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Chapter 1

Lecture 1 Jan 3rd 2018

1.1 Complex Numbers and Their Properties

Definition 1.1.1 (Complex Number, Complex Plane)

A complex number is a vector in \mathbb{R}^2 . The complex plane, denoted by \mathbb{C} , is a set of complex numbers,

$$\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R}^2 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} : x, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

In \mathbb{C} , we usually write

$$0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad 1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad x = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$iy = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Consequently, we have that

$$x + iy = x + yi = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

If for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, z = x+iy, then x is called the **real part** of z and y is called the **imaginary** part of z, and we write

$$Re(z) = x \quad Im(z) = y.$$

Note

- It is easy to see how \mathbb{R} is a subset of \mathbb{C} .
- Complex Numbers of the form $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ where $y \in \mathbb{R}$ are called **purely imaginary numbers**.
- Certain authors may prefer to denote $i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Definition 1.1.2 (Sum and Product)

We define the sum of two complex numbers to be the usual vector sum, i.e.

$$(a+ib) + (c+id) = \binom{a}{b} + \binom{c}{d}$$
$$= \binom{a+c}{b+d}$$
$$= (a+c) + i(b+d)$$

where $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$.

We define the product of two complex numbers by setting $i^2 = -1$, and by requiring the product to be **commutative**, **associative**, **and distributive** over the sum. In this setup, we have that

$$(a+ib)(c+id) = ac + iad + ibc + i^{2}bd$$
$$= (ac - bd) + i(ad + bc)$$
(1.1)

Note

It is interesting to note that any complex number times zero is zero, just like what we have with real numbers.

$$\forall z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C} \ x, y \in \mathbb{R} \ 0 \in \mathbb{C}$$
$$z \cdot 0 = (x + iy)(0 + i0) = 0 + i0 = 0$$

Example 1.1.1

Let z = 2 + i, w = 1 + 3i. Find z + w and zw.

$$z + w = (2+i) + (1+3i)$$
$$= 3+4i$$

$$zw = (2+i)(1+3i)$$

= $(2-3) + i(6+1)$ By Equation (1.1)
= $-1 + 7i$

Example 1.1.2

Show that every non-zero complex number has a multiplicative inverse, z^{-1} , and find a formula for this inverse.

Let z = a + ib where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a^2 + b^2 \neq 0$. Then

$$z(x+iy) = 1$$

$$\iff (ax - by) + i(ay + bx) = 1$$

$$\iff \begin{pmatrix} ax - by \\ ay + bx \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\iff \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\iff \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{a^2 + b^2} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\iff \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{a^2 + b^2} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ -b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\iff x + iy = \frac{a}{a^2 + b^2} - i\frac{b}{a^2 + b^2}$$

Therefore, we have that the formula for the inverse is

$$(a+ib)^{-1} = \frac{a}{a^2 + b^2} - i\frac{b}{a^2 + b^2}$$
 (1.2)

Notation

For $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$, we write

$$-z = -1z$$
 $w - z = w + (-z)$
 $\frac{1}{z} = z^{-1}$ $\frac{w}{z} = wz^{-1}$

Example 1.1.3

Find $\frac{(4-i)-(1-2i)}{1+2i}$.

$$\frac{(4-i)-(1-2i)}{1+2i} = \frac{3+i}{1+2i}$$
$$= (3+i)(\frac{1}{5}-i\frac{2}{5})$$
$$= 1-i$$

Note

The set of complex numbers is a field under the operations of addition and multiplication. This means that $\forall u, v, w \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$u + v = v + u$$
 $uv = vu$
 $(u + v) + w = u + (v + w)$ $(uv)w = u(vw)$
 $0 + u = u$ $1u = u$
 $u + (-u) = 0$ $uu^{-1} = 1, u \neq 0$
 $u(v + w) = uv + uw$

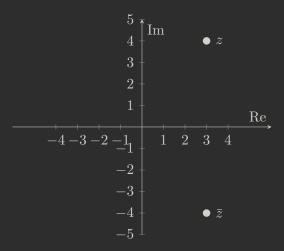
Since the distributive law holds for complex numbers, note that the **binomial expansion** works for $(w+z)^n$ where $w,z \in \mathbb{C}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. (I did not verify if this is still true for when $n \in \mathbb{R}$.)

Definition 1.1.3 (Conjugate)

If z = x + iy where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, then the conjugate of z is given by $\bar{z} = x - iy$

Example 1.1.4

Let z=3+4i. Then the $\bar{z}=3-4i$. Represented in the complex plane, we have the following:



We observe that on the complex plane, the conjugate of a complex number is simply its reflection on the real axis.

