

Introduction to Complex Analysis

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1.1 Introduction to Complex Numbers

Let $z = a + ib \in \mathbb{C}$ where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $i^2 = -1$.

This number can be thought of as a point in 2-space, \mathbb{R}^2 , (a, b) or as a position in \mathbb{C} .

\mathbb{R}^2 : \oplus addition; \odot scalar multiplication.

\mathbb{C} : \oplus addition; \odot scalar multiplication; a vector space; have multiplication of elements, \mathbb{C} is a field.

$$\text{If } z = a + ib, w = c + id, \text{ then } zw = (ac - bd) + i(ad + cb)$$

$$zw = wz$$

$$z(w + \alpha) = zw + z\alpha$$

$$(zw)\alpha = z(w\alpha)$$

1.2 Conjugate of Complex Numbers

1.2.1 Definition of Conjugate

The complex conjugate of z , \bar{z} , is defined by

$$\bar{z} = a - ib$$

Geometric representation: The image of \bar{z} is the reflection of z about the Real axis.

1.2.2 Properties of Conjugate

$$\overline{\bar{z}} = z$$

$$\overline{zw} = \bar{z}\bar{w}$$

$$\overline{z + w} = \bar{z} + \bar{w}$$

$$\bar{z} = z \text{ if and only if } z \in \mathbb{R}$$

1.2.3 Real and Imaginary Parts

We can project z onto the Real or Imaginary axis and measure its distance from 0:

$$\Re(z) = a$$

$$\Im(z) = b, \text{ not } ib$$

Each function is a map $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\Re(z) = \frac{z + \bar{z}}{2}$$

$$\Im(z) = \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2i}$$

This is similar to the pattern with even/odd functions.

1.3 Modulus of Complex Numbers

Note: $z\bar{z} = (a + ib)(a - ib) = a^2 + b^2 \in \mathbb{R}$

1.3.1 Definition of Modulus

$|z|$ length/modulus of z is defined by:

$$|z| = (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (z\bar{z})^{\frac{1}{2}} \in \mathbb{R}$$

1.3.2 Properties of Modulus

$$|zw| = |z||w|$$

$$|z| = |\bar{z}|$$

$$|z| \geq 0$$

$$|z| = 0 \text{ if and only if } z = 0$$

1.3.3 Triangle Inequality

Triangle Inequality:

$$|z + w| \leq |z| + |w|$$

Reverse Triangle Inequality:

$$|z| - |w| \leq |z - w|$$

$$z = z - w + w \Rightarrow |z| = |z - w + w| \Rightarrow |z| \leq |z - w| + |w| \Rightarrow |z| - |w| \leq |z - w|.$$

1.3.4 Complex Division

With $z\bar{z} \in \mathbb{R}$, we can define complex division by reducing it to a multiplication problem.

$$\frac{z}{w} = \frac{z\bar{w}}{w\bar{w}} = \frac{1}{w\bar{w}}(z\bar{w})$$

We also have

$$\left| \frac{z}{w} \right| = \frac{|z|}{|w|} \text{ for } w \neq 0$$

1.3.5 Distance in the plane

A disk in the complex plane centered at c of radius $r \in \mathbb{R}$ is of the form

$$\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - c| \leq r\}$$

1.4 Complex Polynomial

A complex polynomial $p(z)$ of degree n is of the form:

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

where $a_n \neq 0$ and $a_i \in \mathbb{C}$ for $i = 0, \dots, n$

1.4.1 Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

The factorization of $p(z)$ factors over \mathbb{C} is unique,

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

We have roots $z_i \in \mathbb{C}$ of $p(z)$ with order $m_i \in \mathbb{N}$.

For example, if $p(z) = z^2 + 4 = (z + 2i)(z - 2i)$, then it factors over \mathbb{C} but not \mathbb{R} .

Note: \mathbb{C} is an algebraically closed field, there are no irreducible polynomials in \mathbb{C} .

Note: $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{N}$ are not algebraically closed.

2 Geometry of the Complex Plane

2.1 Properties of Polar Forms

Complex numbers can be represented in polar forms:

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

with modulus $|z|$ and argument θ . To change between the coordinate systems it follows:

$$|z| = (a^2 + b^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{b}{a}$$

$$a = |z| \cos \theta = \Re(z)$$

$$b = |z| \sin \theta = \Im(z)$$

Note: $\theta_R = \arctan(\frac{b}{a})$ is a reference angle of z . To find θ from θ_R , you need to consider the signs of a and b .

Example:

$$z = -3 + 3i = 3\sqrt{2}(\cos \frac{3\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{3\pi}{4})$$

$$\theta_R = \arctan(\frac{3}{-3}) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\theta = \pi + \theta_R = \pi - \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{3\pi}{4}, \text{ since } \theta \text{ is in } II.$$

2.2 Definition of Argument and argument

$\text{Arg}(z)$ is z 's principle polar angle θ , $z \neq 0$, where $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$.
 $\arg(z)$ is all of z 's polar angles, $\theta + 2k\pi$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

2.3 Euler's Formula

Euler's Formula is defined as a linear combination of $\cos \theta$ and $\sin \theta$, \mathbb{R} -valued functions.

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

It allows us to express z in polar form by

$$z = |z|e^{i\theta}$$

-1 has polar angle π and modulus 1,

$$-1 = e^{i\pi} \text{ or } e^{i\pi} + 1 = 0$$

By the angle addition formulas from trigonometry we find:

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

$$(e^{i\theta})^k = e^{i\theta k}$$

2.4 Geometric Understanding of Multiplication

The polar angle of zw is the sum of the polar angles of z and w . The modulus is the product of the moduli.

$$\text{Arg}(zw) = \text{Arg}(z) + \text{Arg}(w)$$

$$\text{Arg}(\bar{z}) = -\text{Arg}(z)$$

Question: How about $\frac{z}{w}$ and z^4 ?

It follows from trigonometry that $|e^{i\theta}| = 1$, if $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$ we get a parametrization of the unit circle.

Example: Discover all solutions to $w^3 = i = z$

Let $p(z) = w^3 - i$. By Fundamental Theorem of Algebra, there are 3 roots of $p(z)$.

