



## Engineering Analysis 2 : Complex Numbers

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## The Number $j$

Recall that  $a^2 \geq 0$  for any **real** number  $a$  and that square root of a negative **real** number is not defined as a real number.

In this part of the course we shall introduce a new set of numbers that allow us to make sense of numbers such as  $\sqrt{-9}$ .

In particular we introduce a new number,  $j$ , for which

$$j^2 = -1 \quad \text{so that} \quad j = \sqrt{-1}$$

$j$  is not real and is instead an **imaginary** number. The symbol  $i$  is sometimes used in place of  $j$ .

We can now make sense of  $\sqrt{-9} = \sqrt{-1}\sqrt{9} = j3$

## The Complex Number $z = a + jb$

Recall that from EG189 that the general roots of  $a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0 = 0$  are given by

$$x = \frac{-a_1 \pm \sqrt{a_1^2 - 4a_2a_0}}{2a_2}$$

This result gives rise to the following implications

- For  $a_1^2 > 4a_2a_0$  we have two real roots
- For  $a_1^2 = 4a_2a_0$  we have one repeated root
- For  $a_1^2 < 4a_2a_0$  we have no real roots.

We can now make sense of the case  $a_1^2 < 4a_2a_0$  in terms of  $j$ . We will see in the next slide that the result are two **complex numbers** each expressed in **Cartesian form**

$$z = a + jb$$

where  $Re(z) = a$  is called the real part of  $z$  and  $Im(z) = b$  is called the imaginary part of  $z$ . The set of all complex numbers is  $\mathbb{C}$ .

## Example

### Question

Determine the roots of the quadratic equation

$$x^2 - 6x + 10 = 0$$

### Solution

To find the roots we simply apply the equation

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with  $a_2 = 1$ ,  $a_1 = -6$  and  $a_0 = 10$

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## Addition, Subtraction and Multiplication

To add or subtract two complex numbers we simply perform the operations on their respective real and imaginary parts.

For example, if  $z_1 = x_1 + jy_1$  and  $z_2 = x_2 + jy_2$  then

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

and

$$z_1 - z_2 = (x_1 - x_2) + j(y_1 - y_2)$$

For the multiplication of complex numbers we make use of the fact that  $j^2 = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 z_2 &= (x_1 + jy_1) \times (x_2 + jy_2) = x_1 x_2 + jx_1 y_2 + jx_2 y_1 + j^2 y_1 y_2 \\ &= x_1 x_2 - y_1 y_2 + j(x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1) \end{aligned}$$



## Example

### Question

Determine  $z_1 \times z_2$  where  $z_1 = 3 + j2$  and  $z_2 = 5 + j3$

### Solution

$$\begin{aligned}z_1 z_2 &= z_1 \times z_2 = (3 + j2) \times (5 + j3) \\&= 15 + j9 + j10 + j^2 6 \\&= 15 + j19 - 6 \\&= 9 + j19\end{aligned}$$

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# Division

The division of complex numbers slightly more complicated, consider the complex number

$$z = \frac{x_1 + jy_1}{x_2 + jy_2}$$

to evaluate this expression we multiply the top and bottom by  $x_2 - jy_2$  giving

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \frac{(x_1 + jy_1)(x_2 - jy_2)}{(x_2 + jy_2)(x_2 - jy_2)} \\ &= \frac{x_1x_2 + y_1y_2 + j(x_2y_1 - x_1y_2)}{(x_2^2 + y_2^2)} \end{aligned}$$

the number  $x - jy$  is called the **complex conjugate** of  $z = x + jy$  and is denoted by  $z^*$ .

# Properties of the Complex Conjugate

Given a complex number  $z = x + jy$  its complex conjugate is  $z^* = x - jy$

The complex conjugate has the following properties

- $z + z^* = 2x = 2\text{Re}(z)$
- $z - z^* = j2y = j2\text{Im}(z)$
- $zz^* = x^2 + y^2 = |z|^2$

where  $|z|$  is the **modulus** of  $z$ , which is a positive real number.

