

Inversion and reflection :-  $w = \frac{1}{z}$

If  $z = r e^{i\theta}$  and  $w = R e^{i\phi}$ , putting these values we get

$$R e^{i\phi} = \frac{1}{r e^{i\theta}} = \frac{1}{r} e^{-i\theta}, \text{ on equating } R = \frac{1}{r} \text{ and } \phi = -\theta$$

Thus the point  $P(r, \theta)$  in the  $z$ -plane is mapped onto the point  $P'(\frac{1}{r}, -\theta)$  in the  $w$ -plane. Hence the transformation is an inversion of  $z$  and followed by reflection into the real axis.

The points inside the unit circle ( $|z|=1$ ) map onto points outside it, and points outside the unit circle into points inside it.

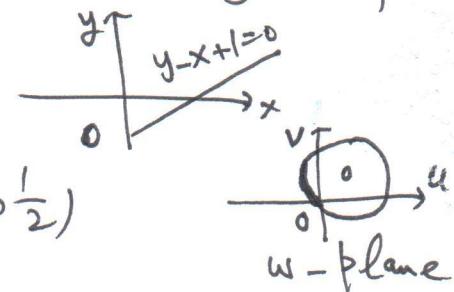
$$w = \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{x+iy}, \quad u = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}, \quad v = -\frac{y}{x^2+y^2}. \text{ This shows that}$$

a circle in the  $z$ -plane transforms to another circle in the  $w$ -plane. But a circle through origin transforms into a straight line.

Ex:- Under the transformation  $w = \frac{1}{z}$ , the image of the straight line  $y-x+1=0$  is.

$$\frac{-v}{u^2+v^2} - \frac{u}{u^2+v^2} + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow u^2+v^2-u-v=0$$

This is equation of a circle with center at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$  and radius  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ .



Ex:- Find the image of  $|z-3i|=3$  under the mapping  $w = 1/z$ .

$$w = \frac{1}{z} \Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{w} \Rightarrow x+iy = \frac{1}{u+iv} = \frac{u-iv}{u^2+v^2}, \quad x = \frac{u}{u^2+v^2}, \quad y = \frac{-v}{u^2+v^2}.$$

The given curve is  $|z-3i|=3 \Rightarrow x^2+(y-3)^2=9$

$$\left(\frac{u}{u^2+v^2}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{v}{u^2+v^2}-3\right)^2 = 9 \Rightarrow u^2+v^2+9u^4+9v^4+6u^2v^2+6u^3+18u^2v^2 = 9u^4+18u^2v^2+9v^4$$

$$\Rightarrow u^2+v^2+6v(u^2+v^2)=0 \Rightarrow (u^2+v^2)(6v+1)=0 \Rightarrow 6v+1=0 \text{ is the equation of the image.}$$

Second method:  $| \frac{1}{w} - 3i | = 3 \Rightarrow |1-3iw| = 3|w| \Rightarrow |1-3i(u+iv)| = 3|u+iv|$

$$\Rightarrow (1+3v)^2 + 9u^2 = 9(u^2+v^2) \Rightarrow 1+6v+9v^2+9u^2 = 9(u^2+v^2) \Rightarrow 1+6v = 0$$

Third Method:  $|z-3i|=3 \Rightarrow z-3i=3e^{i\theta} \Rightarrow z=3i+3e^{i\theta}$ .

$$w = \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{3i+3e^{i\theta}} \Rightarrow 3w = \frac{1}{1+e^{i\theta}} \Rightarrow 3(u+iv) = \frac{1}{1+\cos\theta+i\sin\theta}$$

$$3u+3iv = \frac{\cos\theta-i(1+\sin\theta)}{\cos^2\theta+(1+\sin\theta)^2} \Rightarrow 3v = -\frac{1+\sin\theta}{2+2\sin\theta} = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow 6v+1=0.$$

1. Show that under the transformation  $w = \frac{1}{z}$ , the image of the hyperbola  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$  is the lemniscate  $R^2 = \cos 2\phi$ .