Therefore, $3\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi k$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

This gives us infinitely many solutions, but the solutions form 3 equivalence classes.

All we need is $k = 0, 1, 2$, which gives $\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{6}$, $\theta_2 = \frac{5\pi}{6}$, $\theta_3 = \frac{3\pi}{2}$

Our solutions partitioned the unit circle into 3 equally spaced wedges.

The solutions to $w^3 = i$ are $w_1 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$, $w_2 = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$ and $w_3 = -i$.

This problem of unity can be extended to solving $w^k = z$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$ for unknown k -solutions w .

3 Stereographic Projections, Exponentials and Logs

3.1 Stereographic Projections

We can express the complex plane on the unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^3 . To perform this we project points on the surface of the sphere along the line from the North Pole $(0, 0, 1)$ through the point and onto the plane $z = 0, \mathbb{C}$

$$p_1 = (x_1, x_2, x_3) \rightarrow z = a + ib = \frac{x_1 + ix_2}{1 - x_3}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{2a}{|z|^2 + 1}, x_2 = \frac{2b}{|z|^2 + 1}, x_3 = \frac{|z|^2 - 1}{|z|^2 + 1}$$

Points in the northern hemisphere P_1 , have $|z_1| > 1$; while points in the southern hemisphere P_2 , have $|z_2| < 1$.

3.1.1 Mapping

$$\mathbb{S}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$N = (0, 0, 1) \rightarrow \infty$$

$$S = (0, 0, -1) \rightarrow 0$$

lines of latitude $\rightarrow |z| = r$, circles

lines of longitude $\rightarrow \text{Arg}(z) = \pm\theta$, lines through $(0, 0)$

Note: In general, circles on \mathbb{S}^2 map to circles and lines in \mathbb{C} , orientation is not always preserved.

3.2 Complex Logarithm

3.2.1 Logarithm of Real Numbers

Anytime we are dealing with power, the log function is very useful.

$$\log x = \int_1^x \frac{1}{t} dt \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{R} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^x = \frac{d}{dx} e^{\ln x^x} = \frac{d}{dx} e^{x \ln x} = e^{x \ln x} (x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \ln x) = x^x (1 + \ln x)$$

3.2.2 Logarithm of Complex Numbers

Remember from Euler's Formula, $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$.

$$e^z = e^{a+ib} = e^a e^{ib}$$

$$\text{Arg}(e^z) = b, |e^z| = e^a > 0$$

Therefore, if a is held fixed, e^z maps to a circle as b changes.

On the other hand, if b is held fixed, e^z maps to a line through $(0, 0)$.

3.2.3 Derivation of Complex Logarithm

We want $e^{\log(z)} = z$ for all $z \neq 0$, and thus

$$e^{\Re(\log(z)) + i\Im(\log(z))} = e^{\Re(\log(z))} e^{i\Im(\log(z))} = |z| e^{i\theta} = z$$

$$\Rightarrow |z| = e^{\Re(\log(z))}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Re(\log(z)) = \log |z|$$

From the imaginary part we find

$$e^{i\theta} = e^{i\Im(\log(z))}$$

$$\Rightarrow \arg(z) = \theta = \Im(\log(z))$$

$$\Rightarrow \Im(\log(z)) = \text{Arg}(z)$$

because $\arg(z)$ is not well defined.

Our constructed inverse of e^z is a multi-valued function

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

3.2.4 Conclusion from Derivation

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

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

Note: $\text{Log}(z)$ does not have all the nice behavior as \mathbb{R} -valued $\log(x)$: $\text{Log}(z^k)$.

Sometimes they are co-terminal angles, but they are not equal. See the following example:

$$\begin{cases} \text{Log}(i^3) = \text{Log}(-i) = -i\frac{\pi}{2} \\ 3\text{Log}(i) = 3 \cdot (i\frac{\pi}{2}) = i\frac{3\pi}{2} \end{cases}$$

Example: Compute 3^i :

$$3^i = e^{\text{Log } 3^i} = e^{i \text{Log } 3} = \cos(\text{Log } 3) + i \sin(\text{Log } 3)$$

3.2.5 How Logarithm acts on curves

$$\begin{cases} \text{Maps a circle with radius } r \text{ to a vertical line passing through } (\ln(r), 0) \\ \text{Maps a line with angle } \theta \text{ passing through the origin to a horizontal line passing through } (0, i\theta) \end{cases}$$

4 Topology in \mathbb{C}

4.1 Complex Sequence

Let $\{Z_n\}$ be a sequence in \mathbb{C} .

4.1.1 Cauchy Sequence

The sequence is Cauchy if for all $\epsilon > 0$, there is a $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n, m > N$, $|z_n - z_m| < \epsilon$.

4.1.2 Sequence Convergence

The sequence converges if $|z_n - z| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. The distance between z_n and z vanishes.

4.1.3 Completeness of \mathbb{C}

$\{z_n\}$ converges if and only if $\{z_n\}$ is Cauchy.

Proof:

We show this by treating \mathbb{C} as \mathbb{R}^2 and exploiting $\{X_n\}$ converges if and only if $\{X_n\}$ is Cauchy.

(\implies) (If $z_n \rightarrow z$, then $\Re(z_n) \rightarrow \Re(z)$ and $\Im(z_n) \rightarrow \Im(z)$. Since the sequences of \mathbb{R}^2 converge, they are Cauchy.

$$|Z_n - Z_m| \leq |\Re(Z_n - Z_m)| + |\Im(Z_n - Z_m)| = |\Re(Z_n) - \Re(Z_m)| + |\Im(Z_n) - \Im(Z_m)|$$

Upper bounds can be picked to be less than $\frac{\epsilon}{2}$ for some N . Therefore, $|Z_n - Z_m| \rightarrow 0$.

(\impliedby) If $\{Z_n\}$ is Cauchy, so are $\{\Re(Z_n)\}$ and $\{\Im(Z_n)\}$. But these are \mathbb{R} -sequences that converge. Therefore, $\{Z_n\}$ converges.

4.2 Complex Set

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$. Sets can be open, closed, both, or neither.

