

## MT2 Course Outline

Week	Exam	Topic	Homework
1	1 <sup>st</sup>	Complex Numbers	
2	1 <sup>st</sup>	Coordinates and Integration . . .	HW1
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5	1 <sup>st</sup>	Line and Surface Integrals, Div, Grad and Curl in Physics	HW4
6	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Matrices	HW5
7		Reading Week (no classes)	
8	2 <sup>nd</sup>	FIRST EXAM. Matrices, Determinants	HW6
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### 1. Revision of Complex Numbers

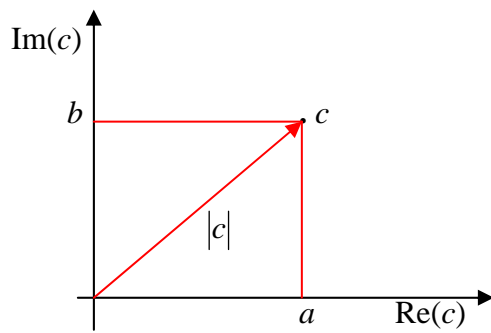
#### 1.1 Definitions and Rules

- $c = a + ib$   
‘complex’ = ‘real’ +  $i \times$  ‘real’                       $i = +\sqrt{-1}$ 

$a = \text{Re}(c)$       real part of  $c$   
 $b = \text{Im}(c)$       imaginary part of  $c$
- Addition:      Let  $c_1 = a_1 + ib_1$  and  $c_2 = a_2 + ib_2$   
Then  $c_1 + c_2 = a_1 + ib_1 + a_2 + ib_2 = a_1 + a_2 + ib_1 + ib_2$   
 $\equiv (a_1 + a_2) + i(b_1 + b_2)$
- Subtraction:      Let  $c_1 = a_1 + ib_1$  and  $c_2 = a_2 + ib_2$   
Then  $c_1 - c_2 = a_1 + ib_1 - a_2 - ib_2 = a_1 - a_2 + ib_1 - ib_2$   
 $\equiv (a_1 - a_2) - i(b_1 - b_2)$
- Multiplication:      Let  $c_1 = a_1 + ib_1$  and  $c_2 = a_2 + ib_2$   
Then  $c_1 c_2 = a_1 a_2 + a_1 i b_2 + i b_1 a_2 + i b_1 i b_2 = a_1 a_2 + a_1 i b_2 + i b_1 a_2 + i^2 b_1 b_2$   
 $\equiv (a_1 a_2 - b_1 b_2) + i(a_1 b_2 + b_1 a_2)$
- Complex Conjugate:      Let  $c = a + ib$   
Its ‘complex conjugate’ is  $c^* = a - ib$   
Notice that  
 $cc^* = (a + ib)(a - ib) = a^2 + b^2$   
which is real

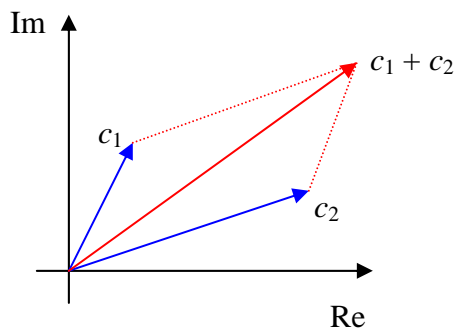
- Modulus: Let  $c = a + ib$   
 Its 'modulus' is  $|c| = \sqrt{cc^*} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$   
 Notice that  $|c| \geq 0$  and that  $|c| = 0$  if and only if  $c^* = 0$ , i.e.  $a = 0$  and  $b = 0$ .
- Division: Let  $c_1 = a + ib$  and  $c_2 = x + iy$   
 Then  $\frac{c_1}{c_2} = \frac{a + ib}{x + iy} = \frac{(a + ib)(x - iy)}{(x + iy)(x - iy)} = \frac{(ax - by) + i(bx - ay)}{x^2 + y^2}$   
 $= \frac{ax - by}{x^2 + y^2} + i \frac{bx - ay}{x^2 + y^2}$   
 $= \text{real} + i \times \text{real} = \text{complex number}$
- Solutions of Equations: E.g.  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$   
 Solutions are  $\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$   
 If  $b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$  then solutions are real  
 If  $b^2 - 4ac < 0$  then solutions are complex, and  
 $x = -\frac{b}{2a} \pm i \frac{\sqrt{4ac - b^2}}{2a}$   
 $\text{real} + i \times \text{real}$

## 1.2 The Argand Diagram



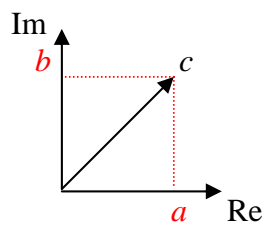
E.g.  $a = 3$   
 $b = 4$   
 $c = 3 + 4i$   
 $|c| = 5$

Complex Numbers, like Vectors, are “Ordered Pairs of Numbers”, and so *add the same way*

