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1 Jan 3, 2022

1.1 What are the Complex Numbers?

We first recall the basic algebraic properties of the real numbers, \mathbb{R} . For all $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$,

1. (Commutative law of addition): $a + b = b + a$
2. (Commutative law of multiplication): $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$
3. (Associative law of addition): $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$
4. (Associative law of multiplication): $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$
5. (Distributive law): $a(b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$

The system of real numbers \mathbb{R} has many more (non-algebraic) properties which make it suitable for calculus. However, it lacks a particular desirable property: \mathbb{R} does not contain roots for all of its polynomial equations, e.g., there is not a solution to the equation

$$x^2 + 1 = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}.$$

It turns out (by the non-trivial fundamental theorem of algebra) that we can get a number system for which every polynomial equation has a root by "appending" $i = \sqrt{-1}$ to \mathbb{R} .

Definition 1.1 (Complex number)

A complex number is an expression of the form

$$x + iy \quad \text{where } x, y \in \mathbb{R},$$

Two complex numbers $a + ib$ and $c + id$ are equal if and only if $a = c$ and $b = d$

We denote by \mathbb{C} the set of all complex numbers.

For a complex number $z = x + iy$, we define its real and imaginary parts as follows:

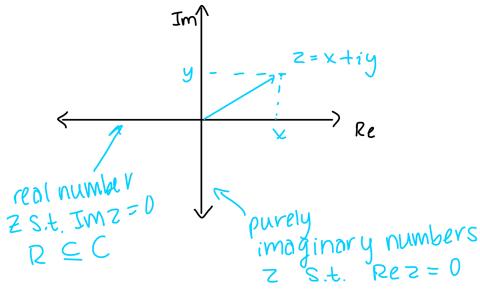
$$\operatorname{Re} z = x$$

$$\operatorname{Im} z = y$$

There is a one-to-one correspondence between \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$z \mapsto (\operatorname{Re} z, \operatorname{Im} z)$$

This can be visualized as the *complex plane*, where we can identify the real numbers and the *purely imaginary numbers*.

**Example 1.2** (Addition and multiplication on \mathbb{C})

We can define operations of addition and multiplication on \mathbb{C} as follows:

$$z = x + iy, \quad w = a + ib$$

$$\begin{aligned} z + w &= (x + iy) + (a + ib) = (x + a) + i(y + b) \\ zw &= (x + iy)(a + ib) = xa + ixb + iya + i^2yb \\ &= (xa - yb) + i(xb + ya) \end{aligned}$$

Example 1.3 (Multiplicative inverse in \mathbb{C})

Every nonzero complex number $z = x + iy \neq 0$ has a multiplicative inverse,

$$\frac{1}{z} = \frac{x - iy}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

Need to check $z \cdot \frac{1}{z} = 1$

$$z \cdot \frac{1}{z} = (x + iy) \left(\frac{x - iy}{x^2 + y^2} \right) = \left(\frac{x^2 - ixy + ixy - i^2y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \right) = \left(\frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \right) = 1$$

In addition to having additive and multiplicative inverses, the complex numbers also have the following algebraic properties:

For all $z_1, z_2, z_3 \in \mathbb{C}$,

1. (Commutative law of addition): $z_1 + z_2 = z_2 + z_1$
2. (Commutative law of multiplication): $z_1 \cdot z_2 = z_2 \cdot z_1$
3. (Associative law of addition): $(z_1 + z_2) + z_3 = z_1 + (z_2 + z_3)$
4. (Associative law of multiplication): $z_1 \cdot (z_2 \cdot z_3) = (z_1 \cdot z_2) \cdot z_3$
5. (Distributive law): $z_1(z_2 + z_3) = z_1 \cdot z_2 + z_1 \cdot z_3$

1.2 Complex Conjugates and the Modulus

Definition 1.4 (Complex conjugate)

The complex conjugate of the number $z = x + iy$ is the number

$$\bar{z} = x - iy.$$

Some basic facts about complex conjugation. All are simple to prove, so we only discuss the proof of a few.

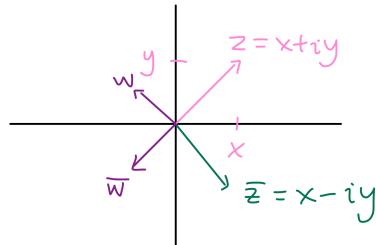
- $\bar{\bar{z}} = z$
- $z = \bar{z}$ if and only if z is a real number
- $\overline{z_1 + z_2} = \bar{z}_1 + \bar{z}_2$
- $\overline{z_1 z_2} = \bar{z}_1 \cdot \bar{z}_2$
- $\overline{\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)} = 1/\bar{z}$

Proof. We want to show that $\overline{\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)} = 1/\bar{z}$.

$$\frac{1}{\bar{z}} = \frac{1}{x - iy} = \frac{x - (-iy)}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{x + iy}{x^2 + y^2} = \overline{\left(\frac{x - iy}{x^2 + y^2}\right)} = \overline{\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)}$$

□

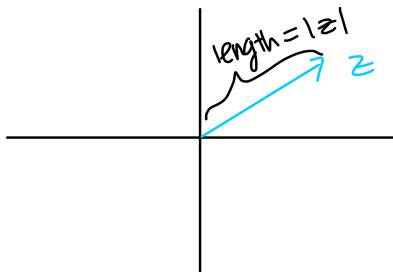
Geometrically, conjugation reflects z across the real axis:


Definition 1.5 (Absolute value/modulus)

The absolute value or modulus of $z = x + iy$ is

$$|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

Geometrically, $|z|$ is the length of z as a vector in the complex plane:
Some properties relating complex conjugation and absolute value:



- $|z|^2 = z\bar{z}$

$$\begin{aligned} z\bar{z} &= (x+iy)(x-iy) = x^2 - ixy + ixy - i^2y^2 \\ &= x^2 + y^2 \\ &= |z|^2 \end{aligned}$$

- $\frac{1}{z} = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2}$

$$\frac{1}{z} = \frac{x-iy}{x^2+y^2} = \frac{\bar{z}}{|z|^2}$$

- We have

$$\operatorname{Re} z = \frac{z+\bar{z}}{2}, \quad \operatorname{Im} z = \frac{z-\bar{z}}{2i}$$

$$\frac{z+\bar{z}}{2} = \frac{x+iy+x-iy}{2} = \frac{2x}{2} = x$$

Note: $\frac{1}{i} = -i$

- For $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$, $|zw| = |z| \cdot |w|$.

$$\begin{aligned} |z|^2 \cdot |w|^2 &= z\bar{z} \cdot w\bar{w} = (zw)(\bar{z} \cdot \bar{w}) \\ &= (zw)\overline{(zw)} = |zw|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Then take a square root.

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2.1 Distance in the Complex Plane

We can use absolute value to measure the distance between complex numbers (thought of as vectors in the complex plane).

The distance between complex numbers z_1, z_2 is $|z_1 - z_2|$:

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 &= x_1 + iy_1, \quad z_2 = x_2 + iy_2 \\ |z_1 - z_2| &= \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

A crucial fact about working with absolute values is

Proposition 2.1 (Triangle Inequality)

For any two complex numbers z_1, z_2 ,

$$|z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$$

Some corollaries of the Triangle Inequality:

Corollary 2.2

For any complex numbers z_1, z_2, w ,

- $|z_1 - z_2| \leq |z_1 - w| + |w - z_2|$.
- $|z_2| - |z_1| \leq |z_2 - z_1| \quad (\text{Reverse triangle inequality})$

Proof.

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$$\begin{aligned} |z_1 - z_2| &= |(z_1 - w) + (w - z_2)| \\ &\leq |z_1 - w| + |w - z_2| \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Triangle Inequality})$$

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$$\begin{aligned} |z_2| &= |(z_2 - z_1) + z_1| \leq |z_2 - z_1| + |z_1| \\ \implies |z_2| - |z_1| &\leq |z_2 - z_1| \end{aligned}$$

By symmetry, also $|z_1| - |z_2| \leq |z_2 - z_1|$

□

2.2 Complex Polynomials

Definition 2.3 (Complex polynomial)

A complex polynomial of degree $n \geq 0$ is a function of the form

$$p(z) = a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 + a_0, \quad z \in \mathbb{C},$$

where the coefficients a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n are complex numbers with $a_n \neq 0$.

Theorem 2.4 (Fundamental Theorem of Algebra)

Every complex polynomial $p(z)$ of degree $n \geq 1$ has a factorization

$$p(z) = c(z - z_1)^{m_1}(z - z_2)^{m_2} \cdots (z - z_k)^{m_k},$$

where $c \in \mathbb{C}$, the roots z_1, \dots, z_n are distinct complex numbers, and $m_1, \dots, m_k \geq 1$. This factorization is unique, up to permutation of the factors. Also note that

$$\sum_{j=1}^k m_j = n = \text{the degree of the polynomial}$$

| **Proof.** We will prove this later. □

Example 2.5

Consider $p(z) = iz^2 + i$.

$$p(z) = iz^2 + i = i(z^2 + 1) = i(z - i)(z + i)$$

2.3 Polar Representation

A nonzero complex number $z \in \mathbb{C}$ can be described by two quantities:

- its length $|z| = r$
- The angle z makes with the positive real axis.

Definition 2.6 (Polar representation)

The polar representation of $z \neq 0$ is:

$$z = r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))$$

Given $z = r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))$ we can recover the Cartesian coordinates for z :

$$\begin{aligned} x &= r \cos(\theta) \\ y &= r \sin(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.7 (Argument)

For a nonzero $z = r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))$, the angle θ is called the argument of z , and is denoted $\theta = \arg z$. But the argument of z , $\arg z$, is actually a multivalued function:

$$\begin{aligned} \arg z + 2\pi k, \quad k \text{ an integer} \\ \text{also represents the same angle} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.8 (Principal argument)

The principal argument of $z \neq 0$, denoted $\operatorname{Arg} z$, is the unique argument θ which is in $(-\pi, \pi]$.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \arg z = \{\operatorname{Arg} z + 2k\pi : k \text{ integer}\} & \text{“multivalued function”} \\ \operatorname{Arg} z & \text{“single-valued”} \end{array}$$

Example 2.9

Consider the complex number $1 + i$.

$$\begin{aligned} |1 + i| &= \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2} \\ 1 + i &= \sqrt{2} \left(\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right) \\ \operatorname{Arg}(1 + i) &= \frac{\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

We introduce the notation

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta) \quad \text{for } \theta \in \mathbb{R}.$$

We will see that this equality does follow from how we define complex exponentiation, but in the meantime it is just some convenient notation since the polar form for $z \in \mathbb{C}$ becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} z \neq 0, z &= re^{i\theta}, \\ \text{where } \theta &= \operatorname{Arg} z, r = |z| \end{aligned}$$

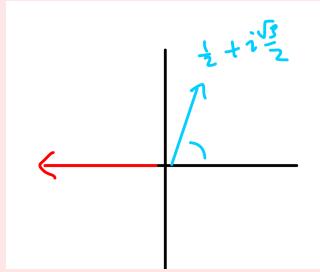
Example 2.10

We write the polar form using complex exponentials for the numbers -1 and $\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

$$\text{Arg}(-1) = \pi, |-1| = 1$$

$$-1 = e^{i\pi}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = e^{i\frac{\pi}{3}}$$



Some helpful identities for $e^{i\theta}, \theta \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$|e^{i\theta}| = 1, \quad \overline{e^{i\theta}} = e^{-i\theta}, \quad \frac{1}{e^{i\theta}} = e^{-i\theta}.$$

Proof.

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

Check $e^{i\theta}e^{-i\theta} = 1$

use $\cos^2(\theta) + \sin^2(\theta) = 1$

□

Another very important identity for $\theta, \varphi \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$e^{i(\theta+\varphi)} = e^{i\theta}e^{i\varphi}.$$

Just use angle sum formulas

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

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

Example 2.11

If $z = re^{i\theta}$ is a nonzero complex number, then

$$\frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{r}e^{-i\theta}, \quad \overline{z} = re^{-i\theta}.$$

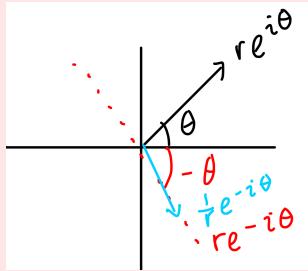
$$\left(\frac{1}{r}e^{-i\theta}\right) = \left(r \cdot \frac{1}{r}\right) e^{i\theta+(-i\theta)} = 1$$

$$\implies \frac{1}{r}e^{-i\theta} = \frac{1}{z}$$

Polar form can also help us understand multiplication of complex numbers geometrically in the complex plane:

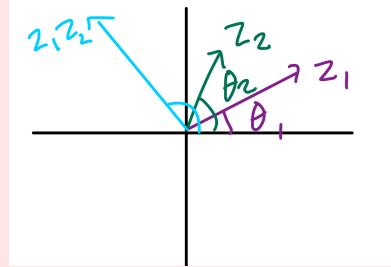
Example 2.12 (Inversion)

$$z = re^{i\theta} \neq 0 \quad \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{r}e^{-i\theta}$$


Example 2.13 (Multiplication)

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 &= r_1 e^{i\theta_1}, \quad z_2 = r_2 e^{i\theta_2} \\ z_1 \cdot z_2 &= (r_1 e^{i\theta_1})(r_2 e^{i\theta_2}) = r_1 r_2 e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)} \end{aligned}$$

To multiply two complex numbers, multiply their lengths and add their arg's.



2.4 De Moivre's Formulae

Theorem 2.14 (De Moivre's Formulae)

For any natural number n and any $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$\cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta) = e^{in\theta} = (e^{i\theta})^n = (\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))^n$$

Once the right-hand-side is expanded, we can obtain expressions for $\cos(n\theta)$ and $\sin(n\theta)$ as polynomials in $\cos(\theta)$ and $\sin(\theta)$. These qualities are known as de Moivre's formulae.

Example 2.15

We obtain de Moivre's formulae for the case $n = 2$.

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(2\theta) + i \sin(2\theta) &= (\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))^2 \\ &= \cos^2(\theta) - \sin^2(\theta) + i(2 \cos(\theta) \sin(\theta))\end{aligned}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{equating Re=Im}} \begin{cases} \cos(2\theta) = \cos^2(\theta) - \sin^2(\theta) \\ \sin(2\theta) = 2 \cos(\theta) \sin(\theta) \end{cases}$$

Exercise. See the textbook for a derivation of the formulae

$$\cos(3\theta) = \cos^3(\theta) + 3 \cos(\theta) \sin^2(\theta), \quad \sin(3\theta) = 3 \cos^2(\theta) \sin(\theta) - \sin^3(\theta).$$

2.5 n th Roots

Definition 2.16 (n th roots)

A complex number w is an n th root of w if $z^n = w$. In other words, the n th roots of w are precisely the roots of the polynomial $p(z) = z^n - w$. As an immediate consequence: any $z \in \mathbb{C}$ has at most n many distinct n th roots.

For a nonzero complex number w , we can find its n th roots as follows:

Let $w = \rho e^{i\varphi}$ $z = re^{i\theta}$.

For z to be an n th root of w , we need $z^n = w$

$$\implies r^n e^{in\theta} = \rho e^{i\varphi}$$

$$\implies r^n = \rho, \quad n\theta = \varphi$$

or,

$$n\theta = \varphi + 2k\pi \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\implies r = \rho^{1/n}, \quad \theta = \frac{\varphi + 2k\pi}{n},$$

distinct angles are

$$\theta = \frac{\varphi + 2k\pi}{n}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$$

Therefore,

$$\text{nth roots of } w: \quad z_k = \rho^{1/n} e^{i(\frac{\varphi+2k\pi}{n})}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

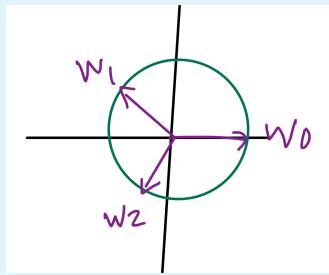
Exercise. Find and plot the 3rd roots of $w = 9i$.

Definition 2.17 (n th roots of unity)

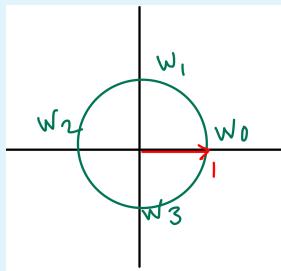
The n th roots of 1 have a special name: they are called the n th roots of unity. Using the same procedure as above, we can find that the n th roots of unity are

$$w_k = e^{2\pi i k/n}, \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1.$$

3rd roots of unity:



4th roots of unity:



n th roots of unity can also be used to find n th roots of complex numbers other than 1. For a nonzero $z = re^{i\theta}$, we can find the first n th root of z to be $z_0 = r^{1/n}e^{i\theta/n}$. Then, if w_0, \dots, w_{n-1} are the n th root of unity, then the n th roots of z are exactly

$$z_k = z_0 w_k, \quad k = 0, \dots, n - 1.$$

$$z_k^n = (z_0 w_k)^n = z_0^n \cdot w_k^n = z \cdot 1 = z$$

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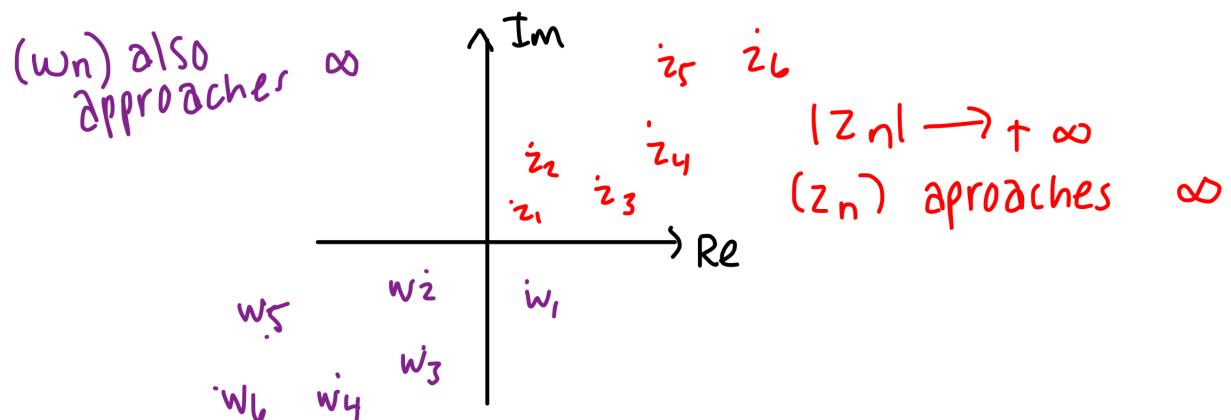
3.1 Stereographic Projection

In complex analysis, it is often useful to imagine that the complex plane has an “ideal point” at infinity, denoted ∞ .

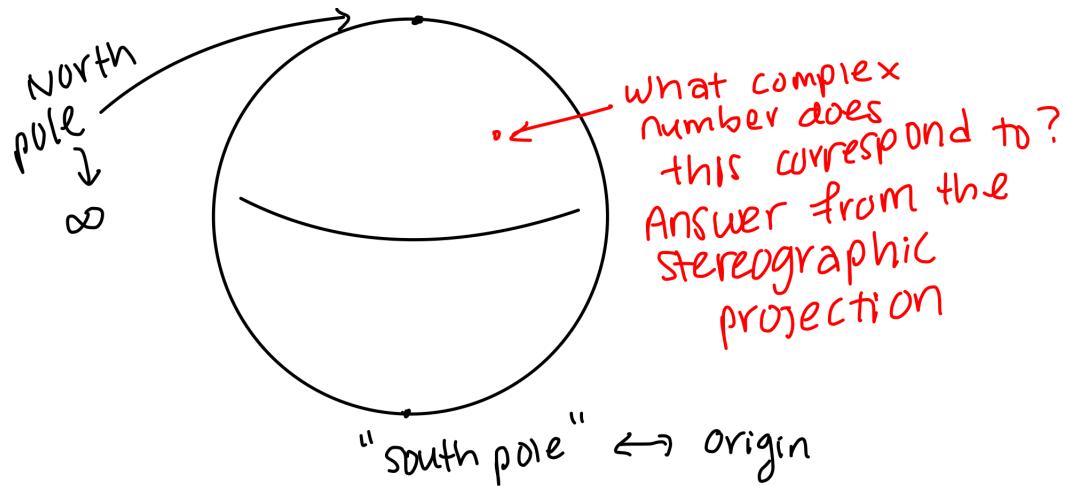
Definition 3.1 (Extended complex plane)

The extended complex plane is $\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$.

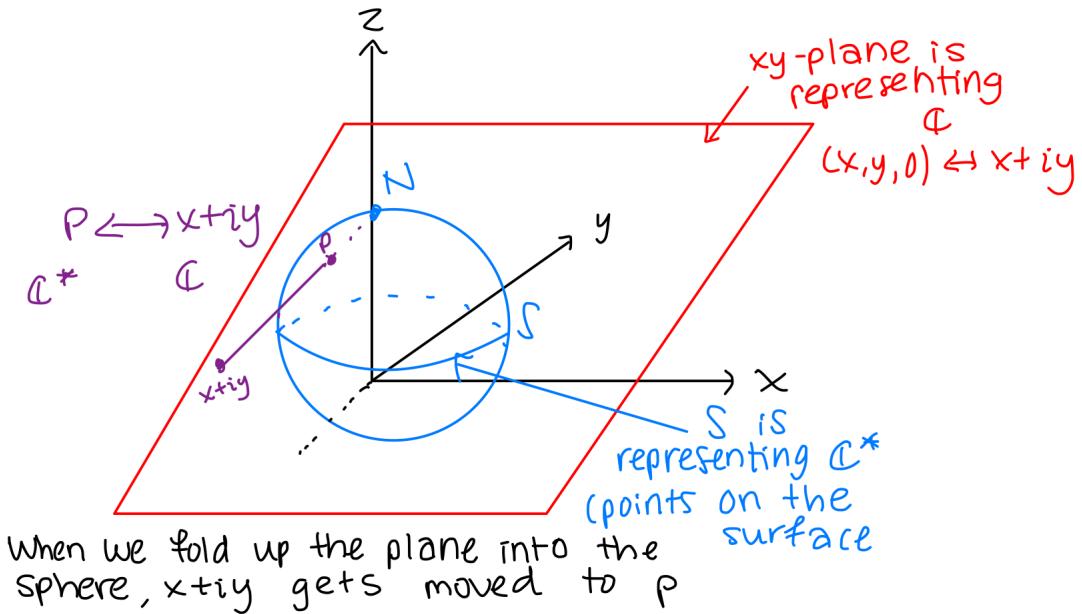
∞ is not a complex number. Instead, it represents what becomes of a complex number if its modulus grows without bound. In other words, a sequence of complex numbers (z_n) is considered to approach ∞ if and only if the moduli $|z_n|$ are diverging to $+\infty$ (as a sequence of reals).



This leaves us with a problem: how can we visualize \mathbb{C}^* ?
 \mathbb{C}^* will be visualized as a sphere:



We will use stereographic projection to visualize \mathbb{C}^* as a sphere.
Start with 3-space, $\{(X, Y, Z) : X, Y, Z \in \mathbb{R}\}$, and consider the unit sphere.



