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Lecture Series:
Structural Dynamics

Mathematical Review 1:
Complex Numbers



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I: Algebraic Formulation

definition: imaginary number i :

$$i = \sqrt{-1}$$



complex number:

$$\underline{z} = a + ib$$



a : real part $\text{Re}(\underline{z})$

b : imaginary part $\text{Im}(\underline{z})$

conjugate complex number:

$$\underline{\tilde{z}} = a - ib$$



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Algebraic Operations

given: 2 complex numbers

$$\underline{z_1} = a + ib$$

$$\underline{z_2} = c + id$$

addition:

$$\underline{z_1} + \underline{z_2} = (a + c) + i(b + d)$$

multiplication:

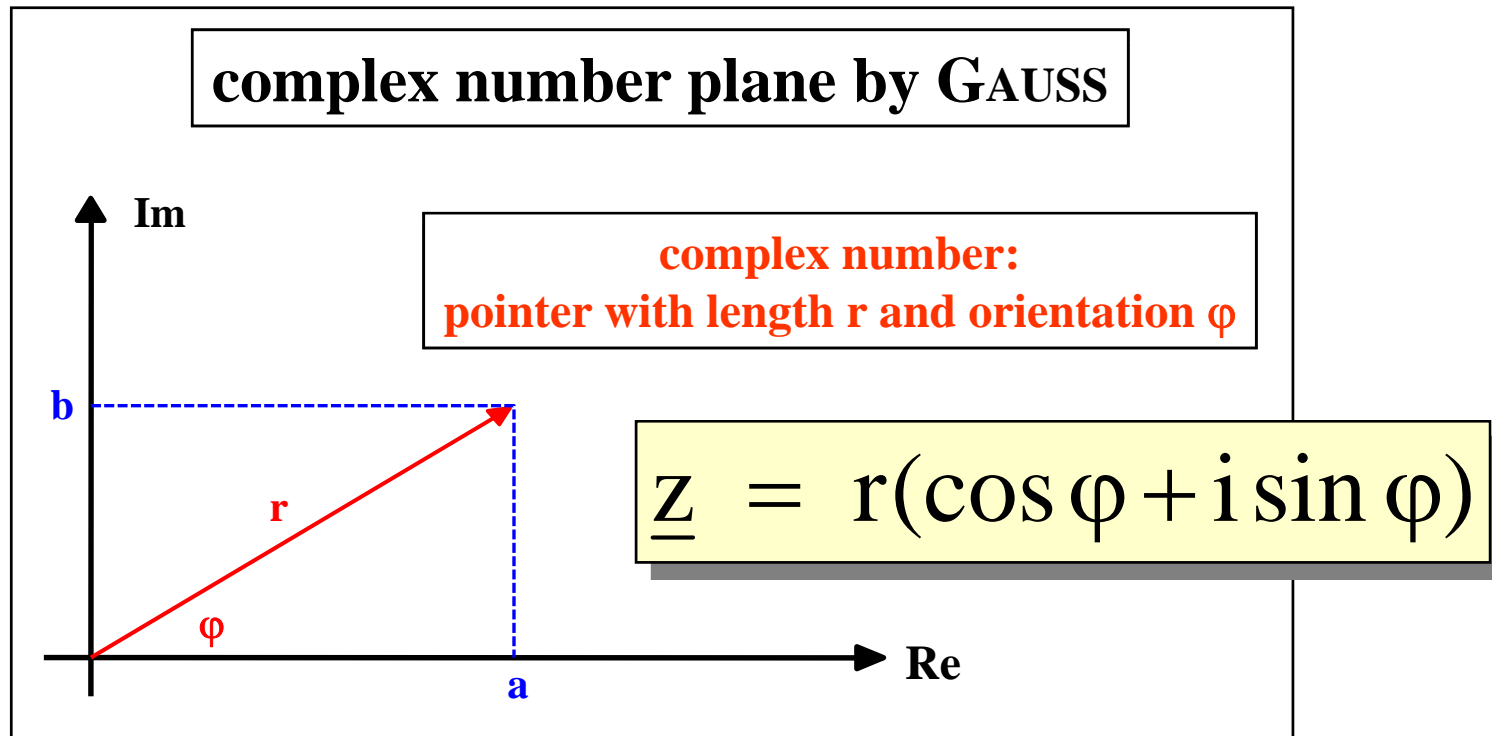
$$\underline{z_1} \cdot \underline{z_2} = (ac - bd) + i(ad + bc)$$

division:

$$\frac{\underline{z_1}}{\underline{z_2}} = \frac{a + ib}{c + id} \cdot \frac{c - id}{c - id} = \frac{(ac + bd) + i(bc - ad)}{c^2 + d^2}$$