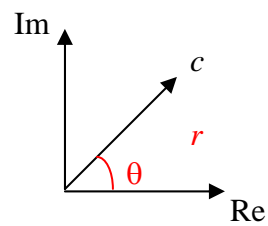


Note:  
 $c_1 - c_2 = c_1 + (-c_2)$   
 Subtract by adding  $-c_2$  to  $c_1$

## 1.3 Polar Form of Complex Numbers



is the same as



$$a = r \cos \theta$$

$$b = r \sin \theta$$

$$r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = |c|$$

$$\theta = \arg(c) = \tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a}$$

Now, a well-known series is:

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots$$

So,

$$e^{i\theta} = 1 + i\theta - \frac{\theta^2}{2} + \dots + \frac{(i\theta)^n}{n!} + \dots$$

Collecting alternate terms,

$$e^{i\theta} = 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2} + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^{2n} \theta^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \dots \\ + i \left( \theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{2n+1} \theta^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} + \dots \right)$$

Which can be identified as the series expansion of

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

So we have

$$c = a + ib = r (\cos\theta + i \sin\theta) = \underline{r e^{i\theta}}$$

Polar Form

This is useful for

- Multiplication and Division

$$c_1 c_2 = r_1 e^{i\theta_1} r_2 e^{i\theta_2} = r_1 r_2 e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

$$\frac{c_1}{c_2} = \frac{r_1 e^{i\theta_1}}{r_2 e^{i\theta_2}} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} e^{i(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}$$

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- de Moivre's Theorem

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

Proof:  $(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = (e^{i\theta})^n$   
 $= e^{i(n\theta)}$   
 $= \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta$

- One of the most beautiful relationships in mathematics:  
Put  $\theta = \pi$  ( $180^\circ$ ) in de Moivre's theorem. Then

$$\boxed{e^{i\pi} + 1 = 0}$$

## 1.4 Complex Roots

First notice that:  $e^{2\pi i} = \cos 2\pi + i \sin 2\pi = 1$

So  $e^{2\pi ni} = 1$  also (with  $n$  integer)

And  $e^{i(2\pi n + \theta)} = e^{i\theta}$

Taking roots: For  $c = re^{i\theta} = e^{i(2\pi k + \theta)}$

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

are the  $n$  different  $n^{\text{th}}$  roots of  $c$ . (For  $k \geq n$  they repeat.)

## 1.5 Complex Variables

Complex numbers used as *variables* in *functions*. We often use 'z' as a complex variable, and 'c' as a complex constant.

So  $z = x + iy = re^{i\theta}$  with  $x = \text{Re}(z)$ ,  $y = \text{Im}(z)$ , is a point anywhere on the Argand diagram, a point on the 'Complex Plane'

Examples:

1.  $|z|$  is a function of  $z$ . We may have

$$f(z) = |z| = R$$

which we can solve to get an equation for  $x$  and  $y$   
(the equation of a circle of radius  $R$ .)

2.  $\text{Arg}(z)$  is a function of  $z$ . We may have

$$g(z) = \text{Arg}(z) = \theta_0$$

which we can solve to get an equation for  $x$  and  $y$   
(the equation of a straight line of gradient  $\theta_0$ .)

3.  $\left| \frac{z-c}{z+c} \right|^2 = 1$  Solve for  $x$  and  $y$ , getting

$$ax + by = 0 \quad (\text{a straight line}) - \text{Exercise: prove it}$$

4.  $\alpha (z^2 + z^{*2}) + 2\beta z z^* = 1$

$$\text{with } \alpha = \frac{1}{4} (a^{-2} - b^{-2}) \text{ and } \beta = \frac{1}{4} (a^{-2} + b^{-2})$$

Simplifies to  $x^2 a^{-2} + y^2 b^{-2} = 1$  – Ellipse

## 1.5.2 Integrating Complex Functions

Complex functions integrate just like real functions. Examples:

$$1. \int_0^{2\pi} e^{ikx} dx = \int_0^{2\pi} (\cos kx + i \sin kx) dx = \left[ \frac{\sin kx}{k} - i \frac{\cos kx}{k} \right]_0^{2\pi} = 0$$

$k$  integer,  $k \neq 0$ .

$$\text{If } k = 0 \text{ then } \int_0^{2\pi} e^{ikx} dx = \int_0^{2\pi} 1 dx = [x]_0^{2\pi} = 2\pi$$

These results are used later, for *Fourier Series*. They may be stated as

$$\int_0^{2\pi} e^{ikx} dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k \neq 0 \\ 2\pi & \text{if } k = 0 \end{cases} = 2\pi\delta_{0k}$$

The Kronecker delta is defined by

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

$i, j$  integers

$$2. \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2 + ikx} dx$$

Rearrange:

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-ik)^2 - \frac{1}{2}k^2} dx$$

Substitute  $u$  for  $x - ik$

$$= e^{-\frac{1}{2}k^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}u^2} du$$

$$= \sqrt{2\pi} e^{-\frac{1}{2}k^2}$$

(which is needed in quantum mechanics.)

Exercise: Can you show that  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx = \sqrt{2\pi}$