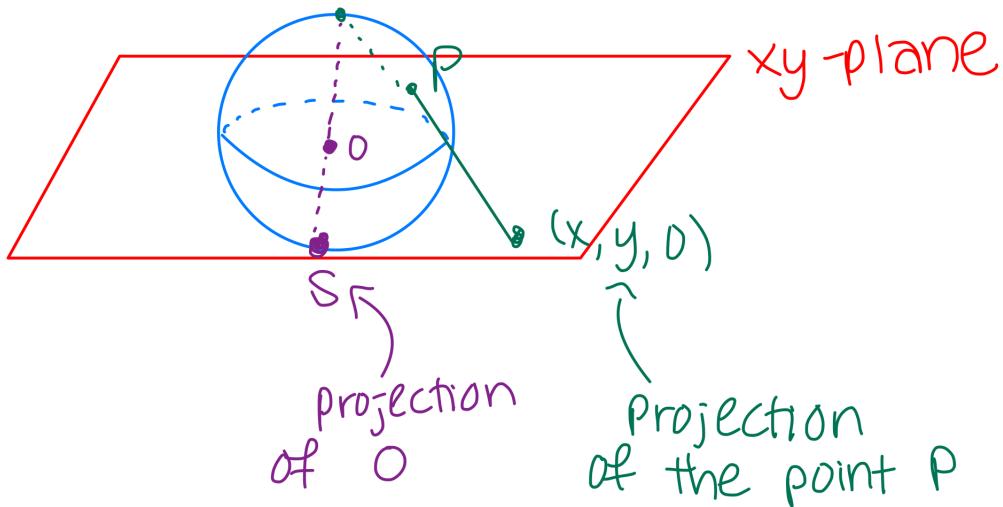
Any point in the xy -plane $(x, y, 0)$ will represent the complex number $x + iy$,

$$x + iy \sim (x, y, 0).$$

The unit sphere S represents $\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$. with the north pole $N = (0, 0, 1)$ representing ∞ .

But in what manner do points in S represent complex numbers in \mathbb{C} ? To answer this, we will give a correspondence between points in $S \setminus \{N\}$ and the xy -plane.

The correspondence is called the stereographic projection, and is defined as follows:

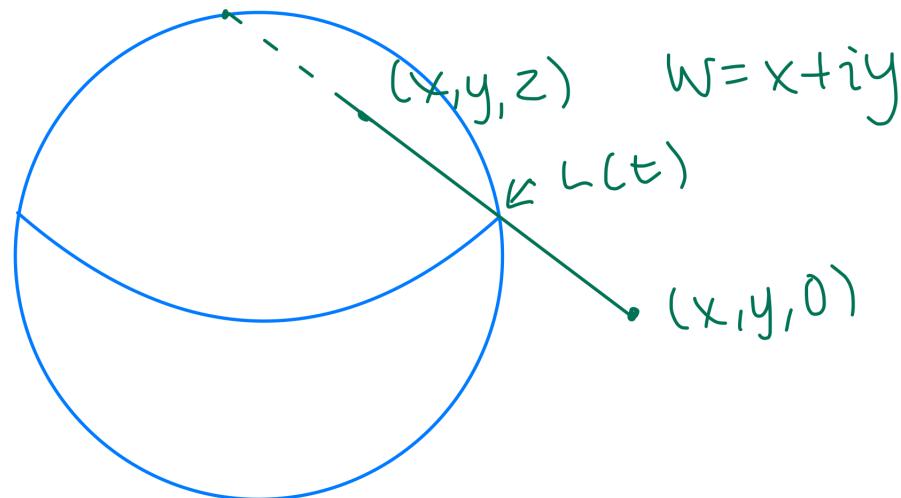


This projection gives a one-to-one correspondence between $S \setminus \{N\}$ and xy -plane.

Note that points on the lower half of the sphere correspond to complex numbers whose moduli are ≤ 1 , while points on the upper half of the sphere correspond to complex numbers whose moduli are ≥ 1 .

We have given a geometric description of the stereographic projection, but now we describe how to find an explicit formula for it.

We start with a given complex number $z = x + iy (\sim (x, y, 0))$ and seek a formula for the coordinates (X, Y, Z) for the point on the sphere which corresponds to $(x, y, 0)$ via the stereographic projection.



$$\begin{aligned} L(t) &= (0, 0, 1) + t((X, Y, Z) - (0, 0, 1)) \\ &= (tX, tY, t(Z - 1) + 1) \end{aligned}$$

There is t such that $L(t) = (X, Y, 0)$ i.e. $(tX, tY, t(Z - 1) + 1) = (x, y, 0)$

$$\Rightarrow t(Z - 1) + 1 = 0 \Leftrightarrow t = \frac{1}{1 - Z}$$

Note that:

$$Z = \frac{t-1}{t}, \quad tX = x, \quad tY = y$$

Since (X, Y, Z) is on S,

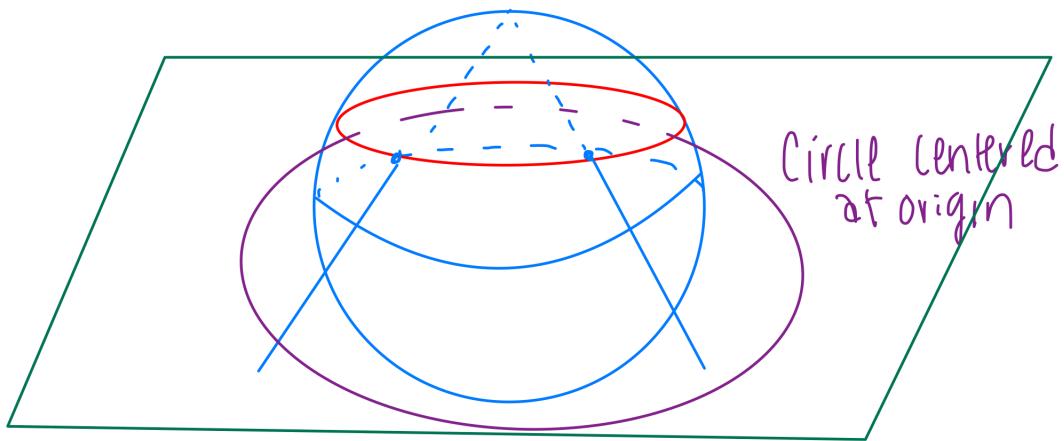
$$\begin{aligned} X^2 + Y^2 + Z^2 &= 1 && \text{Multiply both sides by } t^2 \\ \implies (tX)^2 + (tY)^2 + (t-1)^2 &= t^2 \\ \implies |W|^2 + t^2 - 2t + 1 &= t^2 \\ \implies t &= \frac{|W|^2 + 1}{2} && \text{solved for } t \text{ in terms of given } w \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

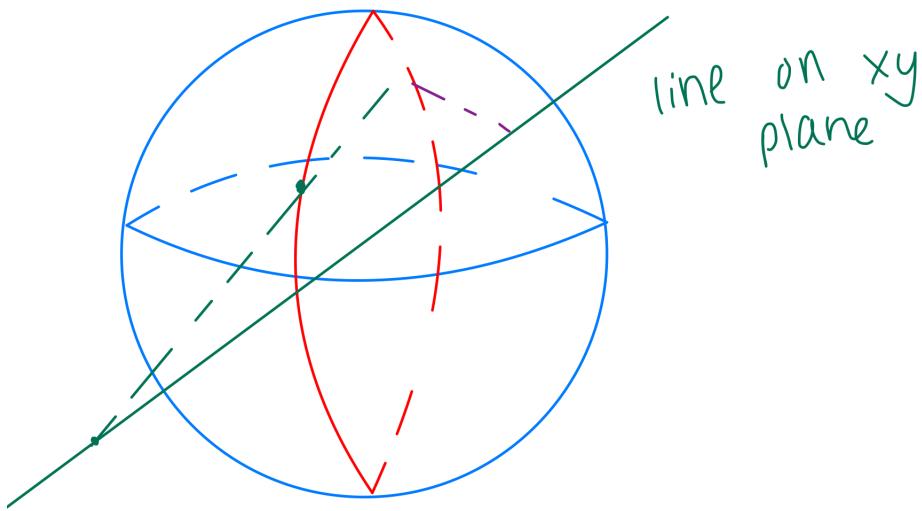
$$\begin{cases} X = \frac{1}{t}x = \frac{2x}{|w|^2 + 1} \\ Y = \frac{1}{t}y = \frac{2y}{|w|^2 + 1} \\ Z = \frac{t-1}{t} = \frac{|w|^2 - 1}{|w|^2 + 1} \end{cases}$$

$\left(\frac{2x}{|w|^2 + 1}, \frac{2y}{|w|^2 + 1}, \frac{|w|^2 - 1}{|w|^2 + 1} \right)$ is the unique point on the sphere that gets projected to $w = x + iy$.

We now explore what the stereographic projection does to geometric objects on the sphere. For example, it is not hard to see that lines of latitude on the sphere correspond to circles centered at 0 on the xy -plane.



Moreover, lines of longitude on the sphere correspond to straight lines on the xy -plane.

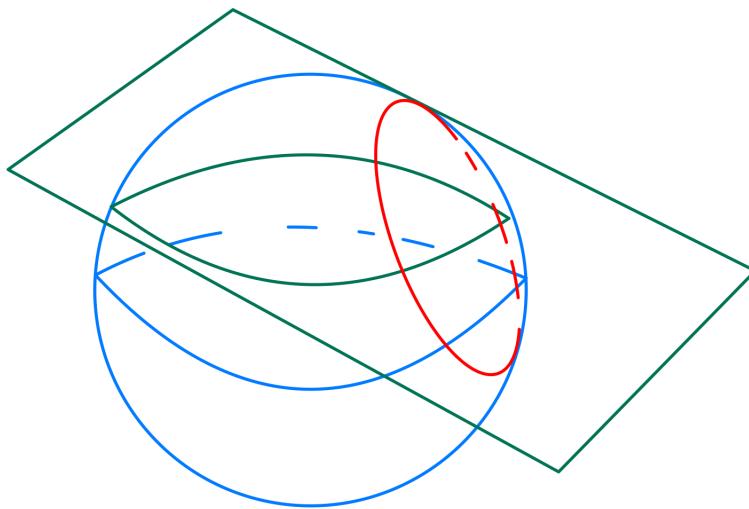


Next, we will prove more general theorem:

Theorem 3.2

Under the stereographic projection, circles on the sphere correspond to circles and lines on the xy -plane.

Here, “circles on the sphere” means any intersection of a plane in 3-space with the unit sphere.



In our proof, we will also use the fact that the set of points in the plane which satisfy an equation of the form

$$x^2 + y^2 + ax + by + c = 0 \quad (a, b, c, \in \mathbb{R})$$

is either a circle, a point, or empty.

[To see this, start by completing the square to get

$$(x + a/2)^2 + (y + b/2)^2 = (a^2 + b^2)/4 - c$$

Consider the three cases where the right-hand-side is $> 0, = 0, < 0.$

Proof. Consider a circle on the sphere which is the intersection of the sphere with the plane $AX + BY + CZ = D.$

The projection of this curve in all $z = x + iy \mapsto (x, y, 0)$ which satisfy

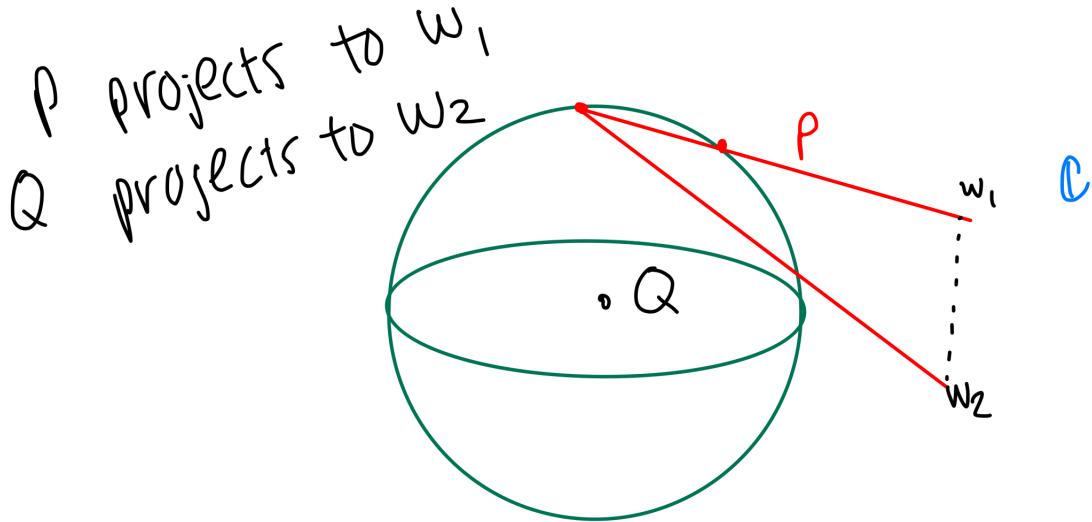
$$\begin{aligned} A \frac{2x}{|z|^2 + 1} + B \frac{2y}{|z|^2 + 1} + C \frac{|z|^2 - 1}{|z|^2 + 1} &= D \\ \Rightarrow 2Ax + 2By + C(|z|^2 - 1) &= D(|z|^2 + 1) \\ \Rightarrow 2Ax + 2By + Cx^2 + Cy^2 - C &= Dx^2 + Dy^2 + D \\ \Rightarrow (C - D)x^2 + (C - D)y^2 + 2Ax + 2By + (C - D) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

If $C = D$, then this defines a line.

If $C \neq D$, then by our previous remark (after dividing by $(-D)$), we can conclude it defines a circle. \square

3.2 Chordal Distance

This is a notion of distance for C^* .



$d(w_1, w_2) =$ length of chord that connects P, Q (chordal)

C^* with d is a metric space:

1. $d(w_1, w_2) = d(w_2, w_1)$

2. $d(w_1, w_2) \geq 0,$

$$d(w_1, w_2) = 0 \iff w_1 = w_2$$

3. $d(w_1, w_2) \leq d(w_1, z) + d(z, w_2)$

Formula:

$$d(w_1, w_2) = \frac{2|w_1 - w_2|}{\sqrt{(|w_1|^2 + 1)(|w_2|^2 + 1)}} \quad w_1, w_2 \in \mathbb{C}$$
$$d(w_1, \infty) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{(|w_1|^2 + 1)}} \quad w_1 \in \mathbb{C}$$

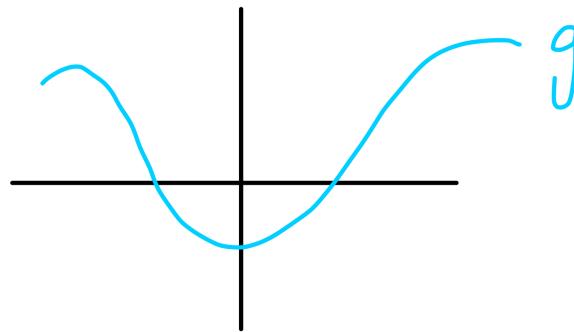
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4.1 Visualizing Complex Functions

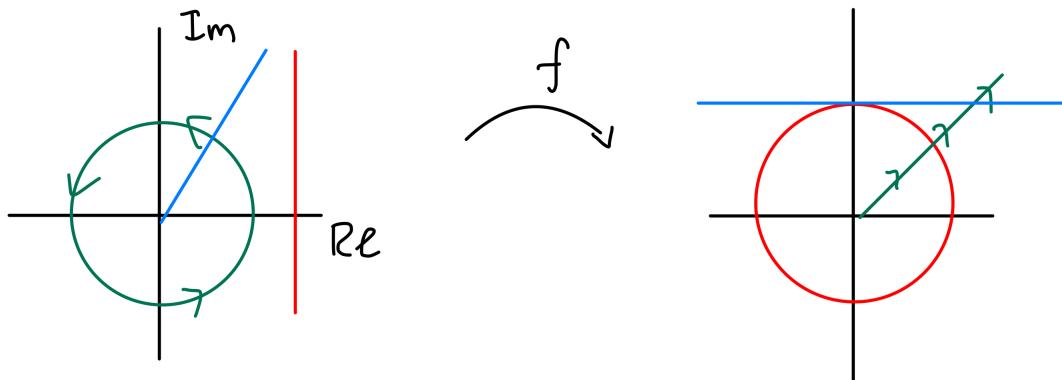
A function \mathbb{C} to \mathbb{C} , $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, maps a two dimensional space to a two dimensional space. Thus, the graph of $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$,

$$G = \{(z, f(z)) \in \mathbb{C}^2 : z \in \mathbb{C}\}$$

is not as easy to visualize as a graph of a function $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$



To visualize $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, our best tool is to analyze how f transforms various geometric objects.

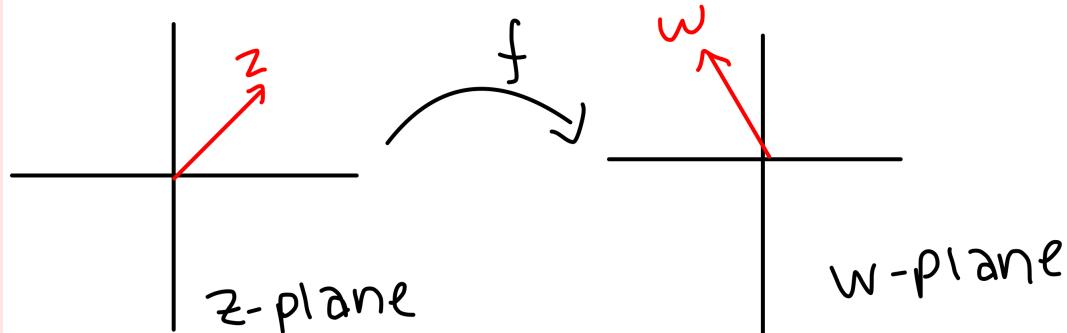


4.2 The Square Function

Consider the square function $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $f(z) = z^2$.

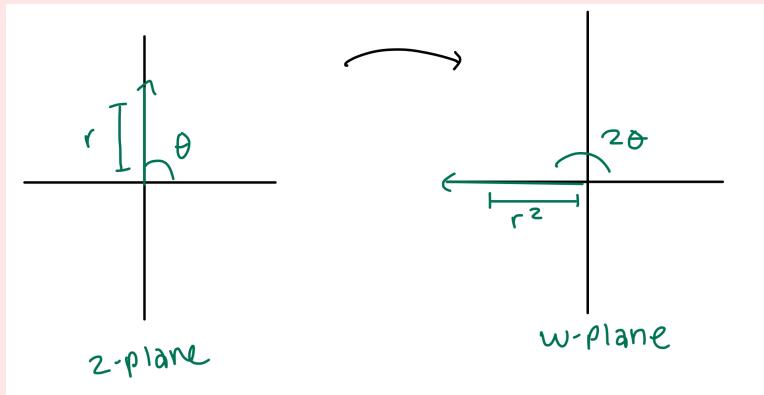
Example 4.1

We will also think of this function as being given by $w = z^2$, where the domain space is the z -plane and the codomain space is the w -plane.

**Example 4.2**

Using polar representation, we can get an idea of what the square function does to a nonzero input $z = re^{i\theta}$:

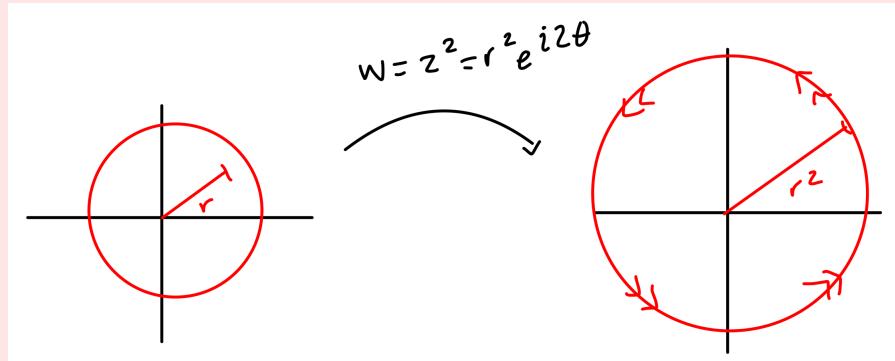
$$z^2 = (re^{i\theta} \cdot re^{i\theta}) = r^2 e^{i2\theta}$$



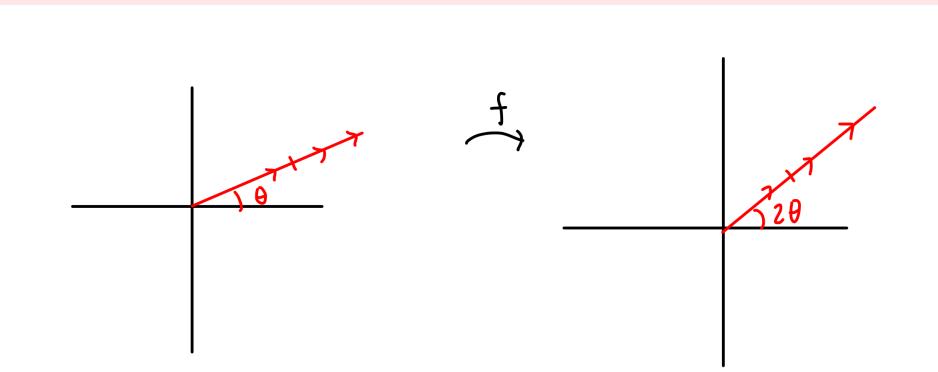
We can extend our understanding by examining what the square function does to the geometric objects in the z -plane.

Example 4.3

The square function transforms a circle centered at 0 to another circle centered at 0:

**Example 4.4**

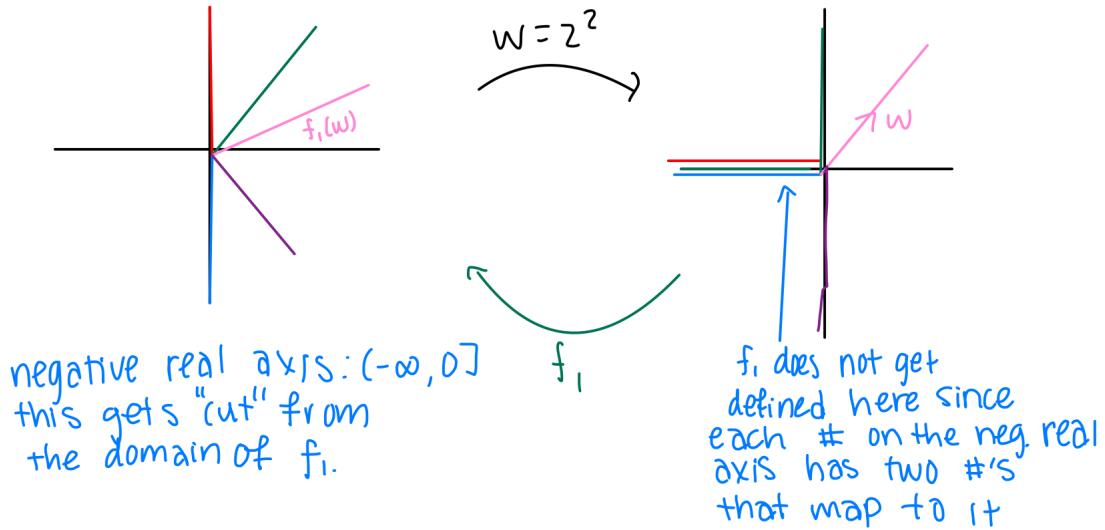
A ray anchored at 0 is transformed into another ray anchored at 0:



We will now consider the problem of finding an inverse function for $w = z^2$, i.e., a square root function $z = \sqrt{w}$.

Just as in the case of the real numbers, every nonzero complex number has two distinct square roots; as a result, there are many different ways of defining a square root operation.

We begin by considering how $w = z^2$ transforms the open half-plane $\{z \in \mathbb{C}: \operatorname{Re} z > 0\}$.

