

# Part II – Riemann Surfaces

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## 0 Complex analysis and complex log

**Definition.** A smooth function  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  (where  $U$  is a domain in  $\mathbb{C}$ ) is **holomorphic** or **analytic** if either of the following equivalent statements hold:

- (1)  $f$  is differentiable at all points of  $U$ , where differentiability is defined by limits, and checked by the Cauchy-Riemann equations
- (2)  $\forall a \in U$ ,  $f$  has a power series expansion on a neighbourhood of  $a$ :

$$f(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (z - a)^n$$

and the series converges on some disk about  $a$  with positive radius.

*Sketch of proof of equivalence.*

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Use the Cauchy Integral Formula to construct  $a_n$ , and convergence.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Show directly that the term-by-term derivative exists, and that it agrees with the limit definition of the derivative.  $\square$

Note that a power series tells you about local behaviour. If  $f(z)$  is not identically zero near  $a \in U$ , there exists some minimal  $n_0$  such that  $a_{n_0} \neq 0$ . We can write  $f$  locally as

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= a_{n_0} (z - a)^{n_0} + \sum_{n \geq n_0} a_n (z - a)^n \\ &= a_{n_0} (z - a)^{n_0} \left( 1 + \sum_{n > n_0} \frac{a_n}{a_{n_0}} (z - a)^{n - n_0} \right) \end{aligned}$$

As  $z \rightarrow a$ , the sum  $\rightarrow 0$  so the quantity in the brackets tends to 1. So,  $f(z) = a_{n_0} (z - a)^{n_0} g(z)$ , where  $g$  is analytic and nonzero on a neighbourhood of  $a$ . Consequently, we have the *principle of isolated zeros*: for  $f$  analytic on domain  $U$ , then for all  $a \in U$  such that  $f(a) = 0$ , either  $f$  is identically 0 on a neighbourhood of  $a$ , or  $f$  is never 0 on a punctured disk centred at  $a$ . But recall a domain refers to an open *and connected* set. So, if  $f$  is identically 0 (improve this writing) on a neighbourhood of  $a$ , call it  $D_a$ . If  $f \neq 0$  on a punctured disk about  $a$ , call it  $P_a^*$ . Construct

$$V = \bigcup_{\substack{a \in U \text{ such that} \\ f \equiv 0 \text{ on a neighbourhood of } a}} D_a \tag{1}$$

$V$  and  $W$  are open, disjoint and  $V \cup W = U$ . Since  $U$  is connected,  $U = V$  or  $U = W$ . So either  $f \equiv 0$  on  $U$ , or  $f$  has only isolated zeros. This will both be referred to as the principle of isolated zeros.

(corollary) (identity principle) If  $f$  and  $g$  are analytic on  $U$ , then either  $f \equiv g$  on  $U$ , or  $z \in U : f(z) = g(z)$  consists of isolated points. Proof (clear)

(definition) If  $f$  is analytic on a punctured disk  $\mathbb{D}^*(a, r)$ , then we say  $a$  is an isolated singularity of  $f$ . If so, then there exists a Laurent expansion  $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n(z-a)^n$  near  $a$ , which come in three types.

I. Removable singularity.  $f$  extends to an analytic function on  $\mathbb{D}^*(a, r)$ . Phrased in terms of Laurent expansions,  $a_n = 0 \forall n < 0$ . (thm) (Removable singularities theorem)  $f$  has a removable singularity at  $a$  if and only if  $f$  is bounded on a punctured neighbourhood about  $a$ . (proof sketch) (=) follows from continuity of analytic functions (=) Cauchy's theorem and integral formula still hold for punctured neighbourhoods so long as  $f(z)(z-a) \rightarrow 0$  as  $z \rightarrow a$ . With a small circle about  $a$ , we can show directly that  $a_n = 0$  for  $n < 0$ .

II. Poles:  $f$  has a pole at  $a$  if  $a_n = 0$  for all  $n < n_0$  for some  $n_0$ . Locally, this occurs if and only if  $|f(z)| \rightarrow \infty$  as  $z \rightarrow a$  (using the Laurent series).

