

# Riemann Surfaces

## Hand in 1

1. Set  $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$  where it is defined. Note that if  $c=0$  then  $d \neq 0$  and  $f(z) = \frac{a}{d}z + \frac{b}{d}$  is an affine function. If  $c \neq 0$ , one has  $f = f_3 \circ f_2 \circ f_1$ , where

$$f_1(z) = (z+d),$$

$$f_2(z) = \frac{1}{z},$$

$$f_3(z) = \frac{bc-ad}{c}z + \frac{a}{c}.$$

Now if we are able to show that affine functions and  $f_2$  send "circles" to "circles", the composition would assure us that  $f$  sends "circles" to "circles". Let us first investigate the case of affine functions. Let us set  $g(z) = az+b$ ,  $z = x+iy$ ,  $a = \alpha+i\beta$ ,  $b = \gamma+i\delta$  and  $g(z) = u+iv$ . Note that we only care about the case where  $a \neq 0$ . By computation, we obtain the following equation

$$\begin{aligned} u+iv &= g(z) = (\alpha+i\beta)(x+iy) + (\gamma+i\delta) \\ &= (\alpha x - \beta y + \gamma) + i(\beta x + \alpha y + \delta) \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to the system

$$\begin{cases} u = \alpha x - \beta y + \gamma, \\ v = \beta x + \alpha y + \delta. \end{cases}$$

We can inverse this system by the following computations

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha u + \beta v &= \alpha^2 x - \alpha\beta y + \alpha\gamma + \beta^2 x + \alpha\beta y + \beta\delta \\ &= (\alpha^2 + \beta^2)x + \alpha\gamma + \beta\delta \end{aligned}$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$x = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}(u - \gamma) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}(v - \delta),$$

$$\alpha v + \beta u = (\alpha^2 + \beta^2)y + \alpha\delta + \beta\gamma$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$y = \frac{-\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}(u - \gamma) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}(v - \delta)$$

and we then get the system

$$\begin{cases} x = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}(u - \gamma) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}(v - \delta), \\ y = \frac{-\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}(u - \gamma) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}(v - \delta). \end{cases}$$

Remember that we want to show that  $g$  send "circles" to "circles". We treat the 2 ~~cases~~ cases separately:

Case 1  $\lambda x + \mu y = \gamma$ , where  $\lambda, \mu, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\lambda$  or  $\mu$  is nonzero (otherwise it would be a line). We then get

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \lambda x + \mu y \\ &= \lambda \left[ \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (u - \gamma) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (v - \delta) \right] + \mu \left[ \frac{-\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (u - \gamma) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (v - \delta) \right] \\ &= \frac{\lambda\alpha - \mu\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} u + \frac{\mu\alpha + \lambda\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} v - \frac{\lambda\alpha\gamma + \lambda\beta\delta - \mu\beta\gamma + \mu\alpha\delta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} \\ &= \frac{\lambda\alpha - \mu\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} u + \frac{\mu\alpha + \lambda\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} v - c, \end{aligned}$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$\frac{\lambda\alpha - \mu\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} u + \frac{\mu\alpha + \lambda\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} v = \gamma + c,$$

where  $c = \frac{\lambda\alpha\gamma + \lambda\beta\delta - \mu\beta\gamma + \mu\alpha\delta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}$ . Notice that this equation of the line.

Case 2  $(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2 = R^2$ , where  $x_0, y_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $R > 0$ . Note that the system of equations above gives us the following one

$$\begin{cases} x_0 = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (u_0 - \gamma) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (v_0 - \delta), \\ y_0 = \frac{-\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (u_0 - \gamma) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (v_0 - \delta). \end{cases}$$