2. What is the region of the  $w$ -plane in two ways, the rectangular region in the  $z$ -plane bounded by the lines  $x=0, y=0, x=1$  and  $y=2$  is mapped under the transformation  $w = z + (2-i)$ ?

Region bounded by  $u=2, v=-1, u=3$  and  $v=1$ .

### Bilinear Transformation (Mobius transformation):

$$w = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}, \quad ad-bc \neq 0 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

is known as bilinear transformation. (i)  $\Rightarrow z = \frac{-dw+b}{cw-a} \quad \text{(ii)}$

This is also bilinear except  $w = a/c$ . From (i), every point of  $z$ -plane is mapped into unique point in the  $w$ -plane except  $z = -d/c$ . From (ii), every point of  $w$ -plane is mapped into unique point in  $z$ -plane except  $w = a/c$ .

Cross-Ratio: If there are four points  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4$  taken in order, then the ratio  $\frac{(z_1-z_2)(z_3-z_4)}{(z_2-z_3)(z_4-z_1)}$  is called the crossratio of  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4$ .

A bilinear transformation preserves cross ratio of four points. means  $\frac{(w-w_1)(w_2-w_3)}{(w-w_3)(w_2-w_1)} = \frac{(z-z_1)(z_2-z_3)}{(z-z_3)(z_2-z_1)}$

Ex: Find the bilinear transformation which maps the points  $z=1, i, -1$  into the points  $w=i, 0, -i$ . Hence find the image of  $|z| < 1$ . Let the required transformation be  $w = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$ .

$$\text{or } w = \frac{pz+q}{rz+r} \quad \text{(i)} \quad p = a/d, q = b/d, r = c/d.$$

on substituting the values of  $z$  and corresponding values of  $w$  in (i),

$$i = \frac{pi+q}{ri+r} \quad \text{Solving for } p, q, r, \quad p = i, q = 1, r = -i$$

$$0 = pi + q / ri + 1 \quad w = \frac{iz+1}{-iz+1} \Rightarrow u + iv = \frac{i(x+iy)+1}{-i(x+iy)+1} = \frac{-x^2-y^2+1+2ix}{x^2+(y+1)^2}$$

$$-i = -pi + q / -ri + 1 \quad u = \frac{-x^2-y^2+1}{x^2+(y+1)^2}, |z| < 1 \Rightarrow x^2+y^2 < 1 \Rightarrow 1-x^2-y^2 > 0 \\ u > 0 \text{ is the image.}$$

Ex: Find the bilinear transformation which maps the points  $z = 0, -1, i$  onto  $w = i, 0, \infty$ . Also find the image of the unit circle.

$$\frac{(w-w_1)(w_2-w_3)}{(w-w_3)(w_2-w_1)} = \frac{(z-z_1)(z_2-z_3)}{(z-z_3)(z_2-z_1)} \quad (i)$$

$$\frac{(w-w_1)\left(\frac{w_2}{w_3}-1\right)}{\left(\frac{w}{w_3}-1\right)(w_2-w_1)} = \frac{(z-z_1)(z_2-z_3)}{(z-z_3)(z_2-z_1)} \quad \text{on putting } z=0, -1, i \text{ into } w=i, 0, \infty \text{ respectively}$$

$$\frac{(w-i)(-1)}{(-1)(0-i)} = \frac{(z-0)(-1-i)}{(z-i)(-1-0)} \Rightarrow w = \frac{z+1}{z-i} \quad (ii), \quad z = \frac{w+1}{w-1} \quad (iii)$$

$$\text{And } |z|=1 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{w+1}{w-1} \right| = 1 \Rightarrow |1+iw| = |w-1| \Rightarrow |1+i(u+iv)| = |u+iv-1|$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-v)^2 + u^2 = (u-1)^2 + v^2 \Rightarrow u-v = 0 \Rightarrow v = u.$$

