
REVIEW OF COMPLEX NUMBERS

DEF: $j = \sqrt{-1}$. Use j not i in EECS since i =current in EECS!

DEF: A complex number z can be written as $z = x + jy = Me^{j\theta} = M\angle\theta$

where: $x + jy$ =**rectangular** form of z ; $Me^{j\theta} = M\angle\theta$ =**polar** form of z .

AND: $x = \text{Re}[z]$; $y = \text{Im}[z]$; $M = |z|$; $\theta = \text{arg}[z]$.

Real part Imag part Magnitude Argument or phase

LEMMA: Euler's theorem: $e^{j\theta} = \cos\theta + j\sin\theta$.

WHY? Insert $x = j\theta$ into the infinite series $e^x = 1 + x + x^2/2! + \dots$

ALSO: $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{2}(e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta})$; $\sin\theta = \frac{1}{2j}(e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta})$.

Converting rectangular form \leftrightarrow polar form:

P \rightarrow R: $Me^{j\theta} = x + jy$ where $x = M\cos\theta$ and $y = M\sin\theta$.

R \rightarrow P: $x + jy = Me^{j\theta}$ where $M = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and $\tan\theta = y/x$.

Summary: $\begin{cases} x = M\cos\theta \\ y = M\sin\theta \end{cases}$; $M = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$; $\theta = \begin{cases} \arctan \frac{y}{x} & \text{if } x > 0; \\ \arctan \frac{y}{x} \pm \pi & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$

EX#1: $+3 + j4 = 5e^{+j0.927}$ since $5 = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}$ and $+0.927 = \arctan \frac{+4}{+3}$.

EX#2: $-3 - j4 = 5e^{-j2.214}$ since $5 = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}$ and $-2.214 = \arctan \frac{-4}{-3} - \pi$.

HINT: Draw an *Argand diagram* ($\text{Im}[z]$ vs. $\text{Re}[z]$) to visualize.

Matlab: `abs(3+4j)`; `angle(3+4j)`; `real(3+4j)`; `imag(3+4j)`

Adding, Subtracting, Multiplying, Dividing:

- **Add and subtract** complex numbers in **rectangular** form.

since: $(a + jb) + (c + jd) = (a + c) + j(b + d)$. **Note:** $\text{Re}[z + w] = \text{Re}[z] + \text{Re}[w]$.

EX: $5e^{j0.927} + \sqrt{2}e^{j0.785} = (3 + j4) + (1 + j) = 4 + j5 = 6.4e^{j0.896}$.

- **Multiply and divide** complex numbers in **polar** form.

since: $(M_1e^{j\theta_1})(M_2e^{j\theta_2}) = (M_1M_2)e^{j(\theta_1+\theta_2)}$. **Note:** $|zw| = |z| \cdot |w|$.

EX: $(3 + j4)(1 + j) = (5e^{j0.927})(\sqrt{2}e^{j0.785}) = 5\sqrt{2}e^{j1.71} = -1 + j7$.

- **Multiplying and dividing** in rectangular form:

$$(a+jb)(c+jd) = (ac-bd) + j(ad+bc); \quad \frac{a+jb}{c+jd} = \frac{a+jb}{c+jd} \frac{c-jd}{c-jd} = \frac{ac+bd}{c^2+d^2} + j\frac{bc-ad}{c^2+d^2} \text{ (ugh)}$$

EX: $(3 + j4)(1 + j) = (3 \cdot 1 - 4 \cdot 1) + j((4 \cdot 1) + (3 \cdot 1)) = -1 + j7 = 5\sqrt{2}e^{j1.71}$.

EX: Compute $2\sqrt{3}e^{j\pi/6} + 2e^{-j\pi/3}$. Convert polar to rectangular:

$$= (2\sqrt{3}\cos(\pi/6) + j2\sqrt{3}\sin(\pi/6)) + (2\cos(\pi/3) + j2\sin(-\pi/3))$$

$$= (2\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3}/2) + j2\sqrt{3}(1/2)) + (2(1/2) - j2(\sqrt{3}/2)) = 4. \text{ (!)}$$

EX: $(2\sqrt{3}e^{j\pi/6}) / (2e^{-j\pi/3}) = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{2}e^{j(\pi/6 - (-\pi/3))} = \sqrt{3}e^{j\pi/2} = j\sqrt{3}$.

PHASORS: COMPLEX NUMBERS REPRESENT SINUSOIDS

Phasors: Represent sinusoid $x(t) = M \cos(\omega t + \theta)$ with complex no. $X = Me^{j\theta}$.