Definition 1.1.4 (Modulus)

We define the **modulus** (length, magnitude) of $z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C}, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, to be

$$|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \in \mathbb{R}.\tag{1.3}$$

Note

Note that this definition is consistent with the notion of the absolute value in real numbers when z is a real number, since if y = 0, $|z| = |x + i0| = \sqrt{x^2} = \pm x$.

Note

For $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\bar{z} = z \qquad z + \bar{z} = 2 \operatorname{Re}(z) \qquad z - \bar{z} = 2i \operatorname{Im}(z)
z\bar{z} = |z|^2 \qquad |z| = |\bar{z}| \qquad \overline{z \pm w} = \bar{z} \pm \overline{w}
\overline{zw} = \overline{z}\overline{w} \qquad |zw| = |z| |w| \qquad \bar{z}^n = \overline{z^n}$$

but note that $|z+w| \neq |z| + |w|$.

Also, note that the last equation is a generalization of the highlighted equation.

Note

While inequalities such as $z_1 < z_2$, where $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$, are meaningless unless if both of them are real, $|z_1| < |z_2|$ means that the point z_1 in the complex plane is closer to the origin than the point z_2 .

Proposition 1.1.1 (Basic Inequalities)

- 1. $|\operatorname{Re}(z)| \leq |z|$
- $2. |\operatorname{Im}(z)| \leq |z|$
- 3. $|z+w| \le |z| + |w|$ Triangle Inequality
- 4. $|z+w| \ge ||z| |w||$ Inverse Triangle Inequality

Proof

Note that $|z|^2 = \text{Re}(z)^2 + \text{Im}(z)^2$ and that we can express $|x| = \sqrt{x^2}$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$. 1 and 2 immediately follows from that.

To prove 3, we have that

$$|z + w|^{2} = (z + w)(\bar{z} + \bar{w})$$

$$= |z|^{2} + |w|^{2} + (w\bar{z} + \bar{w}z)$$

$$= |z|^{2} + |w|^{2} + 2\operatorname{Re}(w\bar{z})$$

$$\leq |z|^{2} + |w|^{2} + 2|w\bar{z}| \quad by \ 1$$

$$= |z|^{2} + |w|^{2} + 2|wz| \quad since \ |w\bar{z}| = |w| |\bar{z}| \quad and \ |z| = |\bar{z}|$$

$$= (|z| + |w|)^{2}$$

To prove 4, note that

$$|z| = |z + w - w| \le |z + w| + |w| \tag{1.4}$$

$$|w| = |w + z - z| \le |z + w| + |z| \tag{1.5}$$

Observe that

Equation (1.4)
$$\Longrightarrow |z| - |w| \le |z + w|$$

Equation (1.5) $\Longrightarrow |w| - |z| \le |z + w|$

Thus, we have that

$$|z+w| \ge ||z| - |w||$$

as required. \Box

Item 3 in Proposition 1.1.1 can be generalized by the means of mathematical induction to sums involving any finite number of terms, as:

$$|z_1 + z_2 + \ldots + z_n| \le |z_1| + |z_2| + \ldots + |z_n|$$
 (1.6)

where $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0, 1\}$.

To note the induction proof, when n = 2, Equation (1.6) is just Item 3. If Equation (1.6) is true for when n = m where $m \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0, 1\}$, n = m + 1 is also true since by Item 3,

$$|(z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_m) + z_{m+1}| \le |z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_m| + |z_{m+1}|$$

 $\le (|z_1| + |z_2| + \dots + |z_m|) + |z_{m+1}|.$

The distance between two points $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1, z_2 = x_2 + iy_2 \in \mathbb{C}, x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ is $|z_1 - z_2|$, since $|z_1 - z_2| = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2(y_1 - y_2)^2}$ is our usual notion of the Euclidean distance of two points on a plane.

Also, note that

$$z_1 - z_2 = z_1 + (-z_2)$$

and thus if we apply our knowledge of vector representation, $z_1 - z_2$ is the directed line segment from the point z_2 to z_1 .

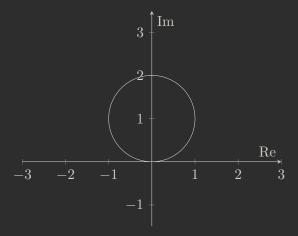
With the notion of a "distance" set on the complex plane, we can now explore upon points lying on a circle with a center z_0 and radius R, which satisfies the equation

$$|z - z_0| = R.$$

We may simply refer to this set of points as the circle $|z - z_0| = R$.

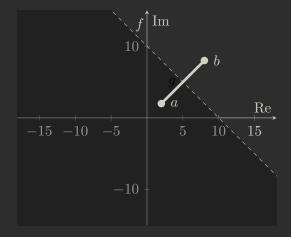
Example 1.1.5

We may describe a set $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z-i| = 1\}$ as follows:



Let $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ describe the set $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a| < |z - b|\}.$

Suppose the following coordinates for a and b are arbitrary,



In the above, g is the line segment that connects the points a and b on the complex plane, while f is the perpendicular bisector of the line segment g. The area described by the set $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z-a| < |z-b|\}$ is the shaded area which is below f.

