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Preface

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Part I

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Chapter 1

Complex Plane and Basic Functions

1.1 Complex Numbers

The complex numbers, \mathbb{C} , consist of all formal sums $z = x + iy$, for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, where $i^2 = -1$ is the root of $x^2 + 1 = 0$. Then, for multiplication we proceed by $z \cdot w = (a + ib)(x + iy) = (ax - by) + i(xb + ay)$.

Gauss conceived of \mathbb{C} as \mathbb{R}^2 with a binary operation $*$, where $(a, b) * (x, y) = (ax - by, xb + ay)$. Then, we observe that $(1, 0) * (a, b) = (a, b)$, so $(1, 0)$ acts as 1. Moreover, $(0, 1) * (0, 1) = (-1, 0) = -(1, 0)$.

The matrix model of \mathbb{C} is

$$\mathbb{C} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

In terms of extension fields, we can consider \mathbb{C} to be $\mathbb{R}[x]/(x^2 + 1)$.

Definition 1.1 If $z = x + iy$, with $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, then we define $\Re e(z) = x$ and $\Im m(z) = y$.

Definition 1.2 If $z = x + iy$, we define the conjugate of z to be $\bar{z} = x - iy$.

Properties 1.1 Let $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$.

- $\overline{z + w} = \bar{z} + \bar{w}$
- $\overline{zw} = \bar{z} \cdot \bar{w}$
- $\overline{\bar{z}} = z$
- $\bar{z} = 0$ if and only if $z = 0$
- $\Re e(z) = \frac{z + \bar{z}}{2}$
- $\Im m(z) = \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2i} = \frac{i(\bar{z} - z)}{2}$

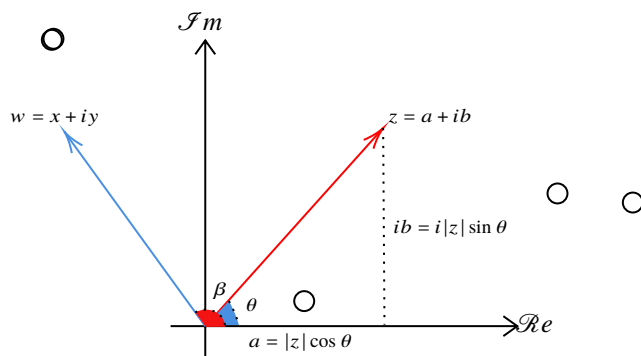
Proposition 1.1 If $z \neq 0$, then $z^{-1} = \frac{\bar{z}}{z\bar{z}}$.

Definition 1.3 Let $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Then the modulus, $|\cdot|$ of $z = a + ib$ (the norm), is the length of z as a vector:

$$|z| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = \sqrt{z\bar{z}}$$

1.1.1 Geometry of the Complex Numbers

The complex numbers, $\mathbb{C} = \{a + ib : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$, can be considered as a plane of points, or we can consider the complex numbers as vectors in the plane emanating from 0.



Noting this geometric picture, we can write $z = |z| \cos \theta + i|z| \sin \theta = |z|(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$. Suppose we had another complex number $w = |w|(\cos \beta + i \sin \beta)$. Then we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} zw &= |z||w|(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)(\cos \beta + i \sin \beta) \\ &= |zw|(\cos \theta \cos \beta - \sin \theta \sin \beta + i(\sin \theta \cos \beta + \cos \theta \sin \beta)) \\ &= |zw|(\cos(\theta + \beta) + i \sin(\theta + \beta)) \end{aligned}$$

so complex multiplication aligns with angle addition in the plane.

Definition 1.4 Define Euler's Formula

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

From our above work we have that

$$zw = (|z|e^{i\theta})(|w|e^{i\beta}) = |zw|e^{i(\theta+\beta)}$$

so

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

The conjugate of $e^{i\theta}$ is

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

Proposition 1.2 $e^{i\theta} = e^{i\beta}$ if and only if $\theta = \beta + 2\pi k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Then we have that $e^{i\theta} = e^{-i\theta}$ if and only if $\theta = \pi k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Definition 1.5 Let $z \in \mathbb{C}$. The **argument** of $z = |z|e^{i\theta}$ is $\arg(z) = \{\theta + 2\pi k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$, and the **principal argument** of z , $\text{Arg}(z) = \theta_0$, where $z = |z|e^{i\theta_0}$ and $\theta_0 \in (-\pi, \pi]$.

Example 1.1 Consider $z = -42 - 42i$. Then $|z| = 42\sqrt{2}$, and $\text{Arg}(z) = -\frac{3\pi}{4}$, so $z = 42\sqrt{2}e^{-i\frac{3\pi}{4}}$, and $\arg(z) = -\frac{3\pi}{4} + 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$.

Properties 1.2 For $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$, $\arg(zw) = \arg(z) + \arg(w)$, but $\text{Arg}(zw) \neq \text{Arg}(z) + \text{Arg}(w)$.

Theorem 1.1 (DeMoivre's Theorem) For all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$,

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

Proof We proceed by induction on $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $n = 1$ then $(e^{i\theta})^1 = e^{i1\theta}$, so the base case holds. Now, suppose that the claim holds for some $n \geq 1$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (e^{i\theta})^{n+1} &= (e^{i\theta})^1 (e^{i\theta})^n \\ &= e^{i\theta} e^{in\theta} && \text{(by I.H)} \\ &= e^{i(\theta+n\theta)} \\ &= e^{i(n+1)\theta} \end{aligned}$$

completing the proof. □

Definition 1.6 Suppose that $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $w, z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $z^n = w$, then z is said to be an **n th root of w** . Moreover, the set of all n th roots is denoted $w^{1/n} \neq \sqrt[n]{w}$.

Let $z^n = w$, where $z = \rho e^{i\theta}$. Then it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (\rho e^{i\theta})^n &= w \\ \rho^n e^{in\theta} &= |w|e^{i\text{Arg}(w)} && \text{(by 1.1)} \end{aligned}$$

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This gives the two equations $\rho^n = |w|$ and $e^{in\theta} = e^{i\text{Arg}(w)}$, so $\rho = \sqrt[n]{|w|}$, and

$$\begin{aligned} n\theta &= \text{Arg}(w) + 2\pi k \\ \theta &= \frac{\text{Arg}(w)}{n} + \frac{2\pi k}{n} \end{aligned}$$

This gives the following result:

Corollary 1.1

$$w^{1/n} = \left\{ \sqrt[n]{|w|} e^{i\frac{\text{Arg}(w)}{n}} e^{i\frac{2\pi k}{n}} : k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

Definition 1.7 If $w = 1$, we have that

$$1^{1/n} = \left\{ e^{i\frac{2\pi k}{n}} : k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

These are the *n*th roots of unity.

Then we observe that for any $w \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$w^{1/n} = \sqrt[n]{|w|} e^{i\frac{\text{Arg}(w)}{n}} 1^{1/n}$$

Example 1.2 Consider the fourth roots of $81i$, so $(81i)^{1/4}$. Then we have that

$$\begin{aligned} (81i)^{1/4} &= \sqrt[4]{81} e^{i\frac{\pi}{8}} 1^{1/4} \\ &= 3e^{i\frac{\pi}{8}} \{1, i, -1, -i\} \end{aligned}$$

Example 1.3 Let $w = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i}{6}\right)$. Then

$$1^{1/6} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : z^6 = 1\} = \{w, w^2, w^3, w^4, w^5, w^6 = 1\}$$

Note $w = e^{i\pi/3} = \cos(\pi/3) + i\sin(\pi/3) = \frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}$. Now, if we consider the polynomial $f(z) = z^6 - 1$, we now know six roots for this polynomial. Then we can factor

$$f(z) = \prod_{i=1}^6 (z - w^i)$$

In short, to solve $z^n = \rho$, we take the *n*th roots of ρ , $\rho^{1/n}$.

Example 1.4 Consider $z^2 + bz + c = 0$. Then completing the square we obtain $z \in \left\{ \frac{-b+(b^2-4c)^{1/2}}{2} \right\}$, where

$$\left(\frac{b^2 - 4c}{2} \right)^{1/2} = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\left| \frac{b^2-4c}{2} \right|} - \sqrt{\left| \frac{b^2-4c}{2} \right|} i & \text{if } b^2 - 4c \geq 0 \\ \sqrt{\left| \frac{b^2-4c}{2} \right|} i - \sqrt{\left| \frac{b^2-4c}{2} \right|} i & \text{if } b^2 - 4c < 0 \end{cases}$$

1.2 Local Inverses and Branch-cut

Definition 1.8 Let $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$, then the line segment from z to w is

$$[z, w] = \{z + t(w - z) : 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$$

where we also allow z or w to be plus or minus infinity.

Definition 1.9 The **negative slit plane**, \mathbb{C}^- , is defined by $\mathbb{C}^- = \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$, and the **positive slit plane**, \mathbb{C}^+ , is defined by $\mathbb{C}^+ = \mathbb{C} \setminus [0, \infty)$. In general, we define

$$\mathbb{C}^\alpha = \mathbb{C} \setminus [0, e^{i\alpha}\infty)$$

to denote the exclusion of the ray along the α th angle from the positive real axis.

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hat is a function?

Definition 1.10 If $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a function, and $U \subseteq S$, then $f|_U : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is defined by $f|_U(z) = f(z)$ for all $z \in U$.

We may have the case that f is not injective (so it cannot be inverted). But, for a smart choice of U , we may have that $f|_U$ is one-to-one, and hence invertible. Such a restriction is known as a **local inverse** for f .

Rigourously, a **branch cut** is a curve in the complex plane such that it is possible to define a single analytic branch (sheets of a multivalued function) of a multivalued function on the plane minus that curve. That is, a branch is a way of making the multivalued function single valued, and in the context of determining inverses a branch is a choice of inverse.

Example 1.5 For $f(z) = z^n$, then for $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : -\frac{\pi}{n} < \text{Arg}(z) < \frac{\pi}{n}\}$, $f|_U$ is invertible, and $f|_U^{-1}$ is called the **principal branch**. $f|_U^{-1}$ is a choice of the n th root of $w \in \mathbb{C}^-$.

Definition 1.11 The **α -argument** for $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ is denoted $\text{Arg}_\alpha : \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow (\alpha, \alpha + 2\pi)$. In particular, for each $z \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ we define $\text{Arg}_\alpha \in \arg(z)$ such that $z \in (\alpha, \alpha + 2\pi)$

We can give branch cuts for the n th root function which delete the ray at standard angle α . These correspond to local inverse functions $f(z) = z^n$ restricted to $\{z \in \mathbb{C}^\times : \arg(z) = (\alpha/n, (\alpha + 2\pi)/2) + 2\pi\mathbb{Z}\}$.

1.2.1 Square-Root Function

If we have $z^2 = w$, this is equivalent to $(|z|e^{i\theta})^2 = |w|e^{i\beta}$, so $|z|^2 = |w|$ and $e^{i2\theta} = e^{i\beta}$. Then $|z| = \sqrt{|w|}$, and $\theta = \frac{\beta}{2} + \pi k$ for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then our solutions are

$$z = \sqrt{|w|}e^{i(\beta/2+\pi k)} = \sqrt{|w|}e^{i\beta/2}e^{i\pi k} = \sqrt{|w|}e^{i\beta/2}\cos(\pi k)$$

Thus, in general

$$z = \sqrt{|w|}e^{i\text{Arg}(w)/2}(-1)^k = \pm \sqrt{|w|}e^{i\text{Arg}(w)/2}$$

and

$$w^{1/2} = \{ \sqrt{|w|}e^{i\text{Arg}(w)/2}, -\sqrt{|w|}e^{i\text{Arg}(w)/2} \}$$

In general we have

$$w^{1/n} = \{ \sqrt[n]{|w|}, \zeta \sqrt[n]{|w|}, \dots, \zeta^{n-1} \sqrt[n]{|w|} \}$$

where $\sqrt[n]{|w|} = \sqrt[n]{|w|} \exp\left(\frac{i\text{Arg}(w)}{n}\right)$ is the principal root, and $\zeta = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n}}$ is an n th root of unity. The principal root is the local inverse for the principal branch $U = \{z : -\pi/n < \text{Arg}(z) < \pi/n\}$.

1.3 Complex Exponential

Definition 1.12 We define the complex exponential for $z \in \mathbb{C}$ to be

$$e^z = e^{\Re(z)} e^{i\Im(z)} = e^{\Re(z)} (\cos(\Im(z)) + i \sin(\Im(z)))$$

Properties 1.3 Let $z = x + iy, w = a + ib \in \mathbb{C}$.

- $e^z e^w = e^{z+w}$
- $|e^{x+iy}| = |e^x| |e^{iy}| = e^x$, which is never zero so the complex exponential is never zero. that is,
- $e^z \neq 0$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.
- $\arg(e^z) = \arg(e^x e^{iy}) = y + 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$.

1.3.1 Failure to Inject

If $e^{z_1} = e^{z_2}$, then $e^{x_1} e^{iy_1} = e^{x_2} e^{iy_2}$, so $x_1 = x_2$ and $y_1 \in y_2 + 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$. Thus, e^z has a $2\pi i$ -periodicity; $e^z = e^{z+2\pi ik}$ for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. To make the complex exponential, we must restrict the domain to some horizontal strip of height at most 2π (with endpoints not included). In particular, if we take $U = \{x + iy : -\pi < y < \pi\}$ we obtain the branch \mathbb{C}^- , and branch cut $(-\infty, 0]$. Then, suppose we write

$e^z = w = |w|e^{i\text{Arg}(w)}$. Then a solution is $e^x = |w|$, and $y = \text{Arg}(w)$. We can then define

$$\text{Log}(w) = \ln |w| + i\text{Arg}(w) = z = x + iy$$

for $w \in \mathbb{C}^-$, which is the branch cut to the multivalued log

$$\log(z) = \ln |z| + i \arg(z)$$

taking the restriction U in the range.

1.4 Sine, Cosine, Cosh, Sinh

Recall $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ and $e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$. Then we have that

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

and

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

Thus, we can obtain formulas for sin and cos, $\theta \in \mathbb{C}$:

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

and

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

Then we define:

Definition 1.13 We define the complex sine and cosine, $z \in \mathbb{C}$, by

$$\boxed{\cos z = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}} \tag{1.4.1}$$

and

$$\boxed{\sin z = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}} \tag{1.4.2}$$

Observe that

$$e^x = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x})}_{\cosh(x)} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(e^x - e^{-x})}_{\sinh(x)}$$

Definition 1.14 We define the complex hyperbolic sine and hyperbolic cosine, $z \in \mathbb{C}$, by

$$\boxed{\cosh z = \frac{e^z + e^{-z}}{2}} \quad (1.4.3)$$

and

$$\boxed{\sinh z = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2}} \quad (1.4.4)$$

Then we have the identities

$$\cosh z = \cos(iz), \sinh z = -i \sin(iz)$$

and

$$\cos(z) = \cosh(iz), \sin z = -i \sinh(iz)$$

1.4.1 Complex Cosine is Not Bounded

Observe

$$\cos(z) = \cos(x + iy) = \frac{e^{ix-y} + e^{-ix+y}}{2} = \frac{e^{ix}e^{-y} + e^{-ix}e^y}{2}$$

Now, using angle formulas we have

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(z) &= \cos(x + iy) \\ &= \cos(x) \cos(iy) - \sin(x) \sin(iy) \\ &= \cos(x) \cosh(y) - i \sin(x) \sinh(y) \end{aligned}$$

so

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

so as cosh and sinh are unbounded, so is complex cos.

Claim

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

and

$$\begin{aligned} \cosh(z + w) &= \sinh z \sinh w + \cosh z \cosh w \\ \sinh(z + w) &= \sinh z \cosh w + \cosh z \sinh w \end{aligned}$$

Claim $\cos^2 z + \sin^2 z = 1$

Proof First, observe

$$\cos^2 z = \left[\frac{1}{2}(e^{iz} + e^{-iz}) \right]^2 = \frac{1}{4}(e^{2iz} + 2 + e^{-2iz})$$

and

$$\sin^2 z = \left[\frac{1}{2i}(e^{iz} - e^{-iz}) \right]^2 = \frac{-1}{4}(e^{2iz} - 2 + e^{-2iz})$$

Hence, indeed, $\cos^2 z + \sin^2 z = 1$. □

1.5 Power Functions

Definition 1.15 Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ be arbitrary. For $z \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ we define the power function z^α to be the multivalued function

$$z^\alpha = e^{\alpha \log z}$$

Thus, the values of z^α are given by

$$\begin{aligned} z^\alpha &= e^{\alpha(\log |z| + i \arg(z))} \\ &= e^{\alpha \operatorname{Log}(z)} e^{2\pi i \alpha m}, m = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, the various values of z^α are obtained by multiplying the principal value $e^{\alpha \operatorname{Log}|z|}$ by the integer power of $e^{2\pi i \alpha}$. Consequently, if α is itself an integer $e^{2\pi i \alpha} = 1$, and the power function is single valued and equal to the principal value, $e^{\alpha \operatorname{Log}|z|}$. If $\alpha = 1/n$, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then the factor is precisely the n th roots of unity, and $z^{1/n}$ are the n th roots of unity of z .

It is important to note that the usual algebraic rules do not apply to power functions when they are multivalued.

To have the power function move continuously with z we make the branch cut $[0, \infty)$. Then we define a continuous branch on \mathbb{C}^+ to be

$$w = r^\alpha e^{i\alpha\theta}, \text{ for } z = re^{i\theta}, 0 < \theta < 2\pi$$

At the top edge of the slit, $\theta = 0$, we have the usual power function $r^\alpha = e^{\alpha \operatorname{Log} r}$. At the bottom of the slit, $\theta = 2\pi$, we have the function $r^\alpha e^{2\pi i \alpha}$. For a fixed r , as θ ranges the values of $w = r^\alpha e^{i\theta\alpha}$ move continuously. Thus, the values of this branch of z^α on the bottom edge are $e^{2\pi i \alpha}$ times the values at the top edge. This multiple, $e^{2\pi i \alpha}$, is called the **phase factor** of z^α at $z = 0$.

For any other choice of branch, $w = r^\alpha e^{i\alpha(\theta+2\pi m)}$, the same phase factor is observed.

Lemma 1.1 (Phase Change Lemma) Let $g(z)$ be a single-valued function that is defined and continuous near z_0 . For any continuously varying branch of $(z-z_0)^\alpha$ the function $f(z) = (z-z_0)^\alpha g(z)$ is multiplied by the phase factor $e^{2\pi i \alpha}$ when z traverses a complete circle about z_0 in the positive direction.

Chapter 2

Analytic Functions

2.1 Basic Analysis and Topology

Definition 2.1 A *sequence* of complex numbers is a function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, where $f(i) = a_i$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$. We often write this sequence as $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$.

Definition 2.2 We say a sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to a limit $L \in \mathbb{C}$, $a_n \rightarrow L$, as n approaches infinity, $n \rightarrow \infty$, if for each $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for $n \geq N$, $|a_n - L| < \varepsilon$. We also write

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$$

That is, if we pick a particular limiting value for the limit value, we can find a point past which the tail of the sequence is between limiting value and our limit.

Definition 2.3 A sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is said to be *bounded* if there exists $M \in \mathbb{R}$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $|a_n| < M$ (where $|\cdot|$ is the modulus).

That is, all points in the sequence exist in an M radius disk of the origin in the complex plane.

Example 2.1 Consider a sequence $a_n = (e^{ir})^n$, where $r \notin \mathbb{Q}$. Then $|a_n| = 1$, for all n . Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| = 1$, but the sequence itself does not converge in \mathbb{C} .

Theorem 2.1 Suppose $s_n \rightarrow s$ and $t_n \rightarrow t$ for sequences in \mathbb{C} . Then

- $s_n + t_n \rightarrow s + t$
- $cs_n \rightarrow cs$, for all $c \in \mathbb{C}$
- $s_n t_n \rightarrow st$

- $s_n/t_n \rightarrow s/t$, provided $t \neq 0$.

We remark that the squeeze theorem only applies for real-sequences, as it relies on the ordering of the reals. Moreover, the theorem that “A bounded monotone sequence of real numbers converges” also does not hold, again due to ordering.

Definition 2.4 Let (a_n) be a sequence. Let $n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < \dots$ be an increasing sequence of natural numbers. Then $\{a_{n_k}\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a subsequence of the sequence (a_n) .

Example 2.2 Consider the sequence $(-1)^n$. Then we have that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n = 1, \quad \text{and} \quad \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n = -1$$

Theorem 2.2 Suppose $z_n = x_n + iy_n$ for real sequences x_n and y_n . Let $z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C}$. Then $z_n \rightarrow z$ if and only if $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$.

Proof \implies . Assume that $z_n \rightarrow z$. Hence, for each $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that if $n \geq N$ then $|z_n - z| < \varepsilon$. Consider $|x_n - x|$. Then observe that $|x_n - x| = \sqrt{(x_n - x)^2} \leq \sqrt{(x_n - x)^2 + (y_n - y)^2} = |z_n - z|$. Then for any $n \geq N$ we have that $|x_n - x| \leq |z_n - z| < \varepsilon$, and similarly, $|y_n - y| \leq |z_n - z| < \varepsilon$. Hence, $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$, as desired.

\impliedby . Now, suppose that $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$. Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Then there exist $N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n_1 \geq N_1$ and $n_2 \geq N_2$ imply $|x_{n_1} - x| < \varepsilon/2$ and $|y_{n_2} - y| < \varepsilon/2$. Let $N = \max(N_1, N_2)$. Then for all $n \geq N$,

$$|z_n - z| \leq |x_n - x| + |i(y_n - y)| = |x_n - x| + |y_n - y| < \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2 = \varepsilon$$

Hence, we conclude that $z_n \rightarrow z$, as desired. \square

Definition 2.5 A sequence $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is said to be Cauchy if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n, m \geq N$,

$$|z_n - z_m| < \varepsilon$$

Thus, the tail of a Cauchy sequence gets arbitrarily close as we go arbitrarily far.

\mathbb{C} is a complete metric space, so the Cauchy sequences are precisely the convergent sequences.

Definition 2.6 An open disk of radius $\varepsilon > 0$ centered at $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ is defined to be

$$D_\varepsilon(z_0) := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < \varepsilon\}$$

Definition 2.7 Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ and $z_0 \in S$. Then z_0 is an interior point if there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $D_\varepsilon(z_0) \subseteq S$.

We say that S is an open set in \mathbb{C} if each point in S is an interior point.

Definition 2.8 We say that $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is a closed set if and only if $\mathbb{C} \setminus S$ is open.

Example 2.3 Consider the half-plane $S = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \Re(z) \geq 1\}$. This is not a closed set as all points on the boundary ($\Re(z) = 1$) are not interior.

Definition 2.9 Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ and $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. Then z_0 is said to be a limit/accumulation point of S if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, $D_\varepsilon^*(z_0) \cap S \neq \emptyset$.

That is, neighborhoods of limit points always intersect the set in a point different from the limit point.

Definition 2.10 Let $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a complex function, $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. Suppose $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ is a limit point of S . Then we say that $f(z) \rightarrow L$, for $L \in \mathbb{C}$, if and only if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that if $0 < |z - z_0| < \delta$, then $|f(z) - L| < \varepsilon$.

Equivalently, the functional limit converges to L if and only if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$f(D_\delta^*(z_0) \cap S) \subseteq D_\varepsilon(L)$$

Theorem 2.3 Let $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $g : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be complex functions such that $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = L$ and $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} g(z) = M$ for some $L, M \in \mathbb{C}$. Let $c \in \mathbb{C}$. Then

- $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (f(z) + g(z)) = L + M$
- $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} cf(z) = cL$
- $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)g(z) = LM$
- $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)/g(z) = L/M$, provided $M \neq 0$.

Definition 2.11 We say that $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is continuous at $z_0 \in S$ if and only if $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = f(z_0)$.

Theorem 2.4 Let $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Then $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = L$ if and only if for all sequences z_n such that $z_n \rightarrow z_0$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(z_n) = L$.

Definition 2.12 A subset $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is connected if and only if there exists no $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ non-empty such that $S = A \cup B$ and $\overline{A} \cap B = \emptyset$ and $A \cap \overline{B} = \emptyset$.

Noting that connected and path-connected subsets are equivalent in \mathbb{C} , we formulate (path) connectedness in another way as follows:

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Definition 2.13 A polygonal chain P is a curve composed of a finite number of connected line segments. That is, there exist $z_0, z_1, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$P = [z_0, z_1] \cup [z_1, z_2] \cup \dots \cup [z_{n-1}, z_n]$$

Definition 2.14 A subset $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is (path) connected if and only if for each $p, q \in U$, there exists a polygonal chain γ which begins at p and terminates at q , and $\gamma \subseteq U$.

Definition 2.15 A subset $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is called a domain if D is both open and connected.

Definition 2.16 A region is a domain paired with some or all of its topological boundary.

Definition 2.17 Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. Then U° denotes the interior of U , and is the set of all interior points in U .

Definition 2.18 A set $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is compact if and only if (Heine-Borel) U is closed and bounded.

Definition 2.19 A set $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is said to be star-shaped at a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ if $z_0 \in U$, and for any $z \in U$ we have $[z_0, z] \subseteq U$.

Star-shaped implies simply connected: every closed curve in the region can be continuously deformed to a point.

Example 2.4 The slit complex plane $\mathbb{C}^- = \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$ is star shaped, with any point along $(0, \infty)$ serving as a star center. In particular, consider the star center 1. Then, let $z \in \mathbb{C}^-$ and consider $[1, z] = \{1+t(z-1) : 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$. Then, for each $a+ib \in [1, z]$ we have $a+ib = 1+t(x+iy-1) = 1+(x-1)t+iyt$ for some $t \in [0, 1]$. For $z \in (0, \infty)$ we have that $y = 0$, and $x-1 > -1$, so $(x-1)t > -1t > -1$, so $a+ib = a > 0$. On the other hand, if $z \in \mathbb{C}^-$ with $y \neq 0$, then $a+ib \notin (-\infty, 0]$ for all $t > 0$, and by construction $a+ib = 1$ for $t = 0$, which is again not in $(-\infty, 0]$. Thus, $[1, z] \cap (-\infty, 0] = \emptyset$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}^-$, as claimed.