III. Essential singularity:  $a_n \neq 0$  for finitely many  $n < 0$ ,  $f$  has an essential singularity at  $a$ . thm [Casorati-Weierstrass] If  $f$  has an essential singularity at  $a$ , then the image of  $f$  on any punctured neighbourhood of  $a$  is dense in  $\mathbb{C}$ . (proof sketch) Examine  $\frac{1}{f(z)-\gamma}$  if the image of  $f$  misses a neighbourhood of  $\gamma$ .

**Examples**  $f(z) = \frac{1}{e^z - 1}$  has poles wherever  $e^z = 1$ . At  $\infty$ , we also have an isolated singularity, recalling that punctured neighbourhoods of  $\infty$  are  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{D}(0, R)$ .

Since  $e^z$  takes all nonzero values or strips of  $\mathbb{C}$ , we cannot have  $e^z \rightarrow 1$  as  $z \rightarrow \infty$ , hence  $f$  cannot have a pole. On the other hand, there exists arbitrarily large solutions (in modulus) to  $e^z = 1$ , and  $f$  cannot have a removable singularity at  $\infty$ . Hence, this singularity is essential.

(edit: not isolated as every neighbourhood of infinity contains a singularity)

## 0.1 Complex logarithm

The complex logarithm is an example of a multivalued function, which arises as the inverse of an analytic function. Given nonzero  $z$ , if  $e^w = z$ ,  $z = re^{i\theta}$ , then  $w = \log r + (2\pi n + \theta i)$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We cannot make a continuous choice of  $n$  on all of  $\mathbb{C}$ , so we define the complex log on domains like  $\mathbb{C}$

$\mathbb{R}_{\leq 0} =: U$ . We have for each  $n$ , a choice of logarithm which can be analytically defined on  $U$ . Recall a *continuous* inverse of an analytic function is analytic.

Let  $U_1 = \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ .

**Proposition.** For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , define  $h(z)$  on  $U$ , by

$$h(z) = \int_{-1}^z \frac{dw}{w} + (2n+1)\pi i$$

with integral along straight line joining  $-1$  and  $z$ .

Then  $h$  is analytic on  $U_1$  and is the inverse to the exponential function on  $U_1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $z \in U_1$ .  $\tau \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\tau|$  sufficiently small, such that the triangle is entirely in the domain.

Then claim  $\frac{h(z+\tau)-h(z)}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_z^{z+\tau} \frac{dw}{w} \rightarrow \frac{1}{z}$ . The first equality follows from Cauchy's theorem, since  $h$  is continuous in the triangle.

$$\left| \frac{1}{\tau} \int_z^{z+\tau} \frac{dw}{w} - \frac{1}{z} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{\tau} \int_z^{z+\tau} \frac{z-w}{zw} dw \right| \leq C\tau \rightarrow 0$$

Thus  $h$  is analytic on  $U_1$ , with  $h'(z) = \frac{1}{z}$ .

Look at  $g(z) = \frac{e^{h(z)}}{z}$ , so  $g'(z) = \frac{zh'(z)e^{h(z)} - e^{h(z)}}{z^2} = 0$ , thus  $g$  is constant. But, we still need to find out what it's value is, so consider  $g(-1)$ .  $g(-1) = \frac{e^{h(-1)}}{-1} = -e^{(2n+1)\pi i} = 1$ . Thus,  $e^{h(z)} \equiv z$  on  $U_1$ , so  $h$  is the inverse to the exponential.  $\square$

**Remark.** We can't extend the function  $H$  continuously across the positive real axis.

## 0.2 Analytic continuation

Fix a domain  $U \in \mathbb{C}$  which is path connected.

**Definition** (Direct Analytic Continuation). A **function element** (or **function germ**) on  $U$  is a pair,  $(f, D)$  where  $f$  is analytic on the domain  $D \subseteq U$ .

