

Last time: Cauchy's integral formula for derivatives

$f(z)$ analytic on $U \subset \mathbb{C} \Rightarrow f$ has derivatives to all orders in U , all derivatives are analytic, and for $z \in \text{int}(D) \subset \overline{D} \subset U$, $\frac{f^{(n)}(z)}{n!} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D} \frac{f(w) dw}{(w-z)^{n+1}}$.

We now explore consequences of this formula.

First we get, by bounding the integral in the r.h.s:

Thm: (Cauchy's bound) \parallel If f is analytic in $U \supset \overline{B_R(z_0)}$, then $\left| \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!} \right| \leq \frac{1}{R^n} \sup_{w \in S^1(z, R)} |f(w)|$.

(By considering $r < R$, $r \rightarrow R$, the result still holds under the weaker assumption that f is continuous on $\overline{B_R(z_0)}$ and analytic in $B_R(z_0)$).

* Cauchy's bound has important consequences for entire functions, i.e. analytic on all of \mathbb{C} .

Corollary: \parallel If f is analytic on all of \mathbb{C} ("entire function") and bounded, then f is constant.

(apply Cauchy's bound with $R \rightarrow \infty$ to get $f' = 0$.)

Corollary: \parallel A nonconstant entire function $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ has dense image $\overline{f(\mathbb{C})} = \mathbb{C}$.

Pf: if $c \notin \overline{f(\mathbb{C})}$, then $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ st. $|f(z) - c| \geq \varepsilon \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$, and then $\frac{1}{f(z) - c}$ is a bounded entire function hence constant. \square

* There are even more important consequences for Taylor series of analytic functions.

Corollary: \parallel The power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!} (z-z_0)^n$ (= the Taylor series of f at z_0) has radius of convergence $\geq R$, if f is analytic in $B_R(z_0)$.

(since Cauchy's bound implies $\left| \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!} \right|^{1/n} \leq \frac{C(r)^{1/n}}{r} \forall r < R$, so $\limsup \leq \frac{1}{r} \Rightarrow \leq \frac{1}{R}$)

Theorem: If f is analytic in $B_R(z_0)$ then $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$, $a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!}$, over $B_R(z_0)$.

Pf: By change of variables $z-z_0$, we assume $z_0 = 0$. We prove the equality over slightly smaller discs $B_r = \{|z| < r\} \forall r < R$; the Taylor series converges by the previous corollary. For $z \in B_r$, write $f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{S^1(r)} \frac{f(w) dw}{w-z}$ (Cauchy)

and note $\frac{1}{w-z} = \frac{1}{w(1-z/w)} = \frac{1}{w} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{w}\right)^n$.

For fixed $z \in B_r$ this series of functions of $w \in S^1(r)$ converges uniformly (Weierstrass M-test, $\sum \left(\frac{|z|}{r}\right)^n$ converges since $|z| < r$).

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$$\text{So } \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{S^1(r)} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{S^1(r)} \frac{f(w) z^n}{w^{n+1}} dw \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Cauchy integral formula}}}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} z^n. \quad \square$$

Corollary: || If $f(z) = \sum a_n z^n$ has radius of convergence R , then it has a singularity (where it cannot be analytically continued) on the circle $\{|z| = R\}$.

(because: if \exists analytic function extending f on an open $U \supset \overline{B_R(0)}$, then $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ st. $B_{R+\varepsilon}(0) \subset U$, and then the radius of convergence would be $\geq R + \varepsilon$).

Zeros of analytic functions:

Corollary: || If $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is analytic, $z_0 \in U$, if $f^{(n)}(z_0) = 0 \forall n$ then $f(z) = 0$ on U .
connected open

Similarly: $f^{(n)}(z_0) = g^{(n)}(z_0) \forall n \Rightarrow f = g$ on U .

Pf: Let $V = \{z \in U / f^{(n)}(z) = 0 \forall n\}$. The result on Taylor series implies:

if $z \in V$ and $B_r(z) \subset U$ then over $B_r(z)$, f equals its Taylor series $\equiv 0$, and so $f^{(n)} = 0 \forall n$ over $B_r(z)$. Hence V is open.