4.2.1 Open Set

If for any $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$, there exist some $\epsilon > 0$, such that the set $B_\epsilon(z_0) = \{z \mid |z - z_0| < \epsilon\}$ is contained in Ω , then Ω is open.

Ω is open if and only if Ω^c is closed.

Ω is open if and only if Ω is equal to its own interior, which means it does not contain its boundary points $\partial\Omega$, i.e. it does not contain its closure.

4.2.2 Closed Set

If Ω contains its limit point, then Ω is closed.

Ω is closed if and only if Ω^c is open.

Ω is closed if and only if Ω contains its boundary points.

4.2.3 Compact Set

If Ω can be contained in a disk of finite radius, then Ω is bounded.

4.2.4 Compact Set

If Ω is closed and bounded, then Ω is compact. This resembles $[a, b]$ in \mathbb{R} .

4.2.5 Connected Set

If any two points in Ω can be connected by a path, then Ω is connected.

Simply Connected Set: A simply connected set has no "holes" in it. For example, $\Omega = \{z \mid |z - c| < 4\}$.

A connected but not simply connected set is an annulus, $\Omega = \{z \mid 2 < |z - c| < 4\}$

4.2.6 Boundary of Set

The boundary of Ω , $\partial\Omega$ is all points with ϵ -balls intersecting Ω and Ω^c for all $\epsilon > 0$.

4.2.7 Interior of Set

The interior of Ω , $\text{Int}(\Omega)$, is all points in Ω with a ϵ -ball contained in Ω for some $\epsilon > 0$. "Largest open set in Ω ".

4.2.8 Closure of Set

The closure of Ω is the union of Ω and its boundary $\partial\Omega$.

4.2.9 Domain

If a set is open and connected in \mathbb{C} , it is a domain.

A domain can be traversed by a path of horizontal and vertical line segments.

4.2.10 Practice Examples

Determine whether the following sets are open or closed.

1. $\Omega = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$

Ω is open since it does not contain its closure, the point 0.

Ω is not closed since it does not contain its limit points. Let $z_n = \frac{1}{n}$. Then $z_n = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0 \notin \Omega$.

Therefore, Ω is open.

2. $\Omega = \{z \mid |z| \geq 1\}$

Ω is not open since any ϵ -ball at 1 intersects Ω^c .

Ω is closed since Ω^c is open.

Therefore, Ω is closed.

3. $\Omega = \{z \mid |z| > 1\}$

Ω is open since Ω^c is closed.

Ω is not closed since it does not contain its limit points. Let $z_n = \frac{1}{n} + 1$. Then $z_n = \frac{1}{n} + 1 \rightarrow 1 \notin \Omega$.

4. $\Omega = \mathbb{C} \setminus (0, 1)$

Ω is not open. Its complement is $[0, 1]$. Even though it is closed in \mathbb{R} , it is not closed in \mathbb{C} , because any 2D ϵ -ball will always extend outside of the set $z \in (0, i)$. Hence, Ω^c is not open and not closed.

Ω is not closed since it does not contain its limit points. Let $z_n = \frac{1}{3} + i\frac{1}{n}$. Then $z_n = \frac{1}{3} + i\frac{1}{n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \notin \Omega$.

Therefore, Ω is neither open nor closed.

5. $\Omega = \mathbb{C} \setminus [0, 1]$ Ω is open since $\Omega^c = [0, 1]$ is closed in \mathbb{C} .

Ω is not closed since it does not contain its limit points. Let $z_n = \frac{1}{3} + i\frac{1}{n}$. Then $z_n = \frac{1}{3} + i\frac{1}{n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \notin \Omega$.

Therefore, Ω is open.

Note: Ω^c is not open in \mathbb{C} .

5 Continuity and Branch Cuts

5.1 Complex Continuity

Let $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, Ω is open and connected. If $z_n \rightarrow z_0$ implies $f(z_n) \rightarrow f(z_0)$, then f is continuous at z_0 . Also, f is bounded near z_0 .

f is continuous if for every $\epsilon > 0$, there is $\delta > 0$ such that $|z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(z) - f(z_0)| < \epsilon$.

- In either case, $\Re(f(z))$ and $\Im(f(z))$ are each continuous if and only if $f(z)$ is continuous. This follows the pattern as \mathbb{C} being complete.

- If f and g are continuous, then so are $f + g$, $f \times g$ and $\frac{f}{g}$ (provided $g(z) \neq 0$)

5.2 Complex Limits

Just like in \mathbb{R}^2 , limits are direction independent. Do not restrict limits to just $\Re \rightarrow 0$ or $\Im \rightarrow 0$. See the following example.

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{2x^2y}{x^4 + y^2} \text{ does not exist}$$

as $x \rightarrow 0$, $y = 0$, then $f \rightarrow 0$, while $y = x^2$, $x \rightarrow 0$, then $f \rightarrow 1$.

5.3 Branch Cuts

Log, $z^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $\arctan(z)$ are constructed by restricting the range of e^z , z^2 and $\tan(z)$.

For example, in creating $\text{Log}(z) = \ln|z| + i \text{Arg}(z)$, we made a choice that $\text{Arg}(z) \in (-\pi, \pi]$, $\text{Arg}(0)$ does not exist.

5.3.1 Example of a Branch Cut

Consider a path around $z_0 \neq 0$, $\gamma(t) = z_0 + re^{it}$. $\theta(t) = \arg(\gamma(t))$

As we traverse the circle, $t \in (-\pi, \pi]$,

$$\theta(t) = \arg(\gamma(t)) = \text{Arg}(z_0 + re^{it}) + 2\pi k = \text{Arg}(z_0 + re^{i(t+2\pi)}) + 2\pi k = \arg(\gamma(t+2\pi)) = \theta(t+2\pi)$$

Therefore, the angle $\theta(t)$ changes smoothly for all t and we stay on the same branch of $\text{Arg}(\gamma(t))$. That is to say, the $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ is the same for all t .

