

Draft: On regions of convergence of quaternionic hyperholomorphic functions.

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Abstract. We show that the natural region of convergence of quaternionic hyperholomorphic functions is not a sphere but a bigger region. We extend the theorem of Cauchy-Hadamard and the theorem of Abel on convergence of series to quaternionic analysis.

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1. Introduction

Let \mathbb{H} denote the quaternion numbers. A function $f : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$ is said to be (left) hyperholomorphic in a neighborhood V of the origin, if f is real differentiable on V and if $Df = 0$ when D is the Cauchy-Riemann-Fueter operator:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_0} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}.$$

Definition 1.0.1. *The Fueter's basis [2] is given by the hyperholomorphic functions $\zeta_n : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}, n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, defined on $h = h_0 + ih_1 + jh_2 + kh_3$ by*

$$\begin{aligned}\zeta_1(h) &= h_1 - ih_0, \\ \zeta_2(h) &= h_2 - jh_0, \\ \zeta_3(h) &= h_3 - kh_0.\end{aligned}$$

The Taylor expansion of a (left) hyperholomorphic function f at the origin is given in terms of non-commutative polynomials

$$f(x) = \sum_0^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{\nu=(n_1, n_2, n_3) \\ n_1+n_2+n_3=n}} P_{\nu} a_{\nu},$$

where

$$P_\nu = \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{(i_1, \dots, i_n) \in A_\nu} \zeta_{i_1} \cdots \zeta_{i_n},$$

and the sum is over elements of A_ν , the set of all possible ways to multiply n_1 copies of ζ_1 , n_2 copies of ζ_2 and n_3 copies of ζ_3 [3]. In [1] we can find a review of the recent work about the Taylor series in quaternionic analysis.

We denote by $|||'$ the norm

$$||x_0 + ix_1 + jx_2 + kx_3||' = \max\{||x_0 + ix_1||, ||x_0 + jx_2||, ||x_0 + kx_3||\},$$

the corresponding balls $B(0, r) := \{x \in \mathbb{H} \mid ||x|| < r\}$ and $B'(0, r) := \{x \in \mathbb{H} \mid ||x||' < r\}$ satisfy

$$B(0, r) \subset B'(0, r).$$

On $i\mathbb{R} + j\mathbb{R} + k\mathbb{R}$ the norm $|||'$ becomes the maximum norm.

In this note we extend the following two theorems to quaternionic analysis:

Theorem 1.0.2. (*Quaternionic Cauchy-Hadamard Theorem*)

$$f(x) = \sum_0^\infty \sum_{\substack{\nu=(n_1, n_2, n_3) \\ n_1+n_2+n_3=n}} P_\nu a_\nu, \quad (1)$$

converges compactly on $B'(0, \frac{1}{\rho})$, where

$$\rho = \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\max_{||\nu||=k} ||a_\nu|| \right)^{\frac{1}{k}}.$$

Theorem 1.0.3. (*Quaternionic Abel Theorem*) Suppose that there are constants $r_0, M \in \mathbb{R}, N_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, such that for all $n > N_0$ and multi indexes ν with $||\nu|| = n$ we have the bound $||a_\nu|| r_0^n \leq M$. Under this hypothesis the series (1) converges compactly on $B'(0, r_0)$.

2. Wispy norm.

While studying domains of convergence, we frequently have to deal with the expression

$$\frac{||a_\nu||}{n!} \sum_{(i_1, \dots, i_n) \in A_\nu} ||\zeta_{i_1} \cdots \zeta_{i_n}(x)||,$$

in [3] and [4] it is used that $||\zeta_{i_1} \cdots \zeta_{i_n}(x)|| \leq ||x||^n$. Instead we propose to consider $||\zeta_{i_1} \cdots \zeta_{i_n}(x)|| \leq ||x||'^n$, and our goal is to show that the norm $|||'$ better fits the Weierstrass approach [5].

Definition 2.0.1. We say that series (1) converges in the wispy sense at h if the series

$$Nf(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_0^n \sum_{\substack{\nu=(n_1, n_2, n_3) \\ n_1+n_2+n_3=n}} \left\| \frac{a_\nu}{n!} \right\| \sum ||\zeta_{i_1} \cdots \zeta_{i_n}(x)||.$$

satisfies $Nf(h) < \infty$.

For example:

$$NP_{n_1, n_2, n_3}(x) \leq \frac{\|x\|'}{n!} \binom{n}{n_1, n_2, n_3}. \quad (2)$$

Theorem. [4] *If (1) converges on the wispy sense at h then it converges compactly on $\{x \mid \|\zeta_1(x)\| \leq \|\zeta_1(h)\|, \|\zeta_2(x)\| \leq \|\zeta_2(h)\|, \|\zeta_3(x)\| \leq \|\zeta_3(h)\|\}$*

Proof. It follows from Weiestrass M -test. □

2.0.1. Examples. Any holomorphic function induces a hyperholomorphic function, in particular the series $\sum \zeta_1^n n^n + 2$ converges only on the plane $j\mathbb{R} + k\mathbb{R}$. From now on, we restrict our study to regions (open sets) of convergence of hyperholomorphic functions.