Theorem 2.5 If $h : D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is continuously differentiable on D and $\nabla h = \mathbf{0}$ on D , then h is constant on D .

Proof Let $\gamma : [t_0, t_1] \rightarrow D$ be a polygonal chain in D , with $\gamma(t_0) = p$ and $\gamma(t_1) = q$. Then

$$\frac{d}{dt}(h(\gamma(t))) = \nabla h(\gamma(t)) \cdot \frac{d\gamma}{dt} = 0$$

since the gradient is zero in D . Then by properties of single variable differentiable functions, $h(\gamma(t))$ is constant so $h(p) = h(\gamma(t_0)) = h(\gamma(t_1)) = h(q)$. But this is true for all $p, q \in D$, so h is constant. \square

2.2 Analytic Functions

Definition 2.20 Let $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. If the limit

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

exists, we say f is **complex differentiable** at z_0 , and we denote

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \left(\frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} \right)$$

Furthermore, the mapping $z \mapsto f'(z)$ is the complex derivative of f .

Example 2.5 Consider $f(z) = 2z^2 - 1$. Then

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \left(\frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} \right) = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \left(\frac{2z^2 - 1 - (2z_0^2 - 1)}{z - z_0} \right) = 2 \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \left(\frac{(z - z_0)(z + z_0)}{z - z_0} \right) = 2 \cdot 2z_0 = 4z_0$$

Theorem 2.6 (Caratheodory Theorem) Let $f : D \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a function $a \in D$, a limit point. Then f is **complex differentiable** at a if and only if there exists a function $\phi : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that

1. ϕ is continuous at a
2. $f(z) - f(a) = \phi(z)(z - a)$ for all $z \in D$.

Proof \implies . Suppose $f : D \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is complex differentiable at a . Construct $\phi(z) = \frac{f(z) - f(a)}{z - a}$ for $z \neq a$ and $\phi(a) = f'(a)$. Then, observe that

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow a} \phi(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{f(z) - f(a)}{z - a} \right) = f'(a)$$

so ϕ is continuous at a . Next, for $z \neq a$ we have by definition that $f(z) - f(a) = \phi(z)(z - a)$. At $z = a$ we just have $0 = 0$, so this also holds.

\Leftarrow . By 2. we have that $\phi(z) = \frac{f(z) - f(a)}{z - a}$ for $z \neq a$, so by continuity $\phi(a) = f'(a)$, so f' is complex differentiable at a . \square

Theorem 2.7 If $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is complex differentiable at $a \in \mathbb{C}$, then that implies that f is continuous at $z = a$.

Proof By Theorem 2.6, there exists $\phi : S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, where $a \in S$, and $f(z) = f(a) + \phi(z)(z - a)$. Then,

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow a} f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} (f(a) + \phi(z)(z - a)) = f(a) + \phi(a)(a - a) = f(a)$$

which implies that f is continuous at a , as desired. \square

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Assume that f, g are complex differentiable at $z = a$. Then there exist ϕ_f, ϕ_g such that $f(z) = f(a) + (z - a)\phi_f(z)$ and $g(z) = g(a) + (z - a)\phi_g(z)$ for some domain of a . Then, observe that

$$f(z)g(z) = f(a)g(a) + (z - a)[\phi_f(z)g(a) + \phi_g(z)f(a) + (z - a)\phi_f(z)\phi_g(z)]$$

We claim $\phi_{fg}(z) = \phi_f(z)g(a) + \phi_g(z)f(a) + (z - a)\phi_f(z)\phi_g(z)$. By continuity of the component functions $\phi_{fg}(z)$ is continuous at a . Hence, $f(z)g(z)$ is differentiable and

$$(fg)'(a) = f'(a)g(a) + f(a)g'(a)$$

Theorem 2.8 Suppose that g is complex differentiable at a , and that f is complex differentiable at $g(a)$.

Proof Suppose $g'(a)$ and $f'(g(a))$ exist. Also, let $g(z) = g(a) + (z - a)\phi_g(z)$, and $f(w) = f(g(a)) + (w - g(a))\psi_f(w)$. Simply compose, set $w = g(z)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(z)) &= f(g(a)) + (g(z) - g(a))\psi_f(g(z)) \\ &= f(g(a)) + (z - a)\phi_g(z)\psi_f(g(z)) \end{aligned}$$

Then by continuity of ϕ_g and ψ_f we have that $(f \circ g)'(a) = f'(g(a))g'(a)$, completing the proof. Moreover, $\phi_g(z)\psi_f(g(z)) = \phi_{f \circ g}(z)$. \square

Theorem 2.9 Suppose that f and g are complex differentiable at a , and $c \in \mathbb{C}$. Then

- $(f + g)'(a) = f'(a) + g'(a)$
- $(cf)'(a) = cf'(a)$
- $(fg)'(a) = f'(a)g(a) + f(a)g'(a)$
- $(f/g)'(a) = (f'(a)g(a) - f(a)g'(a))/(g(a))^2$ provided $g(a) \neq 0$.

2.3 The Cauchy Riemann Equations

Theorem 2.10 If $f(z) = u(z) + iv(z)$ is a complex valued function of a complex variable, u and v real valued functions of a complex variable, and

1. u and v are continuously differentiable on an open set containing z_0
2. $u_x(z_0) = v_y(z_0)$ and $u_y(z_0) = -v_x(z_0)$

Then $f'(z_0) = u_x(z_0) + iv_x(z_0)$ is complex differentiable.

Definition 2.21 $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuously differentiable on $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ if g_x and g_y exist and are continuous on U .

Example 2.6 Suppose $f(z) = z^2$. Then $f(x + iy) = x^2 - y^2 + i2xy$, and let $u(z) = x^2 - y^2$ and $v(z) = 2xy$. Then $u_x(z) = 2x, u_y(z) = -2y, v_x = 2y, v_y = 2x$, so the partials are continuously differentiable. Moreover, $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$, so the Cauchy Riemann equations hold and $f'(z) = 2x + i2y = 2z$.

Example 2.7 Suppose $f(z) = e^z$. Then $f(x + iy) = e^{x+iy} = e^x e^{iy} = e^x \cos y + i e^x \sin y$. Let $u(z) = e^x \cos y$ and $v(z) = e^x \sin y$. Then $u_x(z) = e^x \cos y, u_y(z) = -e^x \sin y, v_x(z) = e^x \sin y, v_y(z) = e^x \cos y$. Thus, the partial derivatives are continuous on \mathbb{C} , and $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$, so $f'(z) = u_x(z) + i v_x(z) = u(z) + i v(z) = f(z)$.

Example 2.8 Consider $f(z) = \bar{z} = x - iy$. Then $u = x$ and $v = -y$. Now, observe $u_x = 1 \neq -1 = v_y$, so $f(z)$ is nowhere complex differentiable.

Example 2.9 Consider $f(z) = \cos(z) = \cos(x+iy) = \cos(x) \cos(iy) - \sin(x) \sin(iy) = \cos(x) \cosh(y) - i \sin(x) \sinh(y)$. Then $u = \cos(x) \cosh(y)$ and $v = -\sin(x) \sinh(y)$. Now, $u_x = -\sin(x) \cosh(y), u_y = \cos(x) \sinh(y), v_x = -\cos(x) \sinh(y), v_y = -\sin(x) \cosh(y)$. Thus, the partials are continuous and $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$, so the Cauchy-Riemann equations hold and $f'(z) = -\sin(x) \cosh(y) - i \cos(x) \sinh(y) = -\sin(x) \cos(iy) - \cos(x) \sin(iy) = -\sin(x + iy)$.

Definition 2.22 A function $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is holomorphic on the domain D if and only if f is complex differentiable at each point in D .

Definition 2.23 A function $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is holomorphic at a point $z_0 \in D$ if there exists some open disk $D_r(z_0)$ such that $f|_{D_r(z_0)}$ is holomorphic.

2.3.1 Real Differentiability

If we identify $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R}^2$, then $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ naturally is associated with $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$.

Definition 2.24 If $F : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ has a linear transformation $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \left(\frac{F(p+h) - F(p) - L(h)}{\|h\|} \right) = 0$$

then F is real-differentiable at $p \in \mathbb{R}^2$, and we denote $dF_p = L$. Moreover, the standard matrix for the differential, where $F = F(u, v)$, is

$$[dF_p] = J_F(p) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} = \left[\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \mid \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \right]$$

Example 2.10 Let $F(x, y) = (x, -y)$, then $J_F(p) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

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Definition 2.25 $F(u, v) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is continuously differentiable at $z_0 = (x_0, y_0)$ if u_x, u_y, v_x, v_y are all continuous near z_0 .

Definition 2.26 If F is continuously differentiable at $z_0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$, then F is differentiable at z_0 .

Proof Assume $F = (u, v)$ is continuously differentiable with $dF = (du, dv)$ and we can focus on u . We wish to show that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{u(p+h) - u(p) - L(h)}{\|h\|} \right) = 0$$

Let $L(h) = \nabla u(p) \cdot h = h_1 u_x(p) + h_2 u_y(p)$. Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} u(p+h) - u(p) &= u(p + h_1 e_1 + h_2 e_2) - u(p) \\ * &= u(p + h_1 e_1 + h_2 e_2) - u(p + h_1 e_1) + u(p + h_1 e_1) - u(p) \\ &= u(p_1 + h_1, p_2 + h_2) - u(p_1 + h_1, p_2) + u(p_1 + h_1, p_2) - u(p_1, p_2) \\ &= h_2 u_y(p_1 + h_1, c_2) + h_1 u_x(c_1, p_2) \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is by the Mean Value Theorem. Then it follows that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{u(p+h) - u(p) - L(h)}{\|h\|} \right) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{h_2 u_y(p_1 + h_1, c_2) + h_1 u_x(c_1, p_2) - h_1 u_x(p) - h_2 u_y(p)}{\|h\|} \right)$$

where as $h \rightarrow 0$, c_1 and c_2 go to p_1 and p_2 , respectively, so by continuity of the partial derivatives this limit goes to zero. The same holds for v , so F is differentiable. \square

In our convention we write $F(u, v) = u + iv$, so we have $e_1 = 1$ and $e_2 = i$. Now, note that $F(x, y) = (x, -y) = x - iy = \bar{z}$, so F would be nowhere complex differentiable.

2.3.2 Cauchy Riemann Equations Sketch

Suppose f is complex differentiable at z_0 , so by Theorem 2.6 we have $f(z_0+h) - f(z_0) = \phi(z_0+h)h$. Then, I claim for $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $df_{z_0}(h) = f'(z_0)h$, shifting between \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{R}^2 . For $h \neq 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(z_0+h) - f(z_0) - f'(z_0)h}{|h|} &= \frac{\phi(z_0+h)h - f'(z_0)h}{|h|} \\ &= \frac{h}{|h|} (\phi(z_0+h) - f'(z_0)) \\ &\leq \frac{|h|}{|h|} (\phi(z_0+h) - f'(z_0)) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

so f is real differentiable at z_0 with $df_{z_0}(h) = f'(z_0)h$. Let $f'(z_0) = a + ib$. Then

$$f'(z_0)h = ah_1 - bh_2 + i(ah_2 + bh_1) = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

So in particular

$$df_{z_0} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$$

so we attain the Cauchy Riemann equations $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$. Reversing this argument we attain that if a function is continuously real-differentiable and satisfies the Cauchy Riemann equations, then the function is complex differentiable.

Theorem 2.11 *If $f = (u, v) = u + iv$ is real differentiable on a domain D and $u_x = v_y, u_y = -v_x$ at $z_0 \in D$, then $f'(z_0) = u_x(z_0) + iv_x(z_0)$.*

Proof Let $u_x(z_0) = a$ and $v_x(z_0) = b$. Then

$$df_{z_0} = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(z_0) & u_y(z_0) \\ v_x(z_0) & v_y(z_0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} df_{z_0} h &= \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} ah_1 - bh_2 \\ bh_1 + ah_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (ah_1 - bh_2) + i(bh_1 + ah_2) = (a + ib)(h_1 + ih_2) = (a + ib)h \end{aligned}$$

We claim that $f'(z_0) = a + ib$. Observe

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0) - (a + ib)h}{h} \right) = 0$$

Moreover, since $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(a+ib)h}{h} = a + ib$, so by algebraic properties of limits we have that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h} \right) = a + ib = u_x(z_0) + iv_x(z_0)$$

Then, we can write

$$\boxed{\frac{df}{dz} = f'(z) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -i \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}}$$

for a holomorphic function on some domain.

2.4 Analytic Functions (cont.)

Definition 2.27 If $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and f is holomorphic on \mathbb{C} , then f is entire. We say $f \in O(\mathbb{C})$. If f is holomorphic on D , we write $f \in O(D)$.

Theorem 2.12 *If $f \in O(D)$ and $f = \Re(f)$, then f is constant.*

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Proof First, this implies $f(z) = u(z)$. Then $\nabla u = \langle u_x, u_y \rangle$ and $\nabla v = \langle v_x, v_y \rangle$. But $v = 0$, so $\nabla v = \mathbf{0}$, and $u_x = v_y, u_y = -v_x$ by the Cauchy Riemann equations so $\nabla u = \mathbf{0}$. Thus, we have that u and v are constant, so f is constant by Theorem 2.5. \square

If $f = (u, v)$ is continuously differentiable at (a, b) , then for (h_1, h_2) near (a, b) we have that

$$f(a + h_1, b + h_2) \approx f(a, b) + J_f(a, b) \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Assume the cauchy riemann equations hold. Then

$$J_f(a, b) = \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \begin{bmatrix} a/\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} & -b/\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \\ b/\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} & a/\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

where the matrix on the right, R , is orthogonal ($RR^T = I$), and the term in front is a dilation. Hence, at an infinitesimal level changes in holomorphic functions correspond to rotations and dilations. Also, observe that $\det(J_f(z_0)) = a^2 + b^2 = |f'(z_0)|^2$.

Theorem 2.13 $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ if and only if $\det(J_f(z_0)) \neq 0$, for f complex differentiable at z_0 .

Theorem 2.14 (Complex Inverse Function Theorem) Of $f(z)$ is analytic on a domain D , $z_0 \in D$, and $f'(z_0) \neq 0$. Then there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $D_\varepsilon(z_0) \subseteq D$ such that $f|_{D_\varepsilon(z_0)}$ is injective, the image $V = f(D_\varepsilon(z_0))$ is open and the inverse function $f^{-1} : V \rightarrow U$ is analytic and satisfies

$$(f^{-1})'(f(z)) = 1/f'(z) \quad \text{for } z \in D_\varepsilon(z_0)$$

Example 2.11 Let $\text{Log}(z) = w$, so $e^w = z$. Then $e^w \frac{dw}{dz} = 1$, so $\frac{d}{dz}(\text{Log}(z)) = 1/z$ in \mathbb{C}^- . In general, this can be extended to arbitrary branches and slit complex plains such that the function is single valued and continuous.

Example 2.12 Consider the power function on a particular branch:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dz}(z^c) &= \frac{d}{dz}(e^{c\text{Log}(z)}) = e^{c\text{Log}(z)} \frac{d}{dz}(c\text{Log}(z)) \\ &= e^{c\text{Log}(z)} \frac{c}{z} = ce^{c\text{Log}(z)} e^{-\text{Log}(z)} \\ &= ce^{(c-1)\text{Log}(z)} = cz^{c-1} \end{aligned}$$

on the domain of \mathbb{C} for which the particular branch of the log is holomorphic.

2.5 Harmonic Functions

Definition 2.28 If $u : V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $\nabla \cdot \nabla u = 0$, then u is said to be harmonic on V .

- For $n = 2$: $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$.

If $f'(z) = u_x + iv_x = v_y - iu_y$ over some domain D , it's then true that $z \mapsto f'(z)$ is continuous. In contrast, for $f(x, y) = (x|x|, 0)$, $J_f = \begin{bmatrix} 2|x| & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, but $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$ does not exist at $(0, 0)$, and hence is not continuous there.

Theorem 2.15 If $f = u + iv$ is holomorphic on a domain D , then u and v are harmonic.

Proof Assume $f'(z)$ exists for $z \in D$, then $z \mapsto f'(z)$ is continuous. Then (as we will prove later) $u_{xx}, v_{xx}, u_{xy}, v_{xy}$ exist and are continuous. By the Cauchy Riemann equations we have that $\partial_x u = \partial_y v$ and $\partial_y u = -\partial_x v$. Differentiating with respect to x and with respect to y gives $\partial_x^2 u = \partial_x \partial_y v$ and $\partial_y^2 u = -\partial_y \partial_x v$. Then since the second partials are continuous we have by Clairout's Theorem that

$$\partial_x^2 u + \partial_y^2 u = \partial_x \partial_y v - \partial_y \partial_x v = 0$$

Hence u is harmonic. A similar argument shows v is harmonic as well. Alternatively, to argue that v is harmonic, we note that if $f = u + iv$ is holomorphic, then $-if = -iu + v$ is also holomorphic, so as v is the real part of this function so by the previous argument v is harmonic. \square

Definition 2.29 If u is harmonic and $f = u + iv$ is holomorphic, then v is a harmonic conjugate.

Exercise 2.1 Given a function $u(x, y) = \text{something}$, is u harmonic and if so, find its harmonic conjugate.

Example 2.13 Consider $u(x, y) = e^{2x} \cos(2y)$. Then $u_{xx} = 4u$, and $u_{yy} = -4u$, so $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ and u is harmonic on its domain, \mathbb{C} . We want to solve $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$. Observe that $v_y = 2e^{2x} \cos(2y)$, so $v = e^{2x} \sin(2y) + C(x)$ for some function of x , $C(x)$. Similarly, $v_x = 2e^{2x} \sin(2y)$, so $v = e^{2x} \sin(2y) + C(y)$ for some function of y . Thus, $v = e^{2x} \sin(2y)$ is a complex conjugate of $u = e^{2x} \cos(2y)$. (In general $v = e^{2x} \sin(2y) + C$ is a family of complex conjugates of u). Then, observe $u + iv = e^{2x} e^{i2y} = e^{2z}$.

If we look at $u(x, y) = k_1$ (level curve 1) and $v(x, y) = k_2$ (level curve 2). Assume $f = u + iv$ has $f \in O(D)$. Let's consider $\nabla u \cdot \nabla v = u_x v_x + u_y v_y = -u_x u_y + u_y u_x = 0$, so the gradients of the level curves are orthogonal where they meet.

2.6 Conformal Functions

Definition 2.30 A smooth complex-valued function $g(z)$ is conformal at z_0 if whenever γ_0, γ_1 are curves terminating at z_0 with nonzero tangents, then the curves $g \circ \gamma_0$ and $g \circ \gamma_1$ have nonzero tangents at $g(z_0)$ and the angle between $g \circ \gamma_0$ and $g \circ \gamma_1$ at $g(z_0)$ is the same as the angle between γ_0 and γ_1 at z_0 .

Theorem 2.16 *If $f(z)$ is holomorphic at z_0 and $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ then $f(z)$ is conformal at $z = z_0$.*

Consequently, if $f(z)$ is holomorphic in a domain D , then f takes orthogonal hashes to orthogonal hashes in D .

Proposition 2.1 *If $f : D \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $f'(z_0)$ exists for $z_0 \in D$. Let $\gamma = \langle x, y \rangle : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow D$ is a smooth curve with $\gamma(t_0) = z_0$. Then*

$$\frac{d}{dt} [f(\gamma(t))] = f'(\gamma(t)) \frac{d\gamma}{dt}$$

where we have complex multiplication on the right.

Proof First, observe

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} f(\gamma(t)) &= \frac{d}{dt} [u(\gamma(t)) + iv(\gamma(t))] \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} u(\gamma(t)) + i \frac{d}{dt} v(\gamma(t)) && \text{(by linearity)} \\ &= \nabla u(\gamma(t)) \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \gamma(t) + i \nabla v(\gamma(t)) \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \gamma(t) \\ &= u_x x'(t) + u_y y'(t) + i(v_x x'(t) + v_y y'(t)) && \text{(for } \gamma(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle) \\ &= u_x x'(t) + u_y y'(t) + i(-u_y x'(t) + u_x y'(t)) \\ &= u_x(x'(t) + iy'(t)) - iu_y(x'(t) + iy'(t)) \\ &= u_x \gamma'(t) + i v_x \gamma'(t) \\ &= f'(\gamma(t)) \frac{d\gamma(t)}{dt} \end{aligned}$$

Note that this is not guaranteed for non-holomorphic functions real differentiable functions.

By the inverse function theorem we also observe that the inverse map exists, is holomorphic, and hence also conformal. This shows an alternative result that when level curves intersect, they intersect at right angles.

2.7 Fractional Linear Transformations (FLT's)

Definition 2.31 A function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is an elementary transformation if it is of one of the following forms:

- $f_1(z) = z + z_0$, for some fixed $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$: translation
- $f_2(z) = cz$ for some fixed $c \in \mathbb{C}$: dilation ($c \neq 0$)
- $f_3(z) = 1/z$, for $z \neq 0$: inversion

For a circle, $c(t) = z_0 + Re^{it}$ we have $f_1(c(t)) = z_0 + z'_0 + Re^{it}$ (shifts the center) and $f_2(c(t)) = cz_0 + cRe^{it}$ (dilates and shifts the circle). Moreover, the composition of f_1 and f_2 is something called an **affine transformation** (i.e. $f_1 \circ f_2(z) = cz + d$ for $c, d \in \mathbb{C}$).

Definition 2.32 A **fractional linear transformation** is a function of the form

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

where a, b, c, d are complex constants satisfying $ad - bc \neq 0$. These are also called **Möbius Transformations**. Since

$$f'(z) = \frac{ad - bc}{(cz + d)^2}$$

the condition $ad - bc \neq 0$ simply guarantees that f is not constant.

2.7.1 Extended Complex Plane

The extended complex plane corresponds to the one-point compactification of the plane. It can be viewed through the Riemann sphere and the stereographic projection, where we draw a line out of the north pole, and where the line intersects the plane and the sphere are identified. Then, the north pole is identified with ∞ , giving $\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$.

Theorem 2.17 Given any three distinct points z_0, z_1, z_2 in the extended complex plane, and given any three distinct values w_0, w_1, w_2 in the extended complex plane, there is a unique fractional linear transformation $w = w(z)$ such that $w(z_0) = w_0, w(z_1) = w_1$, and $w(z_2) = w_2$.

Definition 2.33 The cross ratio for the fractional linear transformation specified in the above theorem is

$$\frac{(w_1 - w)(w_3 - w_2)}{(w_1 - w_2)(w_3 - w)} = \frac{(z_1 - z)(z_3 - z_2)}{(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z)}$$

Definition 2.34 Let D be a domain, we say $f \in O(D)$ is **biholomorphic** mapping of D onto D' if $f(D) = D'$ and $f^{-1} : D' \rightarrow D$ is holomorphic.

Definition 2.35 An $\varepsilon > 0$ neighborhood of infinity is defined to be

$$D_\varepsilon(\infty) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \frac{1}{|z|} < \varepsilon\}$$

A neighborhood of infinity is an exterior annulus.

Definition 2.36 For $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, we say that $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = L$ if and only if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that if $\frac{1}{\delta} < |z|$ implies $|f(z) - L| < \varepsilon$.

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We claim that this is equivalent to writing $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) = L$.

Definition 2.37 For $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, we write $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = \infty$ if and only if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that if $0 < |z - z_0| < \delta$, then $|f(z)| > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$.

Example 2.14

- $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} (1/z) = 0$
- $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} (z) = \infty$
- $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} (1/z) = \infty$

Example 2.15 Observe that

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z^2 + z}{3z^2 + 2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Example 2.16 $w = \sin(z) = f(z)$. First, write $w = \sin(z) = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{iz} - e^{-iz})$ as $2iw = e^{iz} - e^{-iz}$. Then, we can write $e^{2iz} - 1 = 2iwe^{iz}$, so letting $\eta = e^{iz}$, $\eta^2 - 2iw\eta - 1 = 0$. Completing the square we have that $1 - w^2 = (\eta - iw)^2$, so $\eta - iw = \pm \sqrt{1 - w^2}$, and $e^{iz} = \eta = iw \pm \sqrt{1 - w^2}$. Then, we have that

$$iz \in \log(iw \pm \sqrt{1 - w^2})$$

If we take the branch $z = -i\text{Log}(iw \pm \sqrt{1 - w^2})$

Chapter 3

Line Integrals

3.1 Line Integrals

Definition 3.1 For a complex function $P : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and a path $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ in \mathbb{C} , the line integral of Pdx along γ is defined by

$$\int_{\gamma} Pdx = \int_a^b P(\gamma(t)) \frac{dx}{dt} dt$$

and the line integral of Pdy along γ is defined by

$$\int_{\gamma} Pdy = \int_a^b P(\gamma(t)) \frac{dy}{dt} dt$$

Proposition 3.1 Suppose $P : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $Q : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are complex valued functions of \mathbb{C} . Then for a path γ defined on its way,

$$\int_{\gamma} (cP + Q)dx = c \int_{\gamma} Pdx + \int_{\gamma} Qdx$$

for all $c \in \mathbb{C}$ (and similarly for dy).

Definition 3.2 For $P : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $Q : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ complex valued functions of \mathbb{C} , if γ is a path in \mathbb{C} defined in their shared domain, we define

$$\int_{\gamma} (Pdx + Qdy) = \int_{\gamma} Pdx + \int_{\gamma} Qdy$$

Writing $P = P_1 + iP_2$ and $Q = Q_1 + iQ_2$, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\gamma} (Pdx + Qdy) &= \int_{\gamma} (P_1 + iP_2)dx + \int_{\gamma} (Q_1 + iQ_2)dy \\ &= \int_{\gamma} (P_1dx + Q_1dy) + i \int_{\gamma} (P_2dx + Q_2dy) \end{aligned}$$

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For $\gamma = \gamma_1 \cup \dots \cup \gamma_n$, a piecewise smooth path, we have that

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

For double integrals, we also have

$$\int \int_S (F + iG) dA = \int \int_S F dA + i \int \int_S G dA$$

for F and G real valued functions, and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (F + iG) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial G}{\partial x}$$

Theorem 3.1 (Green's Theorem) *Let D be a bounded domain in the plane whose boundary ∂D consists of a finite number of disjoint piecewise smooth closed curves. Let P and Q be continuously differentiable functions on $D \cup \partial D$. Then*

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

Definition 3.3 If h is a complex valued function with continuous h_x and h_y , then $dh = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} dy$ is a **differential form**. Then we say a differential form $Pdx + Qdy = w$ is **exact** on $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ if there exists h such that $dh = w$ on U .

