Booklet: Refresher, complex numbers



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Basic properties of complex numbers

Definitios

A common, **real number** is usually illustrated as a point on the so-called number line. The magnitude is represented by the distance from the point in question to zero..



A complex number z consists of two components. It can be written as a + jb. Here, a and b are real numbers. j is the square root of -1 and is called the imaginary unit. a is the complex number real part Re (z). b is the imaginary part, Im (z).

Every complex number can be represented as a point in a two-dimensional coordinate system, the **complex plane**.



Number *z* is represented by a point with coordinates *a* and *b*.

The distance from the point to the origin represents the **amount** or **number value** |z|.

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

or

$$|z| = \sqrt{\left[\operatorname{Re}(z)\right]^2 + \left[\operatorname{Im}(z)\right]^2}$$

The angle α is called the argument of *z*, arg(*z*) and as seen in the figure

$$\tan(\alpha) = \frac{b}{a}$$

or

$$\arg(z) = \alpha = \arctan\left(\frac{\operatorname{Im}(z)}{\operatorname{Re}(z)}\right) + n \cdot 2\pi \qquad a > 0$$
$$\arg(z) = \alpha = \arctan\left(\frac{\operatorname{Im}(z)}{\operatorname{Re}(z)}\right) + \pi + n \cdot 2\pi \qquad a < 0$$

We can also express z in **polar form**, eg with |z| and α . As seen in the figure

$$a = |z|\cos(\alpha) \quad b = |z|\sin(\alpha)$$
$$z = |z|(\cos(\alpha) + j \cdot \sin(\alpha))$$

One can then imagine that it's the connecting line between the point and the origin that represents the number. We can see this as a pointer (vector) with the length |z| and a direction that is defined by the angle α .

Basic properties

Complex numbers can be treated algebraically, the following rules apply.

Addition



$$z = z_1 + z_2 = \operatorname{Re}(z_1) + \operatorname{Re}(z_2) + j(\operatorname{Im}(z_1) + \operatorname{Im}(z_2))$$

$$z_1 = a_1 + jb_1 \qquad z_2 = a_2 + jb_2$$

$$z = z_1 + z_2 = (a_1 + a_2) + j(b_1 + b_2) = \operatorname{Re}(z) + j \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z)$$

The figure shows what the addition means in the complex plane. The pointer of z equals the geometric sum of the pointers of z_1 and z_2 . For |z| and $\arg(z)$ applies the previously mentioned general terms.

Subraction

$$z = z_1 - z_2 = \operatorname{Re}(z_1) - \operatorname{Re}(z_2) + j(\operatorname{Im}(z_1) - \operatorname{Im}(z_2))$$

In the complex plane z equals the geometric difference between the z_1 and z_2 .

Multiplication

The multiplication rule, we demonstrate most easily with an example.

$$z_1 = a_1 + jb_1 \qquad z_2 = a_2 + jb_2 \qquad (j)^2 = -1$$

$$z = z_1 \cdot z_2 = (a_1 + jb_1)(a_2 + jb_2) = (a_1a_2 - b_1b_2) + j(a_1b_2 + a_2b_1)$$

The multiplication can also be implemented with the numbers expressed in polar form.



$$z = z_1 \cdot z_2$$

= $|z_1|(\cos(\alpha_1) + j\sin(\alpha_1)) \cdot |z_2|(\cos(\alpha_2) + j\sin(\alpha_2))$
= $|z_1| \cdot |z_1|(\cos(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) + j\sin(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2))$

This means that

$$|z| = |z_1 \cdot z_2| = |z_1| \cdot |z_2|$$
 $\arg(z) = \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2)$

Division

Algebraic the division is implemented like this:

$$z_1 = a_1 + jb_1 \qquad z_2 = a_2 + jb_2$$
$$z = \frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{a_1 + jb_1}{a_2 + jb_2}$$