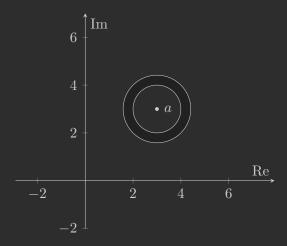
Chapter 2

Lecture 2 Jan 5th 2018

2.1 Complex Numbers and Their Properties (Continued)

Example 2.1.1

Let $a \in \mathbb{C}$. Describe the set $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 < |z - a| < 2\}$.



Example 2.1.2

Show that every non-zero complex number has exactly two complex square roots, and find a formula for the square roots.

Let $z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C}, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, and let $w = u + iv, u, v \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$w^{2} = z \iff (u + iv)^{2} = x + iy$$

$$\iff (u^{2} - v^{2}) + i(2uv) = x + iy$$

$$\iff x = u^{2} + v^{2} \quad and$$

$$y = 2uv$$
(2.1)

Square both sides of Equation (2.2), and thus we have $y^2 = 4u^2v^2$.

Multiply Equation (2.1) by $4u^2$, and we get

$$4u^{2}x = 4u^{4} - 4u^{2}v^{2} = 4u^{4} - y^{2}$$

$$\iff 0 = 4u^{4} - 4u^{2}x - y^{2}$$

$$\iff u^{2} = \frac{4x \pm \sqrt{16x^{2} + 16y^{2}}}{8}$$

$$= \frac{x \pm \sqrt{x^{2} + y^{2}}}{2}$$

Suppose $y \neq 0$. Note that $x < \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. Thus $u^2 = \frac{x + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{2} \implies u = \left(\frac{x + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$.

Similarly, we can get

$$v = \pm \left(\frac{-x + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Note that all four choices of signs satisfy Equation (2.1). If y > 0, then u and v are either both positive or both negative by Equation (2.2).

Suppose y = 0. Then we have

$$w^2 = z = x$$

Therefore, we get

$$w = \begin{cases} \pm \left[\left(\frac{x + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + i \left(\frac{-x + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] & y > 0 \\ \pm \left[\left(\frac{x + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - i \left(\frac{-x + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] & y < 0 \\ \pm \sqrt{x} & y = 0, x > 0 \\ \pm i \sqrt{x} & y = 0, x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Remark

Let $z \in \mathbb{C}$. The notation \sqrt{z} may represent either one of the square roots of z or both of the square roots, i.e. it is possible that \sqrt{z} represents a set.

Exercise 2.1.1

Is it always okay for complex numbers such that $\sqrt{zw} = \sqrt{z}\sqrt{w}$, for $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$?

No. For example, consider z = w = -1. Then we have

$$\sqrt{zw} = \sqrt{1} = \pm 1$$

while

$$\sqrt{z}\sqrt{w} = i \cdot i = -1$$

and thus

$$\sqrt{zw} \neq \sqrt{z}\sqrt{w}$$
.

Example 2.1.3

Find the values of $\sqrt{3-4i}$.

By Example 2.1.2,

$$\sqrt{3-4i} = \pm \left(\sqrt{\frac{3+\sqrt{9+16}}{2}} - i\sqrt{\frac{-3+\sqrt{9+16}}{2}} \right)$$
$$= \pm (2-i)$$

Remark

The quadratic formula holds for complex polynomials, i.e.

$$\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{C} \quad a \neq 0 \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C} \ az^2 + bz + c = 0.$$

the solution for z is given by

$$z_{1,2} = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{b} \tag{2.3}$$

The following is a short proof.

Proof

$$az^{2} + bz + c = 0 \iff z^{2} + \frac{b}{a}z + \frac{c}{a} = 0$$

$$\iff z^{2} + \frac{b}{a}z + \left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^{2} - \left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)^{2} + \frac{c}{a} = 0$$

$$\iff \left(z + \frac{b}{2a}\right)^{2} = \frac{b^{2}}{4a^{2}} - \frac{c}{a} = \frac{b^{2} - 4ac}{4a^{2}}$$

$$\iff z = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^{2} - 4ac}}{2a}$$

(Personal Note: where did the – for the supposed \pm go? Or should it really be \pm ?)