Example 4.5**Definition 4.6** (Principal branch)

Our description above gives us what we will call the principal branch of \sqrt{w} ,

$$f_1: \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

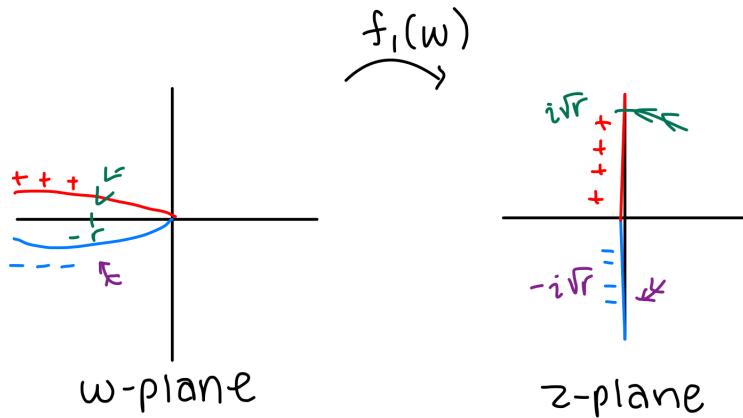
which is algebraically given by

$$f_1(w) = \sqrt{\rho} e^{i\varphi/2}, \quad w = \rho e^{i\varphi}, \quad -\pi < \varphi < \pi.$$

We can also write this equation using Arg:

$$f_1(w) = \sqrt{|w|} e^{i \operatorname{Arg} w / 2}$$

The principal branch f_1 is not defined on $(-\infty, 0]$, but it does have the following limit behavior there:



Notation:

$$f_1(-r + i0) = i\sqrt{r}$$

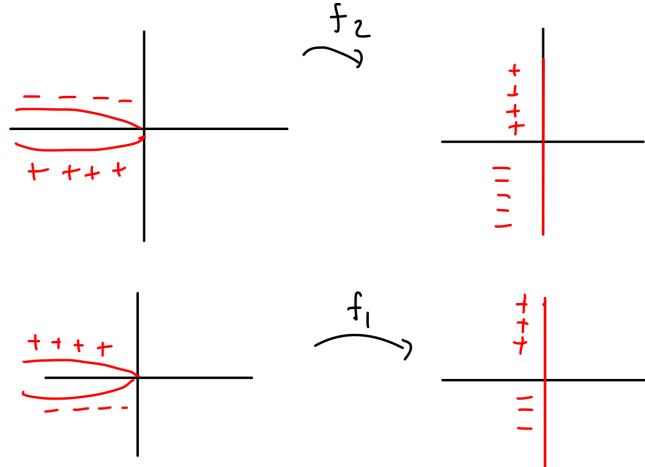
$$f_1(-r - i0) = -i\sqrt{r}$$

$f_1(w)$ chooses one of the possible square roots of w , but we can define another branch of \sqrt{w} which selects the other square root.

We define the branch $f_2: \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ simply by

$$f_2(w) = -f_1(w)$$

This function is still not defined on $(-\infty, 0]$, but it has the following (slightly different) limit behavior there:

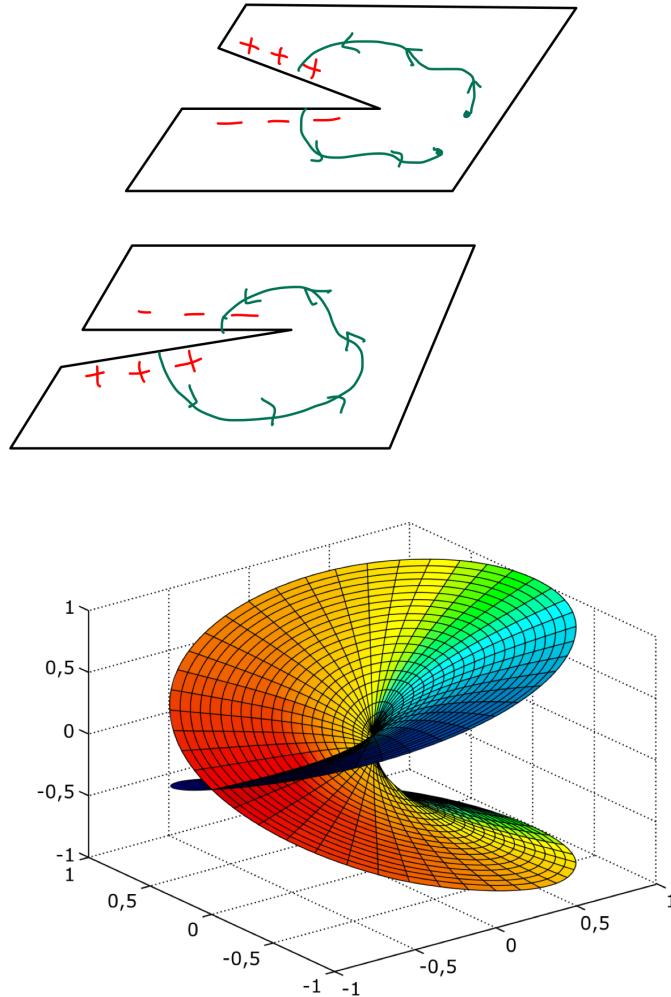


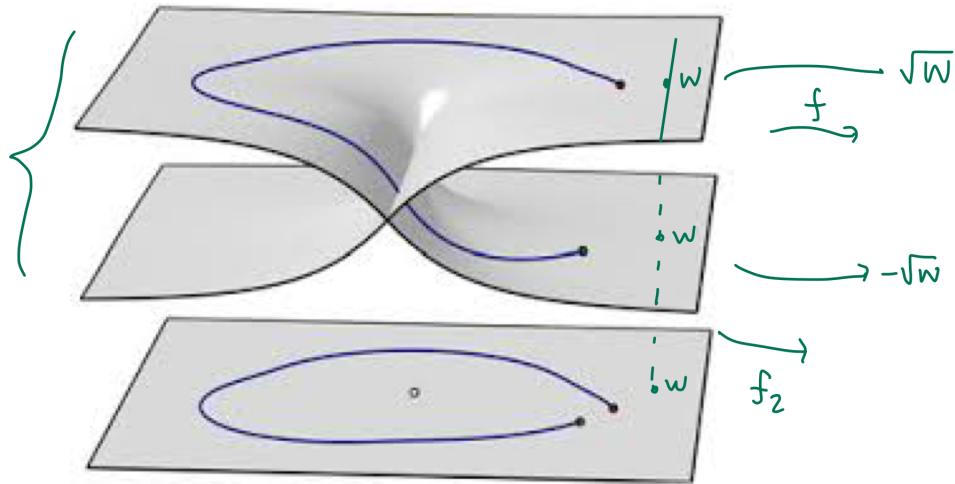
4.3 The Riemann Surface of \sqrt{w}

As we have said, the square root operation is multi-valued.

Book: “multi-valued function”

However, we can use our two branches above to construct a surface which can serve as a domain which makes this multi-valued operation a true function.





4.4 The Exponential Function

Definition 4.7 (Exponential function)

We define the exponential function for all $z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C}$ by

$$e^z = e^x \cos(y) + ie^x \sin(y)$$

This, of course, is an extension of our previously used

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta) \quad (\theta \in \mathbb{R}),$$

and we can write

$$e^z = e^x e^{iy}.$$

Definition 4.8 (λ -periodic)

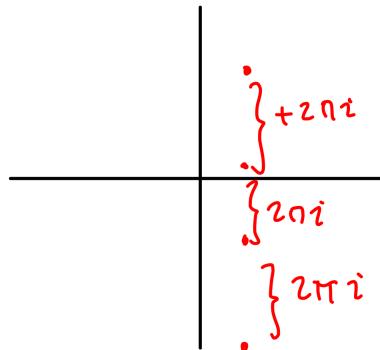
Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. A complex function $f(z)$ is said to be λ -periodic if

$$f(z + \lambda) = f(z) \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Example 4.9

The exponential function is $2\pi i$ periodic:

$$e^{z+2\pi i} = e^z \cdot e^{2\pi i} = e^z \cdot 1 = e^z$$



$2\pi i$ periodicity means all these complex #'s have some values under e^z

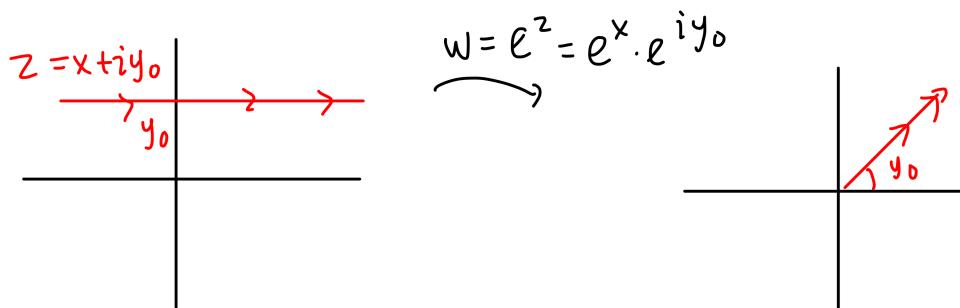
Other fundamental properties of the exponential function (which are easy to verify): for all $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$,

- i. $e^{z+w} = e^z e^w$
- ii. $1/e^z = e^{-z}$
- iii. $\overline{e^z} = e^{\bar{z}}$

We now examine how $w = e^z$ transforms certain geometric objects.

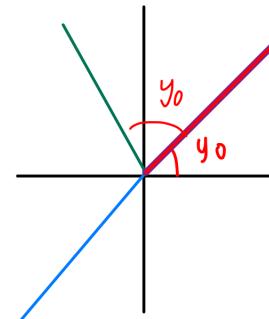
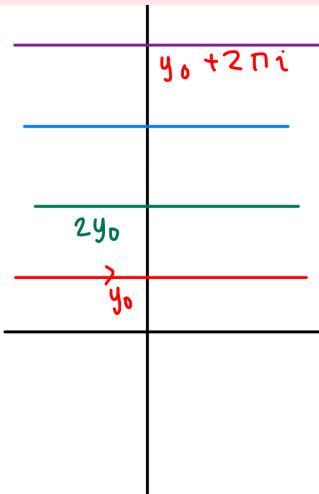
Example 4.10

Horizontal lines are mapped to rays anchored at 0:



Example 4.11

As we move the horizontal line, we can see the geometric meaning of the $2\pi i$ periodicity of $w = e^z$.

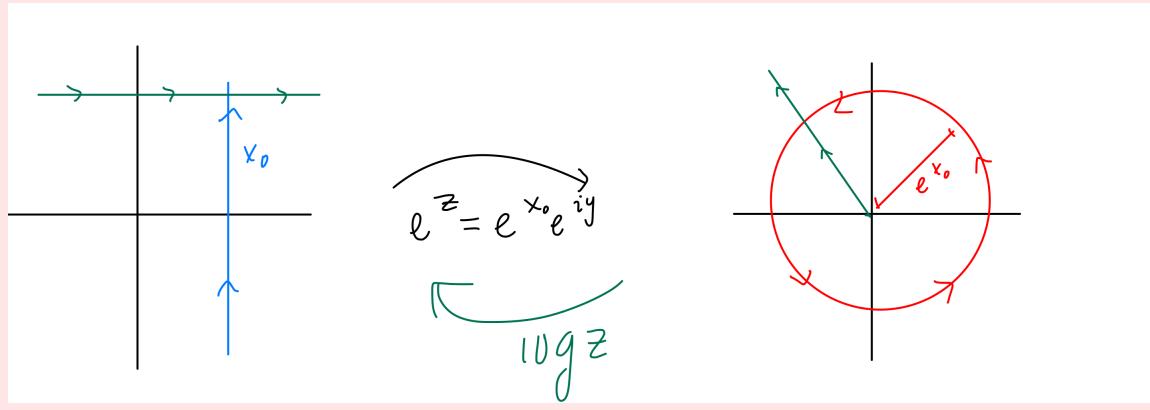


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5.1 The Exponential Function (Cont'd)

Example 5.1

Vertical lines are transformed into circles centered at 0:



5.2 The Logarithm Function

Definition 5.2 (Logarithm Function)

We define $\log z, z \neq 0$, to be the multi-valued function

$$\log z = \log |z| + i \arg z = \log |z| + i \operatorname{Arg} z + 2\pi im, \quad m \in \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}.$$

It is easy to check that any value w of \log satisfies $e^w = z$:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\log z} &= e^{\log |z| + i \operatorname{Arg} z + 2\pi im} = e^{\log |z|} e^{i \operatorname{Arg} z} e^{2\pi im} \\ &= |z| e^{i \operatorname{Arg} z} = z \end{aligned}$$

Definition 5.3 (Principal value)

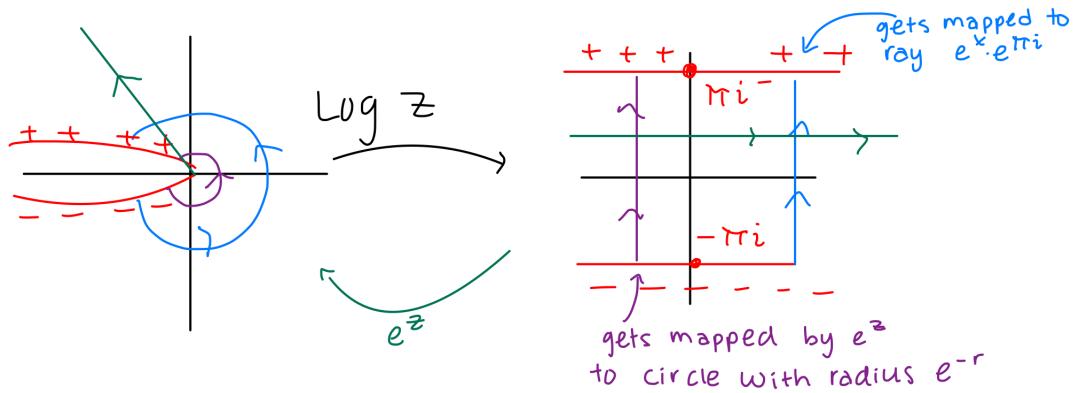
The principal value of $\log z, z \neq 0$, is

$$\operatorname{Log} z = \log |z| + i \operatorname{Arg} z.$$

Note that for $z \neq 0$,

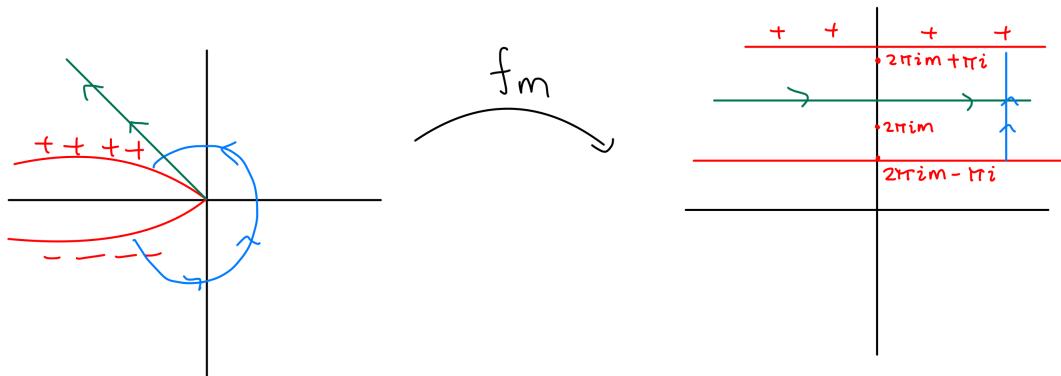
$$\log z = \operatorname{Log} z + 2\pi im, \quad m \in \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$$

We can visualize Log as a function with domain $\mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$ as follows:

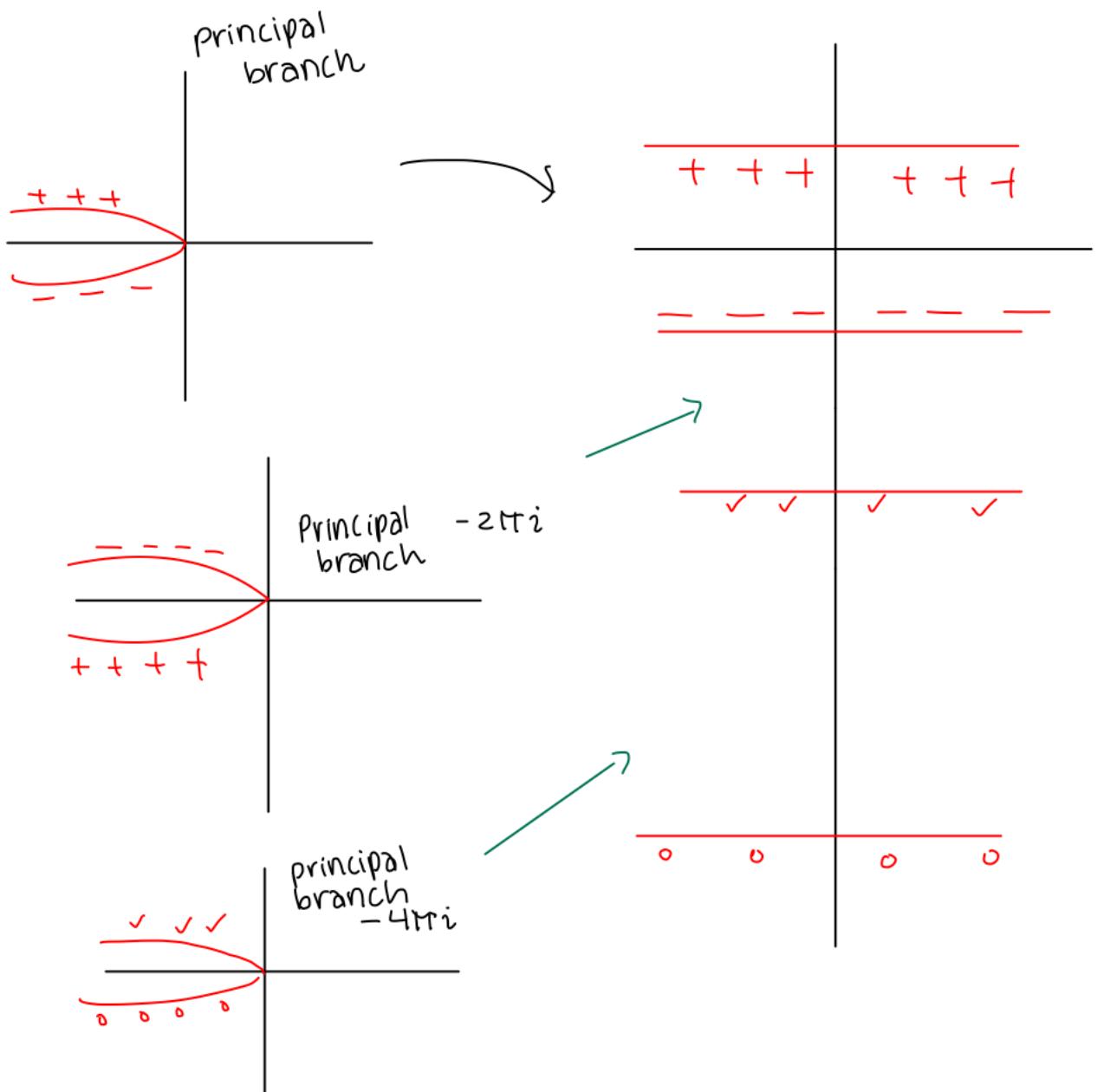


And we have other branches as well,

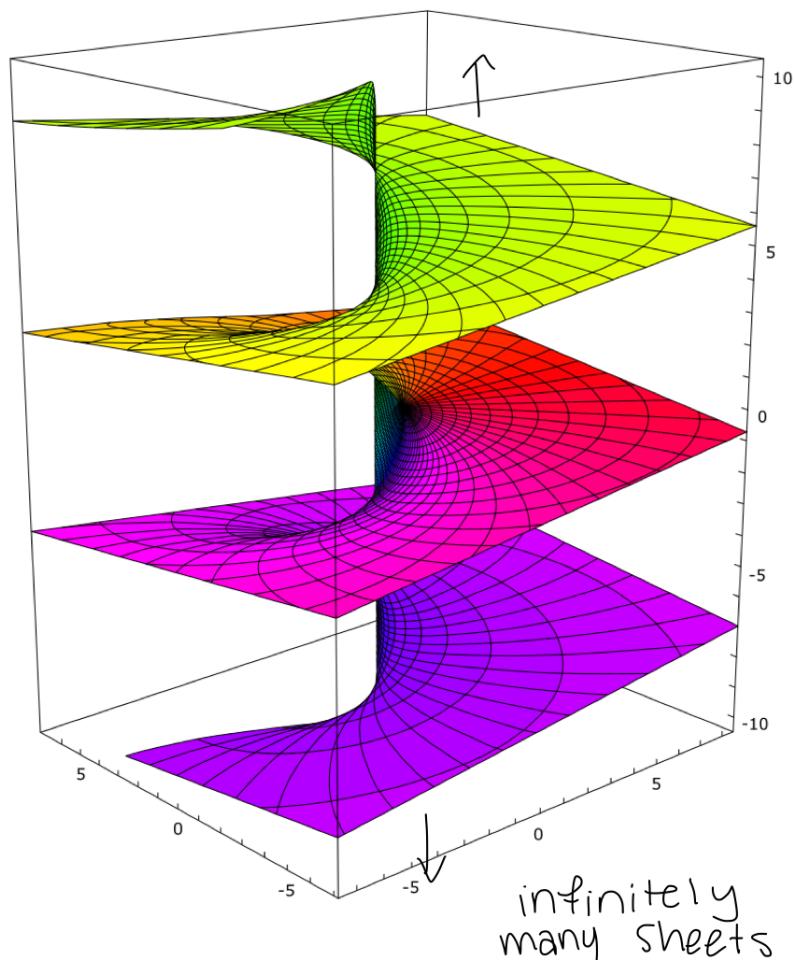
$$f_m(z) = \text{Log } z + 2\pi im, \quad \text{where } m \text{ is an integer.}$$



Just as we did with \sqrt{w} , we can represent the multi-valued function $\log z$ as a single-valued (i.e., actual) function on a Riemann surface.



Glue these together to get Riemann surface of $\log z$.



5.3 Power Functions and Phase Factors

Definition 5.4 (Power function)

Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$. We define the power function z^α to be the multi-valued function

$$z^\alpha = e^{\alpha \log z}, \quad z \neq 0.$$

Thus, the values of z^α are

$$z^\alpha = e^{\alpha[\log|z| + i \operatorname{Arg} z + 2\pi i m]} = e^{\alpha \operatorname{Log} z} e^{2\pi i \alpha m}, \quad m \text{ an integer.}$$

Note that if α is an integer, then z^α is single-valued:

$$\begin{aligned} z^\alpha &= e^{\alpha \operatorname{Log} z} e^{2\pi i \alpha m} \leftarrow \text{integer multiple of } 2\pi i \text{ when } \alpha \text{ is an integer} \\ &= e^{\alpha \operatorname{Log} z} \end{aligned}$$

n a positive integer

$$z^n = \underbrace{z \cdot z \cdot z \cdot z \cdots z}_{n \text{ times}}$$

$$z^{-n} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{z} \cdot \frac{1}{z} \cdots \frac{1}{z}}_{n \text{ times}}$$

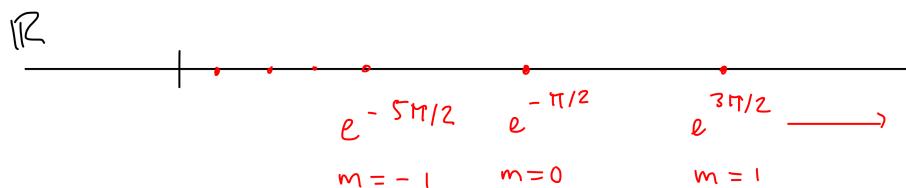
If $\alpha = 1/n$ for an integer n , then $z^\alpha = z^{1/n}$ are the n th roots of z :

$$z^{1/n} = e^{\frac{1}{n} \operatorname{Log} z} e^{\frac{2\pi i m}{n}}$$

Example 5.5

We find the values of i^i .

