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Introduction to Complex Analysis

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Subsection 1

Complex Numbers and Their Properties

Complex Numbers

• The **imaginary unit** $i = \sqrt{-1}$ is defined by the property $i^2 = -1$.

Definition (Complex Number)

A **complex number** is any number of the form z = a + ib where a and b are real numbers and i is the imaginary unit.

- The notations a + ib and a + bi are used interchangeably.
- The real number a in z = a + ib is called the **real part** of z and the real number b is called the **imaginary part** of z.
- The real and imaginary parts of a complex number z are abbreviated Re(z) and Im(z), respectively.
 - Example: If z = 4 9i, then Re(z) = 4 and Im(z) = -9.
- A real constant multiple of the imaginary unit is called a pure imaginary number.

Example: z = 6i is a pure imaginary number.

Equality of Complex Numbers

 Two complex numbers are equal if the corresponding real and imaginary parts are equal.

Definition (Equality)

Complex numbers $z_1 = a_1 + ib_1$ and $z_2 = a_2 + ib_2$ are **equal**, written $z_1 = z_2$, if $a_1 = a_2$ and $b_1 = b_2$.

• In terms of the symbols Re(z) and Im(z), we have

$$z_1 = z_2$$
 if $Re(z_1) = Re(z_2)$ and $Im(z_1) = Im(z_2)$.

- The totality of complex numbers or the set of complex numbers is usually denoted by the symbol $\mathbb C.$
- Because any real number a can be written as z = a + 0i, the set \mathbb{R} of real numbers is a subset of \mathbb{C} .

Arithmetic Operations

- If $z_1 = a_1 + ib_1$ and $z_2 = a_2 + ib_2$, the operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division are defined as follows:
 - Addition:

$$z_1 + z_2 = (a_1 + ib_1) + (a_2 + ib_2) = (a_1 + a_2) + i(b_1 + b_2).$$

Subtraction:

$$z_1 - z_2 = (a_1 + ib_1) - (a_2 + ib_2) = (a_1 - a_2) + i(b_1 - b_2).$$

• Multiplication:

$$z_1 \cdot z_2 = (a_1 + ib_1)(a_2 + ib_2) = a_1a_2 - b_1b_2 + i(b_1a_2 + a_1b_2).$$

Division:

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{a_1 + ib_1}{a_2 + ib_2} = \frac{a_1a_2 + b_1b_2}{a_2^2 + b_2^2} + i\frac{b_1a_2 - a_1b_2}{a_2^2 + b_2^2}.$$

Laws of Arithmetic

- The familiar commutative, associative, and distributive laws hold for complex numbers:
 - Commutative laws:

$$z_1 + z_2 = z_2 + z_1$$

 $z_1 z_2 = z_2 z_1$

Associative laws:

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

 $z_1(z_2z_3) = (z_1z_2)z_3$

Distributive law:

$$z_1(z_2+z_3)=z_1z_2+z_1z_3$$

 In view of these laws, there is no need to memorize the definitions of addition, subtraction, and multiplication.

How to Add, Subtract and Multiply

- Addition, Subtraction, and Multiplication can be performed as follows:
 - (i) To add (subtract) two complex numbers, simply add (subtract) the corresponding real and imaginary parts.
 - (ii) To multiply two complex numbers, use the distributive law and the fact that $i^2 = -1$.
- Example: If $z_1 = 2 + 4i$ and $z_2 = -3 + 8i$, find
 - (a) $z_1 + z_2$; (b) $z_1 z_2$.
 - (a) By adding real and imaginary parts, the sum of the two complex numbers z_1 and z_2 is

$$z_1 + z_2 = (2+4i) + (-3+8i) = (2-3) + (4+8)i = -1+12i$$
.

(b) By the distributive law and $i^2 = -1$, the product of z_1 and z_2 is

$$z_1 z_2 = (2+4i)(-3+8i) = (2+4i)(-3) + (2+4i)(8i)$$

= $-6-12i+16i+32i^2 = (-6-32) + (16-12)i$
= $-38+4i$.

Zero and Unity

- The **zero** in the complex number system is the number 0 + 0i;
- The **unity** is 1 + 0i.
- The zero and unity are denoted by 0 and 1, respectively.
- The zero is the **additive identity** in the complex number system: For any complex number z = a + ib,

$$z + 0 = (a + ib) + (0 + 0i) = a + ib = z.$$

• Similarly, the unity is the **multiplicative identity**: For any complex number z = a + ib, we have

$$z \cdot 1 = (a + ib)(1 + 0i) = a + ib = z.$$

Conjugates

Definition (Conjugate)

If z is a complex number, the number obtained by changing the sign of its imaginary part is called the **complex conjugate**, or simply **conjugate**, of z and is denoted by the symbol \bar{z} . In other words, if z = a + ib, then its conjugate is $\bar{z} = a - ib$.

- Example: If z = 6 + 3i, then $\bar{z} = 6 3i$. If z = -5 i, then $\bar{z} = -5 + i$.
- If z is a real number, then $\bar{z} = z$.
- The conjugate of a sum and difference of two complex numbers is the sum and difference of the conjugates:

$$\overline{z_1 + z_2} = \overline{z}_1 + \overline{z}_2, \quad \overline{z_1 - z_2} = \overline{z}_1 - \overline{z}_2.$$

More Properties of Conjugates

• Moreover, we have the following three additional properties:

$$\overline{z_1}\overline{z_2} = \overline{z}_1\overline{z}_2, \quad \overline{\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)} = \frac{\overline{z}_1}{\overline{z}_2}, \quad \overline{\overline{z}} = z.$$

• The sum and product of a complex number z with its conjugate \bar{z} is a real number:

$$z + \bar{z} = (a + ib) + (a - ib) = 2a;$$

 $z\bar{z} = (a + ib)(a - ib) = a^2 - i^2b^2 = a^2 + b^2.$

• The difference of a complex number z with its conjugate \bar{z} is a pure imaginary number:

$$z - \overline{z} = (a + ib) - (a - ib) = 2ib.$$

We obtain

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

How to Divide

- To divide z_1 by z_2 :
 - multiply the numerator and denominator of $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$ by the conjugate of z_2 .