Two function elements  $(f, D)$  and  $(g, E)$  are **equivalent** if  $D \cap E \neq \emptyset$  and  $f = g$  on  $D \cap E$ . In this case, we say  $(g, E)$  is a **direct analytic continuation** of  $(f, D)$ .

**Remark.** This is not an equivalence relation. In the diagram,  $(f_1, D_1)$  and  $(f_3, D_3)$  are not equivalent since  $D_1 \cap D_3 = \emptyset$ .

**Definition** (Analytic continuation along a path). We say  $(g, E)$  is an analytic continuation of  $(f, D)$  along a path  $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow U$ , written as  $(f, D) \sim_\gamma (g, E)$ . If there exists  $(f_1, D_1), \dots, (f_n, D_n)$  and  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = 1$  with  $\gamma([t_{i-1}, t_i]) \subseteq D_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $(f_1, D_1) = (f, D)$ ,  $(f_n, D_n) = (g, E)$  and  $(f_{i-1}, D_{i-1}) \sim (f_i, D_i)$ , that is  $(f_i, D_i)$  is a **direct analytic continuation** of  $f_{i-1}, D_{i-1}$ .

**Definition** (Analytic continuation). We say  $(g, E)$  is an analytic continuation of  $(f, D)$  if there exists a path  $\gamma$  with  $(f, D) \sim_\gamma (g, E)$ . We write  $(f, D) \approx (g, E)$ .

**Remark.**  $\approx$  is an equivalence relation. Reflexivity and symmetry are easy, and transitivity can be seen from the diagram.

**Definition.** An equivalence class  $\mathcal{F}$  under  $\approx$  is a **complete analytic function**.

**Example.** Set  $U = \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus 0$ . Fix  $(\alpha, \beta) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , with  $|\beta - \alpha| \leq 2\pi$ , and define

$$E_{\alpha, \beta} = \{ z = re^{i\theta} \mid \alpha < \theta < \beta, r > 0 \}$$

So we can see  $U_1 = E(0, 2\pi)$ . Define  $f_{(\alpha, \beta)} : E_{(\alpha, \beta)} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by  $f_{(\alpha, \beta)}(re^{i\theta}) = \log r + i\theta$ ,  $\theta \in (\alpha, \beta)$ .

Write  $L_{(\alpha, \beta)}$  for the function element  $(f_{(\alpha, \beta)}, E_{(\alpha, \beta)})$ .

Consider the three function elements  $L_{-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}}$ ,  $L_{\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6}}$ ,  $L_{\frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6}}$ . We can see the direct analytic continuations, but we do not have direct analytic continuation  $()$ , but  $()$ .

**Aim.** Construct a surface on which log is well-defined by gluing together a bunch of domains on which it is well-defined.

For each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , take a copy of  $U_1 = E_{(0,2\pi)}$ . Each has a well-defined choice of logarithm:  $f_{(2\pi n, 2\pi(n+1))}, re^{i\theta} \mapsto \log r + (\theta + 2\pi n)i$ , for  $\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$ .

We can glue together these copies of  $U$ , so that the functions  $f_{(2\pi n, 2\pi(n+1))}$  glue to give a continuous function  $L : \tilde{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

**Definition** (Covering map). A **covering map** of a topological space  $X$  is (sic) a continuous map  $\pi : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ , where  $\tilde{X}$  and  $X$  are Hausdorff and path connected, and  $\pi$  is a local homeomorphism. Specifically,  $\forall \tilde{x} \in \tilde{X}, \exists$  an open neighbourhood  $\tilde{N}$  of  $\tilde{x}$  on which  $\pi$  restricts to a homeomorphism. We say that  $X$  is the **base space** of  $\pi$ .

Note that this is likely weaker than the definition used in Algebraic Topology, which requires that  $\forall x \in X, \exists$  an open neighbourhood  $N$  of  $x$  such that  $\pi^{-1}(N)$  is a disjoint union of open sets which are mapped homeomorphically by  $\pi$  to  $N$ . We will call this a **regular** covering map.

