

Dangerous formulas of complex numbers

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The set of complex numbers can be represented

$$\mathbb{C} := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & -y \\ y & x \end{bmatrix} = xI + yi : (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \right\},$$

where orthogonal basis vectors

$$I := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad i := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

\mathbb{C} is a vector space of matrices and matrix multiplication is bilinear, so \mathbb{C} is an *algebra*. For a given $z \in \mathbb{C}$, we call $x = \text{Re}(z)$ the real part, and $y = \text{Im}(z)$ the imaginary part. If we abuse notation and leave out the I , we can write

$$z = x + iy = \text{Re}(z) + i\text{Im}(z)$$

with abstract algebra relation $i^2 = -1$.

Complex conjugate: $\bar{z} := \text{Re}(z) - i\text{Im}(z)$

$$\text{Re}(z) = (z + \bar{z})/2, \quad \text{Im}(z) = (\bar{z} - z)i/2$$

Multiplication and Division:

$$cz = (cx) + i(cy), \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 z_2 &= (x_1 + iy_1)(x_2 + iy_2) \\ &= (x_1 x_2 - y_1 y_2) + i(x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1) \\ &= z_2 z_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Im}(iz) = \text{Re}(z), \quad \text{Re}(iz) = -\text{Im}(z)$$

$$z^{-1} = (x + iy)^{-1} = \frac{x - iy}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{\bar{z}}{z\bar{z}}$$

Modulus: $|z| := \sqrt{\text{Re}(z)^2 + \text{Im}(z)^2} = \sqrt{z\bar{z}} = r$

$$||z_1| - |z_2|| \leq |z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$$

Cardano's near-solution to cubic $p + qz - z^3 = 0$ is

$$\sqrt[3]{\sqrt{\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{q}{3}\right)^3} + \frac{p}{2}} - \sqrt[3]{\sqrt{\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{q}{3}\right)^3} - \frac{p}{2}}$$

Polar: $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$, radius r , argument θ

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

de Moivre's formula: For $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$(\cos(t) + i \sin(t))^n = \cos(nt) + i \sin(nt)$$

Complex exponential

$$e^z := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$$\cos z = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}, \quad \sin z = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}$$

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

$$\tanh z = \sinh z / \cosh z, \quad \tan z = \sin z / \cos z$$

Euler's formula $\cos(t) + i \sin(t) = e^{it}$, $e^{i\pi} = -1$

$$e^z = e^{\text{Re}(z)} e^{i \text{Im}(z)}$$

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

$$(r e^{i\theta})^{-1} = e^{-i\theta} / r$$

Reciprocal powers when $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$z = 1^{1/n} \leftrightarrow z^n = 1$$

$$\leftrightarrow z \in \{e^{2\pi i k/n} : k = 0 \dots n-1\}$$

$$z = a^{1/n} = (r e^{i\theta})^{1/n} \in |r|^{1/n} |e^{i\theta/n + 2\pi k/n}$$

$\text{Arg}(z) : -\pi < \text{Arg}(z) \leq \pi$, $\text{Arg} z - \arg z \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$.

$$z = |z| e^{i \text{Arg} z}$$

$$\log z = \ln |z| + i \arg z, \quad \text{Log} z = \ln |z| + i \text{Arg} z$$

Analytic: $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$

Solution of a linear system $a + sv = p$, $b + tw = p$ for complex p , given s and t are real unknowns,

$$p = (\text{Im}(\bar{a}v)w - \text{Im}(\bar{b}w)v) / \text{Im}(v\bar{w})$$

Vector products:

$$z_1 z_2 = (\bar{z}_1 \cdot z_2) + i(\bar{z}_1 \times z_2)$$

$$= (\bar{z}_1 \cdot z_2) + i(z_1 \cdot i\bar{z}_2)$$

$$= (\bar{z}_1 \cdot z_2) - i(\bar{z}_1 \cdot iz_2)$$

$$z_1 \cdot z_2 = \text{Re}(\bar{z}_1 z_2) = (\bar{z}_1 z_2 + z_1 \bar{z}_2) / 2$$

$$= |z_1| |z_2| \cos(\theta_2 - \theta_1)$$

$$z_1 \cdot iz_2 = -(iz_1 \cdot z_2)$$

$$z_1 \times z_2 = \text{Im}(\bar{z}_1 z_2) = x_1 y_2 - x_2 y_1$$

$$= |z_1| |z_2| \sin(\theta_2 - \theta_1) = \text{Area}(z_1, z_2)$$

$$\text{Polygon Area} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Im} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \bar{z}_{i-1} z_i \right), \quad z_0 = z_n$$

