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§1 January 20th, 2021

§1.1 Intro to Riemann Mapping Theorem

Our first goal is to prove a fundamental theorem of Riemann on conformal mappings. We start with several preparations, including some detours. The theorem essentially says that lots of open sets in \mathbb{C} are holomorphically isomorphic, given that they satisfy some simple topological conditions.

§1.2 Cauchy's Integral Formula

Recall Cauchy's formula:

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz$$

where Γ is a simple closed curve, piecewise differentiable, $z_0 \in \text{Int}(\Gamma)$, and $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a holomorphic function, with Ω open, $\Omega \supset \Gamma \cup \text{Int}(\Gamma)$.

If Γ is the circle $|z - z_0| = R$, we parameterize with $z = Re^{i\theta} + z_0$ with $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$. This gives

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z_0 + Re^{i\theta}) d\theta,$$

which represents the average of f on the circle.

It follows that

$$|f(z_0)| \leq \max_{\partial B_R(z_0)} |f(z)|,$$

with equality if and only if f is constant.

If $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is holomorphic for Ω connected, open and $z_0 \in \Omega$, then

$$|f(z_0)| \leq \sup_{z \in \Omega} |f(z)|$$

with equality if and only if f is constant.

§1.3 Schwarz Lemma

Theorem 1 (Schwarz Lemma)

For $f : B_1(0) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic with $|f(z)| \leq 1$ for all z and $f(0) = 0$. Then

$$|f(z)| \leq |z|, |f'(0)| \leq 1.$$

If for some $z_0 \neq 0$, $|f(z_0)| = |z_0|$ or if $|f'(0)| = 1$ then $f(z) = cz$ for some $|c| = 1$.

Proof. Define a function

$$g(z) = \begin{cases} f(z)/z, & \text{if } 0 < |z| \leq 1 \\ f'(0), & \text{if } z = 0 \end{cases}.$$

Note that $g(z)$ is continuous since at zero,

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z)}{z} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z) - f(0)}{z - 0} = f'(0).$$

Hence, $|g(z)| \leq C < \infty$ using the Weierstrass Extreme Value theorem. If $0 < \epsilon < |w| < r < 1$, note that taking a Keyhole Contour, we have

$$g(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left(\int_{|z|=r} - \int_{|z|=\epsilon} \right) \frac{g(z)}{z-w} dz.$$

Note that

$$\left| \int_{|z|=\epsilon} \frac{g(z)}{z-w} dz \right| \leq (2\pi\epsilon) \cdot C \frac{1}{|w|-\epsilon} \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} 0.$$

It follows that

$$g(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=r} \frac{g(z)}{z-w} dz$$

for $0 < |w| < r$. The right side is holomorphic in w if $|w| < r$, so it follows that

$$g(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=r} \frac{g(z)}{z-w} dz$$

is holomorphic in $|z| < 1$.

This can also be proved by taking a Taylor series about the origin. Since there is no constant term, we can divide by z to still have a convergent Taylor series.

If $r < 1$,

$$\sup_{|z| \leq r} |g(z)| = \sup_{|z|=r} |g(z)| \leq \sup_{|z|=r} \frac{|f(z)|}{|z|} \leq \frac{1}{r}.$$

If we let $r \uparrow 1$, then we get $\sup_{|z| < 1} |g(z)| \leq 1$. It follows that $|f(z)| \leq |z|$, $|f'(0)| \leq 1$.

If $|f(z_0)| = |z_0|$ for some $0 < |z_0| < 1$ then $|g(z_0)| = 1$ and g is constant by the maximum principle so $g(z) = c$, $f(z) = cz$. If $|f'(0)| = 1$, then $|g(0)| = 1$ so g is constant and $f = cz$. \square

§1.4 Maximum Principles

In the above proof, we used the maximum principle. Some other versions we will use are the following:

If $K \subset \mathbb{C}$ compact and $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ continuous, and the restriction of f to the interior of K is holomorphic, then

$$\sup_{z \in K} |f(z)| = \sup_{z \in \partial K} |f(z)|.$$

If Ω is open and connected, $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $z_0 \in \Omega$, and $|f(z_0)| = \sup_{z \in \Omega} |f(z)|$, then f is constant. Applying this to e^f and using that $|e^f| = e^{\operatorname{Re} f}$, we find that

$$\operatorname{Re} f(z_0) = \sup_{z \in \Omega} \operatorname{Re} f(z),$$

implies that f is constant. We have the same result for $\operatorname{Im} f$ by replacing f with $-if$.

§2 January 25th, 2021

§2.1 Uniform Convergence

Remark 2.1. They sometimes call open connected sets "regions".

Definition 2.2 (Uniform Convergence). Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ be open. Let $f_n : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be holomorphic and $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ a function so that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{z \in K} |f(z) - f_n(z)| = 0$ for all $K \subset \Omega$ compact (also denoted $K \subset\subset \Omega$).

Remark 2.3. Recall from real analysis that f is a continuous function.

Some further remarks:

- It suffices to check the result for a sequence of compact subsets K_m so that $\bigcup_m K_m^\circ = \Omega$, then it suffices to check those. If $K \subset\subset \Omega$, then K is compact and covered by the union of the subsets so there exists a finite subcovering, and uniform convergence on the subcovering implies uniform convergence on K .
- It is often convenient to introduce $\|g\|_K = \sup_{z \in K} |g(z)|$. Uniform convergence can be restated as $\|f_n - f\|_K \rightarrow 0$ for all $K \subset\subset \Omega$.
- If $\|f_n - f\|_K \rightarrow 0$ for all $K \subset\subset \Omega$, then f is also holomorphic. It follows by passing to the limit in the Cauchy Integral formula. Namely, take $\{z : |z - z_0| \leq R\} \subset \Omega$ and consider the points in $|z_0 - \zeta| < R$.

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f_n(\zeta) - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z-z_0|=R} \frac{f(z)}{z-\zeta} dz \right| &= \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z-z_0|=R} \frac{f_n(z)}{z-\zeta} dz - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z-z_0|=R} \frac{f(z)}{z-\zeta} dz \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{R - |z_0 - \zeta|} \cdot (2\pi R) \|f_n - f\|_{|z-z_0|=R} \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

So it follows that

$$f(\zeta) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z-z_0|} \frac{f(z)}{z-\zeta} dz.$$

It follows that f continuous on $|z - z_0| = R$ is holomorphic in $\zeta \in \{|z - z_0| < R\}$, so it follows that f is holomorphic.

- We can similarly show that

$$f_n^{(j)}(\zeta) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{|z-z_0|=R} \frac{f_n(z)}{(z-\zeta)^{n+1}} dz$$

$$\text{and } \|f_n^{(j)} - f^{(j)}\|_K \rightarrow 0.$$

From the last item, we have the following theorem.

Theorem 2

If $f_n \rightarrow f$ on compact subsets of Ω , then if f_n is holomorphic we find that f is holomorphic and $f_n^{(j)} \rightarrow f^{(j)}$ uniformly on compact subsets of Ω .

Theorem 3 (Hurwitz)

Let Ω be a region, $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $f_n : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic with $f_n(\Omega) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\|f_n - f\|_K \rightarrow 0$ for all compact subsets. Then either $f \equiv 0$ or $f(\Omega) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$.

Proof. If f is not identically zero on ω , then since f is holomorphic, its zeros are isolated. If $z_0 \in \Omega$, $f(z_0) = 0$, then there is $\epsilon > 0$ so that when $0 < |z - z_0| < \epsilon$, $f(z) \neq 0$.

Since $f(z) \neq 0$ for $|z - z_0| = \epsilon/2$, by the Weierstrass theorem applied to $|f|$ on $|z - z_0| = \epsilon$, we have $|f(z)| \geq m > 0$ on $\{|z - z_0| = \epsilon/2\} = \Gamma$. If $\|f_n - f\|_\Gamma \leq m/2$ for $n \geq N$, then

$$|f_n(z)| \geq |f(z)| - m/2 \geq m - m/2 = m/2$$

for $z \in \Gamma$. Hence, it follows that $\|1/f_n - 1/f\|_\Gamma \rightarrow 0$ (we leave this as an exercise).

Since $\|f'_n - f'\|_\Gamma \rightarrow 0$, we find that $\|f'_n/f_n - f'/f\| \rightarrow 0$ (another exercise) and hence

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_\Gamma \frac{f'_n}{f_n} dz \rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_\Gamma \frac{f'}{f} dz.$$

The integrand of the left hand side is $(\log f_n)'$, whose integral is 0, and the right side is the order of the zero of f at z_0 by the argument principle. It follows that the order of z_0 as a possible zero is 0, so $f(z_0) \neq 0$. \square

Theorem 4

For $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ open, \mathcal{F} a set of holomorphic functions, the following are equivalent:

- for every $K \subset\subset \Omega$ $\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \|f\|_K < \infty$
- for every sequence $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{F}$, there is a subsequence $(f_{n_j})_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$ so that $(f_{n_j})_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ is uniformly convergent on compact subsets of Ω .

Proof. We first show 2 implies 1. If $\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \|f\|_K = \infty$, then we can find for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ $f_n \in \mathcal{F}$ so that $\|f_n\|_K \geq n$. If we abstract a convergence subsequence, then $\|f_{n_j} - f\|_K \leq C < \infty$ and $\|f_{n_j}\|_K \leq \|f\|_K + C$, while $\|f_{n_j}\|_K \rightarrow \infty$, a contradiction. \square

§3 January 27th, 2021

§3.1 Uniform Convergence, continued

Theorem 5

For $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ open, \mathcal{F} a set of holomorphic functions, the following are equivalent:

- for every $K \subset\subset \Omega$ $\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \|f\|_K < \infty$
- for every sequence $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{F}$, there is a subsequence $(f_{n_j})_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $n_1 < n_2 < \dots$ so that $(f_{n_j})_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ is uniformly convergent on compact subsets of Ω .

I missed the beginning of the class, but I will add the proof of the theorem once notes are posted.