Example 2.1.4

Solve $iz^2 - (2+3i)z + 5(1+i) = 0$.

$$z = \frac{2 + 3i + \sqrt{(2+3i)^2 - 4i[5(1+i)]}}{2i}$$

$$= \frac{2 + 3i + \sqrt{-5 + 12i - 20i + 20}}{2i}$$

$$= \frac{2 + 3i + \sqrt{15 + 8i}}{2i}$$

Note that by Example 2.1.2,

$$\sqrt{15 - 8i} = \pm \left[\sqrt{\frac{15 + \sqrt{225 + 64}}{2}} - i\sqrt{\frac{-15 + \sqrt{225 + 64}}{2}} \right]$$
$$= \pm \left[\sqrt{\frac{15 + 17}{2}} - i\sqrt{\frac{-15 + 17}{2}} \right]$$
$$= \pm (4 - i)$$

Thus we have

$$z = \frac{2+3i+\sqrt{15+8i}}{2i}$$

$$= \frac{2+3i\pm(4-i)}{2i}$$

$$= (6+2i)\left(-\frac{1}{2}i\right) \text{ or } (-2+4i)\left(-\frac{1}{2}i\right) \text{ by Example 1.1.2}$$

$$= (1-3i) \text{ or } (2+i)$$

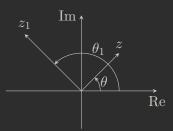
Chapter 3

Lecture 3 Jan 8th 2018

3.1 Complex Numbers and Their Properties (Continued 2)

Definition 3.1.1 (Argument of a Complex Number)

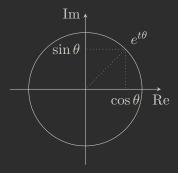
Let $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$. The **argument** (or the angle) of z, denoted by $\arg z$, $\operatorname{Arg} z$, or simply $\theta = \theta(z)$, is the angle modulo 2π (i.e. $0 \le \theta < 2\pi$) between the vector defining z and the positive real axis (in the counterclockwise direction).



Notation

Let $e^{i\theta} := \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$. Note that this definition, called **Euler's formula**, can be derived by the extending the Taylor expansion of $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$ for when $x \in \mathbb{C}$ (the sum of the real parts of the expansion is the Taylor expansion of cosine while the imaginary part for sine).

Now $e^{i\theta}$ is on the unit circle.



Remark

If z = 0, the coordinate θ is undefined, and so it is implied that $z \neq 0$ whenever we use the polar form.

Example 3.1.1

Some examples of $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$:

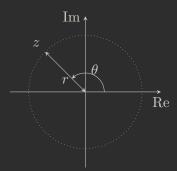
$$\begin{array}{ll} e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} = i \\ e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & e^{i\pi} + 1 = 0 \end{array}$$

Remark

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{Z} \ \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R} \ e^{i\theta} = e^{i(\theta + 2\pi k)}$$

Remark

The complex number $re^{i\theta}$, where $r > 0, \theta \in [0, 2\pi)$, represents the complex number with modulus r and argument θ .



Therefore, $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}$, we can express

$$z := |z| e^{i \operatorname{Arg} z}. \tag{3.1}$$

With that, we now have two representations of a complex number:

- Cartesian representation: z = x + iy where x = Re(z) and y = Im(z)
- Polar representation: $z = re^{i\theta}$ where r = |z| and $\theta = \text{Arg } z \in [0, 2\pi)$

To convert between the two representations, we have the following equations:

Polar \rightarrow Cartesian:

$$x = r\cos\theta \quad y = r\sin\theta \tag{3.2}$$

Cartesian \rightarrow Polar:

$$r = |z|$$

$$x \neq 0 \implies \tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$x = 0 \implies \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ or } \frac{3\pi}{2}$$
(3.3)

On another note,

$$z = re^{i\theta} \implies \bar{z} = re^{-i\theta}$$

and

$$z \neq 0 \implies \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{r}e^{-i\theta} \tag{3.4}$$

Remark

$$\forall r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R} \ \forall \theta_1, \theta_2 \in [0, 2\pi)$$
$$z_1 := r_1 e^{i\theta_1} \quad z_2 := r_2 e^{i\theta_2}$$

Then

$$z_1 z_2 = r_1 r_2 e^{i\theta_1} e^{i\theta_2} = r_1 r_2 e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

Note that $e^{ix}e^{iy} = e^{i(x+y)}$ is true for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ since

$$e^{ix}e^{iy} = (\cos x + i\sin x)(\cos y + i\sin y)$$

$$= (\cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y) + i(\cos x \sin y + \cos y \sin x)$$

$$= \cos(x+y) + i\sin(x+y)$$

$$= e^{i(x+y)}.$$

Generalizing the above, we get that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \ z = (re^{in}) = r^n e^{in\theta} \tag{3.5}$$

which is commonly known as **deMoivre's Law**. Note that by simply generalizing the above, all we have is that $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. But by Equation (3.4), we can have that for $n \in \mathbb{Z}^-$, let m = -n, and thus

$$z^n = \left\lceil \frac{1}{r} e^{i(-\theta)} \right\rceil^m = \left(\frac{1}{r} \right)^m e^{im(-\theta)} = \left(\frac{1}{r} \right)^{-n} e^{i(-n)(-\theta)} = r^n e^{i\theta}$$

This proves that deMoivre's Law also holds for when $n \in \mathbb{Z}^-$.