**Example.** Non-regular covering map: Consider  $\pi(z) = e^z$  on the domain

$$\{z \mid 0 < \text{Im}(z) < 4\pi\} \quad (2)$$

Let  $x = 1$ . From the diagram, we have a disjoint union of open neighbourhoods, but  $\pi$  does not map them homeomorphically.

Define  $R := \sqcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}^* \times n$ , and equip  $R$  with the topology from basis with elements of the two forms:

1. for  $(\eta, n) \in R$  with  $\eta \notin \mathbb{R}_{\leq 0}$  and any  $r > 0$ , such that  $\mathbb{D}(\eta, r) \cap \mathbb{R}_{\leq 0} = \emptyset$ , define an open set  $D((\eta, n), r)$  to be the disk of radius  $r$  about  $\eta$  in the  $n$ th sheet:

$$D((\eta, n), r) := \{(z, n) \mid |z - \eta| < r\} \quad (3)$$

2. For  $(\eta, n)$  with  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}_{\leq 0}$ , define

$$A((\eta, n), r) := \{(z, n) \mid |z - \eta| < r, \text{Im } z \geq 0\} \sqcup \{(z, n-1) \mid |z - \eta| < r, \text{Im } z < 0\} \quad (4)$$

where  $r < |\eta|$

This defines a path-connected, Hausdorff topology on  $R$ . The map  $\pi : R \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$  given by  $\pi((z, n)) = z$  is a (regular) covering map. Define  $f : R \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by  $f(re^{i\theta}, n) = \log r + i(2\pi n + \theta)$  where  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$ . By construction,  $f$  is continuous,  $f$  is also a bijection, and (diagram). In this sense,  $f$  is a logarithm.

Note we can similarly construct a gluing space for  $z^{1/n}$  as a multivalued function,  $z^{1/n} = r^{1/n} e^{i\theta/n} e^{2\pi k i/n}$  so the  $n$ th sheet glues to the first. This is a regular covering map, but only because 0 is not included.

### 0.3 Power series and continuation

Recall a power series is absolutely and uniformly convergent on any closed disk inside its radius of convergence. If that radius of convergence is not  $\infty$ , what can we say about how far the series can be analytically continued? Without loss of generality assume we are working on the unit disk  $\mathbb{D}$ , that is a series about zero and radius of convergence 1. We denote  $\mathbb{T} := \partial\mathbb{D}$  and write  $f(z) = \sum_{k \geq 0} a_k z^k$ .

**Definition.** We say that  $z \in \mathbb{T}$  is **regular** if  $\exists$  an open disk  $N$  about  $z$  and an analytic function  $g$  on  $N$  such that  $f = g$  on  $N \cap \mathbb{D}$ . If  $z$  is not regular, it is **singular**.

Note the collection of regular points is open, and the collection of singular points is closed.

Warning: regularity is independent of series convergence!

- (1)  $f(z) := \sum_{k \geq 0} z^k$ . This doesn't converge anywhere on  $\mathbb{T}$ , but as it agrees with  $\frac{1}{1-z}$ , all points except  $z = 1$  are regular.

(2)

$$g(z) := \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k(k-1)} \quad (5)$$

converges on  $\mathbb{T}$  but 1 is a singular point, as if  $g$  extends analytically to a neighbourhood of 1, so  $g''$  does also, a contradiction.

**Proposition.** If  $f(z) = \sum a_k z^k$  has radius of convergence 1, then  $\exists$  singular point on  $\mathbb{T}$ .