§3.2 Metric Convergence

One can put a metric on holomorphic functions so that convergence in the metric is uniform convergence on compact sets. For $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, but $K_n \Subset \Omega$ so that $\bigcup_n K_n^\circ = \Omega$ and take

$$d(f, g) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\|f - g\|_{K_n}}{1 + \|f - g\|_{K_n}} 2^{-n}.$$

§3.3 Riemann Sphere

On the set $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$, we consider the topology which makes it the Alexandroff(one-point) compactification of \mathbb{C} . If $z \in \mathbb{C}$, a neighborhood is one that contains a neighborhood in \mathbb{C} and a neighborhood of ∞ is of the form $\{\infty\} \cup (\mathbb{C} \setminus K)$ for $K \Subset \mathbb{C}$.

Let $U_+ = \mathbb{C} \subset \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ and $U_- = (\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}) \cup \{\infty\}$. Note that the union of the two sets covers the Riemann Sphere. Define $\psi_+ : U_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by $\psi_+(z) = z$ and $\psi_- : U_- \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is given by $\psi_-(w) = 1/w$ if $w \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\infty\}$ and 0 if $w = \infty$. Notice that these two functions are bijections.

If $V \subset \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ is open, a function $f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is holomorphic if

$$f|_{V \cup U_{\pm}} \circ (\psi_{\pm}|_{V \cup U_{\pm}})^{-1} : \psi_{\pm}(V \cup U_{\pm}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

is holomorphic. In this way, we know what holomorphic functions are on open sets of $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$.

More generally, we can describe a Riemann surface in the following way - Let X be a topological space. Take $\{(U_{\alpha}, z_{\alpha})\}_{\alpha \in I}$ where $U_{\alpha} \subset X$ is open, and $\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} U_{\alpha} = X$ and $z_{\alpha} : U_{\alpha} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is continuous, $z_{\alpha}(U_{\alpha})$ is open and z_{α} is a homeomorphism. The key requirement is that the maps $z_{\alpha} \circ z_{\beta}^{-1} : z_{\beta}(U_{\alpha} \cap U_{\beta}) \rightarrow z_{\alpha}(U_{\alpha} \cap U_{\beta})$ are holomorphic.

Then, if $U \subset X$ is open, $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is holomorphic if for all $\alpha \in I$,

$$f|_{U \cap U_{\alpha}} \circ (z_{\alpha}|_{U \cap U_{\alpha}})^{-1}$$

is holomorphic. Two such atlases give the same Riemann surface if put together, we get an atlas.

§4 February 1st, 2021

§4.1 Connectivity

Definition 4.1. $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ open is connected if $\Omega = \Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2$ open with $\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2 = \emptyset$ implies that one of the two is empty. For open sets, this is equivalent to arcwise connected.

Definition 4.2. A set is arcwise connected if for every $z_1, z_2 \in \Omega$, there is a path $\varphi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \Omega$ which is continuous and $\varphi(0) = z_1, \varphi(1) = z_2$.

Definition 4.3. Ω is simply connected if for $z_0 \in \Omega$, $\Gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow \Omega$ continuous and $\Gamma(0) = \Gamma(1) = z_0$, then there is $G : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \Omega$ continuous with $G(t, 0) = \Gamma(t)$ for $t \in [0, 1]$ and $G(t, 1) = z_0$, for $t \in [0, 1]$.

Simply connected corresponds to the idea of being able to continuously deform the set to a point for each point.

In $\mathbb{R}^2 \cong \mathbb{C}$, Ω -open simply connected is equivalent to $(\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}) \setminus \Omega$ is connected in $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$. That is, if $F = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\} \setminus \Omega$, which is closed in $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$, with $F \cap V_1 \cap V_2 = \emptyset$, then at least one of the $F \cap V_k = \emptyset$. If $0 \in \Omega$, then Ω is simply connected if and only if $\{0\} \cup \{1/z : z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega\}$ is connected (this is a local representation).

- Take $\Omega = \mathbb{C} \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^m \{tz_j : t \in [1, \infty)\}$ for $z_1, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$.
- $\mathbb{C} \setminus$ spirals.

Theorem 6 (Riemann Mapping Theorem)

If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ open, connected, simply connected, $\emptyset \neq \Omega \neq \mathbb{C}$, then Ω and $\mathbb{D} = \{|z| < 1\}$ are holomorphic isomorphisms.

§4.2 Fractional Linear Transformations

Recall that if $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ then $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$, which was proved using the Schwarz lemma. We view the fractional linear maps from a different context.

We define a map $p : \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ given by

$$p\left(\begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{cases} z_1/z_2 & \text{if } z_2 \neq 0 \\ \infty & \text{if } z_2 = 0 \end{cases}.$$

Then $p(\xi) = p(\eta)$ if and only if $\xi = \lambda\eta$ for $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^\times = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$.

There is a larger group acting on $\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ given by $GL(2, \mathbb{C})$ the invertible 2×2 matrices in the natural way so that

$$A\begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \frac{A_{11}p(\xi) + A_{12}}{A_{21}p(\xi) + A_{22}}.$$

Define $T_g : \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ given by

$$T_g z = \frac{az + b}{cz + d},$$

with $T_g(\infty) = \frac{a}{c}$. We have the action $T_g p(\xi) = p(g\xi)$ for $g \in GL(2, \mathbb{C})$.

This gives

$$\begin{aligned} T_{g_1} \circ T_{g_2} &= T_{g_1 g_2}, \\ (T_g)^{-1} &= T_{g^{-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

We can also ask about the fixed point:

$$T_g p(\xi) = p(\xi) \leftrightarrow p(\xi) = p(g\xi) \Leftrightarrow g\xi = \lambda\xi, \lambda \in C^\times$$

It follows that the fixed points of T_g correspond to the eigenvectors of $GL(2, \mathbb{C})$.

§4.3 Fractional Linear Transformations, Unit Disk

If we have $\xi = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix}$, then $p(\xi) \in \mathbb{D}$ if and only if $|z_1| < |z_2|$ if and only if $z_1 \bar{z}_1 - z_2 \bar{z}_2 < 0$.
If we let

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 1, 0 \\ 0, -1 \end{pmatrix},$$

we consider the sesquilinear form $\langle J \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} \rangle$, where it is linear in the first coordinate and conjugate linear in the second coordinate. Note that

$$\langle J \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} \rangle = \xi_1 \bar{\eta}_1 - \xi_2 \bar{\eta}_2.$$

When does $g \in GL(2, \mathbb{C})$ preserve $\langle J\xi, \xi \rangle$?

This means that

$$\langle Jg\xi, g\xi \rangle = \langle J\xi, \xi \rangle$$

for all $\xi \in C^2 \setminus \{0\}$. Then,

$$\langle g^* Jg\xi, \xi \rangle = \langle J\xi, \xi \rangle$$

so it follows that $g^* Jg = J$. (We prove this by transforming ξ in polar coordinates, $\xi = x + i^k y$, and considering $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$. These four equations allow us to determine the equality). Note that $U(1, 1) = \{g : g^* Jg = J\}$ forms a group structure where J has eigenvalues ± 1 for this reason, we denote $U(1, 1) \subset GL_2(\mathbb{C})$.

We claim the following: $T_g \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D}) \Leftrightarrow g \in C^\times \cdot U(1, 1)$.

§5 February 3rd, 2021

§5.1 Remark on the Zeta Function

Theorem 5.1 (S.M. Voronin 1975)

For $D = \{\frac{1}{2} < \operatorname{Re}(z) < 1\}$, $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$. If $K \subset\subset D$ and $\epsilon > 0$, then there exists $t \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\|f(\cdot) - \zeta(\cdot + it)\|_K < \epsilon.$$

This theorem essentially says that if I slide around the zeta function in the strip D , I can uniformly approximate pretty much any function I want.

§5.2 Fractional Linear Transformations, continued

Note that $\operatorname{Ker}(g \mapsto T_g) = \mathbb{C}^\times I_2$. We define $SL(2; \mathbb{C}) = \{g \in GL(2; \mathbb{C}) : \det g = 1\}$, the special linear group.

Theorem 5.2

For $g \in SL(2; \mathbb{C})$, $T_g \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ if and only if $g \in U(1, 1)$.

Proof. We start with the forward direction. From the first homework, we showed that $f \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ implies that $f(z) = T_g z$ where g is the composition of a rotation g_1 and $g_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & z_0 \\ \bar{z}_0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ for $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$. It suffices to check that $g_1, g_2 \in U(1, 1) \times \mathbb{C}^\times I_2$. This is easy to check.

Now, we show the converse. If $g \in U(1, 1)$, then $g^{-1} \in U(1, 1)$. If $z \in \mathbb{D}$, then $z = p(\xi)$, $\langle J\xi, \xi \rangle < 0$. We have $T_g z = p(g\xi)$ and $\langle J\xi, \xi \rangle < 0$ implies that $\langle g^* J g \xi, \xi \rangle < 0$, which implies that $\langle J g \xi, g \xi \rangle < 0$, which shows that $T_g z = p(g\xi) \in \mathbb{D}$. Hence $T_g \mathbb{D} \subset \mathbb{D}$. The same argument holds for $T_g^{-1} \mathbb{D} \subset \mathbb{D}$ so we have $T_g \mathbb{D} = \mathbb{D}$ exactly, so $T_g = \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$. \square

§5.3 Automorphisms of the Half Plane

There is a conformal map from $\mathbb{H}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ given by $f : z \mapsto \frac{z-i}{z+i}$. This corresponds to

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ 1 & i \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that

$$f^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ i & -i \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now, $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{H}_+) = \{(T_f)^{-1} T_g T_f | T_g \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{D})\} = \{T_{f^{-1} g f} | g \in SU(1, 1)\}$. It follows that $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{H}_+) = \{T_h | f h f^{-1} \in SU(1, 1)\}$ (assuming $h \in SL(2, \mathbb{C})$, $f h f^{-1} \in SL(2, \mathbb{C})$). It follows that $(f h f^{-1})^* J (f h f^{-1}) = J$, so $h^*(f^* J f) h = f^* J f$. We can compute

$$f^* J f = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2i \\ 2i & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It follows that

$$h^* \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} h = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If we let $h = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$, then

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} h^* \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} h = I_2.$$

If we check the computation, we find that $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$, so it follows that $h \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})$.

