

# Precalculus complex variables #7

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## derivatives and the CR equations

$f(z) = |z|$  is not differentiable

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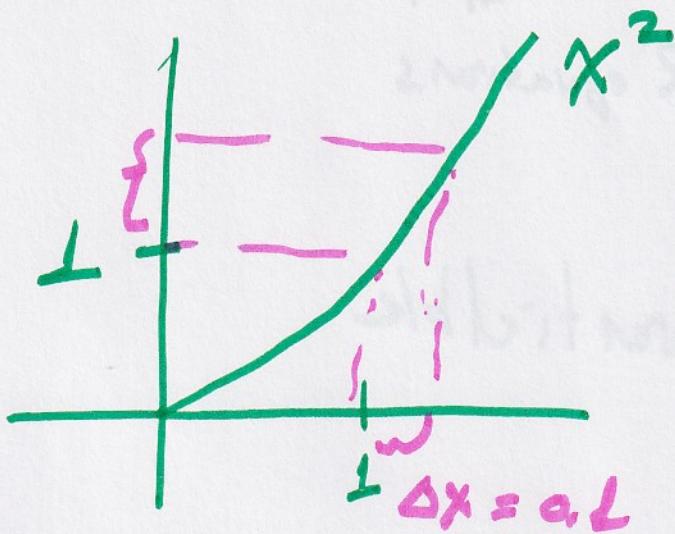
2. In this question we will try to interpret the differentials  $dx$ ,  $dy$ ,  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta y$  for a real-valued function. Let's consider  $y = f(x) = x^2$

(a) if  $x_0 = 1$  evaluate  $y_0 = f(x_0)$

$$y_0 = f(1) = 1^2 = 1$$

(b) If we make a small change to the  $x$  coordinate, called  $\Delta x$ , this will cause a small change in the  $y$  coordinate called  $\Delta y$ . If  $\Delta x = 0.1$ , determine  $\Delta y$ .