Theorem 3.2 (Fundamental Theorem of Calculus Part I (Complex)) *If γ is a piecewise smooth curve from A to B , and if $h(x, y)$ is continuously differentiable on γ , then*

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

Definition 3.4 Let P and Q be continuous complex valued functions on a domain D . We say that the line integral $\int Pdx + Qdy$ is **independent of path** in D if for any two points A and B in D , the integrals $\int_{\gamma} Pdx + Qdy$ are the same for any path γ in D from A to B .

Lemma 3.1 *Let P and Q be continuous complex valued functions on a domain D . Then $\int Pdx + Qdy$ is independent of path in D if and only if $Pdx + Qdy$ is exact, that is, there exists a continuously differentiable function $h(x, y)$ such that $dh = Pdx + Qdy$ on D . Moreover, the function h is unique up to adding a constant.*

Definition 3.5 Let P and Q be complex valued functions on some domain D . Then $Pdx + Qdy$ is a **closed form** on a domain D if and only if $\partial_y P = \partial_x Q$ on D .

Proposition 3.2 *If ω is exact on $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, then ω is closed.*

Proof Let ω be exact on D . Thus, there exists $h : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that $\omega = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} dy$. Moreover, $P = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}$ and $Q = \frac{\partial h}{\partial y}$. As will show later, since h is complex differentiable on the domain D , it is complex smooth on D and hence has continuous partial derivatives of all orders. Thus, by Clairout's Theorem

$$\partial_y P = \partial_y \partial_x h = \partial_x \partial_y h = \partial_x Q$$

so indeed ω is closed. \square

Example 3.1 Let $\omega = \frac{-ydx + xdy}{x^2 + y^2}$ on \mathbb{C}^\times . Then observe that

$$\partial_y \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{-x^2 - y^2 + 2y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

and

$$\partial_x \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - 2x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

so indeed ω is a closed form. Recall if ω is exact, than the integral around a loop in \mathbb{C} is 0. Observe

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{|z|=1} \omega &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\frac{-\sin(t)}{1^2} \cdot (-\sin(t)) + \frac{\cos(t)}{1^2} \cdot \cos(t) \right) dt \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} (\sin^2(t) + \cos^2(t)) dt \\ &= 2\pi \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

so ω cannot be exact on all of \mathbb{C}^\times .

Theorem 3.3 Let P and Q be continuously differentiable complex valued functions on a domain D . Suppose

- D is a star-shaped domain, and
- the differential $Pdx + Qdy$ is closed

Then $Pdx + Qdy$ is exact on D .

Proof Suppose that A is a star center of D . For all $B \in D$, we define

$$h(B) = \int_{[A,B]} Pdx + Qdy$$

where $[A, B]$ is a line-segment and is in D since D is star-shaped with respect to A . Fix $B = (x_0, y_0)$, and let $C = (x, y_0)$ lie on the horizontal line through B and close enough to B so that the triangle with vertices A, B, C lies within D . We apply Green's Theorem to the triangle to obtain

$$\left(\int_{[A,B]} + \int_{[B,C]} + \int_{[C,A]} \right) (Pdx + Qdy) = 0$$

since the form is closed on D . Thus,

$$\int_{[A,C]} (Pdx + Qdy) - \int_{[A,B]} (Pdx + Qdy) = \int_{[B,C]} (Pdx + Qdy)$$

or equivalently

$$h(x, y_0) - h(x_0, y_0) = \int_{x_0}^x P(t, y_0) dt$$

From the fundamental theorem of calculus we obtain

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0) = P(x_0, y_0)$$

Similarly, we can obtain

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0) = Q(x_0, y_0)$$

(traversing along vertical lines). Consequently, $dh = Pdx + Qdy$, and $Pdx + Qdy$ is exact. \square

Theorem 3.4 Let D be a domain, and let $\gamma_0(t)$ and $\gamma_1(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, be two paths in D from A to B . Suppose that γ_0 can be continuously deformed to $\gamma_1(t)$, in the sense that for $0 \leq s \leq 1$ there are paths $\gamma_s(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, from A to B such that $\gamma_s(t)$ depends continuously on s and t for $0 \leq s \leq 1$, and $a \leq t \leq b$. Then

$$\int_{\gamma_0} Pdx + Qdy = \int_{\gamma_1} Pdx + Qdy$$

for any closed differential $Pdx + Qdy$ on D .

The idea of the proof can be attained from Green's Theorem applied to D using the closedness of the differential. Another idea of this is that if we can continuously stretch two curves from one into the other over a region for which the form is closed, the integral over the original curve and the deformed curve are equal.

3.2 Harmonic Conjugates

Remark 3.1 If $f = u + iv$ then f is harmonic on D if and only if u and v are harmonic on D : $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ and $v_{xx} + v_{yy} = 0$.

Lemma 3.2 If u is harmonic, then $-\partial_y u dx + \partial_x u dy$ is closed.

Proof Assume u is harmonic. Then $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$. For the form to be closed we need $-\partial_y \partial_y u = \partial_x \partial_x u$, but this is precisely the condition for u being harmonic, with $-u_{yy} = u_{xx}$. \square

Then, if D is star-shaped and u is harmonic, then $-\partial_y u dx + \partial_x u dy = dv = \partial_x v dx + \partial_y v dy$ is exact. Hence, $-u_y = v_x$ and $u_x = v_y$, so the Cauchy Riemann equations hold and consequently since u and v are continuously real differentiable on D by assumption, $f = u + iv$ is complex differentiable on D , so $f = u + iv \in \mathcal{O}(D)$. From our previous argument for closed implies exact on a star shaped domain, explicitly we have

$$v(B) = \int_A^B (-\partial_y u dx + \partial_x u dy)$$

where A is fixed and the integral is path independent in D .

Example 3.2 Consider $u = \ln |z|$ for $D = \mathbb{C}^-$, star-shaped, and we express u in the form

$$u(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2)$$

and we compute

$$du = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} dx + \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} dy$$

our equation in our previous discussion becomes

$$dv = \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} dx + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} dy$$

Then we have

$$v = \int_1^z \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} dx + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} dy, z \in \mathbb{C}^-$$

and this is in fact the principal branch of the argument function $\text{Arg}(z) = v(z)$ on \mathbb{C}^- , normalized to vanish at $z = 1$. This gives the holomorphic function $f = u + iv = \ln |z| + i \text{Arg}(z) = \text{Log}(z)$.

3.3 The Mean Value Property

Definition 3.6 Let $h : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous real valued function on a domain D , $z_0 \in D$ such that the disk $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < \rho\} = D_\rho(z_0) \subseteq D$, then the average value of $h(z)$ on the circle $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| = \rho\} = \partial D_\rho(z_0)$ to be

$$A(r) = \int_0^{2\pi} h(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}, \quad 0 < r < \rho$$

Note the relation $ds = r d\theta$, for ds infinitesimal arclength, so this formula indeed describes an integral over the circle divided by its one dimensional volume, i.e., circumference.

Since $h(z)$ is continuous, the average value $A(r)$ varies continuously with the radius r . Moreover, when r is small, $A(r)$ tends to $h(z_0)$.

Theorem 3.5 If $u(z)$ is a harmonic function on a domain D , and if the disk $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < \rho\} \subseteq D$, then

$$u(z_0) = \int_0^{2\pi} u(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}, \quad 0 < r < \rho$$

Proof Note harmonic implies $-u_y dx + u_x dy$ is closed, which implies $\oint_{|z-z_0|=r} (-u_y dx + u_x dy) = 0$. Parametrizing the circle as $x(\theta) = x_0 + r \cos(\theta)$ and $y(\theta) = y_0 + r \sin(\theta)$, and we obtain

$$0 = r \int_0^{2\pi} [u_x \cos(\theta) + u_y \sin(\theta)] d\theta = r \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

Since $u(z)$ is smooth, we can interchange the order of integration and differentiation. We obtain after dividing by $2\pi r$ that

$$0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} = \frac{dA(r)}{dr}$$

Thus, $A(r)$ is constant for $0 < r < \rho$, since we are in a connected open set. Since $u(z)$ is continuous at z_0 , the average value tends to $u(z_0)$, and $A(r) = u(z_0)$. \square

In other words, the average value of a harmonic function on the boundary circle of any disk contained in D is its value at the center of the disk.

Definition 3.7 We say that a function $h(z)$ on a domain D has the **mean value property** if for each $z_0 \in D$, $h(z_0)$ is the average of its values over any small circle centered at z_0 . That is, for all $z_0 \in D$, there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that

$$h(z_0) = \int_0^{2\pi} u(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}, \quad 0 < r < \varepsilon$$

Thus, from our theorem we have that harmonic functions have the mean value property.

3.4 The Maximum Principle

Theorem 3.6 (Strict Maximum Principle (Real)) Let $u(z)$ be a real-valued harmonic function on a domain D such that $u(z) \leq M$ for all $z \in D$. If $u(z_0) = M$ for some $z_0 \in D$, then $u(z) = M$ for all $z \in D$.

The proof follows from the observation that using the mean value property of harmonic functions, the set $\{u(z) = M\}$ is open, and by continuity of u , $\{u(z) < m\}$ is open, so as D is a domain it is in particular connected and hence one of these sets must be empty, since D is the disjoint union of these open sets.

Theorem 3.7 (Strict Maximum Principle (Complex)) Let h be a bounded complex-valued harmonic function on a domain D . If $|h(z)| \leq M$ for all $z \in D$, and $|h(z_0)| = M$ for some $z_0 \in D$, then $h(z)$ is constant on D .

The following version of the maximum principle asserts that a complex valued harmonic function on a bounded domain attains its maximum modulus on the boundary:

Theorem 3.8 (Maximum Principle) Let $h(z)$ be a complex-valued harmonic function on a bounded domain D such that $h(z)$ extends continuously to the boundary ∂D of D . If $|h(z)| \leq M$ for all $z \in \partial D$, then $|h(z)| \leq M$ for all $z \in D$.

The proof of this principle follows from the fact that compact sets remain compact under continuous transformations, along with the fact that \mathbb{C} satisfies the Heine-Borel theorem, stating that the complex sets are precisely the closed and bounded sets. In this case the compact set is the union $D \cup \partial D$. If the harmonic function attains its maximum modulus at some point of D , then it is constant. Thus in all cases it attains its maximum modulus on the boundary of D .

3.5 Applications to Physics

Recall, for a vector field $V = \langle P, Q \rangle$ in $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{C}$, we have a few different methods of integration:

$$\text{circulation of } V = \int_{\gamma} (V \cdot T) ds = \int_{\gamma} P dx + Q dy$$

$$\text{flux of } V \text{ through } \gamma = \int_{\gamma} (V \cdot n) ds = \int_{\gamma} P dy - Q dx$$

where $T = \frac{d\gamma}{dt} / \left| \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right|$, $ds = \left| \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right| dt$, and $n = -\langle -\frac{dy}{dt}, \frac{dx}{dt} \rangle / \left| \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right|$.

Example 3.3 Let $V = x + iy = \langle x, y \rangle$. Parametrize the unit circle $x = \cos \theta$, $y = \sin \theta$, $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$. Then

$$\int_{\gamma} (V \cdot n) ds = \int_0^{2\pi} P dy - Q dx = \int_0^{2\pi} (\cos^2 \theta - (-\sin^2 \theta)) d\theta = 2\pi$$

We consider fluid flow in a 2D domain D in the plane. We associate with the particle at the point z its velocity vector $V(z) = P + iQ$. The direction of $V(z)$ is the direction the particle is moving and the magnitude $|V(z)|$ is its speed. We make the following assumptions:

- The flow is independent of time, so $V(z)$ does not change with time.
- There are no sources or sinks in D ; no fluid is created or destroyed - i.e. flux is zero for small loops in D
- The flow is incompressible; that is, the density of the fluid is the same at each point in D
- The flow is irrotational; that is, there is no circulation of fluid around small circles in D .

That is, for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and $z_0 \in D$ such that $D_{\varepsilon}(z_0) \subseteq D$, we have

$$\int_{\partial D_{\varepsilon}(z_0)} (V \cdot n) ds = \int_{\partial D_{\varepsilon}(z_0)} (P dy - Q dx) = 0$$

and

$$\int_{\partial D_{\varepsilon}(z_0)} (V \cdot T) ds = \int_{\partial D_{\varepsilon}(z_0)} (P dx + Q dy) = 0$$

Thus, these conditions imply that the differential forms $Pdy - Qdx$ and $Pdx + Qdy$ are path independent, and hence exact on D . So we can write $Pdx + Qdy = d\phi$, which is real, $\phi : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, since P and Q are real valued, and is called the potential. Then $\phi_x = P$ and $\phi_y = Q$. Let $Pdy - Qdx = d\varphi$. Then $\varphi_x = -Q = -\phi_y$ and $\varphi_y = P = \phi_x$, so ϕ and φ satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations. Thus, $\phi + i\varphi$ is complex differentiable on D . Thus, from a pre-cursory result ϕ and φ are harmonic, that is $\phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy} = 0$ and $\varphi_{xx} + \varphi_{yy} = 0$.

Example 3.4 Consider the constant flow $V = C$ on the upper half-plane, for $C > 0$. Then $\phi_x = C$, $\phi_y = 0$, so $\phi = Cx$ is a potential. The harmonic conjugate is given by $\varphi_x = -0 = 0$, $\varphi_y = C$, so $\varphi = Cy$ is a stream function for the flow. Note the level curves of ϕ and φ given orthogonal trajectories. Then our complex potential is $f(z) = c(x + iy) = cz$.

The level curves of the **stream function**, φ , are streamlines along the flow. On the other hand, the potential function ϕ , has the velocity field going perpendicular to it.

Example 3.5 Consider the velocity field $V(z) = \frac{x+iy}{x^2+y^2}$. Then, we have the potential $\phi(x + iy) = \ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \ln |z|$, so the stream function is $\varphi(z) = \text{Arg}(z)$, so $f(z) = \phi(z) + i\varphi(z) = \ln |z| + i\text{Arg}(z) = \text{Log}(z)$ is the principal logarithm on \mathbb{C}^- .

If we have an electric field $E = \langle P, Q \rangle$, we can express it in terms of an electric potential as $E = -\nabla\alpha$ for α , the voltage function.

3.5.1 The Laplace Equation

We consider the laplace equation $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$. If we want to solve this on the upper half plane with certain boundary conditions $u(z) = -1$ for $x < 0, y = 0$, and $u(z) = 0$ for $x > 0, y = 0$. Then, looking at $\text{Arg}(z)$ we know that it is harmonic on this domain since $\text{Log}(z) = \ln |z| + i\text{Arg}(z)$ is holomorphic on this branch, and $\text{Arg}(z)$ goes to 0 on the positive x axis and π on the negative x axis. Then $u(z) = -\frac{1}{\pi}\text{Arg}(z)$ is a solution to the laplace equations.

Recall that if $f = u + iv \in \mathcal{O}(D)$, then $\nabla^2 u = 0$ and $\nabla^2 v = 0$ satisfy the laplace equations. If f and g are both holomorphic, with f holomorphic on a domain containing the image of g , then $h(z) = f(g(z))$ is holomorphic. We can think of $w = f(z) = u + iv$ as a function from the z plane to the w plane. Then, if the derivative of f is non-zero we have by the inverse function theorem a local holomorphic inverse $z = f^{-1}(w) = x + iy$ from the w plane to the z plane. Moreover, u, v are harmonic functions of x, y , and x, y are harmonic functions of u, v (as an abuse of language). Then, if we have some set of boundary conditions on the domain D , i.e. conditions on ∂D , in the z plane, we obtain boundary conditions on $\partial f(D) = f(\partial D)$ in the w plane.

Example 3.6 Suppose we wish to solve Laplace's equation $\nabla^2 \phi$ in the annulus with inner radius 1 and outer radius 4, with inner boundary condition $\phi = 3$ and outer boundary condition $\phi = 7$. Then it turns out the general solution is of the form $\phi(z) = A \ln |z| + B$, which is real valued (this can be

interpreted as a voltage function). Then, on the inner radius $3 = \phi = A \ln |1| + B = B$. On the outer radius we have $7 = \phi = A \ln |4| + 3$, so $A = 2/\ln(2)$. Thus, our solution to Laplace's equation is $\phi(z) = \frac{2}{\ln(2)} \ln |z| + 3$.

Example 3.7 We can extend the previous example to an annulus centered at a point z_0 , which gives a general solution $\phi(z) = A \ln |z - z_0| + B$.

Example 3.8 Consider the segment of the complex plane between $i5$ and $i8$, with boundary conditions $\phi(x+i5) = 3$ and $\phi(x+i8) = 10$. We consider a solution $\phi(x, y) = Ay + B$. Then, $3 = \phi(x+i5) = 5A + B$ and $10 = \phi(x+i8) = 8A + B$, so $3A = 7$ and $A = 7/3$. Moreover, $B = 3 - 35/3 = -26/3$, so our solution is $\phi(x, y) = \frac{7}{3}y - \frac{26}{3}$.

General principal in mathematical physics: the presence of a singularity in the field indicates the presence of charge. Topologically speaking, the presence of a singularity in a vector field indicates a non-trivial topology.

Example 3.9 Consider a unit circle where we want to solve $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$ with the boundary conditions $\phi = 1$ on the upper half-sphere, $\phi = -1$ on the lower half-sphere, and undefined on the two connecting points. We map the disk to the vertical half-plane, mapping i to i , -1 to 0 , and $-i$ to $-i$ (and 1 to ∞). So $f(z) = \frac{z+1}{1-z} = w$ and $f^{-1}(w) = \frac{w-1}{w+1}$. On the w plane, $\theta = \pi/2$ when $\psi = \phi(f^{-1})$ is 1 , and $\theta = -\pi/2$ when $\psi = \phi(f^{-1})$ is -1 . Then our solution is $\psi(w) = \frac{2}{\pi} \text{Arg}(w)$. Then $\phi(z) = \psi(f(z))$, so

$$\phi(z) = \psi(f(z)) = \frac{2}{\pi} \text{Arg}(f(z)) = \frac{2}{\pi} \text{Arg} \left(\frac{x+iy+1}{1-x-iy} \right)$$

Then simplifying we have

$$\phi(z) = \frac{2}{\pi} \text{Arg} \left(\frac{1-x^2-y^2+2iy}{(1-x)^2+y^2} \right) = \frac{2}{\pi} \text{Arg}(1-x^2-y^2+2iy) = \frac{2}{\pi} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2y}{1-x^2-y^2} \right)$$

Chapter 4

Complex Integration

4.1 Complex Line Integrals

Let $h(z)$ be a complex valued function on a curve γ , then defining $dz = dx + i dy$ we define

$$\int_{\gamma} h(z) dz = \int_{\gamma} h(z) dx + i \int_{\gamma} h(z) dy$$

Suppose γ is parameterized by $t \mapsto z(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$. The Riemann sum approximating $\int_{\gamma} h(z)(dx + i dy)$ corresponding to the subdivision $a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = b$ is given by

$$\sum_{i=1}^n h(z_i) \delta x_i + i \sum_{i=1}^n h(z_i) \delta y_i$$

where $z(t_j) = z_j = x_j + iy_j$. Then we obtain

$$\int_{\gamma} h(z) dz = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n h(z_i) \delta z_i$$

Recall that if γ is a smooth path in \mathbb{C} , then for an analytic complex valued function $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$,

$$\frac{d}{dt} [f(\gamma(t))] = \frac{df}{dz}(\gamma(t)) \frac{d\gamma}{dt}(t)$$

Then we have $\frac{d}{dt}(e^{\lambda t}) = \lambda e^{\lambda t}$ and

$$\int e^{\lambda t} dt = \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{\lambda t} + C$$

Thus, if $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$, $e^{\lambda t} = e^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t) + i e^{\alpha t} \sin(\beta t)$, so this says

$$\int e^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t) dt + i \int e^{\alpha t} \sin(\beta t) dt = \frac{1}{\alpha + i\beta} (e^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t) + i e^{\alpha t} \sin(\beta t)) + C$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\alpha - i\beta}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} (e^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t) + i e^{\alpha t} \sin(\beta t)) + C \\
 &= \frac{e^{\alpha t}}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} [\alpha \cos(\beta t) + \beta \sin(\beta t) + i(\alpha \sin(\beta t) - \beta \cos(\beta t))] + C
 \end{aligned}$$

equating the real and complex terms we have

$$\int e^{\alpha t} \cos(\beta t) dt = \frac{e^{\alpha t}}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} [\alpha \cos(\beta t) + \beta \sin(\beta t)] + C$$

and

$$\int e^{\alpha t} \sin(\beta t) dt = \frac{e^{\alpha t}}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} [\alpha \sin(\beta t) - \beta \cos(\beta t)] + C$$

Definition 4.1 We can rewrite our line integral as follows for $f = u + iv$:

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma} (u + iv)(dx + idy) = \int_{\gamma} (u dx - v dy) + i \int_{\gamma} (v dx + u dy)$$

for γ a parameterization we have

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma} f(z) \frac{d\gamma}{dt} dt$$

Example 4.1 Consider the ccw-oriented unit circle, and the following integral taken along it:

$$\int_C \frac{dz}{z} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{ie^{it} dt}{e^{it}} = \int_0^{2\pi} i dt = i2\pi$$

using the parameterization $z = e^{it}$, so $dz = ie^{it} dt$.

Example 4.2 Consider the circle centered at z_0 with radius R , so we have ccw parameterization $z(t) = z_0 + Re^{it}$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_C (z - z_0)^n dz &= \int_0^{2\pi} (Re^{it})^n (iRe^{it}) dt = \int_0^{2\pi} iR^{n+1} e^{i(n+1)t} dt \\
 &= \frac{iR^{n+1}}{i(n+1)} e^{i(n+1)t} \Big|_0^{2\pi} \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $n \neq -1$ (so that it is single valued on the whole complex plane). If $n = -1$ then the integral is $2\pi i$.

Remark 4.1 If ω is a closed differential form on a region between and containing two simple closed curves, γ_1 and γ_2 , then one curve can be deformed into the other such that

$$\int_{\gamma_1} \omega = \int_{\gamma_2} \omega$$

This implies that in our previous example, for $n = -1$, for any simple closed curve encircling the origin we obtain $2\pi i$ by integrating the function along it.

Definition 4.2 For a smooth curve γ and a complex valued function f we define

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) |dz| = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(\gamma(t)) \left| \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right| dt$$

where we often write $|dz| = ds$, which gives the arclength integrals

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) |dz| = \int_{\gamma} u ds + i \int_{\gamma} v ds$$

for $f = u + iv$.

Theorem 4.1 (ML Theorem) Suppose γ is a piecewise smooth curve. If $h(z)$ is a continuous function on γ , then

$$\left| \int_{\gamma} h(z) dz \right| \leq \int_{\gamma} |h(z)| |dz|$$

Further, if γ has length $\int_{\gamma} |dz| = L$, and $|h(z)| \leq M$ on γ , then

$$\left| \int_{\gamma} h(z) dz \right| \leq ML$$

Example 4.3 Consider $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$ on $|z| = 1$. Then $|f(z)| = \frac{1}{|z|} = 1$, which we can use for M . Moreover, the length is $L = 2\pi$. Thus, we have by the ML theorem that

$$\left| \int_C \frac{dz}{z} \right| \leq 2\pi$$

Example 4.4 Consider

$$\int_{|z|=R} \frac{dz}{z^2 - 6}$$

Observe $|z^2 - 6| \geq |z^2| - |6| = R^2 - 6$, so assuming $R > 3$, $\frac{1}{z^2 - 6} \leq \frac{1}{R^2 - 6} = M$, and $L = 2\pi R$. Thus, by the ML theorem

$$\left| \oint_{|z|=R} \frac{dz}{z^2 - 6} \right| \leq \frac{2\pi R}{R^2 - 6}$$

4.2 Fundamental Theorem of Calculus for Analytic Functions

Definition 4.3 Let $f(z)$ be a continuous function on a domain D . A function $F(z)$ on D is a (complex) primitive for $f(z)$ if $F(z)$ is analytic and $F'(z) = f(z)$ for all $z \in D$.

First, observe that if $F'(z) = f(z)$ for all $z \in D$, then

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma} F'(z) dz = \int_{\gamma} dF = F(\gamma(t_1)) - F(\gamma(t_0))$$

as $dF = F'(z)dx + iF'(z)dy = F'(z)dz$, and of course dF is an exact form so it is path independent.

Theorem 4.2 If $f(z)$ is continuous on a domain D with primitive $F(z)$, then

$$\int_A^B f(z) dz = F(A) - F(B)$$

where the integral can be taken over any path in D from A to B .

Remark 4.2 $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$ cannot have a primitive on \mathbb{C}^\times . Indeed, if it did it would be path independent, and hence its integral would be zero over all closed loops.

Theorem 4.3 Let D be a star shaped domain, and let $f(z)$ be holomorphic on D . Then $f(z)$ has a primitive on D , and the primitive is unique up to a constant. A primitive for $f(z)$ is given explicitly by

$$F(z) = \int_{z_0}^z f(w) dw$$

for $z \in D$, where z_0 is any fixed point in D for which the integral can be taken in D .

Example 4.5 Consider $\int \frac{dz}{z}$ for parameterization $z = e^{it}$, $-\pi + \varepsilon \leq t \leq \pi - \varepsilon$, where $\varepsilon > 0$. Then

$$\int \frac{dz}{z} = \text{Log}(z) \Big|_{e^{i(\varepsilon-\pi)}}^{e^{i(\pi-\varepsilon)}} = i(\pi - \varepsilon) - i(\varepsilon - \pi) = 2i(\pi - \varepsilon)$$

4.3 Cauchy's Theorem and Integral Formula

Let $f(z) = u + iv$ be a smooth complex valued function, and we express $f(z)dz = (u + iv)(dx + idy) = (u + iv)dx + (-v + iu)dy$. The condition that $f(z)dz$ is a closed differential is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(u + iv) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(-v + iu)$$

so equating real and imaginary components we obtain $u_y = -v_x$ and $v_y = u_x$, in other words the Cauchy Riemann equations.

