

Math 3401/3901 Lecture 5

The function $f: \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ (or \mathbb{C}^*)

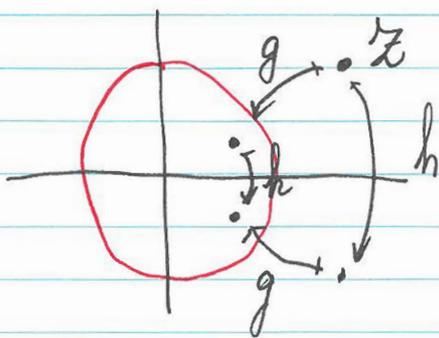
$$z \mapsto \frac{1}{z}$$

$$re^{i\theta} \mapsto \frac{1}{r} e^{-i\theta}$$

$$g: \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad \cancel{z \mapsto} re^{i\theta} \mapsto \frac{1}{r} e^{i\theta}$$

$$h: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad \begin{cases} z \mapsto \bar{z} \\ re^{i\theta} \mapsto re^{-i\theta} \end{cases}$$

$$f = g \circ h = h \circ g$$



g : 'inversion' wrt the unit circle: $|z| \cdot |g(z)| = 1$

h : complex conjugation
(reflection in the real axis)

We want to better understand f globally, not just locally.

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} = w = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2}$$

$$z = x + iy, \quad w = u + iv$$

Solve for u & v:
$$u = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}, \quad v = \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} \quad (*)$$

Note: we also have
$$x = \frac{u}{u^2 + v^2}, \quad y = \frac{-v}{u^2 + v^2} \quad (**)'$$

Claim: f maps circles & lines to circles & line

Note that circles & lines in the complex plane have the form

$$A(x^2 + y^2) + Bx + Cy + D = 0 \quad (**)$$

(not all 0) $\rightarrow A, B, C, D \in \mathbb{R}, \quad B^2 + C^2 > 4AD$

$A = 0$: ~~line~~, $(B, C) \neq (0, 0)$ line $r^2 = \frac{\sqrt{B^2 + C^2}}{2|A|}$

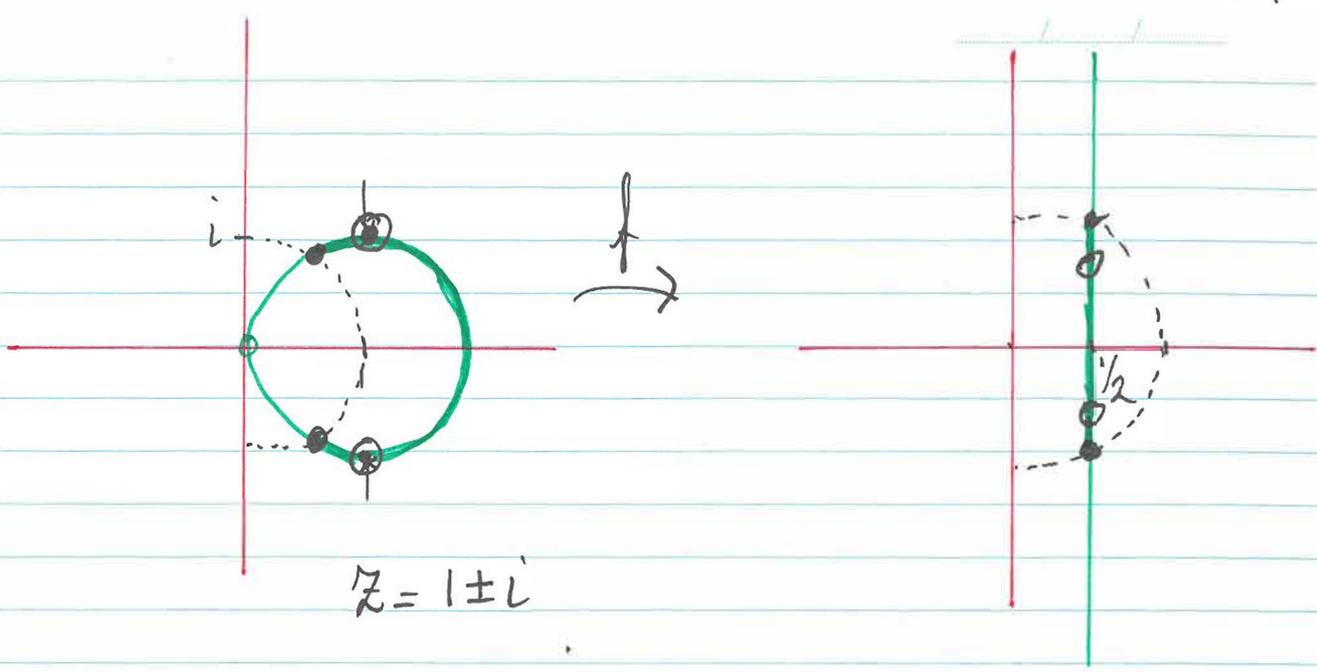
$A \neq 0$: $(x + \frac{B}{2A})^2 + (y + \frac{C}{2A})^2 = (\frac{\sqrt{B^2 + C^2 - 4AD}}{2A})^2$