§5.4 The Cross Ratio

Note that T_g is completely determined by $T_g 0, T_g 1, T_g \infty$. Suppose $T_g 0 = T_h 0, T_g 1 = T_h 1, T_g \infty = T_h \infty$. If we let $r = g^{-1}h$, we have $T_r 0 = 0, T_r 1 = 1, T_r \infty = \infty$, so it follows that $r \in C^\times I_2$ (carry out the matrix multiplication for an arbitrary matrix).

if we look at g^{-1} instead of g , we find that T_g is completely determined by $a, b, c \in C \cup \infty$ so that $Ta = 1, Tb = 0, Tc = \infty$. Given, a, b, c , such a T_g is the map

$$z \mapsto \frac{z - b}{z - c} : \frac{a - b}{a - c}.$$

We denote the RHS by (z, a, b, c) , which is a fractional linear map taking a, b, c to $1, 0, \infty$. This is called the cross ratio of z, a, b, c .

Theorem 5.3

If T_g is a fractional linear transformation and z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4 are distinct points in $\mathbb{C} \cup \infty$, then

$$(z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4) = (T_g z_1, T_g z_2, T_g z_3, T_g z_4).$$

Remark 5.4. The above theorem shows that cross ratios are invariant under fractional linear transformations.

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§6.1 Mappings of Circles and Lines

Lemma 6.1

For $g \in GL_2(\mathbb{C})$, $\{w \in \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\} : T_g w \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}\}$ is a circle or a straight line with a point at infinity.

Proof.

$$\frac{aw + b}{cw + d} = \frac{\overline{aw + b}}{\overline{cw + d}},$$

Then $(a\bar{c} - c\bar{a})|w|^2 + (a\bar{d} - c\bar{b})w + (b\bar{c} - d\bar{a})\bar{w} + b\bar{d} - d\bar{b} = 0$. If $a\bar{c} - c\bar{a} = 0$, then we have a straight line. If $a\bar{c} - c\bar{a} \neq 0$, we have

$$\left| w + \frac{\bar{a}d - \bar{c}b}{\bar{a}c - \bar{c}a} \right| = \left| \frac{ad - bc}{\bar{a}c - \bar{c}a} \right|,$$

a circle. □

§6.2 Revisiting the Schwarz Lemma

Recall we have $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$, with $f(0) = 0$. We will use the fractional linear transformations so that $0 \in \mathbb{D}$ no longer has a special role.

Given $f : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ holomorphic with $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$. Take an automorphism mapping $0 \rightarrow z_0$ given by $\frac{\cdot + z_0}{1 + \bar{z}_0(\cdot)}$. Then, applying f and applying $(\frac{\cdot + f(z_0)}{1 + \bar{f}(z_0)(\cdot)})^{-1}$, which sends $f(z_0) \rightarrow 0$. These are all holomorphic, so it follows that the composition is a holomorphism from $\mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ mapping $0 \rightarrow 0$. Now, we can apply the Schwarz Lemma as usual: For the derivatives, we use the chain rule:

$$\left(\frac{\cdot + z_0}{1 + \bar{z}_0(\cdot)} \right)' \Big|_{z=0} = 1 - |a|^2.$$

Composing the derivatives along the composition, we find the derivative evaluated at 0 which we require to be ≤ 1 .

It follows that

$$\frac{|f'(z_0)|}{1 - |f(z_0)|^2} \leq \frac{1}{1 - |z_0|^2}.$$

Moreover, by the Schwarz Lemma, we have equality if and only if $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$. if we put $w = f(z)$, then $dw = f'dz$ and the inequality is

$$\frac{|dw|}{1 - |w|^2} \leq \frac{dz}{1 - |z|^2}.$$

This can be interpreted as having on \mathbb{D} the Riemannian metric

$$\frac{dx^2 + dy^2}{(1 - (x^2 + y^2))^2}$$

and $f : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$, contracting the metric.

§6.3 Functions on Simply Connected Regions

Recall the following properties of holomorphic functions in simply connected regions:

- For $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic, then there is $F : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic so that $F' = f$.
- $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, then there exists $g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic so that $e^g = f$.
- $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ holomorphic, then there exists $g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ so that $h^n = f$.
- $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic and non-constant, Ω a region, then $f(V)$ is open if $V \subset \Omega$, V is open.

§6.4 Injective Functions

Let $f : \Omega \rightarrow G$ be a holomorphic function with Ω open and connected. If f is injective, then $f'(z) \neq 0$. If so, then $f(z) - f(z_0) = u(z)^n$ if $0 = f'(z_0) = \dots, f^{(n-1)}(z_0)$ and $f^{(n)}(z_0) \neq 0$, with $u(z_0) = 0$. Then $u(\{|z - z_0| < \epsilon\})$ is open for some $\epsilon > 0$ so it contains $\{|\zeta| < \delta\}$ for some $\delta > 0$. It follows that $U(z_k) = \frac{\delta}{z} e^{2\pi i k/n}$ for $1 \leq k \leq n$ and $f(z_1) = \dots = f(z_n)$. We could also use the argument principle to show that $f'(z) \neq 0$.

Then, $f(\Omega)$ is open and f has local inverses: for each $z \in \Omega$, there is a neighborhood V_z , where f is a holomorphic isomorphism in the region. It follows that $f : \Omega \rightarrow G$ is holomorphic, injective, then $f|f(\Omega) : \Omega \rightarrow f(\Omega)$ is a holomorphic isomorphism.

If Ω is an open region so that $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ is a holomorphic isomorphism, then if fix $z_0 \in \Omega$, we have $g \in \text{Iso}(\Omega, \mathbb{D}) \rightarrow (g(z_0), \frac{g'(z_0)}{|g'(z_0)|}) \in \mathbb{D} \times \{|z| = 1\}$ is a bijection.

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Lemma 7.1

If Ω is an open region so that $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ is a holomorphic isomorphism, then if fix $z_0 \in \Omega$, we have $g \in \text{Iso}(\Omega, \mathbb{D}) \rightarrow (g(z_0), \frac{g'(z_0)}{|g'(z_0)|}) \in \mathbb{D} \times \{|z| = 1\}$ is a bijection.

Proof. We provide a sketch of the proof. Replace f with

$$\left(\frac{\cdot - f(z_0)}{1 - \overline{f(z_0)} \cdot} \right) \circ f$$

so that $f(z_0) = 0$. Then, $\text{Iso}(\Omega, \mathbb{D}) \ni g \rightarrow g \circ f^{-1} \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ is a bijection and

$$\left(g(z_0), \frac{g'(z_0)}{|g'(z_0)|} \right) = \left((g \circ f^{-1})(0), \frac{(g \circ f^{-1})'(0)}{|(g \circ f^{-1})'(0)|} \frac{f'(z_0)}{|f'(z_0)|} \right)$$

so the proof reduces to the case where $\Omega = \mathbb{D}$ and $z_0 = 0$. It is easy to show that the map is onto and 1-1. \square

§7.1 Riemann Mapping Theorem

Theorem 7 (Riemann Mapping Theorem)

Suppose Ω is simply connected and $\Omega \neq \mathbb{C}$. Then, there exists $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ a holomorphic isomorphism.

Remark 7.2. There is no holomorphic isomorphism from $\mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ because of Liouville's Theorem.

Proof. (Kobe) Let $z_0 \in \Omega$ and $\mathcal{F} = \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{D} : f \text{ injective}, f(z_0) = 0, f'(z_0) > 0\}$. The steps are as follows:

- $\mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset$.

Proof. If $\Omega \neq \mathbb{C}$, there is a point $a \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. If Ω is simply connected, there exists $h : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic with $h^2(z) = z - a$. Then $h(\Omega)$ is open and there exists r such that $B_r(h(z_0)) \subset h(\Omega)$. Then $h^2(\cdot) = \cdot - a$ is injective, so h is injective. Then $-B(h(z_0), r) \cap h(\Omega) = \emptyset$. Otherwise, there are z_1, z_2 with $h(z_1) = -h(z_2) \neq 0$. Then, we have $z_1 \neq z_2$ and $h(z_1) = -h(z_2)$ which implies that $h^2(z_1) = h^2(z_2)$.

Hence, $|h(z) - h(z_0)| \geq r$ for all $z \in \Omega$. It we take $p = r/2 > 0$, then we have $|h(z) + h(z_0)| \geq p$. Then, we find $c \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ so that

$$c \frac{h(z) - h(z_0)}{h(z) + h(z_0)} \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Rotating by a sufficient $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$z \mapsto ce^{i\theta} \frac{h(z) - h(z_0)}{h(z) + h(z_0)} \in \mathcal{F}$$

\square

- Show there is f which maximizes $f'(z_0)$ in \mathcal{F} .

Proof. Let $g_n \in \mathcal{F}$ so that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g'_n(z_0) = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} f'(z_0)$. Since $\|g_n\|_\Omega \leq 1$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we can pass to a subsequence so that $g_n \rightarrow g$ uniformly on compact subsets of Ω for some holomorphic $g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $g'_n \rightarrow g'$ uniformly on compact sets in Ω . Hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g'_n(z_0) = g'(z_0)$ and $\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} f'(z_0) = g'(z_0) < \infty$ and $g'(z_0) > 0$.

We still need to show g is injective. Let $z_1 \neq z_2$, $z_1, z_2 \in \Omega$, $g(z_1) = g(z_2)$. Then in $\Omega \setminus \{z_1\}$, $g_n(\cdot) - g_n(z_1) \neq 0$ for all points in $\Omega \setminus \{z_1\}$. By the Hurwitz theorem, $g(\cdot) - g(z_1)$ is either 0 or never vanishes. But $g(\cdot)$ is not a constant function since $g'(z_0) > 0$, so we have $g(\cdot) - g(z_1)$ never vanishes on $\Omega \setminus \{z_1\}$, so $g(z_2) \neq g(z_1)$, a contradiction.

Moreover, $\|g\|_\Omega \leq 1$ gives that $g(\Omega) \subset \overline{\mathbb{D}}$, but by the maximum principle, we have $g(\Omega) \subset \mathbb{D}$.

□

- If $f'(z_0)$ maximal, then f is an isomorphism.

Proof. It suffices to show that $g(\Omega) = \mathbb{D}$. Suppose there is $w_0 \in \mathbb{D} \setminus g(\Omega)$. We perform several modifications of g .

First, let $F(z) = \sqrt{\frac{g(z) - w_0}{1 - \overline{w_0}g(z)}}$. This is well-defined since Ω is simply connected. Note that $F(\Omega) \subset \mathbb{D}$ and F is injective with $0 \notin F(\Omega)$.