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{z_1}{z_2} \cdot \frac{\bar{z}_2}{\bar{z}_2} = \frac{z_1 \bar{z}_2}{z_2 \bar{z}_2};$$

- Then use the fact that $z_2\bar{z}_2$ is the sum of the squares of the real and imaginary parts of z_2 .
- Example: If $z_1 = 2 3i$ and $z_2 = 4 + 6i$, find $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$.

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{2-3i}{4+6i} = \frac{2-3i}{4+6i} \cdot \frac{4-6i}{4-6i} = \frac{8-12i-12i+18i^2}{4^2+6^2}$$
$$= \frac{-10-24i}{52} = -\frac{10}{52} - \frac{24}{52}i = -\frac{5}{26} - \frac{6}{13}i.$$

Additive and Multiplicative Inverses

- In the complex number system, every number z has a unique **additive inverse**: The additive inverse of z = a + ib is its negative, -z, where -z = -a ib.
 - For any complex number z, we have z + (-z) = 0.
- Similarly, every nonzero complex number z has a **multiplicative inverse**: For $z \neq 0$, there exists one and only one nonzero complex number z^{-1} such that $zz^{-1} = 1$. The multiplicative inverse z^{-1} is the same as the **reciprocal** $\frac{1}{z}$.
- Example: Find the reciprocal of z = 2 3i and put the answer in the form a + ib.

$$\frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{2 - 3i} = \frac{1}{2 - 3i} \cdot \frac{2 + 3i}{2 + 3i} = \frac{2 + 3i}{4 + 9} = \frac{2 + 3i}{13}.$$
Therefore,
$$\frac{1}{z} = z^{-1} = \frac{2}{13} + \frac{3}{13}i.$$

Comparison with Real Analysis

- Many of the properties of the real number system $\mathbb R$ hold in the complex number system $\mathbb C$, but there are some truly remarkable differences as well:
 - (i) For example, the concept of order in the real number system does not carry over to the complex number system: We cannot compare two complex numbers $z_1=a_1+ib_1,\ b_1\neq 0$, and $z_2=a_2+ib_2,\ b_2\neq 0$, by means of inequalities.
 - (ii) Some things that we take for granted as impossible in real analysis, such as $e^x = -2$ and $\sin x = 5$ when x is a real variable, are perfectly correct and ordinary in complex analysis when the symbol x is interpreted as a complex variable.

Subsection 2

Complex Plane

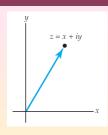
Complex Numbers and Points

- A complex number z = x + iy is uniquely determined by an ordered pair of real numbers (x, y).
- The first and second entries of the ordered pairs correspond, in turn, to the real and imaginary parts of the complex number.
- Example: The ordered pair (2, -3) corresponds to the complex number z = 2 3i. Conversely, z = 2 3i determines the ordered pair (2, -3). The numbers 7, i and -5i are equivalent to (7, 0), (0, 1), (0, -5) respectively.
- Because of the correspondence between a complex number z = x + iy and one and only one point (x, y) in a coordinate plane, we shall use the terms complex number and point interchangeably.



Complex Numbers and Vectors: Modulus

• A complex number z = x + iy can also be viewed as a two-dimensional position vector, i.e., a vector whose initial point is the origin and whose terminal point is the point (x, y).



Definition (Modulus of a Complex Number)

The **modulus** of a complex number z = x + iy, is the real number $|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$.

- The modulus |z| of a complex number z is also called the **absolute** value of z
- Example: If z = 2 3i, then $|z| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-3)^2} = \sqrt{13}$. If z = -9i, then $|-9i| = \sqrt{(-9)^2} = 9$.

Properties of the Modulus

• For any complex number z = x + iy, the product $z\bar{z}$ is the sum of the squares of the real and imaginary parts of z:

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

This yields the relations:

$$|z|^2 = z\overline{z}$$
 and $|z| = \sqrt{z\overline{z}}$.

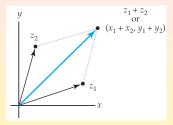
• The modulus of a complex number z has the additional properties:

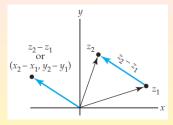
$$|z_1z_2| = |z_1||z_2|$$
 and $\left|\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|}$.

In particular, when $z_1 = z_2 = z$, we get $|z^2| = |z|^2$.

Addition and Subtraction Geometrically

• The addition of complex numbers $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$ and $z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$ takes the form $(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2)$, i.e., it is simply the component definition of vector addition.





- The difference $z_2 z_1$ can be drawn either starting from the terminal point of z_1 and ending at the terminal point of z_2 , or as the position vector with terminal point $(x_2 x_1, y_2 y_1)$.
- Thus, the distance between $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$ and $z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$ is the same as the distance between the origin and $(x_2 x_1, y_2 y_1)$.

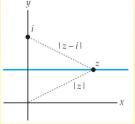
Sets of Points in the Complex Plane

• Example: Describe the set of points z in the complex plane that satisfy |z| = |z - i|.

The given equation asserts that the distance from a point z to the origin equals the distance from z to the point i. Thus, the set of points z is a horizontal line:

$$|z| = |z - i| \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + (y - 1)^2} \Leftrightarrow x^2 + y^2 = x^2 + (y - 1)^2 \Leftrightarrow x^2 + y^2 = x^2 + y^2 - 2y + 1.$$

Thus, $y = \frac{1}{2}$, which is an equation of a horizontal line. Complex numbers satisfying |z| = |z - i| can be written as $z = x + \frac{1}{2}i$.



