

# Mathematics for Engineers 1.

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Seminar  
Complex numbers

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**1.** Solve the following equations! Plot the solutions on the complex plane!

(a)\*  $x^2 + 4 = 0$ ,

(c)  $x^2 - x + 1 = 0$ ,

(b)\*  $x^2 + 2x + 2 = 0$ ,

(d)  $x^3 - 6x^2 + 13x = 0$ .

**\*2.** Give the algebraic form of the following expressions!

(a)  $(3 + i)(2 + 3i)$ ,  $(-2 + 3i)(5 - 2i)$ ,  $i(1 + 2i)$ ,  
 $(-1 + i)(1 - 2i)(1 + 2i)$ ,

(b)  $\overline{5 - 2i}$ ,  $\overline{(3 + 4i)(2 + i)}$ ,

(c)  $(2 - i)^3$ ,  $i^6 + 3i^5 - 2i^3 + i^2 - 1$ ,  $i^{2008}$ ,  $i^{103}$ ,

(d)  $\frac{5 + 3i}{i}$ ,  $\frac{1 - i}{2 + i}$ ,  $\frac{1 - 2i}{1 - 3i}$ ,  $\frac{2 - i}{(3 - 2i)(2 + 5i)}$ .

**3.** Solve the following equations!

(a)\*  $\bar{z} + 2z = 9 + 2i,$

(d)\*  $z^2 + |z|^2 = 2 - 6i,$

(b)  $\bar{z} + |z|^2 = 31 - i,$

(e)  $\bar{z} \cdot z^2 = 8i,$

(c)  $i^3 \cdot \bar{z} = -3 - 2i,$

(f)  $z^2 = i.$

**\*4.** Plot the following sets on the complex plane!

(a)  $A = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(z) = 0\},$

(e)  $E = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| \leq 1\},$

(b)  $B = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Re}(z) = 0\},$

(c)  $C = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(z) \leq 0\},$

(f)  $F = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Re}(z) = \text{Im}(z)\}.$

(d)  $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Re}(z) \geq 2\},$

**5.** Give the trigonometric form of the following complex numbers!

(a)\* 3,                      (d)\*  $-4i$ ,                      (g)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i$ ,                      (j)  $\frac{5}{8} + \frac{5}{8}\sqrt{3}i$ ,  
(b)  $-2$ ,                      (e)\*  $2 + 2i$ ,                      (h)\*  $-1 + \sqrt{3}i$ ,  
(c)  $i$ ,                      (f)  $1 - i$ ,                      (i)  $-3 - 3i$ ,                      (k)  $\sqrt{3} - i$ .

\***6.** Consider the complex numbers  $x = 3 \left( \cos \frac{\pi}{9} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{9} \right)$  and  $y = 2 \left( \cos \frac{\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{5} \right)$ . Calculate the value of the following expressions!

(a)  $x \cdot y$ ,    (b)  $\frac{x}{y}$ ,    (c)  $x^3$ ,    (d)  $y^5$ ,    (e)  $\frac{1}{x}$ ,    (f)  $x^2 y$ .

**7.** Calculate the followings, use trigonometric forms!

(a)\*  $\sqrt{i}$ ,                      (c)  $(2 + 2i)^{2008}$ ,  
(b)  $\sqrt[3]{i}$ ,                      (d)\*  $(1 + \sqrt{3}i)^{301}$ .

**\*8.** Calculate the second, the third and the fourth roots of  $z = 81 \left( \cos \frac{\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{5} \right)$ . Plot them on the complex plane!

**9.** Solve the following equations!

(a)\*  $z^2 - 3iz + 4 = 0,$

(d)  $z^2 + (2 + 4i)z - 3 + 3i = 0,$

(b)\*  $z^3 + z^2 + z = 0,$

(c)  $z^5 - z = 0,$

(e)  $2iz^2 + (4 + 5i)z + 5 = 0.$

**10.** Let the values for  $e^{i\varphi}$  and  $e^{-i\varphi}$  be given. Compute the values of  $\sin \varphi$  and  $\cos \varphi$ .

