

Complex functions for Engineering Students

Solutions for work sheet 3

Exercise 1:

Let $\ln(z)$ be the principal value for the complex logarithm. Given the following complex numbers

$$z_1 = \sqrt{2}(-1 + i), \quad z_2 = 3i, \quad z_3 = -4i.$$

a) Calculate the cartesian representations for

$$z_4 := z_1 \cdot z_2, \quad z_5 := \frac{z_1}{z_2}, \quad z_6 := z_1 \cdot z_3, \quad z_7 := \frac{z_1}{z_3}.$$

b) Calculate $\ln(z_k)$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, 7$.

c) Compare

$$\ln(z_1 \cdot z_k) \text{ with } \ln(z_1) + \ln(z_k)$$

and

$$\ln\left(\frac{z_1}{z_k}\right) \text{ with } \ln(z_1) - \ln(z_k) \text{ for } k = 2, 3.$$

d) For what complex numbers do the rules for \mathbb{R} apply:

$$\ln(a \cdot b) = \ln(a) + \ln(b), \quad \ln\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = \ln(a) - \ln(b)?$$

Solution:

a) Calculate the cartesian representations for

$$z_4 := z_1 \cdot z_2 = \sqrt{2}(-1 + i) \cdot 3i = 3\sqrt{2}(-1 - i),$$

$$z_5 := \frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(-1+i)}{3i} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}(1 + i),$$

$$z_6 := z_1 \cdot z_3 = \sqrt{2}(-1 + i) \cdot (-4i) = 4\sqrt{2}(1 + i),$$

$$z_7 := \frac{z_1}{z_3} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(-1+i)}{-4i} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}(-1 - i),$$

b) It holds that $\ln(z) = \ln(|z|) + i \arg(z)$ while $\arg(z) \in (-\pi, \pi)$. One obtains:

$$z_1 = 2e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}} \implies \ln(z_1) = \ln(2) + i\frac{3\pi}{4}$$

$$z_2 = 3e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} \implies \ln(z_2) = \ln(3) + i\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$z_3 = 4e^{-i\frac{\pi}{2}} \implies \ln(z_3) = \ln(4) - i\frac{\pi}{2}.$$

$$z_4 = z_1 \cdot z_2 = 6e^{i\frac{5\pi}{4}} = 6e^{-i\frac{3\pi}{4}} \implies \ln(z_4) = \ln(6) - i\frac{3\pi}{4},$$

$$z_5 := \frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{2}{3}e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}} \implies \ln(z_5) = \ln\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + i\frac{\pi}{4} ,$$

$$z_6 := z_1 \cdot z_3 = 8e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}} \implies \ln(z_6) = \ln(8) + i\frac{\pi}{4} ,$$

$$z_7 := \frac{z_1}{z_3} = \frac{1}{2}e^{i\frac{5\pi}{4}} = \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\frac{3\pi}{4}} \implies \ln(z_7) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - i\frac{3\pi}{4} .$$

c) $\ln(z_1 \cdot z_2) = \ln(6) - i\frac{3\pi}{4} \neq \ln(z_1) + \ln(z_2) = \ln(6) + i\frac{5\pi}{4} .$

$$\ln(z_1 \cdot z_3) = \ln(8) + i\frac{\pi}{4} = \ln(z_1) + \ln(z_3) .$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + i\frac{\pi}{4} = \ln(z_1) - \ln(z_2) .$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{z_1}{z_3}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - i\frac{3\pi}{4} \neq \ln(z_1) - \ln(z_3) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + i\frac{5\pi}{4} .$$

d) $\ln(c_1 \cdot c_2) = \ln(c_1) + \ln(c_2)$ is valid in \mathbb{C} exactly when

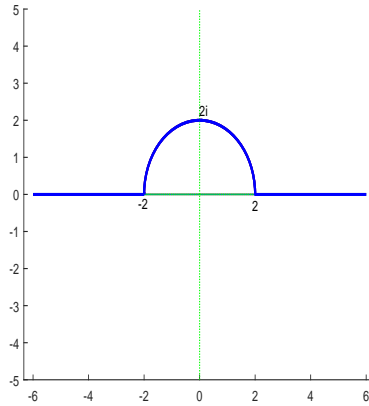
$$-\pi < \arg(c_1) + \arg(c_2) < \pi .$$

