

9. Elementary functions

Recall in Calculus / real analysis

- real exponential function: $y = e^x, x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\rightarrow e^{x_1} \cdot e^{x_2} = e^{x_1 + x_2}, \frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$$

- real log function: $y = \ln x = \log_e x, x > 0$

$$\rightarrow \ln x$$

Recall: $y = e^x > 0$
 $\Leftrightarrow x = \ln y$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

In complex analysis, do we have analogous
functions?

① (complex) exponential function. $w = e^z$

If $z = x + iy$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{e^z \triangleq e^x \cdot e^{iy}} & \quad (*) \\ &= e^x (\cos y + i \sin y) \end{aligned}$$

Properties of e^z :

① e^z is entire, $\frac{d}{dz} e^z = e^z$ analytic on \mathbb{C}

② $|e^z| = |e^x \cdot e^{iy}| = |e^x| |e^{iy}|$
 $= |e^x| = e^x > 0$

~~③~~ $e^{z_1} \cdot e^{z_2} = e^{z_1 + z_2}$

E.X: USE (*)

④ $\frac{1}{e^z} = e^{-z}$

Why? In ③, put $z_1 = z$, $z_2 = -z$

$$\Rightarrow (e^z) \cdot (e^{-z}) = e^{z-z} = e^0 = 1$$

⑤ $\arg(e^z) = y + 2n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Why?

$$e^z = e^x \cdot e^{iy}$$

$\underbrace{}_{r} \cdot \underbrace{e^{iy}}_{e^{i\theta}}$

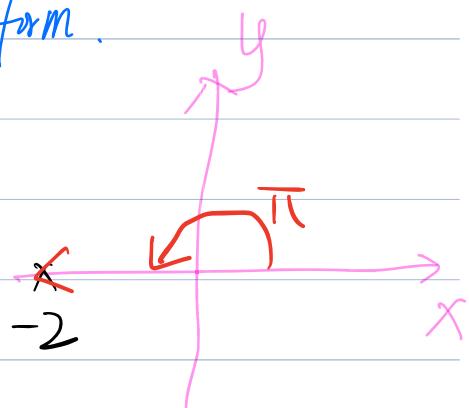
$$e^z = e^x \cdot e^{iy}$$

$$\overbrace{r}^r \overbrace{e^{i\theta}}^{e^{i\theta}}$$

E.g.: find all z s.t. $e^z = -2$.

Step 1: write -2 in polar form.

$$-2 = r e^{i\theta} = 2 e^{i\pi}$$



Step 2: write $z = x + iy$ and plug into $e^z = -2$.

$$e^z = e^x \cdot e^{iy} = 2 e^{i\pi}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} e^x = 2 \\ y = \pi + 2n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} z &= x + iy \\ &= \ln 2 + i(\pi + 2n\pi) \end{aligned}$$

Next Q: Can we define the complex analog of \log ?

A: Yes! but a bit tricky.

Idea: Consider the inverse of $f(z) = e^z$.

Q: Given $z \in \mathbb{C}$, $z \neq 0$, find all $w \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$\text{s.t } e^w = z.$$

A: write $z = re^{i\theta}$, $r > 0$, $\theta = \operatorname{Arg} z \in (-\pi, \pi]$

$$w = u + iv$$

Then $e^w = z \Rightarrow$

$$e^u e^{iv} = re^{i\theta} \quad r = |z|$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} e^u = r \Rightarrow u = \ln r = \ln |z| \end{cases}$$

$$v = \theta + 2n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$= \arg z = \operatorname{Arg} z + 2n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Hence