Theorem 4.4 *A continuously differentiable function $f(z)$ on D is analytic if and only if the differential $f(z)dz$ is closed.*

From Green's theorem we then obtain the following:

Theorem 4.5 (Cauchy's Theorem) *Let D be a bounded domain with piecewise smooth boundary. If $f(z)$ is holomorphic and continuously differentiable on D that extends continuously to ∂D , then*

$$\int_{\partial D} f(z)dz = 0$$

Extending continuously to the boundary of D means we can extend to a slightly bigger domain which contains the boundary and in which the hypotheses hold.

Theorem 4.6 (Cauchy's Integral Formula) *Let D be a bounded domain with piecewise smooth boundary. If $f(z)$ is holomorphic on D , and $f(z)$ extends smoothly to the boundary ∂D , then for each $z \in D$*

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D} \frac{f(w)}{w - z} dw,$$

Proof Assume the conditions of the theorem. Let $z \in D$, and since D is open there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\{w \in \mathbb{C} : |z - w| < \varepsilon\} \subseteq D$. Then, define $D_\varepsilon = D \setminus \{w \in \mathbb{C} : |z - w| \leq \varepsilon\}$. The boundary ∂D_ε is the union $\partial D \cup \{w \in \mathbb{C} : |w - z| = \varepsilon\}$, with the circle being clockwise oriented. Since $f(z)/(w - z)$ is analytic for $z \in D_\varepsilon$, Cauchy's theorem yields:

$$\int_{\partial D_\varepsilon} \frac{f(w)}{w - z} dw = 0$$

Reversing the orientation of the circle to counter clockwise produces a sign change, which gives

$$0 = \int_{\partial D} \frac{f(w)}{w - z} dw - \int_{|w-z|=\varepsilon, ccw} \frac{f(w)}{w - z} dw$$

so

$$\int_{|w-z|=\varepsilon, ccw} \frac{f(w)}{w - z} dw = \int_{\partial D} \frac{f(w)}{w - z} dw$$

Then we have parameterization $w = z + \varepsilon e^{it}$ for the circle, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$. Then observe

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(z + \varepsilon e^{it})}{\varepsilon e^{it}} \varepsilon i e^{it} dt = 2\pi i \int_0^{2\pi} f(z + \varepsilon e^{it}) \frac{dt}{2\pi}$$

But, then by the mean value property of analytic functions we have that the integral on the right hand side coincides with $2\pi i f(z)$, so

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D} \frac{f(w)}{w - z} dw$$

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If we differentiate under the integral sign and use

$$\frac{d^m}{dz^m} \frac{1}{w-z} = \frac{m!}{(w-z)^{m+1}}$$

we obtain integral formulae for $f^{(m)}(z)$ of $f(z)$.

Theorem 4.7 (Cauchy Integral Formula (general)) *Let D be a bounded domain with piecewise smooth boundary. If $f(z)$ is holomorphic on D , and $f(z)$ extends smoothly to the boundary ∂D , then $f(z)$ has complex derivatives of all orders on D , which are given for each $z \in D$ by*

$$f^{(m)}(z) = \frac{m!}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D} \frac{f(w)}{(w-z)^{m+1}} dw,$$

for $m \geq 0$.

Corollary 4.1 *If $f(z)$ is analytic on a domain D , then $f(z)$ is infinitely differentiable, and the successive complex derivatives $f'(z), f''(z), \dots$, are all analytic on D .*

Example 4.6 Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{|z|=2} \frac{\sin(2i)}{(z-i)^6} dz &= \frac{2\pi i}{5!} \left. \frac{d^5}{dz^5} \right|_{z=i} \sin(2z) \\ &= \frac{2^6 \pi i}{5!} \cos(2i) \\ &= \frac{8\pi i \cos(2i)}{15} = \frac{8\pi i \cosh(2)}{15} \end{aligned}$$

We usually use the Cauchy integral formula in the form

$$\int_{\partial D} \frac{f(w)}{(w-z_0)^{m+1}} dw = \frac{2\pi i f^{(m)}(z_0)}{m!}$$

Example 4.7 Consider a domain without z_0 , so by Cauchy's Theorem

$$\int_{\partial D} \frac{\sin(z^2) dz}{(z-z_0)^2} = 0$$

If $z_0 \in D$, then

$$\int_{\partial D} \frac{\sin(z^2) dz}{(z-z_0)^2} = 2\pi i \left. \frac{d}{dz} \right|_{z=z_0} \sin(z^2) = 2\pi i 2z_0 \cos(z_0^2) = 4\pi i z_0 \cos(z_0^2)$$

Example 4.8 Consider the circle $C = \{|z+i| = 1/2\}$, and we find

$$\int_C \frac{dz}{z^4+1} = \int_C \frac{dz}{(z-e^{i\pi/4})(z-e^{3i\pi/4})(z-e^{5i\pi/4})(z-e^{7i\pi/4})}$$

$$= 0$$

since none of the roots are contained in the inside of C , so the integrand is holomorphic on the disk contained in the circle. If we consider $C = \{|z + i| = 1\}$, we have two singularities inside the circle.

4.4 Liouville's Theorem

Suppose that $f(z)$ is holomorphic on some domain containing the disk $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| \leq \rho\}$. Then by Cauchy's integral formula

$$f^{(m)}(z_0) = \frac{m!}{2\pi i} \int_{|z-z_0|=\rho} \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^{m+1}} dz$$

We parametrize the boundary circle by $z = z_0 + \rho e^{i\theta}$, $dz = i\rho e^{i\theta} d\theta$. Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^{m+1}} dz = \frac{f(z_0 + \rho e^{i\theta})}{\rho^m e^{im\theta}} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$$

and we obtain

$$f^{(m)}(z_0) = \frac{m!}{\rho^m} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z_0 + \rho e^{i\theta}) e^{-im\theta} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$$

This gives the estimate

$$\left| f^{(m)}(z_0) \right| \leq \frac{m!}{\rho^m} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(z_0 + \rho e^{i\theta})| \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$$

which then leads to:

Theorem 4.8 (Cauchy Estimates) Suppose $f(z)$ is analytic for $|z - z_0| \leq \rho$. If $|f(z)| \leq M$ for $|z - z_0| = \rho$, then

$$\left| f^{(m)}(z_0) \right| \leq \frac{m!}{\rho^m} M, m \geq 0$$

This comes in part by the ML Theorem and the Maximum Theorem.

Theorem 4.9 (Liouville's Theorem) Let $f(z)$ be an analytic function on the complex plane. If $f(z)$ is bounded, then $f(z)$ is constant.

Proof Assume $f(z)$ and $f'(z)$ are continuous on \mathbb{C} and $|f(z)| \leq M$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Let us consider the disk of radius R centered at z_0 . From Cauchy's Estimate with $m = 1$ we obtain

$$|f'(z_0)| \leq \frac{M}{R}$$

Observe, as R goes to infinity $|f'(z_0)|$ goes to 0. so $f'(z_0) = 0$. But z_0 was an arbitrary point in \mathbb{C} , hence $f'(z) = 0$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$ and as \mathbb{C} is a connected domain we find $f(z) = c$ for some $c \in \mathbb{C}$, and for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$. \square

Definition 4.4 We define an entire function to be a function that is analytic on the entire complex plane.

Example 4.9 Suppose we want to calculate

$$\oint_C \frac{\cos(z)}{z^2 + 4} dz$$

Note that the integrand is singular when $z = 2e^{i\pi/2}e^{i\pi k/2}$, so $z = \pm 2i$ gives the singularities. Let us rewrite

$$\frac{1}{z^2 + 4} = \frac{a}{z + 2i} + \frac{b}{z - 2i}$$

Then we have $1 = a(z - 2i) + b(z + 2i)$, setting $z = 2i$ we get $b = \frac{1}{4i}$ and $a = \frac{-1}{4i}$. Then, we can write the integral as

$$\oint_C \frac{-\cos(z)}{4i(z + 2i)} dz + \oint_C \frac{\cos(z)}{4i(z - 2i)} dz$$

From Cauchy's theorem and Cauchy's Integral Formula, we have four possibilities. If neither singularity is in C the whole integral is 0, if $-2i$ is in C but $2i$ is not we have

$$2\pi i(-\cos(-2i))/4i = -\frac{\pi \cos(2i)}{2} = -\frac{\pi \cosh(2)}{2}$$

if $2i$ is in C but $-2i$ is not we have

$$2\pi i(\cos(2i))/4i = \frac{\pi \cosh(2)}{2}$$

and finally if both singularities are in C the integral is 0, since the sum of the two component integrals are 0.

4.5 Morera's Theorem

Recall that we observed that $f(z)$ is analytic on D if and only if $\int f(z)dz = 0$.

Theorem 4.10 (Morera's Theorem) Let $f(z)$ be a continuous function on a domain D . If

$$\int_{\partial R} f(z)dz = 0$$

for every closed rectangle R contained in D with sides parallel to the coordinate axes, then $f(z)$ is analytic on D .

Proof Without loss of generality suppose D is a disk with center z_0 . Define

$$F(z) = \int_{z_0}^z f(\xi)d\xi, z \in D$$

where the path of integration runs along a horizontal line and then a vertical line. We could as well define $F(z)$ using the path starting from z_0 along a vertical line followed by a horizontal line. By hypothesis these two paths yield the same integral. Now we differentiate $F(z)$ by hand. We have

$$F(z + \delta z) - F(z) = \int_z^{z+\delta z} f(w)dw$$

where the path of integration is the path from z to $z + \delta z$ following a horizontal line then a vertical line. Since we are fixing z , the value of $f(z)$ is constant for the integration and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} F(z + \delta z) - F(z) &= f(z) \int_z^{z+\delta z} dw + \int_z^{z+\delta z} (f(w) - f(z))dw \\ &= f(z)\delta z + \int_z^{z+\delta z} (f(w) - f(z))dw \end{aligned}$$

Now, the length of the contour from z to $z + \delta z$ is at most $|2\delta z|$. If we divide by δz and use the ML-estimate on the last integral, we obtain

$$\left| \frac{F(z + \delta z) - F(z)}{\delta z} - f(z) \right| \leq 2M_\varepsilon$$

where $|\delta z| < \varepsilon$ and M_ε is the maximum of $|f(w) - f(z)|$ over all of w satisfying $|w - z| \leq \varepsilon$. Since $f(z)$ is continuous at z , $M_\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ as ε goes to 0. Consequently, $F(z)$ is complex differentiable with complex derivative $F'(z) = f(z)$. Since $f(z)$ is continuous, $F(z)$ is analytic, and since $f(z)$ is the derivative of an analytic function, $f(z)$ is analytic. \square

4.6 Goursat's Theorem

We defined $f(z)$ to be analytic on a domain D if the complex derivative $f'(z)$ exists at each point of D and further, $f'(z)$ is a continuous function of z . Goursat's theorem asserts that the continuity requirement is redundant:

Theorem 4.11 (Goursat's Theorem) *If $f(z)$ is a complex-valued function on a domain D such that*

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

exists at each point $z_0 \in D$, then $z \mapsto f'(z)$ is continuous on D .

Proof Let R be a closed rectangle in D . We subdivide R into four identical subrectangles. Since the integral of $f(z)$ around ∂R is the sum of the integrals of $f(z)$ around the four subrectangles, there is at least one of the subrectangles, call it R_1 , for which

$$\left| \int_{\partial R_1} f(z)dz \right| \geq \frac{1}{4} \left| \int_{\partial R} f(z)dz \right|$$

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Now subdivide R_1 into four equal subrectangles and repeat the process. This yields a nested sequence of integrals

$$\left| \int_{\partial R_n} f(z) dz \right| \geq \frac{1}{4} \left| \int_{\partial R_{n-1}} f(z) dz \right| \geq \dots \geq \frac{1}{4^n} \left| \int_{\partial R} f(z) dz \right|$$

Since the R_n 's are decreasing and have diameters tending to 0, the R_n 's converge to some point $z_0 \in D$. Since $f(z)$ is differentiable at z_0 , we have an estimate of the form

$$\left| \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} - f'(z_0) \right| \leq \varepsilon_n, z \in R_n$$

where $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Let L be the length of ∂R . Then the length of ∂R_n is $L/2^n$. For z belonging to R_n we have the estimate

$$|f(z) - f(z_0) - f'(z_0)(z - z_0)| \leq \varepsilon_n |z - z_0| \leq 2\varepsilon_n L/2^n$$

By the ML estimate and Cauchy's theorem we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\partial R_n} f(z) dz \right| &= \left| \int_{\partial R_n} [f(z) - f(z_0) - f'(z_0)(z - z_0)] dz \right| \\ &\leq (2\varepsilon_n L/2^n)(L/2^n) = 2L^2 \varepsilon_n / 4^n \end{aligned}$$

where we subtracted the zero $\int_{\partial R_n} (f(z_0) + f'(z_0)(z - z_0)) dz = 0$, using Cauchy's theorem. Hence,

$$\left| \int_{\partial R} f(z) dz \right| \leq 4^n \left| \int_{\partial R_n} f(z) dz \right| \leq 2L^2 \varepsilon_n$$

Since $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we must have

$$\int_{\partial R} f(z) dz = 0$$

By Morera's Theorem (??), $f(z)$ is analytic. □

4.7 Pompeiu's Formulas

Using the fact that for $z = x + iy$, $x = (z + \bar{z})/2$ and $y = -i(z - \bar{z})/2$, we define two particular complex differential operators as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} &= \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right] \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} &= \frac{\partial x}{\partial \bar{z}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial \bar{z}} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right] \end{aligned}$$

We may think of $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}}$ as an average of the derivatives of f in the x and iy directions:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial (iy)} \right]$$

Recall that from our work with Cauchy-Riemann equations we have the formulas $f'(z) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $f'(z) = -i \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial (iy)}$ provided that f is analytic, so

$$f'(z) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$$

Writing $f = u + iv$ we observe that

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{1}{2} [u_x - v_y] + \frac{i}{2} [u_y + v_x]$$

which when equated to zero is equivalent to the Cauchy Riemann equations

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = 0$$

Some intuition for this is that holomorphic functions are those of z -alone. For example, $f(z, \bar{z}) = z^3$, holomorphic, but $f(z, \bar{z}) = z\bar{z}$ is not holomorphic.

Chapter 5

Power Series

5.1 Infinite Series

Definition 5.1 A sequence in \mathbb{C} is a function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, which can be thought of as an ordered list of complex numbers.

Definition 5.2 Given a sequence $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, we define the series of complex numbers associated to this sequence to be

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = z_1 + z_2 + z_3 + \dots$$

We say that this series converges, or that the underlying sequence is summable, if the sequence of partial sums $s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n z_i$ converges to some value in \mathbb{C} , and we write

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n$$

Proposition 5.1 Extending the Algebraic Laws for Complex sequences we have that if $c \in \mathbb{C}$, $\sum a_n = A$ and $\sum b_n = B$ for sequences $(a_i), (b_i)$ in \mathbb{C} , then

- $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n + b_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$
- $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (ca_n) = c \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$

Theorem 5.1 Let $(x_k), (y_k) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be real sequences, then the sequence $(x_k + iy_k)$ is summable if and only if (x_k) and (y_k) are summable. Moreover, in the convergent case

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x_n + iy_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n + i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$$

Theorem 5.2 (Comparison Test) If $(a_n), (b_n) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ are real sequences, and $0 \leq a_n \leq b_n$ for all n , then if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$ converges $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$.

Theorem 5.3 If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges, then a_n goes to 0 as n goes to infinity.

Proposition 5.2 If $z \in \mathbb{C}$ and $|z| < 1$, then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z}$. If $z \in \mathbb{C}$ and $|z| \geq 1$ then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ diverges.

Proof Let S_n be the n th partial sum, so $S_n = 1 + z + \dots + z^{n-1}$. Then $zS_n = z + z^2 + \dots + z^n$, so $S_n - zS_n = 1 - z^n$. If $z \neq 1$, then we have $S_n = \frac{1-z^n}{1-z}$. Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1-z^n}{1-z} = \frac{1}{1-z} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1-z^n)$$

This limit converges only if z^n converges as n goes to infinity. Note $|z^n - c| \geq |z|^n - |c|$, and for $|z| > 1$ the right hand side is unbounded and goes to infinity as n goes to infinity, so z^n does not converge to any value $c \in \mathbb{C}$ for $|z| > 1$. If $|z| < 1$, $|z|^n \rightarrow 0$, so the series converges and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z}$$

Definition 5.3 A complex series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ is said to converge absolutely if $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|$ converges.

Theorem 5.4 If $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ converges absolutely, then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ converges and

$$\left| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \right| \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|$$

Example 5.1 Consider $|z| < 1$. Then

$$\left| \frac{1}{1-z} \right| = \left| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \right| \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |z|^n = \frac{1}{1-|z|}$$

Consequently, geometric series are absolutely convergent, given $|z| < 1$, and the bound on its convergence is

$$\left| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \right| \leq \frac{1}{1-|z|}$$

5.2 Sequences and Series of Functions

Definition 5.4 Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of complex valued functions on $E \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. Then the sequence is said to pointwise converge to $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ if for all $x \in E$, for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that whenever $n \geq N$, then $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$.

Example 5.2 Consider the sequence of functions $f_n(x) = x^n$, $0 < x \leq 1$. It converges pointwise to the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases}$$

In limit notation this example shows that in general for a pointwise convergence of a sequence of functions,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) \neq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f_n(x)$$

Example 5.3 Consider the sequence of tent functions

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} n^2x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1/n \\ 2n - n^2x & \text{if } 1/n \leq x \leq 2/n \\ 0 & \text{if } 2/n \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

The height of the n th tent is n , and the width is $2/n$, so that the area under the integral is always 1. Hence, $\int_0^1 g_n(x)dx = 1$ for all n . But, the sequence converges pointwise to 0 on the unit interval, and $\int_0^1 0dx = 0$.

Again in limit notation this example shows that in general for a pointwise convergence of a sequence of function,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n(x)dx \neq \int_a^b \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)dx$$

Definition 5.5 Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of complex valued functions on $E \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. We say that $\{f_n\}$ **converges uniformly** on E to f on E if for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that if $n \geq N$, then $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$ for all $x \in E$.

Definition 5.6 Let $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a complex valued function on E . Then we define the **uniform norm** of f to be the supremum

$$\|f\|_\infty = \sup\{|f(x)| : x \in E\} = \sup_{x \in E} |f(x)|$$

Using this concept, we can define uniform convergence in an equivalent manner. A sequence of functions $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly to f on $E \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ if and only if for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that if $n \geq N$, $\|f_n - f\|_\infty < \varepsilon$. In other words, the sequence converges uniformly if and only if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n - f\|_\infty = 0$$

Theorem 5.5 Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of complex-valued functions defined on a subset E of the complex plane. If each f_n is continuous on E , and if $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly to f on E , then f is continuous on E .

Proof Suppose that $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of continuous, complex-valued functions defined on a subset E of the complex plane which converge uniformly to f on E . Let $x \in E$, and fix $\varepsilon > 0$. First, observe that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq |f(x) - f_n(x)| + |f_n(x) - f_n(y)| + |f_n(y) - f(y)|$$

for all $y \in E$. First, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that if $n \geq N$, $\|f_n - f\|_\infty < \varepsilon/3$. Moreover, since f_N is continuous, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that if $|z - x| < \delta$, $|f_N(z) - f_N(x)| < \varepsilon/3$. It follows that for $z \in E$ such that $|z - x| < \delta$,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - f(z)| &\leq |f(x) - f_N(x)| + |f_N(x) - f_N(z)| + |f_N(z) - f(z)| \\ &< \varepsilon/3 + \varepsilon/3 + \varepsilon/3 = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Hence, f is continuous on E , as claimed. \square

Theorem 5.6 *Let γ be a piecewise smooth curve in the complex plane. If $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of continuous complex-valued functions on γ , and if $\{f_n\}$ converges uniformly to f on γ , then $\int_\gamma f_n(z) dz$ converges to $\int_\gamma f(z) dz$.*

Proof By our previous result f is continuous on γ , and hence the integral exists. Let $L = \int_\gamma |dz|$ be the length of the curve. Then, if $\varepsilon > 0$ is fixed, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that if $n \geq N$, $\|f_n - f\|_\infty < \varepsilon/L$. Then it follows by the ML theorem that

$$\left| \int_\gamma f_n(z) dz - \int_\gamma f(z) dz \right| = \left| \int_\gamma (f_n(z) - f(z)) dz \right| \leq \|f_n - f\|_\infty L < \varepsilon L/L = \varepsilon$$

Hence, the integrals of the terms converges to the integral of the limit. \square

Example 5.4 Consider $f_n(x) = x^n$. Observe that $\|f_n - f\|_\infty = \|f_n\|_\infty = 1$, so we see that the uniform norm of the difference function does not converge to 0 as n goes to infinity, and hence the sequence does not converge uniformly to f on $[0, 1]$.

Example 5.5 Suppose f_n is the tent sequence. Then $\|f_n - f\|_\infty = \|f_n\|_\infty = n$, which does not converge to 0 as n goes to infinity, and in fact blows up to infinity itself. Thus, the sequence does not converge uniformly on $[0, 1]$.

Theorem 5.7 (Weierstrass M-Test) *Suppose $M_k \geq 0$ and the sequence $\{M_k\}$ is summable. If $\{f_k\}$ is a sequence of complex valued functions on a set $E \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ such that $\|f_k\|_\infty \leq M_k$, then $\{f_k\}$ converges uniformly on E .*

Proof For each fixed $x \in E$ we have that the series $\{f_k(x)\}$ is Cauchy as it is bounded termwise by a convergent series. Then, by the completeness of \mathbb{C} , there exists $f(x) \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $\sum_{k=0}^\infty f_k(x) = f(x)$. Thus, as this holds for all $x \in E$, the series converges pointwise to f . Since the series of M_k converges, for $\varepsilon > 0$ fixed there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that the tail past N is less than ε . Then for all $m > n \geq N \in \mathbb{N}$, we have that

$$\left\| \sum_{i=n+1}^m f_i \right\|_\infty \leq \sum_{i=n+1}^m M_i < \varepsilon$$

so $\sum_{n=0}^\infty f_n$ is uniformly Cauchy, so converges uniformly to f . \square

Theorem 5.8 *If $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of analytic functions on a domain D that converges uniformly to f on D , then $f(z)$ is analytic on D .*

Proof From our previous result we know that f is continuous on D . Let $R \subseteq D$ be a closed rectangle with edges oriented with respect to the axes. By Cauchy's Theorem we have that $\int_{\partial R} f_n(z) dz = 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. Then, by our second result for uniform sequences,

$$\int_{\partial R} f(z) dz = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\partial R} f_n(z) dz = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 = 0$$

Thus, by Morera's Theorem $f(z)$ is analytic on D , as required. \square

Theorem 5.9 Let $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ and suppose that $\{f_n\}$ is analytic for $|z - z_0| \leq R$, and that the sequence converges uniformly to $f(z)$ for $|z - z_0| \leq R$. Then for each $r < R$ and each $m \geq 1$, the sequence of m th derivatives $\{f_n^{(m)}(z)\}$, which exists by a corollary to the Cauchy Integral Formula, converges uniformly to $f^{(m)}(z)$ for $|z - z_0| \leq r$.

Proof Since the f_n converge uniformly we can pick ε_n such that $|f_n(z) - f(z)| < \varepsilon_n$ for $|z - z_0| < R$, where $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ is a decreasing sequence. Fix s such that $r < s < R$. Applying the Cauchy Integral Formula to the m th derivative of $f_n(z) - f(z)$ on $|z - z_0| \leq s$:

$$f_n^{(m)}(z) - f^{(m)}(z) = \frac{m!}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-z_0|=s} \frac{f_n(w) - f(w)}{(w-z)^{m+1}} dw$$

for $|z - z_0| \leq r$. Consider if $|w - z_0| = s$ and $|z - z_0| \leq r$, then

$$|w - z| = |w - z_0 + z_0 - z| \geq |w - z_0| - |z - z_0| = s - |z - z_0| \geq s - r$$

and so

$$\left| \frac{f_n(w) - f(w)}{(w-z)^{m+1}} \right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon_n}{(s-r)^{m+1}}$$

From the ML-estimate it follows that

$$\left| f_n^{(m)}(z) - f^{(m)}(z) \right| = \left| \frac{m!}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-z_0|=s} \frac{f_n(w) - f(w)}{(w-z)^{m+1}} dw \right| \leq \frac{m!}{2\pi} \frac{\varepsilon_n}{(s-r)^{m+1}} 2\pi s = \rho_n$$

so $\rho_n \frac{m! \varepsilon_n s}{(s-r)^{m+1}}$. But except for ε_n everything is a constant, so $\rho_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and we obtain uniform convergence of the m th derivatives. \square

Definition 5.7 A sequence $\{f_n\}$ of holomorphic functions on a domain D **converges normally** to an analytic function f on D if it converges uniformly to f on each closed disk contained in D .

Theorem 5.10 Suppose that $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of holomorphic functions on a domain D that converges normally on D to the holomorphic function f . Then for each $m \geq 1$, the sequence of m th derivatives, $\{f_n^{(m)}\}$ converges normally to $f^{(m)}$ on D .

5.3 Power Series

Definition 5.8 A **power series** centered at $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ is a series of the form $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n$. Setting $w = z - z_0$ we can always reduce to the case where $z_0 = 0$.

Theorem 5.11 (Abel's Convergence Lemma) Suppose for the power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ there are positive real numbers s and M such that $|a_n|s^n \leq M$ for all n . Then this power series is normally convergent in $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < s\}$.

Proof Consider $r \in \mathbb{R}$ with $0 < r < s$. Then observe that for all $z \in \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| \leq r\}$,

$$|a_n z^n| \leq |a_n| r^n = |a_n| s^n \left(\frac{r}{s}\right)^n \leq M \left(\frac{r}{s}\right)^n$$

But, $r/s < 1$, so $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M \left(\frac{r}{s}\right)^n$ is a geometric series with ratio of magnitude less than 1, and hence converges. Thus, setting $M_n = M \left(\frac{r}{s}\right)^n$, we have by the Weierstrass M-test that $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ is normally convergent on $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < s\}$, in the sense that the series converges absolutely uniformly on every closed disk contained in $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < s\}$. \square

Corollary 5.1 If the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ converges at $z_0 \neq 0$, then it converges normally in the open disk $|z| < |z_0|$.

