



Proof of Euler's Formula

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Euler's Formula

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

Proof #1 (Taylor series)

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

$$\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

Proof #1 (Taylor series)

$$\begin{aligned} e^{ix} &= 1 + ix + \frac{(ix)^2}{2!} + \frac{(ix)^3}{3!} + \frac{(ix)^4}{4!} + \frac{(ix)^5}{5!} + \frac{(ix)^6}{6!} + \frac{(ix)^7}{7!} + \frac{(ix)^8}{8!} + \dots \\ &= 1 + ix - \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{ix^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{ix^5}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} - \frac{ix^7}{7!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} + \dots \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} + \dots \right) + i \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \right) \\ &= \cos x + i \sin x \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

* 재배열 급수에 관한 내용은 생략하기로 한다.

Proof #2 (Differentiation)

$$f(x) := e^{-ix}(\cos x + i \sin x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= -ie^{-ix}(\cos x + i \sin x) + e^{-ix}(-\sin x + i \cos x) \\ &= e^{-ix}(-i \cos x + \sin x - \sin x + i \cos x) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \text{const.}$$

Proof #2 (Differentiation)

Since $f(0) = 1$, we get

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad f(x) = e^{-ix}(\cos x + i \sin x) = 1$$

$$\therefore e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x \quad \blacksquare$$

Proof #3 (calculus)

$$y := \cos x + i \sin x$$

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= -\sin x + i \cos x \\ &= i^2 \sin x + i \cos x \\ &= i(\cos x + i \sin x) \\ &= iy \end{aligned}$$

Proof #3 (calculus)

$$\int \frac{1}{y} dy = \int i dx$$

$$\log y = ix + \text{const.}$$

$$\log y = ix$$

$$y = e^{ix}$$

$$e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x \blacksquare$$

PROOF #4 (Differential Equation)

$$f(x) := e^{ix}$$

$$f'(x) = ie^{ix}$$

$$f''(x) = i^2 e^{ix} = -e^{ix}$$

$$f(x) + f''(x) = 0$$

$$\therefore f(x) = A \cos x + B \sin x$$

PROOF #4 (Differential Equation)

$$f(0) = e^{i0} = 1 = A$$

$$f'(0) = ie^{i0} = i = B$$

$$\therefore f(x) = e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x \blacksquare$$

Proof #5 (approximation)

$$e^x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^n$$

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \quad (\text{de Moivre's formula})$$

$$\theta := \frac{x}{n}$$

$$\left(\cos \frac{x}{n} + i \sin \frac{x}{n}\right)^n = \cos x + i \sin x$$

Proof #5 (approximation)

$$\begin{aligned}\cos x + i \sin x &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\cos \frac{x}{n} + i \sin \frac{x}{n} \right)^n \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{ix}{n} \right)^n \\ &= e^{ix} \blacksquare\end{aligned}$$

Proof #6 (trigonometry)

$$e^{ix} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{ix}{n}\right)^n$$

$$1 + \frac{ix}{n} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{x^2}{n^2}} \left(\cos \left(\tan^{-1} \frac{x}{n} \right) + i \left(\sin \left(\tan^{-1} \frac{x}{n} \right) \right) \right)$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{ix}{n}\right)^n = \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{n^2}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \left(\cos \left(n \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{n} \right) + i \left(\sin \left(n \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{n} \right) \right) \right)$$

Proof #6 (trigonometry)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{n^2} \right)^{\frac{n}{2}} = 1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{n} \right) = x$$

$$\therefore e^{ix} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{ix}{n} \right)^n = \cos x + i \sin x \quad \blacksquare$$

Proof #7 (matrix)

$$J := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} := e^{Jx} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Proof #7 (matrix)

$$\begin{aligned} e^{Jx} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} &= \left(\frac{x^0}{0!} J^0 + \frac{x^1}{1!} J^1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} J^2 + \frac{x^3}{3!} J^3 + \frac{x^4}{4!} J^4 + \dots \right) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + x \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{x^2}{2!} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{x^3}{3!} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \dots \right) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 0 - \frac{x^2}{2!} - 0 + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots \\ 0 - x - 0 + \frac{x^3}{3!} + 0 + \dots \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos x \\ -\sin x \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Proof #7

$$\therefore e^{Jx} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = (\cos x + J \sin x) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \blacksquare$$

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