Observe that if r = 1, Equation (3.5) becomes

$$(e^{i\theta})^n = e^{in\theta} \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$$
 (3.6)

When written in the form

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta \quad (n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\})$$
(3.7)

this is known as deMoivre's formula.

Example 3.1.2

Equation (3.7) with n = 2 tells us that

$$(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)^n = \cos 2\theta + i\sin 2\theta$$

or we can express the equation as

$$\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta + i2\sin \theta \cos \theta = \cos 2\theta + i\sin 2\theta$$

Equating real and imaginary parts, we have the familiar double angle trigonometric identities

$$\cos 2\theta = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$$
, $\sin 2\theta = 2\sin \theta \cos \theta$.

3.1.1 Roots of Complex Numbers

Proposition 3.1.1 (nth Roots of a Complex Number)

$$\forall z = re^{i\theta} \in \mathbb{C} \quad r = |z| \in \mathbb{R} \quad \theta \in [0, 2\pi)$$
$$\exists w = se^{i\tau} \in \mathbb{C} \quad s \in \mathbb{R} \quad \tau \in [0, 2\pi)$$
$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$$
$$w^n = \left(se^{i\tau}\right)^n = z = re^{i\theta}$$

The nth roots of z is described by the set

$$\left\{r^{\frac{1}{n}}e^{i\left(\frac{\theta+2\pi k}{n}\right)}: k=0,1,...,n-1\right\}$$
 (3.8)

Proof

$$s^{n} = r \iff s = r^{\frac{1}{n}}$$
$$e^{in\theta} = e^{i\tau} \iff \theta = \frac{\tau + 2\pi k}{n}$$

Therefore, the set that describes the nth roots of z is

$$\left\{ w = r^{\frac{1}{n}} e^{i\left(\frac{\theta + 2\pi k}{n}\right)} : k = 0, 1, ..., n - 1 \right\}$$

Remark (nth Roots of Unity)

The nth roots of unity is a direct consequence of Proposition 3.1.1 where we solve for the equation $z^n = 1$ for any $z \in \mathbb{C}$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

The set that describes the nth roots of unity is

$$\left\{ e^{i\theta} : \theta = \frac{2\pi k}{n}, k = 0, 1, ..., n - 1 \right\}$$
 (3.9)

It is easy to see how the nth roots of unity partitions the unit circle into n parts.

Example 3.1.3

Find the cubic roots of -2 + 2i.

Let z = -2 + 2i. Note that $|z| = 2\sqrt{2}$ and $\operatorname{Arg} z = \frac{3\pi}{4}$.

Therefore, in polar form, $z = 2\sqrt{2}e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}}$.

Let $w = re^{i\theta}$, where $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$, and $w^3 = z$. Then

$$r = (2\sqrt{2})^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

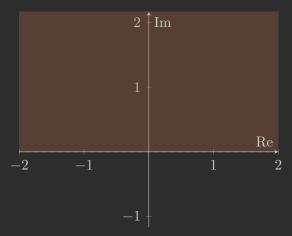
$$\theta = \frac{\frac{3\pi}{4} + 2\pi k}{3}, \ k = 0, 1, 2$$

The set that describes the cubic root of -2 + 2i is thus

$$\left\{ (2\sqrt{2})^{\frac{1}{3}}e^{i\theta}: \theta = \frac{\frac{3\pi}{4} + 2\pi k}{3}, k = 0, 1, 2 \right\}$$

Example 3.1.4

Describe the set $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \left| \operatorname{Arg} z - \frac{\pi}{2} \right| < \frac{\pi}{2} \}$. (Note: $\operatorname{Arg} z \in [0, 2\pi)$)



Exercise 3.1.1

Solve

1.
$$z^4 = -1$$

$$Let \ z = re^{i\theta}$$

$$r = |-1| = 1 \quad \theta = \frac{\pi + 2\pi k}{4} = \frac{(2k+1)\pi}{4}, \ k = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

2.
$$z^4 = -1 + \sqrt{3}i$$

$$Let \ z = re^{i\theta}$$

$$r = \left| -1 + \sqrt{3}i \right| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\frac{2\pi}{3} + 2\pi k}{4} = \frac{(2k + \frac{2}{3})\pi}{4}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

Chapter 4

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4.1 Examples for nth Roots of Unity

Recall that the *n*th roots of unity are given by $e^{i\frac{2\pi k}{n}}$, k = 0, 1, ..., n - 1.

Exercise 4.1.1

Let z be any nth root of unity other than 1. Show that

$$z^{n-1} + z^{n-2} + \dots + z + 1 = 0 (4.1)$$

Proof

By the Sum of Finite Geometric Terms,

$$z^{n-1} + z^{n-2} + \ldots + z + 1 = \frac{1 - z^n}{1 - z}.$$

Since $z^n = 1$, RHS is thus zero, which in turn completes the proof.