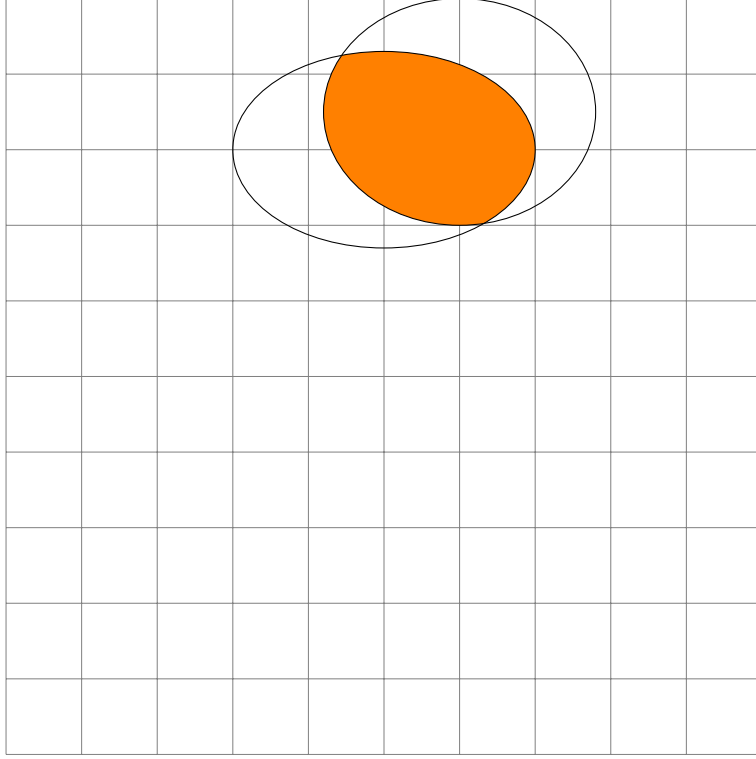
*Proof.* Suppose not, then for each  $z \in \mathbb{T}$ ,  $\exists D_z$  and analytic  $g_z$  on  $D_z$  with  $f = g_z$  on  $D_z \cap \mathbb{D}$ . Given  $z_1 \neq z_2$  on  $\mathbb{T}$  with  $D_{z_1} \cap D_{z_2} \neq \emptyset$ , then since these are disks centered at points of  $\mathbb{T}$ ,  $D_{z_1} \cap D_{z_2} \cap \mathbb{D} \neq \emptyset$ , so  $f = g_{z_1} = g_{z_2}$  on  $\mathbb{D} \cap D_{z_1} \cap D_{z_2}$ . By the identity principle  $g_{z_1} = g_{z_2}$  on  $D_{z_1} \cap D_{z_2}$ , as  $\mathbb{T}$  is compact, it may be covered by finitely many of these disks, so  $f$  can be extended to the union  $\mathbb{D}$  with this finite collection of  $D_z$ , and that union contains  $\mathbb{D}(0, 1 + \delta)$  for some  $\delta > 0$ , contradiction.  $\square$

**Definition.** We say  $\mathbb{T}$  is a **natural boundary** of  $f$  if every point  $z \in \mathbb{T}$  is singular.

**Example.**  $f(z) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^{k!}$ . Let  $\omega$  be a root of unity,  $\omega = e^{2\pi i p/q}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(re^{2\pi i p/q}) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} r^{k!} (e^{2\pi i p/q})^{k!} \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{q-1} r^{k!} (e^{2\pi i p/q})^{k!}}_{\text{bounded as } r \rightarrow 1} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=q}^{\infty} r^{k!}}_{\text{approaches } \infty \text{ as } r \rightarrow 1} \end{aligned}$$

But



**Definition.** A **Riemann surface** is a connected, Hausdorff topological space  $R$ , together with a collection of open subsets  $\mathcal{U}_\alpha \subset \mathbb{R}$  and homeomorphisms  $\phi_\alpha : \mathcal{U}_\alpha \rightarrow D_\alpha$ , where  $D_\alpha$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  satisfying

1.  $\bigcup_\alpha \mathcal{U}_\alpha = R$
2. for any  $\alpha, \beta$  with  $\mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap \mathcal{U}_\beta \neq \emptyset$ , then the map

$$\phi_\alpha \circ \phi_\beta^{-1} : \phi_\beta(\mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap \mathcal{U}_\beta) \rightarrow D_\alpha$$

is analytic as a map of open sets in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

The information  $(\mathcal{U}_\alpha, \phi_\alpha)$  is called a **chart** of  $R$ . The compositions  $\phi_\alpha \circ \phi_\beta^{-1}$  are the **transition functions** of  $R$ . The collection of charts  $\{\mathcal{U}_\alpha, \phi_\alpha\}$  is the **atlas** of  $R$ .

