

# Analytic function

A function  $f(z)$  is said to be analytic at a point  $z_0$  if

- (i)  $f(z)$  is differentiable at  $z_0$ , *and*
- (ii)  $f(z)$  is differentiable in some neighbourhood of  $z_0$ .

A function  $f(z)$  is analytic in an open set  $S$  if  $f$  is differentiable at each point of the set  $S$ .

Remark :

Differentiability *does not* imply analyticity.

$$\text{Ex : } f(z) = |z|^2$$

☞  $f(z)$  is differentiable at origin and nowhere else.

☞ But  $f(z)$  is not analytic at the origin as it is not differentiable in any neighborhood of origin.

Theorem :

If  $f'(z) = 0$  everywhere in a domain  $D$ ,  
then  $f(z)$  is constant throughout in  $D$ .

**Entire function:** A function  $f(z)$  is said to be an Entire function if  $f(z)$  is analytic at each point in the entire finite plane.

**Example:** Every polynomial is an entire function.

## **Singular Point:**

Let a function  $f(z)$  is, **not analytic**  
**at a point  $z_0$  but analytic at some**  
**point in every neighbourhood of**  
 **$z_0$ .**

Then  $z_0$  is called a singularity of  $f(z)$ .

# *Examples*

$$(1) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$$

$\Rightarrow z = 0$  is a singularity of  $f(z)$ .

$$(2) \quad f(z) = |z|^2$$

$\therefore f(z)$  is not analytic anywhere

$\Rightarrow f(z)$  has no singular point



# Section 25

## Harmonic Function :

A real valued function  $u(x, y)$  is said to be harmonic in a given domain  $D$  if

(i)  $u_x, u_{xx}, u_y$  &  $u_{yy}$  exist & they are continuous in  $D$ ,

(ii)  $u$  satisfies Laplace equation

$$\nabla^2 u = u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

Example:

$$u(x, y) = 3x^2y - y^3 + 2$$

is harmonic in the  
complex plane.

# Theorem 1 :

If  $f(z) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y)$  is analytic in a domain  $D$ ,  
then  $u$  &  $v$  are harmonic in  $D$

Remark : Is converse true ?

# *Defn* : Harmonic Conjugate :

Assume:

(i)  $u$  and  $v$  be two harmonic functions in a domain  $D$  and

(ii) the first partial derivatives of  $u$  and  $v$  satisfy CR equations:

$$u_x = v_y, \quad u_y = -v_x \dots\dots(1)$$

through out in  $D \dots$

Then  $v$  is said be

Harmonic Conjugate of  $u$ .

*Remark 1:*

$v$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $u$

$\Rightarrow u$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $v$ .

For, if  $u$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $v$ , then

$$v_x = u_y \text{ \& } v_y = -u_x$$

which is not same as (1)

Remark 2 :

$v$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $u$

$\Rightarrow u$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $-v$

$$\text{as } -v_x = u_y, -v_y = -u_x$$

$$\text{i.e. } u_x = v_y \text{ \& } u_y = -v_x$$

which is same as (1)

## Theorem 2 :

A function  $f(z) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y)$   
is analytic in a domain  $D$  iff  
 $v$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $u$ .

$$\textit{Ex.} \quad f(z) = z^2.$$



Ex. Find all the points where the function

$$f(x) = 2xy + i(x^2 - y^2)$$

is analytic.

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Let  $f(z)$  be analytic in a domain  $D$ .

Prove that  $f(z)$  must be constant in  $D$  if

- (a)  $f(z)$  is real valued  $\forall z$  in  $D$ .
- (b)  $\overline{f(z)}$  is analytic in  $D$ .
- (c)  $|f(z)|$  is constant in  $D$ .

Ex. Consider the function

- $f(z) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y)$  in a domain  $D$ , where
  - $v$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $u$  and
  - $u$  is also a harmonic conjugate of  $v$ .
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- Then show that  $f(z)$  is constant throughout in  $D$ .

Q.10 Show that  $u$  is harmonic & find a harmonic conjugate  $v$  when

(a)  $u(x, y) = 2x(1 - y)$

$$u_x = 2(1 - y), u_{xx} = 0$$

$$u_y = -2x, u_{yy} = 0$$

$$\therefore u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u \text{ is harmonic.}$$

$\therefore v$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $u$

$\Rightarrow$  CR Equations are satisfied

i.e.  $u_x = v_y, u_y = -v_x$

Then

$$v_y = u_x = 2(1 - y)$$

$$\Rightarrow v = 2y - y^2 + \phi(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_x = \phi'(x) = -u_y = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi'(x) = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) = x^2 + c$$

$$\therefore v = 2y - y^2 + x^2 + c$$

**Problem:**

Show that if  $v$  and  $V$  are harmonic conjugates of  $u$  in a domain  $D$ , then  $v(x,y)$  and  $V(x,y)$  can differ at most by an additive constant.



Solution :

$v$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $u$

$$\Rightarrow u_x = v_y, \quad u_y = -v_x \dots (1)$$

$\therefore V$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $u$

$$\Rightarrow u_x = V_y, \quad u_y = -V_x \dots (2)$$

From (1) & (2), we have

$$v_x = V_x, \quad v_y = V_y$$

$$\Rightarrow v = V + \varphi(y), \quad v = V + \psi(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_y = V_y + \varphi'(y), \quad v_x = V_x + \psi'(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi'(y) = 0, \quad \psi'(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(y) = c_1, \quad \psi(x) = c_2$$

$$\therefore v - V = \text{constant}$$

Q. If  $u(x, y) = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$ , find a

harmonic conjugate  $v$  of  $u$ .

Soln : Observe the following :

(i) If  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$ , then  $u = \mathbf{Re} f(z)$ .

(ii)  $f(z)$  is analytic in a domain  
 $D = \mathbf{C} - \{(0, 0)\}$ .

(iii)  $\text{Im } f(z) = v = -\frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$ .

Conclude that  $v$  is a H.C. of  $u$ .