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$$f(1.1) = (1.1)^2 = 1.21$$

$$\therefore 1.21 - 1 = 0.21$$

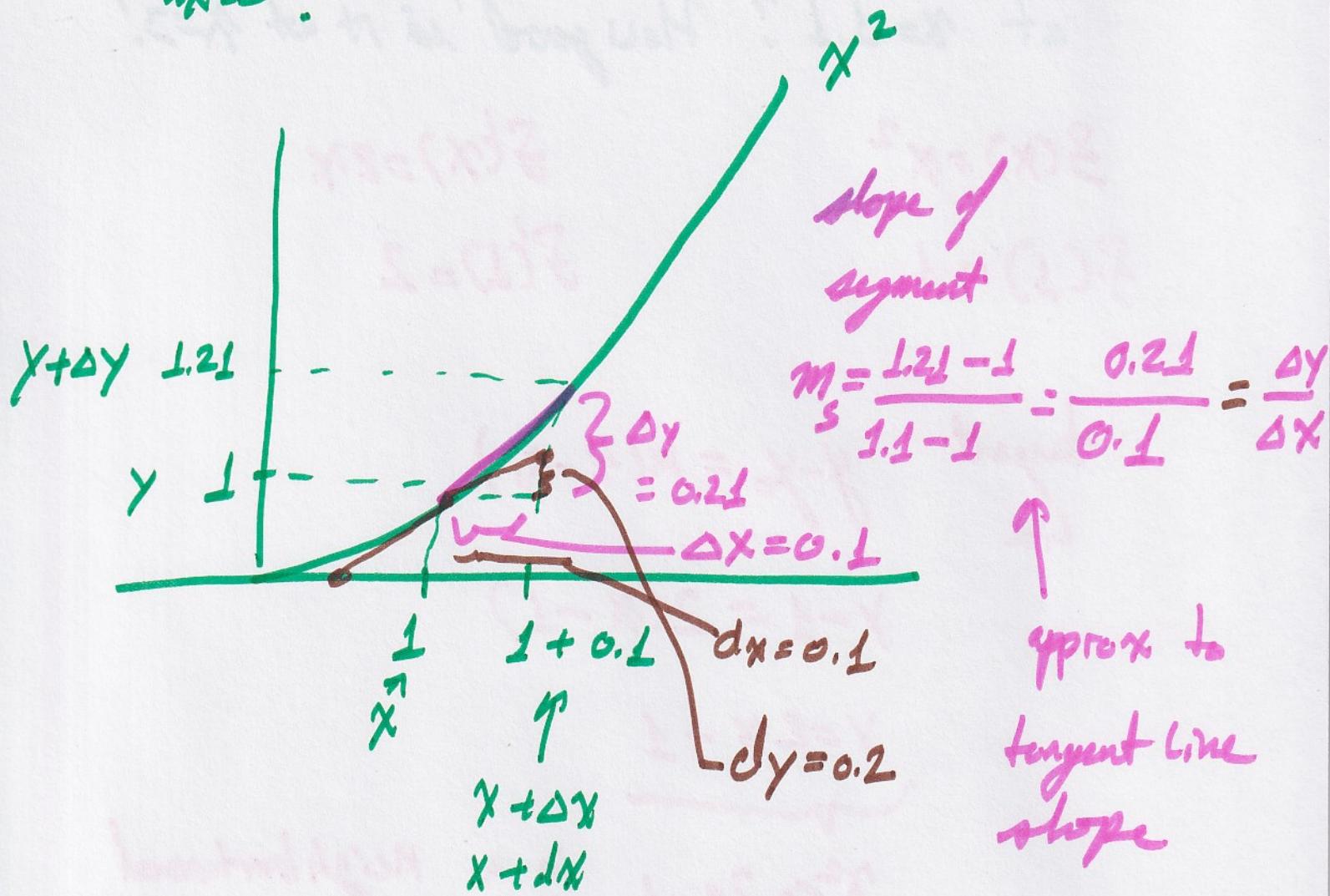
$\Delta y$

(c) we know that  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x$ . Using  $x_0 = 1$  and  $dx = 0.1$ , evaluate  $dy$

$$\begin{aligned} dy &= 2x dx \\ &= 2(1)(0.1) = 0.2 \end{aligned}$$

$dy$  is different to  $\Delta y$

(d) Plot  $f(x)$ ,  $(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0 + \Delta y)$ ,  $\Delta x = dx$ ,  $\Delta y$ , and  $dy$  on the same set of axes.



$$m_T = \frac{0.2}{0.1}$$

But as  $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\Delta y \rightarrow dy$

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

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(F) Explain why  $x^2 \approx 2x - 1$  in a neighborhood of  $x=1$ . How "good" is this approximation at  $x=1.1$ ? How good is it at  $x=3$ ?

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

$$f(x) = 2x$$

$$f(1) = 1$$

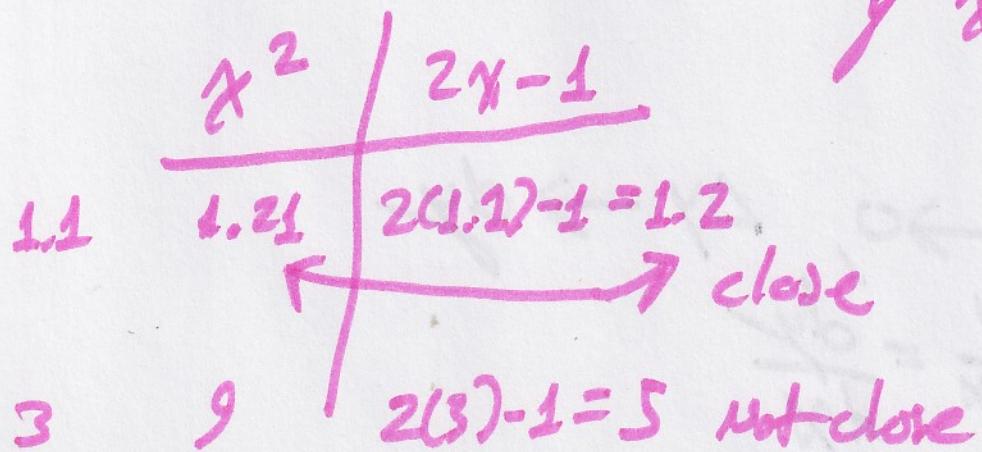
$$f'(1) = 2$$

tangent  
line  $y - y_0 = m(x - x_0)$

$$y - 1 = 2(x - 1)$$

$$\underbrace{y = 2x - 1}$$

$x^2 \approx 2x - 1$  in a neighborhood  
of  $x=1$



$$\frac{d}{dz} |z| = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{|z + \Delta z| - |z|}{\Delta z}$$

