

# Introduction

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## 1 Foundations of Complex Analysis

Let  $\Omega$  be a domain that is open and connected, and consider  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  as a complex differentiable function.

There are three primary approaches to studying complex analytic (holomorphic) functions:

1. **Partial Differential Equations** (Cauchy-Riemann equations)
2. **Power Series**
3. **Integral Formulas**

### 1.1 The Cauchy-Riemann Approach

For a function  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , we define the Wirtinger derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \tag{1}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \tag{2}$$

The Cauchy-Riemann equations are equivalent to the condition:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = 0 \text{ everywhere on } \Omega$$

## 1.2 Power Series Approach

For  $a \in \mathbb{C}$ , consider a convergent power series  $\sum_{n \geq 0} c_n(z - a)^n$  with radius of convergence  $R > 0$ . We define:

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(z - a)^n \text{ for } |z - a| < R$$

that is, for  $z \in D(a; R)$  (the open disk centered at  $a$  with radius  $R$ ).

**Theorem 1.1.** *If  $f$  is holomorphic in  $D(a; R)$ , then:*

$$f'(z) = \sum_{n \geq 1} n c_n (z - a)^{n-1}$$

## 1.3 Cauchy Integral Formula

Suppose  $f : D(a; R) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is holomorphic. For any  $0 < r < R$  and  $z \in D(a; r)$ , we have:

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\partial D(a; r)} \frac{f(\xi)}{z - \xi} d\xi$$

**Theorem 1.2** (Taylor's Theorem for Holomorphic Functions). *Let  $f : D(a; R) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic on the open disk  $D(a; R) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a| < R\}$ , where  $R > 0$ . Then  $f$  has a convergent power series expansion around  $a$ :*

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z - a)^n, \quad |z - a| < R,$$

where

$$c_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}.$$

Moreover, the radius of convergence of this series is at least  $R$ .

## 2 Meromorphic Functions