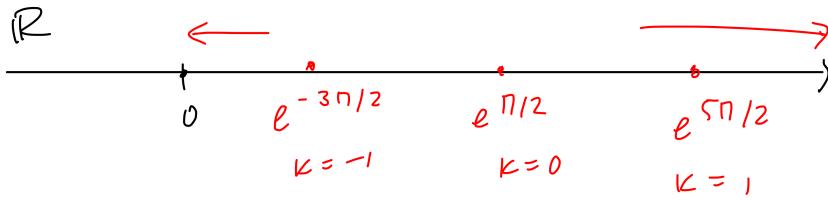
$$\begin{aligned} i^i &= e^{i[\log|i| + i \operatorname{Arg} i + 2\pi i m]} \\ &= e^{0+i^2 \frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi i^2 m} \\ &= e^{\frac{-\pi}{2}} e^{-2\pi m} \\ &= e^{-\pi(1-4m)/2} \\ &\quad m \text{ integer} \end{aligned}$$



Example 5.6

We will find all the values of i^{-i} .

$$\begin{aligned} i^{-i} &= e^{-i[\log|i| + i \operatorname{Arg} i + 2\pi ik]} \\ &= e^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{2\pi k} = e^{\pi(1+4k)/2} \end{aligned}$$



Warning: When we multiply the values of i^i with those of i^{-i} we get infinitely many values:

$$\begin{aligned} (i^i)(i^{-i}) &= (e^{-\pi/2} \cdot e^{-2\pi m})(e^{\pi/2} e^{2\pi k}) \\ &= e^{2\pi(k-m)} \\ &= e^{2\pi j} \quad j \text{ integer} \end{aligned}$$

In other words,

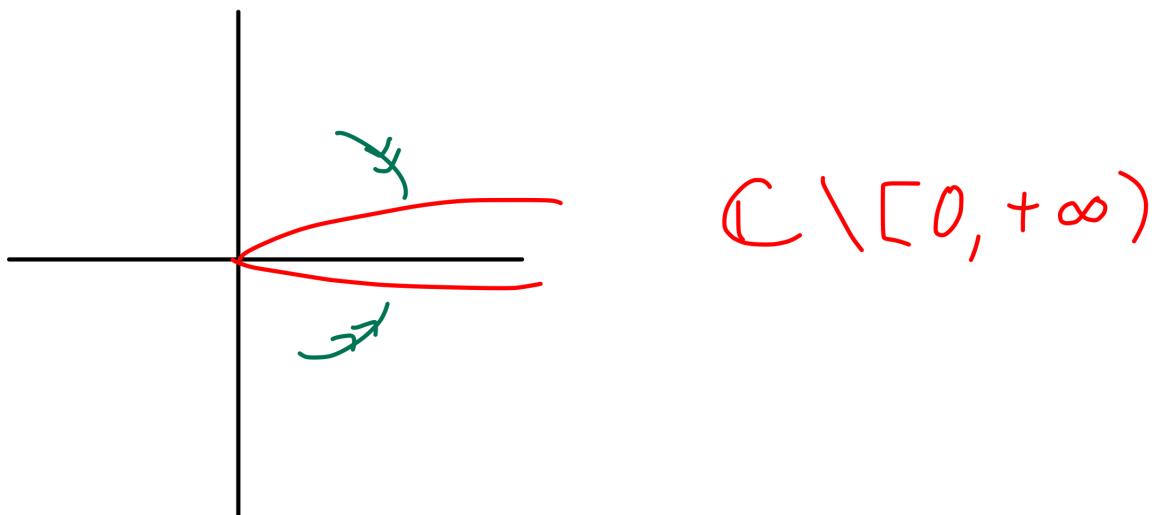
$$(i^i)(i^{-i})$$

is itself multi-valued, and we do not have the familiar looking identity

$$(i^i)(i^{-i}) = 1$$

Instead: 1 is one of the values of $(i^i) \cdot (i^{-i})$ but $e^{2\pi}, e^{-4\pi}, \dots$ are also values.

Fix a non-integer $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$. Since z^α is multi-valued, we find a way to define a single-valued branch of z^α . To do this, we first remove the positive real axis $[0, +\infty)$ from \mathbb{C} :



Then, define the function $f: \mathbb{C} \setminus [0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$z = r e^{i\theta} \quad f(z) = r^\alpha e^{i\alpha\theta}, \quad \text{where } 0 < \theta < 2\pi \quad \text{and} \quad r^\alpha = e^{\alpha \log r}$$

At the top edge of the slit, we can compute $f(r + i0)$:

$$f(r + i0) = \lim_{\substack{\theta \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{from above}}} f(r + i\theta) = r^\alpha e^{i\alpha \cdot 0} = r^\alpha$$

At the bottom edge of the slit, we can compute $f(r - i0)$:

$$f(r - i0) = \lim_{\substack{\theta \rightarrow 2\pi \\ \text{from below}}} f(r + i\theta) = r^\alpha e^{i\alpha 2\pi} = e^{i\alpha 2\pi} \cdot f(r + i0)$$

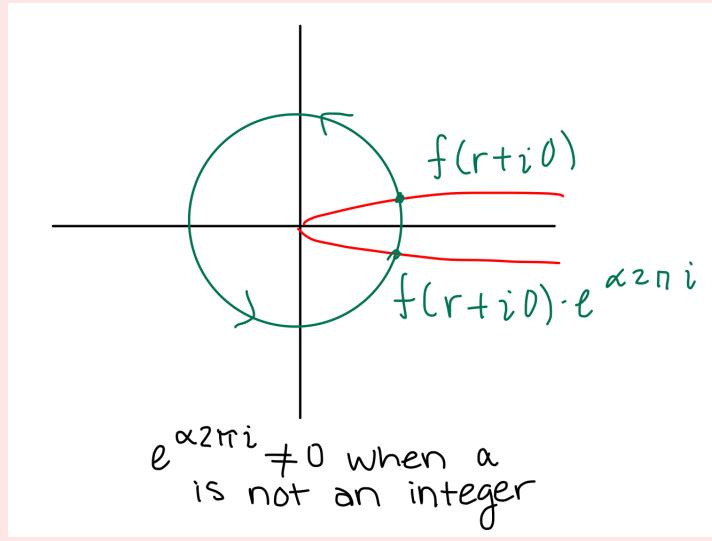
In particular, $f(r + i0) \neq f(r - i0)$

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6.1 Power Functions and Phase Factors (Cont'd)

Example 6.1

If we move continuously around the origin starting at a point on the slit, the values of $f(z)$ will move continuously from $f(r + i0)$ to $f(r - i0)$:



But $f(r + i0) \neq f(r - i0)$, so we cannot continuously extend this function to be defined on the slit. In fact, there is no way to define a continuous branch of z^α on the whole complex plane \mathbb{C} (for α not an integer).

Definition 6.2 (Phase factor)

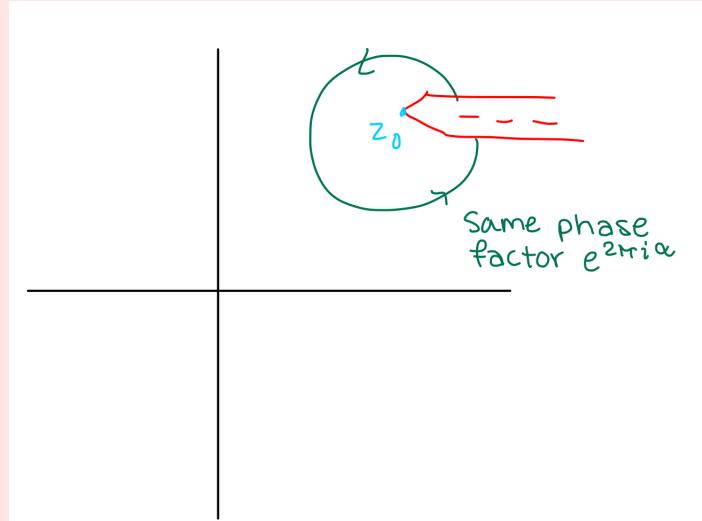
We showed that for $r > 0$,

$$f(r - i0) = e^{2\pi i \alpha} f(r + i0)$$

The value $e^{2\pi i \alpha}$ is called the phase factor of z^α at $z = 0$.

Example 6.3

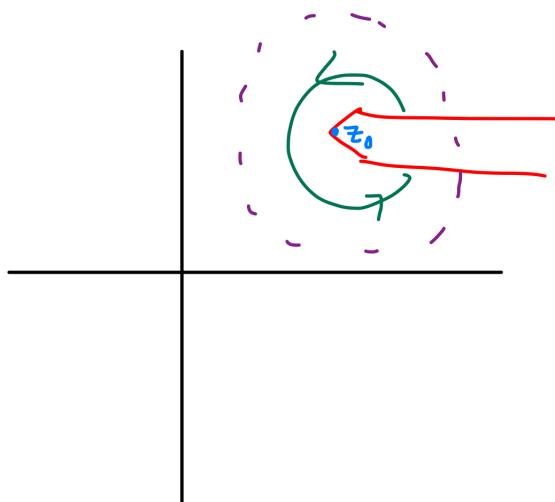
For the multi-valued function $(z - z_0)^\alpha$, we could perform the same analysis:

**Theorem 6.4 (Phase change lemma)**

Let $g(z)$ be a (single-valued) function which is defined and continuous near z_0 in some disk centered at z_0 . For any continuous varying branch of $(z - z_0)^\alpha$, the function

$$f(z) = (z - z_0)^\alpha g(z)$$

is multiplied by a phase factor of $e^{2\pi i \alpha}$ when z traverses a complete circle around z_0 in the counterclockwise direction.



Example 6.5

If α is an integer, then the phase factor of z^α at $z = 0$ is

$$e^{2\pi i \alpha} = 1$$

This means that traversing the circular path multiplies the value of $f(z)$ by 1, i.e., does not change the value. This is another way of saying z^α , α integer, is single-valued.

Example 6.6

Consider the function $\sqrt{z(1-z)}$.

Since

$$\sqrt{z(1-z)} = \sqrt{z} \cdot \sqrt{1-z},$$

this function actually has two branch points:

\sqrt{z} has a branch point at $z = 0$.

$\sqrt{1-z}$ has a branch point at $z = 1$.

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{z(1-z)}$ has branch points at $z = 0, 1$.

$$\sqrt{z} \cdot \underbrace{\sqrt{(1-z)}}$$

have branch of this
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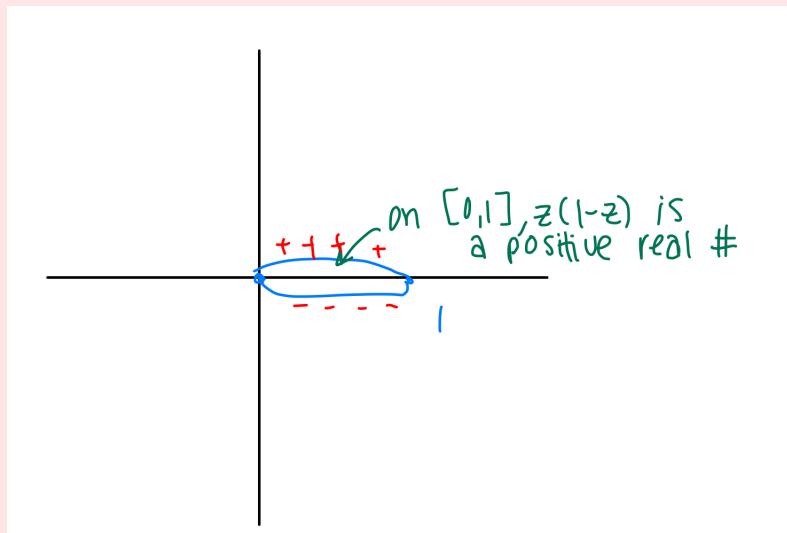
Phase change lemma \Rightarrow phase factor at $z = 0$ is

$$e^{2\pi i \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = e^{\pi i} = -1$$

Similarly, phase factor at $z = 1$ is

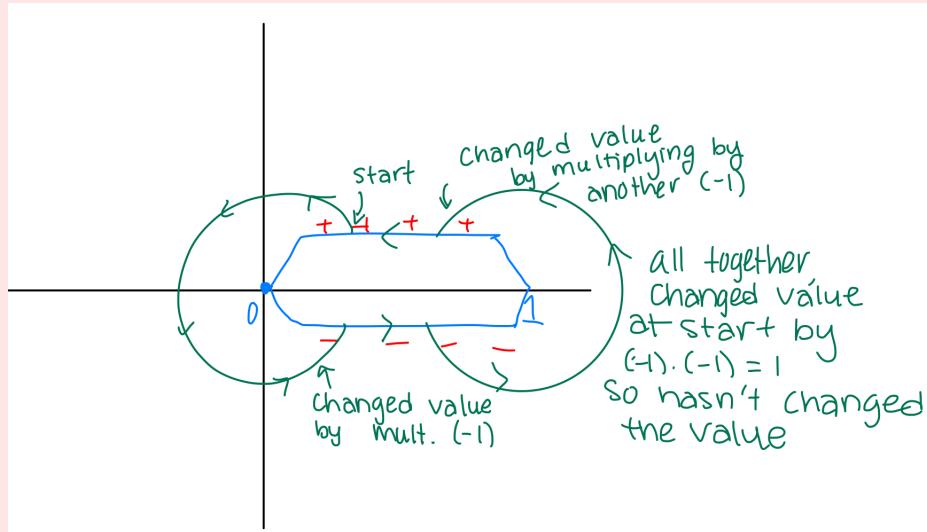
$$e^{2\pi i \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = -1$$

We draw a branch cut 0 to 1 and consider the branch $f(z)$ of $\sqrt{z(1-z)}$ which is positive along the top edge of the cut and negative along the bottom edge.



Example 6.7

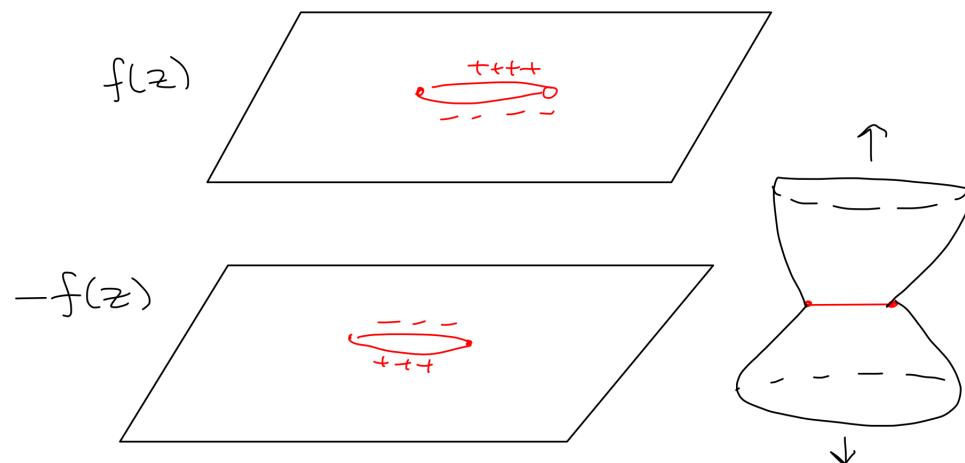
We can check that this branch is actually single-valued on $\mathbb{C} \setminus [0, 1]$:



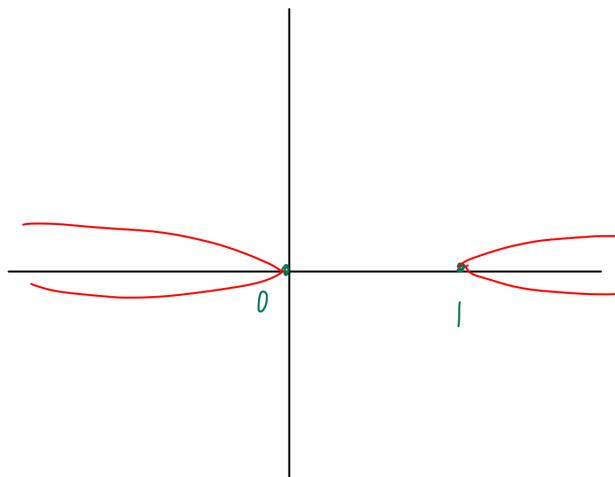
And we can visualize the Riemann surface:

$f(z)$ branch of $\sqrt{z(1-z)}$ on $\mathbb{C} \setminus [0, 1]$

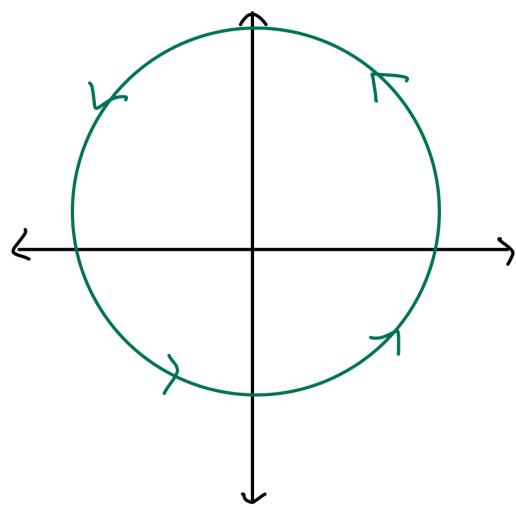
Other branch is $-f(z)$



Note: for the single-valued branch of $\sqrt{z(1-z)}$, we just need enough cuts to ensure that we cannot traverse a closed path around a single branch point.



We will see in the next example that sometimes we need more than just one cut. Also, we will see that ∞ can be a branch point. This happens when traversing very large circles centered at 0 has a phase factor.



Example 6.8

Consider the function $\sqrt{z - 1/z}$. Rewriting this as

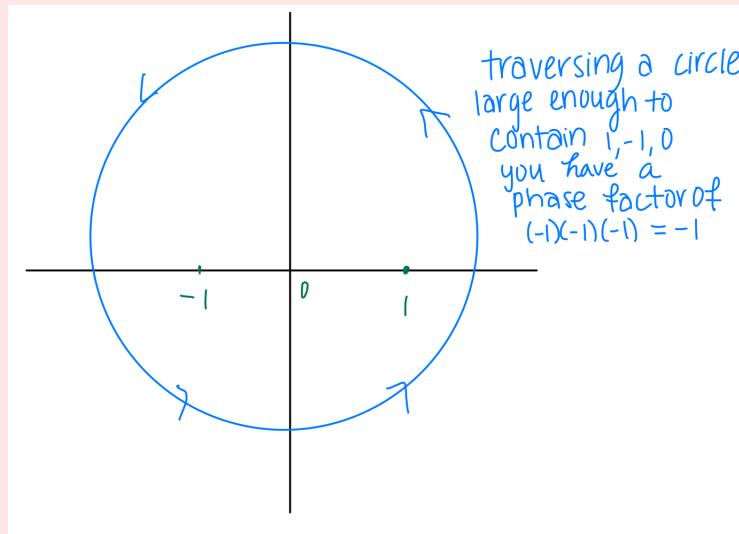
$$\sqrt{z - 1/z} = \frac{\sqrt{z-1}\sqrt{z+1}}{\sqrt{z}} = (z-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}(z+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}(z)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

we can see that the function has three finite branch points.

$1, -1, 0$, all have phase factors

$$-1 = e^{2\pi i \cdot \frac{1}{2}}$$

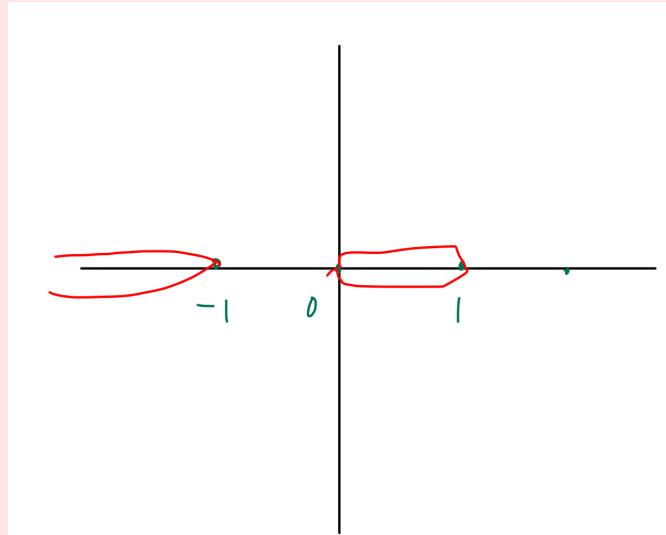
$$-1 = e^{2\pi i (-\frac{1}{2})} = e^{-\pi i}$$



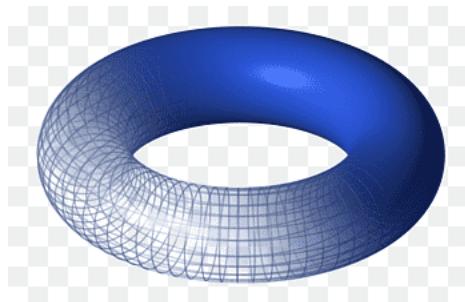
Moreover, ∞ is also a branch point.

Example 6.9

This time, we need two branch cuts: (Again, we want to avoid the possibility of traversing a path around a single branch point, including the one at ∞ .)



There is a branch of $\frac{\sqrt{z-1}\sqrt{z+1}}{\sqrt{z}}$ defined on $\mathbb{C} \setminus ((-\infty, -1] \cup [0, 1])$.
Riemann surface is a torus.



6.2 Trigonometric and Hyperbolic Functions

Definition 6.10 (Trigonometric functions)

We define $\cos z$ and $\sin z$ by setting

$$\cos z = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C},$$

$$\sin z = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}$$

It is easy to check that these are indeed an extension of \cos , \sin on the real line, but this definition can be further motivated by solving the system

$$\begin{cases} e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \\ e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta \end{cases} \quad \text{for } \cos \theta \text{ and } \sin \theta$$

It is easy to check that $\cos z, \sin z$ have many of the familiar properties:

- i. $\cos z$ is an even function: $\cos(-z) = \cos(z)$.
- ii. $\sin z$ is an odd function: $\sin(-z) = -z \sin(z)$.
- iii. $\cos z, \sin z$ are both 2π periodic: $\cos(z + 2\pi) = \cos z, \sin(z + 2\pi) = \sin(z)$.
- iv. The sum formulas are valid:

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(z + w) &= \cos z \cos w - \sin z \sin w, \\ \sin(z + w) &= \sin z \cos w + \cos z \sin w. \end{aligned}$$

- v. For any $z \in \mathbb{C}, \cos^2 z + \sin^2 z = 1$.

Definition 6.11 (Hyperbolic functions)

The hyperbolic functions are extended to \mathbb{C} in the obvious way:

$$\cosh z = \frac{e^z + e^{-z}}{2}, \quad \sinh z = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2} \quad z \in \mathbb{C}$$

These functions also have their familiar properties:

- i. \cosh, \sinh are both $2\pi i$ periodic.
- ii. \cosh , is even, \sinh is odd.

The hyperbolic functions are closely related to the trig functions. Both sets of functions are obtained from each other by rotating the complex plane by $\pi/2$ clockwise (i.e., by multiplications by i):

$$\begin{cases} \cosh(iz) = \cos z, \\ \sinh(iz) = i \sin z, \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \cos(iz) = \cosh z, \\ \sin(iz) = i \sinh z, \end{cases}$$

We can use these equations, and the addition formula to obtain the Cartesian representation for $\sin z$:

$$\sin z = \sin x \cosh y + i \cos x \sinh y \quad (z = x + iy).$$

Using some more trig identities we can then get the formula

$$|\sin z|^2 = \sin^2 x + \sinh^2 y$$

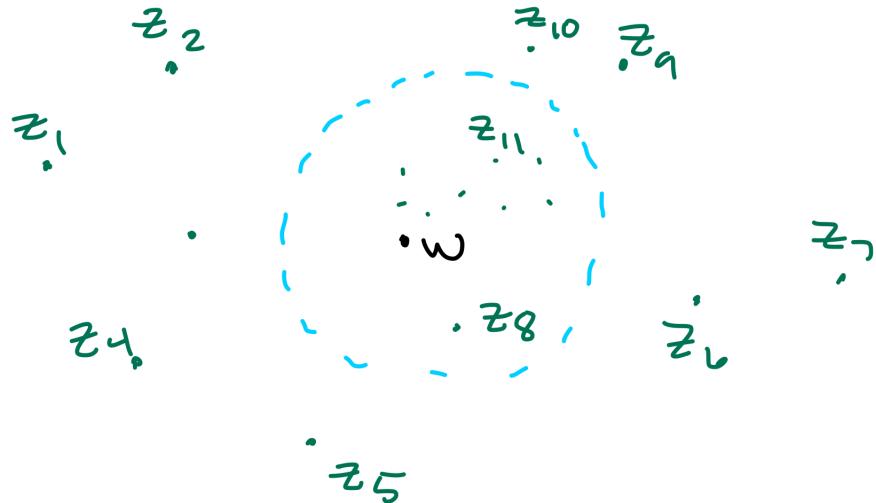
\implies zeroes of $\sin z$ are exactly the zeros of $\sin x$: $k\pi, k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

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7.1 Limits of Sequences of Complex Numbers

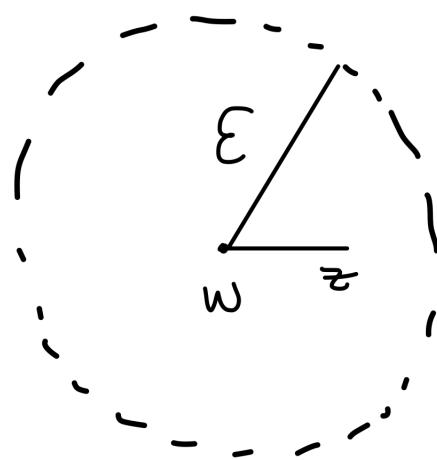
Our first goal is to define the notion of convergent sequence of complex numbers. To build up some intuition, we first give an informal definition.