As an aside, if we wish to remove the restriction that z can also be 1, we may consider that

$$z^{n} - 1 = (z - 1)(1 + z + \dots + z^{n-1})$$

Since $z^n = 1$, LHS is zero. Then either z = 1 or $(1 + z + \ldots + z^{n-1}) = 0$.

Exercise 4.1.2

Consider the n-1 diagonals of a regular n-gon, inscribed in a circle of radius 1, obtained by connecting one vertex on the n-gon to all its other vertices.

For example, if we are given n = 6, we obtain the following diagram.

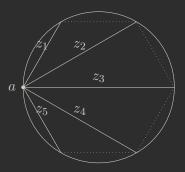


Figure 4.1: n = 6, where a is an arbitrary vertex on the hexagon

Show that the product of the lengths of these diagonals is equal to n.

Proof

Note that Figure 4.1 can be translated into Figure 4.2.

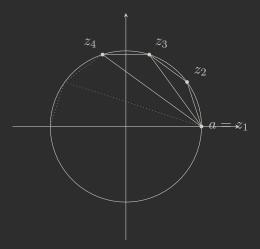


Figure 4.2: A regular n-gon with the roots of unity on its vertices

Thus the equation that we wish to prove becomes

$$|1 - z_2| |1 - z_3| \dots |1 - z_n| = n \tag{4.2}$$

Note that $z_2, ..., z_n$ are the nth roots of unity other than 1.

Let z be a variable and consider the polynomial

$$P(z) := 1 + z + z^{2} + \dots + z^{n-1}$$
(4.3)

Since the roots of P(z) are the nth roots of unity other than 1, we can factorize Equation (4.3) into

$$P(z) = (z - z_2)(z - z_3) \dots (z - z_n)$$

Now let z = 1 and take the modulus of P(z), and we get Equation (4.2).

Exercise 4.1.3

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Show that $\sum_{j=0}^{n} {3n \choose 3j} = \frac{2^{3n} + 2(-1)^n}{3}$.

Proof

Let $\alpha = e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}}$. Then α is a cubic root of unity, i.e. $\alpha^3 = 1$, and from Exercise 4.1.1, $1 + \alpha + \alpha^2 = 0$.

Consider

$$(1+1)^{3n} = {3n \choose 0} + {3n \choose 1} + {3n \choose 2} + {3n \choose 3} + {3n \choose 4}$$
$$+ {3n \choose 5} + {3n \choose 6} + \dots + {3n \choose 3n}$$

$$(4.4)$$

$$(1+\alpha)^{3n} = {3n \choose 0} + {3n \choose 1}\alpha + {3n \choose 2}\alpha^2 + {3n \choose 3} + {3n \choose 4}\alpha + {3n \choose 5}\alpha^2 + {3n \choose 6} + \dots + {3n \choose 3n}$$

$$(4.5)$$

$$(1+\alpha^2)^{3n} = {3n \choose 0} + {3n \choose 1}\alpha^2 + {3n \choose 2}\alpha + {3n \choose 3} + {3n \choose 4}\alpha^2 + {3n \choose 5}\alpha + {3n \choose 6} + \dots + {3n \choose 3n}$$

$$(4.6)$$

Adding Equation (4.4), Equation (4.5) and Equation (4.6), we observe that the terms with coefficients $\binom{3n}{k}$ where k is not a multiple of 3 sums to 0 as given by $1 + \alpha + \alpha^2 = 0$, and

therefore we obtain

$$2^{3n} + (1+\alpha)^{3n} + (1+\alpha^2)^{3n} = 3\sum_{j=0}^{n} {3n \choose 3j}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \left[2^{3n} + (1+\alpha)^{3n} + (1+\alpha^2)^{3n} \right] = \sum_{j=0}^{n} {3n \choose 3j}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \left[2^{3n} + (-\alpha^2)^{3n} + (-\alpha)^{3n} \right] = \sum_{j=0}^{n} {3n \choose 3j} \quad since \ 1 + \alpha + \alpha^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \left[2^{3n} + (-1)^n + (-1)^n \right] = \sum_{j=0}^{n} {3n \choose 3j} \quad since \ \alpha^3 = 1$$

$$\frac{2^{3n} + 2(-1)^n}{3} = \sum_{j=0}^{n} {3n \choose 3j}$$

as required.

Exercise 4.1.4

Note that we can define $\operatorname{Arg} z$ in any interval of length 2π , i.e. it is not necessary that $\operatorname{Arg} z \in [0, 2\pi)$.