Now, one often wants to have the results in the form a+jb and if so, one extends the denominator with the conjugates quantity t a_2 - jb_2 . Then one gets

$$z = \frac{(a_1 + jb_1)(a_2 - jb_2)}{a_2^2 + b_2^2} = \frac{a_1a_2 + b_1b_2}{a_2^2 + b_2^2} + j\frac{a_2b_1 - a_1b_2}{a_2^2 + b_2^2}$$

If numbers are expressed in polar form, the division rule that look like this:

$$z = \frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|} \left(\cos(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2) - j\sin(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2) \right)$$
$$|z| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|} = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|} \qquad \arg(z) = \arg(z_1) - \arg(z_2)$$

Some memory rules

- 1. If $z = z_1 + z_2$, so is generally $|z| \neq |z_1| + |z_2|$ (only if $\arg(z_1) = \arg(z_2)$ then $|z| = |z_1| + |z_2|$)
- 2. When calculating the amount of a product or a quotient of two complex numbers z_1 and z_2 it is generally unnecessary to first calculate the complex result and then form the amount. One calculates instead $|z_1|$ and $|z_2|$ eparately, for as we have seen applies

$$|z_1 \cdot z_2| = |z_1| \cdot |z_2|$$
 $|\frac{z_1}{z_2}| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|}$

Exemples

Exemple 1

Redo the expression 2+3/j to form a+jb.

$$2 + \frac{3}{j} = 2 + \frac{3 \cdot j}{j \cdot j} = 2 + \frac{3 \cdot j}{-1} = 2 - 3j$$

Exemple 2

Write expression z = 6 + jA + 1/(jB) in the general form of complex numbers, and write a expression for the amount.

$$z = 6 + jA - \frac{j}{B} = 6 + j\left(A - \frac{1}{B}\right)$$
$$\left|z\right| = \left|6 + j\left(A - \frac{1}{B}\right)\right| = \sqrt{36 + \left(A - \frac{1}{B}\right)^2}$$

Exemple 3

Determine |z| and $\arg(z)$ when $z = z_1 \cdot z_2$ and $z_1 = j$ and $z_2 = -1 - j$



Algebraic

$$z = z_1 \cdot z_2 = j \cdot (-1 - j) = -j - j^2 = 1 - j$$
$$|z| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$$
$$\arg(z) = \alpha = \arctan\left(\frac{-1}{1}\right) = \arctan(-1) = -\frac{\pi}{4} + 2\pi = \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

Polar

$$\begin{aligned} |z_1| &= 1 \qquad |z_2| = \sqrt{2} \\ z_1 &= 1 \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{2} + j \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \quad z_2 = \sqrt{2} \left(\cos \frac{5\pi}{4} + j \sin \frac{5\pi}{4} \right) \\ z &= z_1 \cdot z_2 = 1 \cdot \sqrt{2} \left(\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{5\pi}{4} \right) + j \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{5\pi}{4} \right) \right) \\ |z| &= \sqrt{2} \qquad \arg(z) = \frac{7\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Exemple 4

 $z_1 = 3 + j5$, $z_2 = 5 + j7$. Calculate

$$\left|z\right| = \frac{\left|z_{1}\right|}{\left|z_{2}\right|}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |z| &= \left| \frac{z_1}{z_2} \right| = \frac{|3+j5|}{|5+j7|} = \frac{\sqrt{3^2+5^2}}{\sqrt{5^2+7^2}} = \\ \frac{\sqrt{9+25}}{\sqrt{25+49}} &= \frac{\sqrt{34}}{\sqrt{74}} = \sqrt{\frac{34}{74}} = 0,68 \end{aligned}$$

If instead multiplied with conjugate quantity the calculations had been

$$z = \frac{3+j5}{5+j7} = \frac{(3+j5)(5-j7)}{(5+j7)(5-j7)} = \frac{15-j21+j25-j^235}{25-j^249}$$
$$= \frac{50+j4}{74} \qquad j^2 = -1$$
$$|z| = \frac{|50+j4|}{|74|} = \frac{\sqrt{50^2+4^2}}{74} = \frac{\sqrt{2516}}{74} = 0,68$$

If one compares the above one can see that complex conjugation involves much more work!

