

SOLUTIONS SHEET 8

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Exercise 1. We follow [IL03, pp. 99–101]. Let $U := \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\pm e^{\pm i\pi/4}\}$ and define $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$F(z) := \frac{1}{1 + z^4}. \quad (1)$$

Clearly $F \in \mathcal{O}(U)$ as a well-defined rational function, U is open in \mathbb{C} and $\mathbb{R} \subseteq U$. Furthermore $F|_{\mathbb{R}} = f$. Hence F is a holomorphic continuation of f . Since having an analytic continuation is equivalent to be real-analytic (see [IL03, p. 100]), we have that f is real-analytic.

Let $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$. The Taylor series expansion of f is completely determined by the one of F . So the only thing which restricts the radius of convergence of the Taylor series expansions are the singularities of F . I will again formalize why this is the case. Let

$$F(z) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} a_{\nu}(z - x_0)^{\nu} \quad (2)$$

be the Taylor expansion of F around x_0 . By Cauchy-Taylor the radius of convergence of the expansion (2) is at least $|x_0 - e^{i\pi/2}|$ if $x_0 \geq 0$ and $|x_0 + e^{i\pi/4}|$ if $x_0 \leq 0$. Let $r := |x_0 - e^{i\pi/4}|$ and assume $x_0 \geq 0$. (the case $x_0 \leq 0$ is similar) and $R > r$. Hence the series in (2) converges in $B_R(x_0)$. Hence it defines a function $G : B_R(x_0) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$G(z) := \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} a_{\nu}(z - x_0)^{\nu} \quad (3)$$

with $G|_{B_r(x_0)} = F$. Since G is expandable in a power series, we have $G \in \mathcal{O}(B_R(x_0))$ by [RS02, p. 187]. Since any holomorphic function is continuous, we have $G \in \mathcal{C}(B_R(x_0))$. Let $(z_{\nu})_{\nu \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence in $B_r(x_0)$ such that $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} z_{\nu} = e^{i\pi/4}$. Clearly

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} F(z_{\nu}) = \infty \quad (4)$$

and since $G|_{B_r(x_0)} = F$ we have

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} G(z_{\nu}) = \infty. \quad (5)$$

But since $R > r$, G is continuous at $e^{i\pi/4}$ and so we must have

$$G(e^{i\pi/4}) = \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} G(z_{\nu}) = \infty. \quad (6)$$

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Thus the series G diverges at $e^{i\pi/4}$, contradicting that $e^{i\pi/4} \in B_R(x_0)$. Now for general $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, the radius of convergence R of the Taylor series expansion of f in x_0 is the radius of convergence of the restriction of the Taylor series expansion of F in x_0 on \mathbb{R} , hence

$$R = \begin{cases} |x_0 - e^{i\pi/4}| & x_0 \geq 0, \\ |x_0 + e^{i\pi/4}| & x_0 \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

Exercise 2. Since $f \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{E})$ we have that $f \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{E})$. Thus since $\partial B_r(0)$, $0 \leq r < 1$, is compact we have that $|f|$ attains its supremum on $\partial B_r(0)$. Hence we have

$$M(r) = \max_{|z|=r} |f(z)|. \quad (7)$$

(i) Let $0 < R < 1$. Since $\overline{B_R}(0)$ is compact and $f \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{E})$, we have that f is uniformly continuous on $\overline{B_R}(0)$. By the reversed triangle inequality also $|f|$ is uniformly continuous on $\overline{B_R}(0)$. Let $r_1, r_2 \in [0, R]$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Assume first that $M(r_2) \geq M(r_1)$. Since $|f|$ attains its maximum on a compactum, we find $\varphi \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$M(r_2) = |f(r_2 e^{i\varphi})|. \quad (8)$$

Now

$$M(r_2) - M(r_1) \leq M(r_2) - |f(r_1 e^{i\varphi})| = |f(r_2 e^{i\varphi})| - |f(r_1 e^{i\varphi})| < \varepsilon$$

whenever $|r_2 - r_1| = |r_2 e^{i\varphi} - r_1 e^{i\varphi}| < \delta$ by the uniform continuity of $|f|$ on $[0, R]$. Now assume $M(r_2) \leq M(r_1)$. Again we find $\psi \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $M(r_1) = |f(r_1 e^{i\psi})|$. Thus

$$M(r_1) - M(r_2) \leq M(r_1) - |f(r_2 e^{i\psi})| = |f(r_1 e^{i\psi})| - |f(r_2 e^{i\psi})| < \varepsilon \quad (9)$$

whenever $|r_2 - r_1| < \delta$. Thus we have

$$|M(r_1) - M(r_2)| < \varepsilon \quad (10)$$

whenever $|r_1 - r_2| < \delta$. Hence M is uniformly continuous on $[0, R]$. Now M is clearly continuous on $[0, 1)$, since if not, there would exist a point $r_0 \in [0, 1)$ where M is not continuous, but $r_0 \leq R < 1$ for some suitable choice of R , and since uniform continuity implies continuity, M would be continuous at r_0 . Thus we conclude $M \in \mathcal{C}([0, 1))$.

