Problem Set #1

1. Complex numbers - polar (6 pts). Any complex number z written in rectangular (Cartesian) form

$$z = x + iy$$

where x is the real and y is the imaginary part, can also be written in polar (phasor) form

$$z = |z|(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta) = |z|e^{i\theta}$$

where θ is the phase $\measuredangle z$ and |z| is the magnitude of the complex number z.

Using the Euler formula, compute the magnitude and phase of the complex numbers provided in rectangular form below:

(i)
$$z = 3 + 2i$$
 (ii) $z = 1 - i$ (iii) $z = e^{2-i\pi}$

(Please be careful while calculating the phase of z = x + iy. The phase $\measuredangle z$ is not always equal to $\arctan \frac{y}{x}$. Tangent is periodic with π (i.e. $\tan \theta = \tan (\pi + \theta)$), and $\arctan \frac{y}{x} = \arctan \frac{-y}{-x}$. However, that property is not true for $e^{i\theta}$! Hence, depending on the signs of x and y, you should pick the right angle. Insert your final answers into the polar form and check the equality.)

- 2. Complex numbers rectangular (6 pts). Compute the real and imaginary parts of the complex numbers:
 - (a) eⁱ
 (b) e^{it}(cos(3t) + sin(2t)) (t is real)
 (c) 1/(1+i)
- 3. Imaginary square root (4 pts). Express the square root of (1 + i) in rectangular coordinates.
- 4. *Phase calculation (8 pts).* The complex number z is given by

$$z = \frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{1+3i}{1-i}$$

- (a) Express z in rectangular form.
- (b) Express z in polar form. Compute the magnitude and phase of z in terms of the magnitude and phase of z_1 and z_2 .
- (c) Using the results of (a) and (b), show that $\arctan 3 + \arctan 2 = \frac{3\pi}{4}$.

5. Shifting and scaling functions (10 pts). Let

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} t & 0 \le t < 1\\ 2 - t & 1 \le t < 2\\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$
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Sketch each of the following signals. All sketches must have clearly labeled axes.

- (a) f(t)
- (b) f(t) + 1
- (c) $f(\frac{t}{2})$
- (d) f(t+2)
- (e) f(-t-1)