II: Polar Formulation



absolute value r of \underline{z} :

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

phase φ of \underline{z} :

$$\tan \varphi = b / a$$

$$a = r \cos \varphi$$

$$b = r \sin \varphi$$



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Algebraic Operations

multiplication:

$$\underline{z_1} \cdot \underline{z_2} = r_1 r_2 (\cos \varphi_1 + i \sin \varphi_1) (\cos \varphi_2 + i \sin \varphi_2)$$



$$\underline{z_1} \cdot \underline{z_2} = r_1 r_2 \{ (\cos \varphi_1 \cos \varphi_2 - \sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2) + i (\sin \varphi_1 \cos \varphi_2 + \cos \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2) \}$$



$$\underline{z_1} \cdot \underline{z_2} = r_1 r_2 (\cos(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2) + i \sin(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2))$$

Multiplication becomes very easy in the GAUSSIAN number plane: the magnitude of the product is equal to the product of the magnitudes, and the angle of the product is equal to the sum of the angles.



Algebraic Operations

division:

$$\frac{\underline{z_1}}{\underline{z_2}} = \frac{r_1 (\cos \varphi_1 + i \sin \varphi_1)}{r_2 (\cos \varphi_2 + i \sin \varphi_2)}$$



$$\frac{\underline{z_1}}{\underline{z_2}} = \frac{r_1 (\cos \varphi_1 + i \sin \varphi_1)(\cos \varphi_2 - i \sin \varphi_2)}{r_2 (\cos \varphi_2 + i \sin \varphi_2)(\cos \varphi_2 - i \sin \varphi_2)}$$



$$\frac{\underline{z_1}}{\underline{z_2}} = \frac{r_1 \{ (\cos \varphi_1 \cos \varphi_2 + \sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2) + i(\cos \varphi_2 \sin \varphi_1 - \cos \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2) \}}{r_2 (\cos^2 \varphi_2 + \sin^2 \varphi_2)}$$



$$\frac{\underline{z_1}}{\underline{z_2}} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} (\cos(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2) + i \sin(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2))$$



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III: Exponential Formulation

EULER's formula:

$$e^{i\varphi} = \cos \varphi + i \sin \varphi$$

Proof:

$$y_1 = e^{i\varphi}$$

$$y_2 = \cos \varphi + i \sin \varphi$$

$$y_1' = \frac{dy_1}{d\varphi} = ie^{i\varphi}$$

$$y_2' = \frac{dy_2}{d\varphi} = -\sin \varphi + i \cos \varphi = i(\cos \varphi + i \sin \varphi)$$



$$y_1' = iy_1$$



$$y_2' = iy_2$$

Both y_1 and y_2 are solutions of the same differential equation. Therefore they must be identical and thus the EULER identity has been proven to be true.



Algebraic Operations

conjugate complex number:

$$\underline{z} = r e^{i\varphi} \rightarrow \underline{\tilde{z}} = r e^{-i\varphi}$$

multiplication and division:

$$\underline{z_1} \cdot \underline{z_2} = r_1 r_2 e^{i(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2)}$$
$$\frac{\underline{z_1}}{\underline{z_2}} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} e^{i(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)}$$



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Powers and Roots

n-th power of a complex number:

$$\underline{z} = re^{i\varphi} \Rightarrow \underline{z}^n = (re^{i\varphi})^n = r^n e^{i\varphi n}$$

A complex number is raised to the n-th power by raising the magnitude to the n-th power and multiplying the angle by n. Very easy in the polar and complex form.
Computing the n-th root is achieved by extracting the n-th root of the magnitude and dividing the angle by n.

roots of complex numbers:

$$\underline{z} = re^{i\varphi} \Rightarrow \sqrt[n]{\underline{z}} = (re^{i\varphi})^{\frac{1}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{r} e^{\frac{i\varphi}{n}}$$