$$e^w = z \Leftrightarrow w = u + iv = \ln |z| + i \arg z$$

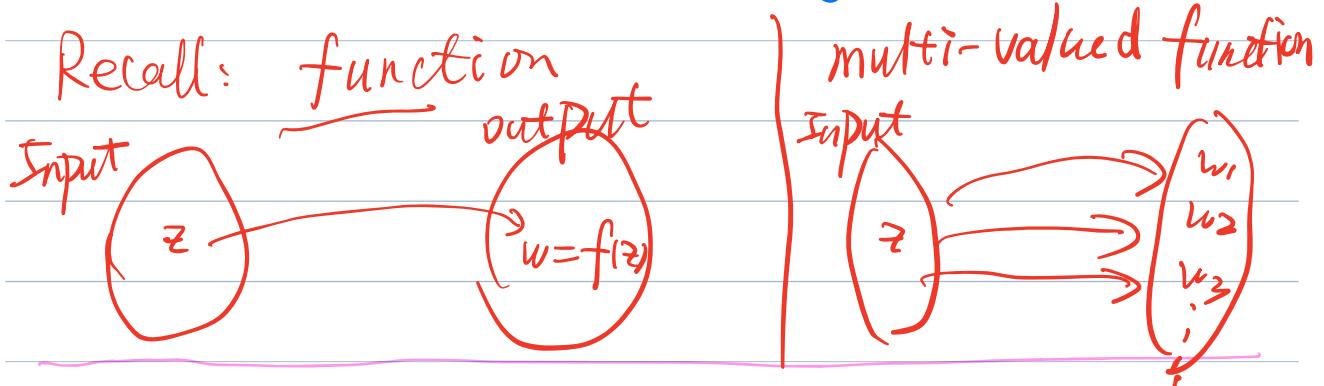
Def: The complex logarithm is the

"multi-valued function" defined by



$$\log z \triangleq \ln|z| + i\arg z, z \neq 0$$

$$= \ln|z| + i\operatorname{Arg} z + i2n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$



Warning: "multivalued function" is NOT

a function in the usual sense.

Defⁿ: The principal value of the complex logarithm is the function is

$$\text{Log } z \triangleq \ln|z| + i\overbrace{\arg z}^{\in (-\pi, \pi]}$$

E.g.: Find $\log(1+\sqrt{3}i)$ and $\text{Log}(1+\sqrt{3}i)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hint: } 1+\sqrt{3}i &= 2\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right) = 2\left(\cos\frac{\pi}{3} + i\sin\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\ &= 2e^{i\pi/3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} \log z = \ln|z| + i\arg z, \\ \text{Log } z = \ln|z| + i\arg z; \quad z \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log(1+\sqrt{3}i) &= \ln|z| + i\arg z \\ &= \ln 2 + i\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + 2n\pi\right), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Log}(1+\sqrt{3}) &= \ln|z| + i\overbrace{\arg z}^{\in (-\pi, \pi]} \\ &= \ln 2 + i\pi/3 \end{aligned}$$