Second, we make z_0 go to 0. Define $G(z) = \frac{F(z) - F(z_0)}{1 - \overline{F(z_0)}F(z)}$. Then, G is injective from $\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ and $G(z_0) = 0$.

We now show that $G'(z_0) > g'(z_0)$, a contradiction. We will show that $g = k \circ G$, where $k : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$, holomorphic. The inverse of G is a fractional linear transformation given by $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & F(z_0) \\ \overline{F(z_0)} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

From F to g , we take the $T_w \circ (z \mapsto z^2)$, where w is the corresponding matrix from the initial FLT. So we have $k = T_w \circ (z \mapsto z^2) \circ T_h$. Note that $k(\mathbb{D}) \subset \mathbb{D}$ and $k(0) = \frac{F(z_0)^2 + w_0}{1 + \overline{w_0}F(z_0)^2}$, so since we have $F(z_0)^2 = -w_0$, we get $k(0) = 0$.

Since $k \notin \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$, so we must have $|k'(0)| < 1$ by the Schwarz Lemma. It follows that

$$|G'(z_0)| > |k'(0)||G'(z_0)| = |(k \circ G)'(z_0)| = |g'(z_0)|,$$

a contradiction.

□

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§8 February 17th, 2021

§8.1 Caratheodory Extension Theorem

Definition 8.1. A Jordan curve is given by a map $[0, 1] \ni t \rightarrow C(t) \in \mathbb{C}$ which is continuous, 1-1 on $[0, 1]$ and $C(0) = C(1)$.

Theorem 8 (Jordan Curve Theorem)

If $C : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a Jordan curve, then $\mathbb{C} \setminus C([0, 1])$ has 2 connected components, one of which is bounded and the other is unbounded.

We refer to the bounded component as the interior region, or the Jordan region.

We denote $C([0, 1])$ as $|C|$ when $C : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

Theorem 9 (Caratheodory)

Let Γ be a Jordan curve and Ω the bounded region determined by Γ (then $\partial\Omega = |\Gamma|$). If $f : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \Omega$ is a holomorphic isomorphism, then f extends to a homeomorphism $\overline{\mathbb{D}} \rightarrow \overline{\Omega}$ where $\partial\mathbb{D}$ is mapped to $\partial\Omega = |\Gamma|$.

Some remarks:

- Note that the winding of the boundary around interior points is preserved so correspondence $\partial\mathbb{D} \rightarrow \partial\Omega$ preserves clockwise orientation (see Ahlfors for more detail).
- It is easy to derive a more general statement for Ω_1, Ω_2 of Jordan curves Γ_1, Γ_2 . So we have homeomorphisms giving $\Omega_1 \cup |\Gamma_1| = \overline{\Omega_1}$ and $\Omega_2 \cup |\Gamma_2| = \overline{\Omega_2}$.
- It also tells us things about regions with slits. For instance, take $\mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D} \setminus [0, 1]$. By the Riemann Mapping Theorem, we have a holomorphic isomorphism between this set and the unit disk. The boundary behaves as if $[0, 1]$ would infinitesimally be a double line, but we can still factor a map $g : \mathbb{D} \cap \{Im(z) > 0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{D} \setminus [0, 1]$. Then the map $z \mapsto z^2$ sends this set to $\mathbb{D} \setminus [0, 1]$. Then, the homeomorphism $\partial\mathbb{D} \rightarrow \partial(\mathbb{D} \cap \{Im(z) > 0\})$ is given by Caratheodory.

§8.2 Rectifiable Arcs

Definition 8.2. An arc $\varphi : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a 1-1, continuous map is rectifiable if it has "length" (bounded variation) that is finite:

$$\sup_{a=t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_k=b} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} |\varphi(t_{j+1}) - \varphi(t_j)| < \infty.$$

If this definition is bothersome, we can make stronger assumptions about the arc being piecewise differentiable.

First, we present an analytic continuation theorem. Here the rectifiable arc will be without endpoints $\varphi : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

Theorem 10

If Ω, ω are disjoint regions and Γ a rectifiable arc, so that $|\Gamma| = \partial\Omega \cap \partial\omega$ and $|\Gamma| \cap \Omega \cap \omega$ is open. Assume $f : |\Gamma| \cup \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $g : |\Gamma| \cup \omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is continuous and $f|_{\Omega}$, $g|_{\omega}$ holomorphic and $f|_{|\Gamma|} = g|_{|\Gamma|}$. Then $F : \Omega \cup |\Gamma| \cup \omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by $F|_{\Omega \cup |\Gamma|} = f$, $F|_{|\Gamma| \cup \omega} = g$ is holomorphic.

Proof. We sketch the proof. Analyticity is a local property, so we only need to show that for a point on $|\Gamma|$, there is a neighborhood where F is holomorphic. While F had no endpoints, we take γ , a small portion of the arc. Then, for an open ball containing the arc, we split into regions C_1, C_2 . On this, we define

$$f^*(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_1} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta, \quad z \in \Omega_1 \cup \omega_1,$$

going counterclockwise. Similarly, we define $g^*(z)$ over the lower part. Intersection over γ is a Stieltjes integral.

When we add the two, we get $F(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{F(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta$. This shows that F is holomorphic. \square

§9 February 22nd, 2021

§9.1 Schwarz Reflection and Variants

Let $\Omega = \Omega^* = \{\bar{z} | z \in \Omega\}$ an open region. Suppose that $\Omega \cap \mathbb{R} \subset (a, b)$. Then, $\Omega_{\pm} = \omega \cap \{\pm \operatorname{Im}(z) > 0\}$. If $f : \Omega_+ \cup (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ continuous and $f|_{(a,b)} \subset \mathbb{R}$, $f|_{\Omega_+}$ holomorphic, then

$$F(z) = \begin{cases} f(z), & z \in \Omega_+ \cup (a, b) \\ \overline{f(\bar{z})}, & z \in \Omega_- \end{cases}$$

is holomorphic in $\Omega_+ \cup (a, b) \cup \Omega_-$.

Proof. Use the previous result with $\Omega = \Omega_+$, $\omega = \Omega_-$, $|\Gamma| = (a, b)$ with $f = f$, $\overline{f(\bar{\cdot})} = g(\cdot)$. \square

Variants:

- Suppose we set $\Omega_+ \subset \mathbb{D}$, γ , an arc in $\{|z| = 1\} \cap \partial\Omega_+$. We have $|\gamma| \cup \Omega_+$ open, and $f : |\gamma| \cup \Omega_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ continuous, $f|_{\Omega_+}$ holomorphic and $f|_{|\gamma|} \subset \mathbb{R}$.

We set

$$F(z) = \begin{cases} f(z), & z \in \Omega_+ \cup |\gamma| \\ \overline{f(1/\bar{z})}, & z \in \{1/\bar{w} : w \in \Omega_+ \setminus \{0\}\} \end{cases}$$

If we work on the Riemann sphere, we don't need to remove 0, as it gets mapped to ∞ . For circles, we have $OA \cdot OB = R^2$.

- Let $\varphi : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be an Analytic arc - that there is $f : \omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ univalent so that $\omega \supset (a, b)$, $f|_{(a,b)} = \varphi$, a holomorphic extension. (this definition avoids the discussion of real analytic functions).

Let Ω be a region, γ an analytic arc, $|\gamma| \supset \partial\Omega$ from univalent $f : \omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and we assume ω is chosen so that

$$f(\omega \cap \{\operatorname{Im}(z) > 0\}) \subset \Omega, \quad f(\omega \cap \{\operatorname{Im}(z) < 0\}) \cap \Omega = \emptyset.$$

Let $F : \Omega \cup |\gamma| \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ continuous. $F|_{\Omega}$ holomorphic, where $F(|\gamma|) \subset |\Gamma|$, where Γ is another analytic arc. Then, there is Ω_1 open with $\Omega_1 \supset \Omega \cup |\gamma|$ so that it has F has a holomorphic extension to Ω_1 with $|\gamma|$ mapping to another analytic arc.

First, after a suitable restriction, we take $g^{-1} \circ F \circ f$, reducing the result where we have a segment on the real axis mapped to \mathbb{R} . We then apply Schwarz reflection to the segment.

- Let Ω be an inner region of a polygon(not necessarily convex). Suppose z_1, \dots, z_n appear counterclockwise and $\alpha_k\pi$, $1 \leq k \leq n$ inner angles $0 < \alpha_k < 1$ and $\beta_k\pi$ the outer angles, $\pi - \alpha_k\pi = \beta_k\pi$ or $1 - \alpha_k = \beta_k$. Then $\sum_k \beta_k = 2$ (the sum of exterior angles is 2π). A function $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ a holomorphic isomorphism has continuous extension to $\tilde{f} : \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{D}}$ by Caratheodory with $\tilde{f}(\partial\Omega) = \partial\mathbb{D}$. We let $F : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \Omega$ be the inverse map. We choose f so that $f(z_j) = w_j$, preserving the counterclockwise orientation.

By the Schwarz Reflection, since $f((z_k, z_{k+1})) = (w_k, w_{k+1})$, f has an analytic extension across (z_k, z_{k+1}) and some neighborhood of (z_k, z_{k+1}) is mapped injectively into a neighborhood of (w_k, w_{k+1}) . Note that F has holomorphic extension into a neighborhood of (w_k, w_{k+1}) and etc.

§9.2 Schwarz-Christoffel Formula

$F : \overline{\mathbb{D}} \rightarrow \overline{\Omega}$ is a homeomorphism which extends the inverse map and $F(w_k) = z_k$. $\overline{\Omega}$ is a polygon with angles $\alpha_k\pi, \beta_k = 1 - \alpha_k$. Then

$$F(w) = C \int_0^w \prod_{i=1}^k (w - w_k)^{-\beta_k} dw + C'.$$

Remark 9.1. This is not an explicit formula. The constants C, C' need to be found and w_1, \dots, w_n are not known. We can fix w_1, w_2, w_3 , but not more.

Proof. Consider a map $\varphi(\zeta) = \zeta^{\alpha_k} e^{i\omega_k} + z_k$, which maps a semicircle to the angle $\alpha_k\pi$. Note that φ extends to $\{|\zeta| < \epsilon : \text{Im}(\zeta) \geq 0\}$ and maps $(-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ to the corner at z_k . Then $\tilde{f} \circ \varphi$ maps $(-\epsilon, \epsilon)$ to an arc of the circle containing w_k .