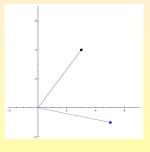
Comparing Moduli

- Since |z| is a real number, we can compare the absolute values of two complex numbers.
- Example: If $z_1 = 3 + 4i$ and $z_2 = 5 i$, then

$$|z_1| = \sqrt{25} = 5$$
 and $|z_2| = \sqrt{26}$

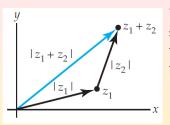
and, consequently, $|z_1| < |z_2|$.

A geometric interpretation of the last inequality is that the point (3,4) is closer to the origin than the point (5,-1).



The Triangle Inequality

Consider the triangle



The length of the side of the triangle corresponding to $z_1 + z_2$ cannot be longer than the sum of the lengths of the remaining two sides. In symbols

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

• From the identity $z_1=z_1+z_2+(-z_2)$, we get $|z_1|=|z_1+z_2+(-z_2)|\leq |z_1+z_2|+|-z_2|=|z_1+z_2|+|z_2|$. Hence $|z_1+z_2|\geq |z_1|-|z_2|$. Because $z_1+z_2=z_2+z_1$, $|z_1+z_2|=|z_2+z_1|\geq |z_2|-|z_1|=-(|z_1|-|z_2|)$. Combined with the last result, this implies

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

The Triangle Inequality: More Consequences

We have shown that

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

• By replacing z_2 by $-z_2$, we get $|z_1 + (-z_2)| \le |z_1| + |(-z_2)| = |z_1| + |z_2|$, i.e.,

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

• Replacing z_2 by $-z_2$, we also find

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

• The triangle inequality extends to any finite sum of complex numbers:

$$|z_1 + z_2 + z_3 + \cdots + z_n| \le |z_1| + |z_2| + |z_3| + \cdots + |z_n|$$
.

Establishing Upper Bounds

• Find an upper bound for $\left|\frac{-1}{z^4-5z+1}\right|$ if |z|=2. Since the absolute value of a quotient is the quotient of the absolute values and |-1|=1, $\left|\frac{-1}{z^4-5z+1}\right|=\frac{1}{|z^4-5z+1|}$. Thus, we want to find a positive real number M such that $\frac{1}{|z^4-5z+1|} \leq M$. To accomplish this task we want the denominator as small as possible. We have

$$|z^4 - 5z + 1| = |z^4 - (5z - 1)| \ge ||z^4| - |5z - 1||.$$

To make the difference in the last expression as small as possible, we want to make |5z - 1| as large as possible. We have

$$|5z - 1| \le |5z| + |-1| = 5|z| + 1.$$

Using
$$|z|=2$$
,

$$|z^4 - 5z + 1| \ge ||z^4| - |5z - 1|| \ge ||z|^4 - (5|z| + 1)| = ||z|^4 - 5|z| - 1| = 5.$$

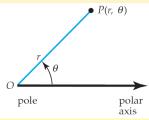
Hence for |z|=2, we have $\frac{1}{|z^4-5z+1|} \leq \frac{1}{5}$.

Subsection 3

Polar Form of Complex Numbers

Polar Coordinates

- A point P in the plane whose rectangular coordinates are (x, y) can also be described in terms of polar coordinates.
- The polar coordinate system consists of
 - a point O called the pole;
 - the horizontal half-line emanating from the pole called the **polar axis**.
- If
- r is the directed distance from the pole to P,
- θ an angle (in radians) measured from the polar axis to the line OP, then the point P can be described by the ordered pair (r, θ) , called the **polar coordinates** of P:



The Polar Form of a Complex Number



 (r, θ) or (x, y)polar $x = r \cos \theta$

Suppose that a polar coordinate system is superimposed on the complex plane with

- the pole O at the origin;
- the polar axis coinciding with the positive x-axis.
- Then x, y, r and θ are related by $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$.
- These equations enable us to express a nonzero complex number z = x + iv as

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

This is called the **polar form** or **polar representation** of the complex number z.

The Polar Form of a Complex Number

- In the polar form $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$, the coordinate r can be interpreted as the distance from the origin to the point (x, y).
- We adopt the convention that r is never negative so that we can take r to be the modulus of z: r = |z|.
- The angle θ of inclination of the vector z, always measured in radians from the positive real axis, is positive when measured counterclockwise and negative when measured clockwise.
- The angle θ is called an **argument** of z and is denoted by $\theta = \arg(z)$.
- ullet An argument heta of a complex number must satisfy the equations

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x}{r}$$
 and $\sin \theta = \frac{y}{r}$.

• An argument of a complex number z is not unique since $\cos\theta$ and $\sin\theta$ are 2π -periodic.

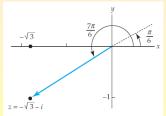
Example: Expressing a Complex Number in Polar Form

• Express $-\sqrt{3} - i$ in polar form. With $x = -\sqrt{3}$ and y = -1, we obtain

$$r = |z| = \sqrt{(-\sqrt{3})^2 + (-1)^2} = 2.$$

Now $\frac{y}{x} = \frac{-1}{-\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$. We know that $\tan \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$.

However, the point $(-\sqrt{3},-1)$ lies in the third quadrant, whence, we take the solution of $\tan\theta=\frac{-1}{-\sqrt{3}}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ to be $\theta=\arg(z)=\frac{\pi}{6}+\pi=\frac{7\pi}{6}$.



It follows that a polar form of the number is $z = 2(\cos \frac{7\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{7\pi}{6})$.