**Remark.**

1. As transitions are invertible with analytic inverses, they are conformal equivalences.
2.  $R$  is path connected as it is connected and locally path connected  
Fix  $z_0 \in R$ . Define  $U = \{z \in R \mid \exists \text{ path from } z_0 \text{ to } z\}$ .  $U$  is open, as it its complement. As  $R$  is connected,  $U^c$  is empty.
3. Occasionally, ‘connected’ will not be included in the definition, but this can be annoying without limiting the number of connected components.

**Example.**  $\mathbb{C}$  as a topological space, for instance  $(\mathbb{C}, \phi(z) = z)$ ,  $(\mathbb{C}, \phi(z) = z + 1)$ ,  $(\mathbb{C}, \phi(z) = \bar{z})$ .

**Definition.** Let  $R$  be a [Riemann surface](#). Two atlases  $\{(\mathcal{U}_\alpha, \phi_\alpha)\}$ ,  $\{(\mathcal{U}_\beta, \psi_\beta)\}$  are **equivalent** if their refinement  $\{(\mathcal{U}_\beta, \phi_\beta)\} \cup \{(\mathcal{U}_\alpha, \psi_\alpha)\}$  is an atlas. In other words,

$$\psi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1} : \phi_\alpha(\mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap V_\beta) \rightarrow \psi_\beta(\mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap V_\beta) \quad (6)$$

is analytic (and similarly for  $\phi_\alpha \circ \psi_\beta^{-1}$ ).

This defines an equivalence relation, as we will soon see.

**Example.**  $(\mathbb{C}, \phi(z) = z)$ ,  $(\mathbb{C}, \phi(z) = z + 1)$ : the refinement has transition maps: identity,  $z \mapsto z + 1$ ,  $z \mapsto z - 1$ , so these are equivalent atlases. Nonexample:  $(\mathbb{C}, \phi(z) = z)$ ,  $(\mathbb{C}, \phi(z) = \bar{z})$ , the transition functions of the refinement are identity and complex conjugation, so these are *not* equivalent atlases.

**Definition.** We call an equivalence class of atlases a **conformal structure** on  $R$ .

**Remark.** 1. We could have defined a Riemann surface as a connected Hausdorff topological space which admits a conformal structure.

2. If  $S \subset R$  is open, connected then  $R$  a Riemann surface implies  $S$  a Riemann surface via restriction of charts.

**Definition.** Let  $R, S$  be Riemann surfaces with atlases  $\{(\mathcal{U}_\alpha, \phi_\alpha)\}$ ,  $\{(\mathcal{U}_\beta, \psi_\beta)\}$  respectively, We say a map  $f : R \rightarrow S$  is analytic if it is continuous and if for any  $\mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap f^{-1}(V_\beta) \neq \emptyset$ , the map

$$\psi_\beta \circ f \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1} : \phi_\alpha(\mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap f^{-1}(V_\beta)) \rightarrow \psi_\beta(f(\mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap f^{-1}(V_\beta))) \quad (7)$$

is analytic.

**Definition.** An analytic map  $f : R \rightarrow S$  of Riemann surfaces is a **conformal equivalence** (biholomorphism or analytic isomorphism) if  $\exists$  analytic inverse  $g : S \rightarrow R$  of  $f$ .

**Example.** We saw that  $(\mathbb{C}, \phi(z) = z)$  and  $(\mathbb{C}, \psi(z) = \bar{z})$  are inequivalent atlases, ie, define different conformal structures on  $\mathbb{C}$ . However,  $f : (\mathbb{C}, \phi(z) = z) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, \psi(z) = \bar{z})$  given by  $z \mapsto \bar{z}$  is a conformal equivalence of these two Riemann surfaces as the functions  $(\psi \circ f \circ \phi^{-1})(z) = \bar{\bar{z}} = z$  are conformal isomorphisms.