$\ln\left(\frac{c_1}{c_2}\right) = \ln(c_1) - \ln(c_2)$ is valid in \mathbb{C} exactly when

$$-\pi < \arg(c_1) - \arg(c_2) < \pi .$$

Exercise 2: Let the two sets D_1 and D_2 be

$$D_1 := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -\infty < x \leq -2\} \cup \{z \in \mathbb{C} : z = 2e^{i\phi}, \phi \in]0, \pi[\} \cup \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 2 \leq x < \infty\},$$



and

$$D_2 := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -\infty < x \leq -2\} \cup \{z \in \mathbb{C} : z = 2e^{i\phi}, \phi \in]\pi, 2\pi[\} \cup \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 2 \leq x < \infty\}.$$

Determine the images of D_1 and D_2 for the mapping $f(z) = \frac{2}{z} + \frac{z}{2}$.

On which of these sets $D_1, D_2, D_1 \cup D_2$ is f invertible?

Solution for exercise 2:

f is differentiable in $\mathbb{C} \setminus 0$ with $f'(z) = -\frac{2}{z^2} + \frac{1}{2}$.

It holds that $f'(z) = 0 \iff z = \pm 2$.

Hence, f is monotone on the intervalls $] - \infty, -2]$ and $[2, \infty[$.

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} f(z) = -\infty \text{ and } f(-2) = -2 \implies f(] - \infty, -2]) =] - \infty, -2]$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = \infty \text{ and } f(2) = 2 \implies f([2, \infty[) = [2, \infty[$$

$$f(2e^{i\phi}) = \frac{2}{2e^{i\phi}} + \frac{2e^{i\phi}}{2} = e^{-i\phi} + e^{i\phi} = 2 \cos(\phi)$$

For $\phi \in]0, \pi[$ $f(2e^{i\phi})$ passes through the intervall $] - 2, 2[$ in mathematically positive manner.

For $\phi \in]\pi, 2\pi[$ $f(2e^{i\phi})$ passes through the intervall $] - 2, 2[$ in mathematically negative manner.

Hence $f(D_1) = f(D_2) = \mathbb{R}$.

f is invertible in D_1 and D_2 but not in $D_1 \cup D_2$.

Exercise 3:

- a) (i) How many solutions does the equation $(z - 2i)^{10} = z^{10}$ have?
- (ii) Show that all solutions for the equation from i) lie on the line $\text{Im}(z) = 1$.
- b) How many solutions does the equation $(z - 2i)^i = z^i$ have?

Solution:

- a) (i) After subtracting z^{10} from both sides the roots of a polynomial of degree nine in \mathbb{C} need to be found. As a result, there are nine solutions (considering possible multiplicity).

(ii)

$$(z - 2i)^{10} = z^{10} \implies |(z - 2i)^{10}| = |z^{10}| \implies |z - 2i|^{10} = |z|^{10}$$

which means that z has the same distance from $2i$ and 0 . z is located on the bisector of the line between 0 and $2i$. Hence, the solutions lie on the line

$$z = x + i, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- b) Solutions of $(z - 2i)^i = z^i$:

Let $w := f(z) := z^i$. Hence

$$w = z^i = \exp(\ln(z))^i = \exp(\ln(z) \cdot i) = \exp(i \cdot \ln(|z|) + i^2 \arg(z))$$

So

$$|w| = e^{-\arg(z)}, \quad \arg(w) = \ln(|z|) + 2k\pi \quad \text{for adequate } k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

If $\tilde{w} := (z - 2i)^i = z^i = w$ holds, we obtain

$$|\tilde{w}| = |w|. \text{ So}$$

$$e^{-\arg(z)} = e^{-\arg(z-2i)} \implies \arg(z) = \arg(z - 2i) \implies z = iy, y \in \mathbb{R} \setminus [0, 2]$$

Furthermore,

$$\exp(i \cdot \ln(|z|)) = \exp(i \cdot \ln(|z - 2i|))$$

has to hold. With $k \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\ln(|z - 2i|) = \ln(|z|) + 2k\pi \xrightarrow{z=iy} \ln\left(\left|\frac{iy - 2i}{iy}\right|\right) = 2k\pi \implies \left|1 - \frac{2}{y}\right| = e^{2k\pi}$$

For $y < 0$ or $y > 2$ the absolute value is not needed:

$$y_k = \frac{2}{1 - e^{2k\pi}} \text{ with } k \in \mathbb{Z}, k \neq 0.$$

There are infinitely many solutions

$$z_k = \frac{2i}{1 \pm e^{2k\pi}} \quad k \in \mathbb{N}$$