The Principal Argument

- The symbol $\arg(z)$ represents a set of values, but the argument θ of a complex number that lies in the interval $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$ is called the **principal value** of $\arg(z)$ or the **principal argument** of z.
- The principal argument of z is unique and is represented by the symbol Arg(z), that is,

$$-\pi < \operatorname{Arg}(z) \leq \pi$$
.

- Example: If z=i, some values of $\arg(i)$ are $\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, -\frac{3\pi}{2}$, and so on. However, $\operatorname{Arg}(i) = \frac{\pi}{2}$. Similarly, the argument of $-\sqrt{3}-i$ that lies in the interval $(-\pi,\pi)$, the principal argument of z, is $\operatorname{Arg}(z) = \frac{\pi}{6} \pi = -\frac{5\pi}{6}$. Using $\operatorname{Arg}(z)$, we can express this complex number in the alternative polar form: $z = 2(\cos(-\frac{5\pi}{6}) + i\sin(-\frac{5\pi}{6}))$.
- In general, arg(z) and Arg(z) are related by $arg(z) = Arg(z) + 2\pi n, \ n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

Multiplying and Dividing in Polar Form

- Suppose $z_1 = r_1(\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1)$ and $z_2 = r_2(\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)$, where θ_1 and θ_2 are any arguments of z_1 and z_2 , respectively.
- Then

$$z_1 z_2 = r_1 r_2 [\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 + i (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2)]$$

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} [\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 + i(\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2)].$$

From the addition formulas for the cosine and sine, we get

$$z_1 z_2 = r_1 r_2 [\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)]$$

and

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} \left[\cos \left(\theta_1 - \theta_2 \right) + i \sin \left(\theta_1 - \theta_2 \right) \right].$$

- The lengths of z_1z_2 and $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$ are the product of the lengths of z_1 and z_2 and the quotient of the lengths of z_1 and z_2 , respectively.
- The arguments of z_1z_2 and $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$ are given by $\arg(z_1z_2) = \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2)$ and $\arg(\frac{z_1}{z_2}) = \arg(z_1) \arg(z_2)$.

Example of Multiplication and Division in Polar Form

• We have seen that for $z_1=i$ and $z_2=-\sqrt{3}-i$, $\operatorname{Arg}(z_1)=\frac{\pi}{2}$ and $\operatorname{Arg}(z_2)=-\frac{5\pi}{6}$, respectively. Thus, arguments for the product and quotient $z_1z_2=i(-\sqrt{3}-i)=1-\sqrt{3}i$ and $\frac{z_1}{z_2}=\frac{i}{-\sqrt{3}-i}=\frac{-1}{4}-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}i$ are:

$$arg(z_1z_2) = \frac{\pi}{2} + (-\frac{5\pi}{6}) = -\frac{\pi}{3}$$

and

$$\arg\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \left(-\frac{5\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{4\pi}{3}.$$

Integer Powers of a Complex Number

- We can find integer powers of a complex number z from the multiplication and division formulas.
- If $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$, then

$$z^2 = r^2[\cos(\theta + \theta) + i\sin(\theta + \theta)] = r^2(\cos 2\theta + i\sin 2\theta).$$

• Since $z^3 = z^2 z$, we also get

$$z^3 = r^3(\cos 3\theta + i \sin 3\theta)$$
, and so on.

• For negative powers, taking arg(1) = 0,

$$\frac{1}{z^2} = z^{-2} = r^{-2} [\cos(-2\theta) + i\sin(-2\theta)].$$

• A general formula for the n-th power of z, for any integer n, is

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

• When n = 0, we get $z^0 = 1$.

Calculating the Power of a Complex Number

• Compute z^3 for $z = -\sqrt{3} - i$.

A polar form of the given number is $z=2[\cos(\frac{7\pi}{6})+i\sin(\frac{7\pi}{6})]$. Using the previous formula, with r=2, $\theta=\frac{7\pi}{6}$, and n=3, we get

$$z^{3} = (-\sqrt{3} - i)^{3}$$

$$= 2^{3} \left(\cos\left(3\frac{7\pi}{6}\right) + i\sin\left(3\frac{7\pi}{6}\right)\right)$$

$$= 8 \left(\cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{2}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{2}\right)\right)$$

$$= -8i.$$

since $\cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{2}\right) = 0$ and $\sin\left(\frac{7\pi}{2}\right) = -1$.

De Moivre's Formula

• When $z = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$, we have |z| = r = 1, whence, we obtain **de Moivre's Formula**:

$$(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)^n = \cos n\theta + i\sin n\theta.$$

• Example: If $z = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$, calculate z^3 . Since $\cos \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ and $\sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$, we get:

$$z^{3} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i\right)^{3}$$

$$= \left(\cos\frac{\pi}{6} + i\sin\frac{\pi}{6}\right)^{3}$$

$$= \cos\left(3\frac{\pi}{6}\right) + i\sin\left(3\frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$= \cos\frac{\pi}{2} + i\sin\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= i.$$

Some Remarks

- (i) It is not true, in general, that $Arg(z_1z_2) = Arg(z_1) + Arg(z_2)$ and $Arg(\frac{z_1}{z_2}) = Arg(z_1) Arg(z_2)$.
- (ii) An argument can be assigned to any nonzero complex number z. However, for z=0, $\arg(z)$ cannot be defined in any way that is meaningful.
- (iii) If we take $\arg(z)$ from the interval $(-\pi,\pi)$, the relationship between a complex number z and its argument is single-valued; i.e., every nonzero complex number has precisely one angle in $(-\pi,\pi)$. But there is nothing special about the interval $(-\pi,\pi)$. For the interval $(-\pi,\pi)$, the negative real axis is analogous to a barrier that we agree not to cross (called a **branch cut**). If we use $(0,2\pi)$ instead of $(-\pi,\pi)$, the branch cut is the positive real axis.
- (iv) The "cosine i sine" part of the polar form of a complex number is sometimes abbreviated cis, i.e., $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = r \operatorname{cis} \theta$.