Next we show monotonicity. Let $0 \leq r_1 < r_2 < 1$. We have $\overline{B_{r_2}}(0) \subseteq \mathbb{E}$. Thus f is holomorphic in the bounded domain $B_{r_2}(0)$ and continuous on $\overline{B_{r_2}}(0)$. Then the maximum principle implies that

$$|f(z)| \leq \max_{\zeta \in \partial B_{r_2}(0)} |f(\zeta)| = M(r_2) \quad (11)$$

for all $z \in \overline{B_{r_2}}(0)$. In particular

$$M(r_1) = \max_{\zeta \in \partial B_{r_1}(0)} |f(\zeta)| \leq \max_{\zeta \in \partial B_{r_2}(0)} |f(\zeta)| = M(r_2). \quad (12)$$

Thus M is monotonically increasing.

(ii) Proof by contradiction. Assume that f is not constant and that M is not strictly increasing. Hence we find $0 \leq r_1 < r_2 < 1$ such that $M(r_1) = M(r_2)$ since by part (i)

we already know that M is monotone increasing. Thus we find $z_0 \in B_{r_1}(0)$ such that $M(r_1) = |f(z_0)|$. An application of the maximum principle similar to part (i) yields

$$|f(z)| \leq \max_{\zeta \in \partial B_{r_2}(0)} |f(\zeta)| = M(r_2) = M(r_1) = |f(z_0)| \quad (13)$$

for all $z \in \overline{B_{r_2}}(0)$. But $z_0 \in B_{r_1}(0)$ and $r_1 < r_2$, thus $B_{r_2-r_1}(z_0) \neq \{z_0\}$. Hence $|f|$ has a local maximum in $B_{r_2}(0)$ and thus by the maximum principle, f is constant in $B_{r_2}(0)$. Since $0 < r_2$, $B_{r_2}(0)$ is not discrete in \mathbb{E} , hence if we define $g : \mathbb{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by $g(z) := f(z_0)$, clearly $g \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{E})$ and $f = g$ on $B_{r_2}(0)$. Hence by the second version of the identity principle we have $f = g$ on \mathbb{E} which implies that f is constant on \mathbb{E} . Contradiction.

Exercise 3. Proof by contradiction. Since no point $\zeta \in \partial B_R(z_0)$ is singular, we find a neighbourhood U_ζ of ζ and a function $f_\zeta \in \mathcal{O}(U_\zeta)$, such that

$$f_\zeta(z) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} a_\nu(z - z_0)^\nu \quad (14)$$

for all $z \in U_\zeta \cap B_R(z_0)$. Since each U_ζ contains an open set containing ζ , we find r_ζ , such that $B_{r_\zeta}(\zeta) \subseteq U_\zeta$. Therefore we have that

$$\partial B_R(z_0) \subseteq \bigcup_{\zeta \in \partial B_R(z_0)} B_{r_\zeta}(\zeta) \quad (15)$$

is an open cover of $\partial B_R(z_0)$. Since $\partial B_R(z_0)$ is compact, we find ζ_1, \dots, ζ_n such that $B_{r_{\zeta_1}}(\zeta_1), \dots, B_{r_{\zeta_n}}(\zeta_n)$ still covers $\partial B_R(z_0)$. The next step is conceptually easy, but notationally ugly. We will explain it in a quite informal way. Now the intersection $B_{r_{\zeta_\nu}}(\zeta_\nu) \cap B_{r_{\zeta_\mu}}(\zeta_\mu)$ is open and thus if $B_{r_{\zeta_\nu}}(\zeta_\nu) \cap B_{r_{\zeta_\mu}}(\zeta_\mu) \neq \emptyset$, we find an open ball contained in the intersection $B_{r_{\zeta_\nu}}(\zeta_\nu) \cap B_{r_{\zeta_\mu}}(\zeta_\mu) \neq \emptyset$. Taking the minimum of all radii of those balls lying in the intersection (this is possible since there are only finitely many ones), we find $\hat{R} > R$ such that

$$\partial B_{\hat{R}}(z_0) \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n B_{r_{\zeta_k}}(\zeta_k). \quad (16)$$