Applying the reflection principle to the segment, $\tilde{f} \circ \varphi$ has an analytic extension to the open disc of radius ϵ . Moreover, this extension has nonzero derivative at 0, so it has a local inverse at w_k .

So, take $(\tilde{f} \circ \varphi)^{-1}(w) = (w - w_k)K(w)$ with $K(w_k) \neq 0$ in a neighborhood of w_k . But then, in a neighborhood of w_k , if $w \in \overline{\mathbb{D}}$, we have

$$F(w) = \varphi \circ (\tilde{f} \circ \varphi)^{-1}(w) = (w - w_k)^{\alpha_k} \cdot e^{i\omega_k} K(w)^{\alpha_k} + z_k.$$

But $K(w)^{\alpha_k}$ is holomorphic near w_k since $K(w_k) \neq 0$ so we can define (the branch of) this power in a small disc around w_k . Thus, locally near $w_k \in \overline{\mathbb{D}}$, we have

$$F(w) - z_k = (w - w_k)^{\alpha_k} \cdot G_k(w)$$

where $G_k(w_k) \neq 0$ and holomorphic in a neighborhood of w_k .

Computing the derivative, we have

$$F'(w) = (w - w_k)^{-\beta_k} (\alpha_k G_k(w) + (w - w_k) G'_k(w))$$

or $(w - w_k)^{\beta_k} F'(w)$ is holomorphic and nonzero near w_k so $F'(w) \prod_{k=1}^n (w - w_k)^{\beta_k}$ is holomorphic near $\overline{\mathbb{D}}$. \square

§10 February 24th, 2021

§10.1 Schwarz-Christoffel Formula, continued

We show that $F'(w) \prod_{k=1}^n (w - w_k)^{\beta_k}$ is a constant, via the maximum principle.

Proof. Let $H(w) = F'(w) \prod_{k=1}^n (w - w_k)^{\beta_k}$ be extended to a neighborhood of $\overline{\mathbb{D}}$. It suffices to show that $\operatorname{Im}(\log H(w))$ is constant. Note that $\operatorname{Im}(\log H(w)) = \log e^{\operatorname{Im}(\log H(w))} = \log |e^{-i \log H(w)}|$.

It suffices to show that $|e^{-i \log H(w)}|$ is constant on the arcs (w_k, w_{k+1}) . So, we show that $\arg H(w)$ is constant on the open arcs (w_k, w_{k+1}) .

On (w_k, w_{k+1}) , $F(e^{i\theta})$ takes values in (z_k, z_{k+1}) , so $\arg iF'(e^{i\theta})e^{i\theta}$ is constant. So $\arg F'(e^{i\theta}) = c - \theta$, for $\theta \in (\theta_k, \theta_{k+1})$, where $w_k = e^{i\theta_k}$.

On the other hand, $\arg(w - w_p) = \arg((e^{i(\theta - \theta_p)} - 1)e^{i\theta_p})$. It follows that $\arg(w - w_p) = C + \theta/2$.

This gives

$$\arg H(e^{i\theta}) = C - \theta + \sum \beta_p (c_p + \theta/2) = C + (1/2 \sum \beta_p - 1)\theta,$$

which is a constant. □

§10.2 Schwarz-Christoffel Formula on the Upper Half-Plane

If $G : \{ \operatorname{Im}(u) > 0 \} \rightarrow \Omega$ a conformal map mapping ∞ to one of the vertices, where Ω is the interior of a polygon with outer angles $\beta_1\pi, \dots, \beta_n\pi$, then

$$G(u) = C \int_0^u \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (u - \xi_k)^{-\beta_k} du$$

where $\xi_k \in \mathbb{R}$ (it is not really the first $n - 1$ angles, but the ones that aren't coming from infinity). If the sum $\beta_1 + \dots + \beta_{n-1} = 2$, then $\beta_n = 0$, and we have an $(n - 1)$ -gon.

It follows from inverting the line $\operatorname{Im}(z) = 0$ to a disk given by $\varphi(u) = \frac{u-i}{u+i}$ (the Cayley Map). Then $G = F \circ \varphi$ and $\varphi(\xi_k) = w_k$. If $\xi_n = \infty$, then $w_n = 1$. Assume $w_k \neq 1$, from $\xi_k \in \mathbb{R}$. Then if we let $w = \varphi(u)$,

$$G'(u) = F'(\varphi(u))\varphi'(u) = 2iF'(\varphi(u)) \cdot (u + i)^{-2}.$$

Then $w - w_k = \varphi(u) - \varphi(\xi_k) = C_k \frac{u - \xi_k}{u + i}$, so it follows that

$$G'(u) = C \prod_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{u - \xi_k}{u + i} \right)^{-\beta_k} (u + i)^{-2} = C \prod_{k=1}^n (u - \xi_k)^{-\beta_k}$$

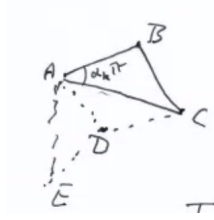
if all the $w_k \neq 1$. If $w_n = 1$, then $w - w_n = \varphi(u) - \varphi(\infty) = C(u + i)^{-1}$. We find that $G'(u) = C \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (u - \xi_k)^{-\beta_k}$, from a similar computation. So if $\sum \beta_k < 2$, then $\infty \rightarrow w_n$ and $\beta_n > 0$. one of the vertices of the polygon corresponds to ∞ in the boundary of the upper half-plane (in the Riemann sphere).

§10.3 Triangle Functions

Take ξ_1, ξ_2, ∞ mapped to the vertices of a triangle with angles $\alpha_1\pi, \alpha_2\pi, \alpha_3\pi$ with $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1$. Then

$$G(u) = \int_0^u (u - \xi_1)^{\alpha_1-1} (u - \xi_2)^{\alpha_2-1}.$$

We get rid of the constants by applying linear transformations to the triangles. What can we say about the inverse function of G , $g = G^{-1}$? We know that g is real on each open side of the triangle, so g extends by reflection in a side to an additional triangle.



If we let B reflect to D in AC , then the extension of g to ADC will also take real values on AD and DC . Also, the extended g will extend by reflection to ADE . The result of the reflection in AC and AD is a rotation by $2\varphi + \psi$, where $\varphi + \psi = \alpha_k\pi$, so a rotation by $2\alpha_k\pi$ and when we perform 2 reflections, there is no more conjugation of the function.

§11 March 1st, 2021

§11.1 Schwarz Triangle Functions

We took $G(u) = \int_0^u (u - \xi_1)^{\alpha_1-1} (u - \xi_2)^{\alpha_2-1} du$. We can take $\xi_1 = 0, \xi_2 = 1$ after scaling. By reflections, recall that g extends by rotations around a vertex by double the angle. We get that $\tilde{g}((z - z_k)e^{2i\alpha_k\pi} + z_k)$ where \tilde{g} is the extension after one reflection in an adjacent side to z_k . After repeated reflections to an integer number of rotations by $n_k 2\alpha_k\pi$ and this gets us back to the initial triangle. In other words, there exists n_k such that $n_k 2\alpha_k\pi = 2\pi$. Then, g is holomorphic extended to some $\{0 \leq |z - z_k| < \epsilon\}$ and if the corresponding point is ∞ for z_k , then g is meromorphic near z_k with a pole at z_k ; otherwise it is holomorphic near z_k . This happens when $\alpha_k = 1/n_k$, for $n_k \in \mathbb{N}$. We have $1/n_1 + 1/n_2 + 1/n_3 = 1$ with $n_1 \leq n_2 \leq n_3$. This has 3 solutions $(3, 3, 3)$, $(2, 4, 4)$ and $(2, 3, 6)$. We can combine these rotations around vertices to get invariance under shifts. In the end, g is meromorphic with two periods $g(z + L_k) = g_k$ for $k = 1, 2$. These are called the Schwarz Triangle Functions.

§11.2 Conformal Mappings of Rectangles

We can arrange so that the points are mapped from $-1/k, -1, 1, 1/k$ with $0 < k < 1$ and

$$G(u) = \int_0^u \frac{du}{\sqrt{(1-u^2)(1-k^2u^2)}}.$$

We consider how G maps the boundary of \mathbb{H} onto $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$. We have that $G(0) = 0$ and if $K = \int_{-1}^{-1/k} \frac{du}{\sqrt{(1-u^2)(1-k^2u^2)}}$, then G maps $[-1, 1]$ to $[-K/2, K/2]$. When $u \in (1, 1/k)$, then if $K' = \int_1^{1/k} \frac{du}{\sqrt{(u^2-1)(1-k^2u^2)}}$, then the boundary moves along $[K/2, K/2 + iK']$. Similarly, $(-1/k, -1)$ goes to $(-K/2 + iK', -K/2)$.

Finally, the cases where $(-\infty, -1/k)$ and $(1/k, \infty)$ are symmetric, and the integrand is real, so ∞ goes to the middle of $(-K/2 + iK', K/2 + iK')$ and $(-\infty, -1/k)$ goes to $(iK', -K/2 + iK')$.

Then, the inverse function g is real on the boundary of the rectangle and can be extended by reflection. We find that $g(z + 2K) = g(z)$ and $g(z + 2iK') = g(z)$ and g has a pole at iK' and $K + iK'$ and zeros at 0 and K so we have poles at $nK + 2(m+1)K'i$ and zeros at $nK + 2mK'i$.

§12 March 3rd, 2021

§12.1 Elliptic Integrals and Functions

Recall we had a conformal mapping of rectangles given by

$$G(w) = \int_0^w \frac{dw}{\sqrt{(1-w^2)(1-k^2w^2)}} \quad 0 < k < 1.$$

This is an example of a basic elliptic integral. More generally, we have

$$\int_0^w R(w, \sqrt{P(w)}) dw$$

where R is a rational function and P is a polynomial of degree 3 or 4. Then, the inverse $g = G^{-1}$ is an elliptic function: doubly periodic and meromorphic.

