$

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

Interchanging the roles of z_1 and z_2 we get

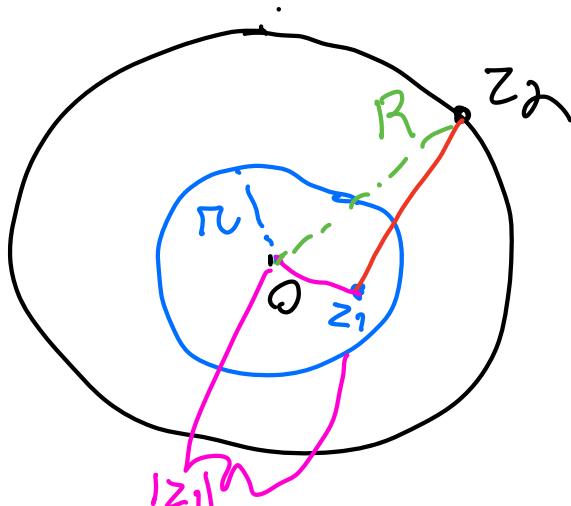
$|z_1 + z_2| \geq |z_2| - |z_1|.$

So indeed

(*) hold,

Q.E.D

Ex: Let z_1 be a complex number on the circle of radius R centered at 0 ,



Let z_1 be a complex number inside the disk of radius R centered at 0 , show that the distance between z_1 and z_2 is larger than $R - r$.

$$|z_2 - z_1| > R - r.$$

$$|z_2 - z_1| \geq |z_2| - |z_1| > R - r.$$

$\begin{matrix} \nwarrow \\ R \end{matrix}$ $\begin{matrix} \nearrow \\ r \end{matrix}$