

TMA 4115 Matematikk 3

Lecture 3 for MBIOT5, MTKJ, MTNANO

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Complex numbers

For complex numbers we ...

- can compute sums, products, reciprocals, quotients and n th-roots,
- use the polar form to compute products and n th-roots

The formula for n th roots in the last lecture contained an error.

Thus we repeat the formulae:

n -th roots of complex numbers

Let $z = r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))$ be a complex number and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

We call

$$z_1 = \sqrt[n]{r} \left(\cos \left(\frac{\theta}{n} \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{\theta}{n} \right) \right)$$

the *principal n th root of z* .

Examples:

$z = i = 1(\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) + i \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}))$ the principal n th root
is $\cos(\frac{\pi}{2n}) + i \sin(\frac{\pi}{2n})$

$z = 0$ the principal n -th root is 0.

For $z \neq 0$ there are n distinct n th roots which can be computed via

$$z_1 = \sqrt[n]{r} \left(\cos \left(\frac{\theta}{n} \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{\theta}{n} \right) \right)$$

$$z_2 = \sqrt[n]{r} \left(\cos \left(\frac{\theta + 2\pi}{n} \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{\theta + 2\pi}{n} \right) \right)$$

$$z_3 = \sqrt[n]{r} \left(\cos \left(\frac{\theta + 4\pi}{n} \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{\theta + 4\pi}{n} \right) \right)$$

\vdots

$$z_n = \sqrt[n]{r} \left(\cos \left(\frac{\theta + 2(n-1)\pi}{n} \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{\theta + 2(n-1)\pi}{n} \right) \right)$$

Complex functions and the exponential map

Our next goal is to define functions depending on complex variables.

We need these functions to solve differential equations.

How do we define define a *complex function*?

- Copy the definition of a real function and use complex variables!

Real functions

Recall that a *real function* is a triple

$$f: U \rightarrow V, x \mapsto f(x)$$

where the parts of the triple are

$U \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ the *domain* (i.e. the numbers we apply f to)

$V \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ the *codomain* (must contain all values of f)

$x \mapsto f(x)$ a *rule* assigning to each x an element $f(x)$

Examples:

$$g: (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, \infty), x \mapsto \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\sin: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, x \mapsto \sin(x)$$

Here (a, b) is the open interval from a to b .