Proof As the sum $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z_0^n$ converges, $a_n z_0^n$ goes to zero as n goes to infinity, and similarly $|a_n| |z_0|^n$ goes to zero as n goes to infinity. But, $|a_n| |z_0|^n$ is a sequence of positive terms which converges, so there exists $M \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $|a_n| |z_0|^n \leq M$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. But then by Abel's Convergence Lemma, the power series is normally convergent in $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < |z_0|\}$. \square

Definition 5.9 A power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n$ has **radius of convergence** R if the series converges for $|z - z_0| < R$ but diverges for $|z - z_0| > R$. In the case the series converges everywhere we say $R = \infty$ and in the case the series only converges at $z = z_0$ we say $R = 0$.

Theorem 5.12 Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n$ be a power series. Then there is R , $0 \leq R \leq \infty$ such that $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n$ converges normally on $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - z_0| < R\}$, and $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n$ does not converge if $|z - z_0| > R$.

Proof Let us define

$$R = \sup\{t \in [0, \infty) : |a_n| t^n \text{ is a bounded sequence}\}$$

If $R = 0$, then the series only converges if $z = z_0$, since boundedness is necessary for convergence. Suppose $R > 0$, and let $0 < r < R$. By construction of R the sequence $|a_n| r^n$ is bounded, and by Abel's convergence lemma $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n$ converges normally in $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < r\}$. However, $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < R\}$ is found by the union of open r disks, and thus we find normal convergence on the open R disk centered at z_0 . \square

Example 5.6 The series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ is the geometric series. We have shown it converges if and only if $|z| < 1$, which shows $R = 1$.

Example 5.7 The series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n^4}$ has Weierstrass M, $M_k = 1/k^4$ for $|z| < 1$. Recall, by the previous test, with $p = 4 > 1$, the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$ converges. Thus, the given series in z is normally convergent on $|z| < 1$.

Example 5.8 The series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{4^n} (z - i)^{2n}$, which is geometric. Then this converges when $\left| \frac{-1(z-i)^2}{4} \right| < 1$, which is to say $|z - i| < 2$. So we have radius of convergence $R = 2$ with center $z_0 = i$.

Example 5.9 The series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^n z^n$ has $R = 0$ since it diverges for all $z \neq 0$ by the divergence test.

Example 5.10 The series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-n} z^n$ has $R = \infty$. This can be shown by a theorem to follow.

Theorem 5.13 Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$ be a power series with radius of convergence $R > 0$. Then the function

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

for $|z - z_0| < R$ is holomorphic. The derivatives of $f(z)$ are obtained by term-by-term differentiation

$$f^{(m)}(z) = \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{(n-m)!} a_n (z - z_0)^{n-m}$$

The coefficients are then given by

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!}$$

$m \geq 0$.

Proof By the previous results the series of normally convergent on $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < R\}$. Then, note that each term in the series is holomorphic, so as the series converges normally, and hence uniformly, on the disk, $f(z)$ is holomorphic on the disk as well. Furthermore, $f^{(m)}$ is holomorphic on the disk, and the series $f_n^{(m)} = a_n \frac{n!}{(n-m)!} (z - z_0)^{n-m}$ for $n \geq m$ converges uniformly to $f^{(m)}$, extending our result for sequences from before to the sequence of partial sums using the linearity of the derivative. \square

Example 5.11 Consider the series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^{3k+4} = z^4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^{3k} = z^4 \frac{1}{1 - z^3} = \frac{z^4}{1 - z^3}$$

if $|z| < 1$. Then, the series represents $f(z) = \frac{z^4}{1 - z^3}$ on the open disk $|z| < 1$ (and the series is normally convergent on this disk).

Example 5.12 Consider the series

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (z^{2n} + (z-1)^{2n}) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^{2n} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (z-1)^{2n} \\ &= \frac{1}{1-z^2} + \frac{1}{1-(1-z)^2}\end{aligned}$$

provided that $|z| < 1$ and $|z-1| < 1$.

Example 5.13 Consider $f(z) = \text{Log}(1-z) = \ln|1-z| + i\text{Arg}(1-z)$ on the slit plane $\mathbb{C} \setminus [1, \infty)$. Then $f'(z) = \frac{1}{1-z}$. We have $\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ for $|z| < 1$. Integrating we have

$$f(z) = C + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

Taking $z = 0$, we see that $C = \text{Log}(1-0) = 0$, so

$$\text{Log}(1-z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

for $|z| < 1$.

Theorem 5.14 (Ratio Test) *If $|a_n/a_{n+1}|$ has a limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, either finite or $+\infty$, then the limit is the radius of convergence R of $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$*

$$R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right|$$

Theorem 5.15 (Root Test) *If $\sqrt[n]{|a_n|}$ has a limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, either finite or $+\infty$, then the radius of convergence of $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ is given by:*

$$R = \frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|}}$$

Theorem 5.16 *Suppose that $f(z)$ is holomorphic for $|z - z_0| < \rho$. Then $f(z)$ is represented by the power series*

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n, \quad |z - z_0| < \rho$$

where

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!}, \quad n \geq 0$$

and where the power series has radius of convergence $R \geq \rho$. For any fixed r , $0 < r < \rho$, we have

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|w-z_0|=r} \frac{f(w)}{(w-z_0)^{n+1}} dw, \quad n \geq 0$$

Further, if $|f(z)| \leq M$ for $|z - z_0| = r$, then

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{M}{r^n}, \quad n \geq 0$$

Proof Suppose $f(z)$ is holomorphic on $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < \rho\}$. Consider $|z - z_0| < r < \rho$ and $|w - z_0| = r$, then $|z - z_0| < |w - z_0|$, so $\frac{|z - z_0|}{|w - z_0|} < 1$. Now observe

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(w)}{w - z} &= \frac{f(w)}{w - z_0 - (z - z_0)} = \frac{f(w)}{w - z_0} \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{z - z_0}{w - z_0}\right)} \\ &= \frac{f(w)}{w - z_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z - z_0}{w - z_0}\right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_0)^{n+1}} (z - z_0)^n \end{aligned}$$

where the series converges normally for $|z - z_0| < |w - z_0| = r$. Then for $|z - z_0| < r < \rho$ we have by Cauchy's Integral Formula:

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|w - z_0| = r} \frac{f(w)}{(w - z)} dw \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|w - z_0| = r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_0)^{n+1}} (z - z_0)^n dw \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\oint_{|w - z_0| = r} \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_0)^{n+1}} dw \right) (z - z_0)^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!} (z - z_0)^n \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $f(z)$ is analytic with $a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!}$ as desired. \square

Corollary 5.2 Suppose that $f(z)$ and $g(z)$ are holomorphic for $|z - z_0| < r$. If $f^{(k)}(z_0) = g^{(k)}(z_0)$ for $k \geq 0$, then $f(z) = g(z)$ for $|z - z_0| < r$.

Corollary 5.3 Suppose that $f(z)$ is analytic at z_0 (i.e. there is some open neighborhood of z_0 for which $f(z)$ is holomorphic), with power series expansion $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$ centered at z_0 . Then the radius of convergence of the power series is the largest number R such that $f(z)$ extends to be analytic on the disk $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < R\}$.

Example 5.14 Recall that we originally defined the exponential as $f(z) = e^x (\cos(y) + i \sin(y))$, which is *entire* ($f \in O(\mathbb{C})$), and that $f'(z) = f(z)$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Now, define $g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!} = 1 + z + \frac{1}{2}z^2 + \frac{1}{3!}z^3 + \dots$. Observe that $a_n = \frac{1}{n!}$, and

$$R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)!}{n!} = \infty$$

so $g(z)$ is entire. Also note that $g'(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^m}{m!} = g(z)$. Then, $f^{(k)}(0) = 1$ and $g^{(k)}(0) = 1$, so by our corollary we conclude that $f(z) = g(z)$.

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Example 5.15 We have $\cosh(z) = \frac{1}{2}(e^z + e^{-z})$ versus $\cosh(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} z^{2n}$ and $\sinh(z) = \frac{1}{2}(e^z - e^{-z})$ versus $\sinh(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} z^{2n+1}$. It follows that

$$e^z = \cosh(z) + \sinh(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$$

Next, observe $\cos(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} z^{2n}$ and $\sin(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} z^{2n+1}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} e^{iz} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(iz)^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(iz)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n z^{2n}}{(2n)!} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{i(-1)^n z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n z^{2n}}{(2n)!} + i \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \\ &= \cos(z) + i \sin(z) \end{aligned}$$

Definition 5.10 We say that a function $f(z)$ is analytic at $z = \infty$ if the function $g(w) = f(1/w)$ is analytic at $w = 0$.

Thus, we make a change of variable $w = 1/z$, and we study the behaviour of $f(z)$ at $z = \infty$ by studying the behaviour of $g(w)$ at $w = 0$.

Theorem 5.17 If f is analytic at ∞ , then there exists $\rho > 0$ such that for $|z| > \rho$, $g(w)$ has a power expansion and

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{z^n}$$

for $|z| > \rho$.

Example 5.16 Consider $f(z) = z^4 + 3z^2 - 7$, and its reciprocal function $g(w) = 1/w^4 + 3/w^2 - 7$, which is not analytic at $w = 0$. Thus, f is not analytic at $z = \infty$.

Example 5.17 Consider $f(z) = z^2 e^{1/z}$, and its reciprocal $g(w) = e^w/w^2$, which is not analytic at $w = 0$, and hence f is not analytic at $z = \infty$.

Example 5.18 Consider $f(z) = z/(z-1)$, and its reciprocal $g(w) = 1/(1-w)$, which is analytic for $|w| < 1$, and in particular for $w = 0$, so f is analytic at ∞ .

5.3.1 Manipulation of Power Series

Example 5.19 Suppose we wanted to compute

$$\left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^n \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \right) z^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^{2n}$$

This computation is true by the absolute convergence of the series on their common radii of convergence. Next, observe

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!} \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n 2^n \frac{z^n}{n!} \right) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^i 2^i}{i!(n-i)!} \right) z^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n z^n}{n!} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 5.18 If $f(z)$ and $g(z)$ are analytic at z_0 with $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n = f(z)$ and $g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n(z - z_0)^n$ then

- $h(z) = f(z) + g(z)$ is analytic at z_0 with $h(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_n + b_n)(z - z_0)^n$
- $h(z) = cf(z)$ for $c \in \mathbb{C}$ is analytic at z_0 with $h(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ca_n(z - z_0)^n$
- $h(z) = f(z)g(z)$ is analytic at z_0 with

$$h(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n a_i b_{n-i} \right) (z - z_0)^n$$

- $h(z) = 1/g(z)$, and without loss of generality suppose $g(0) = 1$ so $b_0 = 1$, then

$$h(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n(z - z_0)^n} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(- \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n(z - z_0)^n \right)^k$$

Proof First, observe $h(z) = f(z)g(z)$, so $h'(z_0) = f'(z_0)g(z_0) + f(z_0)g'(z_0)$ so h is analytic at z_0 . Then, the k th derivative of the given power series evaluated at z_0 is $k! \sum_{i=0}^k a_i b_{k-i}$. The k th derivative of h can be seen by the following:

$$\begin{aligned} h^{(k)}(z_0) &= \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} f^{(i)}(z_0) g^{(k-i)}(z_0) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} i! a_i (k-i)! b_{k-i} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{i=0}^k k! a_i b_{k-1} \\
 &= k! \sum_{i=0}^k a_i b_{k-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the series and the h are equal for all derivatives $k \geq 0$ at z_0 . Hence, by a previous corollary we conclude that h is in fact equal to the series on its radius of convergence. \square

Example 5.20 What is the power series of $\tan(z)$ centered at z_0 ? Well

$$\tan(z) = \frac{\sin(z)}{\cos(z)} = \sin(z) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cos^n(z)$$

5.4 Zeros of an Analytic Function

Definition 5.11 Let $f(z)$ be analytic at z_0 and suppose that $f(z_0) = 0$ but $f(z)$ is not identically zero. We say that $f(z)$ has a **zero of order N** at z_0 if

$$f(z_0) = 0, f'(z_0) = 0, \dots, f^{(N-1)}(z_0) = 0, f^{(N)}(z_0) \neq 0$$

The order $N = 1$ is called a **simple zero** while the order $N = 2$ is called a **double zero**.

Observe that this occurs if and only if the power series expansion of $f(z)$ is given by

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_{m+N} (z - z_0)^{m+N} = (z - z_0)^N \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(m+N)}(z_0)}{(m+N)!} (z - z_0)^m$$

where $a_N \neq 0$, and we can factor out $(z - z_0)^N$ to write $f(z) = h(z)(z - z_0)^N$ for h analytic at z_0 and $h(z_0) = a_N = \frac{f^{(N)}(z_0)}{N!} \neq 0$.

Theorem 5.19 (Factor Theorem for Power Series) If $f(z)$ is analytic with z_0 a zero of order N , then there exists $h(z)$ analytic at z_0 with $h(z_0) \neq 0$ and

$$f(z) = (z - z_0)^N h(z)$$

Definition 5.12 Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ then $z_0 \in U$ is an **isolated point** if there exists $\rho > 0$ such that $\{z \in U \mid |z - z_0| < \rho\} = \{z_0\}$ (that is $z_0 \in U$ but is not a limit point of U).

Example 5.21 Take $f(z) = \sin(z^2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} z^{4n+2}$. But then 0 has multiplicity 2, and we can write

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

Moreover, $\sin(z)$ has simple zeros at $n\pi$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, so $z^2 = n\pi$ are the zeros of $f(z) = \sin(z^2)$, or equivalently find that $z = \pm \sqrt{n\pi}$ are the zeros. But, for $n \neq 0$ these are all simple zeros as well.

Definition 5.13 Let f be analytic on $|z| > R > 0$ for some $R \in \mathbb{C}$. If f is not identically zero for $|z| > R$ then we say f has a zero of order N at ∞ if $g(w) = f(1/w)$ has a zero of order N at $w = 0$.

Example 5.22 Consider $f(z) = \sin(1/z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)! z^{2n+1}}$. Then $g(w) = \sin(w)$, which has a simple zero at $w = 0$, so $f(z)$ has a simple zero at $z = \infty$.

Example 5.23 Consider $f(z) = \frac{1}{1-z^3}$. For z very large, $f(z) \sim \frac{1}{-z^3}$, so we expect a zero of order 3 at infinity. Observe, $g(w) = \frac{-w^3}{1-w^3} = -w^3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} w^{3n}$ for $|w| < 1$, or equivalently, $1 < |z|$. Thus, $g(w)$ has a zero of order 3 at 0, so by definition $f(z)$ has a zero of order 3 at ∞ , as claimed.

Theorem 5.20 If $f(z)$ is an analytic function with a zero of order N at ∞ , then

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{(z-z_0)^n} = \frac{1}{(z-z_0)^N} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_{N+m}}{(z-z_0)^m}$$

Example 5.24 Let $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-z_0)^k}$, then has a zero of order k at ∞ .

Theorem 5.21 If D is a domain, and $f(z)$ is an analytic function on D that is not identically zero, then the set of zeros of $f(z)$ is isolated (or discrete - all points in the set are isolated from one another).

Proof Let U be the set of all $z \in D$ such that $f^{(m)}(z) = 0$ for all $m \geq 0$. If $z_0 \in U$, then the power series expansion $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$ has $a_n = f^{(n)}(z_0)/n! = 0$ for all $n \geq 0$. Hence $f(z) = 0$ for z belonging to a disk centered at z_0 . The points of the disk all belong to U . The points of this disk all belong to U . This shows that U is an open set.

On the other hand, if $z_0 \in D \setminus U$, then $f^{(n)}(z_0) \neq 0$ for some $n \geq 0$. Therefore, $f^{(n)}(z) \neq 0$ for some disk centered at z_0 , by continuity of all derivatives of analytic functions, and this disk is contained in $D \setminus U$, so $D \setminus U$ is open. Since D is connected, either $U = D$ or U is empty. If $U = D$ then $f(z) = 0$ for all $z \in D$, contradicting the assumption that f is not identically zero. Hence U is empty, so we conclude that every zero of f has finite order.

If z_0 is a zero of $f(z)$, say order N , we can factor $f(z) = (z-z_0)^N h(z)$, where $h(z)$ is analytic at z_0 and $h(z_0) \neq 0$. Then by continuity of h there exists $\rho > 0$ such that $h(z) \neq 0$ for $|z-z_0| < \rho$, and consequently $f(z) \neq 0$ for $0 < |z-z_0| < \rho$. Thus, $f(z)$ has distance at least ρ from any other zero of $f(z)$, and the zeros of $f(z)$ are isolated. \square

Theorem 5.22 (Uniqueness Principle) If $f(z)$ and $g(z)$ are analytic on a domain D , and if $f(z) = g(z)$ for z belonging to a set that has a nonisolated point, then $f(z) = g(z)$ for all $z \in D$.

Theorem 5.23 Let D be a domain, and let $E \subseteq D$ that has a nonisolated point. Let $F(z, w)$ be a function defined for $z, w \in D$ such that $F(z, w)$ is analytic in z for each fixed $w \in D$ and analytic in w for each fixed $z \in D$. If $F(z, w) = 0$ whenever z and w both belong to E , then $F(z, w) = 0$ for all $z, w \in D$.

5.5 Analytic Continuation

Example 5.25 For $g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^{2^n}$, we have radius of convergence $R = 1$, but the series diverges on the whole unit circle.

Example 5.26 For $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n} z^n$ has radius of convergence $R = 1$. The only point on the unit circle for which it doesn't converge is $z = -1$.

Given $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n$ with radius of convergence R . We say that the power series $f(z)$ represents the germ of $f(z)$ at z_0 . Let $\gamma(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, be a path starting at $z_0 = \gamma(a)$. We say that $f(z)$ is analytically continuable along γ if for each t there is a convergent power series

$$f_t(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(t)(z - \gamma(t))^n, \quad |z - \gamma(t)| < r(t)$$

such that $f_a(z)$ is the power series representing $f(z)$ at z_0 and such that when s is near t , $f_s(z) = f_t(z)$ for z in the intersection of the disks of convergence. We refer to $f_b(z)$ as the analytic continuation of $f(z)$ along γ . Note that $a_n(t)$ is given $a_n(s) = f_t^{(n)}(\gamma(s))/n!$ for s near t .

Example 5.27 Consider $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{2^n} = \frac{1}{1-z/2}$. Then we can write

$$\frac{1}{1-z/2} = \frac{2}{3-(z+1)} = \frac{2}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z+1)^n}{3^n}$$

is the analytic continuation at -1 , which has radius of convergence $R = 3$, with $|z+1| < 3$.

Theorem 5.24 Suppose $f(z)$ can be continued analytically along the path $\gamma(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$. Then the analytic continuation is unique. Further, for each $n \geq 0$ the coefficient $a_n(t)$ of the series $f_t(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(t)(z - \gamma(t))^n$ depends continuously on t and the radius of convergence of the series depends continuously on t .

Example 5.28 Suppose $f(z)$ is analytic on a domain D . Then $f(z)$ has an analytic continuation along any path in D . Simply define $f_t(z)$ to be the power series expansion of $f(z)$ about $\gamma(t)$.

Now suppose $f(z)$ is analytic at z_0 and suppose that $\gamma(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, is a path from z_0 to z_1 along which $f(z)$ has an analytic continuation $f_t(z)$. The radius of convergence $R(t)$ of the power series $f_t(z)$ varies continuously with t . Hence, there is $\delta > 0$ such that $R(t) \geq \delta$ for all t , $a \leq t \leq b$.

Lemma 5.1 *Let f, γ , and δ be as above. If $\sigma(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, is another path from z_0 to z_1 such that $|\sigma(t) - \gamma(t)| < \delta$ for all $a \leq t \leq b$, then there is an analytic continuation $g_t(z)$ of $f_t(z)$ along σ , and the terminal series $g_b(z)$ centered at z_1 coincides with $f_b(z)$.*

Theorem 5.25 (Monodromy Theorem) *Let $f(z)$ be analytic at z_0 . Let $\gamma_0(t)$ and $\gamma_1(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, be two paths from z_0 to z_1 along which $f(z)$ can be continued analytically. Suppose $\gamma_0(t)$ can be deformed continuously to $\gamma_1(t)$ by paths $\gamma_s(t)$, $0 \leq s \leq t$, from z_0 to z_1 such that $f(z)$ can be continued analytically along each path γ_s . Then the analytic continuations of $f(z)$ along γ_0 and γ_1 coincide at z_1 .*

Chapter 6

Laurent Series

6.1 Laurent Decomposition

Definition 6.1 If $f \in O(z_0)$ then there exists some $r > 0$ such that f is holomorphic on $|z - z_0| < r$. In other words, $O(z_0)$ is the set of holomorphic functions at z_0 .

Theorem 6.1 (Laurent Decomposition) Suppose $0 \leq \rho < \sigma \leq \infty$, and suppose $f(z)$ is analytic for $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$ (i.e. it is analytic on some annulus). Then $f(z)$ can be decomposed as a sum

$$f(z) = f_0(z) + f_1(z)$$

where $f_0(z)$ is analytic for $|z - z_0| < \sigma$, and $f_1(z)$ is analytic for $|z - z_0| > \rho$ and at ∞ . If we normalize the decomposition so that $f_1(\infty) = 0$, then the decomposition is unique.

Proof Suppose $0 \leq \rho < \sigma \leq \infty$ and suppose $f(z)$ is analytic for $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$. Furthermore suppose $f(z) = f_0(z) + f_1(z)$ where f_0 is analytic for $|z - z_0| < \sigma$ and f_1 is analytic for $|z - z_0| > \rho$ and at ∞ . Suppose g_0, g_1 form another Laurent decomposition with $f(z) = g_0(z) + g_1(z)$. Notice

$$g_0(z) - f_0(z) = g_1(z) - f_1(z)$$

for $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$. In view of the above overlap condition, we are free to define

$$h(z) = \begin{cases} g_0(z) - f_0(z) & \text{for } |z - z_0| < \sigma \\ g_1(z) - f_1(z) & \text{for } |z - z_0| > \rho \end{cases}$$

Notice h is entire and $h(z) \rightarrow 0$ as $z \rightarrow \infty$. Then h is a bounded and entire function and we apply Liouville's Theorem to conclude that $h(z) = c$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$. In particular, $h(z) = 0$ on the annulus $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$, and we conclude that if a Laurent decomposition exists (and is normalized) then it must be unique.

Existence of the Laurent Decomposition is due to Cauchy's Integral formula on an annulus. Choose r and s such that $\rho < r < s < \sigma$. The Cauchy Integral Formula for an annulus yields

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|w-z_0|=s} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|w-z_0|=r} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw$$

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which is valid for $r < |z - z_0| < s$. The function

$$f_0(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|w-z_0|=s} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw, \quad |z - z_0| < s$$

is analytic for $|z - z_0| < s$, and the function

$$f_1(z) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|w-z_0|=r} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw, \quad |z - z_0| > r$$

is analytic for $|z - z_0| > r$ and tends to zero as z goes to ∞ . Thus we obtain the decomposition $f(z) = f_0(z) + f_1(z)$ for $r < |z - z_0| < s$, and uniqueness shows that the component functions are defined for $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$. \square

Example 6.1 Consider $f(z) = \frac{z^3+z+1}{z} = z^2 + 1 + \frac{1}{z}$ for $z \neq 0$. In this example $\rho = 0$, and $\sigma = \infty$ and $f_0(z) = z^2 + 1$ whereas $f_1(z) = 1/z$.

Example 6.2 Let $f(z)$ be an entire function, for example $e^z, \sin z, \cos z, \sinh z, \cosh z$, etc. Then $f(z) = f_0(z)$ and $f_1(z) = 0$. The function f_0 is analytic on any disk, but, we do not assume it is analytic at ∞ . On the other hand, notice that $f_1 = 0$ is analytic at ∞ as claimed.

Example 6.3 Suppose $f(z)$ is analytic at $z_0 = \infty$ then there exists some exterior domain $|z - z_0| > \rho$ for which $f(z)$ is analytic. In this case, $f(z) = f_1(z)$ and $f_0(z) = 0$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$.

Example 6.4 Consider $f(z) = \frac{2z-i}{z(z-i)}$. This function is analytic on $\mathbb{C} - \{0, i\}$. A simple calculation reveals

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

with respect to the annulus $0 < |z| < 1$ we have $f_0(z) = \frac{1}{z-i}$ and $f_1(z) = \frac{1}{z}$. On the other hand, for the annulus $0 < |z-i| < 1$ we have $f_1(z) = \frac{1}{z-i}$ and $f_0(z) = \frac{1}{z}$.

Example 6.5 Consider $f(z) = \frac{1}{\sin(z)}$ this has a Laurent decomposition on the annuli which fit between successive zeros of $\sin z$. That is, on $n\pi < |z| < (n+1)\pi$. For example, when $n = 0$ we have $\sin z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$ hence, using our geometric series reciprocal technique,

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{\sin z} = \frac{1}{z} \frac{1}{1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} z^{2n}/(2n+1)!} = \frac{1}{z} \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} z^{2n}/(2n+1)! \right)^k \right)$$

so $f_1(z) = \frac{1}{z}$ whereas $f_0(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} z^{2n}/(2n+1)! \right)^k$ for the punctured disk of radius π centered about $z = 0$.

Suppose now that $f(z) = f_0(z) + f_1(z)$ is the Laurent Decomposition for a function analytic on $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$. We can express $f_0(z)$ as a power series in $z - z_0$,

$$f_0(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n, \quad |z - z_0| < \sigma,$$

where the series converges absolutely, and for any $s < \sigma$ it converges uniformly for $|z - z_0| \leq s$. Further, we can also express $f_1(z)$ as a series of negative powers of $z - z_0$, with zero constant term, since $f_1(z)$ tends to 0 at ∞ ,

$$f_1(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} a_n(z - z_0)^n, \quad |z - z_0| > \rho$$

The series converges absolutely, and for any $r > \rho$ it converges uniformly on $|z - z_0| \geq r$. If we add the two series together we obtain a two-tailed expansion on the annulus,

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n, \quad \rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$$

that converges absolutely, and converges uniformly on $r \leq |z - z_0| \leq s$. The series is called the ***Laurent Series Expansion*** of $f(z)$ with respect to the annulus $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$.