Next we construct a function $g : B_{\hat{R}}(z_0) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Define $g(z) := \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} a_\nu(z - z_0)^\nu$ if $z \in B_R(z_0)$. If $z \in (B_{r_{\zeta_\nu}}(\zeta_\nu) \cap B_{r_{\zeta_\mu}}(\zeta_\mu)) \setminus B_R(z_0)$, we have that $f_{\zeta_\nu} = f_{\zeta_\mu}$ in $B_{r_{\zeta_\nu}}(\zeta_\nu) \cap B_{r_{\zeta_\mu}}(\zeta_\mu) \cap B_R(z_0)$, which is open and therefore not discrete in $B_{r_{\zeta_\nu}}(\zeta_\nu) \cap B_{r_{\zeta_\mu}}(\zeta_\mu)$. Thus by the second version of the identity principle we have $f_{\zeta_\nu} = f_{\zeta_\mu}$ on $B_{r_{\zeta_\nu}}(\zeta_\nu) \cap B_{r_{\zeta_\mu}}(\zeta_\mu)$. Therefore $g(z) := f_{\zeta_\nu}(z) = f_{\zeta_\mu}(z)$ is well defined. In the remaining cases, define $g(z) := f_{\zeta_\nu}(z)$ if $z \in B_{r_{\zeta_\nu}}(\zeta_\nu)$. Since $f_{\zeta_\nu} \in \mathcal{O}(\zeta_\nu)$ and by the theorem on interchangeability of differentiation and summation we have that any power series is holomorphic within its radius of convergence, we have that $g \in \mathcal{O}(B_{\hat{R}}(z_0))$. An application of Cauchy-Taylor yields

$$g(z) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \frac{g^{(\nu)}(z_0)}{\nu!} (z - z_0)^\nu = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(\nu)}(z_0)}{\nu!} (z - z_0)^\nu \quad (17)$$

for all $z \in B_{\hat{R}}(z_0)$ since $g = f$ on $B_R(z_0)$. Furthermore, since $\hat{R} > R$ we have that $\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} a_{\nu}(z - z_0)^{\nu}$ is convergent in $B_{\hat{R}}(z_0) \setminus \overline{B_R}(z_0)$, contradicting that $\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} a_{\nu}(z - z_0)^{\nu}$ is divergent there by the definition of the radius of convergence. Contradiction.

Exercise 4. Central is Weierstrass' differentiation theorem for compact convergent series. For each $\nu \in \mathbb{N}_0$ let

$$f_{\nu}(z) := \sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} c_{\nu\mu}(z - z_0)^{\mu} \quad (18)$$

be convergent in $B_r(z_0)$, $r > 0$, $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. Furthermore, assume that

$$f(z) := \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} f_{\nu}(z) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} c_{\nu\mu}(z - z_0)^{\mu} \quad (19)$$

is normally convergent in $B_r(z_0)$. Since $r > 0$, the theorem on interchangeability of differentiation and summation of power series implies that $f_{\nu} \in \mathcal{O}(B_r(z_0))$ for all $\nu \in \mathbb{N}_0$. Since $\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} f_{\nu}$ is normally convergent in $B_r(z_0)$, we have that $\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} f_{\nu}$ is locally uniformly convergent in $B_r(z_0)$ and thus compactly convergent in $B_r(z_0)$. Hence Weierstrass' theorem implies that the limit function f is holomorphic in $B_r(z_0)$. Thus by the expansion theorem of Cauchy-Taylor, for any $z \in B_r(z_0)$ we find a disc centered at z where f is expandable in a Taylor series. This implies that f is analytic in $B_r(z_0)$. Furthermore, the same theorem implies that for any $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ we have

$$f^{(k)}(z) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} f_{\nu}^{(k)}(z) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\mu=k}^{\infty} k! \binom{\mu}{k} c_{\nu\mu}(z - z_0)^{\mu-k} \quad (20)$$

for all $z \in B_r(z_0)$ by the theorem on interchangeability of differentiation and summation of power series. Since $f \in \mathcal{O}(B_r(z_0))$, the expansion theorem of Cauchy-Taylor implies that

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(z_0)}{k!} (z - z_0)^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} c_{\nu k} \right) (z - z_0)^k \quad (21)$$

for all $z \in B_r(z_0)$.

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