Ex: Show that the transformation  $w = i \frac{1-z}{1+z}$  transforms the circle  $|z|=1$  onto the real axis of the  $w$ -plane and the interior of the circle into the upper half of the  $w$ -plane.

$$w = i \left( \frac{1-z}{1+z} \right) \Rightarrow u+iv = \frac{1-(x+iy)}{1+x+iy} = \frac{2y+i(1-x^2-y^2)}{(1+x)^2+y^2}$$

$$u(x,y) = \frac{2y}{(1+x)^2+y^2}, \quad v(x,y) = \frac{i(1-x^2-y^2)}{(1+x)^2+y^2}, \quad \text{when } |z| \geq 1 \Rightarrow u+iv = 0.$$

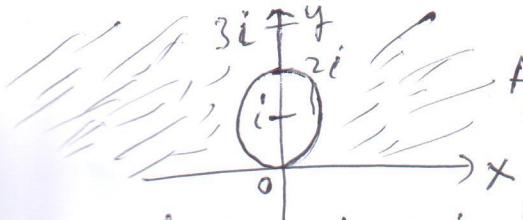
Now the equation of the interior of the circle is  $x^2+y^2 < 1$ .

$$\frac{(i)}{(ii)} \Rightarrow \frac{u}{v} = \frac{2y}{1-(x^2+y^2)} \Rightarrow x^2+y^2 = 1 - \frac{2vy}{u}, \quad 1 - \frac{2vy}{u} < 1 \quad (\because x^2+y^2 < 1)$$

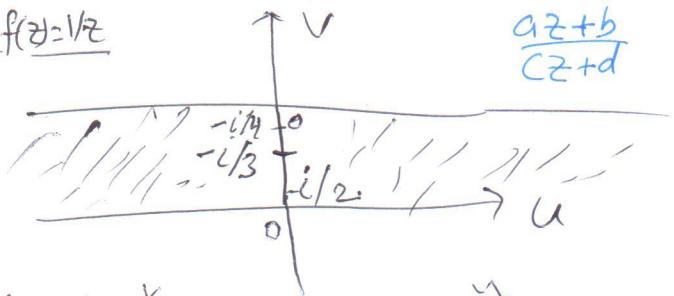
$$-\frac{2vy}{u} < 0, \quad 2vy > 0 \Rightarrow v > 0. \quad v > 0 \text{ is the upper half plane.}$$

1. Show that  $w = \frac{i-z}{i+z}$  maps the real axis of the  $z$ -plane into the circle  $|w|=1$  and (ii) the half plane  $y > 0$  into the interior of the unit circle  $|w| < 1$  in the  $w$ -plane.

2. Show that the transformation  $w = 3-z/z-2$  transforms the circle with center  $(5/2, 0)$  and radius  $1/2$  in the  $z$ -plane into the imaginary axis in the  $w$ -plane and the interior of the circle into the right half of the plane.



Inversion  $w = f(z) = 1/z$   
An explanation



$$\frac{az+b}{cz+d}$$

Image of  $|z-i|>1$  is  $-\frac{1}{2} \leq v \leq 0$ .

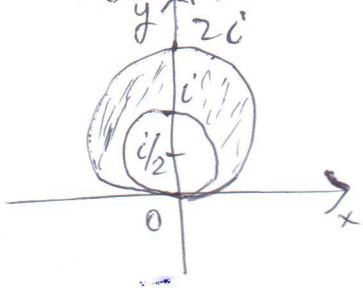
$z = 2i$ ,  $x=0, y=2$ , The image is  $u(x,y) = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}, v(x,y) = \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2}$

$$u=0, v = \frac{-2}{0^2+2^2} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