real  
complex

3. In this question, we will try to interpret the differentials  $dz$ ,  $dw$ ,  $\Delta z$  and  $\Delta w$  for a complex-valued function. Let's consider  $w = f(z) = z^2$ ,

(a) if  $z_0 = 1+i$ . Evaluate  $w_0 = f(z_0)$

$$\begin{aligned} f(1+i) &= (1+i)^2 \\ &= 1 + 2i + i^2 = 2i \end{aligned}$$

(b) if we make a small change in a neighborhood of  $z$ , called  $\Delta z$ , we expect this will cause a small change in the neighborhood of  $w$  called  $\Delta w$ . If  $\Delta z = 0.1$ , determine  $\Delta w$

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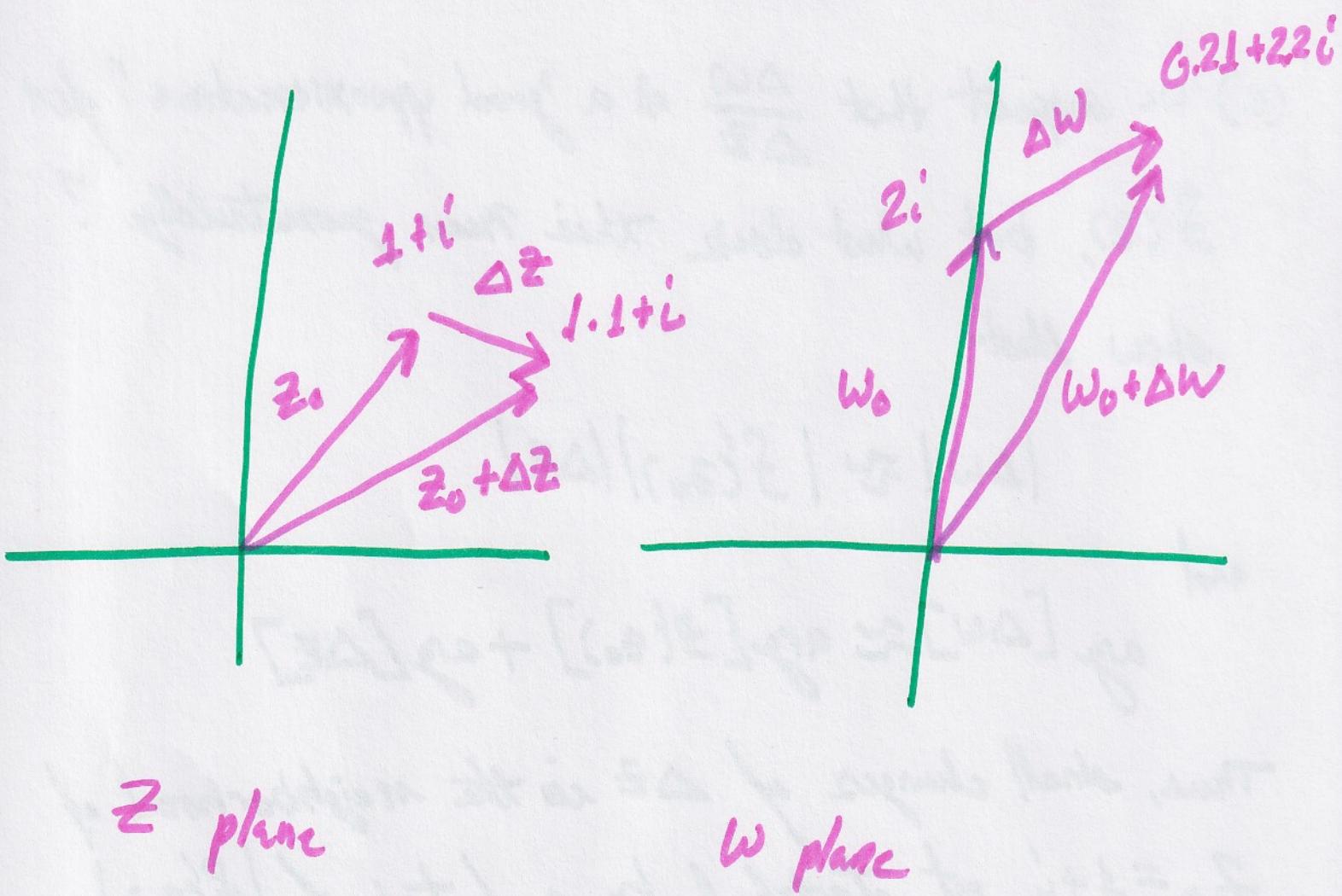
$$z + \Delta z = 1 + i + 0.1 = 1.1 + i$$