To obtain a formula for the coefficients in the expansion, we divide $f(z)$ by $(z - z_0)^{n+1}$ and integrate along the circle $|z - z_0| = r$. Since the series converges uniformly on the circle, we can interchange the summation and integration. The result is

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz &= \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{1}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k (z - z_0)^k dz \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} (z - z_0)^{k-n-1} dz \end{aligned}$$

The integral of $(z - z_0)^m$ is $2\pi i$ if $m = -1$, otherwise 0, so all the terms in the series disappear except one, and the series reduces to $2\pi i a_n$. Thus

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz, \quad -\infty < n < \infty$$

Note that this formula coincides for a_n in the case that $f(z)$ is analytic on $|z - z_0| < \sigma$.

Example 6.6 Let $f(z) = \frac{\sin z}{1-z}$. Observe

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sin z}{1-z} &= \frac{\sin(z-1+1)}{1-z} = \frac{\cos(1) \sin(z-1) + \sin(1) \cos(z-1)}{z-1} \\ &= \cos(1) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (z-1)^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} + \sin(1) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (z-1)^{2n-1}}{(2n)!} \\ &= \frac{\sin(1)}{(z-1)} + \cos(1) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (z-1)^{2n}}{(2n+1)!} + \sin(1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (z-1)^{2n-1}}{(2n)!} \end{aligned}$$

so $a_{-1} = \sin 1$ and we find

$$\oint_{|z-1|=2} \frac{\sin z}{1-z} dz = 2\pi i \sin 1$$

Theorem 6.2 (Laurent Series Expansion) Suppose $0 \leq \rho < \sigma \leq \infty$, and suppose $f(z)$ is analytic for $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$. Then $f(z)$ can be decomposed as a Laurent series

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

that converges absolutely at each point of the annulus, and that converges uniformly on each subannulus $r \leq |z - z_0| \leq s$, where $\rho < r < s < \sigma$. The coefficients a_n are uniquely determined by $f(z)$, and they are given by

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz, \quad -\infty < n < \infty$$

for any fixed r such that $\rho < r < \sigma$.

6.2 Isolated Singularities of an Analytic Function

Definition 6.2 A function f has an isolated singularity at z_0 if there exists $r > 0$ such that f is analytic on the punctured disk $0 < |z - z_0| < r$.

Isolated singularities fall into three classes, where each class has a particular type of Laurent series about the singular point.

Definition 6.3 Suppose f has an isolated singularity at z_0 :

1. If $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$ then z_0 is a removable singularity
2. Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$. If $f(z) = \sum_{n=-N}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$ with $a_{-N} \neq 0$ then z_0 is a pole of order N .
3. If $f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$ where $a_n \neq 0$ for infinitely many $n < 0$, then z_0 is an essential singularity.

Theorem 6.3 (Riemann's Theorem on Removable Singularities) Let z_0 be an isolated singularity of $f(z)$. If $f(z)$ is bounded near z_0 , then $f(z)$ has a removable singularity at z_0 .

Proof Expand $f(z)$ in a Laurent series about the punctured disk at z_0 :

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

for $0 < |z - z_0| < \sigma$. If $|f(z)| < M$ for $0 < |z - z_0| < r$ then for r sufficiently small we may apply the ML-theorem to the formula for the n th coefficient of the Laurent series

$$|a_n| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^{n+1}} dz \right| \leq \frac{M(2\pi r)}{2\pi r^{n+1}} = \frac{M}{r^n}$$

As r goes to 0 we find $|a_n| \rightarrow 0$ for $n < 0$. Thus, $a_n = 0$ for all $n = -1, -2, \dots$. Thus, the Laurent series for $f(z)$ reduces to a power series for $f(z)$ on the deleted disk $0 < |z - z_0| < \sigma$ and it follows we may extend $f(z)$ to the disk $|z - z_0| < \sigma$ by defining $f(z_0) = a_0$. \square

Example 6.7 Let $f(z) = \frac{\sin z}{z}$ on the punctured plane \mathbb{C}^\times . Notice

$$f(z) = \frac{\sin z}{z} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k z^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}$$

So, we can extend f to \bar{f} over \mathbb{C} by defining $\bar{f}(0) = 1$.

Definition 6.4 Suppose f has a pole of order N at z_0 . If

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-N}^{-1} a_n (z - z_0)^n + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k (z - z_0)^k$$

then $P(z) = \sum_{k=-N}^{-1} a_k (z - z_0)^k$ is called the **principal part** of $f(z)$ at the pole z_0 . When $N = 1$ then z_0 is called a **simple pole**, when $N = 2$ then z_0 is called a **double pole**.

Theorem 6.4 Let z_0 be an isolated singularity of f . Then z_0 is a pole of f of order N if and only if $f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{(z - z_0)^N}$ where g is analytic at z_0 with $g(z_0) \neq 0$.

Proof Suppose f has a pole of order N at z_0 , then by definition it has a Laurent series which begins at $n = -N$. We calculate, for $|z - z_0| < r$,

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-N}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{k-N} (z - z_0)^{k-N} = \frac{1}{(z - z_0)^N} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{k-N} (z - z_0)^k$$

where a_{-N} is nonzero by definition of a pole of order N . Then, define $g(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{k-N} (z - z_0)^k$, then g is analytic at z_0 with $g(z_0) = a_{-N} \neq 0$.

Conversely, suppose there exists g analytic at z_0 with $g(z_0) \neq 0$ and $f(z) = g(z)/(z - z_0)^N$. Then g has power series about z_0 , $g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n (z - z_0)^n$, for $b_0 \neq 0$ by assumption. It follows that

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z - z_0)^N} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n (z - z_0)^n = \sum_{k=-N}^{\infty} b_{k+N} (z - z_0)^k$$

so by definition f has a pole of order N at z_0 . \square

Example 6.8 Consider $f(z) = \frac{e^z}{(z-1)^5}$. Notice e^z is entire, hence by the previous theorem f has a pole of order 5 at $z_0 = 1$.

Example 6.9 Consider $f(z) = \frac{\sin[(z+2)^3]}{(z+2)^5}$, notice

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z+2)^5} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (z+2)^{6n+3}}{(2n+1)!} = \frac{1}{(z+2)^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (z+2)^{6n}}{(2n+1)!}$$

so by theorem, f has a pole of order $N = 2$ at $z_0 = -2$.

Theorem 6.5 *Let z_0 be an isolated singularity of f . Then z_0 is a pole of f of order N if and only if $1/f(z)$ is analytic at z_0 and has a zero of order N .*

Proof We know that f has a pole of order N if and only if $f(z) = g(z)/(z - z_0)^N$ with $g(z_0) \neq 0$ and $g(z) \in \mathcal{O}(z_0)$. Suppose f has a pole of order N then observe

$$\frac{1}{f(z)} = (z - z_0)^N \cdot \frac{1}{g(z)}$$

hence $1/f(z)$ has a zero of order N by a previous result. Conversely, if $1/f(z)$ has a zero of order N then by that result we have $1/f(z) = (z - z_0)^N h(z)$ where $h \in \mathcal{O}(z_0)$ and $h(z_0) \neq 0$. Define $g(z) = 1/h(z)$, and note $g \in \mathcal{O}(z_0)$ and $g(z_0) = 1/h(z_0) \neq 0$, so

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z - z_0)^N h(z)} = \frac{g(z)}{(z - z_0)^N}$$

so we conclude that f has a pole of order N at z_0 . \square

Example 6.10 Consider $f(z) = 1/\sin z$, then it has a simple pole at $z_0 = n\pi$ for $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ since $\sin z$ has a simple zero at $z = n\pi$:

$$\sin(z) = \sin(z - n\pi + n\pi) = \cos(n\pi) \sin(z - n\pi) + 0 = (-1)^n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (z - n\pi)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$$

Example 6.11 Consider the Laurent expansion for $f(z) = 1/\sin z$ that converges on the circle $|z| = 4$. As above, the only zeros of $\sin z$ are the integral powers of π , and each is a simple zero, so they are simple poles of $f(z)$. The largest annular set containing the circle and for which $f(z)$ extends analytically is then $\pi < |z| < 2\pi$. This annulus is then the largest open set on which the Laurent series converges. From the expansion $\sin z = z + \mathcal{O}(z^3)$ near $z = 0$, we see that

$$\frac{1}{\sin z} = \frac{1}{z} + \text{analytic}$$

near $z = 0$, and $1/\sin z - 1/z$ is analytic at $z = 0$. Similarly, from the expansion $\sin z = -(z - \pi) + \mathcal{O}((z - \pi)^3)$ at $z = \pi$, we see that

$$\frac{1}{\sin z} = \frac{-1}{z - \pi} + \text{analytic}$$

near $z = \pi$, and $1/\sin z + 1/(z - \pi)$ is analytic at $z = \pi$. By the same token $1/\sin z + 1/(z + \pi)$ is analytic at $z = -\pi$. We conclude that if

$$f_1(z) = \frac{1}{z + \pi} + \frac{1}{z - \pi} - \frac{1}{z}$$

then $f_0(z) = 1/\sin z - f_1(z)$ is analytic for $|z| < 2\pi$. Thus, $1/\sin z = f_0(z) + f_1(z)$ is the Laurent decomposition of $1/\sin z$. We first expand the Laurent series for $f_1(z)$

$$f_1(z) = \frac{2z}{z^2 - \pi^2} - \frac{1}{z} = -\frac{1}{z} + \frac{2}{z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\pi^{2n}}{z^{2n}} = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2\pi^{2n}}{z^{2n+1}}$$

Note that all powers of z are odd, since $1/\sin z$ is an odd function.

Example 6.12 Consider $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^3(z-2-3i)^6}$ then f has a pole of order $N = 3$ at $z_0 = 0$ and a pole of order $N = 6$ at $z_1 = 2 + 3i$.

Definition 6.5 We say a function f is meromorphic on a domain D if f is analytic on D except possibly at isolated singularities of which each is a pole.

Example 6.13 An entire function is meromorphic on \mathbb{C} . However, an entire function may not be analytic at ∞ . For example, $\sin z$ is not analytic at ∞ and it has an essential singularity at ∞ so $f(z)$ is not meromorphic on $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$.

Example 6.14 A rational function is formed by the quotient of two polynomials $p(z), q(z) \in \mathbb{C}[z]$, where $q(z)$ is not identically zero; $f(z) = p(z)/q(z)$. We will see that $f(z)$ is meromorphic on the extended complex plane $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$.

Theorem 6.6 Let z_0 be an isolated singularity of f . Then z_0 is a pole of f of order $N \geq 1$ if and only if $|f(z)| \rightarrow \infty$ as $z \rightarrow z_0$.

Proof If z_0 is a pole of order N then $f(z) = g(z)/(z - z_0)^N$ for $g(z_0) \neq 0$ for $0 < |z - z_0| < r$ for some $r > 0$ where g is analytic at z_0 . Since g is analytic at z_0 it is continuous and hence bounded on the disk; $|g(z)| \leq M$ for $|z - z_0| < r$. Thus

$$|f(z)| = |g(z)(z - z_0)^{-N}| \leq M(z - z_0)^{-N} \rightarrow \infty$$

as $z \rightarrow z_0$. Hence $|f(z)| \rightarrow \infty$ as $z \rightarrow z_0$.

Conversely, suppose $|f(z)| \rightarrow \infty$ as $z \rightarrow z_0$. Hence, there exists $r > 0$ such that $f(z) \neq 0$ for $0 < |z - z_0| < r$. It follows that $h(z) = 1/f(z)$ is analytic for $0 < |z - z_0| < r$. Note that $|f(z)| \rightarrow \infty$ as $z \rightarrow z_0$ implies $h(z) \rightarrow 0$ as $z \rightarrow z_0$. Thus $h(z)$ is bounded near z_0 , and we find by Riemann's removable singularity Theorem that there exists $a_n, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ for which

$$h(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n$$

Since $h(z) \rightarrow 0$ as $z \rightarrow z_0$, the extension of $h(z)$ is zero at z_0 . If the zero has order N then $h(z) = (z - z_0)^N b(z)$ where $b \in \mathcal{O}(z_0)$ and $b(z_0) \neq 0$. Therefore, we obtain $f(z) = g(z)/(z - z_0)^N$ where $g(z) = 1/b(z)$ where $g \in \mathcal{O}(z_0)$ and $g(z_0) \neq 0$. We conclude that z_0 is a pole of order N by our previous results. \square

Example 6.15 Let $f(z) = e^{1/z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!z^n}$. Clearly $z_0 = 0$ is an essential singularity of f . It has different behaviour than a removable singularity or a pole. First notice for $z = x > 0$ we have $f(z) = e^{1/x} \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow 0^+$ thus f is not bounded at $z_0 = 0$. On the other hand, if we study $z = iy$ for $y > 0$, then $|f(z)| = |e^{1/iy}| = 1$ hence $|f(z)|$ does not tend to ∞ along the imaginary axis. That is, we require that the modulus goes to infinity from all directions in order to apply our previous theorem.

Theorem 6.7 (Casorati-Weierstrauss Theorem) *Let z_0 be an essential isolated singularity of $f(z)$. Then for every complex number w_0 , there is a sequence $z_n \rightarrow z_0$ such that $f(z_n) \rightarrow w_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.*

Proof By contrapositive argument. Suppose there exists a complex number w_0 for which there does not exist a sequence $z_n \rightarrow z_0$ such that $f(z_n) \rightarrow w_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. It follows there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ for which $|f(z) - w_0| > \varepsilon$ for all z in a small punctured disk about z_0 . Hence $h(z) = 1/(f(z) - w_0)$ is bounded near z_0 . By Riemann's theorem for removable singularities, $h(z)$ has a removable singularity at z_0 . Hence $h(z) = (z - z_0)^N g(z)$ for some $N \geq 0$ and some analytic function $g(z)$ satisfying $g(z_0) \neq 0$. Thus $f(z) - w_0 = 1/h(z) = (z - z_0)^{-N} (1/g(z))$, where $1/g(z)$ is analytic at z_0 . If $N = 0$, $f(z)$ extends to an analytic function at z_0 , while if $N > 0$, $f(z)$ has a pole of order N at z_0 . This establishes the theorem. \square

Thus, the limit of the modulus at an essential isolated singularity is undefined, unlike the limit of the modulus of a pole singularity which is just infinity.

Definition 6.6 We say that $f(z)$ has an isolated singular point at ∞ if there exists $r > 0$ such that f is analytic on $|z| > r$. Equivalently, we say f has an isolated singular point at ∞ if $g(w) = f(1/w)$ has an isolated singularity at $w = 0$. Furthermore, we say that the isolated singular point at ∞ is a removable singularity, a pole of order N , or an essential singularity, if the corresponding singularity at $w = 0$ is likewise a removable singularity, a pole of order N , or an essential singular point of g . In particular, if ∞ is a pole of order N then the Laurent series expansion

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=N}^0 b_k z^k + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} b_n z^n$$

has principal part

$$P_{\infty}(z) = \sum_{k=N}^0 b_k z^k = b_N z^N + \dots + b_1 z + b_0$$

hence $f(z) - P_{\infty}(z)$ is analytic at ∞ .

Example 6.16 The function $e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n/n!$ has an essential singularity at ∞ . This implies that while e^z is meromorphic on \mathbb{C} , it is not meromorphic on $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ as it has a singularity which is not a pole or removable.

Example 6.17 Let $p(z), q(z) \in \mathbb{C}[z]$ with $\deg(p(z)) = m$ and $\deg(q(z)) = n$ such that $m > n$. Then by the division algorithm for polynomial rings over fields gives that there exist $d(z), r(z) \in \mathbb{C}[z]$ for which $\deg(d(z)) = m - n$ and $\deg(r(z)) < m$, such that

$$f(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} = d(z) + \frac{r(z)}{q(z)}$$

The function $r(z)/q(z)$ is analytic at ∞ and $d(z)$ serves as the principal part. We identify f has a pole of order $m - n$ at ∞ . It follows that any rational function is meromorphic on the extended complex plane.

Example 6.18 Following the last example suppose $m = n$ then $d(z) = 0$ and the singularity at ∞ is seen to be removable. If $p(z) = \sum_{k=0}^m a_k z^k$ and $q(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n b_k z^k$ then we can extend f analytically to ∞ by defining $f(\infty) = a_m/b_n$.

Example 6.19 Consider $f(z) = (e^{1/z} - 1)/z$ for $|z| > 0$. Observe

$$f(z) = (e^{1/z} - 1)/z = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n! z^{n+1}}$$

hence the singularity at ∞ is removable since $g(w) = f(1/w)$ has a removable singularity at 0, and we can analytically extend f to the extended complex plane by defining $f(\infty) = 0$.

6.3 Partial Fractions Decomposition

Definition 6.7 We say that $f(z)$ is meromorphic on a domain D in the extended complex plane \mathbb{C}^* if $f(z)$ is holomorphic on D except possibly at isolated singularities, each of which is a pole.

Example 6.20 Consider $f(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} = h(z) + \frac{r(z)}{q(z)}$, by long division. Write $h(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + \dots + a_n z^n$, and $q(z) = (z - z_1)^{n_1} (z - z_2)^{n_2} \dots (z - z_k)^{n_k}$. Note $h(z)$ is entire on \mathbb{C} , but not analytic at ∞ . In particular, $h(z)$ has a pole of order N , for N the order of the zero of $1/g(w) = 1/h(1/w)$. On the other hand, $r(z)/q(z)$ is holomorphic on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k\}$, and is analytic at infinity since $\deg(r) < \deg(q)$.

Theorem 6.8 A meromorphic function on \mathbb{C}^* is a rational function.

Proof If $f(z)$ is meromorphic on \mathbb{C}^* , then $F(z) = f(1/z)$ has either a removable singularity or a pole at $z = 0$, and in either case there exists $r > 0$ such that $F(z)$ is holomorphic on $0 < |z| < r$. Then it follows that $f(z)$ is holomorphic on $1/r < |z| < \infty$, which is to say it has no poles or removable singularities. Thus, f only has poles in the closed and bounded set $0 \leq z \leq 1/r$, which is compact by the Heine-Borel theorem applied to \mathbb{C} . Thus, since the set of poles must have no limit points, and by compactness of $0 \leq z \leq 1/r$ every infinite set has a limit point in $0 \leq z \leq 1/r$, it follows that the number of poles must be finite. If $f(z)$ is analytic at ∞ , we define $P_{\infty}(z)$ to be the constant function $f(\infty)$. Otherwise, $f(z)$ has a pole at ∞ and we define $P_{\infty}(z)$ to be the principal part of $f(z)$ at ∞ . In either case $P_{\infty}(z)$ is a polynomial, and $f(z) - P_{\infty}(z) \rightarrow 0$ as $z \rightarrow \infty$. Let z_1, \dots, z_m be the poles of $f(z)$ in the finite complex plane \mathbb{C} , and let $P_k(z)$ be the principal part of $f(z)$ at z_k . It has the form

$$P_k(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{N_k} \frac{\alpha_n}{(z - z_k)^n}$$

and in particular, $P_k(z)$ is analytic at ∞ and vanished there. Consider the function

$$g(z) = f(z) - P_\infty(z) - \sum_{k=1}^m P_k(z)$$

Since $f(z) - P_k(z)$ is analytic at z_k , and each $P_j(z)$ is analytic at z_k for $j \neq k$, $g(z)$ is analytic at each z_k . Hence $g(z)$ is an entire function, and further, $g(z) \rightarrow 0$ as $z \rightarrow \infty$. By Liouville's Theorem, $g(z)$ is identically zero. Thus,

$$f(z) = P_\infty(z) + \sum_{j=1}^m P_j(z)$$

which shows in particular that $f(z)$ is a rational function. \square

This decomposition is called the **partial fractions decomposition** of the rational function $f(z)$.

Theorem 6.9 Every rational function has a partial fractions decomposition, expressing it as the sum of a polynomial in z and its principal parts at each of its poles in the finite complex plane.

Remark 6.1 In general, suppose $f(z) = p(z)/q(z)$ rational. If $\deg(p) \geq \deg(q)$, we may write $p(z)/q(z) = d(z) + r(z)/q(z)$ for $\deg(r) < \deg(q)$. Then factor $q(z) = (z - z_1)^{n_1} \dots (z - z_k)^{n_k}$. By the previous theorem we have the decomposition

$$f(z) = d(z) + \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \frac{\alpha_{i,j}}{(z - z_i)^j}$$

for $\alpha_{i,j} \in \mathbb{C}$ constants determined by the principal parts for each root of $q(z)$.

Example 6.21 Suppose $f(z) = \frac{1+z}{z^4-3z^3+3z^2-z}$. Observe

$$(z^4 - 3z^3 + 3z^2) = z(z - 1)^3$$

So we have that

$$f(z) = \frac{A}{z} + \frac{B}{(z-1)} + \frac{C}{(z-1)^2} + \frac{D}{(z-1)^3}$$

We then have that

$$1 + z = A(z - 1)^3 + Bz(z - 1)^2 + Cz(z - 1) + Dz$$

Differentiating we obtain

$$1 = A(3z^2 - 2z + 1) + B(3z^2 - 4z + 1) + C(2z - 1) + D$$

and again we obtain

$$0 = 6A(z - 1) + B(6z - 4) + 2C$$

and finally

$$0 = 6A + 6B$$

so $A = -B$. In the original equation if we set $z = 1$ we obtain $D = 2$ and if we set $z = 0$ we obtain $A = -1$, so $B = 1$. Then setting $z = 1$ in the second last equation gives $2C = -2B$, so $C = -1$. Thus,

$$f(z) = \frac{-1}{z} + \frac{1}{z-1} + \frac{-1}{(z-1)^2} + \frac{2}{(z-1)^3}$$

Example 6.22 Consider from the previous example

$$f(z) = \frac{-1}{z} + \frac{1}{z-1} + \frac{-1}{(z-1)^2} + \frac{2}{(z-1)^3}$$

If we want the explicit Laurent series about $z = 1$, we simply need to expand $-1/z$ as a power series:

$$\frac{-1}{z} = \frac{-1}{1 + (z-1)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} (z-1)^n$$

thus for $0 < |z-1| < 1$,

$$f(z) = \underbrace{\frac{2}{(z-1)^3} + \frac{-1}{(z-1)^2} + \frac{1}{(z-1)}}_{\text{principal part}} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} (z-1)^n$$

This is the Laurent series of f about z_0 . Evidently, f has a pole of order 3 at $z = 1$. The other singular point is $z = 0$. To find the Laurent series about $z = 0$ we expand $\frac{1}{z-1} + \frac{-1}{(z-1)^2} + \frac{2}{(z-1)^3}$ as a power series about $z = 0$. First, observe

$$\frac{1}{z-1} = \frac{-1}{1-z} = -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$$

Let $g(z) = -\frac{1}{(z-1)^2}$, and observe that $\int g(z)dz = C + \frac{1}{z-1} = C - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$. Then it follows that

$$g(z) = -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n z^{n-1} = -\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+1) z^j$$

Let $h(z) = 2/(z-1)^3$, so $\int (\int h(z)dz)dz = C + Dz + \frac{1}{z-1} = C + Dz - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$, and it follows that

$$h(z) = -\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) z^{n-2} = -\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j+2)(j+1) z^j$$

Finally, we combine these terms together to obtain

$$f(z) = \underbrace{\frac{-1}{z}}_{\text{principal part}} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)^2 z^n$$

Thus f has a pole of order 1 at $z = 0$.

6.4 Periodic Functions

Definition 6.8 A complex number ω is a **period** of a function $f(z)$ if $f(z + \omega) = f(z)$ wherever defined. The function $f(z)$ is **periodic** if it has a period $\omega \neq 0$.

We wish to show that any periodic analytic function in a half-plane or strip can be represented as a sum of exponential functions. If $\omega \neq 0$ is a period of $f(z)$, the function $g(z) = f(\omega z)$ satisfies $g(z + 1) = f(\omega z + \omega) = f(\omega z) = g(z)$, so $g(z)$ has period 1.

Theorem 6.10 If $f(z)$ is analytic on the horizontal strip $\{\alpha < \mathcal{I}m(z) < \beta\}$, and $f(z)$ is periodic with period 1, then $f(z)$ can be expanded in an absolutely convergent series of exponentials

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{2\pi i k z}, \quad \alpha < \mathcal{I}m(z) < \beta$$

The series converges uniformly on any smaller strip $\{\alpha_0 \leq \mathcal{I}m(z) \leq \beta_0\}$ for $\alpha < \alpha_0 < \beta_0 < \beta$.

To see this we make an exponential change of variable

$$w = e^{2\pi i z}, \quad z = -\frac{i}{2\pi} \log |w| + \frac{\arg w}{2\pi}$$

and we set $g(w) = f(z)$ with z as above. Since $f(z)$ is periodic with period 1, the value $g(w)$ does not depend on the choice of the argument of w . Thus, $g(w)$ is well-defined, and $g(w)$ is analytic for $e^{-2\pi\beta} < |w| < e^{-2\pi\alpha}$. We expand $g(w)$ as a Laurent series $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k w^k$ in this annulus, and then revert our change of variables to get the exponential series for $f(z)$.

Theorem 6.11 Suppose $f(z)$ is analytic on the half-plane $\{\mathcal{I}m(z) > \alpha\}$, and $f(z)$ is periodic with period 1. If $f(z)$ is bounded as $\mathcal{I}m(z) \rightarrow \infty$, then $f(z)$ can be expanded in an absolutely convergent series of exponentials

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k e^{2\pi i k z}, \quad \mathcal{I}m(z) > \alpha$$

The series converges uniformly on any smaller half-plane $\{\mathcal{I}m(z) \geq \alpha_0\}$, where $\alpha_0 > \alpha$.

In this case the change of variables $w = e^{2\pi i z}$ converts $f(z)$ into an analytic function $g(w)$ on the punctured disk $0 < |w| < e^{-2\pi\alpha}$. The hypothesis on $f(z)$ implies that $g(w)$ is bounded as $w \rightarrow 0$. By Riemann's theorem on removable singularities, $g(w)$ extends analytically at 0. Hence $g(w)$ has a power series expansion

$$g(w) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k w^k, \quad |w| < e^{-2\pi\alpha}$$

and this yields the exponential series for $f(z)$.