§12.2 Tiling the Unit Disk

We tile the unit disk. We can tile the disk with a curvilinear triangle with arcs that are geodesics with respect to the hyperbolic metric $\frac{|dz|^2}{(1-|z|^2)^2}$. We start with the equilateral triangle with vertices at i , $ie^{2\pi i/3}$, and $ie^{-2\pi i/3}$. If we reflect i with respect to the lower arc, it is mapped to $-i$. We do the same for the other vertices, and we repeat this to get an Escher-like picture. All the arcs are the same size with respect to the hyperbolic metric.

Now, if we consider a mapping from the Escher picture to the upper-half plane, it should be invariant under some group of fractional linear transformations, namely $SU(1, 1)$. So, we look for a way to pass from $SU(1, 1) \rightarrow SL(2, \mathbb{R})$.

We can map our points to $0, 1$ and ∞ . (Did you know conformal mappings preserve angles?) We wish to understand what happens when we reflect about this figure. When we reflect about the lines, we have the usual reflection. Before doing this, we precisely describe the connection between the two figures. Namely, the transformation is given by the cross ratio $(z, ie^{-2\pi i/3}, ie^{2\pi i/3}, i)$ (recall that it makes the second point to 0 , third to 1 and last to ∞). We can understand what's happening by noting that when we map Jordan domains to Jordan domains, they preserve orientation. Note that $0, 1, \infty$ are counterclockwise. Writing down the mapping

$$z \mapsto \frac{z - ie^{2\pi i/3}}{z - i} : \frac{ie^{-2\pi i/3} - ie^{2\pi i/3}}{ie^{-2\pi i/3} - i}.$$

Notice that the second fraction is equal to $e^{\pi i/3} \frac{-\sin(2\pi/3)}{-\sin(\pi/3)} = e^{\pi i/3}$. This is a counterclockwise rotation by 60° . Hence $z \mapsto e^{-\pi i/3} \frac{z - ie^{2\pi i/3}}{z - i}$. Note that the reflections are given by $z \mapsto -\bar{z}$ for $0, \infty$ $z \mapsto -\bar{z} - 1 + 1 = z - \bar{z}$ for $1, \infty$ and $z \mapsto \frac{1/4}{z-1/2} + 1/2$. Composing the rotations, we have $z \mapsto z$ and $\frac{z}{2z+1}$. These give two elements of $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$, so it follows that Γ , the free group of invariant transformations generated by these two elements. This subgroup of $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ will also be important later.

§12.3 Schwarz-Christoffel Revisted

We will use the Schwarzian derivative, which is similar to the role of the logarithmic derivative in the Schwarz-Christoffel formula.

Note that the Schwarz-Christoffel formula is given by

$$F' = c \prod_{k=1}^n (w - w_k)^{-\beta_k}$$

and we get that

$$\frac{F''}{F'} = (\log F')' = C + \sum \frac{-\beta_k}{w - w_k}.$$

[The constant might not be necessary.]

The Schwarzian derivative is given by

$$S(f) = \frac{f'''}{f'} - \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{f''}{f'} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{f''}{f'} \right)' - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{f''}{f'} \right)^2.$$

There are some interesting properties of $S(f)$:

- $S(f \circ g) = (S(f) \circ g)(g')^2 + S(g)$.
- For $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$, $S(f) = 0$.
- Combining the results, $S(g)$ is invariant under fractional linear transformations.

§13 March 8th, 2021

§13.1 Schwarzian Derivative

Recall that for a fractional linear transformation f , $S(f) = 0$, where S is the Schwarzian derivative.

Proposition 13.1

If $S(f) = S(g)$ and g^{-1} exists, then $f = \frac{ag+b}{cg+d}$, with $ad - bc \neq 0$.

Proof. Write $f = h \circ g$. Then $S(f) = (S(h) \circ g)(g')^2 + S(g)$ and $h = f \circ g^{-1}$, so it follows that $S(h) = 0$.

Then, we claim $S(h) = 0$ implies that $h = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$. Let $y = \frac{h''}{2h'} = \frac{1}{2}(\log h')'$. Since $S(h) = 0$, we have $y' = y^2$, so $(-1/y)' = 1$, so $y = -\frac{1}{z+c}$. This implies that $-1/2(\log h')' = (\log(z+c))'$, so $(z+c)^2 h' = a$ and $h' = \frac{a}{(z+c)^2}$. Therefore, $h = b - \frac{a}{z+c}$, which implies the result. \square

Given $S(f) = 2p$, we wish to recover the function.

Fact 13.2. Given two linearly independent solutions y_1, y_2 of $y'' + py = 0$, then $u = \frac{y_1}{y_2}$ is so that $S(u) = 2p$.

Proof. Given $y_1 = uy_2$, we have $y_1'' + py_1 = 0$ so it follows that

$$u''y_2 + 2u'y_2' + uy_2'' + py_2 = u''(y_2) + 2u'y_2' + u(y_2'' + py_2) = 0,$$

so it follows that $u''/u' = -2y_2'/y_2$.

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} S(u) &= (u''/u')' - 1/2(u''/u')^2 \\ &= -2(y_2'/y_2)' - 1/2(2y_2'/y_2)^2 \\ &= -2\frac{y_2''y_2}{y_2^2} \\ &= 2p. \end{aligned}$$

\square

Remark 13.3. This is well defined because any pair of solutions is connected by a fractional linear transformation, which has a null Schwarzian derivative.

§13.2 Curvilinear Polygons

This case is more complicated than Schwarz Christoffel because the radius of curvature for the arcs between vertices are not uniform.

We can show that

$$S(f) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \frac{1 - \alpha_k^2}{(z - \alpha_k)^2} + \sum_k \frac{\beta_k}{z - \alpha_k} + \gamma.$$

Take $n = 3$. The constants are determined by $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$ (we change this to α, β, γ). The equation

$$u'' + \frac{p}{2}u = 0$$

can be replaced by

$$u'' + Pu' + Qu = 0,$$

where we have solutions $y_i \mapsto \sigma(z)y_i$. The new equation is given by

$$z(1-z)y'' + (c - (a+b+1)z)y' - aby = 0,$$

which has solutions

$$c \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-zt)^{-a} dt,$$

the *hypergeometric functions*.

Proposition 13.4

If $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 0$, then $f(z) = \frac{T(z)}{T(1-z)}$, where

$$T(z) = \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{\sqrt{t(1-t)(1-zt)}}.$$

§14 March 10th, 2021

Recall last time, upon composing reflections where $0, 1, \infty \rightarrow 1, \infty, 0$ and extending the half plane, we obtain the modular function λ which sends $\frac{az+b}{cz+d} \rightarrow \lambda(z)$.

§14.1 The Modular Function

Theorem 14.1 (Picard)

If $g : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic such that $|\mathbb{C} \setminus g(\mathbb{C})| > 1$, then g is constant.

Proof. We may assume that $\mathbb{C} \setminus g(\mathbb{C}) \supset \{0, 1\}$. Because of the way that λ was extended to $\{\text{im } z > 0\}$ via reflections and fractional linear transformations, one can find $h : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \{\text{im } z > 0\}$ so that $\lambda \circ h = g$. Note that $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$ is a covering of $\{\text{Im}(z) > 0\}$, and λ acts as a simply connected covering map. Then, there exists a lifting map from $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \{\text{im}(z) > 0\}$, which we define as h . \square

Now, we can apply Liouville's theorem to h since $\text{im}(h) > 0$.

§14.2 Analytic Functions

If f is a meromorphic function with a pole at b , it has a Laurent expansion

$$\sum_{k=-N}^{\infty} c_k (z - b)^k.$$

The term $\sum_{k=-N}^{-1} c_k (z - b)^k$ is called the principle part. We can develop the theory for meromorphic functions in $\Omega = \mathbb{C}$.

Theorem 14.2 (Mittag-Leffler)

Given $b_n \in \mathbb{C}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |b_n| = \infty$ and principle parts $\sum_{k=-N_n}^{-1} c_k^{(n)} (z - b_n)^k = P_n$, there is a meromorphic function on \mathbb{C} with poles $(b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and principal parts p_n of the Laurent expansions at the poles.

Proof. Roughly, we would want $\sum P_n$, but this might not converge. If it doesn't converge, we make it convergent by adjusting the function in a way that doesn't change the principal parts. Define $R_n = \inf_{k \geq n} |b_k|$. Note that $R_n \uparrow \infty$. Then, if $R_n > 0$, $\frac{R_n}{2} < |b_m|$ for $m \geq n$. Since P_n is holomorphic in $R_n \mathbb{D}$, there exist polynomials p_n so that $\|P_n - p_n\|_{R_n/2\mathbb{D}} < 2^{-n}$ (assuming $R_n > 0$).

Then $\sum_{m \geq n} (P_m - p_m)$ converges uniformly on compact subsets $R_n/2\mathbb{D}$ to a holomorphic function on $R_n/2\mathbb{D}$. On the other hand, $\sum_{m < n} (P_m - p_m)$ is meromorphic and has the same poles and principles parts as $\sum_{m < n} P_m$. It follows that $\sum_n (P_n - p_n)$ converges on compact subsets of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{b_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ with the desired properties. \square

Remark 14.3. Note that if f, g are meromorphic on \mathbb{C} with poles b_n and principal parts P_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $f - g$ is holomorphic on \mathbb{C} . Also, having f , we can get any other meromorphic function with these properties by adding an entire function.

§14.3 Cool Series Expansions

We will give a series expansion for $\frac{\pi^2}{(\sin \pi z)^2}$. Namely, we construct a meromorphic function with the same poles and principle parts and determine the difference.

Note that the poles are given by the points $z \in \mathbb{Z}$. The order of the zeros are given by $(\sin \pi z)' = \pi \cos \pi z$. For $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\cos \pi k = 1$, so the zeros are simple. The poles of $\pi^2/(\sin \pi z^2)$ are order 2 at $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Note that it is periodic of period 1. To compute the principle part, we compute the principal part at $z = 0$. Note that $\pi^2/(\sin \pi z^2)$ is an even function with a pole of order 2 so the principle part is even, so it is a/z^2 , where

$$a = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\pi^2}{(\sin \pi z)^2} z^2 = \left(\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \pi z}{\pi z} \right)^{-2} = 1.$$

The principle part at $z = n$ is thus given by $1/(z - n)^{-2}$. Note that $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{(z - n)^2}$ converges uniformly on compact subsets of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$.

It follows that

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{(z - n)^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{(\sin \pi z)^2}$$

is holomorphic on \mathbb{C} . Next time, we prove that it is exactly 0.

