

## Euler's Formula

$$e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Pf (presumes knowledge of Taylor Series)

$$e^{ix} = 1 + (ix) + \frac{1}{2!}(ix)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}(ix)^3 + \dots$$

$$e^{ix} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2!}x^2 + \frac{1}{4!}x^4 - \dots\right) + i \left(x - \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{5!}x^5 - \dots\right)$$

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

A remarkable formula can be found by setting  $x = \pi$

$$e^{i\pi} = -1$$

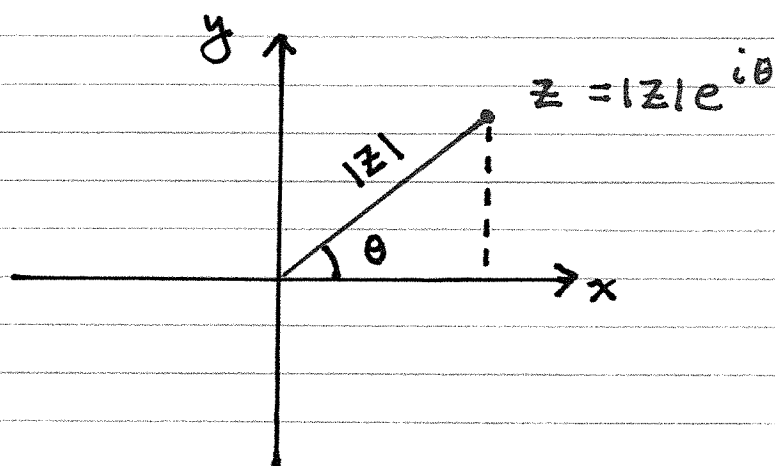
or

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

which relates all the most important numbers

$$0 \quad . \quad 1 \quad e \quad \pi \quad i$$

## Polar Representation



Given Euler's formula

$$(1) \quad z = |z|e^{i\theta} = |z|(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)$$

where  $\theta = \arg(z)$ . Hence

$$\operatorname{Re} z = |z|\cos\theta$$

$$\operatorname{Im} z = |z|\sin\theta$$

It is worth noting  $|e^{i\theta}| = 1$  in

$$z = |z|e^{i\theta}$$

### Theorem

$$z_1 z_2 = |z_1 z_2| e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

Pf is direct but lengthy

$$(1) z_1 z_2 = |z_1| |z_2| (\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1) (\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)$$

Take real and imaginary parts

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(z_1 z_2) &= |z_1| |z_2| (\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2) \\ &= |z_1| |z_2| \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Im}(z_1 z_2) &= |z_1| |z_2| (\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2) \\ &= |z_1| |z_2| \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \end{aligned}$$

Hence (1) becomes

$$z_1 z_2 = |z_1| |z_2| (\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2))$$

$$z_1 z_2 = |z_1| |z_2| e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)} \quad //$$

EXAMPLE  $z_1 = i$  and  $z_2 = 1+i$

Using Arg (Principal) we have

$$z_1 = e^{i\pi/2} \quad \text{Arg}(z_1) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$z_2 = \sqrt{2} e^{i\pi/4} \quad \text{Arg}(z_2) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

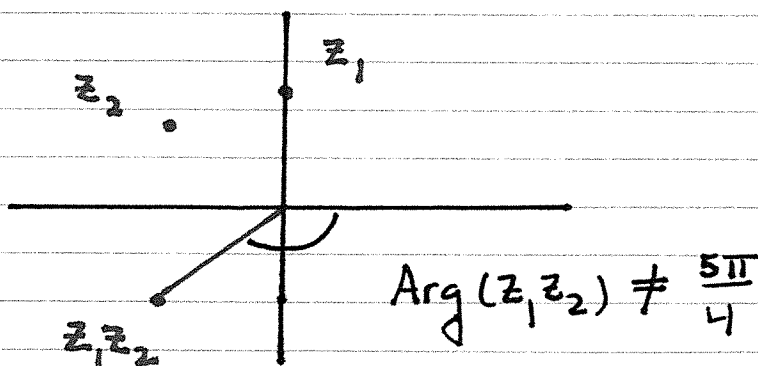
$$z_1 z_2 = \sqrt{2} e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}}$$

Here  $\text{Arg}(z_1 z_2) = \text{Arg } z_1 + \text{Arg } z_2$

EXAMPLE  $z_1 = i$  and  $z_2 = -1+i$

$$z_1 z_2 = \sqrt{2} e^{i(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{3\pi}{4})}$$

$$z_1 z_2 = \sqrt{2} e^{i\frac{5\pi}{4}} = -1-i$$



Here

$$\text{Arg}(z_1 z_2) \neq \text{Arg } z_1 + \text{Arg } z_2$$

## Theorem De Moivre's Formula

Let  $r = |z|$ . For any integer  $n \geq 1$

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

Pf: Induction with  $z = z_1 = z_2$ .