(a)\*  $e^{i\varphi} = 1, e^{-i\varphi} = 1,$

(d)  $e^{i\varphi} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} + \frac{i}{2},$

(b)\*  $e^{i\varphi} = -i, e^{-i\varphi} = i,$

$e^{-i\varphi} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3} - \frac{i}{2}.$

(c)  $e^{i\varphi} = -1, e^{-i\varphi} = -1,$

**11.** Given the complex number  $z = x + iy$ . Put it in the form  $w = re^{i\varphi}$ .

(a)\*  $z = 3 + 2i$ ,

(b)  $z = 2 - \frac{i}{2}$ .

**12.** Compute the product  $z_1 z_2$ :

(a)\*  $z_1 = 2e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}}$ ,  $z_2 = \frac{1}{2}e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}}$ ,

(b)  $z_1 = \frac{1}{2}e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}$ ,  $z_2 = \frac{3}{2}e^{i\frac{-3\pi}{4}}$ .

**13.** Give the exponential form of the following complex numbers:

(a)\*  $z = 2 \left( \cos \frac{\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{5} \right)$ ,

(b)  $z = 5 \left( \cos \frac{2\pi}{7} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{7} \right)$ .

## Complex numbers in Matlab

- ▶ `1i` imaginary unit
- ▶ `z=1.5+2*1i` is the  $z = 1.5 + 2i$  complex number
- ▶ `real(z)` is the real part of  $z$
- ▶ `imag(z)` is the imaginary part of  $z$
- ▶ `conj(z)` is the conjugate of  $z$
- ▶ `abs(z)` is the absolute value of  $z$

If  $z$  and  $w$  are complex numbers then

- ▶ `z+w` is their sum
- ▶ `z-w` is their difference
- ▶ `z*w` is their product
- ▶ `z/w` is their ratio

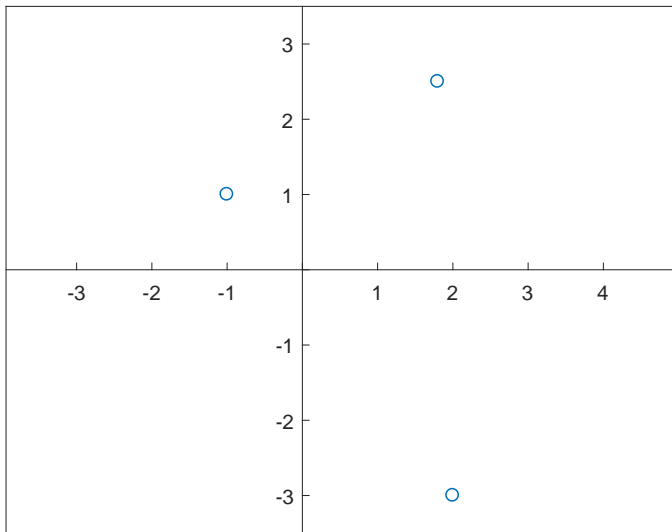
**Remark:** The default value of the variables `i` and `j` is  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ , but this can be overwritten, so it is better to use `1i` instead of `i` or `j`.

## Example

*Plot the complex numbers  $2 - 3i$ ,  $-1 + i$ ,  $1.8 + 2.5i$  on the complex plane!*

```
v=[2-3*1i, -1+1i, 1.8+2.5*1i];  
figure; plot(v,'o')  
axis([-1.5 2.5 -3.5 3.5])  
axis equal  
ax=gca;  
ax.XAxisLocation = 'origin';  
ax.YAxisLocation = 'origin';
```





## for-loop

### The colon operator

- ▶  $a = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$   
 $a = 1:5$
- ▶  $b = (5, 4, 3, 2, 1)$   
 $b = 5:-1:1$
- ▶  $c = (2, 2.2, 2.4, 2.6, 2.8, 3)$   
 $c=2:0.2:3$

### In general:

`x=first element:step length:last element`

where the step length can be negative, or

`x=first element:last element`

in the latter case the step length is 1.