§15 March 15th, 2021

§15.1 Cool Series Expansion, continued

Theorem 15.1 (Mittag-Leffler)

Given $b_n \in \mathbb{C}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |b_n| = \infty$ and principle parts $\sum_{k=-N_n}^{-1} c_k^{(n)} (z-b_n)^k = P_n$, there is a meromorphic function on \mathbb{C} with poles $(b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and principal parts p_n of the Laurent expansions at the poles.

We applied this to find a series expansion of $\frac{\pi^2}{\sin \pi z^2}$. We reduced it to an entire function $h = f_1 - f_2$ holomorphic with $f_1(z+1) = f_1(z)$, $f_2(z+1) = f_2(z)$, which implies that $h(z+1) = h(z)$. We show that $h = 0$ exactly. We do this by showing it is a bounded function which implies that it is zero by the Liouville theorem.

Proof. Let $A(R) = \{|Im(z)| \geq R\}$. We claim that $\|h\|_{A(R)} \rightarrow 0$ as $R \rightarrow \infty$. We do this by showing it for both f_1 and f_2 . Note that

$$|\sin \pi(x + iy)| \geq \frac{1}{2} |e^{\pi y} - e^{-\pi y}|,$$

so it follows that

$$\left\| \frac{\pi^2}{\sin \pi z^2} \right\|_{A(R)} \leq \frac{4\pi^2}{|e^{\pi R} - e^{-\pi R}|} \xrightarrow{R \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

For f_2 , $|Im(z)| \geq R$ so

$$|\sum (z-n)^{-2}| \leq \sum |z-n|^{-2} \leq \sum ((x-n)^2 + R^2)^{-1} \leq R^{-2} + \sum (n^2 + R^2)^{-1} \xrightarrow{R \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

It follows that

$$\|h\|_{\mathbb{C}} \leq \|h\|_{|Re(z)| \leq 1/2} \leq \|h\|_{|z| \leq R} + \|h\|_{|Im(z)| \geq R/2} < \infty.$$

Then $h = C$. Since $|C| = \|h\|_{|Im(z)| \geq R} \rightarrow 0$, it follows that $C = 0$. Therefore,

$$\frac{\pi^2}{\sin \pi z^2} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{(z-n)^2}.$$

□

Can we make sense of $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{z-n}$? We can write

$$\frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n}.$$

The counterterms are suitable because $\frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{z}{n(z-n)}$, so for $R > 0$, $|n| \geq R+1$ implies that

$$\|z/(n(z-n))\|_{R\mathbb{D}} \leq \frac{R}{|n|(|n| - R)},$$

so it follows that

$$\sum_{|n| \geq R+1} \frac{R}{|n|(|n| - R)} < \infty.$$

Alternatively, note that $\sum_{0 < |n| < N} 1/n = 0$ so

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{|n| \leq N} \frac{1}{z-n} = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n}.$$

If we denote $g_N(z) = \sum_{|n| \leq N} \frac{1}{z-n}$, this is called the Eisenstein summation by Andre Weil, the author of the Weil Conjectures.

Then $g_N(z)$ is uniformly convergent on compact subsets of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$. From this, we can compute $g'_N(z)$ which is uniformly convergent on compact subsets of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$. Furthermore,

$$g'_N(z) = - \sum_{|n| \leq N} \frac{1}{(z-n)^2} \rightarrow - \frac{\pi^2}{\sin \pi z^2}.$$

Note that this is also the derivative of $\pi \cot \pi z$, so it follows that $g = \pi \cot \pi z + C$.

We can show the $C = 0$ using the fact that \cot is odd, namely, $g(z) = -g(-z)$ (the symmetric sums are all odd functions).

§15.2 Infinite Products

A polynomial with zeros z_1, \dots, z_n is $P(z) = \prod_{1 \leq k \leq n} (z - z_k)$. Given a sequence z_1, z_2, \dots with $|z_k| \rightarrow \infty$, can we find a holomorphic function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with these zeros? This is a theorem of Weierstrass.

Remark 15.2. One reason why this can be strange is because we can approach numbers from different directions and obtain different convergence behavior.

Let $z_k \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$.

Definition 15.3. $\prod_{k \geq 1} z_k$ is convergent if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^n z_k$ exists and is nonzero. We denote $\log z$ if $z \neq 0$ the set $\{a \in \mathbb{C} : e^a = z\}$ and by $\text{Log}(z)$, the number $a \in \mathbb{R} + i(-\pi, \pi]$ so that $e^a = z$. Similarly, $\arg z = \text{Im}(\log z)$ and $\text{Arg}(z) = \text{Im}(\text{Log}(z))$.

Fact 15.4. $\prod_{k \geq 1} z_k$ convergent if and only if $\sum_{k \geq 1} \text{Log}(z_k)$ is convergent.

Fact 15.5. $\prod_{k \geq 1} z_k$ convergent, then $z_k \rightarrow 1$.

Proof. If we put $P_n = \prod_{1 \leq k \leq n} z_k$ and $S_n = \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} \text{Log}(z_k)$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$ exists, then $e^{S_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{S_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n$, so $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n = e^S \neq 0$.

Conversely, suppose $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n = P \neq 0$. Then $P_n/P \rightarrow 1$, so $\log(P_n/P) \rightarrow 0$. Then $\text{Log}(P_n/P) = S_n - \text{Log}(P) + 2\pi i h_n$ for some $h_n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Note that

$$2\pi i(h_{n+1} - h_n) = \text{Log}(P_{n+1}/P) - \text{Log}(P_n/P) - \text{Log}(z_{n+1}),$$

and the right hand side is 0 for large n . Indeed, there is an $\epsilon > 0$ so that $|a - 1| < \epsilon$, $|b - 1| < \epsilon$ so we have $\text{Log}(ab) = \text{Log}(a) + \text{Log}(b)$, and we can show that $h = \lim h_n$ exists which implies the convergence. \square

Definition 15.6. $\prod_{k \geq 1} z_k$ is absolutely convergent if $\sum_{k \geq 1} |\text{Log}(z_k)| < \infty$.

Fact 15.7. $\prod_{k \geq 1} z_k$ is absolutely convergent if and only if $\sum_{k \geq 1} |z_k - 1| < \infty$.

Proof. It follows from noting that the derivative of $\text{Log}(z)$ at 1 is 1. \square

This allows us to permute terms in products when we have absolute convergence.

§16 March 17th, 2021

§16.1 Weierstrass Theorem

Our goal is to construct holomorphic functions with prescribed zeros on \mathbb{C} . We have $a_n \in \mathbb{C}$ and $|a_n| \rightarrow \infty$ (so that we don't have accumulation points). A zero of order m at zero would be handled by z^m and $a_n \neq 0$. This gives $z^m \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{z}{a_n}\right)$, so that when a_n becomes large, the term becomes small. This issue is that this may not converge.

Remark 16.1. Take $|\zeta| < 1$. Then $1 - \zeta \neq 0$ and $\operatorname{Re}(1 - \zeta) > 0$, $\operatorname{Arg}(1 - \zeta) \in (-\pi/2, \pi/2)$. The series expansion of $\log(1 - \zeta)$ is $-\sum_{k \geq 1} \zeta^k/k$ and we replace with Log so that it uniformly converges.

To make $\sum_{n \geq 1} \operatorname{Log}(1 - z/a_n)$ uniformly convergent on compact subsets, we take $R_n = \inf_{k \geq n} |a_k|$ and choose a polynomial p_n so that

$$\|\operatorname{Log}(1 - z/a_n) - p_n(z)\|_{R_n/2\mathbb{D}} M 2^{-n}.$$

We can choose $p_n(z) = -\sum_{k=1}^{k_n} (z/a_n)^k/k$ where k_n so that

$$\sum_{k > k_n} |(R_n/2)/a_n|^k 1/k < 2^{-n}.$$

Then, $|z| \leq R_n/2$ implies that the choice of k_n is correct. Now, we define $g_n(z) = \operatorname{Log}(1 - z/a_n) - p_n(z) = \operatorname{Log}(1 - z/a_n) + \sum_{k=1}^{k_n} (z/a_n)^k/k$. It follows that $\|g_k\|_{R_n/2\mathbb{D}} < 2^{-k}$ for $k \geq n$ so it follows that $\prod_{k \geq n} e^{g_k}$ is convergent so that $\|e^{g_k} - 1\|_{R_n/2\mathbb{D}} < e^{2^{-k}} - 1$ and $\prod_{k \geq n} e^{g_k}$ converging uniformly on $R_n/2\mathbb{D}$. Thus,

$$P = z^m \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - z/a_n) e^{z/a_n + \dots + z^{k_n}/a_n^{k_n} \cdot 1/k_n}$$

is uniformly convergent (after omitting the zero terms) on a given compact set of \mathbb{C} . Then P is a holomorphic function on \mathbb{C} with zeros a_n (with multiplicities respected). If f is a holomorphic function on \mathbb{C} with the same zeros then f/P and P/f are holomorphic entire functions so $f/p = e^g$ for some holomorphic g on \mathbb{C} . Hence, we have proved the following theorem:

Theorem 16.2 (Weierstrass)

Given $a_n \in \mathbb{C}$, $|a_n| \rightarrow \infty$, there exists a holomorphic function on \mathbb{C} with precisely these zeros. Every holomorphic function on \mathbb{C} with these zeros, $a_n \neq 0$ and zero of multiplicity m at 0 is

$$f(z) = z^m e^{g(z)} \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - z/a_n) \exp(z/a_n + \dots + (z/a_n)^{k_n} \cdot 1/k_n)$$

for some $k_n \geq 0$ and g holomorphic on \mathbb{C} .

Corollary 16.3

If f is meromorphic on \mathbb{C} , then there are f_1, f_2 holomorphic so that $f = f_1/f_2$.