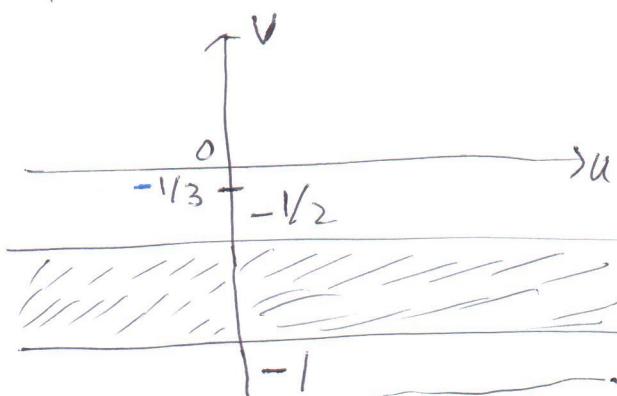
$z = 3i$ ,  $x=0, y=3$ ,  $u=0, v = \frac{-3}{0^2+3^2} = -\frac{1}{3}$

$z = 4i$ ,  $x=0, y=4$ ,  $u=0, v = \frac{-4}{0^2+4^2} = -\frac{1}{4}$

Now,



Image



Images of various Points:

$z = i/2$ ,  $x=0, y=\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $u=0, v = \frac{-1/2}{0^2+(\frac{1}{2})^2} = -\frac{1}{1/2} = -2$

$z = i$ ,  $x=0, y=1$ ,  $u=0, v = \frac{-1}{0^2+1^2} = -1$

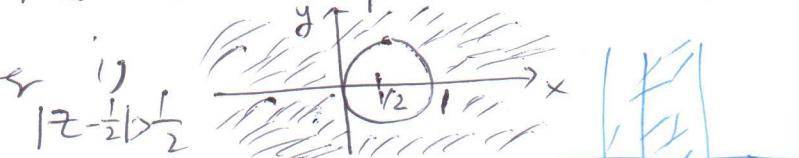
$z = \frac{3}{2}i$ ,  $x=0, y=\frac{3}{2}$ ,  $u=0, v = \frac{-3/2}{0^2+(\frac{3}{2})^2} = -\frac{1}{3/2} = -\frac{2}{3}$

$z = 2i$ ,  $x=0, y=2$ ,  $u=0, v = \frac{-2}{0^2+2^2} = -1/2$

$z = 3i$ ,  $x=0, y=3$ ,  $u=0, v = \frac{-3}{0^2+3^2} = -\frac{1}{3}$ , which is not part of the w-plane.

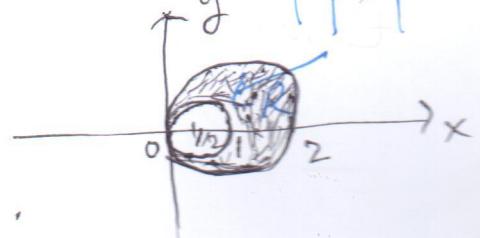
Hence, image of the region between two circles with centers, i.e.,  $|z-\frac{i}{2}|>1$  &  $|z-i|<2$  is the strip  $-1 \leq v \leq -1/2$ .

Exercise: Try/repeat above for



ii) Two cylinders: Note: In this case(s)

The boundaries will be mapped to  $u = \text{constant}$ , while regions to strips in the form  $a \leq u \leq b$ ,  $a \neq b$  constants.



## The Bilinear or Fractional transformation:

$$w = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}, \quad ad - bc \neq 0, \text{ is bilinear or fractional}$$

translation, rotation, stretching, and inversion.

Maps three distinct points of the  $z$ -plane into three distinct points of the  $w$ -plane, one of which may be infinity.