For example, if we restrict Arg $z \in [-\pi, \pi]$, then we can write

$$\operatorname{Arg}\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}i\right) = -\frac{3\pi}{4}$$

Let z be on the unit circle and Arg $z \in [-\pi, \pi]$. Suppose that $z \notin \mathbb{R}$, i.e. $z \neq 1, z \neq -1$. Show that

$$\operatorname{Arg}\left(\frac{z-1}{z+1}\right) = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{2} & \operatorname{Im} z > 0\\ -\frac{\pi}{2} & \operatorname{Im} z < 0 \end{cases}$$

Proof

Note that $\forall w_1, w_2 \in \mathbb{C}$, where $\operatorname{Arg} w_1 = \tau_1, \operatorname{Arg} w_2 = \tau_2$ for τ_1, τ_2 in the same 2π -interval,

$$\operatorname{Arg} \frac{w_1}{w_2} = \frac{e^{i\tau_1}}{e^{i\tau_2}} \equiv e^{i(\tau_1 - \tau_2)} = \operatorname{Arg} w_1 - \operatorname{Arg} w_2 \tag{4.7}$$

in modulo 2π .

Suppose Im z > 0. Let $\theta_1 = \text{Arg}(z-1)$ and $\theta_2 = \text{Arg}(z+1)$. Consider Figure 4.3. Note that since both $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in [0, \pi]$, we have that $\theta_1 - \theta_2 \in [-\pi, \pi]$, and thus Equation (4.7) holds

true without the need of the condition of being in modulo 2π . We observe that

$$rac{\pi}{2}= heta_2+\pi- heta_1$$
 $heta_1- heta_2=rac{\pi}{2}$

 $as\ desired.$

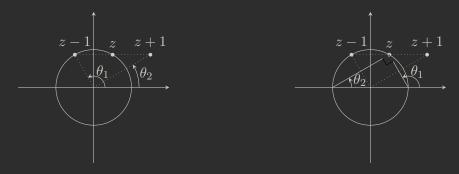


Figure 4.3: (Right) Depicted question, (Left) Translated Angles

Similarly, we can obtain $\theta_1 - \theta_2 = -\frac{\pi}{2}$ for when $\operatorname{Im} z < 0$. This completes the proof.

Exercise 4.1.5

Let $f(z) = e^z$ for $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Let $A = \{z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C} : x \le 1, y \in [0, \pi]\}$. Describe the image of f(A).

Solution

Firstly, note that

$$e^{z} = e^{x+iy}$$
$$e^{x} \in (0, e]$$
$$y \in [0, \pi]$$



Figure 4.4: (Right) Domain of f(A), (Left) Image of f(A)

It is clear that the image will be in on the positive side of the imaginary-axis. Also, since $e^x \in (0,e]$, we get the right graph represented in Figure 4.4. The image of f(A) is described in the left image of Figure 4.4.

Chapter 5

<u>Lecture 5 Jan 12 2018</u>

5.1 Complex Functions

5.1.1 Limits

Definition 5.1.1 (Convergence)

A sequence of complex numbers $z_1, z_2, z_3, ...$ converges to $z \in \mathbb{C}$ if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} |z_n - z| = 0 \tag{5.1}$$

or we may say

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \ \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \ \forall n > N \ |z_n - z| < \varepsilon \tag{5.2}$$

Note

If $\{z_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ converges to z, we may write $\lim_{n\to\infty} z_n = z$ or $z_n \to z$ (as $n\to\infty$).

Example 5.1.1

For |z| > 1, does $\{\frac{1}{z^n}\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converge? Explain.

Solution

We claim that the limit is 0. Since |z| > 1, we have that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{1}{z^n} - 0 \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{1}{z} \right|^n$$

Another way to prove this, since $|z| > 1 \implies 0 < \left|\frac{1}{z}\right| < 1$,

$$\forall \varepsilon = \left| \frac{1}{z} \right| > 0$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{z^n} - 0 \right| = \left| \frac{1}{z} \right|^n < \left| \frac{1}{z} \right| = \varepsilon$$

Definition 5.1.2 (Convergence for Complex Functions)

 $\forall \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}, \ let \ f : \Omega \to \mathbb{C}. \ We \ say \ that$

$$\lim_{z \to z_0} f(z) = L \tag{5.3}$$

for some $L \in \mathbb{C}$ if for every sequence $\{z_n\}_n \subseteq \Omega$ (not including z_0 if it is in Ω), we have that

$$z_n \to z_0 \implies f(z_n) \to L$$
 (5.4)

Note that L need not be in Ω .

Example 5.1.2

Let
$$f(z) = \frac{\bar{z}}{z}, z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$$
. Find $\lim_{z \to 0} f(z)$.

Solution

Suppose $z = x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. Then $f(z) = f(x) = \frac{x}{x} = 1$.

Suppose
$$z = iy, y \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$$
. Then $f(z) = f(iy) = \frac{-iy}{iy} = -1$.