Note also that complex roots of a quadratic equation always appear in **complex conjugate pairs** ie  $x + jy$  and  $x - jy$

# Example

## Question

Determine  $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$  where  $z_1 = 1 + j4$  and  $z_2 = 3 - j2$ . Henceforth determine the real and imaginary parts of  $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$  and  $\left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right|$

## Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{z_1}{z_2} &= \frac{1 + j4}{3 - j2} = \frac{(1 + j4)(3 + j2)}{(3 - j2)(3 + j2)} \\ &= \frac{3 + j2 + j12 + j^2 8}{9 + j6 - j6 - j^2 4} \\ &= \frac{-5 + j14}{13}\end{aligned}$$

The real part of  $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$  is  $-\frac{5}{13}$  and the imaginary part is  $\frac{14}{13}$ . The modulus of  $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$  is  $\sqrt{\frac{221}{169}}$ .

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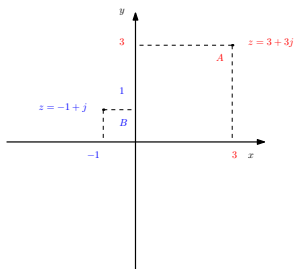
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## Argand Diagram

Complex numbers in Cartesian form  $z = x + jy$  can be displayed graphically on an **Argand diagram**. This resembles a graph with each individual complex number being a point with coordinates  $(x, y)$ .

The x-axis is  $\text{Re}(z)$  and the y-axis is  $\text{Im}(z)$ .

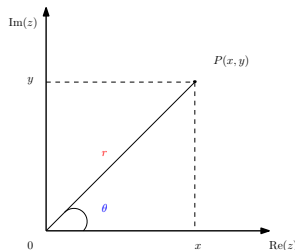


The point **A** with coordinates  $(3, 3)$  corresponds to  $z = 3 + j3$  and the point **B** with coordinates  $(-1, 1)$  corresponds to  $z = -1 + j$ .



## Argand Diagram

The Argand diagram also makes it possible to introduce an alternative representation of a complex number.



The length of the line  $OP$  is the **modulus** of the complex number

$$r = |z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

The angle that the line  $OP$  makes with the positive  $x$  real axis is the **argument** of the complex number

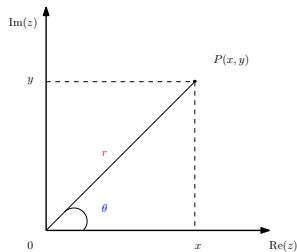
$$\theta = \arg z = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$$

Note that the polar coordinates  $(r, \theta)$  and  $(r, \theta + 2\pi)$  represent the same point on the Argand diagram.

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## Polar Form of a Complex Number



The Argand diagram makes it clear that

$$x = r \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad y = r \sin \theta$$

It therefore follows that the complex number  $z = x + jy$  can be expressed in the form

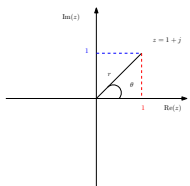
$$z = r \cos \theta + jr \sin \theta = r(\cos \theta + j \sin \theta)$$

This is called the **polar form** of the complex number and is frequently written as  $r \angle \theta$

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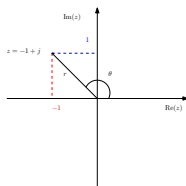
# Computing the Argument

Great **care** is required when applying  $\theta = \arg z = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$  on a calculator!



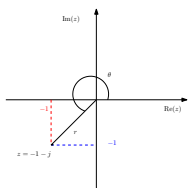
$$z = 1 + j = 1 + 1j$$

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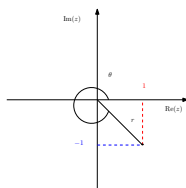
$$z = -1 + j = -1 + 1j$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{2}, \theta = \pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{-1} = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$



$$z = -1 - j = -1 + (-1)j$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{2}, \theta = \pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{-1}{-1} = \frac{5\pi}{4}, (-\frac{3\pi}{4})$$



$$z = 1 - j = 1 + (-1)j$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{2}, \theta = 2\pi + \tan^{-1} \frac{-1}{1} = \frac{7\pi}{4}, (-\frac{\pi}{4})$$

## Example

### Question

For  $z_1 = 2 + j3$  and  $z_2 = 3 - j2$  determine their polar form

### Solution

For  $z_1$  we have

$$r_1 = |z_1| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{13}$$
$$\theta_1 = \arg z_1 = \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{2} = 0.982(3dp)$$