From this we can then compute what shape has the image of this circle

$$\begin{aligned} R^2 &= (x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2 \\ &= \left[ \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (u - \gamma) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (v - \delta) - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (u_0 - \gamma) - \frac{\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (v_0 - \delta) \right]^2 + \\ &\quad + \left[ \frac{-\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (u - \gamma) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (v - \delta) - \frac{-\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (u_0 - \gamma) - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (v_0 - \delta) \right]^2 \\ &= \left[ \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (u - u_0) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (v - v_0) \right]^2 + \left[ \frac{-\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (u - u_0) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (v - v_0) \right]^2 \\ &= \frac{\alpha^2}{\alpha^4 + \beta^4} (u - u_0)^2 + \frac{2\alpha\beta}{\alpha^4 + \beta^4} (u - u_0)(v - v_0) + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha^4 + \beta^4} (v - v_0)^2 + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha^4 + \beta^4} (u - u_0)^2 - \frac{2\alpha\beta}{\alpha^4 + \beta^4} (u - u_0)(v - v_0) + \frac{\alpha^2}{\alpha^4 + \beta^4} (v - v_0)^2 \\ &= \frac{\alpha^2}{\alpha^4 + \beta^4} (u - u_0)^2 + \frac{\alpha^2}{\alpha^4 + \beta^4} (v - v_0)^2 = \frac{1}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} [(u - u_0)^2 + (v - v_0)^2], \end{aligned}$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) R^2 = (u - u_0)^2 + (v - v_0)^2,$$

which is the equation of a circle. So we proved that affine maps send "circles" to "circles".



Next, let us investigate the multiplicative inverse function, i.e.  $g(z) = \frac{1}{z}$ . As before let us set  $z = x + iy$  and  $g(z) = u + iv$ . We then get the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} u = \frac{x}{|z|^2}, \\ v = \frac{-y}{|z|^2}, \end{cases}$$

which we can inverse this system to the following system:

$$\begin{cases} x = \frac{u}{u^2+v^2}, \\ y = \frac{-v}{u^2+v^2}. \end{cases}$$

As before, we distinguish the two cases.

Case 1  $\lambda x + \mu y = \gamma$ : One has the following equalities.

$$\gamma = \lambda x + \mu y = \lambda \frac{u}{u^2+v^2} + \mu \frac{-v}{u^2+v^2} = \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} (\lambda u - \mu v) \quad (1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (u^2+v^2)\gamma = \lambda u - \mu v,$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \gamma u^2 - \lambda u + \gamma v^2 + \mu v = 0,$$

$$\Leftrightarrow u^2 - \frac{\lambda}{\gamma} u + v^2 + \frac{\mu}{\gamma} v = 0,$$

$$\Leftrightarrow u^2 - \frac{\lambda}{\gamma} u + \frac{\lambda^2}{4\gamma^2} + v^2 + \frac{\mu}{\gamma} v + \frac{\mu^2}{4\gamma^2} = \frac{\lambda^2}{4\gamma^2} + \frac{\mu^2}{4\gamma^2},$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(u - \frac{\lambda}{2\gamma}\right)^2 + \left(v + \frac{\mu}{2\gamma}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + \mu^2}}{2\gamma}\right)^2,$$

if we assume that  $\gamma \neq 0$ . This Note that this is the equation of a circle. Now let us treat the case where  $\gamma = 0$ . From (1), we get the equation

$$\lambda u - \mu v = 0,$$

which is the equation of a line.

Case 2  $(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2 = R^2$ : Note that the previous system gives the following one

$$\begin{cases} x_0 = \frac{u_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2}, \\ y_0 = \frac{-v_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2}. \end{cases}$$

This said, we get

$$R^2 = (x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{u}{u^2+v^2} - \frac{u_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{-v}{u^2+v^2} - \frac{-v_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{u^2}{u^2+v^2} - 2 \frac{u_0 u}{(u^2+v^2)(u_0^2+v_0^2)} + \frac{u_0^2}{(u^2+v^2)^2} + \frac{v^2}{(u^2+v^2)^2} - 2 \frac{v v_0}{(u^2+v^2)(u_0^2+v_0^2)} + \frac{v_0^2}{(u_0^2+v_0^2)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{u^2+v^2}{(u^2+v^2)^2} + \frac{u_0^2+v_0^2}{(u_0^2+v_0^2)^2} - 2 \frac{u u_0 - v v_0}{(u^2+v^2)(u_0^2+v_0^2)} = \\
&= \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} + \frac{1}{u_0^2+v_0^2} - 2 \frac{u u_0 - v v_0}{(u^2+v^2)(u_0^2+v_0^2)} \\
&= \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} \left( 1 - 2 \frac{u u_0 - v v_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2} \right) + \frac{1}{u_0^2+v_0^2},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow R^2 - \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} = \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} \left( 1 - 2 \frac{u u_0 - v v_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2} \right).$$

We know have two cases. The first one is  $R^2 - \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} = 0$ . In that case, we <sup>have</sup>

$$1 - 2 \frac{u u_0 - v v_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2} = 0,$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{u_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2} u - \frac{v_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2} v = \frac{1}{2},$$

which is the equation of a line. Now let us suppose  $R^2 - \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} \neq 0$ . We then have