Subsection 4

Powers and Roots

n-th Complex Roots of a Complex Number

- Recall from algebra that -2 and 2 are said to be square roots of the number 4 because $(-2)^2 = 4$ and $(2)^2 = 4$.
- In other words, the two square roots of 4 are distinct solutions of the equation $w^2 = 4$.
- Similarly, w = 3 is a cube root of 27 since $w^3 = 3^3 = 27$.
- In general, we say that a number w is an n-th root of a nonzero complex number z if $w^n = z$, where n is a positive integer.
- Example: $w_1 = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}i$ and $w_2 = -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2} \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}i$ are the two square roots of the complex number z = i.
- We will demonstrate that there are exactly n solutions of the equation $w^n = z$.

Roots of a Complex Number

- Suppose $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ and $w = \rho(\cos \phi + i \sin \phi)$ are polar forms of the complex numbers z and w.
- $w^n = z$ becomes $\rho^n(\cos n\phi + i\sin n\phi) = r(\cos \theta + i\sin \theta)$.
- We can conclude that $\rho^n = r$ and $\cos n\phi + i \sin n\phi = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$.
- Let $\rho = \sqrt[n]{r}$ be the unique positive *n*-th root of the real number r > 0.
- The definition of equality of two complex numbers implies that $\cos n\phi = \cos \theta$ and $\sin n\phi = \sin \theta$. Thus, the arguments θ and ϕ are related by $n\phi = \theta + 2k\pi$, where k is an integer, i.e., $\phi = \frac{\theta + 2k\pi}{n}$.
- As k takes on the successive integer values $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$, we obtain n distinct n-th roots of z.
- These roots have the same modulus $\sqrt[n]{r}$ but different arguments.
- The *n* nth roots of a nonzero complex number $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ are given by

$$w_k = \sqrt[n]{r} \left[\cos \left(\frac{\theta + 2k\pi}{n} \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{\theta + 2k\pi}{n} \right) \right], k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1.$$

Example: Finding Cube Roots

• Find the three cube roots of z = i.

We are solving $w^3=i$. With $r=1,\ \theta=\arg(i)=\frac{\pi}{2},\ \text{a polar form of}$ the given number is given by $z=\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)+i\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$. From the previous work, with n=3, we then obtain

$$w_k = \sqrt[3]{1}(\cos\frac{\frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi}{3} + i\sin\frac{\frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi}{3}), k = 0, 1, 2.$$

Hence the three roots are,

$$k = 0, \quad w_0 = \cos\frac{\pi}{6} + i\sin\frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i;$$

$$k = 1, \quad w_1 = \cos\frac{5\pi}{6} + i\sin\frac{5\pi}{6} = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i;$$

$$k = 2, \quad w_2 = \cos\frac{3\pi}{2} + i\sin\frac{3\pi}{2} = -i.$$

The Principal n-th Root

- The symbol arg(z) really stands for a set of arguments for a complex number z.
- Similarly, $z^{1/n}$ is *n*-valued and represents the set of *n n*-th roots w_k of z.
- The unique root of a complex number z obtained by using the principal value of arg(z), with k = 0, is referred to as the **principal** n-th root of w.
- Example: Since $Arg(i) = \frac{\pi}{2}$ and $w_k = \sqrt[3]{1}(\cos\frac{\frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi}{3} + i\sin\frac{\frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi}{3}), k = 0, 1, 2,$

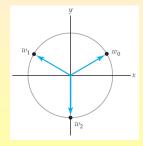
$$w_0 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$$

is the principal cube root of i.

• The choice of Arg(z) and k=0 guarantees that when z is a positive real number r, the principal n-th root is $\sqrt[n]{r}$.

Geometry of the *n* Complex *n*-th Roots

- Since the roots have the same modulus, the n n-th roots of a nonzero complex number z lie on a circle of radius $\sqrt[n]{r}$ centered at the origin in the complex plane.
- Since the difference between the arguments of any two successive roots w_k and w_{k+1} is $\frac{2\pi}{n}$, the *n* nth roots of *z* are equally spaced on this circle, beginning with the root whose argument is $\frac{\theta}{n}$.
- To illustrate, look at the three cube roots of *i*:



$$w_0 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i;$$

 $w_1 = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i;$
 $w_2 = -i.$

Example: Fourth Roots of a Complex Number

• The four fourth roots of z = 1 + i.

$$r=\sqrt{2}$$
 and $\theta={
m arg}(z)=rac{\pi}{4}.$ From our formula, with $n=4$, we obtain

$$w_k = \sqrt[8]{2} \left[\cos \left(\frac{\frac{\pi}{4} + 2k\pi}{4} \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{\frac{\pi}{4} + 2k\pi}{4} \right) \right], k = 0, 1, 2, 3.$$

We calculate

$$k = 0, \quad w_0 = \sqrt[8]{2} \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{16} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{16}\right);$$

$$k = 1, \quad w_1 = \sqrt[8]{2} \left(\cos \frac{9\pi}{16} + i \sin \frac{9\pi}{16}\right);$$

$$k = 2, \quad w_2 = \sqrt[8]{2} \left(\cos \frac{17\pi}{16} + i \sin \frac{17\pi}{16}\right);$$

$$k = 3, \quad w_3 = \sqrt[8]{2} \left(\cos \frac{25\pi}{16} + i \sin \frac{25\pi}{16}\right).$$

Remarks on Complex Roots

- (i) The complex number system is closed under the operation of extracting roots. This means that for any $z \in \mathbb{C}$, $z^{1/n}$ is also in \mathbb{C} . The real number system does not possess a similar closure property since, if x is in \mathbb{R} , $x^{1/n}$ is not necessarily in \mathbb{R} .
- (ii) Geometrically, the *n* nth roots of a complex number *z* can also be interpreted as the vertices of a regular polygon with *n* sides that is inscribed within a circle of radius $\sqrt[n]{r}$ centered at the origin.
- (iii) When m and n are positive integers with no common factors, then we may define a rational power of z, i.e., $z^{m/n}$: It can be shown that the set of values $(z^{1/n})^m$ is the same as the set of values $(z^m)^{1/n}$. This set of n common values is defined to be $z^{m/n}$.