For the function $f(x) = \sum \zeta_1^n a_n + \sum \zeta_2^n b_n + \sum \zeta_3^n c_n$ we consider $\rho_1 = \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\|a_k\|)^{\frac{1}{k}}$, $\rho_2 = \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\|b_k\|)^{\frac{1}{k}}$, $\rho_3 = \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\|c_k\|)^{\frac{1}{k}}$, then the function converges on

$$\left\{ \|x_0 + ix_1\| < \frac{1}{\rho_1}, \|x_0 + jx_2\| < \frac{1}{\rho_2}, \|x_0 + kx_3\| < \frac{1}{\rho_3} \right\}.$$

In particular, $\sum \zeta_1^{2^n} + \sum \zeta_2^{2^n} + \sum \zeta_3^{2^n}$ convergences on $\{x \in \mathbb{H} \mid \|x\|' < 1\}$, and diverges else where.

Lemma 2.0.2. *If $\rho = \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\max_{\|\nu\|=k} \|a_\nu\|)^{\frac{1}{k}} = 0$ then (1) converges compactly for all \mathbb{H} .*

Proof. Let $x \in \mathbb{H} - \{0\}$. There is $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n > N_0$

$$\left(\max_{\|\nu\|=n} \|a_\nu\| \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq \frac{1}{3\|x\|'}.$$

Then for all $n > N_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{\nu=(n_1, n_2, n_3) \\ n_1+n_2+n_3=n}} NP_{\nu} a_{\nu} &\leq \sum_{n_1+n_2+n_3=n} \frac{\|x\|'^n}{n! (3\|x\|')^n} \binom{n}{n_1, n_2, n_3} \\ &= \frac{1}{3^n n!} \sum_{n_1+n_2+n_3=n} \binom{n}{n_1, n_2, n_3} \\ &= \frac{1}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

On the first line we used (2). We conclude that

$$NFf(x) \leq NF \left(\sum_0^{N_0} \sum_{\substack{\nu=(n_1, n_2, n_3) \\ n_1+n_2+n_3=n}} P_{\nu}(x) a_{\nu} \right) + e.$$

Compactly convergence follows from convergence on the wispy sense according to Lemma 2. □

Lemma 2.0.3. *If $0 < \rho < \infty$ then (1) converges compactly for all $h \in B'(0, \frac{1}{\rho})$.*

Proof. Let $x \in B'(0, \frac{1}{\rho})$. Let $\theta = \sqrt{\|x\|' \rho}$, then

$$\frac{\theta}{\|x\|'} = \frac{\rho}{\theta} > \rho,$$

we conclude that there is $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n > N_0$

$$\|a_\nu\|^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq \frac{\theta}{\|x\|'}, \quad \|\nu\| = n.$$

Then for $n > N_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{\nu=(n_1, n_2, n_3) \\ n_1+n_2+n_3=n}} N(P_\nu a_\nu) &\leq \sum_{n_1+n_2+n_3=n} \frac{\|x\|'^n}{n!} \frac{\theta^n}{\|x\|'^n} \binom{n}{n_1, n_2, n_3} \\ &= \frac{\theta^n}{n!} \sum_{n_1+n_2+n_3=n} \binom{n}{n_1, n_2, n_3} \\ &= \frac{(3\theta)^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that

$$NFf(x) \leq NF \left(\sum_0^{N_0} \sum_{\substack{\nu=(n_1, n_2, n_3) \\ n_1+n_2+n_3=n}} P_\nu(x) a_\nu \right) + e^3.$$

□

This concludes the proof of theorem 1.0.2.

Proof of Theorem 1.0.3. Let $x \in \mathbb{H}$ with $\|x\|' < r_0$. Then for $n > N_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{\nu=(n_1, n_2, n_3) \\ n_1+n_2+n_3=n}} N(P_\nu a_\nu) &\leq \sum_{n_1+n_2+n_3=n} \frac{\|x\|'^n}{n!} \|a_\nu\| \binom{n}{n_1, n_2, n_3} \\ &\leq \sum_{\substack{\nu=(n_1, n_2, n_3) \\ n_1+n_2+n_3=n}} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{r}{r_0} \right)^n \binom{n}{n_1, n_2, n_3} \\ &\leq M \frac{3^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

Which give us

$$NFf(x) \leq NF \left(\sum_0^{N_0} \sum_{\substack{\nu=(n_1, n_2, n_3) \\ n_1+n_2+n_3=n}} P_\nu(x) a_\nu \right) + Me^3.$$

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