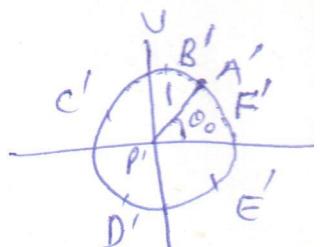
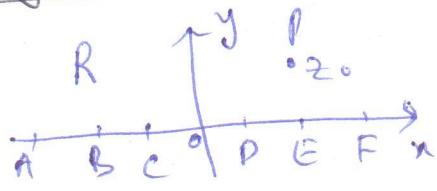
for four distinct points

$$\frac{(z_4 - z_1)(z_2 - z_3)}{(z_2 - z_1)(z_4 - z_3)}$$

is called the cross ratio of  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4$ .

mapping of a half plane onto a circle:

$$w = i \cdot \frac{z - z_0}{z - \bar{z}_0}$$



$$w = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}, \text{ where } ad - bc \neq 0$$

if  $c=0$ ,  $w = az + b$ , reduces as a linear transformation.  
Also if  $a, b, c$  &  $d$  are zero, we get inversion transformation.

(1) can also be expressed as  $z = -\frac{dw + b}{cw - a}$  — (2)

(2) is inverse of (1) and we see that it too is a bilinear transformation.

Notice that  $z = -\frac{d}{c}$  when  $w \rightarrow \infty$

$$w = \frac{a}{c} \quad \text{when } z \rightarrow \infty$$

$$w = \frac{az + b}{cz + d} = \frac{a}{c} \cdot \frac{z + \frac{b}{a}}{z + \frac{d}{c}} = \frac{a}{c} \cdot \frac{z + \frac{d}{c} + \frac{b}{a} - \frac{d}{c}}{z + \frac{d}{c}}$$

$$w = \frac{a}{c} + \frac{\frac{bc - ad}{c^2}}{z + \frac{d}{c}} \cdot \frac{1}{z + \frac{d}{c}}$$

$$\frac{a}{c} = A,$$

$$\frac{bc - ad}{c^2} = B,$$

$$\frac{d}{c} = D.$$

$$w = A + B \cdot \frac{1}{z + D} \quad (3),$$

- i) translate the region by the vector D.
- ii) Apply the inversion transformation.
- (iii) magnify the region by factor B.
- (iv) Rotate the region through the angle  $\arg(B)$ .
- (V) Finally, translate the region through the vector A.

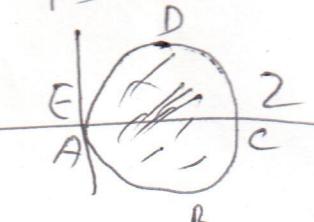
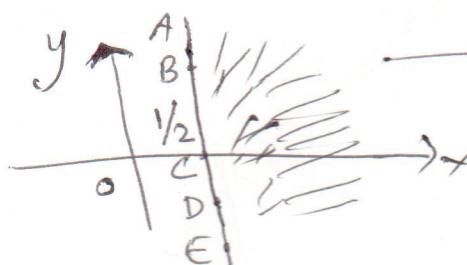
Since all these five steps preserve the circle  
the general bilinear transformation preserves the circle

Ex:  $|z| \leq 1$  under  $w = -i \left( \frac{z-1}{z+1} \right) = -i \left( \frac{z+1-2}{z+1} \right) = -i \left( 1 - \frac{2}{z+1} \right)$

$$w = -i + 2i \cdot \frac{1}{z+1}$$



i) translation



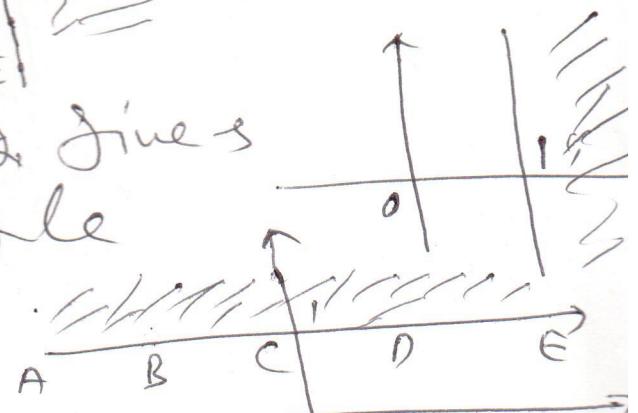
ii) The inversion yields

(iii)