Subsection 5

Sets of Points in the Complex Plane

Circles

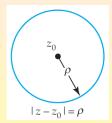
- Suppose $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$.
- The distance between the points z = x + iy and $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$ is

$$|z-z_0|=\sqrt{(x-x_0)^2+(y-y_0)^2}.$$

Thus, the points z = x + iy that satisfy the equation

$$|z - z_0| = \rho, \rho > 0,$$

lie on a circle of radius ρ centered at the point z_0 .



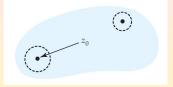
- Example:
 - (a) |z| = 1 is an equation of a unit circle centered at the origin.
 - (b) By rewriting |z 1 + 3i| = 5 as |z (1 3i)| = 5, we see that the equation describes a circle of radius 5 centered at the point $z_0 = 1 3i$.

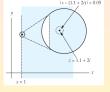
Disks and Neighborhoods

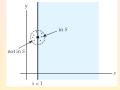
- The points z that satisfy the inequality $|z z_0| \le \rho$ can be either on the circle $|z z_0| = \rho$ or within the circle.
- We say that the set of points defined by $|z z_0| \le \rho$ is a **disk** of radius ρ centered at z_0 .
- The points z that satisfy the strict inequality $|z z_0| < \rho$ lie within, and not on, a circle of radius ρ centered at the point z_0 . This set is called a **neighborhood** of z_0 .
- Occasionally, we will need to use a neighborhood of z_0 that also excludes z_0 . Such a neighborhood is defined by the simultaneous inequality $0 < |z z_0| < \rho$ and called a **deleted neighborhood** of z_0 .
- Example: |z| < 1 defines a neighborhood of the origin, whereas 0 < |z| < 1 defines a deleted neighborhood of the origin; |z-3+4i| < 0.01 defines a neighborhood of 3-4i, whereas the inequality 0 < |z-3+4i| < 0.01 defines a deleted neighborhood of 3-4i.

Open Sets

- A point z_0 is called an **interior point** of a set S of the complex plane if there exists some neighborhood of z_0 that lies entirely within S.
- If every point z of a set S is an interior point, then S is said to be an **open set**.





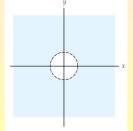


- Example: The inequality Re(z) > 1 defines a right half-plane, which is an open set. All complex numbers z = x + iy for which x > 1 are in this set. E.g., if we choose $z_0 = 1.1 + 2i$, then a neighborhood of z_0 lying entirely in the set is defined by |z (1.1 + 2i)| < 0.05.
- Example: The set S of points in the complex plane defined by $Re(z) \ge 1$ is not open because every neighborhood of a point lying on the line x = 1 must contain points in S and points not in S.

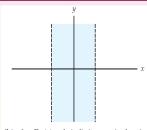
Additional Examples of Open Sets



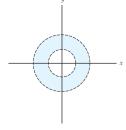
(a) Im(z) < 0; lower half-plane



(c) |z| > 1; exterior of unit circle



(b) -1 < Re(z) < 1; infinite vertical strip



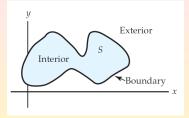
(d) 1 < |z| < 2; interior of circular ring

Boundary and Exterior Points

- If every neighborhood of a point z_0 of a set S contains at least one point of S and at least one point not in S, then z_0 is said to be a **boundary point** of S.
 - Example: For the set of points defined by $Re(z) \ge 1$, the points on the vertical line x = 1 are boundary points.
 - Example: The points that lie on the circle |z-i|=2 are boundary points for the disk $|z-i|\leq 2$ as well as for the neighborhood |z-i|<2 of z=i.
- The collection of boundary points of S is called the **boundary** of S. Example: The circle |z-i|=2 is the boundary for both the disk $|z-i|\leq 2$ and the neighborhood |z-i|<2 of z=i.
- A point z that is neither an interior point nor a boundary point of a set S is said to be an exterior point of S, i.e., z₀ is an exterior point of a set S if there exists some neighborhood of z₀ that contains no points of S.

Interior, Boundary and Exterior Points

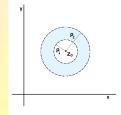
• Typical set S with interior, boundary, and exterior.



- An open set S can be as simple as the complex plane with a single point z_0 deleted.
 - The boundary of this "punctured plane" is z_0 ;
 - The only candidate for an exterior point is z_0 . However, S has no exterior points since no neighborhood of z_0 lies entirely outside the punctured plane.

Annulus

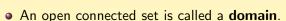
- The set S_1 of points satisfying the inequality $\rho_1 < |z z_0|$ lie exterior to the circle of radius ρ_1 centered at z_0 .
- The set S_2 of points satisfying $|z z_0| < \rho_2$ lie interior to the circle of radius ρ_2 centered at z_0 .
- Thus, if $0 < \rho_1 < \rho_2$, the set of points satisfying the simultaneous inequality $\rho_1 < |z z_0| < \rho_2$ is the intersection of the sets S_1 and S_2 . This intersection is an open circular ring centered at z_0 , called an open circular annulus.