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\begin{aligned}
R^2 - \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} &= \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} \left( 1 - 2 \frac{u u_0 - v v_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} \frac{u_0^2+v_0^2 - 2u u_0 + 2v v_0}{u_0^2+v_0^2} \\
&= \frac{1}{u^2+v^2}
\end{aligned}
}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2) - 1 &= \frac{1}{u^2+v^2} (u_0^2+v_0^2 - 2u u_0 - 2v v_0) \\
&= \frac{u^2 - 2u u_0 + u_0^2 + v^2 - 2v v_0 + v_0^2 - u^2 - v^2}{u^2+v^2} \\
&= \frac{(u-u_0)^2 + (v-v_0)^2 - (u^2+v^2)}{u^2+v^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{(u-u_0)^2}{u^2+v^2} + \frac{(v-v_0)^2}{u^2+v^2} - 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2) = \frac{(u-u_0)^2}{u^2+v^2} + \frac{(v-v_0)^2}{u^2+v^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Leftrightarrow R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2)(u^2+v^2) &= (u-u_0)^2 + (v-v_0)^2 \\
&= u^2 - 2u u_0 + u_0^2 + v^2 - 2v v_0 + v_0^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow u^2 [1 - R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2)] - 2u u_0 + u_0^2 + v^2 [1 - R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2)] - 2v v_0 + v_0^2 = 0$$



$$\Leftrightarrow u^2 - \frac{2u_0 u}{1-R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2)} + v^2 - \frac{-2v_0 v}{1-R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2)} = -\frac{u_0^2+v_0^2}{1-R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(u - \frac{u_0}{1-R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2)}\right)^2 + \left(v - \frac{v_0}{1-R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2)}\right)^2 = \frac{u_0^2+v_0^2}{(1-R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2))^2} - \frac{u_0^2+v_0^2}{1-R^2(u_0^2+v_0^2)}$$

which is the equation of a circle.

2: (a) One point of interest to answer this question is to look at where the image of the boundary of the disc. Since  $g(z) = \frac{z}{z-i} - i = \frac{-iz+1}{z-i}$ , we know that the image of the boundary must be a "circle". Note that

$$g(-i) = 0,$$

$$g(1) = 1,$$

$$g(-1) = -1.$$

and thus we see that the image of the boundary is the real line. Note that we know that since  $(-i)(-i) - 1 \neq 0$ , we have that  $g$  is an ~~holomorphic~~ automorphism from  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{i\}$  to  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{-i\}$ . Note that separating  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{i\}$  into the components

$$\mathbb{C} \setminus \{i\} = \overline{\mathbb{D}} \setminus \{i\} \cup (\mathbb{C} \setminus (\overline{\mathbb{D}} \cup \{i\}))$$

we have two path connected s.th. every path from a point of the first component to a point of the second component must go through the boundary of the disc (minus  $i$ ). Using the fact that  $g$  is continuous and bijective, we get a decomposition of  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{-i\}$

$$\mathbb{C} \setminus \{-i\} = \overline{\mathbb{H}^2} \setminus \{-i\} \cup \{z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{-i\} \mid \operatorname{Im}(z) < 0\}$$

such that  $g(\overline{\mathbb{D}} \setminus \{i\}) = \overline{\mathbb{H}^2} \setminus \{-i\}$  and  $g(\mathbb{C} \setminus (\overline{\mathbb{D}} \cup \{i\})) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{-i\} \mid \operatorname{Im}(z) < 0\}$ .

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because it is like we ~~separate~~ <sup>cut</sup>  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{-i\}$  along the real line (minus  $-i$ ). Since  $g(i) = i$ , we know that  $g(\overline{\mathbb{D}} \setminus \{i\}) = \overline{\mathbb{H}^2} \setminus \{-i\}$  and not to the other component.