A sequence of complex numbers (z_n) converges to a complex number w if for any disk centered at w , the sequence eventually enters and remains in that disk.



An algebraic way of expressing that z is in the disk centered at w with radius ε :

$$|z - w| < \varepsilon$$



A way of expressing that the sequence enters and remain in the disk:

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N \forall n > N [|z_n - w| < \varepsilon]$$

Definition 7.1 (Convergence of a sequence)

A sequence (z_n) in \mathbb{C} converges to $w \in \mathbb{C}$ if

for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists an integer N s.t.

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}, n > N \implies |z_n - w| < \varepsilon$$

Notation and terminology. The w in the definition (if it exists) is called the limit of (z_n) and we write

$$z_n \rightarrow w \text{ or } \lim z_n = w$$

to mean that (z_n) converges to w .

The theory of sequences of complex numbers has many similarities to the theory of sequences of real numbers. Sometimes, the proofs of theorems that apply to both theories are identical, except for the interpretation of $+, \cdot$ as the complex operations instead of the real ones.

Also, some limits from real analysis will also be helpful to remember:

1. $\lim_n \frac{1}{n^p} = 0$, when $0 < p < +\infty$;
2. $\lim_n |z|^n = 0$, when $|z| < 1$;
3. $\lim_n n^{1/n} = 1$.

Complex sequences obey the same limit laws as real sequences:

Theorem 7.2

Let (z_n) and (w_n) be complex sequences and assume $z_n \rightarrow z$ and $w_n \rightarrow w$. Then,

- i. for $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $\lambda z_n \rightarrow \lambda z$;
- ii. $z_n + w_n \rightarrow z + w$;
- iii. $z_n w_n \rightarrow zw$;
- iv. $z_n / w_n \rightarrow z/w$, provided $w \neq 0$ and $w_n \neq 0$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. The proofs are nearly identical to their real counterparts. For example, consider the proof of the sum law:

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Since $z_n \rightarrow z$ and $w_n \rightarrow w$, there exists N_1 and N_2 such that

$$n > N_1 \implies |z_n - z| < \varepsilon/2, \quad n > N_2 \implies |w_n - w| < \varepsilon/2.$$

Let $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$. Then, for any $n > N$, we have

$$|(z_n + w_n) - (z + w)| = |(z_n - z) + (w_n - w)| \leq |z_n - z| + |w_n - w| < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2 = \varepsilon$$

□

We have the following limit law for complex sequences:

Theorem 7.3

Let (z_n) be a sequence of complex numbers and let $z \in \mathbb{C}$. If $z_n \rightarrow z$, then $\overline{z_n} \rightarrow \overline{z}$.

Proof. The proof hinges on the observation that

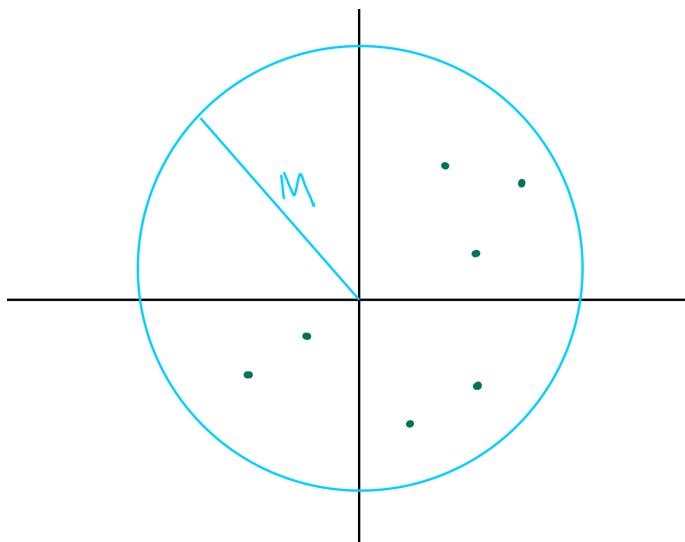
$$|\overline{z_n} - \overline{z}| = |\overline{z_n - z}| = |z_n - z|$$

□

Definition 7.4 (Bounded sequence)

A sequence (z_n) of complex numbers is bounded if there exists a real number $M > 0$ such that

$$|z_n| \leq M \quad \forall n$$



We have the following theorem (whose real version is familiar).

Theorem 7.5

Any convergent sequence of complex numbers is bounded.

7.2 Alternative Characterizations of Convergence

Theorem 7.6

Let (z_n) be a sequence in \mathbb{C} . (z_n) is convergent if and only if the real sequences $(\operatorname{Re} z_n)$ and $(\operatorname{Im} z_n)$ are both convergent.

Proof. For the (\implies) direction, use the equalities

$$\operatorname{Re} z_n = \frac{z_n + \overline{z_n}}{2}, \quad \operatorname{Im} z_n = \frac{z_n - \overline{z_n}}{2i},$$

and apply limit laws.

| For the (\Leftarrow) direction, use

$$z_n = \operatorname{Re} z_n + i \operatorname{Im} z_n$$

| and apply limit laws. □

Definition 7.7 (Cauchy sequence)

A sequence of complex numbers (z_n) is Cauchy if

for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists an integer N s.t.

for all $n, m > N$, $|z_n - z_m| < \varepsilon$.

Theorem 7.8

Let (z_n) be a sequence in \mathbb{C} . (z_n) is convergent if and only if (z_n) is Cauchy. i.e. “ \mathbb{C} is complete”. “ \mathbb{C} has no holes.”

7.3 Limits of Functions

Definition 7.9 (Limit)

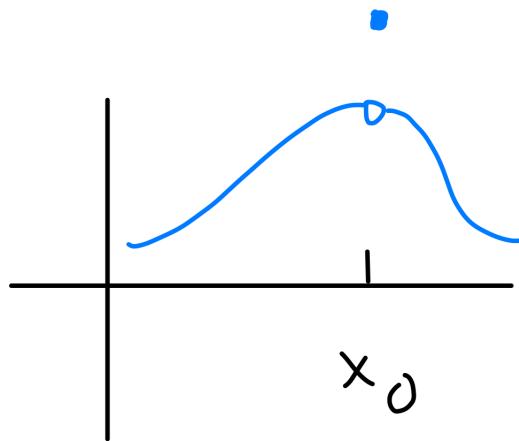
Let $f(z)$ be a complex-valued function on its domain $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, and let $z_0, L \in \mathbb{C}$. We say that $f(x)$ has limit L when z tends to z_0 , and we write

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = L,$$

if

for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ s.t.

for all $z \in D$, $0 < |z - z_0| < \delta \implies |f(z) - L| < \varepsilon$.



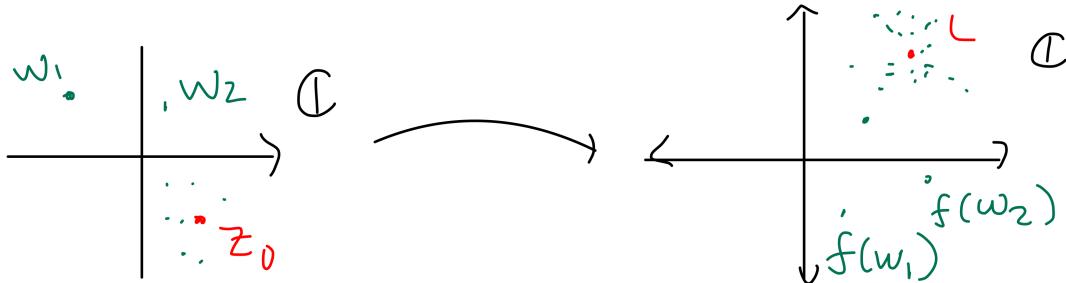
Note that the definition of $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = L$ does not require $f(z_0)$ to be defined. Also, even if $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)$ and $f(z_0)$ both exist, it may be the case that $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) \neq f(z_0)$. The above definition is equivalent to a condition on sequences.

Theorem 7.10

Let $f(z)$ be a complex-valued function on a domain $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, and let $z_0, L \in \mathbb{C}$.

$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = L$ if and only if for any sequence (w_n) in D with $w_n \neq z_0$ for all n , we have

$$w_n \rightarrow z_0 \implies f(w_n) \rightarrow L.$$



The sequence characterization of function limits along with the sequence limit laws immediately give us

Theorem 7.11

If a function has a limit at z_0 , then the function is bounded near z_0 . Moreover, if $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = L$ and $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} g(z) = M$, then

- i. $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (\lambda f)(z) = \lambda L$
- ii. $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} [f(z) + g(z)] = L + M$;
- iii. $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)g(z) = LM$;
- iv. $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)/g(z) = L/M$, provided $M \neq 0$ and $g(z) \neq 0$ near z_0 .

Definition 7.12 (Continuous)

Let $f(z)$ be a complex-valued function of $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, and let $z_0 \in D$. We say that f is continuous at z_0 if

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = f(z_0)$$

f is called continuous if f is continuous at every z_0 in its domain D .

Example 7.13

Any polynomial function is continuous.

$$f(z) = a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 z + a_0$$

- $g(z) = z$ is continuous.
- scalar multiples of continuous functions are continuous.
- constant functions are continuous
- sums of continuous functions are continuous
- products of continuous functions are continuous.

Example 7.14

The functions $\operatorname{Re} z$, $\operatorname{Im} z$, $|z|$, \bar{z} are all continuous. \bar{z} is continuous since we showed

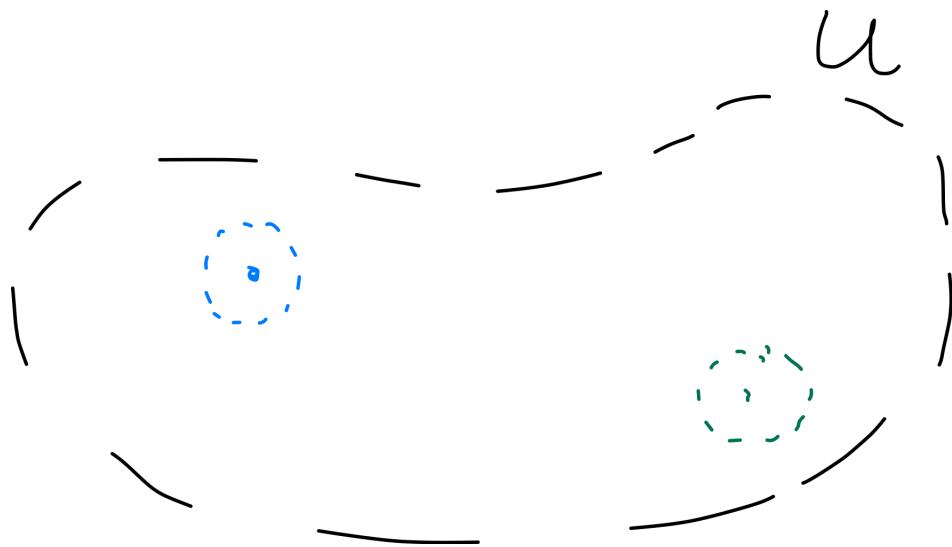
$$z_n \rightarrow z_0 \implies \bar{z}_n \rightarrow \bar{z}_0$$

$\operatorname{Re} z$: use $|\operatorname{Re} z_n - \operatorname{Re} z_0| \leq |z_n - z_0|$

7.4 Open Sets in \mathbb{C}

Definition 7.15 (Open set)

A subset $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is open if for every $z \in U$, there exists a disk D with nonzero radius centered at z with $D \subseteq U$.

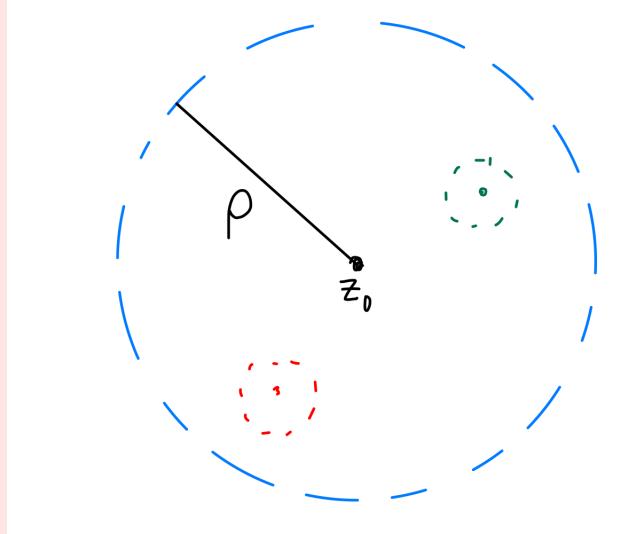


Example 7.16

Any open disk,

$$\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < \rho\}, \quad (\text{centered at } z_0, \text{ with radius } \rho)$$

is open.

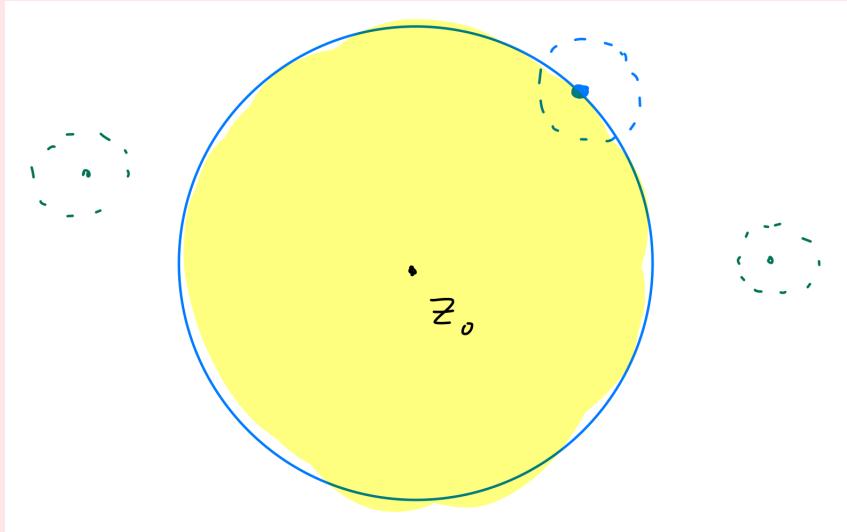


Example 7.17

Any closed disk,

$$\{z \in \mathbb{C}: |z - z_0| \leq \rho\},$$

is not open.



The complement of this set is

$$\{z \in \mathbb{C}: |z - z_0| > \rho\},$$

which is open.

Definition 7.18 (Closed set)

A set $F \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is closed if its complement

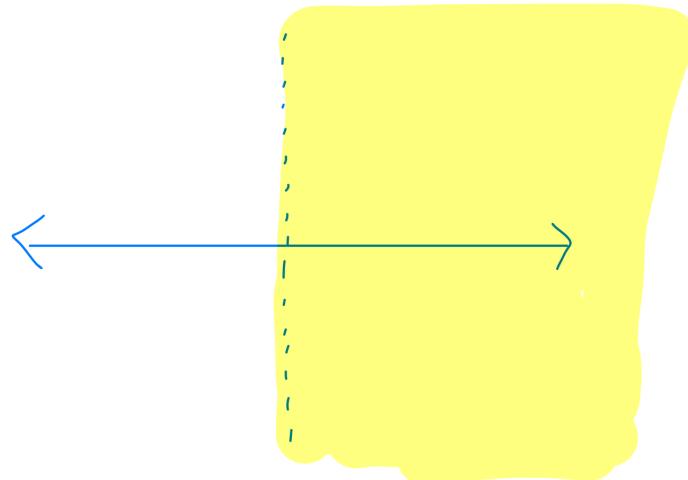
$$F^C = \mathbb{C} \setminus F$$

is open.

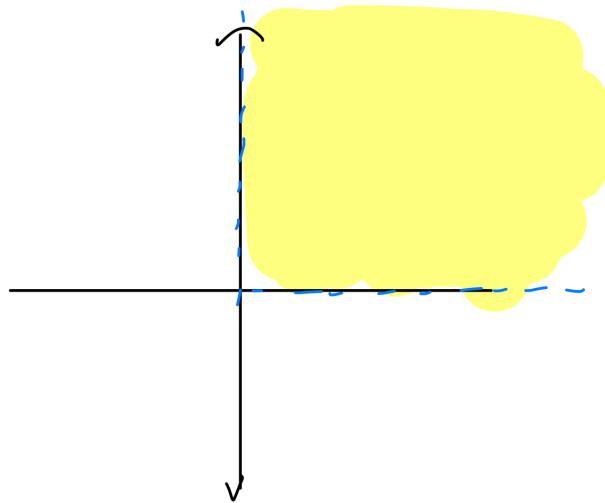
**Example 7.19**

Any set defined by strict inequalities and continuous functions is an open set.

E.g. the set $\{z \in \mathbb{C}: \operatorname{Re} z > 0\}$ is open.



E.g. the set $\{z \in \mathbb{C}: 0 < \arg z < \pi/2\}$ is open.

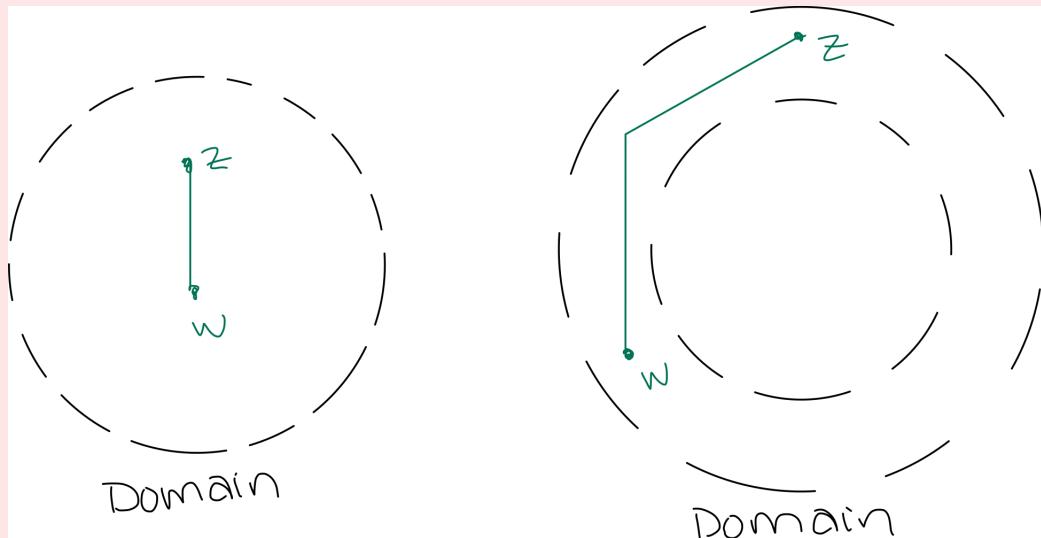
**Definition 7.20 (Domain)**

A set $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is called a domain if it is

1. open; and
2. any two points $z, w \in D$ can be connected to each other by a finite series of line segments in D , where the end of one line segment is the start of the next.

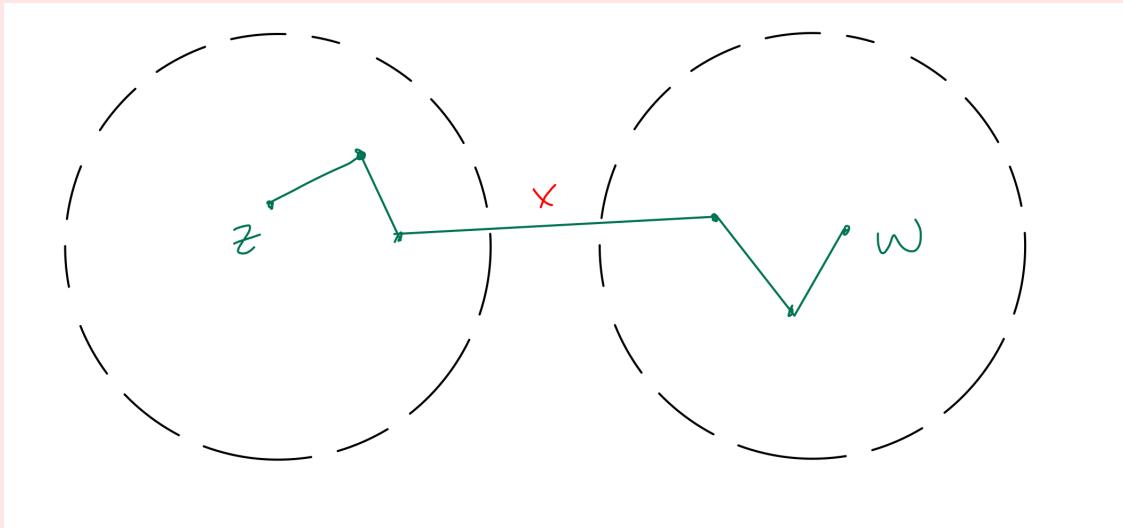
Example 7.21

Open disks and open annuli $\{z \in \mathbb{C}: \rho_1 < |z| < \rho_2\}$ are domains.



Example 7.22

Disconnected sets are not domains



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8.1 Analytic Functions

Definition 8.1 (Differentiable and complex derivative)

Let $f(z)$ be a complex-valued function defined in a disk centered at $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. $f(z)$ is differentiable at z_0 if

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0}$$

exists. When this limit does exist, we denote it by

$$f'(z_0) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{df}{dz}(z_0),$$

and call it the complex derivative of $f(z)$ at z_0 .

The limit that defines the derivative can be equivalently expressed by

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z_0 + \Delta z) - f(z_0)}{\Delta z}$$

Notation: $\Delta z = \Delta x + i\Delta y$

The simplest example: a constant function $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $f(z) = \lambda$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$, is differentiable at every $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$.

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{\lambda - \lambda}{z - z_0} = 0$$

Example 8.2

Let m be a positive integer. The power function $f(z) = z^m$ is differentiable at every $z \in \mathbb{C}$. We show $f'(z) = (z^m)' = mz^{m-1}$.

We use the binomial expansion

$$(z + \Delta z)^m = \binom{m}{0} z^m + \binom{m}{1} z^{m-1} \Delta z + \cdots + \binom{m}{m-1} z \Delta z^{m-1} + \binom{m}{m} \Delta z^m$$

Note: $\binom{m}{0} = \binom{m}{m} = 1$, $\binom{m}{1} = m$ It follows that,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(z + \Delta z)^m - z^m}{\Delta z} &= \frac{1}{\Delta z} \left(mz^{m-1} \Delta z + \binom{m}{z} z^{m-2} \Delta z^2 + \cdots + \Delta z^m \right) \\ &= mz^{m-1} + \underbrace{\binom{m}{z} z^{m-2} \Delta z + \cdots + \Delta z^{m-1}}_{\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \Delta z \rightarrow 0} \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$f'(z) = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{(z + \Delta z)^m - z^m}{\Delta z} = mz^{m-1}$$

Next, we look at a non-example:

Example 8.3

The complex conjugation function $f(z) = \bar{z}$ is not differentiable anywhere.