Complex analysis: $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) = w \leftrightarrow$

$$(\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 : 0 < |z| < \delta \rightarrow |f(z) - w| < \epsilon)$$

$$f'(z) := \lim_{dz \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z) - f(z - dz)}{dz}$$

$$(f(z) + g(z))' = f'(z) + g'(z)'$$

$$(f(z)g(z))' = f'(z)g(z) + f(z)g'(z)$$

$$f(g(z))' = f'(g(z))g'(z)$$

$$(z^n)' = n z^{n-1}, \quad n \neq -1$$

$$\nexists (\bar{z})'$$

Cauchy-Riemann eqs: When $f(z) = u(z) + iv(z)$,

$$u_x = v_y, \quad u_y = -v_x$$

$$f' = u_x + iv_x = u_x - iv_y = v_y + iv_x$$

$$\nabla u \cdot \nabla v = 0$$

$$u_{xx} = v_{xy} = -u_{yy}$$

$$v_{xx} = -u_{xy} = -v_{yy}$$

$f(z)$ is **holomorphic** in open neighborhood $U \subset \mathbb{C}$ when $\forall z \in U, \exists f'(z)$.

2D Vector calculus: Let Ω be a simply connected oriented closed subset of the 2-D plane, with smooth boundary $\partial\Omega$ parameterized by arclength s with normal unit vector \hat{n} and tangent unit vector \hat{T} , and let $F(x, y) = [u(x, y), v(x, y)]$ be a continuous vector field with continuous first derivatives on Ω .

$$\text{Gradient } \nabla F = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Divergence } \nabla \cdot F = u_x + v_y$$

$$\text{Curl } \nabla \times F = v_x - u_y$$

Green's theorem in 2-d for : Inflows from internal sources equal outflows through the boundary.

$$\iint_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot F d\Omega = \oint_{\partial\Omega} F \times d(\partial\Omega) = \oint_{\partial\Omega} F \cdot \hat{n} ds$$

Stoke's theorem in 2-d: Whatever circulation is created inside a domain must be observed as circulation on the boundary.

$$\iint_{\Omega} \nabla \times F d\Omega = \oint_{\partial\Omega} F \cdot d(\partial\Omega) = \oint_{\partial\Omega} F \cdot \hat{T} ds$$

A holomorphic function $\Phi(z) = \phi(z) + i\psi(z)$ is also a complex potential where $\phi(z)$ is the electrostatic potential, $\psi(z)$ is the electrostatic flux, and both are harmonic.

$$\nabla\phi = \overline{\Phi'}, \quad \nabla\psi = i\overline{\Phi'}, \quad \nabla^2\phi = \nabla^2\psi = 0$$

$$\text{Curl area: } \int_{\Gamma} u(x, y) ds = \int_{\Gamma} u(z) |dz|$$

$$\text{Work: } \int_{\Gamma} u(x, y) dx + v(x, y) dy = \int_{\Gamma} f(z) \cdot dz$$

x and y line integrals:

$$\int_{\Gamma} u(x, y) dx = \text{Re} \int_{\Gamma} u(z) \text{Re}(dz)$$

$$\int_{\Gamma} u(x, y) dy = \text{Im} \int_{\Gamma} u(z) \text{Im}(dz)$$

Complex integral:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C f(z) dz &= \int_{\Gamma} \bar{f}(z) \cdot dz + i \int_{\Gamma} i \bar{f}(z) \cdot dz \\ &= \int_C u dx - \int_C v dy + i \int_C v dx + i \int_C u dy \end{aligned}$$

Polya's interpretation:

$$\oint_{\partial\Omega} f(z) dz = \iint_{\Omega} (\nabla \times \bar{f} + i \nabla \cdot \bar{f}) (dx \wedge dy)$$

ML-bound theorem:

$$\left| \int_{\Gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq |\Gamma| \max_{z \in \Gamma} |f(z)|$$

Fundamental theorem of complex calculus:

$$\frac{d}{dz} \int_a^z f(w) dw = f(z)$$

Cauchy's theorem:

$$\oint_{\partial\Omega} f(z) dz = 0$$

Cauchy's integral formula:

$$\oint_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(z)}{z-a} dz = 2\pi i f(a)$$

Cauchy's extended integral formula:

$$\oint_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(z)}{(z-a)^{n+1}} dz = \frac{2\pi i}{n!} \frac{d^n f(a)}{dz^n}$$

Taylor series for functions holomorphic at a :

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n!} \frac{d^n f(a)}{dz^n} \right) (z-a)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\oint_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(w)}{(w-a)^{n+1}} dw \right) (z-a)^n \end{aligned}$$

Laurent series at singularity a :

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{f(w)}{(w-a)^{n+1}} dw \right) (z-a)^n$$

Residue at a pole of order n

$$\text{Res} \left[\frac{f(z)}{(z-a)^n}, a \right] = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \frac{d^{n-1} f(a)}{dz^{n-1}}$$

Residue theorem for Meromorphic functions:

$$\oint_{\partial\Omega} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{a \in \Omega} \text{Res}[f, a]$$