• By allowing $\rho_1 = 0$, we obtain a deleted neighborhood of z_0 .

Connected Sets and Domains

If any pair of points z₁ and z₂ in a set S can be connected by a
polygonal line that consists of a finite number of line segments joined
end to end that lies entirely in the set, then the set S is said to be
connected.



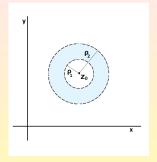
Example: The set of numbers z satisfying $Re(z) \neq 4$ is an open set but is not connected: it is not possible to join points on either side of the vertical line x=4 by a polygonal line without leaving the set. Example: A neighborhood of a point z_0 is a connected set.

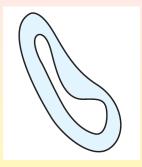
Region

- A region is a set of points in the complex plane with all, some, or none of its boundary points.
 - Since an open set does not contain any boundary points, it is automatically a region.
 - A region that contains all its boundary points is said to be closed.
- Example: The disk defined by $|z z_0| \le \rho$ is an example of a closed region and is referred to as a **closed disk**.
- Example: A neighborhood of a point z_0 defined by $|z z_0| < \rho$ is an open set or an open region and is said to be an **open disk**.
- If the center z_0 is deleted from either a closed disk or an open disk, the regions defined by $0 < |z z_0| \le \rho$ or $0 < |z z_0| < \rho$ are called **punctured disks**. A punctured open disk is the same as a deleted neighborhood of z_0 .
- A region can be neither open nor closed. Example: The annular region defined by $1 \le |z 5| < 3$ contains only some of its boundary points, and so it is neither open nor closed.

General Annular Regions

• We have defined a circular annular region given by $\rho_1 < |z - z_0| < \rho_2$.



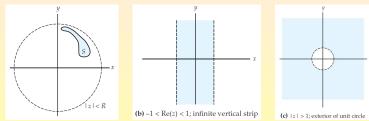


• In a more general interpretation, an **annulus** or **annular region** may have the appearance shown on the right.

Bounded Sets

• We say that a set S in the complex plane is **bounded** if there exists a real number R>0 such that |z|< R every z in S, i.e., S is bounded if it can be completely enclosed within some neighborhood of the origin.

Example: The set S shown below is bounded because it is contained entirely within the dashed circular neighborhood of the origin.

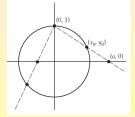


• A set is **unbounded** if it is not bounded.

Example: The sets on the rightmost figures above are unbounded.

Extended Real Number System

- On the real line, we have exactly two directions and we represent the notions of "increasing without bound" and "decreasing without bound" symbolically by $x \to +\infty$ $x \to -\infty$, respectively.
- We can avoid $\pm \infty$ by dealing with an "ideal point" called the **point** at **infinity**, which is denoted simply by ∞ .
- We identify any real number a with a point (x_0, y_0) :

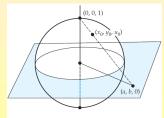


The farther the point (a, 0) is from the origin, the nearer (x_0, y_0) is to (0, 1). The only point on the circle that does not correspond to a real number a is (0, 1). We identify (0, 1) with ∞ .

ullet The set consisting of the real numbers ${\mathbb R}$ adjoined with ∞ is called the **extended real-number system.**

Extended Complex Number System

- Since \mathbb{C} is not ordered, the notions of z either "increasing" or "decreasing" have no meaning.
- By increasing the modulus |z| of a complex number z, the number moves farther from the origin.
- In complex analysis, only the notion of ∞ is used because we can extend the complex number system $\mathbb C$ in a manner analogous to that just described for the real number system $\mathbb R$.
- We associate a complex number with a point on a unit sphere called the Riemann sphere:



Because the point (0,0,1) corresponds to no number z in the plane, we correspond it with ∞ . The system consisting of $\mathbb C$ adjoined with the "ideal point" ∞ is called the **extended complex-number system**.

Subsection 6

Applications

Complex Roots of Quadratic Equations

Consider the quadratic equation

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0,$$

where the coefficients $a \neq 0$, b and c are real.

• Completion of the square in x yields the quadratic formula:

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}.$$

- When $D = b^2 4ac < 0$, the roots of the equation are complex.
- Example: The two roots of $x^2 2x + 10 = 0$ are

$$x = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(1)(10)}}{2(1)} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-36}}{2}.$$

 $\sqrt{-36} = \sqrt{36}\sqrt{-1} = 6i$. Therefore, the complex roots of the equation are

$$z_1 = 1 + 3i$$
, $z_2 = 1 - 3i$.

The Quadratic Formula for Complex Coefficients

• The quadratic formula is perfectly valid when the coefficients $a \neq 0$, b and c of a quadratic polynomial equation

$$az^2 + bz + c = 0$$

are complex numbers.

 Although the formula can be obtained in exactly the same manner, we choose to write the result as

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

- When $D = b^2 4ac \neq 0$, the symbol $(b^2 4ac)^{1/2}$ represents the set of two square roots of the complex number $b^2 4ac$.
- Thus, the formula gives two complex solutions.
- In the sequel to keep notation clear, we reserve the use of the symbol $\sqrt{}$ to real numbers where \sqrt{a} denotes the nonnegative root of the real number $a \geq 0$.

