

COMPLEX NUMBERS: POLAR FORM REFERENCE

1. Basic Conversions

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

To Polar (r)

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

To Polar (θ)

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$$

To Rect (x)

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

To Rect (y)

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

2. Operations (Polar)

Multiplication

$$r_1 r_2 \angle (\theta_1 + \theta_2)$$

Division

$$(r_1/r_2) \angle (\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

Exponent (n)

$$r^n \angle (n\theta)$$

Conjugate

$$r \angle (-\theta)$$

3. Common Unit Circle Values

θ (Deg)	θ (Rad)	$\cos \theta$	$\sin \theta$	Exponential Form (r=1)
0	0	1	0	e^{i0}
30	$\pi/6$	$\sqrt{3}/2$	1/2	$e^{i\pi/6}$

θ (Deg)	θ (Rad)	$\cos \theta$	$\sin \theta$	Exponential Form ($r=1$)
45	$\pi/4$	$\sqrt{2}/2$	$\sqrt{2}/2$	$e^{i\pi/4}$
60	$\pi/3$	$1/2$	$\sqrt{3}/2$	$e^{i\pi/3}$
90	$\pi/2$	0	1	$e^{i\pi/2}$
180	π	-1	0	$e^{i\pi}$

4. De Moivre's Theorem

$$[r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)]^n = r^n(\cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta)$$

5. Euler's Identity

$$e^{i\pi} + 1 = 0$$