Thus  $z_1 = 2 + j3 = \sqrt{13}(\cos 0.982 + j \sin 0.982)$ . For  $z_2$  we have

$$r_2 = |z_2| = \sqrt{3^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{13}$$
$$\theta_2 = \arg z_2 = -\tan^{-1} \frac{2}{3} = -0.588(3dp)$$

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## Multiplication in polar form

Let  $z_1 = r_1(\cos \theta_1 + j \sin \theta_1)$  and  $z_2 = r_2(\cos \theta_2 + j \sin \theta_2)$  then

$$\begin{aligned}z_1 z_2 &= r_1 r_2 (\cos \theta_1 + j \sin \theta_1)(\cos \theta_2 + j \sin \theta_2) \\ &= r_1 r_2 [(\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2) + j(\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2)]\end{aligned}$$

which by using trigonometric identities gives

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

Hence

$$|z_1 z_2| = r_1 r_2 = |z_1| |z_2|$$

and

$$\arg(z_1 z_2) = \theta_1 + \theta_2 = \arg z_1 + \arg z_2$$

When using these results care must be taken to ensure that  $-\pi < \arg(z_1 z_2) \leq \pi$ .

## Effect of multiplying by $j$

Polar form helps to make explicit the effect of multiplying by  $j$ .

Consider the complex number  $z = r(\cos \theta + j \sin \theta)$ .

By the Argand diagram we see that  $j$  can be written as  $j = 1(\cos \frac{\pi}{2} + j \sin \frac{\pi}{2})$  it then follows that

$$jz = r[\cos(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2}) + j \sin(\theta + \frac{\pi}{2})]$$

Thus the effect of multiplying a complex number by  $j$  is

- To leave the modulus unaltered.
- To increase the argument by  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

This property is of importance in the application of complex numbers to the theory of alternating current.



## Example

### Question

For  $z_1 = 2 + j3$  and  $z_2 = 3 - j2$  determine  $|z_1 z_2|$  and  $\arg(z_1 z_2)$

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## Division in Polar Form

First consider  $\frac{1}{z}$  where  $z = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\cos \theta + j \sin \theta} &= \frac{1}{\cos \theta + j \sin \theta} \frac{\cos \theta - j \sin \theta}{\cos \theta - j \sin \theta} \\ &= \frac{\cos \theta - j \sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta} \\ &= \cos \theta - j \sin \theta \quad \text{since } \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1 \end{aligned}$$

We can use this to work out  $\frac{z_1}{z_2}$  where  $z_1 = r_1(\cos \theta_1 + j \sin \theta_1)$  and  $z_2 = r_2(\cos \theta_2 + j \sin \theta_2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z_1}{z_2} &= \frac{r_1(\cos \theta_1 + j \sin \theta_1)}{r_2(\cos \theta_2 + j \sin \theta_2)} \\ &= \frac{r_1}{r_2} (\cos \theta_1 + j \sin \theta_1)(\cos \theta_2 - j \sin \theta_2) \\ &= \frac{r_1}{r_2} [(\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2) + j(\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2)] \\ &= \frac{r_1}{r_2} [\cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + j \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2)] \end{aligned}$$

where a trigonometric identity was used in the final step.

## Division in Polar Form

We showed that

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

Hence

$$\left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = \frac{r_1}{r_2} = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|}$$

and

$$\arg \left( \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right) = \theta_1 - \theta_2 = \arg z_1 - \arg z_2$$

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# Euler's Formula

Euler's formula expresses the very useful result that

$$e^{jy} = \cos y + j \sin y$$

This result is very useful and it allows to introduce the **exponential form** of the complex number

$$z = re^{j\theta}$$

which follows since  $z = x + jy = r(\cos \theta + j \sin \theta) = re^{j\theta}$  where  $r$  is the modulus of  $z$  and  $\theta$  is the argument of  $z$