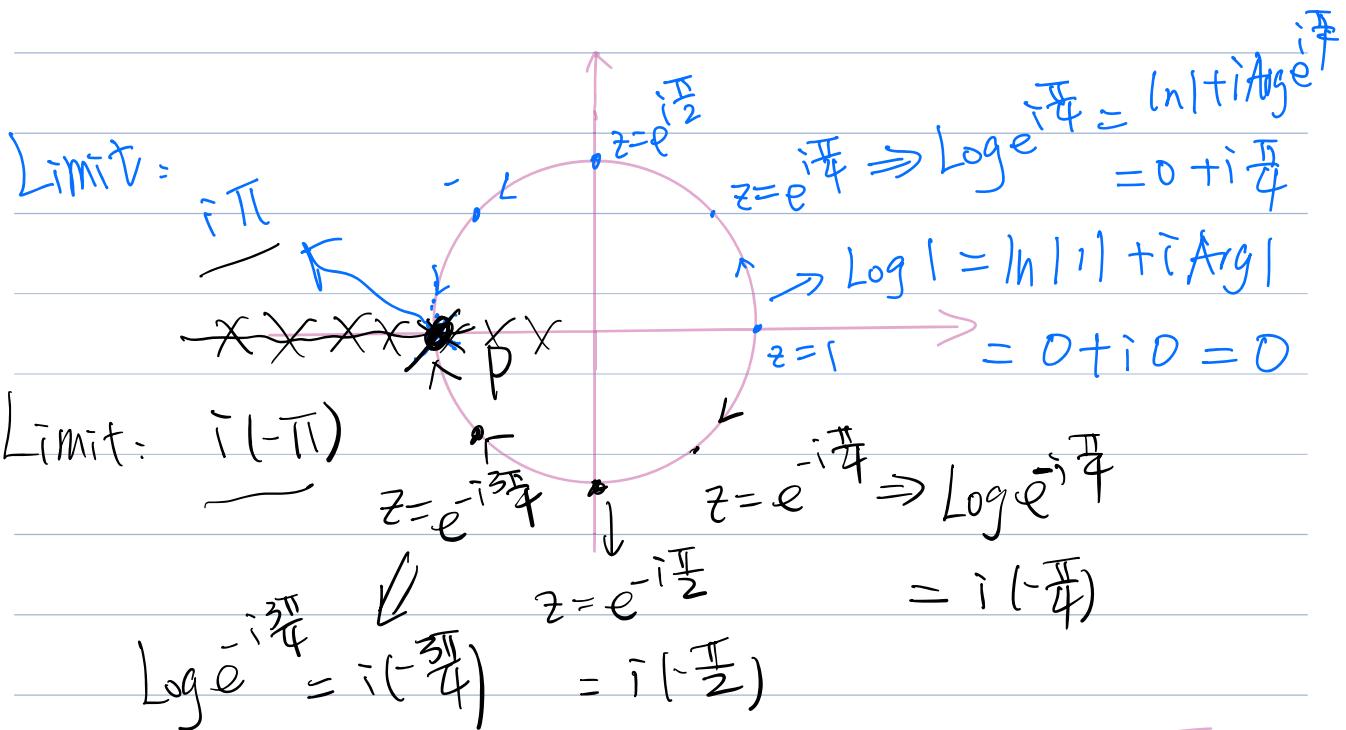
$$e^z \hookrightarrow \text{Log } z$$

Q: Recall e^z is entire (analytic in \mathbb{C})

Is $\log z$ also entire?

A: $\log z$ is NOT analytic on \mathbb{C} !

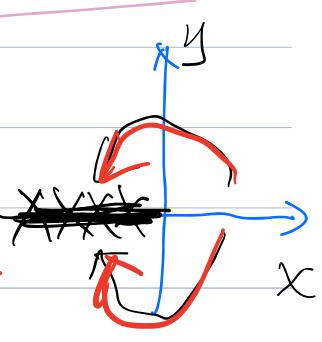
Indeed, $\log z$ is NOT even continuous on \mathbb{C} !



Note: The problem really occurs at

$$\log z = \ln|z| + i\arg z$$

$$-\pi < \arg z \leq \pi$$



$$(-\pi, \pi]$$

To overcome this problem, we delete D and delete the negative x -axis from $\mathbb{C} \Rightarrow$

$$D = \{z = r e^{i\theta} \mid r > 0, -\pi < \theta < \pi\}$$

Then

- $\log z$ is continuous on D .

- $\log z$ is analytic on D .

Why?

(r, θ)

Note: $\log z = \ln|z| + i \operatorname{Arg} z$

$$= \underbrace{\ln r}_u + i \underbrace{\theta}_v, \theta \in (-\pi, \pi)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} u = \ln r \\ v = \theta \end{cases}$$

(Hint: we will check the complex differentiability using C.-R. eqns in polar form)

① u, v are R-diff'ble on D

② C.-R. eqns in polar form:

$$\text{Recall } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_r \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{v_\theta}{r} \end{array} \right. \checkmark$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} v_r \stackrel{?}{=} -\frac{u_\theta}{r} \end{array} \right. \checkmark$$

$$\text{Check: } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_r = \frac{1}{r} \\ u_\theta = 0 \end{array} \right. ; \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} v_r = 0 \\ v_\theta = 1 \end{array} \right.$$

Note both C.-R. eqns \Rightarrow

$f(z) = \log z$ is analytic on D

Moreover,

$$f'(z) = \frac{d}{dz} (\log z)$$

$$= e^{-i\theta} (u_r + i v_r)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{e^{i\theta}} = e^{-i\theta}}$$

$$= e^{-i\theta} \left(\frac{1}{r} + i \cdot 0 \right)$$

$$= e^{-i\theta} \frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{r e^{i\theta}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{z}$$

Recall

$$z = r e^{i\theta}$$

Conclusion: $\frac{d}{dz} (\log z) = \frac{1}{z}$
on D

That fits the real log in Calculus

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

Important conventions we will use in the future:

$\ln x$: real log function

$\log z$: complex log function

$$\text{Log } z = \ln|z| + i\arg z$$

$\text{Log } z$: principal value of
complex log function

$$\text{Log } z = \ln|z| + i\text{Arg } z$$

Remark:

- For all $z \neq 0$ in \mathbb{C} , we have

$$e^{\log z} = z \quad z = re^{i\theta}, \theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$$

Why?

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\log z} &= e^{\ln|z| + i\arg z} \\ &= e^{\ln r + i(\theta + 2n\pi)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= e^{\ln r} e^{i(\theta + 2n\pi)}$$

$$= r e^{i\theta} e^{i2n\pi}$$

$$= r e^{i\theta} = z$$

In above, $e^{\log z} = z$

- How about $\log(e^z)$? Does $\log(e^z) = z$?

Warning: $\log(e^z) \neq z$ in general

write $z = x + iy$ $|e^z| = e^x$

$$e^z = e^x e^{iy} \Rightarrow \theta = y + 2n\pi$$

$$\log(e^z) = (\ln |e^z| + i\arg(e^z))$$

$$= (\ln e^x + i(y + 2n\pi))$$

$$= (x + iy) + i2n\pi = z + i2n\pi$$

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