

Exercises for the Feynman Lectures on Physics by Richard Feynman, Et Al. Chapter 18 Algebra – Detailed Work by James Pate Williams, Jr. BA, BS, MSwE, PhD

18.1

(a)

$$b = a \tan \alpha$$

$$d = c \tan \beta$$

$$u + iv = (a + ib)(c + id) = ac - bd + i(ad + bc)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (u + iv)(u - iv) &= u^2 + v^2 = [(ac - bd) + i(ad + bc)][(ac - bd) - i(ad + bc)] \\ &= a^2c^2 - 2abcd + b^2d^2 + a^2d^2 + 2abcd + b^2c^2 = (a^2 + b^2)c^2 + (a^2 + b^2)d^2 \\ &= (a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt{u^2 + v^2} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \sqrt{c^2 + d^2}$$

(b)

$$\frac{v}{u} = \frac{ad + bc}{ac - bd} = \frac{ac \tan \beta + ac \tan \alpha}{ac - ac \tan \alpha \tan \beta} = \frac{ac}{ac} \cdot \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{1 - \tan \alpha \tan \beta} = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{1 - \tan \alpha \tan \beta}$$

18.2

(a)

$$b = a \tan \alpha$$

$$d = c \tan \beta$$

$$b \cos \alpha = a \sin \alpha$$

$$d \cos \beta = c \sin \beta$$

$$u + iv = (a + ib)(c + id) = (a + ia \tan \alpha)(c + ic \tan \beta) = ac(1 + i \tan \alpha)(1 + i \tan \beta)$$

$$u - iv = (a - ib)(c - id) = (a - ia \tan \alpha)(c - ic \tan \beta) = ac(1 - i \tan \alpha)(1 - i \tan \beta)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (u + iv)(u - iv) &= u^2 + v^2 = a^2c^2[(1 + \tan^2 \alpha)(1 + \tan^2 \beta)] = a^2c^2 \left(1 + \frac{b^2}{a^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{d^2}{c^2}\right) \\ &= (a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2) \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$e^{i(\alpha+\beta)} = \cos(\alpha + \beta) + i \sin(\alpha + \beta) = e^{i\alpha} e^{i\beta} = (\cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha)(\cos \beta + i \sin \beta) \\ = \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta + i(\sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta)$$

$$\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta$$

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta$$

$$\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\sin(\alpha + \beta)}{\cos(\alpha + \beta)} = \frac{\sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta}{\cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta} = \frac{1}{\cos \alpha \cos \beta} \cdot \frac{\sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta}{\left(1 - \frac{\sin \alpha \sin \beta}{\cos \alpha \cos \beta}\right)} \\ = \frac{\tan \alpha + \tan \beta}{1 - \tan \alpha \tan \beta} = \frac{v}{u}$$

18.3

$$e^{+i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$

$$e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$$

$$2 \cos \theta = e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}(e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta})$$

$$2i \sin \theta = e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}) = -\frac{i}{2}(e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta})$$

18.4

$$\frac{a + ib}{c + id} \cdot \frac{c - id}{c - id} = \frac{ac + bd + i(bc - ad)}{c^2 + d^2}$$

18.5

$$\cos i\theta = \frac{1}{2}(e^{-\theta} + e^{\theta}) = \cosh \theta$$

$$\sin i\theta = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{-\theta} - e^{\theta}) = -\frac{i}{2}(e^{-\theta} - e^{\theta}) = \frac{i}{2}(e^{\theta} - e^{-\theta}) = i \sinh \theta$$

$$\cos^2 i\theta + \sin^2 i\theta = 1 = \cosh^2 \theta + i^2 \sinh^2 \theta = \cosh^2 \theta - \sinh^2 \theta$$