Using the Quadratic Formula

• Solve the quadratic equation $z^2 + (1 - i)z - 3i = 0$. Apply the quadratic formulas, with a = 1, b = 1 - i and c = -3i:

$$z = \frac{-(1-i) + [(1-i)^2 - 4(-3i)]^{1/2}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}[-1 + i + (10i)^{1/2}].$$

To compute $(10i)^{1/2}$ we rewrite in polar form with r=10, $\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}$, and use $w_k=\sqrt{r}(\cos\frac{\theta+2k\pi}{2}+i\sin\frac{\theta+2k\pi}{2}),\ k=0,1.$

Thus, the two square roots of 10i are:

$$\begin{split} w_0 &= \sqrt{10} (\cos \frac{\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{4}) = \sqrt{10} (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} i) = \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{5} i \text{ and} \\ w_1 &= \sqrt{10} (\cos \frac{5\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{5\pi}{4}) = \sqrt{10} (-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} i) = -\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{5} i. \\ \text{Going back to the quadratic formula, we obtain} \end{split}$$

$$z_1 = \frac{1}{2}[-1+i+(\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{5}i)], \quad z_2 = \frac{1}{2}[-1+i+(-\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{5}i)],$$

or $z_1 = \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5}-1)+\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5}+1)i, \ z_2 = -\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5}+1)-\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5}-1)i.$

Factoring a Quadratic Polynomial

- By finding all the roots of a polynomial equation we can factor the polynomial completely.
- If z_1 and z_2 are the roots of $az^2 + bz + c = 0$, then $az^2 + bz + c$ factors as

$$az^2 + bz + c = a(z - z_1)(z - z_2).$$

• Example: We found that the quadratic equation $x^2 - 2x + 10 = 0$ has roots $z_1 = 1 + 3i$ and $z_2 = 1 - 3i$. Thus, the polynomial $x^2 - 2x + 10$ factors as

$$x^{2}-2x+10=[x-(1+3i)][x-(1-3i)]=(x-1-3i)(x-1+3i).$$

• Example: Similarly, $z^2 + (1-i)z - 3i = (z-z_1)(z-z_2) = [z - \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5}-1) - \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5}+1)i][z + \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5}+1) + \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5}-1)i].$

Differential Equations: The Auxiliary Equation

- The first step in solving a linear second-order ordinary differential equation ay'' + by' + cy = f(x) with real coefficients a, b and c is to solve the **associated homogeneous equation** ay'' + by' + cy = 0.
- The latter equation possesses solutions of the form $y = e^{mx}$.
- To see this, we substitute $y=e^{mx}$, $y'=me^{mx}$, $y''=m^2e^{mx}$ into ay''+by'+cy=0: $ay''+by'+cy=am^2e^{mx}+bme^{mx}+ce^{mx}=e^{mx}(am^2+bm+c)=0$.
- From $e^{mx}(am^2 + bm + c) = 0$, we see that $y = e^{mx}$ is a solution of the homogeneous equation whenever m is root of the polynomial equation $am^2 + bm + c = 0$.
- This equation is known as the auxiliary equation.

Differential Equations: Complex Roots of the Auxiliary

- When the coefficients of a polynomial equation are real, the complex roots of the equation must always appear in conjugate pairs.
- Thus, if the auxiliary equation possesses complex roots $\alpha + i\beta$, $\alpha i\beta$, $\beta > 0$, then two solutions of ay'' + by' + cy = 0 are complex exponential functions $y = e^{(\alpha + i\beta)x}$ and $y = e^{(\alpha i\beta)x}$.
- In order to obtain real solutions of the differential equation, we use Eulers formula $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$, θ real.
- We obtain $e^{(\alpha+i\beta)x} = e^{\alpha x}e^{i\beta x} = e^{\alpha x}(\cos\beta x + i\sin\beta x)$ and $e^{(\alpha-i\beta)x} = e^{\alpha x}e^{-i\beta x} = e^{\alpha x}(\cos\beta x i\sin\beta x)$.
- Since the differential equation is homogeneous, the linear combinations $y_1 = \frac{1}{2}(e^{(\alpha+i\beta)x} + e^{(\alpha-i\beta)x})$, $y_2 = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{(\alpha+i\beta)x} e^{(\alpha-i\beta)x})$ are also solutions.
- These expressions are real functions

$$y_1 = e^{\alpha x} \cos \beta x$$
 and $y_2 = e^{\alpha x} \sin \beta x$.

Solving a Differential Equation

• Solve the differential equation y'' + 2y' + 2y = 0. We apply the quadratic formula to the auxiliary equation

$$m^2 + 2m + 2 = 0.$$

We obtain the complex roots $m_1=-1+i$ and $m_2=\overline{m_1}=-1-i$. With the identifications $\alpha=-1$ and $\beta=1$, the preceding formulas give the two solutions

$$y_1 = e^{-x} \cos x$$
 and $y_2 = e^{-x} \sin x$.

- The general solution of a homogeneous linear n-th-order differential equations consists of a linear combination of n linearly independent solutions.
- Thus, the general solution of the given second-order differential equation is

$$y = c_1 y_1 + c_2 y_2 = c_1 e^{-x} \cos x + c_2 e^{-x} \sin x$$

where c_1 and c_2 are arbitrary constants.

Exponential Form of a Complex Number

- In general, the complex exponential e^z is the complex number defined by $e^z = e^{x+iy} = e^x(\cos y + i \sin y).$
- The definition can be used to show that the familiar law of exponents $e^{z_1}e^{z_2}=e^{z_1+z_2}$ holds for complex numbers.
- This justifies the results presented on differential equations.
- Euler's formula is a special case of this definition.
- ullet Euler's formula provides a notational convenience for several concepts considered earlier in this chapter, e.g., the polar form of z

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

can now be written compactly as $z = re^{i\theta}$. This convenient form is called the **exponential form** of a complex number z.

- Example: $i = e^{\pi i/2}$ and $1 + i = \sqrt{2}e^{\pi i/4}$.
- Finally, the formula for the *n* nth roots of a complex number becomes

$$z^{1/n} = \sqrt[n]{r}e^{i(\theta+2k\pi)/n}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1.$$