Exercises

Question 1

In which direction points the complex pointer z = -2 + j2 ?



Question 2

What is the sum of z_1 and z_2 if $z_1 = 1 + j2$ and $z_2 = 2 - j$?

Question 3

How long is the pointer 3 + j4?

Question 4

Draw the pointer $z = z_1 - z_2$ if $z_1 = 1 + j$ and $z_2 = 2 + j$?



How large is Im(z) if $z = z_1 + z_2$? $z_1 = 3(1+j)$ and $z_2 = 2(1-j)$.

Question 6

How large is |z| if $z = z_1 \cdot z_2$? $z_1 = 2 + j$ och $z_2 = -(2 + j)$.

Question 7

What is $|3+j4| \cdot |j2|$?

Question 8

Determine |z| and $\arg(z)$ if $z = z_1 \cdot z_2$ and $z_1 = 1 + j$ and $z_2 = -1 + j$.



Question 9

what will be $z = z_1 \cdot z_2$ if $z_1 = j$ and $z_2 = 1 - j$.



Vhat is |z|?

$$z = \frac{\frac{2}{j3}}{2 + \frac{1}{j3}}$$

Question 11

Calculate z. $z_1 = 2 + j3$ and $z_2 = 1 + j$.

$$z=\frac{z_1}{z_2}$$



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Answers and solutions

Question 1



Question 2

 $z = z_1 + z_2 = 1 + j2 + 2 - j = 3 + j$.

Question 3

$$\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{9 + 16} = 5$$

Question 4



Question 5

$$Im(z) = Im(z_1) + Im(z_2) = 3 + (-2) = 1$$

$$|z_1| = \sqrt{4+1} = \sqrt{5}$$
 $|z_2| = \sqrt{4+1} = \sqrt{5}$
 $|z| = |z_1| \cdot |z_2| = \sqrt{5} \cdot \sqrt{5} = 5$

Question 7

$$\sqrt{9+16} \cdot 2 = 10$$
 eller $|j6-8| = \sqrt{36+64} = 10$

Question 8

$$z = z_1 \cdot z_2 = (1+j)(-1+j) = -1+j-j+j^2 = -2$$

$$\arg(z) = \arctan\left(\frac{0}{-2}\right) + \pi = \pi$$



Question 9

$$z = z_1 \cdot z_2 = \mathbf{j}(1 - \mathbf{j}) = \mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{j}^2 = 1 + \mathbf{j}$$

eller
$$z_1 = \mathbf{1}(\cos\frac{\pi}{2} + \mathbf{j}\sin\frac{\pi}{2}) \qquad z_2 = \sqrt{2}(\cos\frac{7\pi}{4} + \mathbf{j}\sin\frac{7\pi}{4})$$
$$z = z_1 \cdot z_2 = \sqrt{2}(\cos\frac{\pi}{4} + \mathbf{j}\sin\frac{\pi}{4})$$



$$z = \frac{\frac{2}{j3}}{2 + \frac{1}{j3}} \cdot \frac{j3}{j3} = \frac{2}{j6 + 1}$$
$$|z| = \frac{|2|}{|j6 + 1|} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{36 + 1}} = 0,329$$

Question 11

Algebraic

$$z = \frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{2+j3}{1+j} = \frac{(2+j3)}{(1+j)} \cdot \frac{(1-j)}{(1-j)} =$$
$$= \frac{2+j-3j^2}{1+1} = \frac{5+j}{2} = 2,5+0,5j$$

Polar

$$|z| = \frac{|z_1|}{|z_2|} \quad \arg(z) = \arg(z_1) - \arg(z_2)$$
$$z = |z| \cdot (\cos(\arg(z)) + \mathbf{j} \cdot \sin(\arg(z)))$$