Note: $x(t) = \text{Re}[Xe^{j\omega t}] = \text{Re}[Me^{j\theta}e^{j\omega t}] = \text{Re}[Me^{j(\omega t + \theta)}] = M \cos(\omega t + \theta)$.

Why? $A \cos(\omega t + \theta) + B \cos(\omega t + \phi) = \text{Re}[Ae^{j(\omega t + \theta)} + Be^{j(\omega t + \phi)}]$
 $= \text{Re}[e^{j\omega t}(Ae^{j\theta} + Be^{j\phi})] = \text{Re}[e^{j\omega t}(Ce^{j\psi})] = C \cos(\omega t + \psi)$.

where: $Ae^{j\theta} + Be^{j\phi} = Ce^{j\psi}$. Add sinusoids \Leftrightarrow add complex numbers!

EX#1: Simplify $x(t) = 3 \cos(\omega t) + 3 \cos(\omega t + 120^\circ) + 3 \cos(\omega t + 240^\circ)$.

Hard: Use cosine addition formula \rightarrow mess. If do it right, get $x(t) = 0$ (!)

Easy: Phasors: $X = 3e^{j0} + 3e^{j120^\circ} + 3e^{j240^\circ} = 0 \rightarrow x(t) = \text{Re}[Xe^{j\omega t}] = 0!$

Why? Draw picture in complex plane: easy to see resultant of these=0!

EX#2: Show that $5 \cos(\omega t + 53^\circ) + \sqrt{2} \cos(\omega t + 45^\circ) = 6.4 \cos(\omega t + 51^\circ)$.

Hard: Use cosine addition formula twice. Left as exercise for student.

Easy: $5e^{j53^\circ} + \sqrt{2}e^{j45^\circ} = (3 + j4) + (1 + j) = (4 + j5) = 6.4e^{j51^\circ}$. QED.

1. Sinusoids must **all be at the same frequency** to add their phasors. If different frequencies: partition into sums at same frequency.
 2. Use $\sin(\omega t + \theta) = \cos(\omega t + \theta - \pi/2)$ as necessary.
 3. Multiplying sinusoids is NOT equivalent to multiplying phasors!
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OTHER COMPLEX NUMBER FACTS:

DEF: Complex conjugate z^* of z is $z^* = x - jy = Me^{-j\theta} = M \angle -\theta$.

1. $|z^*| = |z|$; $|z|^2 = zz^*$; $\arg[z^*] = -\arg[z]$; $(zw)^* = z^*w^*$.
 2. $\frac{1}{z} = \frac{z^*}{zz^*} = \frac{z^*}{|z|^2}$. Compare to rectangular division formula.
 3. $z = Me^{j\theta} \rightarrow z^* = Me^{-j\theta}$; $\frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{M}e^{-j\theta}$; $-z = Me^{j(\theta \pm \pi)}$.
 4. $A \cos(\omega t + \theta) = \frac{1}{2}(X + X^*)$ where $X = Ae^{j(\omega t + \theta)} = Ae^{j\theta}e^{j\omega t}$.
 5. $\text{Re}[z] = \frac{1}{2}(z + z^*)$ and $|e^{j|z|}| = 1$ for **any** complex z .
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OTHER COMPLEX NUMBER TRICKS:

1. $\text{Im}[3 + j4] = 4$ **NOT** $j4$! **VERY common mistake!**
2. $e^{\pm j\pi} = -1$. $j = e^{j\pi/2}$ and $-j = e^{j3\pi/2} \Leftrightarrow \cos(\omega t \pm 90^\circ) = \mp \sin(\omega t)$.
3. $j(3 + j4) = -4 + j3 = (1e^{j90^\circ})(5e^{j53^\circ}) = 5e^{j143^\circ}$: 90° rotation.
4. Compute $|\frac{5(8+j)(8+j6)(5+j12)(5+j10)}{26(7+j4)(7+j24)(2+j11)}| = \sqrt{\frac{(25)(65)(100)(169)(125)}{(26)^2(65)(625)(125)}} = 1$.
5. The following identity is true to an overall sign. Why?

$$\frac{(a+jb)(c+jd)}{(e+jf)(g+jh)} = \sqrt{\frac{(a^2+b^2)(c^2+d^2)}{(e^2+f^2)(g^2+h^2)}} \exp j[\tan^{-1} \frac{b}{a} + \tan^{-1} \frac{d}{c} - \tan^{-1} \frac{f}{e} - \tan^{-1} \frac{h}{g}]$$