**Lemma.** The composition of analytic maps  $f : R \rightarrow S$  and  $g : S \rightarrow T$  of Riemann surfaces is analytic.

We need for any  $\gamma, \alpha$  with  $\mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap h^{-1}(W_\gamma)$  that  $\theta_\gamma \circ h \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}$  is analytic on  $\phi_\alpha(\mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap h^{-1}(W_\gamma))$ . In this set, analyticity is local, so it suffices to show that for any  $\beta$  with  $f^{-1}(V_\beta) \cap \mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap h^{-1}(W_\gamma) \neq \emptyset$ , we have  $\theta_\gamma \circ h \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1} |_{\phi_\alpha(\mathcal{U}_\alpha \cap h^{-1}(W_\gamma))}$  analytic on  $\phi_\alpha()$ .

**Corollary.** Equivalence of atlases is an equivalence relation.

*Proof.* Atlases  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are equivalent by definition if the identity map  $(R, a_1) \xrightarrow{\text{id}} (R, a_2)$  is analytic. Reflexivity and symmetry are immediate, and transitivity follows from the previous lemma.  $\square$

**Proposition.** Let  $R$  be a Riemann Surface and  $\pi : \tilde{R} \rightarrow R$  a covering map. Then  $\exists$  conformal structure on  $\tilde{R}$  for which  $\pi$  is analytic.

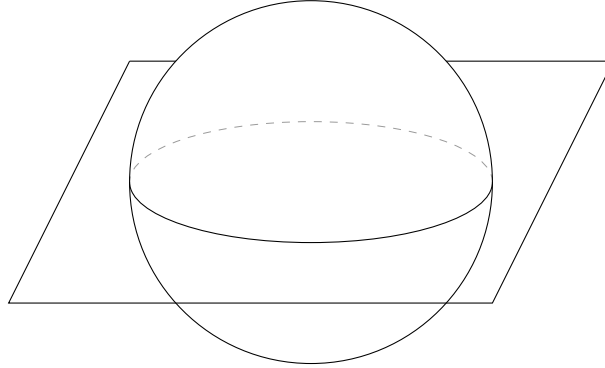
*Proof.* Given  $z \in \tilde{R}$ ,  $\exists$  neighbourhood  $\tilde{N}_z$  of  $z$  such that  $\pi$  is homeomorphic on  $\tilde{N}_z$ .  $\pi(z) \in U$  for some chart neighbourhood  $U$ ;  $\pi(\tilde{N}) \cap U$  is open in  $R$ , so define  $V := \pi^{-1}(U) \cap \tilde{N}$ , an open set in  $\tilde{R}$ . Define  $\psi : V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  to be  $\phi \circ \pi$ , we obtain an atlas on  $\tilde{R}$ ,  $\pi$  is analytic as the composition functions are just the transitions of the atlas on  $R$ . So  $\exists$  conformal structure on  $\tilde{R}$  for which  $\pi$  is analytic, call this atlas  $a$ . Suppose  $\exists a^*$  on  $\tilde{R}$  for which  $\pi$  is analytic; we will show these atlases are equivalent.

Say  $(W, \theta)$  is a chart of  $a^*$  and  $z \in W$ , find  $(V, \psi)$  (and  $\tilde{N}$  and  $U$ ) as above. We assumed that  $\pi$  is analytic for this atlas. As  $\pi$  is analytic,  $\phi \circ \pi \circ \theta^{-1}$  is analytic; it is also a homeomorphism, so its inverse is also analytic. So both types of transitions are analytic and the atlases are equivalent.  $\square$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathbb{C} \\ \downarrow \pi & \swarrow \exp & \\ \mathbb{C}^* & & \end{array}$$