$$\begin{aligned}f(1.1+i) &= (1.1+i)^2 \\&= 1.21 + 2.2i + i^2 \\&= 0.21 + 2.2i\end{aligned}$$

How is this different from  $f(1+i)$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta w &= \underbrace{0.21 + 2.2i - 2i}_{w_0 + \Delta w} - w_0 \\&= 0.21 + 0.2i = \Delta w\end{aligned}$$

(c) Plot  $z_0$ ,  $\Delta z$  and  $z_0 + \Delta z$  on the same Argand diagram as a triangle. Plot  $w_0$ ,  $\Delta w$  and  $w_0 + \Delta w$  on a second Argand diagram as a triangle. It may be helpful to think of these complex numbers as vectors.



(d) We know that  $f'(z) = 2z$  (you can show this using the limit definition if you want).

Evaluate  $f'(z_0)$

$$f'(z) = 2z$$

$$f'(1+i) = 2(1+i) = 2 + 2i$$

(e) We suspect that  $\frac{\Delta w}{\Delta z}$  is a "good approximation" for  $f'(z)$ , but what does this mean geometrically?  
show that

$$|\Delta w| \approx |f'(z_0)| |\Delta z|$$

and

$$\arg[\Delta w] \approx \arg[f'(z_0)] + \arg[\Delta z]$$

Thus, small changes of  $\Delta z$  in the neighborhood of  $z_0 = 1+i$  get stretched by a factor of  $|f'(z_0)|$  and rotated by  $\arg[f'(z_0)]$ .

$$\frac{\Delta w}{\Delta z} = \frac{0.21 + 0.2i}{0.1} = 2.1 + 2i$$

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$$|\Delta w| = |0.21 + 0.2i| = 0.29$$

$$\text{Arg} \Delta w \approx \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\operatorname{Arg} f(z_0) + \operatorname{Arg} \Delta z = \frac{\pi}{4} + 0 = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$\delta z$  vectors are getting stretched and twisted  
into  $\delta w$

$$\text{This action} / \Delta z \Rightarrow \frac{|f'(z_0)|}{e^{i\pi/4}}$$

$\downarrow$   
Stretch by modulus  $f'(z_0)$   
and twisted by  $\pi/4$

## Part II: The Cauchy-Riemann Equations

We will develop a set of Partial differential equations that serve as a necessary and sufficient condition for a complex-valued function to be differentiable with respect to a complex variable. Despite being named after Augustin Cauchy and Bernhard Riemann, the equations initially appeared in the work of d'Alembert and Euler.

However, Cauchy and Riemann's work on complex function theory in the mid-nineteenth century aptly caused this set of equations to be known as the Cauchy-Riemann equations.