Sub $(*)'$ into $(**)$

$$A \left(\frac{u^2 + v^2}{(u^2 + v^2)^2} \right) + B \frac{u}{u^2 + v^2} + C \frac{-v}{u^2 + v^2} + D = 0 \quad D \neq 0$$

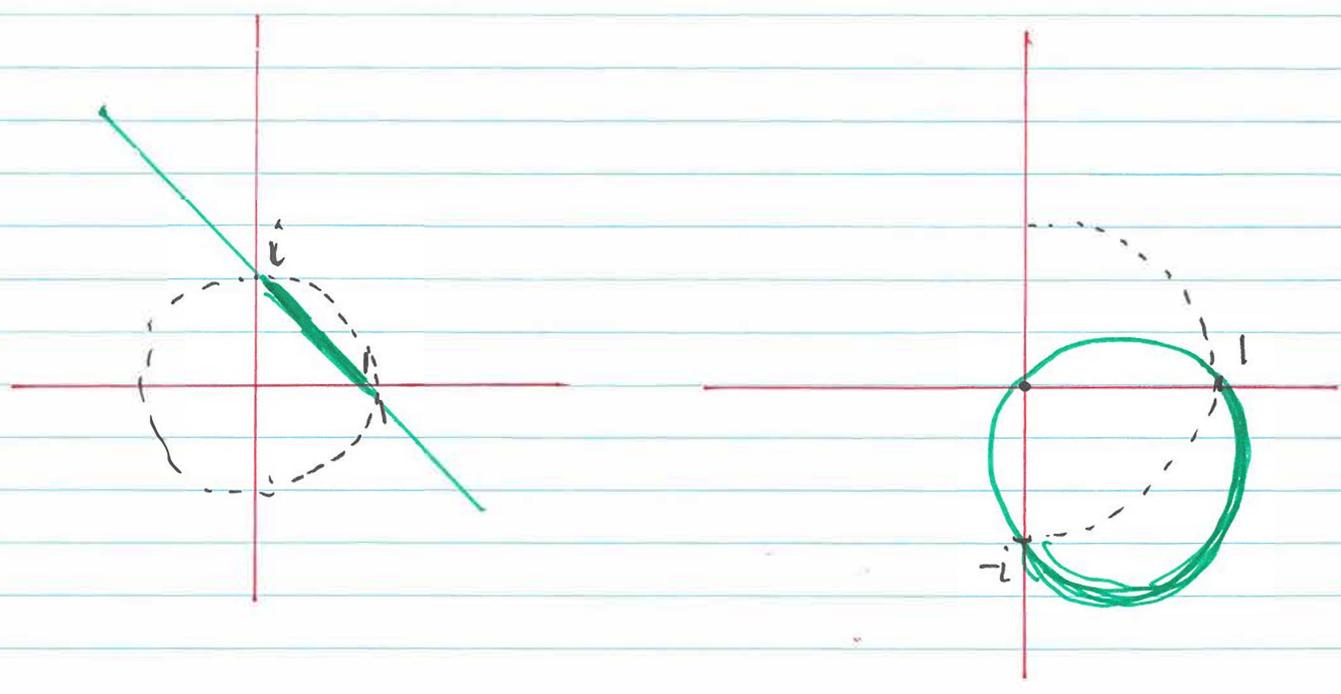
$\times (u^2 + v^2)$:
$$A + Bu - Cv + D(u^2 + v^2) = 0 \quad r' = \frac{\sqrt{B^2 + C^2 - 4AD}}{2|D|}$$

$(A, D) \neq (0, 0) \Rightarrow \frac{r}{r'} = \frac{|D|}{|A|}$ compare with $(**)$!



$$z = 1 \pm i$$

$$\mapsto \frac{|z|}{2}$$



Möbius transformations / fractional linear transformations

Let $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}$ s.t. $ad - bc \neq 0$.

Then $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$ is called a Möbius ~~map~~ transformation.

$$f: \mathbb{C} \setminus \left\{ -\frac{d}{c} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

Aside (need this on Friday)

* $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is 1-1 or injective if $f(z_1) = f(z_2)$
implies $z_1 = z_2$

* $f: \Omega \rightarrow \Omega'$ is onto or surjective if $\forall w \in \Omega'$
 $\exists z \in \Omega$ s.t. $f(z) = w$.

* $f: \Omega \rightarrow \Omega'$ is bijective if it is injective & surjective

Homework: What Möbius?