The magnification by  $|2i| = 2$  gives

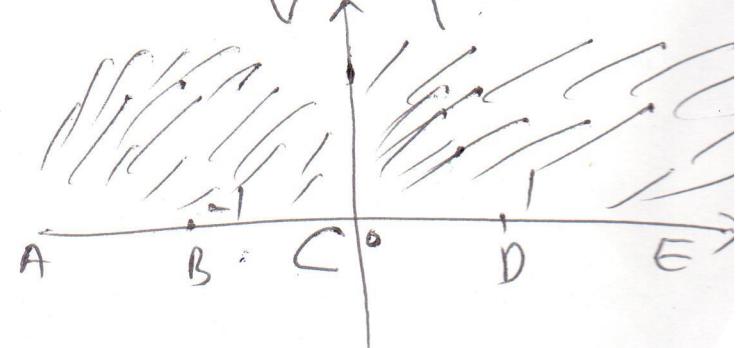
iv) The rotation through the angle

$\arg(2i) = \pi/2$  yields



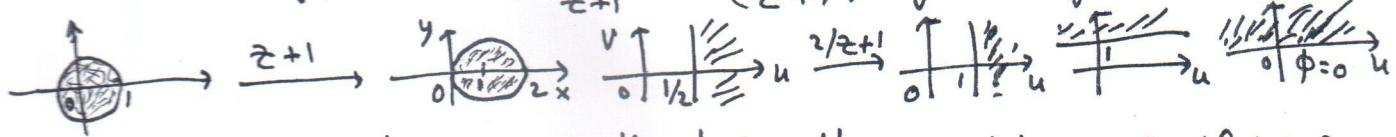
Finally the translation

by the vector '-i' gives



A line of charge ' $v$ ' per unit length is located at  $z = \frac{1}{2}$  while  $|z| = 1$  is a grounded conductor. Find the complex potential inside  $|z| \leq 1$  and the electrostatic potential.

Solution: Mapping  $w = -i + 2i \frac{1}{z+1} = -i\left(\frac{z-1}{z+1}\right)$ .



Line of charge  $z = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $w = -i\left(\frac{1/2 - 1}{1/2 + 1}\right) = i/3$ . Same is the case if we place an imaginary line of charge ' $-v$ ' per unit length at  $w = -i/3$ , so the charge will be zero at ground conductor.

Complex potential:  $F(z) = -2v \ln(w - i/3) + 2v \ln|w + i/3|$ .

$$= 2v \ln \left| \frac{w + i/3}{w - i/3} \right| = 2v \ln \left| \frac{-i\left(\frac{z-1}{z+1}\right) + i/3}{-i\left(\frac{z-1}{z+1}\right) - i/3} \right|$$

$$F(z) = 2v \ln \left| \frac{z-2}{2z-1} \right| \quad (\text{After simplification}).$$

Electrostatic potential:  $\phi(x, y) = \operatorname{Re} \left[ 2v \ln \left| \frac{(x+iy)-2}{2(x+iy)-1} \right| \right]$

$$\phi(x, y) = 2v \ln \left| \frac{(x-2)^2 + y^2}{(2x-1)^2 + 4y^2} \right|.$$

Verification of mapping:  $w = -i\left(\frac{z-1}{z+1}\right)$ ,  $z = \frac{i-w}{i+w}$

$$|z| \leq 1 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{i-w}{i+w} \right| \leq 1 \Rightarrow |i-w| \leq |i+w|$$

$$|(i-(u+iv))| \leq |i+(u+iv)| \Rightarrow |-u+i(1-v)| \leq |u+i(1+v)|$$

$$\Rightarrow u^2 + (1-v)^2 \leq u^2 + (1+v)^2 \Rightarrow u^2 + 1 - 2v + v^2 \leq u^2 + 1 + 2v + v^2$$

$$4v \geq 0 \Rightarrow v \geq 0 \quad (\text{upper half plane})$$