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\overline{(z + \Delta z)} - \bar{z}}{\Delta z} &= \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\bar{z} + \overline{\Delta z} - \bar{z}}{\Delta z} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\overline{\Delta z}}{\Delta z}\end{aligned}$$

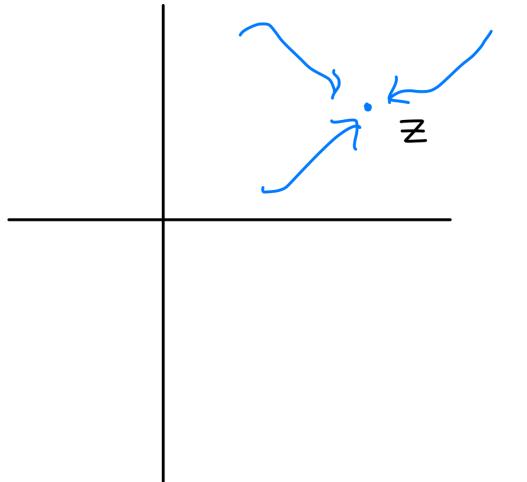
To show this limit does not exist, it suffices to show that $\frac{\overline{\Delta z}}{\Delta z}$ has two different limits as we approach from different directions.

1. If $\Delta z = \Delta x + i \cdot 0$ (approaching via horizontal line)

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\overline{\Delta x}}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta x} = 1$$

2. If $\Delta z = 0 + i\Delta y$ (approaching via vertical line)

$$\lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{i\overline{\Delta y}}{i\Delta y} = \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{-i\Delta y}{i\Delta y} = -1$$



Recall that many properties about limits of complex sequences and functions are proved with arguments that are nearly identical to the proofs from real analysis. The same is true for complex derivatives and real derivatives. Using this observation, one can quickly establish the following properties of the complex derivative:

1. If $f(z)$ is differentiable at z_0 , then $f(z)$ is continuous at z_0 . Just use,

$$f(z) = f(z_0) + \underbrace{\left(\frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} \right) (z - z_0)}_{f'(z) \cdot 0 \text{ as } z \rightarrow z_0}$$

Shows $f(z) \rightarrow f(z_0)$ as $z \rightarrow z_0$.

2. Differentiation rules:

$$\begin{aligned}(\lambda f)'(z) &= \lambda f'(z) \quad (\lambda \in \mathbb{C}), \\(f + g)'(z) &= f'(z) + g'(z), \\(fg)'(z) &= f(z)g'(z) + f'(z)g(z), \\(f/g)'(z) &= \frac{g(z)f'(z) - f(z)g'(z)}{[g(z)]^2}, \quad \text{provided}\end{aligned}$$

g is nonzero on some disk centered at z

3. The chain rule is valid for complex derivatives:

Theorem 8.4

Suppose $g(z)$ is differentiable at z_0 and $f(w)$ is differentiable at $w_0 = f(z_0)$. Then the composition function $(f \circ g)(z) = f(g(z))$ is differentiable at z_0 and

$$(f \circ g)'(z_0) = f'(g(z_0))g'(z_0).$$

Example 8.5

Any polynomial function

$$a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 z + z_0$$

is everywhere differentiable, and its derivative is

$$na_n z^{n-1} + (n-1)a_{n-1} z^{n-2} + \cdots + a_1$$

Proved just using the power rule, constant multiple rule, sum rule for derivatives.

Example 8.6

For any integer m (even $m < 0$),

$$\frac{d}{dz} z^m = mz^{m-1}$$

If $m < 0$, then $m = -n$ for some $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$z^m = z^{-n} = \frac{1}{z^n}.$$

Then by quotient rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{z^n}\right)' &= \frac{z^n \cdot 0 - 1 \cdot nz^{n-1}}{z^{2n}} = \frac{-nz^{n-1}}{z^{2n}} \\ &= -nz^{-n-1} = mz^{m-1} \end{aligned}$$

Example 8.7

We can differentiate $(z^2 - i)^{-1}$ using the chain rule:

$$\frac{d}{dz}(z^2 - i) = -(z^2 - i)^{-2} \cdot 2z$$

Definition 8.8 (Analytic on the open set)

A complex-valued function $f(z)$ is analytic on the open set $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ if

1. $f(z)$ is differentiable at every $z_0 \in U$; and, moreover,
2. $f'(z)$ is continuous on U .

Example 8.9

Polynomial functions are analytic on \mathbb{C} .

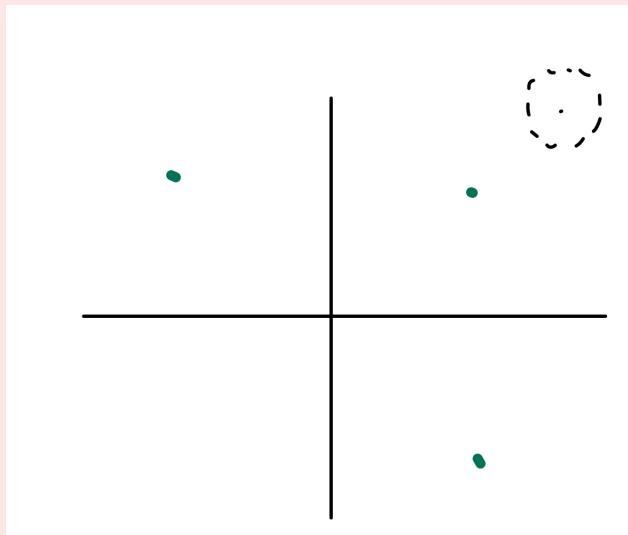
Polynomials are differentiable on \mathbb{C} , and their derivatives are polynomials, which are continuous everywhere.

Example 8.10

Rational functions are analytic wherever their denominators do not vanish.

$$f(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} \quad p(z), q(z) \text{ are polynomials}$$

f is not defined where $q(z) = 0$.



$U = \text{all } \mathbb{C} \text{ except the roots of } q(z)$

U is open

$f(z)$ is differentiable on U by quotient rule.

$f'(z)$ is again a rational function, so continuous.

Definition 8.11 (Analytic at z_0)

$f(z)$ is analytic at $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ if there is an open disk centered at z_0 on which $f(z)$ is analytic.

Later we will prove one of the most important facts of complex analysis:

If condition (1) is satisfied in the definition of analytic on U , then condition (2) is automatically satisfied, i.e.,

If $f(z)$ is differentiable at every z_0 in an open set U , then $f'(z)$ is continuous on U .

This is very different than in real analysis:

There exists $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which is differentiable on \mathbb{R} , but g' is not continuous on \mathbb{R} .

8.2 Cauchy-Riemann Equations

Much like a complex number, a complex valued function $f(z)$ can be split into two parts: its real part and its imaginary part. Moreover, these two parts can be seen as functions of two real variables x and y , where $z = x + iy$. In other words, we can express

$$f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y),$$

where $u, v : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are real-valued functions on the real plane \mathbb{R}^2 . i.e.

$$u(x, y) = \operatorname{Re} f(x + iy) \quad v(x, y) = \operatorname{Im} f(x + iy)$$

Definition 8.12 (Cauchy-Riemann equations)

The functions $u(x, y), v(x, y)$ can help us establish when a complex function is analytic. The Cauchy-Riemann equations are

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}, \quad (*)$$

Theorem 8.13

A complex-valued function $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ is analytic on a domain D if and only if the partial derivatives of $u(x, y)$ and $v(x, y)$ exists and are continuous on D and satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations $(*)$ on D .

We will also see that, when the equivalent conditions in the theorem are satisfied, we have the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} f'(z) &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y) + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y) \\ &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(x, y) - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

Proof. To prove the theorem, we must establish both “directions” of the “if and only if”.

(\implies) Assume f is analytic on the domain D .

We need to show the partials exist, continuous on D and satisfy

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

Let $z \in D$. We know

$$\lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z + \Delta z) - f(z)}{\Delta z} = f'(z)$$

exists so taking $\Delta z = \Delta x$ and $\Delta z = i\Delta y$ will yield the same limit $f'(z)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(z + \Delta x) - f(z)}{\Delta x} &= \frac{1}{\Delta x} [u(x + \Delta x, y) + iv(x + \Delta x, y) - (u(x, y) + iv(x, y))] \\ &= \left(\frac{u(x + \Delta x, y) - u(x, y)}{\Delta x} \right) + i \left(\frac{v(x + \Delta x, y) - v(x, y)}{\Delta x} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Taking a $\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0}$ on both sides, we have

$$f'(z) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y) + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y)$$

Since $f'(z)$ is continuous on D , it follows that $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$ are also continuous on D . Next,

we take $\Delta z = i\Delta y$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{f(z + i\Delta y) - f(z)}{i\Delta y} &= \frac{1}{i\Delta y} [u(x, y + \Delta y) + iv(x, y + \Delta y) - (u(x, y) + iv(x, y))] \\ &= \frac{u(x, y + \Delta y) - u(x, y)}{i\Delta y} + \frac{i(v(x, y + \Delta y) - v(x, y))}{i\Delta y} \\ &= \left(\frac{v(x, y + \Delta y) - v(x, y)}{\Delta y} \right) - i \left(\frac{u(x, y + \Delta y) - u(x, y)}{\Delta y} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Take limits as $\Delta y \rightarrow 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}f'(z) &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(x, y) - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y) \\ &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y) + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y)\end{aligned}\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{equating real and imaginary} \\ \text{points gives C-R equations} \end{array} \right\}$$

We will prove (\Leftarrow) in the next lecture. \square

Example 8.14

We can use the Cauchy-Riemann equations to show that e^z is analytic on all of \mathbb{C} .

$$\begin{aligned}e^z &= \underbrace{e^x \cos y}_u + i \underbrace{e^x \sin y}_v \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} &= e^x \cos y = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = e^x \cos y \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= -e^x \sin y \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = e^x \sin y\end{aligned}$$

Since C-R equations satisfied, all partials are continuous functions, it follows by theorem that e^z is analytic on \mathbb{C} .

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9.1 Cauchy-Riemann Equations (Cont'd)

Proof of Theorem 8.13. Next, we prove the (\Leftarrow) direction.

So, assume the partial derivatives of $u(x, y)$ and $v(x, y)$ exists and are continuous on D and satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}.$$

We need to show $f(z)$ is analytic on D . We will use Taylor's Theorem on $u, v: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ to get

$$u(x + \Delta x, y + \Delta y) = u(x, y) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y)\Delta x + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y)\Delta y + R(\Delta x, \Delta y)$$

$$v(x + \Delta x, y + \Delta y) = v(x, y) + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y)\Delta x + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(x, y)\Delta y + S(\Delta x, \Delta y)$$

$$\text{where } \frac{R(\Delta x, \Delta y)}{|\Delta z|} \rightarrow 0, \quad \frac{S(\Delta x, \Delta y)}{|\Delta z|} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \Delta z \rightarrow 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(z + \Delta z) &= u(x + \Delta x, y + \Delta y) + iv(x + \Delta x, y + \Delta y) \\ &= f(z) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y)\Delta x + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y)\Delta y + R(\Delta x, \Delta y) + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y)\Delta x + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(x, y)\Delta y \\ &\quad + iS(\Delta x, \Delta y) \end{aligned}$$

Use C-R to replace partial y derivatives

$$\begin{aligned} &= f(z) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y)\Delta x - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y)\Delta y + R(\Delta x, \Delta y) + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y)\Delta x + i\frac{\Delta u}{\Delta x}(x, y)\Delta y + iS(\Delta x, \Delta y) \\ &= f(z) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y)\Delta z + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y)\Delta z + R(\Delta x, \Delta y) + iS(\Delta x, \Delta y) \end{aligned}$$

Next, we subtract $f(z)$ from both sides and divide by Δz :

$$\frac{f(z + \Delta z) - f(z)}{\Delta z} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y) + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y) + \frac{R(\Delta x, \Delta y) + iS(\Delta x, \Delta y)}{\Delta z}$$

where $\frac{R(\Delta x, \Delta y) + iS(\Delta x, \Delta y)}{\Delta z} \rightarrow 0$ as $\Delta z \rightarrow 0$ So taking limit as $\Delta z \rightarrow 0$ on both sides, we get LHS limit exists and

$$f'(z) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y) + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y)$$

Note: If you had used C-R to replace the x -derivatives, would have shown

$$f'(z) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(x, y) - i\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y)$$

□

Example 9.1

We can use C-R to show (again) that $f(z) = \bar{z}$ is not analytic on any open set.

$$f(z) = \bar{z} = x - iy$$

$$u(x, y) = x, \quad v(x, y) = -y$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} &= 1 & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} &= -1 \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= 0 & \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Since $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1 \neq -1 = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$ at any $z \in \mathbb{C}$, we conclude that \bar{z} is not analytic anywhere.

Using the same method we used to show $(e^z)' = e^z$, we can also establish

$$(\sin z)' = \cos z, \quad (\cos z)' = -\sin z,$$

$$(\sinh z)' = \cosh z, \quad (\cosh z)' = \sinh z.$$

Since the Cauchy-Riemann equations are about real functions, we can sometimes use results from real analysis to get conclusions about complex analytic functions.

Theorem 9.2

If $f(z)$ is analytic on a domain D and $f'(z) = 0$ for all $z \in D$, then $f(z)$ is constant on D .

Proof. We know $f'(z) = 0$ for all $z \in D$ and we know

$$\begin{aligned}f'(z) &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = 0 \\ &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0\end{aligned}$$

on D . Then,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

on all of D . From real analysis (calculus) u, v constant functions on D . Then $f = u + iv$ is constant on D . \square

We can similarly prove:

Theorem 9.3

If $f(z)$ is analytic on a domain $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ and $f(z) \in \mathbb{R}$ for all $z \in D$, then $f(z)$ is constant on D .

Proof. Write $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$. Since $f(z) \in \mathbb{R}$ for all $z \in D$, it follows $v(x, y) = 0$

for all $z = x + iy \in D$. Then, $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$ on D . Since f is analytic, it satisfies C-R on D . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0 \quad \text{on } D \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \text{on } D\end{aligned}$$

Then, u is constant on D so $f = u + i \cdot 0$ is constant on D . \square

What if we are expressing z in polar coordinates?

Proposition 9.4

The polar form of the Cauchy-Riemann equations is:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{r} \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} = -r \frac{\partial v}{\partial r}$$

Proof. To show this, assume $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$, $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$.

$$\begin{aligned}u &= u(x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta)) & x(r, \theta) &= r \cos \theta \\ v &= v(x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta)) & y(r, \theta) &= r \sin \theta\end{aligned}$$

Then we can use the multivariable chain rule:

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \cdot (-r \sin \theta) + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} (r \cos \theta)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \cdot \cos \theta + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \sin \theta \\ &\stackrel{(C-R)}{=} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \cos \theta - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \sin \theta \\ &= \frac{1}{r} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} r \cos \theta - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} r \sin \theta \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta}\end{aligned}$$

And,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial v}{\partial r} &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \sin \theta \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(-r \sin \theta) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(r \cos \theta) \\ &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(-r \sin \theta) - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(r \cos \theta) \\ &= -r \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \sin \theta + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \cos \theta \right) \\ &= -r \frac{\partial v}{\partial r}\end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} = -r \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} \end{cases}$$

□

Example 9.5

Consider $\text{Log } z = \log |z| + i \text{Arg } z = \log r + i\theta$.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} &= \frac{1}{r} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} &= 1 & \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} &= \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} &= 0 & & & \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Homework problem II. 3.3

Show that if f, \bar{f} are both analytic on D , then f is constant.

$$f = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$$

$$\bar{f} = u(x, y) - iv(x, y)$$

Since f is analytic, the Cauchy-Riemann equations for f are satisfied on D

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

Same for the C-R equations for \bar{f}

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial(-v)}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial(-v)}{\partial x}$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = -\left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y}\right) = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \implies \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0 \text{ on } D.$$

Can similarly show that

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$$

are all 0 on D .

□

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11.1 Inverse Mappings

Definition 11.1 (Jacobian matrix)

Let $f = u + iv$ be analytic on a domain D . The Jacobian matrix of f at z is

$$J_f(z) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y) & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y) \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y) & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(x, y) \end{bmatrix}$$

and its determinant is

$$\det J_f(z) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, y) \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(x, y) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y) \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x, y)$$

Of course, since f is analytic on D , it satisfies the Cauchy-Riemann equations on D , hence the formula for the determinant becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \det J_f &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \left(-\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) = \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)^2 \\ &= \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right|^2 = |f'(z)|^2 \end{aligned}$$

This proves the following theorem:

Theorem 11.2

If f is analytic on D , then for any $z \in D$ we have

$$\det J_f(z) = |f'(z)|^2$$

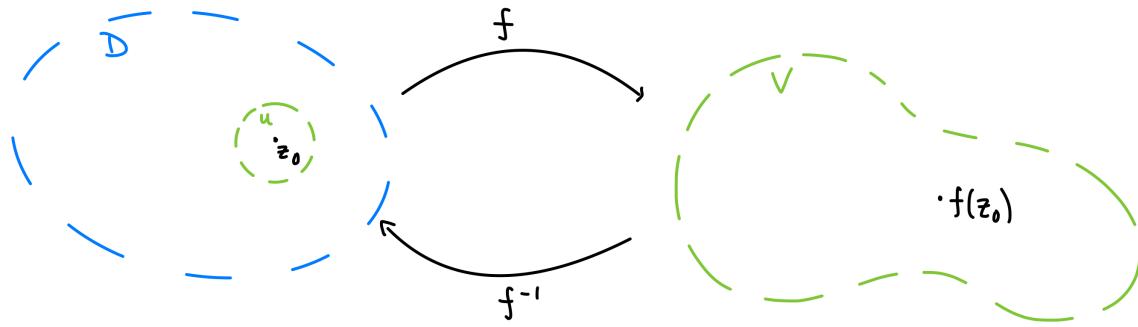
We can apply the inverse function theorem from calculus to get

Theorem 11.3

If f is analytic on D , $z_0 \in D$, and $f'(z_0) \neq 0$, then there is an open disk $U \subseteq D$ containing z_0 such that

- f is one-to-one on U , i.e., $f(z) \neq f(w)$ for distinct $z, w \in U$;
- $V = f(U) = \{f(z) : z \in U\}$ is open; and
- $f^{-1} : V \rightarrow U$ exists and is analytic on V and satisfies

$$(f^{-1})'(f(z)) = \frac{1}{f'(z)}, \quad z \in U \tag{*}$$



Note 11.4: Once we know that f^{-1} is analytic, the chain rule gives us the formula in (*):

$$f^{-1}(f(z)) = z$$

Take derivative on both sides,

$$\begin{aligned} (f^{-1})'(f(z)) \cdot f'(z) &= 1 \\ \implies (f^{-1})'(f(z)) &= \frac{1}{f'(z)} \quad f'(z) \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example 11.5

$\text{Log } w$ is a continuous inverse for e^z for $-\pi < \text{Arg } z < \pi$. The previous theorem will allow us to compute the derivative on $\text{Log } w$.

e^z is analytic on \mathbb{C} and $(e^z)' = e^z \neq 0 \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Method 1. Set $w = e^z$

$$\text{Log}(e^z) = z$$

$$\stackrel{\text{take deriv.}}{\implies} \text{Log}'(e^z) \cdot e^z = 1 \stackrel{w=e^z}{\implies} \text{Log}'(w) = \frac{1}{w}$$

Method 2. $\text{Log } w = z$ take exponent on both sides:

$w = e^z$ then take $\frac{d}{dw}$ on both sides:

$$1 = e^z \frac{dz}{dw} \implies 1 = w \cdot \frac{dz}{dw} \implies \frac{d \text{Log } w}{dw} = \frac{1}{w}$$

Note than any other branch of log differs from Log by a constant; thus,

$$\log z = \log |z| + i \text{Arg } z + i2\pi k$$

Any two branches of log have the same derivative.

Example 11.6

We can use the theorem to differentiate power functions like $w^{1/2}$, $w^{1/3}$, etc.

$$w^{1/2} = \sqrt{w} \text{ inverse of } z^2$$

$(z^2)' = 2z \neq 0$ as long as $z \neq 0$. But branches of \sqrt{w} are not defined at 0, $\sqrt{0} = 0$. So the theorem guarantees any branch of \sqrt{w} is differentiable. $z = \sqrt{w}$

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 = w \text{ take } \frac{d}{dw} &\implies 2z \cdot \frac{dz}{dw} = 1 \\ &\implies \frac{d\sqrt{w}}{dw} = \frac{1}{2z} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{w}} \text{ the same branch of } \sqrt{w} \end{aligned}$$

$$(\sqrt{w})' = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{w}}$$

Example 11.7

$\cos^{-1} z = -i \log[z \pm \sqrt{z^2 - 1}]$. Use theorem to take the derivative.

$$w = \cos^{-1} z$$

$$\cos w = z$$

Next, take $\frac{d}{dz}$ on both sides to get

$$-\sin w \cdot \frac{dw}{dz} = 1 \implies \frac{dw}{dz} = \frac{-1}{\sin w}$$

Now use trig identity $\sin w = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 w}$. So,

$$\frac{d \cos^{-1} z}{dz} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1 - \cos^2 w}} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1 - z^2}} = \frac{\pm 1}{\sqrt{1 - z^2}}$$

Derivative depends on choice of branch for \cos^{-1} .

Note 11.8: $\cos^{-1}(\cos w)$ exists when $\cos' w = -\sin w \neq 0$.

11.2 Harmonic Functions

Definition 11.9 (Laplace operator and Laplace's equation)

Let $u(x_1, \dots, w_n)$ be a real-valued function of n real variables. The Laplace operator is

$$\Delta = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} + \cdots + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_n^2}$$

and Laplace's equation is

$$\Delta u = 0$$

In a less abbreviated notation, Laplace's equation is

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_1^2} + \cdots + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_n^2} = 0$$

Infinitely differentiable functions u which satisfy Laplace's equation are called harmonic functions.

The first harmonic functions studied were those that describe the motion of a vibrating string (undergoing harmonic motion).

It was found that such functions satisfy Laplace's equation, and eventually harmonic was used to describe any function that satisfies Laplace's equation.

We will focus on harmonic functions of two variables x, y .

Definition 11.10 (Harmonic)

A function $u(x, y)$ is harmonic if its first- and second-order partial derivatives exist, are continuous, and satisfy

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

Harmonic functions are closely related to complex analytic functions:

Theorem 11.11

If $f = u + iv$ is analytic (and u and v have continuous second-order partial derivatives), then both u and v are harmonic.

Note 11.12: We will prove later that the condition in parentheses is redundant since it is implied by f being analytic.

Proof. Check that u satisfies Laplace's equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) \stackrel{\text{C-R}}{=} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \\ &\stackrel{\text{C-R}}{=} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(-\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = -\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \end{aligned}$$

Can similarly show v satisfies Laplace's equation. □

Definition 11.13 (Harmonic conjugate)

If $u(x, y)$ is harmonic on D , and $v(x, y)$ is a harmonic function on D such that $f = u + iv$ is analytic on D , then we say v is a harmonic conjugate of u .

Harmonic conjugates are not unique. It is easy to show that if v is a harmonic conjugate of u , then for any real constant C the function $v + C$ is also a harmonic conjugate of u .

However, all other harmonic conjugates are of the form $v + C$.

Suppose v, v_0 are both harmonic conjugates of u .

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{u+iv_0}{u+iv} \text{ both analytic} &\implies (u+iv) - (u+iv_0) \text{ analytic} \\ &\implies i(v-v_0) \text{ analytic} \\ &\implies \frac{1}{i}(i(v-v_0)) \text{ analytic} \\ &\implies v-v_0 \text{ is analytic and real-valued} \\ &\implies v-v_0 = C \text{ for some } C \in \mathbb{C} \end{aligned}$$

The harmonic conjugate of u (if it exists) is unique up to a constant.

Example 11.14

Consider the function $u(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$. Show that u is harmonic everywhere and find all of the harmonic conjugates of u .

Easy to show u is harmonic.

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 1 - 1 = 0$$

We find a harmonic conjugate v . v must satisfy $C-R$ equations.

