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Complex Analysis (MTH 403)

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#### 1. Power series

1.1. **Radius of convergence**: Given a power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$  over  $\mathbb{C}$ , there exists a unique  $R \in [0, \infty]$  with the following two properties:

(i) 
$$|z - z_0| < R \Longrightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$
 converges absolutely.

(ii) 
$$|z - z_0| > R \Longrightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$
 diverges.

We call R the *radius of convergence* of the power series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$ . The disc  $D(z_0; R)$  is called the *disc of convergence* of the power series.

## 1.2. Formula for radius of convergence:

- (a)  $R = \frac{1}{\limsup |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}}$ . This follows from Cauchy's root test.
- (b) If  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \left| \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right|$  exists in  $[0,\infty]$  then it must be equal to R. This follows from D'Alembert's ratio test.

**Note:** Since it is easier to compute ratios than roots, 1.2.b is easier to apply despite limited scope. Hence, in the calculation of radius of convergence of a power series, first one may choose to see whether or not 1.2.b applies to that case. If that does not help, then using 1.2.a or other means may be used.

# 1.3. Uniform convergence of a power series:

- (a)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$  converges uniformly on every compact subset of  $D(z_0; R)$ .
- (b) The radius of convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$  is equal to 1.  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$  does not converge uniformly on  $\mathbb{D}$ .
- 1.4. **Behaviour on the boundary**: At a boundary point, i.e., |z a| = R,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z z_0)^n$  may or may not converge. We have seen the following examples:
  - (a)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n$  does not converge at any boundary point.
  - (b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n}$  converges everywhere on the boundary except at z = 1.
  - (c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n^2}$  converges everywhere on the boundary.

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- 1.5. The radii of convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n (z-z_0)^{n-1}$  are same.
  - 2. Holomorphic functions

- 2.1. Definition.
- 2.2. Let  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-a)^n$  be a power series in  $\mathbb{C}$  with radius of convergence  $R \in (0, \infty]$ . Define

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - a)^n, \ \forall z \in D(a; R).$$

Then f is holomorphic everywhere in D(a; R), and furthermore,

$$\forall z \in D(a; R), \ f'(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n (z - a)^{n-1}.$$

In fact, for any  $k \ge 0$ , one has

$$\forall z \in D(a; R), \ f^{(k)}(z) = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} n(n-1) \dots (n-k+1) a_n (z-a)^{n-k}.$$

In particular,  $a_k = \frac{f^{(k)}(z_0)}{k!}$ , for all  $k \ge 0$ .

- 2.3. Analytic function. Any analytic function is holomorphic.
- 2.4. Let  $f : [a, b] \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be Riemann integrable and  $\gamma : [a, b] \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be continuous. Denote the image of  $\gamma$  by  $\gamma^*$ . Define

$$F(z) = \int_{a}^{b} \frac{f(t)}{\gamma(t) - z} dt, \ \forall z \notin \gamma^*.$$

Then F is analytic.

#### 3. Some more examples

- 3.1.  $F: \mathbb{H} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $F(z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{i-z}{i+z}$  and  $G: \mathbb{D} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $G(w) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} i \frac{1-w}{1+w}$ . Both F and G are holomorphic, and they are inverse to each other.
- 3.2. For  $w \in \mathbb{D}$ , the function  $\varphi_w : \overline{\mathbb{D}} \longrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{D}}$ ,  $\varphi_w(z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{w-z}{1-\bar{w}z}$  is a holomorphic function from  $\mathbb{D}$  to  $\mathbb{D}$ . It is self inverse.
- 3.3. For  $g \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL_2(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $gz \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$  is a holomorphic map from  $\mathbb{H}$  to  $\mathbb{H}$ , whose inverse is given by the matrix  $g^{-1}$ , and hence holomorphic.

#### 4. Lines and circles

- 4.1. (a) **Equation of a line**: Re(az) = b, where  $a \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ .
  - (b) **Equation of a circle**: If the circle is centered at  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  and radius is r > 0 then the equation is  $|z z_0| = r$ . Squaring both sides, we get  $|z|^2 \bar{z}_0 z \bar{z}z_0 + (|z_0|^2 r^2) = 0$ .