- A complex function is entire if it is differentiable in the entire complex plane, and analytic in an open set  $D$  if it has a derivative at every point in  $D$
- If  $u(x,y)$ , where  $x(r,\theta)$  and  $y(r,\theta)$ , then  $u_r = u_x x_r + u_y y_r$  by the chain rule

1.) The following is an outline of a proof for determining the Cauchy-Riemann equations. Work through each step, filling in the blanks. 11

(a) If we consider  $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$ , we can substitute into our complex function to get

$$f(z_0) = f(x_0, y_0) = \underline{u(x_0, y_0) + i v(x_0, y_0)}$$

$$f(x, y) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y)$$

real      Imag. part

$$f(z) = z^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= (x + iy)^2 \\ &= x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy \\ &= (x^2 - y^2) + i(2xy) \end{aligned}$$

$$F(x_0, y_0) = u(x_0, y_0) + i v(x_0, y_0)$$

$$F(1+i) = (1+i)^2 = 2i$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(z, \bar{z}) &= (z^2 - \bar{z}^2) + i(2 \cdot z \cdot \bar{z}) \\ &= 2i \end{aligned}$$

(b) we assume  $f$  is differentiable, so that the limit as  $\Delta z \rightarrow 0$  must be true from all paths. Specifically, let's approach along the horizontal path  $(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$ . This gives

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z_0 + \Delta z) - f(z_0)}{\Delta z}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0) + i v(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0) - u(x_0, y_0) - i v(x_0, y_0)}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0) - u(x_0, y_0)}{\Delta x} + i \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{v(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0) - v(x_0, y_0)}{\Delta x}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad u(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0) \quad \textcircled{2} \quad iv(x_0, y_0)$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \frac{u(x_0 + \Delta x) - u(x_0, y_0)}{\Delta x}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \frac{v(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0) - v(x_0, y_0)}{\Delta x}$$

(c) Next, we approach along the vertical line  $(x_0, y_0 + \Delta y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$ . This gives

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z_0 + \Delta z) - f(z_0)}{\Delta z}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_0, y_0 + \Delta y) + iv(x_0, y_0 + \Delta y) - u(x_0, y_0) - iv(x_0, y_0)}{i \Delta y}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{v(x_0, y_0 + \Delta y) - v(x_0, y_0)}{\Delta y} - i \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_0, y_0 + \Delta y) - u(x_0, y_0)}{\Delta y}$$

$$= V_y(x_0, y_0) - i U_y(x_0, y_0)$$

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$$\textcircled{1} \quad u(x_0, y_0 + \Delta y) \quad \textcircled{2} \quad iv(x_0, y_0 + \Delta y)$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \frac{v(x_0, y_0 + \Delta y) - v(x_0, y_0)}{\Delta y}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \frac{u(x_0, y_0 + \Delta y) - u(x_0, y_0)}{\Delta y}$$

(d) Equating our results from (b) and (c),  
we see that  $u_x = v_y$  and  $u_y = -v_x$

2. Let's develop the polar form of the Cauchy-Riemann equations

(a) Express  $x$  and  $y$  as functions of  $r$  and  $\theta$ , where  $r > 0$  is the modulus and  $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$  is the argument.

$$\begin{aligned} z = x + iy &= r e^{i\theta} \\ &= r [\cos \theta + i \sin \theta] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \end{cases}$$

(b) Use the chain rule to determine  $u_r$  and  $v_\theta$ . Use the Cartesian form of the Cauchy-Riemann equations to express  $u_r$  in terms of  $r$  and  $v_\theta$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} u(x,y) & & v(x,y) \\ \swarrow \quad \searrow & & / \quad \searrow \\ x(r,\theta) & y(r,\theta) & x(r,\theta) \quad y(r,\theta) \end{array}$$

~~$$u_r = u_x \cdot x_r + u_y \cdot y_r$$~~

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$$\cancel{V} \quad V_\theta = V_x \cdot X_\theta + V_y \cdot Y_\theta$$

$$U_r = U_x \cos \theta + U_y \sin \theta \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} V_\theta = V_x \sin \theta \\ V_r = -V_x \cos \theta \\ V_\theta = -U_x \sin \theta + U_y \cos \theta \end{array} \right.$$

CR equations

$$U_x = V_y \quad \text{and} \quad U_y = -V_x$$

$$r \cdot U_r = V_\theta$$

$$U_r = \frac{1}{r} V_\theta \quad \text{CR polar Equations}$$