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Math Methods

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Day 9

II Going Backwards:
Inverting complex functions

I • Discovered Euler's Formula

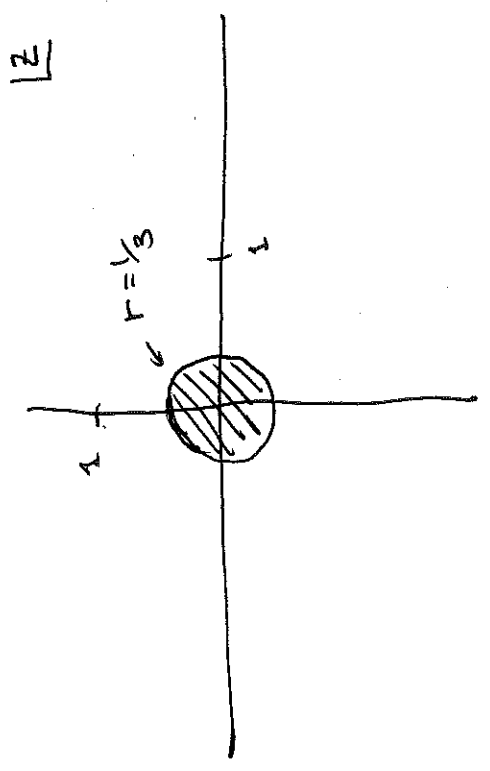
$$e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta$$

which completed our quartet of identities

$$z = x + iy = r(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta) = re^{i\theta}$$

• We introduced convergence of complex series and

Studied their disk of convergence, e.g. for $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 (3iz)^n$ we found



Another important example is the first complex function we defined

$$e^z = 1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{z^n}{n!} + \dots$$

We have

$$f_n = \left| \frac{z^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{z^n} \right| = \left| \frac{z}{(n+1)} \right|$$

and so $\rho = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n = 0 < 1$ always

So this series converges for all z - it has an infinite radius of convergence.

II We can solve Euler's identity

for $\cos \theta$:

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

$$(e^{i\theta}) = e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta = \overline{\cos \theta + i \sin \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2}$$

Similarly

$$\sin \theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i}$$

The complex logarithms get a bit more interesting. We still want

$$\ln z_1 z_2 = \ln z_1 + \ln z_2.$$

$$\text{So, } \ln z = \ln(re^{i\theta}) = \ln r + \ln e^{i\theta} = \ln r + i\theta$$

real logarithm

This is not unique! Because θ is only defined up to

$$\theta = \theta + 2\pi n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

This suggests that we define $P_{2/3}$

$$\cos z = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}$$

$$\sin z = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2}$$

So, e.g.,

$$\cos(i) = \frac{e^{-1} + e^1}{2} = \cosh(1).$$

This also suggests

$$\sinh z = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2}$$

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

We call the principle value of $\ln z$ the one with $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$.

Ex: Principle value.

$$\ln(-1) = \ln(1) + i\pi$$

$$\text{or } \theta = i\pi \pm 2\pi n \text{ in general.}$$

It turns out that the complex logarithm is a powerful inverse function — many other inverse functions can be written in terms of it.

Recall that by inverse function we mean it undoes some function's action:

$$z = e^w \Rightarrow \ln z = w$$

or $w = \cos z \Rightarrow z = \arccos w$.

Let's explore $z = \arccos w$ a little. Note that we can write this as

$$w = \cos z = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}$$

Recalling $u = e^{iz}$ we get,

$$e^{iz} = w \pm \sqrt{w^2 - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow iz = \ln(w \pm \sqrt{w^2 - 1})$$

$$\Rightarrow z = -i \ln(w \pm \sqrt{w^2 - 1}) = \arccos w$$

This is a very cool and original way to think about the inverse trig functions.

Let $u = e^{iz}$ then $u^{-1} = e^{-iz}$ and

$$\frac{u + u^{-1}}{2} = w$$

or $u^2 + 1 = 2wu$

$$\Rightarrow u^2 - 2wu + 1 = 0$$

We can solve this quadratic equation

$$u = \frac{2w \pm \sqrt{4w^2 - 4}}{2} = w \pm \sqrt{w^2 - 1}$$

Ex: $\arccos(i) = -i \ln(i + i\sqrt{2})$
 $= -i \ln(i + i\sqrt{2})$ ← choose + sign
 $= -i (\ln(1 + \sqrt{2}) + i\frac{\pi}{2})$ ← Principal value
 $= \frac{\pi}{2} - i \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})$
 $= \frac{\pi}{2} - i(0.88137)$

$$= 1.5708 - i(0.88137)$$