## for-loop

```
for loop variable=vector  
    commands  
end
```

### Examples

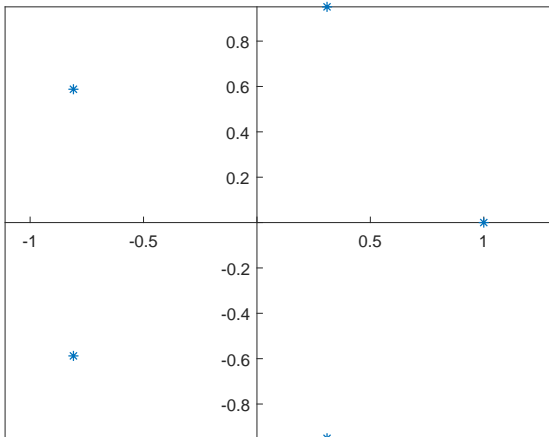
```
s=0;  
for i=1:100  
    s=s+i;  
end
```

```
s=100;  
for i=98:-2:2  
    s=s+i;  
end
```

## Example

*Plot the fifth roots of unity!*

```
z=zeros(1,5);
for k=1:5
    alfa=2*(k-1)*pi/5;
    z(k)=cos(alfa)+1i*sin(alfa);
end
figure; plot(z,'*')
axis equal
ax=gca;
ax.XAxisLocation = 'origin';
ax.YAxisLocation = 'origin';
```



# Writing functions

## Structure of a Matlab function:

```
function output variable=name of the function(input variables)  
    commands  
end
```

**Important!** The above function should be saved as `function.m`.

## Examples

```
function y=square(x)  
    y=2*x.^2-3*x+5;  
end
```

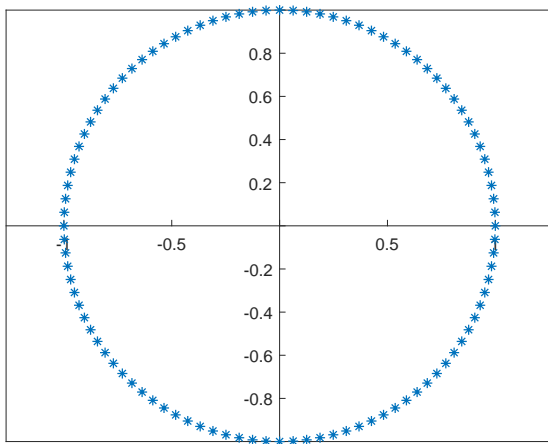
The result of the command `y=masodf(x)` will be the value of the expression  $2x^2 - 3x + 5$ , where  $x$  can be a vector. In this case the calculation is executed componentwise and the result  $y$  will be also a vector. This is permitted of by the dotted operation (see earlier slides)

## Example

*Let us write a function which plots the  $n$ th roots of unity.*

```
function z=unity(n)
    z=zeros(1,n);
    for k=1:n
        alfa=2*(k-1)*pi/n;
        z(k)=cos(alfa)+1i*sin(alfa);
    end
    figure; plot(z,'*')
    axis equal
    ax=gca;
    ax.XAxisLocation = 'origin';
    ax.YAxisLocation = 'origin';
end
```

```
>> unity(100)
```





## Exercise

*Plot the powers of  $z = 1 + 1.2i$  up to fifth order.*

## Exercise

*Write a Matlab function which calculates the  $n$ th roots of a complex number  $z$  and plots the powers of  $z$  up to  $n$ th order.*

```
function zroot=roots(z,n)
A = nthroot(abs(z),n);
alfa = angle(z);
for k = 0:n-1
    Nalfa = (alfa+k*2*pi)/n;
    zroot(k+1) =
        A*(cos(Nalfa)+1i*sin(Nalfa));
end
figure; plot(zroot,'*');
axis equal; ax = gca;
ax.XAxisLocation = 'origin';
ax.YAxisLocation = 'origin'
end
```

## Exercise

*Find the algebraic form of the following complex numbers with Matlab!*

$$e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}}, \quad e^{j\frac{\pi}{4}}, \quad e^{j\frac{\pi}{6}}, \quad e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}}, \quad e^{-j\pi}.$$

## Exercise

*Plot the complex numbers  $e^{jk\frac{2\pi}{n}}$  with Matlab, where*

- ▶  $n = 4$  and  $k = 1, 2, 3$ ;
- ▶  $n = 6$  and  $k = 1, \dots, 5$ ;
- ▶  $n = 10$  and  $k = 1, \dots, 9$ .

## Exercise

*Plot the first five power of  $z = 1 + j, 2!$*

## Exercise

*Write a Matlab function which calculates and plots the first  $n$  power of a given complex number  $z$ !*