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x \implies v = 2xy + h(x)$$

$$2y + h'(x) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \stackrel{C-R}{=} -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2y$$

$$\implies h'(x) = 0 \implies h(x) = C$$

$$v = 2xy + C, \quad C \in \mathbb{R}$$

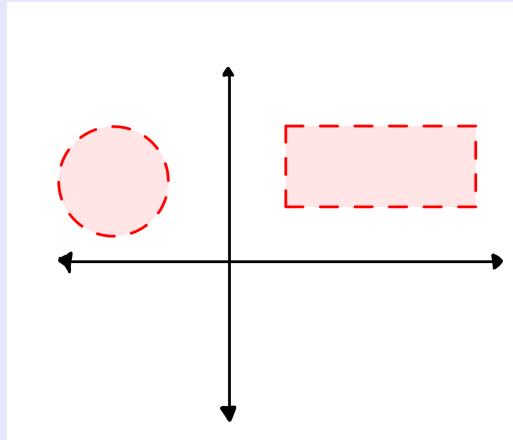
$$f = u + iv = (x^2 - y^2) + i2xy = z^2$$

Exercise. See the textbook for a similar example: $u(x, y) = xy$.

The following theorem guarantees that we can always find harmonic conjugates in certain domains.

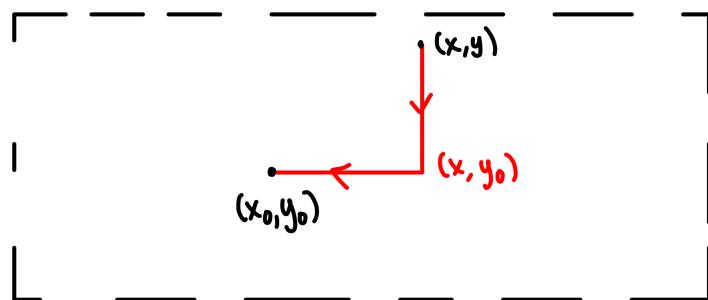
Theorem 11.15

Let D be either an open disk or an open rectangle whose sides are parallel to the coordinate axes. If $u(x, y)$ is harmonic on D , then it has a harmonic conjugate on D .



Proof (Sketch). Fix a point $(x_0, y_0) \in D$

$$v(x, y) = \int_{y_0}^y \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, t) dt - \int_{x_0}^x \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, y_0) ds + C$$



□

Remark 11.16 In homework problems II.5.6-7, you will show that $\log|z|$ is harmonic on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, but it has no harmonic conjugate on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$. It does however, have a harmonic conjugate on $\mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$

$$\text{Log } z = \log|z| + i \operatorname{Arg} z$$

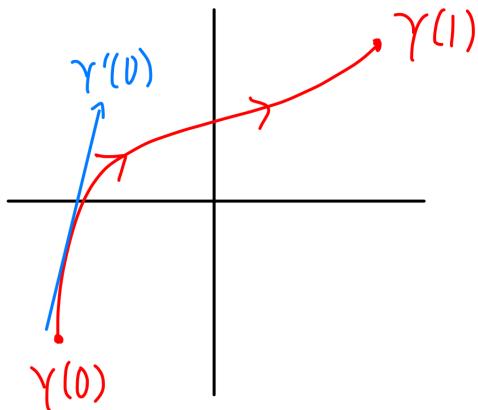
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12.1 Conformal Mappings

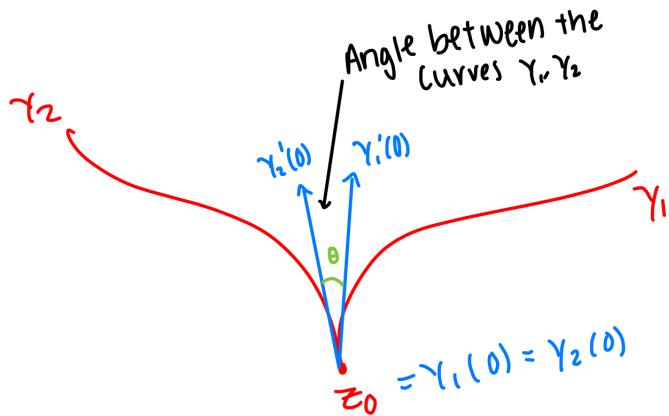
Definition 12.1 (Tangent Vector)

Let $\gamma(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, be a smooth parametrized curve in the complex plane. Let $z_0 = \gamma(0)$. We say that the curve γ starts at z_0 . The tangent vector to the curve γ at z_0 is

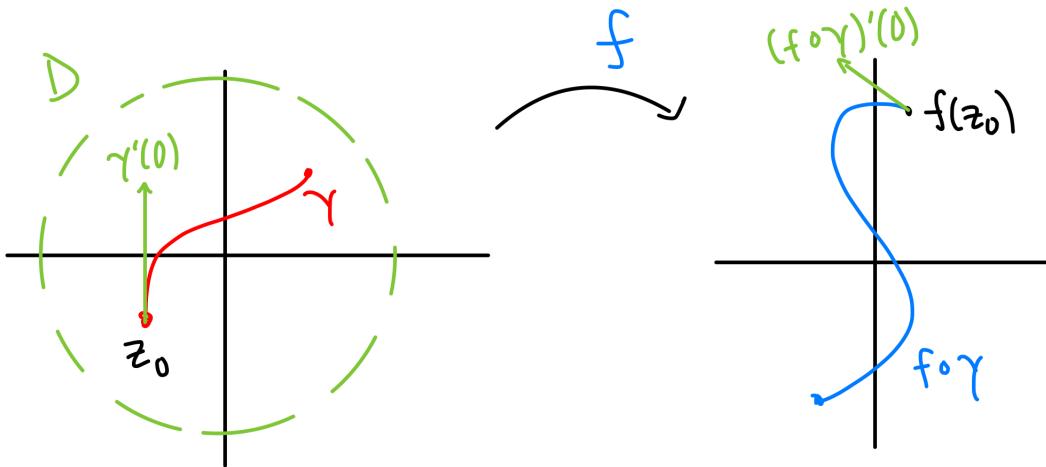
$$\gamma'(0) = x'(0) + iy'(0).$$



We define the angle between two curves starting at z_0 to be the angle between the tangent vectors at z_0 .



If $f(z)$ is an analytic function, then $f \circ \gamma$ is a curve which starts at $f(\gamma(0)) = f(z_0)$.

**Theorem 12.2**

If $\gamma(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, is a smooth curve starting at $z_0 = \gamma(0)$, and let f be analytic at z_0 . Then, the tangent to the curve $f(\gamma(t))$ at $f(z_0) = f(\gamma(0))$ is

$$(f \circ \gamma)'(0) = f'(\gamma(0))\gamma'(0).$$

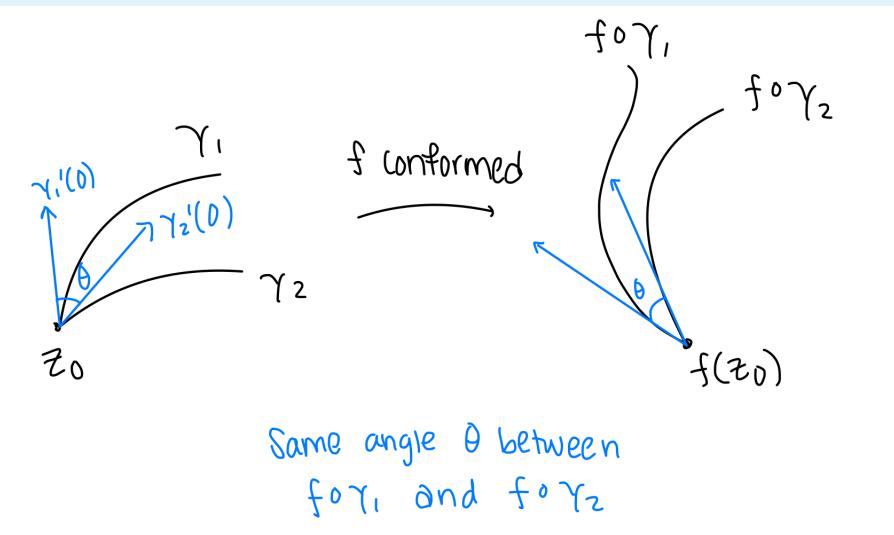
Proof (Sketch).

$$\frac{f(\gamma(t)) - f(\gamma(0))}{t} = \left(\underbrace{\frac{f(\gamma(t)) - f(\gamma(0))}{\gamma(t) - \gamma(0)}}_{f'(\gamma(0))=f'(z_0)} \right) \cdot \left(\underbrace{\frac{\gamma(t) - \gamma(0)}{t}}_{\gamma'(0)} \right)$$

as $t \rightarrow 0$ from the right. This works when $\gamma'(0) \neq 0$, since then $\gamma(t) \neq \gamma(0)$ for $0 < t$ near 0. Special case when $\gamma'(0) = 0$ needs a slightly different argument \square

Definition 12.3 (Conformal)

A function is conformal if it preserves angles. More precisely, a function $f(z)$ is conformal at z_0 if



Note: The angle between the curves $f \circ \gamma_1, f \circ \gamma_2$ should be measured with the same orientation that you used to measure the angle between γ_1, γ_2 .

Example 12.4

Translations $f(z) = z + b$ are conformal everywhere.

Example 12.5

Dilations $g(z) = az, a \neq 0$, are conformal everywhere (tangent vectors get rotated by $\arg a$)

A very important property of complex functions

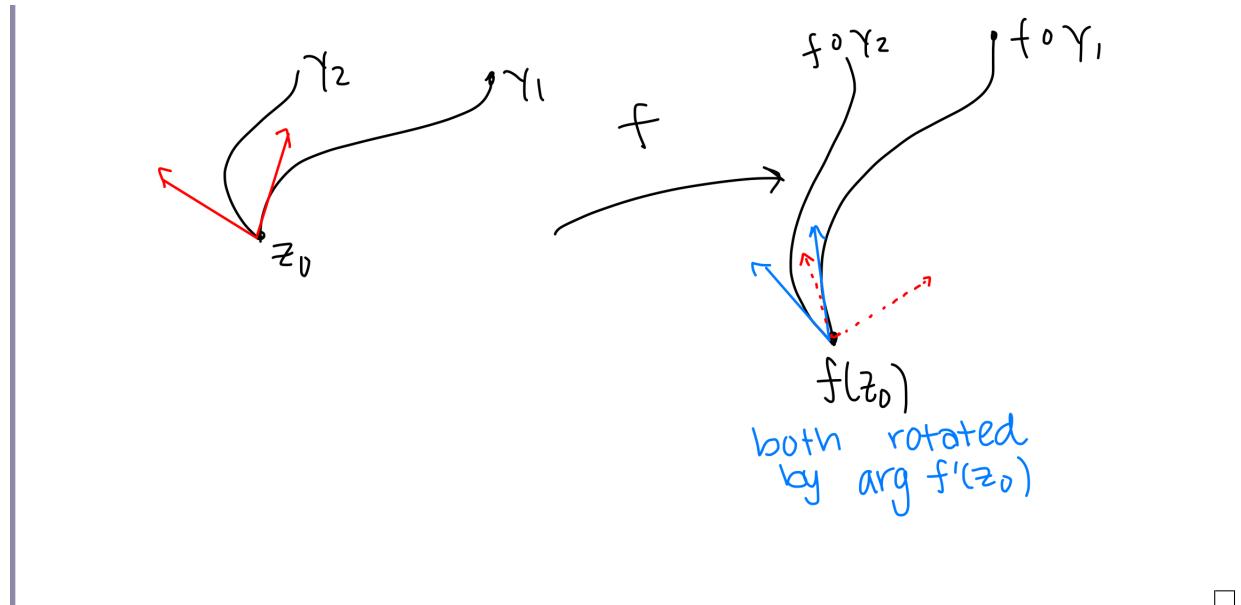
Theorem 12.6

If $f(z)$ is analytic at z_0 and $f'(z_0) \neq 0$, then $f(z)$ is conformal at z_0 .

Proof. Let γ_1, γ_2 both start at z_0 . Then by Theorem 12.2,

$$\text{new tangent vectors } \begin{cases} (f \circ \gamma_1)'(0) = f'(z_0) \cdot \gamma_1'(0) \\ (f \circ \gamma_2)'(0) = f'(z_0) \cdot \gamma_2'(0) \end{cases}$$

The original tangent vectors both get multiplied by the same nonzero constant $f'(z_0)$. Thus, the tangent vectors are changed by f by both being rotated by $\arg(f'(z_0))$ (and dilated by $|f'(z_0)|$.)



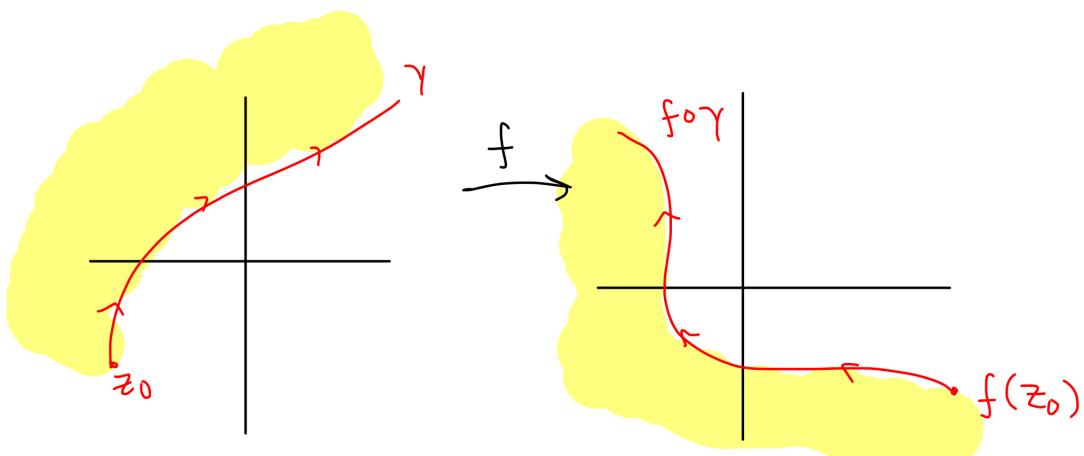
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Definition 12.7 (Conformal mapping)

A conformal mapping from one domain D to another domain V is a function $f: D \rightarrow V$ such that

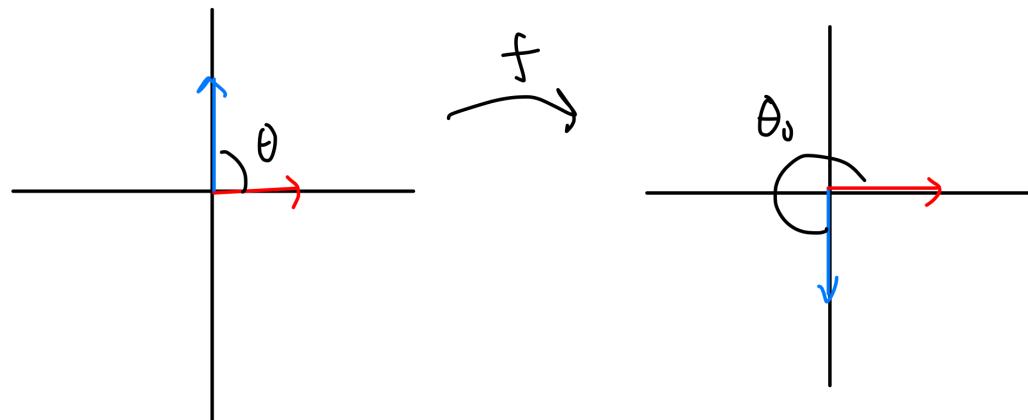
- f is continuously differentiable on D ;
- f is conformal at every point in D ;
- f is one-to-one (i.e., $f(z) \neq f(w)$ for distinct $z, w \in D$ and
- f is onto V (i.e. for every $w \in V$ there exists $z \in D$ s.t. $f(z) = w$).

Conformal maps also preserve orientation.



Example 12.8

$f(z) = \bar{z}$ does not preserve orientation.

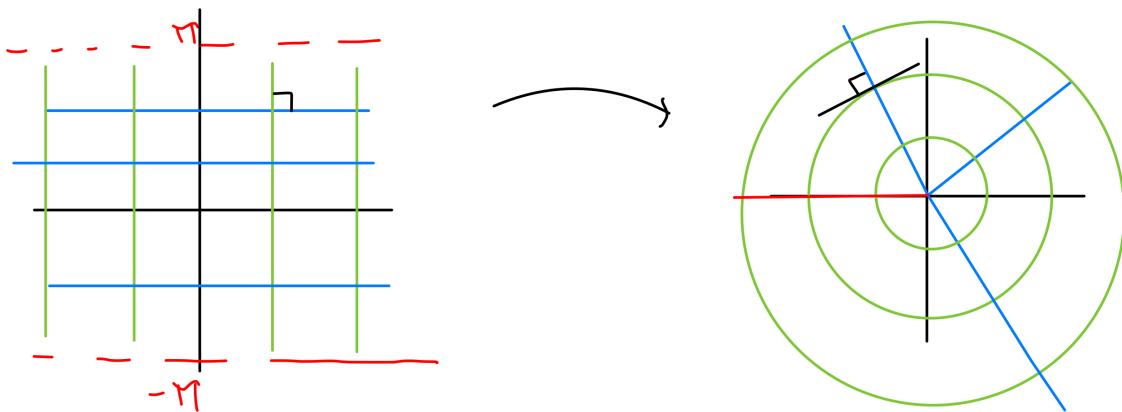
**Example 12.9**

Consider the exponential function $f(z) = e^z$.

Everywhere analytic and $f'(z) = e^z \neq 0$. Thus e^z is conformal at every $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. The image of e^z is $f(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$. But $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ is not conformal since f is not one-to-one ($e^{z+i2\pi} = e^z$).

However, we can get a conformal map by restricting the domain to a set on which e^z is one-to-one.

e.g. e^z is a conformal map from $\{z \in \mathbb{C}: |\operatorname{Im} z| < \pi\}$ to $\mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$.



12.2 Fractional Linear Transformations

Definition 12.10 (Fractional linear transformation)

A fractional linear transformation (or Möbius transformation) is a function of the form

$$f(z) = \frac{az + b}{cz + d},$$

where a, b, c, d are complex constants such that

$$ad - bc \neq 0.$$

The condition $ad - bc \neq 0$ guarantees that $f(z)$ is not a constant function:

$$f'(z) = \frac{(cz + d)a - (az + b)c}{(cz + d)^2} = \frac{ad - bc}{(cz + d)^2} \neq 0$$

when $ad - bc \neq 0$.

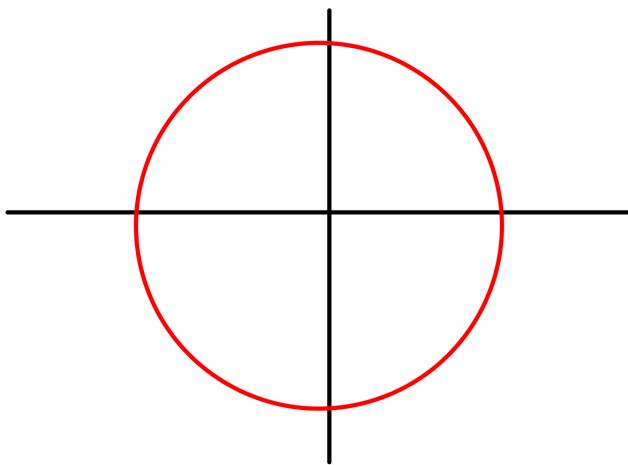
Note that different choices of constants may define the same fractional linear transformation:

For $\lambda \neq 0$, then

$$\frac{az + b}{cz + d} = \frac{(\lambda a)z + \lambda b}{(\lambda c)z + \lambda d}.$$

Special classes of fractional linear transformations get their own names:

- a fractional linear transformation of the form $f(z) = az + b$ is called an affine transformation.
- a translation is of the form $f(z) = z + b$ and a dilation is of the form $f(z) = az$.
- $f(z) = 1/z$ is a fractional linear transformation, called an inversion.



We can regard a fractional linear transformation $f(z)$ as a map

$$f: \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \quad (\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}).$$

If $f(z) = az + b, a \neq 0$ is affine, then we define

$$f(\infty) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} (az + b) = \infty$$

If $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$ is not affine (so that $c \neq 0$), then we can make the following definitions:

$$f\left(\frac{-d}{c}\right) = \infty \quad \frac{a\left(\frac{-d}{c}\right) + b}{c\left(\frac{-d}{c}\right) + d} = \frac{-ad + bc}{0}$$

$$f(\infty) = \frac{a}{c} \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{az + b}{cz + d} = \frac{a}{c}$$

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13.1 Fractional Linear Transformations (Cont'd)

Proposition 13.1

The inverse function of a fractional linear transformation

$$w = f(z) = \frac{az + b}{cz + d} \quad (ad - bc \neq 0)$$

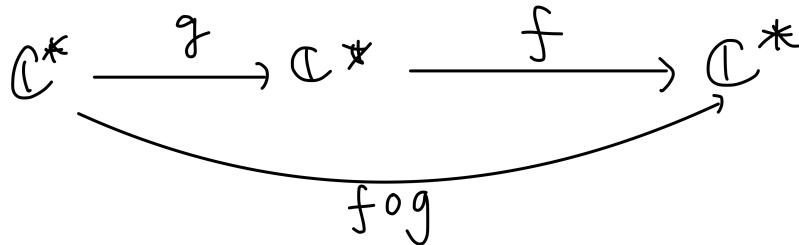
exists and is also a fractional linear transformation.

Proof. To invert $w = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$, just solve for z :

$$\begin{aligned} &\implies w(cz + d) = az + b \\ &\implies cwz + dw = az + b \\ &\implies dw - b = az - cwz = z(a - cw) \\ &\implies z = \frac{dw - b}{-cw + a} = g(w) \end{aligned}$$

Then can check that $g = f^{-1}$, i.e. $g(f(z)) = z = f(g(z))$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}^*$.

Note: The existence of an inverse $f^{-1}: \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ implies that any fractional linear transformation is one-to-one and onto \mathbb{C}^* . \square



Proposition 13.2

The composition $f \circ g$ of two fractional linear transformations

$$f(z) = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}, \quad g(z) = \frac{\alpha z + \beta}{\gamma z + \delta},$$

is also a fractional linear transformation.

Proof. For any $z \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$\begin{aligned}(f \circ g)(z) &= f(g(z)) = f\left(\frac{\alpha z + \beta}{\gamma z + \delta}\right) \\&= \frac{a\left(\frac{\alpha z + \beta}{\gamma z + \delta}\right) + b}{c\left(\frac{\alpha z + \beta}{\gamma z + \delta}\right) + d} \cdot \left(\frac{\gamma z + \delta}{\gamma z + \delta}\right) \\&= \frac{a(\alpha z + \beta) + b(\gamma z + \delta)}{c(\alpha z + \beta) + d(\gamma z + \delta)} \\&= \frac{(a\alpha + b\gamma)z + (a\beta + b\delta)}{(c\alpha + d\gamma)z + (c\beta + d\delta)}\end{aligned}$$

But have to check that the “determinant” is non-zero:

$$(a\alpha + b\gamma)(c\beta + d\delta) - (a\beta + b\gamma)(c\alpha + d\delta) \neq 0$$

Note that the coefficients of the composition $f \circ g$ can be obtained from matrix multiplication:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a\alpha + b\gamma & a\beta + b\delta \\ c\alpha + d\gamma & c\beta + d\delta \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, this has nonzero determinant since it is the product of nonzero determinant matrices. \square

The next theorem is a powerful existence and uniqueness result for fractional linear transformations.

Theorem 13.3

Given any three distinct points z_0, z_1, z_2 in \mathbb{C}^* , and any three distinct points w_0, w_1, w_2 in \mathbb{C}^* , there exists a unique linear fractional transformation $f(z)$ satisfying

$$f(z_0) = w_0, \quad f(z_1) = w_1, \quad f(z_2) = w_2.$$

Proof. We will prove existence: Claim: For any three distinct $z_0, z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}^*$, there is a fractional linear transformation $g(z)$ such that

$$g(z_0) = 0 \quad g(z_1) = 1 \quad g(z_2) = \infty$$

Proof of claim:

- Case 1: None of z_0, z_1, z_2 is ∞ . Then check

$$g(z) = \left(\frac{z - z_0}{z - z_2} \right) \left(\frac{z_1 - z_2}{z_1 - z_0} \right)$$

satisfies the claim.