We observe that the periods of an analytic function form an additive subgroup of the complex numbers. Moreover, this subgroup is discrete. Any bounded subset of the complex plane contains only finitely many periods of a fixed analytic function.

Theorem 6.12 Suppose that $f(z)$ is a nonconstant meromorphic function on the complex plane that is periodic. Either there is a period w_1 for $f(z)$ such that the periods of $f(z)$ are the integral multiples of w_1 , or there are two periods w_1 and w_2 of $f(z)$ that do not lie on the same line through the origin such that the periods of $f(z)$ are the integral combinations $mw_1 + nw_2$, $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

In the case that the periods of $f(z)$ all lie on the same line through the origin, we say that $f(z)$ is simply periodic. Otherwise, we say that $f(z)$ is doubly periodic.

Theorem 6.13 An entire function that is doubly periodic is constant.

Indeed, if the entire function $f(z)$ is doubly periodic, and if $|f(z)| \leq M$ on the parallelogram P constructed from its generating periods, then by periodicity $|f(z)| \leq M$ on each translate $mw_1 + nw_2 + P$ of P . Since these translates fill out the complex plane, $f(z)$ is a bounded entire function. By Liouville's theorem $f(z)$ is constant.

6.5 Fourier Series

Definition 6.9 A complex Fourier series is a two-tailed series of the form

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{ik\theta} \quad (6.5.1)$$

If the Laurent series

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k z^k$$

converges uniformly on the circle $|z| = r$, then

$$f(re^{i\theta}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k r^k e^{ik\theta}$$

is the Fourier series expansion of $f(re^{i\theta})$, regarded as a function of θ , and the Fourier coefficients of the expansion are the coefficients $c_k = a_k r^k$.

Remark 6.2 Suppose the Fourier series $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{ik\theta}$ converges uniformly to a function $f(e^{i\theta})$. We can then capture the coefficients of the series by multiplying by the exponential function $e^{-il\theta}$, and integrating with respect to the probability measure $d\theta/2\pi$. We use the orthogonality relations for exponential functions:

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ik\theta} e^{-il\theta} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} = \begin{cases} 1, & k = l \\ 0, & k \neq l \end{cases}$$

then yield

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(re^{i\theta}) e^{-il\theta} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ik\theta} e^{-il\theta} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} = c_l$$

Then, the **Fourier coefficients** of any piecewise continuous function (or any integrable function) $f(e^{i\theta})$ is given by

$$c_l = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{i\theta}) e^{-il\theta} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}, \quad l \in \mathbb{Z}$$

and we associate $f(e^{i\theta})$ to the Fourier series

$$f(e^{i\theta}) \sim \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{ik\theta}$$

But, does the Fourier series converge, and if so, to what?

Theorem 6.14 *If $f(e^{i\theta})$ is piecewise continuous (or more generally, square-integrable), with Fourier series $f(e^{i\theta}) \sim \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{ik\theta}$, then for $m, n \geq 0$, we have*

$$\sum_{k=-m}^n |c_k|^2 + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| f(e^{i\theta}) - \sum_{k=-m}^n c_k e^{ik\theta} \right|^2 \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(e^{i\theta})|^2 \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$$

The identity shows that partial sums of the series $\sum |c_k|^2$ are bounded, so the series converges and we obtain the following estimate:

Theorem 6.15 (Bessel's Inequality) *If $f(e^{i\theta})$ is piecewise continuous (or more generally, square-integrable), with Fourier series $f(e^{i\theta}) \sim \sum c_k e^{ik\theta}$, then*

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2 \leq \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(e^{i\theta})|^2 \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$$

It follows that $c_k \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \pm\infty$.

Theorem 6.16 *Suppose $f(e^{i\theta})$ is piecewise continuous (or square-integrable) with Fourier series $f(e^{i\theta}) \sim \sum c_k e^{ik\theta}$. If $f(e^{i\theta})$ is differentiable at θ_0 , then the Fourier series of $f(e^{i\theta})$ converges to $f(e^{i\theta_0})$ at $\theta = \theta_0$:*

$$f(e^{i\theta_0}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{ik\theta_0} = \lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=-m}^n c_k e^{ik\theta_0}$$

Proof We consider first the special case in which $\theta_0 = 0$ and $e^{i\theta_0} = 1$. Define $g(e^{i\theta}) = [f(e^{i\theta}) - f(1)]/(e^{i\theta} - 1)$. The differentiability of $f(e^{i\theta})$ at $\theta = 0$ implies that $g(e^{i\theta})$ has a limit as $\theta \rightarrow 0$. Consequently, $g(e^{i\theta})$ is also piecewise continuous. Denote the Fourier coefficients of $g(e^{i\theta})$ by b_k , so $g(e^{i\theta}) \sim \sum b_k e^{ik\theta}$. Bessel's inequality for $g(e^{i\theta})$ shows that $b_k \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \pm\infty$. Now we compute the c_k 's in terms of the b_k 's. Since $f(e^{i\theta}) = g(e^{i\theta})(e^{i\theta} - 1) + f(1)$, we have

$$c_k = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(e^{i\theta})(e^{i\theta} - 1)e^{-ik\theta} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} + f(1) \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-ik\theta} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$$

Expressing these integrals as Fourier coefficients of $g(e^{i\theta})$, we obtain $c_k = b_{k-1} - b_k$ if $k \neq 0$, and $c_0 = b_{-1} - b_0 + f(1)$. Hence the series $\sum c_k$ telescopes, and we obtain

$$\sum_{k=-m}^n c_k = f(1) + \sum_{k=-m}^n (b_{k-1} - b_k) = f(1) + b_{-m-1} - b_n$$

which tends to $f(1)$ as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$. This proves the theorem when $\theta_0 = 0$. The case when θ_0 is arbitrary is reduced to the above special case by a change of variable. Consider the function $h(e^{i\theta}) = f(e^{i(\theta+\theta_0)}) \sim \sum a_k e^{ik\theta}$, which is piecewise continuous and which is differentiable at $\theta = 0$. The Fourier coefficient a_k of $h(e^{i\theta})$ is

$$a_k = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{i(\theta+\theta_0)}) e^{-ik\theta} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{ik\varphi}) e^{-ik\varphi} e^{ik\theta_0} \frac{d\varphi}{2\pi} = c_k e^{ik\theta_0}$$

Thus the Fourier series of $f(e^{i\theta})$ evaluated at $\theta = \theta_0$ is $\sum c_k e^{ik\theta_0} = \sum a_k$, which is the same as the Fourier series of $h(e^{i\theta})$ at $\theta = 0$. Then, we have shown that the latter converges to $h(1) = f(e^{i\theta_0})$, and this completes the proof. \square

Theorem 6.17 Suppose $f(e^{i\theta})$ is a continuously differentiable function of θ , with Fourier series $f(e^{i\theta}) \sim \sum c_k e^{ik\theta}$. Then the Fourier series of the derivative of $f(e^{i\theta})$ is obtained by differentiating term by term

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} f(e^{i\theta}) \sim \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} ik c_k e^{ik\theta}$$

Corollary 6.1 If $f(e^{i\theta})$ is an n -times continuously differentiable function of θ with Fourier series $f(e^{i\theta}) \sim \sum c_k e^{ik\theta}$, then $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} k^{2n} |c_k|^2 < \infty$. Further, $k^n c_k \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \pm\infty$.

Theorem 6.18 Suppose $f(e^{i\theta})$ is a twice continuously differentiable function of θ . Then the Fourier series of $f(e^{i\theta})$ converges to $f(e^{i\theta})$ uniformly in θ .

Chapter 7

Residue Calculus

7.1 The Residue Theorem

Suppose z_0 is an isolated singularity of $f(z)$ and that $f(z)$ has Laurent expansion

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n, \quad 0 < |z - z_0| < \rho$$

Recall that a_n is given by

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz$$

for any fixed $0 < r < \rho$ (all such fixed r give the same result since the integrand is holomorphic on the annulus, and hence the differential form is closed and we obtain the result by the deformation theorem). Note that often f is not defined at z_0 (being a singularity).

Definition 7.1 We define the **residue** of $f(z)$ at z_0 to be the coefficient a_{-1} of $1/(z - z_0)$ in the Laurent expansion. In particular,

$$\text{Res}[f(z), z_0] = a_{-1} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} f(z) dz$$

where r is any fixed radius satisfying $0 < r < \rho$.

Example 7.1 The residue of $1/(z - z_0)$ with respect to z_0 is simply 1. Thus, we obtain

$$1 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{1}{z - z_0} dz$$

for any $r > 0$. The residue of $1/(z - z_0)^n$ with respect to z_0 is 0, so we obtain

$$0 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{1}{(z - z_0)^n} dz$$

Example 7.2 Consider

$$f(z) = \frac{z^7 + z + 1}{z^8 + 1} = z - \frac{1}{2i} \frac{1}{z + i} + \frac{1}{2i} \frac{1}{z - i}$$

Then $\text{Res}[f(z), -i] = -\frac{1}{2i}$. Note that if we want the Laurent Decomposition of $f(z)$ at $-i$, $f_0(z) = z + \frac{1}{2i} \frac{1}{z-i}$ which is analytic at $-i$, and $f_1(z) = \frac{-1}{2i} \frac{1}{z+i}$, which is analytic at ∞ . Next, $\text{Res}[f(z), i] = \frac{1}{2i}$. Thus,

$$\frac{-1}{2i} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z+i|=r} \frac{z^7 + z + 1}{z^8 + 1} dz$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2i} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z-i|=r} \frac{z^7 + z + 1}{z^8 + 1} dz$$

for certain fixed r 's.

Definition 7.2 A contour is a directed curve which is made up of a finite sequence of directed smooth curves whose endpoints are matched to give a single direction. A single point in the complex plane is also considered a contour.

Theorem 7.1 (Cauchy's Residue Theorem) Let D be a bounded domain in the complex plane with a piecewise smooth boundary. Suppose that $f(z)$ is analytic on $D \cup \partial D$, except for a finite number of isolated singularities z_1, \dots, z_m in D . Then

$$\int_{\partial D} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^m \text{Res}[f(z), z_j]$$

Proof (Sketch) To see this let D_ε be the domain obtained from D by punching out small disks U_j centered at z_j of radius ε . The formula for the residue at z_j yields

$$\oint_{\partial U_j} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \text{Res}[f(z), z_j]$$

By Cauchy's Theorem,

$$0 = \oint_{\partial D_\varepsilon} f(z) dz = \oint_{\partial D} f(z) dz - \sum_{j=1}^m \oint_{\partial U_j} f(z) dz$$

Combining these identities we obtain the result. □

Remark 7.1 (Calculating Residues) We give the following useful rules for calculating residues:

- **Rule 1:** If $f(z)$ has a simple pole at $z = z_0$, then

$$\text{Res}[f(z), z_0] = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z - z_0) f(z)$$

This follows from the Laurent expansion being of the form $f(z) = \frac{a_{-1}}{z-z_0} + [\text{analytic at } z_0]$.

- **Rule 2:** If $f(z)$ has a double pole at $z = z_0$, then

$$Res[f(z), z_0] = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{d}{dz} [(z - z_0)^2 f(z)]$$

In this case the Laurent expansion gives

$$(z - z_0)^2 f(z) = a_{-2} + a_{-1}(z - z_0) + a_0(z - z_0)^2 + \dots$$

so differentiating gives the desired result.

- **Rule 3:** If $f, g \in O(z_0)$, and if $g(z)$ has a simple zero at z_0 , then

$$Res \left[\frac{f(z)}{g(z)}, z_0 \right] = \frac{f(z_0)}{g'(z_0)}$$

In this case $f(z)/g(z)$ has at most a symbol pole at z_0 . If we use Rule 1 we obtain

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z - z_0) \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f(z)}{(g(z) - g(z_0))/(z - z_0)} = \frac{f(z_0)}{g'(z_0)}$$

- **Rule 4:** If $g \in O(z_0)$, and if $g(z)$ has a simple zero at z_0 , then

$$Res \left[\frac{1}{g(z)}, z_0 \right] = \frac{1}{g'(z_0)}$$

This can be seen as an application of rule 3 with $f = 1$.

Example 7.3 Consider $g(z) = z^2 + 1$, so $g(i) = 0$, and $g'(i) = 2i \neq 0$. Therefore, $z_0 = i$ is a simple zero, so $Re[1/(z^2 + 1), i] = \frac{1}{2i}$.

Example 7.4 Consider

$$Res \left[\frac{\cos z}{(z - 3)e^z}, 3 \right] = \frac{\cos 3}{1 \cdot e^3} = \frac{\cos 3}{e^3}$$

Example 7.5 Consider

$$Res \left[\frac{e^z}{(z + 3)^2 \cos z}, -3 \right] = \lim_{z \rightarrow -3} \frac{e^z \cos z + e^z \sin z}{\cos^2 z} = \frac{e^{-3} \cos -3 + e^{-3} \sin -3}{\cos^2 -3}$$

Example 7.6 Consider

$$Res \left[\frac{\cos z}{z - 2}, 2 \right] = \lim_{z \rightarrow 2} \cos z = \cos 2$$

7.2 Integrals Featuring Rational Functions

Remark 7.2 (Problem) Suppose we wanted to find

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2 + 1} = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[-R, R]} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1}$$

Consider the half circle of radius R , so its base is the line segment $[-R, R]$, oriented counter-clockwise, denote the upper half circle by C_R , and let the domain it be the boundary of D_R . Then

$$\int_{\partial D_R} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} = \int_{[-R, R]} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} + \int_{C_R} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1}$$

Assume $R > 4$. Note $1/(z^2 + 1)$ is singular at i and $-i$, both of simple poles, with only i in D_R . Then

$$\int_{\partial D_R} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}[1/(z^2 + 1), i] = \frac{2\pi i}{2i} = \pi$$

Next, $1/(z^2 + 1) \leq \frac{1}{R^2 - 1}$ for $|z| = R$, since $R > 4$. Therefore, by ML-theorem,

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} \right| \leq \frac{1}{R^2 - 1} \pi R$$

But, the right side goes to zero as R goes to infinity, so the integral goes to 0. Hence,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2 + 1} = \pi$$

Example 7.7 Consider $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^4 + 1}$. Then proceeding as in the last example we note the singularities $e^{i\pi/4}, e^{3i\pi/4}, e^{-3i\pi/4}, e^{-i\pi/4}$. Then only $e^{i\pi/4}$ and $e^{3i\pi/4}$ appear in the domain D constructed, so we have by Cauchy's Residue Theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\partial D_R} \frac{dz}{z^4 + 1} &= 2\pi i (\operatorname{Res}[1/(z^4 + 1), 1/\sqrt{2} + i/\sqrt{2}] + \operatorname{Res}[1/(z^4 + 1), -1/\sqrt{2} + i/\sqrt{2}]) \\ &= 2\pi i \left(\frac{1}{4e^{3i\pi/4}} + \frac{1}{4e^{i\pi/4}} \right) \\ &= \frac{\pi i}{2} \frac{1/\sqrt{2} + i/\sqrt{2} - 1/\sqrt{2} + i/\sqrt{2}}{-1} \\ &= \frac{-\pi i}{2} \frac{2i}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Next, $1/(z^4 + 1) \leq 1/(R^4 - 1)$ for $|z| = R$. Then by ML-Theorem

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{dz}{z^4 + 1} \right| \leq \frac{1}{R^4 - 1} \pi R$$

which goes to zero as R goes to infinity, so the integral goes to 0. Hence

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^4 + 1} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Proposition 7.1 *If $f(z)$ is a rational function which has no real-singularities and for which the denominator is of degree at least two higher than the numerator, then*

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^m \text{Res}[f(z), z_j]$$

where z_1, \dots, z_m are singular points of $f(z)$ for which $\mathcal{I}m(z_j) > 0$ for $j = 1, \dots, m$.

7.3 Integrals of Trigonometric Functions

If we are on the unit circle parametrized by $z = e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$, then $dz = ie^{i\theta} d\theta$. Moreover, $\frac{1}{z} = e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$, so it follows that

$$\cos \theta = \frac{z + 1/z}{2}$$

and

$$\sin \theta = \frac{z - 1/z}{2i}$$

Example 7.8 Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5 + 4 \sin \theta} &= \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{dz/iz}{5 + 2(z - 1/z)/i} \\ &= \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{dz}{5iz + 2z^2 - 2} \\ &= \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{dz}{2z^2 + 5iz - 2} \\ &= \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{dz}{2z(z + 2i) + i(z + 2i)} \\ &= \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{dz}{(2z + i)(z + 2i)} \end{aligned}$$

Note that only $z = -i/2$ is in the unit circle, so only it will contribute. Then

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5 + 4 \sin \theta} = 2\pi i \frac{1}{4(-i/2) + 5i} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

Example 7.9 Consider $f(z) = e^{iaz} z^2 + 1$. Notice f has singularities at $\pm i$. Then, we have the residue

$$\operatorname{Res} \left[\frac{e^{iaz}}{z^2 + 1}, i \right] = \frac{e^{iai}}{2i} = \frac{e^{-a}}{2i}$$

Let D be the half disk with $\partial D = [-R, R] \cup C_R$, then by the Cauchy Residue Theorem

$$\int_{\partial D} \frac{e^{iaz}}{z^2 + 1} dz = 2\pi i \frac{e^{-a}}{2i} = e^{-a}\pi$$

For $|z| = R > 1$ we have the following since we are in the upper half plane:

$$|f(z)| = \left| \frac{e^{iaz}}{z^2 + 1} \right| = \frac{1}{|z^2 + 1|} \leq \frac{1}{||z|^2 - 1|} = \frac{1}{R^2 - 1}$$

So by the ML-theorem

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iaz}}{z^2 + 1} dz \right| \leq \frac{1}{R^2 - 1} \pi R$$

which goes to 0 as R goes to ∞ . Thus, looking at real and imaginary components of the integral we have that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(ax)}{x^2 + 1} dx = \pi e^{-a}, \quad \& \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(ax)}{x^2 + 1} dx = 0$$

Remark 7.3 The principal value of an integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx$ is

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R f(x) dx$$

If the integral on the left exists, it is equal to its principal value, but the principal value may exist while the integral does not.

Example 7.10 Suppose $p \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|p| \neq 1$. We wish to calculate

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{1 + p^2 - 2p \cos \theta} d\theta$$

We note $2 \cos \theta = z + 1/z$ for parametrization $z = e^{i\theta}$, and $dz = ie^{i\theta} d\theta$, so we may write

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{1 + p^2 - 2p \cos \theta} d\theta &= \frac{1}{i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{z + zp^2 - pz^2 - p} dz \\ &= \frac{1}{i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{-p(z - 1/p)(z - p)} dz \end{aligned}$$

We have two cases. If $|p| > 1$, then $1/p$ is the only singular point inside the unit circle, so we may use residue theory to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{-p(z - 1/p)(z - p)} dz &= 2\pi i \frac{1}{i} \frac{-1/p(1/p - p)}{1} \\ &= 2\pi \frac{-1}{1 - p^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{p^2 - 1}$$

Thus we conclude for $|p| > 1$,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{1 + p^2 - 2p \cos \theta} d\theta = \frac{2\pi}{p^2 - 1}$$

Now, consider $|p| < 1$, so p is the only singular point inside the unit circle

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{-(zp - 1)(z - p)} dz &= 2\pi i \frac{1}{i} \frac{-1/(p^2 - 1)}{1} \\ &= 2\pi \frac{-1}{p^2 - 1} \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{1 - p^2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus we conclude for $|p| < 1$,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{1 + p^2 - 2p \cos \theta} d\theta = \frac{2\pi}{1 - p^2}$$

7.4 Integrands with Branch Points

Integrals featuring x^a and $\log x$ can be sometimes evaluated using contour integration which avoids the slit needed to make the function single valued. We illustrate by solving $\int_0^\infty \frac{x^a}{(1+x)^2} dx$ for $-1 < a < 1$. At $a = 0$ the integral is 1, so suppose $a \neq 0$. Consider the branch of the function $z^a/(1+z)^2$ defined on the slit plane $\mathbb{C} \setminus [0, \infty)$ by

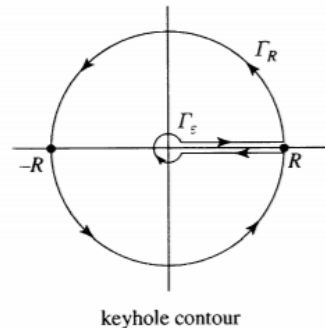
$$f(z) = \frac{r^a e^{ia\theta}}{(1+z)^2}, \quad z = re^{i\theta}, 0 < \theta < 2\pi$$

We regard the slit $[0, \infty)$ as having a top edge and a bottom edge, and we extend the function by continuity to each edge of the slit, so it is defined by the above equation with $\theta = 0$ on the top and edge and $\theta = 2\pi$ on the bottom edge. In particular, the values on the bottom edge are obtained by multiplying the values on the top by the phase factor $e^{2\pi ia}$.

For $\varepsilon > 0$ small and $R > 0$ large, we consider the keyhole domain D consisting of z in the slit plane $\mathbb{C} \setminus [0, \infty)$ satisfying $\varepsilon < |z| < R$. The function $f(z)$ has one pole in D , a double pole at $z = -1$. Using our residue rules we have

$$\text{Res}[z^a/(1+z)^2, -1] = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} a \frac{z^a}{z} = -ae^{\pi ia}$$

The residue theorem yields



$$\int_{\partial D} f(z) dz = -2\pi i a e^{\pi i a}$$

The integral around ∂D breaks into the sum of four integrals, from ε to R along the top edge of the slit, around Γ_R , from R back to ε along the bottom edge of the slit, and around Γ_ε :

$$\int_{\varepsilon}^R \frac{x^a}{(1+x)^2} dx + \int_{\Gamma_R} f(z) dz + \int_R^{\varepsilon} \frac{e^{2\pi i a} x^a}{(1+x)^2} dx + \int_{\Gamma_\varepsilon} f(z) dz$$

For the integrals over Γ_R and Γ_ε , the ML-estimate gives

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\Gamma_R} \frac{z^a}{(1+z)^2} dz \right| &\leq \frac{R^a}{(R-1)^2} 2\pi R \sim R^{a-1} \\ \left| \int_{\Gamma_\varepsilon} \frac{z^a}{(1+z)^2} dz \right| &\leq \frac{\varepsilon^a}{(1-\varepsilon)^2} 2\pi \varepsilon \sim \varepsilon^{a+1} \end{aligned}$$

Since $-1 < a < 1$, both these integrals tend to 0 as $R \rightarrow \infty$ and $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. If we reverse the direction of the integral from R to ε and use our previous result we have

$$-2\pi i a e^{\pi i a} = (1 - e^{2\pi i a}) \int_0^\infty \frac{x^a}{(1+x)^2} dx$$

This yields the identity

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^a}{(1+x)^2} dx = \frac{-2\pi i a e^{\pi i a}}{1 - e^{2\pi i a}} = \frac{2\pi i a}{e^{\pi i a} - e^{-\pi i a}} = \frac{\pi a}{\sin(\pi a)}$$

Example 7.11 We wish to show that

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}(x^2+1)} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Let $f(z) = \frac{z^{-1/2}}{z^2+1}$ where the root function is taken with the branch cut $[0, \infty)$. We use the keyhole contour depicted in the previous derivation. Notice $z = \pm i$ are the simple poles of $f(z)$ on the keyhole. We consider $z^{-1/2} = |z|^{-1/2} e^{-i\theta/2}$, where $\theta = \text{Arg}(z)$, so $0 < \theta < 2\pi$. Then $z^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|z|} e^{i\theta/2}}$. Then, for the path along ε to R on the upper line $z^{-1/2} = 1/\sqrt{x}$, while on the lower line $z^{-1/2} = e^{2\pi i(-1/2)}/\sqrt{x} = -1/\sqrt{x}$. Next, we note that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\Gamma_R} \frac{z^{-1/2}}{(1+z^2)} dz \right| &\leq \frac{\sqrt{R}}{(R^2-1)} 2\pi R \sim R^{-1/2} \\ \left| \int_{\Gamma_\varepsilon} \frac{z^{-1/2}}{(1+z^2)} dz \right| &\leq \frac{\varepsilon^{-1/2}}{(1-\varepsilon^2)} 2\pi \varepsilon \sim \varepsilon^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

Then as R goes to infinity and ε goes to 0 both terms on the right go to 0 so the integrals go to 0. Now, we have the residues

$$\text{Res}[1/(\sqrt{z}(z^2 + 1)), i] = \frac{1/(\sqrt{i}(i + i))}{1} = \frac{1}{2ie^{i\pi/4}}$$

and

$$\text{Res}[1/(\sqrt{z}(z^2 + 1)), -i] = \frac{1/(\sqrt{-i}(-i - i))}{1} = \frac{e^{-3i\pi/4}}{-2i}$$

Then, taking the limit we have that

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}(x^2 + 1)} dx - \int_0^\infty \frac{-1}{\sqrt{x}(x^2 + 1)} dx = 2\pi i \left(\frac{1}{2ie^{i\pi/4}} + \frac{e^{-3i\pi/4}}{-2i} \right) = \pi (e^{-i\pi/4} + e^{i\pi/4})$$

Then simplifying we have

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}(x^2 + 1)} = \pi \cos(\pi/4) = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$$

7.5 Fractional Residues

Suppose z_0 is an isolated singularity of $f(z)$. For $\varepsilon > 0$ small, we consider the integral

$$\int_{C_\varepsilon} f(z) dz$$

where C_ε is the arc of the circle $|z - z_0| = \varepsilon$ subtended by a sector of aperture α . if $\alpha = 2\pi$, then C_ε is the full circle, and the integral is equal to $2\pi i \text{Res}[f(z), z_0]$. If the singularity of $f(z)$ is a simple pole, then we can calculate the limit of the integrals as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ (as the arc encloses in on the singularity)

Theorem 7.2 (Fractional Residue Theorem) *If z_0 is a simple pole of $f(z)$, and C_ε is an arc of the circle $|z - z_0| = \varepsilon$ of angle α , then*

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{C_\varepsilon} f(z) dz = \alpha i \text{Res}[f(z), z_0]$$

Proof Since f has a simple pole we have

$$f(z) = \frac{A}{z - z_0} + g(z)$$

where $A = \text{Res}[f(z), z_0]$ and $g(z)$ is analytic at z_0 . Then the arc $|z - z_0| = \varepsilon$ of angle α is parametrized by $z = z_0 + \varepsilon e^{i\theta}$, $\theta_0 \leq \theta \leq \theta_0 + \alpha$. As the arc is a bounded subset and g is analytic on the arc, it follows there exists $M > 0$ such that $|g(z)| < M$ for $|z - z_0| < \varepsilon$. Furthermore, the integral of the singular part is calculated

$$\int_{C_\varepsilon} \frac{A dz}{z - z_0} = \int_{\theta_0}^{\theta_0 + \alpha} \frac{Ai\varepsilon e^{i\theta}}{\varepsilon e^{i\theta}} d\theta = Ai\alpha$$

Note that

$$\left| \int_{C_\varepsilon} g(z) dz \right| \leq M 2\pi\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

by the ML-theorem, so the result follows. \square

Example 7.12 Let $\gamma = C_R \cup [-R, -1 - \varepsilon] \cup C_\varepsilon \cup [-1 + \varepsilon, R]$. This is a half-circular path with an indentation around $z_0 = -1$. Here we assume C_ε is a half-circle of radius ε above the real axis. The aperture is π (but clockwise), hence the fractional residue theorem yields

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{C_\varepsilon} \frac{dz}{(z+1)(z-i)} = -\pi i \operatorname{Res}\left(\frac{1}{(z+1)(z-i)}, -1\right) = -\pi i \frac{1}{-1-i} = \frac{\pi(i+1)}{2}$$

Now, observe that for $|z| = R > 1$,

$$\left| \frac{1}{(z+1)(z-i)} \right| \leq \left| \frac{1}{||z| - 1| \cdot ||z| - |i||} \right| = \frac{1}{(R-1)^2}$$

Thus, by the ML-theorem

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{1}{(z+1)(z-i)} dz \right| \leq \frac{1}{(R-1)^2} \pi R \sim R^{-1}$$

which goes to 0 as $R \rightarrow \infty$. Next, by Cauchy's Residue Theorem we have

$$\int_\gamma \frac{1}{(z+1)(z-i)} dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}\left[\frac{1}{(z+1)(z-i)}, i\right] = 2\pi i \frac{1}{i+1} = \pi(1+i)$$

Hence, as the limit $R \rightarrow \infty$ and $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, we find

$$P.V. \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x+1)(x-i)} + \frac{\pi(i+1)}{2} = \pi(1+i)$$

so

$$P.V. \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x+1)(x-i)} = \frac{\pi(i+1)}{2}$$

7.6 Principal Values

Definition 7.3 An integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is **absolutely convergent** if the (proper or improper) integral $\int_a^b |f(x)| dx$ is finite. The integral is **absolutely divergent** if $\int_a^b |f(x)| dx = \infty$.