Compare this with any circular path about $z = 0$, γ_0 . Let $\gamma_0(t) = re^{it}$, $t \in (-\pi, \pi]$. As we traverse the circle once, we have a discontinuity in the principal angle of $\gamma_0(t)$. In particular, $\theta(\gamma_0(t)) \neq \theta(\gamma_0(t+2\pi))$

$$\theta(t) = \arg(\gamma(t)) = \text{Arg}(re^{it}) + 2\pi k \neq \text{Arg}(re^{i(t+2\pi)}) + 2\pi(k+1) = \arg(\gamma(t+2\pi)) = \theta(t+2\pi)$$

We jump from the k th to the $(k+1)$ th branch of Arg . Therefore, $\text{Arg}(z)$ has a branch point at $z = 0$.

5.3.2 Definition of Branch Cuts and Branch Points

If every neighborhood of z_0 contains a path $\gamma(t)$ around z_0 that leads to a jump discontinuity in f , then z_0 is a branch point of $f(z)$.

Finding branches: At this point, it suffices to study paths of the form $\gamma(t) = z_0 + re^{it}$ for $t \in (-\pi, \pi)$, and see if $f(\gamma(t)) = f(\gamma(t+2\pi))$ holds for all t .

- Arg is discontinuous for all x on the negative \mathbb{R} -axis, \mathbb{R}^- . We call this the principal branch cut of the

multi-valued function \arg . Specifically,

$$\operatorname{Arg}(\gamma_0(t)) \rightarrow \pi \text{ as } t \rightarrow \pi^-$$

$$\operatorname{Arg}(\gamma_0(t)) \rightarrow -\pi \text{ as } t \rightarrow -\pi^+$$

but $\gamma_0(\pi) = \gamma_0(-\pi)$ since π and $-\pi$ are coterminal.

\mathbb{R}^- is the principal branch of Log , Arg , and $z^{\frac{1}{2}}$.

- The endpoints of a branch cut are branch points, Arg has 0 and ∞ as its branch points.

6 Differentiability in \mathbb{C}

Let $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ for some domain Ω . Then f is differentiable at z_0 if the following exists.

$$\frac{d}{dz}f(z)|_{z=z_0} = f'(z_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h}$$

This limit must exist on all paths to z_0 , since $h \in \mathbb{C}$. We could also take $z_n \rightarrow z_0$ and use $\frac{f(z_0) - f(z_n)}{z_0 - z_n} \rightarrow f'(z_0)$. Remember limits are computed by looking at the difference in the modulus, $|\frac{f(z_0) - f(z_n)}{z_0 - z_n} - f'(z_0)| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

If $f'(z_0)$ exists on all points $z_0 \in \Omega$, open and connected in \mathbb{C} , then f is holomorphic/ \mathbb{C} -differentiable/analytic on Ω . The connection between \mathbb{R} and \mathbb{C} analytic will be clear when we cover \mathbb{C} -power series.

If $f'(z)$ exists everywhere in \mathbb{C} , then f is an entire/meromorphic function.

6.1 Difference between \mathbb{R} and \mathbb{C} differentiability

- $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = f'(x)$$

has only two paths to x , namely $h \rightarrow 0^+$ and $h \rightarrow 0^-$.

Tangent plane or linear approximation:

$$f(x) \approx f(a) + f'(a)(x - a)$$

- $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h, y) - f(x, y)}{h} = f_x$$

is also a 1D limit and a partial derivative.

Tangent plane or linear approximation:

$$f(x, y) \approx f(a, b) + f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b)$$

- $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ $f(x, y) = (u(x, y), v(x, y))$

Then f is differentiable if the Jacobian Matrix

$$J(f) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{bmatrix}$$

can approximate the local change in f .

In each of the cases above, we are only measuring change in a few directions. However, $h \rightarrow 0$ in \mathbb{C} can be from any direction in 2-space. Therefore, $f'(z)$ existing is a much stronger condition for f on \mathbb{C} than on \mathbb{R} .

6.1.1 Complications with \bar{z}

Consider the following example:

Let $g(z) = \Re(z) = \frac{z+\bar{z}}{2}$, which is a linear combination of continuous functions.

Assume $h \in \mathbb{R}$, $\frac{g(z+ih) - g(z)}{h} = \frac{\Re(z) - \Re(z)}{h} \rightarrow 0$ as $h \rightarrow 0$

Compare this with $\frac{g(z+ih) - g(z)}{h} = \frac{\Re(z) + h - \Re(z)}{h} = 1 \rightarrow 1$ as $h \rightarrow 0$.

Therefore, the function is nowhere differentiable in \mathbb{C} . The problem with $g'(z)$ had to do with \bar{z} , despite reflection in \mathbb{R}^2 about $y = 0$ is differentiable. We will discover conditions on u_x , u_y , v_x , and v_y that ensure f' exists for $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ in the next chapter.

6.2 Properties of $f'(z)$

Proposition: If f is differentiable on Ω , it is continuous on Ω .

Proposition: The power rule holds too: $\frac{d}{dz}z^n = nz^{n-1}$

As does the product, quotient, L'Hospital's and chain rule. In fact, most old results hold as well. In each of the following cases, there are branch points where $f'(z)$ does not exist.

1. If $f(z) = \text{Log}(z)$, then $f'(z) = \frac{1}{z}$
2. If $f(z) = \tan^{-1}(z)$, then $f'(z) = \frac{1}{z^2+1} = \frac{1}{(z+i)(z-i)}$, which does not exist for $z = \pm i$
3. If $f(z) = z^{\frac{1}{2}}$, then $f'(z) = \frac{1}{2}z^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

Proposition: Suppose $f(z)$ is holomorphic on Ω . then $g(z) = \overline{f(\bar{z})}$ is holomorphic on $\Omega^* = \{z | \bar{z} \in \Omega\}$

Proof:

Suppose f is holomorphic on Ω . Let $z_0 \in \Omega^*$ and $z_n \in \Omega^*$ for all n and $z_n \rightarrow z_0$. Then $\bar{z}_n \rightarrow \bar{z}_0$ in Ω and for $\epsilon > 0$, there is a $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for $n > N$.