As a corollary, we see that the gluing surface  $R$  we constructed for  $\log$  gives a conformal structure on  $R$  for which  $\pi$  is analytic. Note  $f$  is continuous by the open mapping theorem. It follows that  $f$  is analytic (looking locally) but  $f$  is a bijection. So  $f$  has an analytic inverse, because the inverse is continuous. So  $R$  is conformally equivalent to  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Example.** The Riemann sphere. Let  $\mathbb{C}_\infty := \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ , equipped with the topology whose open sets are of the form: open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  or  $\{\infty\} \cup \mathbb{C} \setminus K$  where  $K \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  is compact. With this topology,  $\mathbb{C}_\infty$  is homeomorphic to  $S^2$  via stereographic projection and  $\pi((0, 0, 1)) = \infty$ .  $\mathbb{C}_\infty$  is connected, Hausdorff and compact. Define the atlas via two charts:  $(\mathbb{C} : \phi(z) = z)$  and  $(\mathbb{C}_\infty \setminus \{0\}, \phi(z) = \frac{1}{z})$ . The transitions  $\frac{1}{z}$  are analytic on  $\mathbb{C}^*$ .



**Definition.** We define the Riemann Sphere as the above surface.

**Definition.** If  $R$  is a Riemann surface, an analytic map  $R \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is an analytic function: in terms of charts, if  $(U, \phi)$  is a chart for  $R$ , this required  $f \circ \phi^{-1}$  is analytic.

**Theorem** (Inverse function theorem). Given  $g$  analytic on an open set  $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ , and  $a \in V$  with  $g'(a) \neq 0$ ,  $\exists$  neighbourhood  $N$  of  $a$ ,  $N \subseteq V$  such that  $g|_N : N \rightarrow g(N)$  is a conformal equivalence.



*Proof.* Replace  $g$  with  $g(z) - g(a)$  to assume without loss of generality that  $g(a) = 0$ . Take a disk  $\mathbb{D}(a, \epsilon)$  with  $\mathbb{D}(a, \epsilon) \subseteq V$  on which  $a$  is the only zero of  $g$ , assume also  $g'(z) \neq 0$  on  $\overline{\mathbb{D}(a, \epsilon)}$ . The argument principle tells us: if  $\gamma$  is positively oriented disk boundary, then  $n(g \circ \gamma, 0) =$  number of zeros of  $g$  in the disk  $= 1$ .  $g \circ \gamma$  is compact so closed, so choose a disk  $\Delta$  centred at 0 with  $\Delta \cap (g \circ \gamma) = \emptyset$ .

For all  $w \in \Delta$ ,  $n(g \circ \gamma, w) = 1$  so let  $N = g^{-1}(\Delta)$ . Then  $N$  is an open neighbourhood of  $a$ , and  $g|_N : N \rightarrow \Delta$  is a bijection. The inverse of  $g$  is continuous by the open mapping theorem, and therefore analytic. So,  $N$  is as needed.  $\square$

Suppose now that  $a \in \mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ , and  $g \not\equiv 0$  analytic function on  $\mathcal{U}$  domain with  $g(a) = 0$ . We may write  $g(z) = (z - a)^r h(z)$  where  $h(a) \neq 0$  and  $h$  is analytic on  $\mathcal{U}$ .

Choose  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and a disk  $a \in D \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  such that  $h(D)$  is disjoint from the ray of angle  $\alpha$  (can do by continuity and  $h(a) \neq 0$ ) so we can define an analytic  $r$ th root of  $h$  by using this ray as a branch cut for log. So we can write

$$g(z) = f(z)^r \quad \text{on } D, \quad \text{where } f(z) = (z - a)l(z) = f(z) = (z - a)h(z)^{\frac{1}{r}} \quad (8)$$

and  $f$  has a simple zero at  $a$ . Therefore  $\exists$  open neighbourhood of  $a$  on which  $f(z)$  is a conformal equivalence by the inverse function theorem.

If  $f : R \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is an analytic function of a Riemann Surface  $R$ , locally around  $p_0 \in R$ , we may find a chart  $\phi : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Without loss of generality  $f(p_0) = 0$  and write  $a = \phi(p_0)$ . On a neighbourhood of  $a$ , we have  $f \circ \phi^{-1}(z) = g(z)^r$ , for some local conformal equivalence  $g$  and some  $r$ .