If an integral is absolutely divergent, there may not be an obvious way to assign a value to it (think of the relationship between absolutely and conditionally convergent series)

Definition 7.4 Suppose $f(x)$ is continuous for $a \leq x < x_0$ and for $x_0 < x \leq b$. We define the principal value of the integral $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ to be

$$PV \int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(\int_a^{x_0-\varepsilon} + \int_{x_0+\varepsilon}^b \right) f(x)dx$$

provided that the limit exists.

The principal value of the integral coincides with the usual value of the integral if $f(x)$ is absolutely integrable.

7.7 Jordan's Lemma

Lemma 7.1 (Jordan's Lemma) If C_R is the semi-circular contour $z(\theta) = Re^{i\theta}$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$, in the upper half-plane, then

$$\int_{C_R} |e^{iz}| |dz| < \pi$$

Proof Note $|e^{iz}| = e^{R \sin \theta}$ and $|dz| = R d\theta$, so now we wish to show

$$\int_{C_R} e^{R \sin \theta} d\theta < \frac{\pi}{R}$$

First, note that $\sin \theta$ is concave down on $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$, so the graph of $\sin \theta$ lies above the straight line connecting its endpoints, $\sin \theta > 2\theta/\pi$, $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi e^{-R \sin \theta} d\theta &= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} e^{-R \sin \theta} d\theta \leq 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} e^{-2R\theta/\pi} d\theta \\ &= \frac{\pi}{R} \int_0^{1/R} e^{-t} dt < \frac{\pi}{R} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} dt = \frac{\pi}{R} \end{aligned}$$

Example 7.13 Consider $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$, and we calculate it using $f(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{z}$ along an indented semi-circular path centered at $z = 0$ in the upper half plane. Notice for $|z| = R$, we have

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right| \leq \int_{C_R} \left| \frac{e^{iz}}{z} \right| |dz| = \frac{1}{R} \int_{C_R} |e^{iz}| |dz| < \frac{\pi}{R}$$

by Jordan's Lemma. Then as R goes to ∞ this integral goes to 0. Suppose R goes to ∞ and $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, then Cauchy's residue and fractional residue then combine to yield

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{-R}^R \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx - \pi i \operatorname{Res}[e^{ix}/x, 0] + \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz = 0$$

hence, noting that the residue is 1, we have

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left(\int_{-R}^R \frac{\cos x}{x} dx + i \int_{-R}^R \frac{\sin x}{x} dx \right) = \pi i$$

Note $\cos x/x$ is an odd function, hence the principal value of the integral vanishes. Thus,

$$P.V. \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \pi \implies \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

since $\sin(x)/x$ is even.

Part II

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Chapter 8

Logarithmic Integral

8.1 The Argument Principle

Definition 8.1 Suppose $f(z)$ is analytic on a domain D . For a curve γ in D such that $f(z) \neq 0$ on γ , we refer to

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} d \log f(z)$$

as the logarithmic integral of $f(z)$ along γ .

Consequently the logarithmic integral measures the change of $\log f(z)$ along the curve γ .

Example 8.1 Consider $f(z) = (z - z_0)^n$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Consider the curve $\gamma: \gamma(t) = z_0 + Re^{it}$ for $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi k$, for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. k denotes the **winding number** (the number of revolutions/times we wrap around the circle) of γ . Then we have the logarithmic integral

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{n(z - z_0)^{n-1}}{(z - z_0)^n} dz &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{ndz}{z - z_0} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} n(2\pi i k) = nk \end{aligned}$$

since we are looping around k times (rather than once in Cauchy's residue theorem). Note $f(z)$ has $z = z_0$ as a zero of order n , so setting $k = 1$ gives the number of zeros contained in the curve.

Theorem 8.1 Let D be a bounded domain with piecewise smooth boundary ∂D , and let $f(z)$ be a meromorphic function on D that extends to be analytic on ∂D , such that $f(z) \neq 0$ on ∂D . Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = N_0 - N_{\infty}$$

where N_0 is the number of zeros of $f(z)$ in D and N_{∞} is the number of poles of $f(z)$ in D , counting multiplicities.

Proof Suppose z_0 is a zero of order N , so $f(z) = (z - z_0)^N h(z)$ with $h(z_0) \neq 0$. Then $f'(z) = N(z - z_0)^{N-1} h(z) + (z - z_0)^N h'(z)$, so

$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{N}{z - z_0} + \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)}$$

so $f'(z)/f(z)$ has a simple pole at z_0 , with residue N . If we sum the residues over the zeros and poles we find that the sum of the residues of $f'(z)/f(z)$ in D is $N_0 - N_\infty$, so the result follows from the residue theorem. Explicitly we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \left(\underbrace{\int_{\partial D} \frac{N}{z - z_0} dz}_{\text{simple pole}} + \underbrace{\int_{\partial D} \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)} dz}_{\text{analytic} \Rightarrow \text{Cauchy}} \right) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} 2\pi i (N + 0) = N$$

Now, suppose z_0 is a pole of order N , so $f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{(z - z_0)^N}$ with $g(z_0) \neq 0$ and g analytic at z_0 . Then

$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} - N \frac{1}{(z - z_0)}$$

so by Cauchy's residue theorem the integral is $-N$. The result follows by the full Cauchy residue theorem

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^k \text{Res}[f'(z)/f(z), z_k] = N_0 - N_\infty$$

Remark 8.1 (Intuition for Argument Principle) Recall that the logarithm (as a general multivalued function) is

$$\log(f(z)) = \ln |f(z)| + i \arg(f(z))$$

Then we have that

$$d \log(f(z)) = d \ln |f(z)| + i d \arg(f(z))$$

If $f(z) \neq 0$ on the domain, $\ln |f(z)|$ is defined and in particular $d \ln |f(z)|$ is an exact differential (and hence is trivial around curves). Thus, the logarithmic integral is really calculating $i d \arg(f(z))$ around closed loops. In particular, we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} d \log(f(z)) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} d \ln |f(z)| + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\gamma} d \arg(f(z))$$

If we parametrize the curve γ by $\gamma(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, then

$$\int_{\gamma} d \ln |f(z)| = \ln |f(\gamma(b))| - \ln |f(\gamma(a))|$$

The differential $d \arg(f(z))$ is closed, but not exact. Its integral is computed by choosing a continuous single-valued determination of $\arg(f(\gamma(t)))$ for $a \leq t \leq b$. Then from this determination

$$\int_{\gamma} d \arg(f(z)) = \arg(f(\gamma(b))) - \arg(f(\gamma(a)))$$

This is referred to as the ***increase in the argument of $f(z)$ along γ*** . Since any two continuous determinations of $\arg f(\gamma(t))$ differ by a constant, the increase in the argument given by the integral is independent of the continuous determination.

For a bounded domain D whose boundary ∂D consists of a finite number of piecewise smooth closed curves with the usual orientation, we define the ***increase in the argument of $f(z)$ around the boundary of D*** to be the sum of its increases around the closed curves in ∂D .

Theorem 8.2 *Let D be a bounded domain with piecewise smooth boundary ∂D , and let $f(z)$ be a meromorphic function on D that extends to be analytic on ∂D , such that $f(z) \neq 0$ on ∂D . Then the increase in the argument of $f(z)$ around the boundary of D is 2π times the number of zeros minus the number of poles of $f(z)$ in D ,*

$$\int_{\partial D} d \arg(f(z)) = 2\pi(N_0 - N_\infty)$$

Example 8.2 Consider $f(z) = z^4 + 1$, and study $\gamma : \gamma(t) = 2e^{it}$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$. We want to calculate the number of zeros of the function in a circle of radius 2 (as it has no singularities). Observe $f(\gamma(t)) = 16e^{4it} + 1$, so $f(\gamma(t)) = (16 \cos(4t) + 1) + i \sin(4t)$. Let $x = 16 \cos(4t) + 1$ and $y = 16 \sin(4t)$, a circle of radius 16, centered at $1 + 0i$. Then the argument traverses a difference 8π on γ , so the number of roots is 4 (as expected).

8.2 Rouché's Theorem

There is a general principle to the effect that the number of zeros of an analytic function on a domain does not change if we make a small change in the function.

Theorem 8.3 (Rouché's Theorem) *Let D be a bounded domain with piecewise smooth boundary ∂D . Let $f(z)$ and $h(z)$ be analytic on $D \cup \partial D$. If $|h(z)| < |f(z)|$ for $z \in \partial D$, then $f(z)$ and $f(z) + h(z)$ have the same number of zeros in D , counting multiplicities.*

Proof By assumption $|h(z)| < |f(z)|$ we have that $f(z) \neq 0$ on ∂D , and that $f(z) + h(z) \neq 0$ on ∂D . From $f(z) + h(z) = f(z)[1 + h(z)/f(z)]$, we obtain

$$\arg(f(z) + h(z)) = \arg(f(z)) + \arg\left(1 + \frac{h(z)}{f(z)}\right)$$

Since $|h(z)/f(z)| < 1$, the values of $1 + h(z)/f(z)$ lie in the right half-plane, and the increase of $\arg(1 + h(z)/f(z))$ around a closed boundary curve is 0, since we can restrict to a single-valued branch of the argument function. From the above expression we see that $\arg(f(z) + h(z))$ and $\arg f(z)$ have the same increase around ∂D . By the argument principle, the functions have the same number of zeros in D . \square

We can think of $h(z)$ as small perturbations to the image of the curve under $f(z)$, so that the image curve will never reach the origin. That is to say, the image curve is a path or string away from the origin, and $h(z)$ are perturbations or waves in the string which are smaller in magnitude than the strings closest distance to the origin, and hence never reach the origin.

Example 8.3 Find the number of zeros for $p(z) = z^{11} + 12z^7 - 3z^2 + z + 2$ within the unit circle. Let $f(z) = 12z^7$ and $h(z) = z^{11} - 3z^2 + z + 2$ observe for $|z| = 1$ we have $|h(z)| \leq 1 + 3 + 1 + 2 = 7$ and $|f(z)| = 12$. Hence, $|h(z)| < |f(z)|$, for all z with $|z| = 1$. Observe that $f(z) = 12z^7$ has a zero $z = 0$ of multiplicity 7 in the unit circle, so by Rouché's Theorem $p(z) = f(z) + h(z)$ has 7 roots within the unit circle.

Example 8.4 Prove that the equation $z + 3 + 2e^z = 0$ has precisely one solution in the left-half plane. The idea here is to view $f(z) = z + 3$ as being perturbed by $h(z) = 2e^z$. Clearly $f(-3) = 0$ is the only zero, and we can find a curve γ which bounds $\Re e(z) < 0$ and for which $|h(\gamma(t))| \leq |f(\gamma(t))|$ for all t in the domain of γ , then by Rouché's Theorem we obtain our desired conclusion. Therefore, consider $\gamma = C_R \cup [-iR, iR]$ where C_R has $z = Re^{it}$ for $\pi/2 \leq t \leq 3\pi/2$. Consider $z \in [-iR, iR]$, so $z = iy$ for $-R \leq y \leq R$ observe

$$|f(z)| = |iy + 3| = \sqrt{9 + y^2} \quad \& \quad |h(z)| = |2e^{iy}| = 2$$

so $|h(z)| < |f(z)|$ for all $z \in [-iR, iR]$. Next suppose $z = x + iy \in C_R$, so $-R \leq x \leq 0$ and $-R \leq y \leq R$, with $|z| = R$. In particular, assuming $R > 5$, $R - 3 \leq |f(z)| = |z + 3| \leq \sqrt{9 + R^2}$, and

$$|h(z)| = |2e^x e^{iy}| = 2e^x < 2 < R - 3 < |f(z)|$$

since $-R \leq x \leq 0$. Consequently $|h(z)| < |f(z)|$ on γ for $R > 5$, so by Rouché's Theorem $f(z) + h(z) = z + 3 + 2e^z$ has only one zero in γ for $R > 5$. Taking $R \rightarrow \infty$, the equation $z + 3 + 2e^z$ has just one solution in the left-half plane.

Example 8.5 (Proof of FTA) Consider $p(z) = a_n z^n + \dots + a_1 z + a_0$, where $a_n \neq 0$. Let $f(z) = a_n z^n$ and hence $h(z) = a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 z + a_0$, then $p(z) = f(z) + h(z)$. Moreover, if we choose $R > 0$ sufficiently large then $|h(z)| \leq |a_{n-1}|R^{n-1} + \dots + |a_1|R + |a_0| < |a_n|R^n = |f(z)|$ for $|z| = R$ hence by Rouché's Theorem there are n -zeros of $p(z)$ in the circle of radius R as $z = 0$ is a zero of multiplicity n for $f(z) = a_n z^n$. Thus, every $p(z) \in \mathbb{C}[z]$ has n zeros, counting multiplicity, on the complex plane.

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Chapter 10

Approximation Theorems

10.1 The Mittag-Leffler Theorem

Recall that if $f(z)$ is a meromorphic function with pole at z_0 , and the Laurent expansion of $f(z)$ at z_0 is given by $\sum_{k=-m}^{\infty} a_k(z-z_0)^k$, then the principal part $P(z)$ of $f(z)$ at z_0 is the sum of the terms with negative powers, $P(z) = \sum_{k=-m}^{k=-1} a_k(z-z_0)^k$. Thus $P(z)$ is a polynomial in $1/(z-z_0)$, and $f(z) - P(z)$ is analytic at z_0 . The Mittag-Leffler theorem asserts that we can prescribe the poles and principal parts of a meromorphic function.

Theorem 10.1 (Mittag-Leffler Theorem) *Let D be a domain in the complex plane. Let $\{z_k\}$ be a sequence of distinct points in D with no accumulation point in D , and let $P_k(z)$ be a polynomial in $1/(z-z_k)$. Then there is a meromorphic function $f(z)$ on D whose poles are the points z_k , and such that $f(z) - P_k(z)$ is analytic at z_k .*

Example 10.1 Consider $P_k(z) = \frac{1}{z-k}$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Then suppose we take

$$f_{naive}(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z-k}$$

and consider the domain $D = \mathbb{C}$. But, then $f_{naive}(0) = -\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} = -\infty$, which is to say it is not analytic at 0. Instead, let's take

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{z-k} + \frac{1}{k} \right)$$

and then $f(0) = 0$, and we have analyticity on bounded sets. In particular, it converges uniformly on bounded sets by comparison the series $\sum 1/k^2$. Indeed, if $|z| \leq R$ and $k > 2R$, then $|z-k| > k/2$, so the k th summand is bounded by $2/k^2$.

Let w_1 and w_2 be two complex numbers that do not lie on the same line through the origin. Then we can construct the **Weierstrass P-Function** $\mathcal{P}(z)$ associated with w_1 and w_2 . This is a doubly periodic meromorphic function on the complex plane.

Example 10.2 We wish to show the following partial fractions decomposition identity

$$\frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2(\pi z)} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z-k)^2}$$

(note this is meromorphic on \mathbb{C} , but not on \mathbb{C}^* since it has an essential singularity at ∞). Observe $\pi^2 \int \csc^2(\pi z) dz = -\pi \cot(\pi z) + C$, so

$$\pi \cot(\pi z) = \frac{1}{z} + 2\pi \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z^2 - k^2}$$

10.2 Infinite Products

Definition 10.1 An *infinite product* is an expression of the form $\prod_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j$, where the p_j 's are complex numbers. We say that the infinite product *converges* if $p_j \rightarrow 1$ and $\sum \text{Log } p_j$ converges, where we sum only over terms for which $p_j \neq 0$. If the infinite product converges, we define its value to be 0 if one of the p_j 's is 0; otherwise, we define it to be

$$\prod_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j = \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \text{Log } p_j\right)$$

If $\prod p_j$ converges, then at most finitely many of the p_j 's can be 0. This is because $p_j \rightarrow 1$. Second, if $\prod p_j$ converges, then

$$\prod_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{j=1}^m p_j$$

This is because $\exp(\text{Log } p_j) = p_j$.

Example 10.3 If $p_{42} = 0$ and $p_j = 1$ for all $j \neq 42$, then $\prod_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j = 0$.

Example 10.4 If $p_1 = 1 - \frac{1}{j^2}$ for all $j \geq 2$, then you can directly calculate the partial products. By induction we can show

$$\prod_{j=2}^n (1 - 1/j^2) = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)$$

Then it follows that $\prod_{j=2}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{j^2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$.

Example 10.5 The product $\prod_{j=2}^{\infty} (1 - 1/j)$ is divergent despite the fact $1 - \frac{1}{j} \rightarrow 1$, since $\sum_{j=2}^{\infty} \text{Log}(1 - 1/j)$ diverges to $-\infty$. Formally, the product diverges to 0 since $\exp(-\infty) = 0$.

Example 10.6 Consider the infinite product formed by $p_k = 1 + \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k}$, $k \geq 1$, so

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{(-1)^{j+1}}{j} \right) &= (1 + 1/1)(1 - 1/2)(1 + 1/3)(1 - 1/4)\dots \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left[2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \cdot \dots \cdot \left(1 + \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Evidently the product of evenly many terms is 1, so we see the product tends to 1 as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Theorem 10.2 If $t_j \geq 0$, then $\prod(1 + t_j)$ converges if and only if $\sum t_j$ converges.

Definition 10.2 The infinite product $\prod(1 + a_j)$ is said to **converge absolutely** if $a_j \rightarrow 0$ and $\sum \text{Log}(1 + a_j)$ converges absolutely, where we sum over the terms for which $a_j \neq -1$. If $\prod(1 + a_j)$ converges absolutely, then $\sum \text{Log}(1 + a_j)$ converges and $\prod(1 + a_j)$ converges.

Theorem 10.3 The infinite product $\prod(1 + a_j)$ converges absolutely if and only if $\sum a_j$ converges absolutely. This occurs if and only if $\prod(1 + |a_j|)$ converges.

Theorem 10.4 Suppose that $g_k(x) = 1 + h_k(x)$, $k \geq 1$, are functions on a set E . Suppose that there are constants $M_k > 0$ such that $\sum M_k < \infty$, and $|h_k(x)| \leq M_k$ for $x \in E$. Then $\prod_{k=1}^m g_k(x)$ converges to $\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} g_k(x)$ uniformly on E as $m \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof (to be completed) □

If $G(z) = g_1(z) \dots g_m(z)$ is a finite product of analytic functions, then by taking logarithms and differentiating we obtain

$$\frac{G'(z)}{G(z)} = \frac{g_1'(z)}{g_1(z)} + \dots + \frac{g_m'(z)}{g_m(z)}$$

This procedure is called logarithmic differentiation.

Theorem 10.5 Let $g_k(z)$, $k \geq 1$, be analytic functions on a domain D such that $\prod_{k=1}^m g_k(z)$ converges normally on D to $G(z) = \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} g_k(z)$. Then

$$\frac{G'(z)}{G(z)} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{g_k'(z)}{g_k(z)}, \quad z \in D$$

where the sum converges normally on D .

Proof (To be completed) □

10.3 The Weierstrass Product Theorem

This is a companion to the Mittag-Leffler theorem, which asserts that we can prescribe the poles and principal parts of a meromorphic function, while the Weierstrass product theorem asserts that we can prescribe the zeros and poles of a meromorphic function together with their orders.

Theorem 10.6 (Weierstrass Product Theorem) *Let D be a domain in the complex plane. Let $\{z_k\}$ be a sequence of distinct points of D with no accumulation point in D , and let $\{n_k\}$ be a sequence of integers (positive or negative). Then there is a meromorphic function $f(z)$ on D whose only zeros and poles are at the points z_k such that the order of $f(z)$ at z_k is n_k .*

Proof (To be completed) □

Example 10.7 Consider $\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{k^2}\right)$. Write $g_k(z) = 1 - \frac{z^2}{k^2}$ and $h_k(z) = \frac{-z^2}{k^2}$. Suppose $|z| \leq R$ then $\left|\frac{z^2}{k^2}\right| \leq \frac{R^2}{k^2}$. Observe $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{R^2}{k^2} = \frac{\pi R^2}{6}$ hence we find the product is uniformly convergent for $|z| < R$. But as R is arbitrary we find the product $\prod_{k=1}^m \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{k^2}\right)$ converges uniformly to $\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{k^2}\right)$ on \mathbb{C} .

Chapter 11

Special Functions

11.1 The Gamma Function

Definition 11.1 The gamma function $\Gamma(z)$ is a meromorphic function defined on the right half-plane by

$$\Gamma(z) = \int_0^{\infty} t^{z-1} e^{-t} dt, \quad \Re(z) > 0$$

The integral defining $\Gamma(z)$ is absolutely convergent, and

$$|\Gamma(x + iy)| \leq \Gamma(x) = \int_0^{\infty} t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt, \quad x > 0$$

Integrating by parts we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(z+1) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^z dt = - \int_0^{\infty} t^2 d(e^{-t}) = -[t^2 e^{-t}]_0^{\infty} + z \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{z-1} dt \\ &= 0 + z\Gamma(z) = z\Gamma(z), \quad \Re(z) > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

$$\boxed{\Gamma(z+1) = z\Gamma(z), \quad \Re(z) > 0}$$

Noting that $\Gamma(1) = 1$, and with the equation $\Gamma(2) = 1$, we obtain by induction

$$\boxed{\Gamma(n+1) = n!, \quad n \geq 0}$$

We use the functional equation above to extend $\Gamma(z)$ to the left half-plane as follows: apply the function equation m times to obtain $\Gamma(z+m) = (z+m-1)\dots(z+1)z\Gamma(z)$, which we rewrite as

$$\boxed{\Gamma(z) = \frac{\Gamma(z+m)}{(z+m-1)\dots(z+1)z}}$$

where the right hand side is defined and meromorphic for $\Re(z) > -m$, with simple poles $0, -1, \dots, -m + 1$. By the uniqueness principle, the meromorphic extension is unique and it satisfies the functional equation. Passing to the limit as $m \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain:

Theorem 11.1 *The function $\Gamma(z)$ extends to be meromorphic on the entire complex plane, where it satisfies the functional equation $\Gamma(z + 1) = z\Gamma(z)$. Its poles are simple poles at $z = 0, -1, -2, \dots$*

Now, define

$$\Gamma_n(z) = \int_0^n t^{z-1} \left(1 - \frac{t}{n}\right)^n dt, \quad \Re(z) > 0, n \geq 1$$

Since $(1 - t/n)^n \leq e^{-t}$ and $(1 - t/n)^n \rightarrow e^{-t}$ for $t \geq 0$, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Gamma_n(z) = \Gamma(z)$$

(To be continued)

11.2 Laplace Transforms

Definition 11.2 Let $h(s), s \geq 0$, be a continuous or piecewise continuous function on the positive real axis. The Laplace transform of $h(s)$ is the function

$$\mathcal{L}[h](z) = \int_0^\infty e^{-sz} h(s) ds$$

provided that the integral converges.

Proposition 11.1 *If there are constants B and C such that $|h(s)| \leq Ce^{Bs}$ for $0 \leq s < \infty$, then the Laplace transform integral converges absolutely and defines an analytic function in the half plane $\Re(z) > B$. The estimate*

$$|\mathcal{L}[h](x + iy)| \leq C \int_0^\infty e^{-zs} e^{Bs} ds = \frac{C}{x - B}, \quad x > B$$

shows that $\mathcal{L}[h](z)$ is bounded on the half plane $\Re(z) > B + \varepsilon$ for any $\varepsilon > 0$, and $\mathcal{L}[h](z) \rightarrow 0$ as $\Re(z) \rightarrow \infty$.