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(\bar{z}_0) - f(\bar{z}_n)}{\bar{z}_0 - \bar{z}_n} - f'(\bar{z}_0) \right| &< \epsilon \\ \left| \frac{f(\bar{z}_0) - f(\bar{z}_n)}{\bar{z}_0 - \bar{z}_n} - f'(\bar{z}_0) \right| &= \left| \overline{\frac{f(\bar{z}_0) - f(\bar{z}_n)}{\bar{z}_0 - \bar{z}_n} - f'(\bar{z}_0)} \right| = \left| \frac{\overline{f(\bar{z}_0) - f(\bar{z}_n)}}{\overline{\bar{z}_0 - \bar{z}_n}} - \overline{f'(\bar{z}_0)} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{\overline{f(\bar{z}_0) - f(\bar{z}_n)}}{z_0 - z_n} - \overline{f'(\bar{z}_0)} \right| = \left| \frac{g(z_0) - g(z_n)}{z_0 - z_n} - \overline{f'(\bar{z}_0)} \right| < \epsilon \\ &\implies g'(z_0) = \overline{f'(\bar{z}_0)} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, g is holomorphic on Ω^* .

This proof is different from when we showed $\frac{d}{dz}\bar{z}$ does not exist. Conjugation must be handled with care.

6.3 Geometric behavior of $f'(z)$

6.3.1 Dilation

$w = f(z) \approx f'(a)(z - a) + f(a)$. Small changes in z should give small changes in w .

The functions $|z|$ and $\text{Arg}(z)$ are continuous on their domains.

If $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ and f' exists on Ω , then

$$\begin{aligned} |f'(z_0)| &= \left| \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h} \right| = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h} \right| = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)|}{|h|} \\ &\implies |f'(z_0)||h| \approx |f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)| \end{aligned}$$

The size of $|f'(z_0)|$ tells us how much f is contracting/dilating near z_0 .

6.3.2 Rotation

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Arg}(f'(z_0)) &= \text{Arg} \left(\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h} \right) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \text{Arg} \left(\frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h} \right) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \text{Arg}(f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)) - \text{Arg}(h) \\ &\implies \text{Arg}(f'(z_0)) \approx \text{Arg}(f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\implies \text{Arg}(f'(z_0)) + \text{Arg}(h) \approx \text{Arg}(f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0))$$

Therefore, f rotates vectors from z_0 to $z_0 + h$ by the angle $\text{Arg}(f'(z_0))$.

6.3.3 Conclusion

In conclusion, $w = f(z) \approx f(z_0) + f'(z_0)(z - z_0) = c + \rho e^{i\theta}(z - z_0)$

$$\begin{cases} c: \text{ Translation} \\ \rho: \text{ Dilation} \\ e^{i\theta}: \text{ rotation about } z_0 \text{ or complex multiplication.} \end{cases}$$

7 The Cauchy Riemann Equations

7.1 The Cauchy Riemann Equations

Let $f(z) = f(x+iy) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$, then $f(z)$ is holomorphic implies the Cauchy Riemann Equations:

$$\begin{cases} u_x = v_y \\ u_y = -v_x \end{cases}$$

Proof: For f , which is \mathbb{C} -differentiable, the following representation of $f'(z)$ holds for any path to z .

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

Along the path $x+h+iy \rightarrow x+iy$, we get

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h+iy) - f(x+iy)}{h} = f_x = u_x(x, y) + iv_x(x, y)$$

Along the path $x+iy+ih \rightarrow x+iy$, we get

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+i(y+h)) - f(x+iy)}{ih} = \frac{f_y}{i} = -if_y = -i(u_y(x, y) + iv_y(x, y)) = v_y(x, y) - iu_y(x, y)$$

Equate components in $f_x = -if_y$, and it is proven that $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$.

7.1.1 Properties of the Cauchy Riemann Equations

Proposition: If the Cauchy Riemann Equations do not hold at z_0 , then $f'(z_0)$ does not exist.

Proposition: If f is holomorphic on a domain Ω , an open and connected set in \mathbb{C} , then the Cauchy Riemann Equations hold at all points in Ω .

Example:

If $f(x+iy) = x^2 + iy^2$, $u_x = 2x$, $v_x = 0$, $u_y = 0$, $v_y = 2y$. Then $2x = 2y \Rightarrow x = y$, which is a line.

The set of points on the line is not open in \mathbb{C} . Therefore, f is nowhere holomorphic in \mathbb{C} . However, we will see that $f'(z)$ does exist on the line $y = x$.

7.1.2 Sufficiency of the Cauchy Riemann Equations to f'

Follow-Up Question: The Cauchy Riemann Equations do a great job showing f' does not exist. But what about it being sufficient for f' ?

Claim: Satisfying the Cauchy Riemann Equations at z_0 implies that f' exists at z_0 .

Proof:

f is \mathbb{C} -differentiable at z_0 if and only if $u(x, y)$ and $v(x, y)$ have continuous partial derivatives that satisfy the Cauchy Riemann Equations at z_0 . This requires us to treat $f(x+iy)$ as a function on \mathbb{R}^2 , or $f(z)$ induces a map on \mathbb{R}^2 .

Let $h = \Delta x + i\Delta y$,

$$\frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} = \frac{u(x+\Delta x, y+\Delta y) + iv(x+\Delta x, y+\Delta y)}{\Delta x + i\Delta y} - \frac{u(x, y) + iv(x, y)}{\Delta x + i\Delta y}$$

$$u(x+\Delta x, y+\Delta y) - u(x, y) = u(x+\Delta x, y+\Delta y) - u(x, y+\Delta y) + u(x, y+\Delta y) - u(x, y)$$

The function $u(\cdot, \cdot)$ is differentiable in x and y , we can use the M.V.T (Mean Value Theorem) from \mathbb{R} to rewrite our difference in u by

$$u(x + \Delta x, y + \Delta y) - u(x, y + \Delta y) = \Delta x U_x(\underline{x}, y + \Delta y)$$

where $\underline{x} \in (x, x + \Delta x)$.

If u_x is continuous, $u_x(\underline{x}, y + \Delta y) \approx u_x(x, y) + \epsilon_1$, and as $\Delta y \rightarrow 0$ and $\underline{x} \rightarrow x$, by Taylor approximation and linear approximation on u_x , we have the error function $\epsilon_1 \rightarrow 0$.

