THE UNIFORM CONVERGENCE OF COMPLEX POWER SERIES

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A complex power series P(z) centering at the origin is an expression of the form

$$P(z) = c_0 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + c_3 z^3 + \cdots,$$

where the c_j 's are complex constants, and z is a complex variable. In this note we prove the following theorem, which can be found at [1].

Theorem 1. If P(z) is a complex power series centered at the origin, and P(z) has disc of convergence $D = \{z : |z| < R\}$, then P(z) is uniformly convergent on the closed disc $C = \{z : |z| \le r\}$, where r < R.

Proof. For any given $\varepsilon > 0$, and any given positive integer n, let's see the set

$$A_{\varepsilon,n} = \{z : |z| \le r, |P_n(z) - P(z)| < \varepsilon\}.$$

We first prove that A_n is an open set of C.In order to prove this, we only need to prove that P(z) is a continuous function on C, i.e,

(1)
$$\lim_{\Delta z \to 0; z \in C, z + \Delta z \in C} P(z + \Delta z) = P(z),$$

which is equivalent to

$$\lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0; P(z) \neq 0; z \in C, z + \Delta z \in C} \frac{P(z + \Delta z)}{P(z)} = 1,$$

which is equivalent to

$$\lim_{\Delta z \to 0; P(z) \neq 0; z \in C, z + \Delta z \in C} \frac{c_0 + c_1(z + \Delta z) + c_2(z + \Delta z)^2 + \dots + c_n(z + \Delta z)^n + \dots}{c_0 + c_1 z + \dots + c_n z^n + \dots} = 1.$$

References

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