Proof. The Weierstrass theorem gives f_1 with some zeros as f and f_2 with zeros same as the poles of f , so $f_1/f_2 = e^g f$, with g holomorphic on \mathbb{C} . Replace f_1 with $f_1 e^{-g}$ so that $f_1/f_2 = f$. \square

§16.2 Cohomology Aspects

We remarked before that Mittag-Leffler and Weierstrass relate to sheaf cohomology. Roughly, a sheaf of sets is defined as follows. We have a topological space, as for each open set, we have a functor mapping this to a set of real valued continuous functions on the set. If we take a two open sets with $A \subset B$ then every continuous function on B restricts to a continuous function on A , so we have a contravariant functor. We also want the property that if we have sets U_i, U_j open and if the functions on $U_i \cap U_j$ give the same thing, then we have some global function with the same properties. We can also take a different Abelian category instead of a set. We can define a cohomology on this via Čech Cohomology: given open sets, we take the Čech cocycle so that with the intersection of two sets, we have two functions with are compatible with each other on the intersection.

The problems that are solved by Mittag-Leffler and Weierstrass solve cohomological problems with the sheaf of holomorphic functions with additive structure and the sheaf of nonvanishing holomorphic functions that don't vanish, which is a sheaf of Abelian groups with respect to multiplication.

Consider Mittag-Leffler. We have P_k principle parts with poles of a_k . Take covers $(U_i)_{i \in I}$ covers of \mathbb{C} with bounded open sets. Define $\varphi_i = \sum_{\{k: a_k \in U_i\}} P_k$, a finite sum, and φ_i meromorphic in U_i . Then, $\varphi_i - \varphi_j = h_{ij}$ is holomorphic on $U_i \cap U_j$. One can verify that this h_{ij} satisfies the cocycle properties. If we can find h_i holomorphic on U_i so that $h_i - h_j = h_{ij}$ on $U_i \cap U_j$, the $(\varphi_i - h_i)|_{U_i \cap U_j} = (\varphi_j - h_j)|_{U_i \cap U_j}$ (this is a coboundary condition). But this is exactly solving the Mittag-Leffler problem.

This is the Cousin problem (additive): given h_{ij} holomorphic on $U_i \cap U_j$, $h_{ij} + h_{jk} + h_{ki} = 0$ on $U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k$ and $h_{ij} = -h_{ji}$ on $U_i \cap U_j$. We want to find h_i holomorphic on U_i so that $h_i - h_j = h_{ij}$ on $U_i \cap U_j$. Note that Cousin problem has a solution implies Mittag-Leffler.

For the Weierstrass Theorem, we have $\varphi_i = \prod_{k|a_k \in U_i} (z - a_k)$, and $\varphi_i/\varphi_j = g_{ij}$ holomorphic, invertible on $U_i \cap U_j$. We need g_i holomorphic invertible on U_i so that $g_i/g_j = g_{ij}$ on $U_i \cap U_j$. Then, $\varphi_i/g_i = \varphi_j/g_j$ on $U_i \cap U_j$ and there is f holomorphic on \mathbb{C} so that $f|_{U_i} = \varphi_i/g_i$.

This is the Cousin problem (multiplicative): given $g_{ij} \neq 0$ holomorphic on $U_i \cap U_j$ with $g_{ij} = g_{ji}^{-1}$, $g_{ij}g_{jk}g_{ki} = 1$ on $U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k$. We wish to find g_i holomorphic and nonzero on U_i so that $g_i/g_j = g_{ij}$ on $U_i \cap U_j$.

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§17.1 Infinite Products

Recall that given $a_n \neq 0$, $|a_n| \rightarrow \infty$, m order of zero at 0, there are $k_n \geq 0$ integers so that

$$P(z) = z^m \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - z/a_n) e^{(z/a_n + \dots + (z/a_n)^{k_n})/(1/k_n)}$$

is a uniformly absolutely convergent product that gives a holomorphic function with prescribed zeros. Any other holomorphic function with these zeros is $e^{g(z)}P(z)$ for some holomorphic function g on \mathbb{C} .

How do we choose k_n ? If we take a subsequence of the k_n so that $\sum_j 1/|a_{n_j}| < \infty$, then we can choose $k_{n_j} = 0$. We can also set any finite number of them to 0 without issues. If we assert that all the k_n 's must be equal, what is the proper choice of $k_n = k$? These are called the **canonical products**. Furthermore, if $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is holomorphic and $f = e^{g(z)}P(z)$, f has **finite genus** if P is a canonical product and g is a polynomial.

In the proof of the Weierstrass theorem, we had

$$\| \text{Log}(1 - z/a_n) + \sum_{m=1}^{k_n} (z/a_n)^m / m \|_{\rho\mathbb{D}} \leq \sum_{m > k_n} (\rho/|a_n|)^m / m,$$

which is convergent for $|a_n| > \rho$.

So $\sum_n \sum_{m > k_n} (\rho/|a_n|)^m / m < \infty$, which implies convergence of the canonical product. However, note that only the first term matters since

$$(\rho/|a_n|)^{h+1} / (h+1) \leq \sum_{m > h} (\rho/|a_n|)^m / m \leq (\rho/|a_n|)^{m+1} / (m+1) \frac{1}{1 - \rho/|a_n|}.$$

Since $\rho < |a_n|$, our series converges properly. It follows that $\sum_n 1/|a_n|^{h+1} < \infty$ implies the convergence of the canonical product. We define $\text{genus}(P) = \inf\{h \in \mathbb{Z}, h \geq 0 \mid \sum_n 1/|a_n|^{h+1} < \infty\}$.

Definition 17.1. If $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ has finite genus, we define $\text{genus}(f) = \max(\deg g, \text{genus}(P))$.

- If f is genus zero, then $f(z) = Cz^m \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - z/a_n)$ with the assumption that $\sum 1/|a_n| < \infty$.
- If f is genus 1, then we have $f(z) = Cz^m e^{\alpha z} \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - z/a_n) e^{z/a_n}$ and $\sum 1/|a_n| = \infty$ but $\sum 1/|a_n|^2 < \infty$ OR we have that $f(z) = Cz^m e^{\alpha z} \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - z/a_n)$ for $\alpha \neq 0$ and $\sum 1/|a_n| < \infty$.
- Take $f(z) = \sin \pi z$, with zeros at the integers. Then, $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} 1/|n| = \infty$, $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} 1/n^2 < \infty$. We can consider the canonical product $P = z \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} (1 - z/n) e^{z/n}$, which is of genus 1. Then, $\sin \pi z = e^g P$. Recall that the logarithmic derivative gives

$$\pi \cot \pi z = g' + 1/z + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^\times} (1/n + 1/(z - n)).$$

We recall that the right term is $g' + \pi \cot \pi z$, so it follows that $g' = 0$ and $g = C$. We can solve for C by noting that $e^C z \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^\times} (1 - z/n) e^{z/n} = \sin \pi z$. We can divide by z and taking limits, we obtain that $e^C = \pi$, so it follows that $C = \log \pi$. It follows that $\sin \pi z = \pi z \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^\times} (1 - z/n) e^{z/n}$. We could also write this as $\pi z \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - z^2/n^2) = \sin \pi z$.

§17.2 Hadamard's Theorem

We can relate to the growth of a holomorphic function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and the order of the growth

$$\rho = \limsup_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log \|f\|_{R\overline{\mathbb{D}}}}{\log R}.$$

We could also write

$$\rho = \inf\{m \geq 0 : |f(z)| \leq Ce^{C|z|^m}\}.$$

Theorem 17.2 (Hadamard)

If ρ order of growth of f , h genus of f , then $\rho \in [h, h + 1)$.

Next time, we use the construction of the Gamma function and we follow the proof of Ahlfors which considers the zeros. We somehow end up with the Gamma function $G(z - 1) = ze^{\gamma(z)}G(z)$ for an entire function γ .

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§18.1 The Gamma Function

Consider the canonical product for the zeros $\{-1, -2, \dots\}$, which leads to

$$G(z) = \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 + z/n) e^{-z/n}.$$

$G(z-1)$ has zeros $\{0, -1, -2, \dots\}$, hence $G(z-1) = z e^{\gamma(z)} G(z)$ for an entire function γ .

If we take the logarithmic derivative, we obtain

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1/n}{1 + (z-1)/n} - 1/n = \gamma'(z) + 1/z + \sum_{n \geq 1} (1/n/(1 + z/n) - 1/n),$$

and from here, we can obtain $\gamma'(z) = 0$ via a telescoping series. Hence, $\gamma(z) = \gamma$, for a constant γ , which happens to be the famous Euler-Mascheroni Constant. It follows that $G(z-1) = e^\gamma z G(z)$. If we define $H(z) = e^{\gamma z} G(z)$, then it follows that $H(z-1) = z H(z)$.

Take $z = 1$. We have $G(0) = e^\gamma G(1)$ and $G(0) = 1$ so $1 = e^\gamma \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 + 1/n) e^{-1/n}$. Taking the logarithm, we obtain

$$-\gamma = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^N (\log(n+1) - \log n) - 1/n,$$

but this gives a telescoping sum with exactly the limit $\lim \log(N) - (1 + \dots + 1/N)$. This is exactly the Euler-Mascheroni constant.

Define $\Gamma(z) = \frac{1}{z H(z)}$. Then,

$$\Gamma(z+1) = \frac{1}{(z+1) H(z+1)} = \frac{1}{H(z)} = \frac{z}{z H(z)} = z \Gamma(z).$$

From the definition of Γ , it follows that $\Gamma(z)$ is a meromorphic function with poles at $-\mathbb{N}$, no zeros, and $\Gamma(z+1) = z \Gamma(z)$.

Writing this explicitly, we have

$$\Gamma(z) = z^{-1} e^{-\gamma z} \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 + z/n)^{-1} e^{z/n}.$$

If we take $G(-z) z G(z) = z \prod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+} (1 - z/n) e^{z/n} = \frac{\sin \pi z}{\pi}$. Then, noting that $G(z) = e^{-\gamma z} H(z) = \frac{e^{-\gamma z}}{z \Gamma(z)}$, we find that

$$\frac{\pi}{\sin \pi z} = \Gamma(z) \Gamma(1-z).$$

§18.2 Particular Values of Γ

It is clear that $\Gamma(1) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \Gamma(1+z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z \Gamma(z) = 1$. So we obtain the value of $\Gamma(n)$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, namely, $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$, which is clear by induction.

Note that

$$\Gamma(1/2)^2 = \Gamma(1/2) \Gamma(1 - 1/2) = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi/2} = \pi.$$

It follows that

$$\Gamma(n + 1/2) = \sqrt{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \dots (n - 1/2),$$

for $n \geq 0$.

§18.3 Alternate Definition of Γ