Next $u(x, y + \Delta y) - u(x, y) = \Delta y u_y(x, \bar{y})$ and $u_y(x, \bar{y}) \approx u_y(x, y) + \epsilon_2$.

Likewise, for the function $v(x, y)$, we get a v_x and v_y with error terms ϵ_3 and ϵ_4 .

$$\frac{f(z + h) - f(z)}{h} = \frac{\Delta x(u_x + \epsilon_1 + iv_x + i\epsilon_3) + \Delta y(u_y + \epsilon_2 + iv_y + i\epsilon_4)}{\Delta x + i\Delta y}$$

From the Cauchy Riemann Equations, we get $f_x = \frac{f_y}{i} \Rightarrow if_x = f_y \Rightarrow i(u_x + iv_x) = u_y + iv_y$. Substituting the terms, we have

$$f'(z) = \frac{\Delta x(u_x + iv_x) + i\Delta y(u_x + iv_x)}{\Delta x + i\Delta y} + \frac{\lambda}{\Delta x + i\Delta y}$$

where $\lambda = \Delta x(\epsilon_1 + i\epsilon_2) + \Delta y(\epsilon_3 + i\epsilon_4)$. However,

$$\left| \frac{\lambda}{\Delta x + i\Delta y} \right| \leq \left| \frac{\Delta x(\epsilon_1 + i\epsilon_2)}{\Delta x + i\Delta y} \right| + \left| \frac{\Delta y(\epsilon_3 + i\epsilon_4)}{\Delta x + i\Delta y} \right| \leq |\epsilon_1 + i\epsilon_2| + |\epsilon_3 + i\epsilon_4|$$

because $\left| \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta x + i\Delta y} \right| \leq 1$.

As $\Delta z \rightarrow 0$, $\left| \frac{\lambda}{\Delta x + i\Delta y} \right| \rightarrow 0$, and thus $f'(z) = u_x + iv_x = f_x = \frac{f_y}{i}$.

Therefore, the Cauchy Riemann Equations are an easy way to show $f'(z)$ exists and they provide a set of partial differential equations that f must satisfy.

Example: Let $f(z) = e^z = e^x(\cos(y) + i\sin(y))$

$$u = e^x \cos(y), v = e^x \sin(y)$$

$$u_x = e^x \cos(y), v_x = e^x \sin(y)$$

$$u_y = -e^x \sin(y), v_y = e^x \cos(y)$$

Therefore, $f(z)$ is \mathbb{C} -differentiable on \mathbb{C} , f is entire/meromorphic. $f'(z) = f_x = u_x + iv_x = f(z)$

7.2 Cauchy Riemann with Logarithm

$$e^{\text{Log}(z)} = z \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dz} e^{\text{Log}(z)} = 1 \Rightarrow z \frac{d}{dz} \text{Log}(z) = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dz} \text{Log}(z) = \frac{1}{z}$$

We have a branch point in $\text{Log}(z)$ where its derivative is undefined. Then $\text{Log}(z)$ is \mathbb{C} -differentiable on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$. This is true regardless of the branch cut on $\text{Log}(z)$.

7.3 Lack of Complex Mean Value Theorem

Claim: $\frac{f(z) - f(w)}{z - w} \neq f'(c)$ for some c between z and w .

Proof: Let $z = 1$, $w = 0$ and $f(t) = e^{i\pi t}$, then $f(1) - f(0) = e^{i\pi} - 1 = -2$. However, $|f'(t)| = \pi$ for all $t \in [0, 1]$.

Follow-Up Question: Does the lack of a Mean Value Theorem for $f'(z)$ suggest $f'(z) = 0$ not imply f

is constant?

Answer: Suppose f is \mathbb{C} -differentiable on Ω and one of the following holds, then f is constant on Ω .

$$\begin{cases} f'(z) = 0 \\ |f(z)| \text{ is constant} \\ \operatorname{Re}(f(z)) \text{ is constant} \\ f\text{'s conjugate is } \mathbb{C}\text{-differentiable on } \Omega \end{cases}$$

7.4 Wirtinger Equations

There is another way to study the Cauchy Riemann Equations by introducing two operators:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = f_z \text{ and } \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = f_{\bar{z}}$$

$$f(x, y) \equiv f(x + iy) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$$

$$f(x, y) = f(\Re(z), \Im(z)) = f\left(\frac{z + \bar{z}}{2}, \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2i}\right)$$

From the chain rule, we get

$$f_z = f_x x_z + f_y y_z = \frac{1}{2}f_x + \frac{1}{2i}f_y = \frac{1}{2}f_x - \frac{i}{2}f_y$$

$$f_{\bar{z}} = f_x x_{\bar{z}} + f_y y_{\bar{z}} = \frac{1}{2}f_x - \frac{1}{2i}f_y = \frac{1}{2}f_x + \frac{i}{2}f_y$$

where $f_x = u_x + iv_x$ and $f_y = u_y + iv_y$

These are the Wirtinger Equations.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - i\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right) \end{cases}$$

7.4.1 Relationship with the Cauchy Riemann Equations

From the Cauchy Riemann Equations $if_x = f_y$ we get:

$$f_{\bar{z}} = \frac{1}{2}f_x + \frac{i}{2}f_y = \frac{1}{2}f_x - \frac{1}{2}f_x = 0$$

$$f_z = \frac{1}{2}f_x - \frac{i}{2}f_y = \frac{1}{2}f_x - \frac{i^2}{2}f_x = f_x = f'(z)$$

f is \mathbb{C} -differentiable at z_0 if and only if $f(x, y) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ is \mathbb{R} -differentiable at z_0 and $f_{\bar{z}}(z_0) = 0$. Then $f'(z_0) = f_z(z_0)$. In other words, $f'(z)$ does not depend on \bar{z} .

8 Harmonic Functions

8.1 Laplacian

Let $u : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then the Laplacian of u is

$$\Delta u = u_{xx} + u_{yy} = \nabla \cdot \nabla u$$

where $\nabla = [\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}]^T$ is the divergence operator and $\nabla u = [u_x, u_y]^T$ is the gradient of u .