- Case 2: one of the z_i , say z_0 , is ∞ . We use the idea of the definition in case 1 with

z_0 finite, but take a limit $z_0 \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\left(\frac{z - z_0}{z - z_2} \right) \left(\frac{z_1 - z_2}{z_1 - z_0} \right) = \left(\frac{\frac{z}{z_0} - 1}{\frac{z}{z_0} - 1} \right) \left(\frac{z_1 - z_2}{\frac{z_1}{z_0} - 1} \right) \xrightarrow{z_0 \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{-1}{-1} \right) \left(\frac{z_1 - z_2}{-1} \right)$$

Check $g(z) = \frac{z_1 - z_2}{z - z_2}$ satisfies the claim for this case. \square

Now, we use the claim to prove the theorem. Let $z_0, z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}^*$ be distinct and let $w_0, w_1, w_2 \in \mathbb{C}^*$ be distinct. By claim (applied twice) there are fractional linear transformations g, h such that

$$\begin{array}{ll} z_0 \xrightarrow{g} 0 & w_0 \xrightarrow{h} 0 \\ z_1 \longmapsto 1 & w_1 \longmapsto 1 \\ z_2 \longmapsto \infty, & w_2 \longmapsto \infty \end{array}$$

By previous proposition, h^{-1} is a fractional linear transformation, satisfies

$$\begin{array}{l} 0 \xrightarrow{h^{-1}} w_0 \\ 1 \longmapsto w_1 \\ \infty \longmapsto w_2 \end{array}$$

Then by our other proposition, the composition $f = h^{-1} \circ g$ is a fractional linear transformation and satisfies

$$\begin{array}{l} z_0 \xrightarrow{g} 0 \xrightarrow{h^{-1}} w_0 \\ z_1 \longmapsto 1 \longmapsto w_1 \\ z_2 \longmapsto \infty \longmapsto w_2 \end{array}$$

\square

Example 13.4

Find a formula for the linear transformation $f(z)$ which maps

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\mapsto 1 \\ -1 &\mapsto 0 \\ \infty &\mapsto i \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$f(z) = \frac{a(z+1)}{cz+d}$$

We want

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= f(0) = \frac{a(0+1)}{c \cdot 0 + d} = \frac{a}{d} \\ i &= f(\infty) = \frac{a}{c} \\ \implies \begin{cases} \frac{a}{d} = 1 \implies a = d \\ \frac{a}{c} = i \implies a = ic \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Try $c = 1$ then $a = i, d = i$. So,

$$f(z) = \frac{i(z+1)}{z+i}$$

Check:

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) &= \frac{i(0+1)}{0+i} = 1 \\ f(-1) &= \frac{i(-1+i)}{(-1)+i} = 0 \\ f(\infty) &= \frac{i}{1} = i \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 13.5

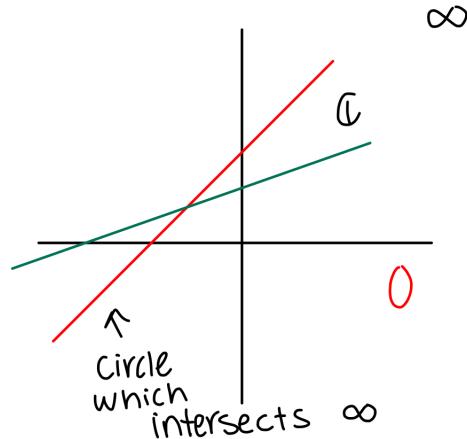
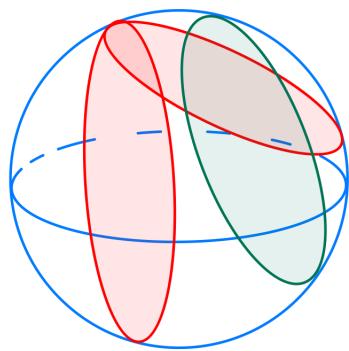
A fractional linear transformation maps circles in the extended complex plane to circles in the extended complex plane.

Proof. Read text for proof.

Outline:

Every fractional linear transformation is a composition of translations, dilations, inversions. Then just check the translations, dilations, inversions have to satisfy property of the theorem.

Circles in \mathbb{C}^*



□

Fractional linear transformations have non-zero derivatives, so they are conformal (preserves angles) at every point in their domain. hence, they also preserve orientation. In particular, orthogonal circles are mapped to orthogonal circles.

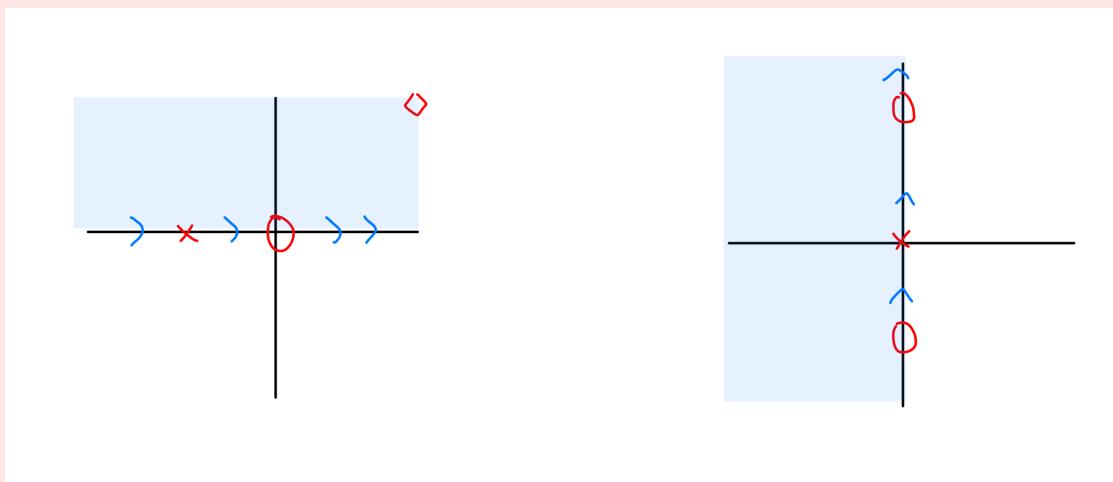
Example 13.6

Consider the linear fractional linear transformation $f(z)$ which maps

$$\begin{aligned}0 &\mapsto i \\-1 &\mapsto 0 \\\infty &\mapsto -i\end{aligned}$$

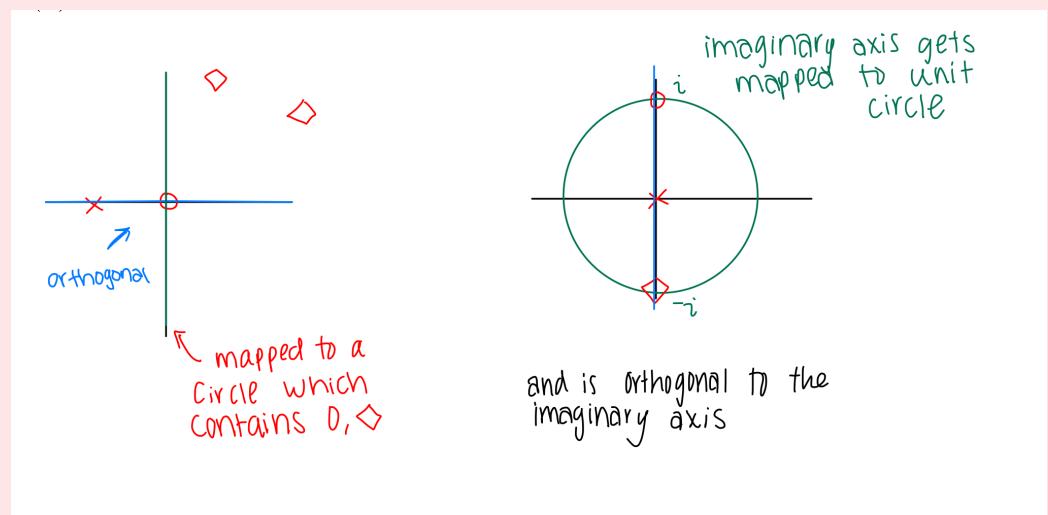
Without finding a formula for $f(z)$, determine where each of the following sets is mapped to under $f(z)$.

- (a) The real axis and the upper half-plane $\operatorname{Im} z > 0$.



The circle in \mathbb{C}^* which contains $-1, 0, \infty$ gets mapped to the circle in \mathbb{C}^* which contains $-i, 0, i$, i.e. the imaginary axis. Using that fractional linear transformations preserve orientation, we conclude $\{\operatorname{Im} z > 0\}$ gets mapped to $\{\operatorname{Re} z < 0\}$

- (b) The imaginary axis



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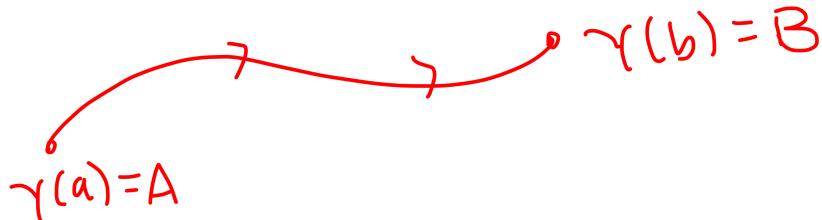
14.1 Review of Basic Definitions

We will study line integrals in the complex plane, but first we (quickly) review the basics of line integrals in the real plane from multivariable calculus.

Definition 14.1 (Path)

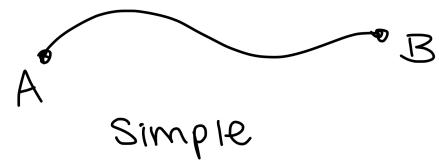
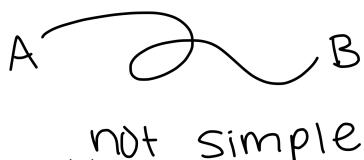
A path from points A, B in the plane is a continuous function $\gamma(t), a \leq t \leq b$, such that

$$\gamma(a) = A, \quad \gamma(b) = B.$$



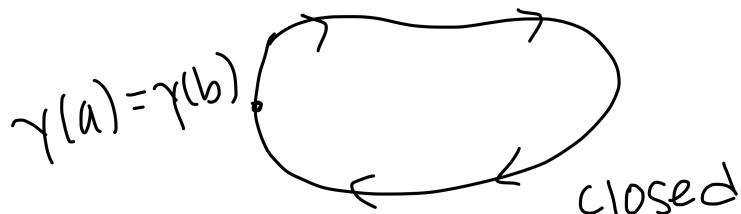
Definition 14.2 (Simple path)

The path $\gamma(t)$ is simple if it is $\gamma(t) \neq \gamma(s)$ when $t \neq s$.



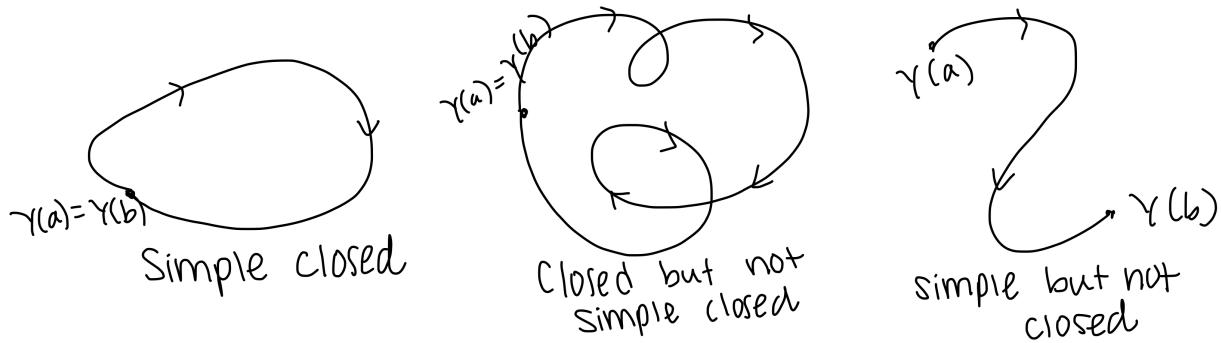
Definition 14.3 (Closed path)

The path $\gamma(t)$ is closed if it starts and ends at the same point, i.e., if $\gamma(a) = \gamma(b)$.



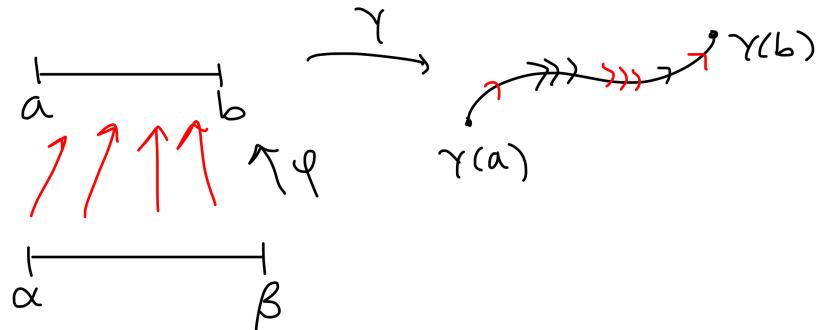
Definition 14.4 (Simple closed path)

The path $\gamma(t)$ is a simple closed path if it is closed and $\gamma(s) \neq \gamma(t)$ for $a \leq s < t < b$.



14.2 Reparametrization

Let $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a path, and let $\phi: [\alpha, \beta] \rightarrow [a, b]$ be strictly increasing function with $\phi(\alpha) = a, \phi(\beta) = b$.



Then the composition $\gamma(\phi(s)), \alpha \leq s \leq \beta$ is a path from $A = \gamma(a)$ to $B = \gamma(b)$. We call $\gamma(\phi(s))$ a reparametrization of $\gamma(t)$.

Example 14.5

We have

$$\gamma(t) = (\cos t, \sin t), \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

If

$$\phi(s) = 2s, \quad 0 \leq s \leq \pi$$

then $\gamma(\phi(s))$ traverses the unit circle once at double the speed of γ .

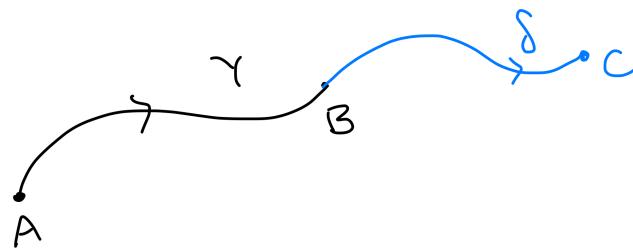
Note that $\gamma(\phi(s))$ traverses the points on the path in the same order as $\gamma(t)$ does, i.e., the reparametrization is orientation preserving (this is because $\phi(s)$ is increasing).

Definition 14.6 (Trace)

The image of a path, $\gamma([a, b]) = \{\gamma(t): a \leq t \leq b\}$, is called its trace

Often, we will be a bit sloppy and use γ to denote both the path and its trace.

If one path $\gamma(t)$ ends where another path $\delta(t)$ begins, then we can concatenate them into a single path.



The operation of concatenation is well-defined up to the choice of parametrization of the new path.

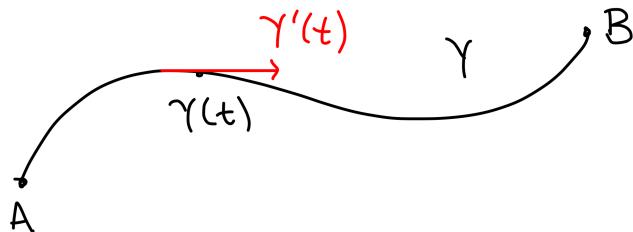
Definition 14.7 (Smooth path)

A path $\gamma(t)$ can be represented with coordinate functions

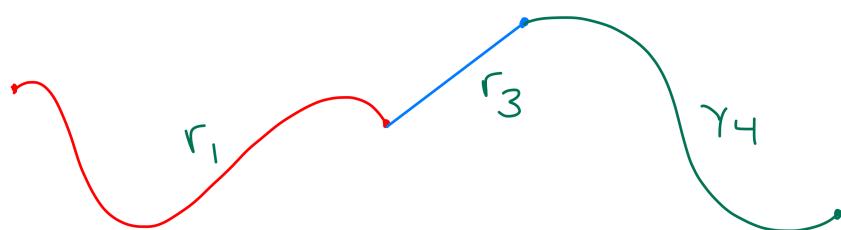
$$\gamma(t) = (x(t), y(t))$$

$\gamma(t)$ is smooth if both $x(t), y(t)$ are smooth, i.e., infinitely differentiable.

Of course, this implies that we can take derivatives of the path itself, e.g., $\gamma'(t) = (x'(t), y'(t))$ (tangent vector).


Definition 14.8 (Piecewise smooth path)

A piecewise smooth path is a concatenation of finitely many smooth paths. By a curve we (usually) mean a smooth or piecewise smooth path.



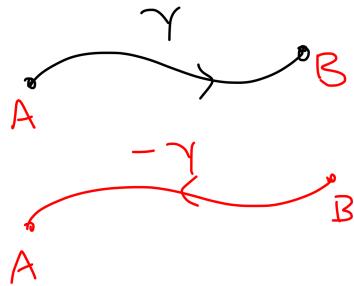
14.3 Line Integrals of Differential Forms

Definition 14.9 (Line integral)

Let $\gamma(t) = (x(t), y(t))$ be a smooth path from A to B , and let $P(x, y)$ and $Q(x, y)$ be continuous functions which are defined on all the points of the trace of γ . The line integral of $Pdx + Qdy$ along γ can be computed by the equation

$$\int_{\gamma} Pdx + Qdy = \int_a^b P(x(t), y(t)) \frac{dx}{dt} dt + \int_a^b Q(x(t), y(t)) \frac{dy}{dt} dt \quad (*)$$

Fact: The value of the line integral does not change if we use a reparametrization $\gamma(\phi(s))$ of γ . It does, however, change by a minus sign if we reverse the orientation of γ .



$$\int_{-\gamma} Pdx + Qdy = - \int_{\gamma} Pdx + Qdy$$

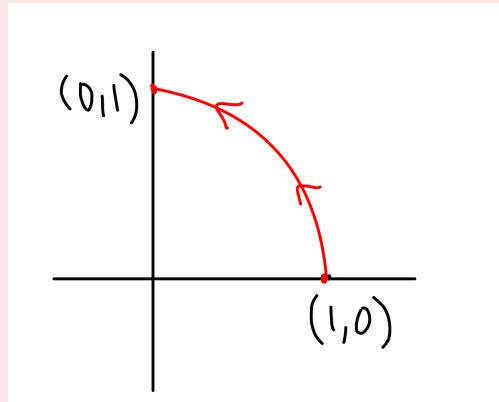
If δ is the concatenation of smooth paths $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n$, then

$$\int_{\delta} Pdx + Qdy = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\gamma_i} (Pdx + Qdy),$$

where each of the summand integrals is evaluated using the formula in (*).

Example 14.10

Evaluate $\int_{\gamma} xydx + dy$, where γ is the quarter unit circle from $(1,0)$ to $(0,1)$.



First, we need to parametrize γ .

$$\gamma(t) = (\cos t, \sin t), \quad 0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

So

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\sin t, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = \cos t$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\gamma} xydx + dy &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos t \cdot \sin t \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} dt + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{dy}{dt} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} -\cos t \sin^2 t dt + \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos t dt \\ &= \left[-\frac{\sin^3 t}{3} \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} + [\sin t]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ &= \frac{-1}{3} + 1 = \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

14.4 Green's Theorem

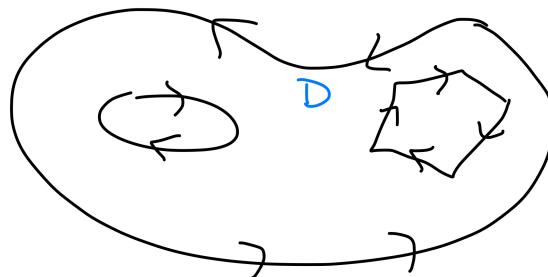
Green's theorem gives us a very useful way to evaluate line integrals. The theorem shows that, in certain cases, the line integral is equal to the area integral.

Theorem 14.11 (Green's Theorem)

Let D be a bounded domain in the plane whose boundary ∂D consists of a finite number of disjoint piecewise smooth pieces. Let P and Q be continuously differentiable functions on $D \cup \partial D$. Then,

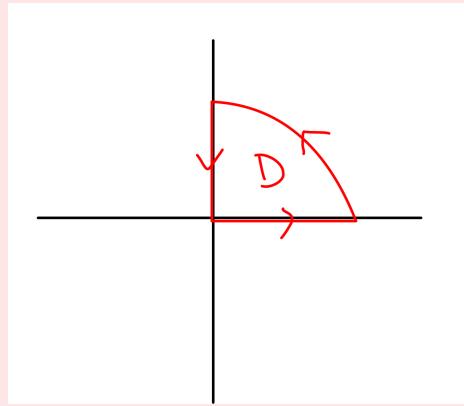
$$\int_{\partial D} P dx + Q dy = \iint_D \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$$

where in the line integral the boundary ∂D is traversed positively (as you traverse the path, D should always be on your left).



Example 14.12

Compute $\int_{\partial D} xydx + dy$, where D is the quarter disk in the first quadrant.



$$P(x, y) = xy$$

$$Q(x, y) = 1$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = 0 - x$$

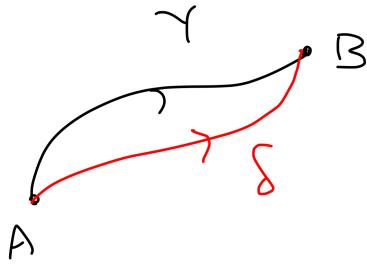
By Green's theorem,

$$\int_{\partial D} xydx + dy = \iint_D -x dx dy$$

to evaluate, change to polar coordinates.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^1 -r \cos \theta r dr d\theta \\ &= - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos \theta d\theta \int_0^1 r^2 dr \\ &= -[\sin \theta]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left[\frac{r^3}{3} \right]_0^1 \\ &= -\frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

14.5 Independence of Path



Definition 14.13 (Differential)

Let $h(x, y)$ be a continuously differentiable function. The differential of h is the differentiable form

$$dh = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} dy.$$

We have the following version of the fundamental theorem of calculus for line integrals of differentials:

Theorem 14.14

If γ is a piecewise smooth path from A to B and $h(x, y)$ is continuously differentiable on the trace of γ , then

$$\int_{\gamma} dh = h(B) - h(A).$$

Thus, the value of $\int_{\gamma} dh$ only depends on the endpoints A, B . So, the line integral of dh is independent of the path in the sense that if δ is another path from A to B , then

$$\int_{\delta} dh = \int_{\gamma} dh = h(B) - h(A).$$

What about other differentiable forms $Pdx + Qdy$ with this property?

14.6 Exact Forms

Definition 14.15 (Exact form)

A differential form $Pdx + Qdy$ is exact if there exists a continuously differentiable function $h(x, y)$ such that

$$Pdx + Qdy = dh = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} dy.$$

It turns out that the exact differential forms are precisely the ones show line integrals have path independence:

Theorem 14.16

Let P, Q be continuous functions on a domain D . Then, $\int Pdx + Qdy$ is independent of path in D if and only if $Pdx + Qdy$ is exact.

14.7 Closed Forms

Definition 14.17 (Closed form)

Let P and Q be continuously differentiable on a domain D . The differential form $Pdx + Qdy$ is closed if

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} \quad \text{on } D.$$

Proposition 14.18

Exact differential forms are closed.

Proof. Consider an exact form

$$Pdx + Qdy = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}dx + \frac{\partial h}{\partial y}dy$$

Then, we check that $\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} Q$$

Note: if you apply Green's theorem to a closed form, then

$$\int_{\partial D} Pdx + Qdy = \iint_D \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = \iint_D 0 dx dy = 0$$

□

In summary, for a general domain D ,

$$(\text{independent of path}) \iff \text{exact} \implies \text{closed}.$$

It turns out that the “ \implies ” becomes a “ \iff ” for certain types of domains.