18.6

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

$$\frac{de^{\alpha x}}{dx} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{\alpha(x+\Delta x)} - e^{\alpha x}}{\Delta x}$$

$$\cosh \alpha \theta + \sinh \alpha \theta = e^{\alpha x}$$

$$\cosh[\alpha(x + \Delta x)] + \sinh[\alpha(x + \Delta x)] = e^{\alpha(x+\Delta x)} = e^{\alpha x} e^{\alpha \Delta x} \\ = (\cosh \alpha x + \sinh \alpha x)(\cosh \alpha \Delta x + \sinh \alpha \Delta x)$$

$$e^{\alpha x} e^{\alpha \Delta x} - e^{\alpha x} = (\cosh \alpha x + \sinh \alpha x)(\cosh \alpha \Delta x + \sinh \alpha \Delta x - 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\cosh \alpha x + \sinh \alpha x)(\cosh \alpha \Delta x + \sinh \alpha \Delta x - 1)}{\Delta x} &= e^{\alpha x} \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\cosh \alpha \Delta x + \sinh \alpha \Delta x - 1)}{\Delta x} \\ &= e^{\alpha x} \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \sinh \alpha \Delta x - 1}{\Delta x} = e^{\alpha x} \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sinh \alpha \Delta x}{\Delta x} = e^{\alpha x} \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha \Delta x}{\Delta x} = \alpha e^{\alpha x} \end{aligned}$$

18.7

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$$

(a)

$$f(x) = e^x, f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = e^x, f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = e^x, f''(0) = 1$$

$$f(x) = e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} x^n = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

(b)

$$f(x) = \cos x, f(0) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -\sin x, f'(0) = 0$$

$$f''(x) = -\cos x, f''(0) = -1$$

$$f'''(x) = \sin x, f'''(0) = 0$$

$$f^{iv}(x) = \cos x, f^{iv}(0) = 1$$

$$f(x) = \cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} x^{2n} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

$$f(x) = \sin x, f(0) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = \cos x, f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = -\sin x, f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = -\cos x, f'''(0) = -1$$

$$f^{iv}(x) = \sin x, f^{iv}(0) = 0$$

$$f(x) = \sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+1} = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

18.8

$$y = \sqrt[n]{1}$$

$$y = x^{1/n}$$

$$\ln y = \frac{1}{n} \ln x$$

$$y = e^{\ln y} = e^{\ln x/n}$$

$$f(z) = e^{2\pi kzi/n} = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi kz}{n}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi kz}{n}\right)$$

$$f(1) = e^{2\pi ki/n} = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k}{n}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k}{n}\right)$$

18.9

$$e^{in\theta} = (e^{i\theta})^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} i^{n-k} \cos^n \theta \sin^{n-k} \theta$$

$$\cos n\theta = \cos^n \theta + \binom{n}{2} \cos^{n-2} \theta \sin^2 \theta + \dots$$

18.10

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} e^{i(\theta+\phi)} &= \cos(\theta + \phi) + i \sin(\theta + \phi) = e^{i\theta} e^{i\phi} = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)(\cos \phi + i \sin \phi) \\ &= \cos \theta \cos \phi - \sin \theta \sin \phi + i(\sin \theta \cos \phi + \cos \theta \sin \phi) \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos(\theta + \phi) = \cos \theta \cos \phi - \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

$$\sin(\theta + \phi) = \sin \theta \cos \phi + \cos \theta \sin \phi$$

(b)

$$u = Ae^{i\theta}$$

$$v = Be^{i\phi}$$

$$w = uv = AB e^{i(\theta+\phi)} = AB[\cos(\theta + \phi) + i \sin(\theta + \phi)]$$

18.11

$$\log_a x = \log_a b \cdot \log_b x$$

$$y = x^{1/n}$$

$$\log_a y = \log_a b \cdot \log_b x/n$$

$$\log_a y = \log_a(x)/n$$

Root r	1/r	11^(1/r)	Log(r,11)
1	1.00000	11.0000	0.000
2	0.50000	3.3166	0.289
4	0.25000	1.8212	0.578
8	0.12500	1.3495	0.867
16	0.06250	1.1617	1.156
32	0.03125	1.0778	1.445
64	0.01563	1.0382	1.734
128	0.00781	1.0189	2.023

Log(7,11) 0.81151

$$\log_{11} 2 = 0.289$$

$$\log_{11} 7 = 0.811$$