8.2 Harmonic Functions

If $\Delta u = 0$, then $u(x, y)$ satisfies Laplace's (partial differential) equation or u is a harmonic function.

This means:

$$\begin{cases} u \text{ is continuous} \\ u\text{'s 1st and 2nd order partial derivatives exist and are smooth.} \end{cases}$$

Proposition: Suppose $f = u + iv$ is holomorphic on Ω where $u(x, y)$ and $v(x, y)$ have continuous 2nd order partial derivatives, then u and v are harmonic and v is the harmonic conjugate of u .

Proof:

By the Cauchy Riemann Equations, $u_x = v_y$ and $v_x = -u_y$, then $u_{xx} = v_{yx}$ and $v_{xy} = -u_{yy}$. By continuity of v_{yx} and v_{xy} , $v_{yx} = v_{xy}$. This implies $u_{xx} = -u_{yy} \Rightarrow u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$

Later on, we will find that the conditions on 2nd order partial derivatives is implied by f being holomorphic on Ω , or f'' exists.

Definition: Harmonic Conjugate

The harmonic conjugate to $u(x, y)$ is a function $v(x, y)$, such that $f(x, y) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ is holomorphic.

Example. Show that $u(x, y) = x^3 - 3xy^2 + y$ is a harmonic function.

$$u_x = 3x^2 - 3y^2, u_y = -6xy + 1$$

$$u_{xx} = 6x, u_{yy} = -6x. \text{ Therefore, } u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

Example. Find the harmonic conjugate of $u(x, y) = x^3 - 3xy^2 + y$.

$$u_x = 3x^2 - 3y^2 = v_y$$

$$u_y = -6xy + 1 = -v_x$$

$$\Rightarrow v = 3x^2y - y^3 + C(x) \text{ or } v = 3x^2y - x + C(y)$$

Therefore, $v = 3x^2y - y^3 - x + C$ is u 's harmonic conjugate.

Proposition:

If u is harmonic on a domain Ω , then u_x is the real part of a holomorphic function on Ω . If Ω is simply connected, unlike $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, then u is the real part of a holomorphic function on Ω .

Proof:

Assume u is harmonic and Ω is connected. If $f = u_x - iu_y$, then $f_y = if_x$. Hence, f is differentiable on Ω . The simply connected statement requires future theorems to show $F'(z) = f(z)$ for some holomorphic antiderivative $F(z)$.

9 Conformal Maps

Example. Let $f(z) = (x + iy)^2 + 2(x + iy) = (x^2 + 2x - y^2) + i2(xy + y)$. When are the component functions, $u(x, y)$ and $v(x, y)$ constant?

When are the component functions, $u(x, y)$ and $v(x, y)$, constant?

The function $f(z) = e^z = e^x(\cos(y) + i\sin(y))$ maps the set $\Omega = \{z : |\Im(z)| < \pi\}$ to circles of radius $r \in (-\infty, \infty)$, or all points in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}^-$. This coincides with the branch cut of $\text{Log}(z)$, or how we made e^z invertible.

9.1 Preservation of Angles

We will now show e^z preserves the angles between curves in Ω . Let us first look at the following example.

Let $\gamma_1(t) = 2i\pi t - i\pi$, $\gamma_2(t) = t + i\frac{\pi}{4}$. $\gamma_1(0) = -i\pi$, $\gamma_1(1) = i\pi$.

The curves γ_1 and γ_2 intersect at an angle $\frac{\pi}{2}$. Also $f(\gamma_1)$ is a circle centered at 0 while $f(\gamma_2)$ is a line through $z = 0$. Their intersection in the w -plane is $\frac{\pi}{2}$ as well.

We will show why $f(z) = e^z$ does this by studying the angles between curves γ_1 and γ_2 and curves $\tau_1 = f(\gamma_1)$ and $\tau_2 = f(\gamma_2)$. If $\gamma(t)$ parameterizes a smooth curve in \mathbb{C} , then its tangent vector is $\gamma'(t)$. The angle between any two curves at z_0 is the angle between their tangent vectors at z_0 .

Assume the curves intersect at $\gamma(r_0) = \gamma(s_0) = z_0$.

Let the angle of intersection, θ , measured from γ'_1 to γ'_2 in the counter-clockwise direction.

Let the angle of intersection after transformation of f , φ , measured from τ'_1 to τ'_2 in the counter-clockwise direction. From past chapters, we know $\theta \approx \varphi$ if f is holomorphic. Now, let us assume f is only \mathbb{R} -differentiable and see how f acts on the angle θ .

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

New curve, f on γ : $\tau(t) = f(\gamma(t)) = u(\gamma(t)) + iv(\gamma(t)) = (\underline{X}(t), \underline{Y}(t))$

New tangent vector: $\tau'(t) = \frac{d}{dt}\tau(t) = (\underline{X}'(t), \underline{Y}'(t))$, where we can invoke the chain rule:

$$\underline{X}'(t) = u_x(\gamma(t))x'(t) + u_y(\gamma(t))y'(t)$$

$$\underline{Y}'(t) = v_x(\gamma(t))x'(t) + v_y(\gamma(t))y'(t)$$

If we have $f = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ is \mathbb{R} -differentiable, then

$$J(f) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{bmatrix}$$

is the Jacobian Matrix of f and $\tau'(t) = \gamma'(t) \cdot J(f)^T$

If f is \mathbb{C} -differentiable and $\gamma(r_0) = z_0$ where $\gamma(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$, then $f'(z) = u_x + iv_x$ and $\gamma'(t) = x' + iy'$.

$$f'(z_0)\gamma'(r_0) = f'(\gamma(r_0))\gamma'(r_0) = (u_x + iv_x)(x' + iy') = (u_x x' - v_x y') + i(u_x y' + v_x x')$$

Applying the Cauchy Riemann Equations,

$$\begin{aligned} (u_x x' - v_x y') + i(u_x y' + v_x x') &= (u_x x' + u_y y') + i(v_x x' + v_y y') = (u_x x' + u_y y', v_x x' + v_y y') \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^2 \\ &= \gamma'(r_0) J f(z_0)^T = \tau' \end{aligned}$$

By now, we have an understanding of how f acts on tangent vectors when $f' \neq 0$, namely $\theta = \varphi$.