But $W = \{z \in U / \exists n f^{(n)}(z) \neq 0\} = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \{z \in U / f^{(n)}(z) \neq 0\}$ is open too, and $U = V \cup W$. Since U is connected and $V \neq \emptyset$, $U = V$, so $f = 0$. \square

The key point here is: at a point where $f(z_0) = 0$, f vanishes to a finite integer order (unless $f \equiv 0$) - not to infinite or to fractional order as can happen with real functions.

Corollary: || $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ analytic, not everywhere zero, then the zeros of f are isolated.
connected open (i.e. $f^{-1}(0)$ has no limit points).

Pf: if $f(z_0) = 0$ then writing $f(z) = \sum a_n (z - z_0)^n$, not all a_n are zero.

Let $k = \min \{n / a_n \neq 0\}$ (first nonzero term), $f(z) = (z - z_0)^k g(z)$ where

$g(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_{k+n} (z - z_0)^n$ is analytic over $B(z_0, R) \subset U$, and $g(z_0) = a_k \neq 0$.

By continuity, $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ st. $|z - z_0| < \varepsilon \Rightarrow g(z) \neq 0$

hence $0 < |z - z_0| < \varepsilon \Rightarrow f(z) \neq 0$: z_0 is an isolated point of $f^{-1}(0)$. \square

Non-example: $f(z) = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i}{z}\right)$ satisfies $f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = 0 \forall n \geq 1$ integer, but $\{\frac{1}{n} / n \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ has no limit points in the domain of f , $U = \mathbb{C}^*$.

Remark: in the real C^∞ world, there are nonzero functions with nonisolated zeros.
(eg. $f(x) = \exp(-\frac{1}{x^2}) \cdot \sin(\frac{1}{x})$ for $x \neq 0$, $f(0) = 0$).

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Corollary (uniqueness of analytic continuation): $f, g: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ analytic, if $f=g$ on a ^{connected open} nonempty open subset of U , or any subset with a limit point in U , then $f=g$ on U .

* Some other consequences of Cauchy formula, for space of analytic functions w/ uniform topology

Theorem: If $f_n(z)$ are analytic functions on U , and $f_n \rightarrow f$ locally uniformly (ie. $\forall z \in U \exists r > 0$ st. $\overline{B_r(z)} \subset U$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $\overline{B_r(z)}$) ($\Leftrightarrow f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on all compact subsets of U) then f is analytic on U .

(This is very different from the real case: a sequence of C^∞ functions can converge uniformly to a nondifferentiable limit!)

Proof: Given a closed disk (or other compact) $B \subset U$ over which $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly, and $z \in \text{int}(B)$, we have

$$f(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial B} \frac{f_n(w)}{w-z} dw = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial B} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw$$

\uparrow Cauchy formula: f_n analytic \uparrow using $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on ∂B ,
 so $\int_{\partial B} \frac{f_n(w) - f(w)}{w-z} dw \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$

Last time we saw a proposition stating: given that f is continuous on ∂B (which follows from uniform convergence), the rhs of this formula defines an analytic function on $\text{int}(B)$. Thus f is analytic in $\text{int}(B)$, hence on all U .

Even better:


Thm: If f_n analytic on U & converge locally uniformly to f , then f'_n converge locally uniformly to f' , and so on for higher derivatives.

(Pf: same ingredients: Cauchy formula + uniform convergence).

So: analytic functions are a closed subspace of $C^0(U, \mathbb{C})$ with C^0_{loc} topology of (local) uniform convergence, and moreover the $C^0_{\text{loc}}, C^1_{\text{loc}}, C^2_{\text{loc}}, \dots$ topologies all coincide when we restrict them to the subspace of analytic functions (whereas in real analysis C^1 is strictly finer than C^0 , etc.).

And we have a (sequential) compactness property too...

Thm: Any uniformly bounded sequence of analytic functions f_n on U has a subsequence which converges uniformly on compact sets to an analytic g .