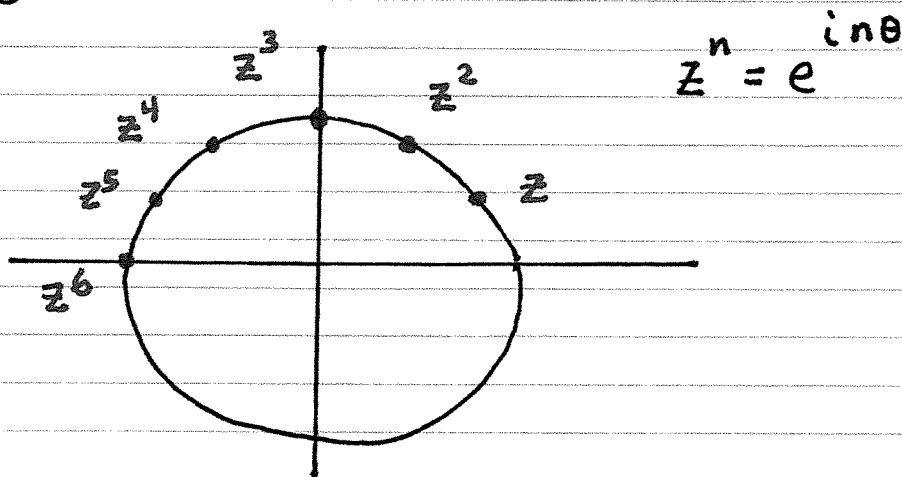
EXAMPLE Powers of  $z = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{i}{2}$

In polar we have

$$z = e^{i\theta}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

noting  $|z| = 1$ .



If we use  $\theta = \arg(z) \in [0, 2\pi)$  then

$$\arg z^7 = \frac{7\pi}{6}$$

but if we use  $\theta = \text{Arg}(z) \in (-\pi, \pi]$

$$\text{Arg} z^7 = -\frac{5\pi}{6}$$

## Inverse of $z$ in polar

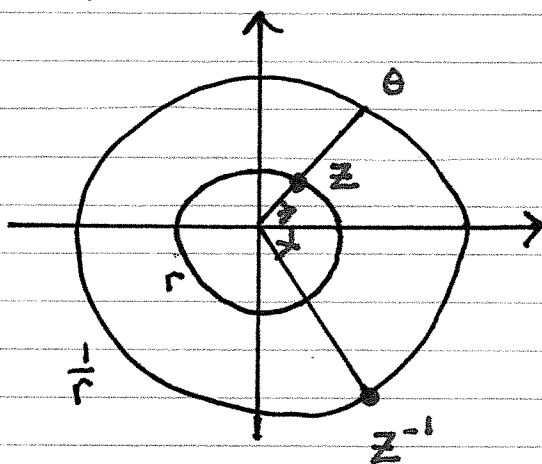
Again  $r \equiv |z|$ . Then  $z = r e^{i\theta}$ .  
It is easy to verify

$$z^{-1} = \frac{1}{r} e^{-i\theta}$$

since the product

$$z z^{-1} = r \cdot \frac{1}{r} e^{i(\theta - \theta)} = e^{0i} = 1$$

Graphically



Circles of  
radius  $r, r^{-1}$

EXAMPLE  $z = 1+i$  has polar form  $z = \sqrt{2} e^{i\theta/4}$

Can easily find

$$z^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-i\theta/4} = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2} = \frac{1}{2}(1-i)$$

## Arguments and Products/Powers

From the polar representation of  $z_1, z_2$  we can easily deduce

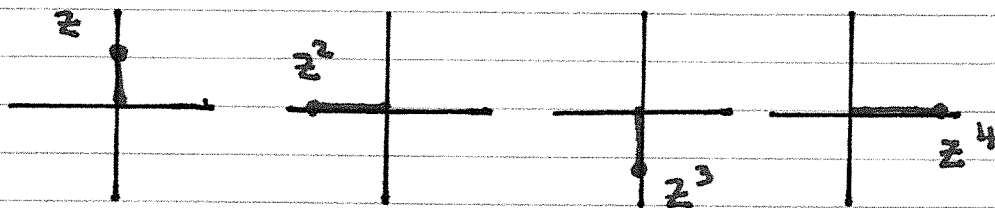
$$|z_1 z_2| = |z_1| |z_2|$$

$$\text{Arg}(z_1 z_2) = \text{Arg } z_1 + \text{Arg } z_2 \pmod{2\pi}$$

If  $z_k$  aren't both in quadrant I it may be the case  $\text{Arg}(z_1 z_2)$  and  $\text{Arg } z_1 + \text{Arg } z_2$  are off by a multiple of  $2\pi$ .

Illustrate issue by an example

EXAMPLE  $z = i$  and  $z = e^{i\theta}$  where  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  using  $\text{Arg}(z)$



$$\text{Arg } z = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{Arg } z^2 = \pi$$

$$\text{Arg } z^3 = -\frac{\pi}{2} \neq \text{Arg } z + \text{Arg } z + \text{Arg } z = \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{Arg } z^4 = 0$$

EXAMPLE Compute  $(1+i)^7$

Of course we wouldn't expand out  $(1+i)^7$ . That would be too much work. Instead note that in polar this is the same as:

$$z^7 \qquad z = \sqrt{2} e^{i\pi/4}$$

Hence

$$z^7 = (\sqrt{2})^7 e^{i7\pi/4}$$

$$z^7 = 8\sqrt{2} e^{i(2\pi - \pi/4)} \quad \text{change to Arg}$$

$$z^7 = 8\sqrt{2} e^{-i\pi/4}$$

$$z^7 = 8\sqrt{2} (1-i)$$

EXAMPLE Use de Moivre's formula to derive identities for  $\cos(2\theta)$  and  $\sin(2\theta)$

For  $z = e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta$ , de Moivre's formula  $\Rightarrow$

$$z^2 = (\cos 2\theta + i \sin 2\theta)$$

$$= (\cos\theta + i \sin\theta)^2$$

$$= (\cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta) + 2i \sin\theta \cos\theta$$

Equating real and imaginary parts

$$\cos 2\theta = \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta$$

$$\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin\theta \cos\theta$$