9.2 Conformal Function

9.2.1 Conditions of Conformal Functions

We say f is a conformal map at z_0 if the following hold:

- ① f is \mathbb{R}^2 -differentiable at z_0
- ② $|Jf| \neq 0$
- ③ f preserves the oriented angle θ , between γ_1 and γ_2 and τ_1 and τ_2 at z_0 and $f(z_0)$.

9.2.2 e^z is conformal

Now let us take a closer look at e^z and figure out why it is conformal.

- ① holds apparently.
- ② $f(z) = e^z = e^x \cos(y) + ie^x \sin(y)$, then

$$J(f(x, y)) = \begin{bmatrix} e^x \cos(y) & -e^x \sin(y) \\ e^x \sin(y) & e^x \cos(y) \end{bmatrix} = e^x \begin{bmatrix} \cos(y) & -\sin(y) \\ \sin(y) & \cos(y) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow |J(f(x, y))| \neq 0$$

- ③ Now we have shown in the previous part that Jf is the product of a dilation matrix, $e^x I$, and a rotation matrix, which means f preserves the angles between γ'_1 and γ'_2 . Their image under f :

$$\begin{aligned} \tau'_1(t) &= \gamma'_1(t) \cdot J(f)^T \\ \tau'_2(t) &= \gamma'_2(t) \cdot J(f)^T \end{aligned}$$

In fact, f preserving oriented angles implies Jf is a rotation \otimes dilation matrix. Hence, it is proven that e^z is conformal.

9.3 Conformal Map

Definition: If f is conformal, infinitely differentiable, and one-to-one on a domain Ω to V , then f is a conformal map from Ω to V .

For example, e^z is conformal map from $\Omega = \{z : |\Im(z)| < \pi\}$ to $V = \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}^-$.

Proposition: If f is complex differentiable and $f'(z_0) \neq 0$, it is a linear transform of a dilation by $|f'(z_0)|$ and a rotation by $\text{Arg}(f'(z_0))$. Hence, f is conformal because ③ is satisfied.

Example. $f(z) = z^2$ on $\Omega = \{z | 1 < |z| < 3 \text{ and } \Im(z) > 0\}$ is conformal.

Inverse Function Theorem:

If f is a continuously differentiable function with nonzero derivative at the point a , then f is invertible in a neighborhood of a , the inverse is continuously differentiable, and the derivative of the inverse function at $b = f(a)$ is the reciprocal of the derivative of f at a :

$$(f^{-1})'(b) = \frac{1}{f'(a)} = \frac{1}{f'(f^{-1}(b))}$$

Proposition: If f is invertible at z_0 and conformal, then f^{-1} is conformal at $f(z_0)$ by the inverse function theorem provided f is continuously differentiable.

From the proposition above, we know that $\text{Log}(z)$ is conformal on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}^-$.

10 Bilinear Transformations

In complex analysis, the term linear transformation is used to describe affine transformations, $f(z) = az + b$.

A bilinear/Möbius transformation is of the form

$$\frac{az + b}{cz + d}$$

where $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}$.

Now, $f(\infty) = \frac{a}{c}$ by L'Hospital argument and we say $f(-\frac{d}{c}) = \infty$.

If $ad - bc \neq 0$, then $f' \neq 0$ by the quotient rule and f is not constant. The constants are not unique, as $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d} = \frac{(az+b)k}{(cz+d)k}$. Therefore, we only have 3 degrees of freedom.

We have already seen these functions of this form before f is:

① Composition of a finite number of

$$\begin{cases} \text{Translations, } f(z) = z + k \\ \text{Rotations, } f(z) = e^{i\theta} z \\ \text{Dilations, } f(z) = kz, k \in \mathbb{R} \\ \text{Inversions, } f(z) = \frac{1}{z} \end{cases}$$

② Conformal, f is holomorphic away from $z = -\frac{d}{c}$, $f' \neq 0$, and f is one-to-one.

③ Maps circles/lines to either lines or circles, "lines are circles of ∞ -radius in \mathbb{C} or $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$.

If the line or circle passes through $z = -\frac{d}{c}$, where f is undefined, then it will be mapped to a line. Otherwise, it is mapped to a circle.

④ f can be identified by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Then,

$$\begin{cases} f \circ f \equiv A \circ A = A^2 \\ f^{-1} \equiv A^{-1} \\ f \circ g \equiv AB \end{cases}$$

and so there is a group homomorphism with Möbius transforms and invertible matrices in $\mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2}$.

$$f(z) = (3 + 2i)z - i^3 = \frac{(3+2i)z - i^3}{\delta z + 1}$$

⑤ We can conformally map 3 points in $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ to any 3 points in $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$.

This type of argument is similar to showing norms are equivalent in \mathbb{R}^n or uniqueness of power series expansions.

Given any 3 points $z_0, z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$, we can create a Möbius transformation T such that

$$\begin{cases} T(z_0) = 0 \\ T(z_1) = 1 \\ T(z_2) = \infty \end{cases}$$

then $T(z) = (z, z_0, z_1, z_2) = \frac{(z-z_0)(z_1-z_2)}{(z-z_2)(z_1-z_0)}$ is called the cross-ratio of z, z_0, z_1 , and z_2 .

Special cases:

$$\begin{cases} (z, \infty, z_1, z_2) = \frac{z_1 - z_2}{z - z_2} \\ (z, z_0, \infty, z_2) = \frac{z - z_0}{z - z_2} \\ (z, z_0, z_1, \infty) = \frac{z - z_0}{z_1 - z_0} \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\begin{cases} T^{-1}(0) = z_0 \\ T^{-1}(1) = z_1 \\ T^{-1}(\infty) = z_2 \end{cases}$$

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$$f(x) = x^2$$

this formula is an example $f(x) = x$

$$1 + 2 = 3$$

$$1 = 3 - 2$$

$$f(x) = x^2$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$h(x) = \int_b^a \frac{1}{x} x^3$$

$$F(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)$$

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