Proof: If $K \subset U$ is compact, recall $\exists r > 0$ st. $\text{dist}(K, \partial U) > r$,  (4)

$$\text{so } \forall z \in K, \left| f'_n(z) \right| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{S'(z,r)} \frac{f_n(w)}{(w-z)^2} dw \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\sup |f_n|}{r^2} \text{length}(S'(z,r))$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi r} \sup_K |f_n|$$

Since (f_n) is uniformly bounded this gives

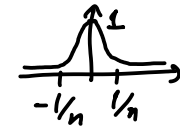
a uniform bound on $|f'_n|$ on K independently of n .

Hence f_n is uniformly equicontinuous on K ($\forall \epsilon \exists \delta$ ^{indep of n} st. $\forall z \forall n \dots$).

\Rightarrow by Ascoli-Arzelà, \exists subsequence of (f_n) which converges uniformly on K .

(We can ensure uniform convergence on all compacts by considering a sequence of compacts K_n with $\bigcup_n K_n = U$, eg. $K_n = \{z / |z| \leq n, d(z, U^c) \geq \frac{1}{n}\}$.

and using a diagonal process to get a sub-sub-...-subsequence that converges uniformly on all of them.) \square

Ex: in real analysis, a standard example for a bounded sequence of continuous (C^0) functions that isn't equicontinuous over $[-a, a]$ $\forall a > 0$ is $f_n(x) = \frac{1}{1+n^2 x^2}$ 
(& has no uniformly convergent subseq., since pointwise limit $\notin C^0$).

These extend to analytic functions $f_n(z) = \frac{1}{1+n^2 z^2}$, but the above theorem doesn't apply to these near 0 because f_n has a pole at $z = \pm i/n$, so the sequence isn't uniformly bounded on any fixed neighborhood of 0, and that's why equicontinuity fails over \mathbb{R} !

* Besides the magical stuff (derivatives to all orders, Cauchy's formula, convergence of Taylor series) we also have more basic things that carry over from real analysis, eg. antiderivatives and inverse functions... but these come with caveats.

• Thm: || If $f(z)$ is analytic on a simply connected open $U \subset \mathbb{C}$ then \exists analytic function $F: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ st. $F'(z) = f(z)$.

This is because we can define $F(z) = \int_{z_0}^z f(z) dz$, Cauchy's thm implies that the choice of path doesn't matter: given any piecewise differentiable closed loop γ in U , $\int_\gamma f(z) dz = 0$. In fact, over discs $B_r(z_0) \subset U$ we can define F by term-by-term integration of the power series expression for f .

Simply connected is necessary! eg. $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$ on $\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$, can only integrate to $F(z) = \log z$ over a simply connected subset (not allowing paths that enclose 0).

• Thm: || If f is analytic near a , with $f(a) = b$ and $f'(a) \neq 0$, then \exists analytic inverse function g defined on a neighborhood of b , st $g(b) = a$ & $g'(b) = 1/f'(a)$.

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This is a direct consequence of the inverse function theorem for $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, together with observation that $f'(a) \neq 0 \Rightarrow Df(a)$ is invertible, and its inverse is also complex-linear.

Remark: for real functions of 1 real variable, can do this on any connected interval where $f' \neq 0$ ($\Rightarrow f$ injective), but in complex world this isn't true, even on simply connected domains - eg. $\left. \begin{array}{l} \log = \text{inverse function of } \exp, \\ \sqrt[n]{z} = \text{inverse function of } z^n \end{array} \right\}$ defined only on suitable domains.

The inverse function theorem does give: $\exp'(z) = e^z \Rightarrow \log'(z) = \frac{1}{z}$.

from which we can get eg. $\&$ derivative of $z^{1/n}$ is $\frac{1}{n} z^{-(n-1)/n}$.

power series expressions $\log(1+z) = \int \frac{dz}{1+z} = z - \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^3}{3} - \dots$ ($|R|=1$).

$$(1+z)^\alpha = 1 + \alpha z + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)}{2} z^2 + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)(\alpha-2)}{3!} z^3 + \dots$$

These have singularities at $z=0$ - "branch singularities", not poles.

We'll soon study the behavior of analytic functions at an isolated singularity, ie. st- f is defined on $U - \{z_0\}$, $z_0 \in \text{int}(U)$, but this won't handle $\log z$ or z^α which aren't analytic on a whole $D(r) = D(r) - \{0\}$.