## Proof of Euler's Formula

There number of alternative techniques for proving Euler's formula, we use MacLaurin series:

$$\sin y = y - \frac{y^3}{3!} + \frac{y^5}{5!} - \dots$$

$$\cos y = 1 - \frac{y^2}{2!} + \frac{y^4}{4!} - \dots$$

$$e^z = 1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \dots$$

Substitute  $z = jy$  in the last series

$$\begin{aligned} e^z &= 1 + jy + \frac{(jy)^2}{2!} + \frac{(jy)^3}{3!} + \dots \\ &= 1 + jy - \frac{y^2}{2!} - \frac{jy^3}{3!} + \frac{y^4}{4!} + \frac{jy^5}{5!} - \dots \\ &= \cos y + j \sin y \end{aligned}$$

## Relating Circular and Hyperbolic Functions

Recall the definitions of the hyperbolic functions

$$\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} \quad \sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$$

From Euler's formula we have

$$e^{j\theta} = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta \quad e^{-j\theta} = \cos \theta - j \sin \theta$$

so that

$$\cos \theta = \frac{e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta}}{2} \quad \sin \theta = \frac{e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta}}{2j}$$

Comparing we can write

$$\cosh jx = \frac{e^{jx} + e^{-jx}}{2} = \cos x \quad \sinh jx = \frac{e^{jx} - e^{-jx}}{2} = j \sin x$$

so that

$$\tanh jx = \frac{\sinh jx}{\cosh jx} = j \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = j \tan x$$

## Relating Circular and Hyperbolic Functions

Alternatively choosing  $\theta = jx$  in  $\cos \theta$  and  $\sin \theta$  on the previous slide gives

$$\cos jx = \frac{e^{j^2x} + e^{-j^2x}}{2} = \frac{e^{-x} + e^x}{2} = \cosh x$$
$$\sin jx = \frac{e^{j^2x} - e^{-j^2x}}{2j} = \frac{e^{-x} - e^x}{2j} = j \sinh x$$

so that

$$\tan jx = \frac{\sin jx}{\cos jx} = j \frac{\sinh x}{\cosh x} = j \tanh x$$

## Example

### Question

Find the value of  $\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{4}(1+j)\right]$

### Solution

We can initially use the identity  $\sin(A+B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$  to give

$$\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{4}(1+j)\right] = \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \cos j \frac{\pi}{4} + \cos \frac{\pi}{4} \sin j \frac{\pi}{4}$$

We can directly evaluate  $\sin \frac{\pi}{4} = \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$  and make use of  $\cos jx = \cosh x$  and  $\sin jx = j \sinh x$  to further simplify the result.

$$\begin{aligned}\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{4}(1+j)\right] &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \cos j \frac{\pi}{4} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \sin j \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \cosh \frac{\pi}{4} + j \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \sinh \frac{\pi}{4} \\ &= 0.937 + j0.614\end{aligned}$$

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If  $w = \ln z$  then  $z = e^w$ . Writing  $z = x + jy$  and  $w = u + jv$  we have

$$x + jy = e^{u+jv} = e^u e^{jv} = e^u (\cos v + j \sin v)$$

by Euler's formula. We need to find expressions for  $u$  and  $v$ .

Equating real and imaginary parts

$$x = e^u \cos v \quad y = e^u \sin v$$

Squaring and adding both these equations

$$|z|^2 = x^2 + y^2 = e^{2u} (\cos^2 v + \sin^2 v) = e^{2u}$$

so that

$$u = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2) = \ln |z|$$



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To obtain  $v$ , we first divide the equation for the imaginary part by the equation for the real part to obtain

$$\tan v = \frac{y}{x}$$

Thus

$$v = \arg z$$

and finally

$$\ln z = \ln |z| + j \arg z$$

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## Powers of Sine and Cosine

We can use Euler's formula to aid us with deriving trigonometric identities

If  $z = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta$

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so that

$$z^n + z^{-n} = 2 \cos n\theta \quad z^n - z^{-n} = 2j \sin n\theta$$

These results are very useful as this next example shows

## Example

### Question

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We can use  $z^n + z^{-n} = 2 \cos n\theta$  with  $n = 1$  to obtain

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## De Moivre's Theorem

We have all the tools at our disposal to write the following simple result for  $z = re^{j\theta}$ :

$$z^n = r^n (e^{j\theta})^n = r^n e^{j(n\theta)}$$

so that

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

This is known as **de Moivre's theorem**.



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