(b) As  $\frac{1-c}{1+c} \neq 0$  (since  $c < 1$ ), we see that  $g$  is an automorphism from  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{-\frac{1}{c}\}$  to  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\frac{1}{c}\}$ . We will use the same method as before. Let us first compute the image of the boundary:

$$g(1) = \frac{1+c}{1+c}$$

$$g(-1) = \frac{1+c}{(-1)(c-1)}$$

$$g(i) = \frac{2+c(3+1)}{(1+3)+ic}$$

and note that  $|f(1)| = |f(-1)| = |f(i)| = 1$  (here  $c = \alpha + i\beta$ ) and so the image of the boundary is the boundary itself. Now ~~we have that~~ Note that either the image of the disc is either itself or  $(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\frac{1}{\bar{c}}\}) \cap \overline{D}$ . Since  $f(-c) = 0$ , we conclude that the disc maps to itself.

4: Let us consider the function  $g(z) = \frac{z - f(0)}{-\overline{f(0)}z + 1}$ . Note that by a previous

exercise, we know that  $g$  is an holomorphic function that restricts to a bijection on the disc. Composing the two functions  $h = g \circ f$  gives a function that is holomorphic, bijective on the disc to itself ~~and~~ Note that  $h^{-1}$  has the same properties. Note also that  $h(0) = g(f(0)) = 0$

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$$\Rightarrow h^{-1}(0) = 0$$

We can then use the Schwarz lemma to say that:

$$|z| \leq |h^{-1} \circ h(z)| \leq |h(z)| \leq |z| \text{ for all } z \in D$$

and thus, still according to Schwarz lemma,  $h(z) = \lambda z$  for some  $|\lambda| = 1$ . Let us set  $\alpha = f(0)$ . Then we have that

$$\lambda z = \frac{f(z) - \alpha}{-\overline{\alpha} f(z) + 1},$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda z (-\overline{\alpha} f(z) + 1) = f(z) - \alpha,$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -\overline{\alpha} \lambda z f(z) + \lambda z = f(z) - \alpha,$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(z) (-1 - \overline{\alpha} \lambda z) = -\alpha - \lambda z,$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(z) = \frac{\lambda z + \alpha}{\overline{\alpha} \lambda z + 1}.$$

From this, one can prove that  $f$  has the form as described in the exercise sheet. In fact, one has

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{\lambda z + \alpha}{\overline{\alpha} \lambda z + 1} \\ &= \frac{\lambda z + \lambda \left(-\frac{\alpha}{\lambda}\right)}{1 - \left(-\frac{\alpha}{\lambda}\right)z} \\ &= \frac{\lambda z - \lambda \beta}{1 - \overline{\beta} z} \end{aligned}$$



where  $\beta = -\frac{\alpha}{\lambda}$ . Now let  $k = 1 - |\alpha|^2$  and set  $a = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{k}}$ . Note that  $\bar{a} = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{k}} = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{k}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda k}}$ .

This allows us to write

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{\lambda z - \lambda \beta}{1 - \bar{\beta} z} \\ &= \frac{z \sqrt{\lambda} - \beta \sqrt{\lambda}}{-\left(\frac{\beta}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) z + 1/\sqrt{\lambda}} \\ &= \frac{z \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{k}} - \beta \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{k}}}{-\left(\frac{\beta}{\sqrt{\lambda k}}\right) + 1/\sqrt{\lambda k}} \end{aligned}$$

Note that this is precisely the form  $f(z) = \frac{az + b}{\bar{b}z + \bar{a}}$ , where  $a = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{k}}$  and  $b = \alpha \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{k}}$ . Moreover, one has

$$\begin{aligned} |a|^2 - |b|^2 &= a\bar{a} - b\bar{b} \\ &= \frac{\lambda}{k} - \frac{|\alpha|^2 \lambda}{k} \\ &= \frac{1 - |\alpha|^2}{k} \\ &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, if  $f(z) = \frac{az + b}{\bar{b}z + \bar{a}}$  with  $|a|^2 - |b|^2 = 1$ , then we note that

$$f(1) = \frac{a+b}{\bar{a}+\bar{b}}$$

$$f(-1) = \frac{-a+b}{-\bar{b}+\bar{a}} = (-1) \frac{-a+b}{-\bar{a}+\bar{b}}$$

$$f(i) = \frac{ai+b}{\bar{b}i+\bar{a}} \neq i$$

which tells us that  $f$  is a biholomorphism from  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{-\frac{\bar{a}}{b}\}$  to  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\frac{a}{b}\}$  which sends the unit disc either to itself, either to its complement minus the boundary. Noting that  $-\frac{b}{a} \in \mathbb{D}$ , we note that  $f(-\frac{b}{a}) = 0$  and thus the unit disc is sent to itself. We then get that  $f$  is an automorphism.