(c) Consider the equation

$$\alpha |z|^2 + \bar{\beta}z + \beta \bar{z} + \gamma = 0, \tag{*1}$$

where  $\alpha \geq 0, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then (\*1) represents:

- (i) a line if  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\beta \neq 0$ .
- (ii) a circle if  $\alpha > 0$  and  $|\beta|^2 > \alpha \gamma$ .
- 4.2. Let g be  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  in 3.3.. The the image of a line or a circle under the holomorphic map  $z \mapsto gz$ , defined as above in 3.3., is again a line or a circle.

### 5. Cauchy- Riemann equations

- 5.1. Being holomorphic at a point is tronger than being differentiable at that point.
- 5.2.  $\bar{z}$  is differentiable at the origin but not holomorphic.
- 5.3. Cauchy-Riemann equations:  $u_x = v_y$  and  $v_x = -u_y$ .
- 5.4. Let *U* be an open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $f:U\longrightarrow\mathbb{C}$  and  $z_0=x_0+iy_0\in U$ . Then the following are equivalent:
  - (H.1) f is holomorphic at  $z_0$ .
  - (H.2) f is differentiable at  $(x_0, y_0)$  and the Cauchy-Riemann equations hold at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .
- 5.5. A function might satisfy Cauchy-Riemann equations at a given point without being holomorphic at that point. Consider the example

$$f(x+iy) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sqrt{|x||y|}, \ \forall (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

The function f defined above satisfies the Cauchy-Riemann equations at the origin, yet it is not holomorphic at 0.

- 5.6. A few applications:
  - (a)  $\bar{z}$ , |z|,  $|z|^2$  etc.
  - (b)  $f'(z_0) = u_x(x_0, y_0) + iv_x(x_0, y_0) = v_y(x_0, y_0) iu_y(x_0, y_0)$ , and  $\det Df(x_0, y_0) = |f'(z_0)|^2$ . In particular, if  $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ , then  $Df(x_0, y_0)$  is invertible.
  - (c) Let  $U \subseteq_{open} \mathbb{C}$  be connected. Then f is constant if any of Re f, Im f and |f| is constant.
- 5.7. Cauchy-Riemann equations in polar coordinates:  $r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta}$  and  $r \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}$ .
  - 6. Exponential and logarithm functions
- 6.1. Exponential function over  $\mathbb{C}$ .
- 6.2. The range of exp is  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ .
- 6.3. exp is not injective. In fact,  $\exp(z_1) = \exp(z_2)$  if and only if  $z_1 z_2 \in 2\pi i \mathbb{Z}$ .
- 6.4. Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $B_{\alpha} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{R} \times [\alpha, \alpha + 2\pi)$ . Then  $\exp |_{B_{\alpha}}$  is bijective.
- 6.5.  $\log_{\alpha} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\exp |_{B_{\alpha}})^{-1}$  and  $\arg_{\alpha}$  is defined to be the imaginary part of  $\log_{\alpha}$ . They have precisely same points of continuity.

- 6.6.  $\log_{\alpha}$  is not continuous at any point of  $\overline{R_{\alpha}}$ . Same for  $\arg_{\alpha}$ .
- 6.7.  $\log_{\alpha}$  and  $\arg_{\alpha}$  are continuous at every point of  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{R_{\alpha}}$ .
- 6.8.  $\log_{\alpha}$  is holomorphic everywhere on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{R_{\alpha}}$ .
- 6.9. Continuous logarithm and argument of a continuous function  $f: X \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ , where X is a metric space. In fact, any continuous argument must be the imaginary part of a continuous logarithm.
- 6.10. f has continuous logarithm if and only if it has a continuous argument.
- 6.11. If X is connected, then any two continuous logarithms will differ by a constant, which is an integral multiple of  $2\pi i$ . Similarly any two continuous arguments differ constantly by an integral multiple of  $2\pi$ .
- 6.12. Let  $U \subseteq_{open} \mathbb{C}$  and  $f: U \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic. Suppose  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  is such that  $f(U) \cap \overline{R}_{\alpha} = \emptyset$ . Then  $\log_{\alpha} \circ f$  is a holomorphic (and hence continuous) logarithm of f. In particular, if f(U) is contained in an open disc not containing 0 then f has a holomorphic (and hence continuous) logarithm.
- 6.13. Let  $\gamma:[a,b] \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  be a curve. Then  $\gamma$  has a continuous argument and hence a continuous logarithm. In fact, we will be proving the following generalized version:
  - Let  $f:[a,b]\times[c,d]\longrightarrow\mathbb{C}\setminus\{0\}$  be continuous. Then f has a continuous argument.
- 6.14. Index of a point with respect to a closed curve.