Therefore, the limit $\lim_{z\to 0} f(z)$ does not exist.

Exercise 5.1.1

Show that
$$z_n \to z \iff \operatorname{Re}(z_n) \to \operatorname{Re}(z) \wedge \operatorname{Im}(z_n) \to \operatorname{Im}(z)$$
. (Hint: $|\operatorname{Re}(z)|, |\operatorname{Im}(z)| \le |z| \le |\operatorname{Re}(z)| + |\operatorname{Im}(z)|$)

Solution

Suppose $z_n \to z$. Then $\forall \varepsilon_0 > 0 \ \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \ \forall n > N \ |z_n - z| < \varepsilon$. Note once and for all that

$$\operatorname{Re}(z_n - z) = \operatorname{Re}(z_n) - \operatorname{Re}(z)$$

$$\operatorname{Im}(z_n - z) = \operatorname{Im}(z_n) - \operatorname{Im}(z).$$

Thus

$$|\operatorname{Re}(z_n) - \operatorname{Re}(z)| = |\operatorname{Re}(z_n - z)|$$

$$\leq |z_n - z| < \varepsilon$$

$$|\operatorname{Im}(z_n) - \operatorname{Im}(z)| = |\operatorname{Im}(z_n - z)|$$

$$\leq |z_n - z| < \varepsilon$$

For the other direction,

$$\forall \frac{\varepsilon}{2} > 0 \ \exists N_0 \in \mathbb{N} \ \forall n > N_0 \ |\text{Re}(z_n) - \text{Re}(z)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

$$\forall \frac{\varepsilon}{2} > 0 \ \exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N} \ \forall n > N_1 \ |\text{Im}(z_n) - \text{Im}(z)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Therefore,

$$|z_n - z| = |\operatorname{Re}(z_n) + \operatorname{Im}(z_n) - \operatorname{Re}(z) - \operatorname{Im}(z)|$$

$$\leq |\operatorname{Re}(z_n) - \operatorname{Re}(z)| + |\operatorname{Im}(z_n) - \operatorname{Im}(z)|$$

$$< \varepsilon$$

5.1.2 Continuity

<u>Definition</u> 5.1.3 (Continuity)

 $\forall \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}, \ let \ f : \Omega \to \mathbb{C}. \ We \ say \ that \ f \ is \ continuous \ at \ z_0 \in \Omega \ if$

1.
$$\forall \{z_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$$

 $z_n \to z_0 \implies f(z_n) \to f(z_0)$

2.
$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \ \exists \delta > 0$$

 $|z - z_0| < \delta \implies |f(z) - f(z_0)| < \varepsilon$

Remark

- 1. f is continuous on Ω if it is continuous on every point in Ω .
- 2. We may split f into its feal and imaginary parts, i.e.

$$f(z) = f(x,y) = u(x,y) + iv(x,y)$$
 (5.5)

where $u, v : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$.

Example 5.1.3

Let $f: \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$ and for $z \in \mathbb{C}$, $f(z) = \frac{\bar{z}}{z}$. To split f into real and imaginary parts:

$$\begin{split} f(z) &= \frac{\bar{z}}{z} \\ &= (x + iy) \left(\frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} - i \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} + i \frac{(-2xy)}{x^2 + y^2} \end{split}$$

 $and\ we\ get$

$$u(x,y) = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$$
$$v(x,y) = -\frac{2xy}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$\overline{\text{Chapter}}$ 6

Lecture 6 Jan 15th 2018

6.1 Continuity (Continued)

Exercise 6.1.1

Let $f: \Omega \to \mathbb{C}$. Prove that f(z) is continuous at $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0 \in \mathbb{C} \iff$ functions $u, v: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$, such that f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y) are both continuous at (x_0, y_0) .

Solution

We shall first prove the forward direction. Suppose that f(z) is continuous at $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. By Definition 5.1.3, $\forall \{z_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \subseteq \Omega$, $z_n \to z_0 \implies f(z_n) \to f(z_0)$. By Exercise 5.1.1,

$$z_n \to z_0 \iff \operatorname{Re} z_n \to \operatorname{Re} z_0 \wedge \operatorname{Im} z_n \to \operatorname{Im} z_0$$

 $\iff x_n \to x_0 \wedge y_n \to y_0$ (6.1)

where $z_n = x_n + iy_n$ for $x_n, y_n \in \mathbb{R}$.

Similarly so, and by Equation (5.5),

$$f(z_n) + f(z_0) \iff u(x_n, y_n) \to u(x_0, y_0) \land v(x_n, y_n) \to v(x_0, y_0)$$
 (6.2)

Putting together Equation (6.1) and Equation (6.2), we get

$$(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0) \implies u(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow u(x_0, y_0) \land v(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow v(x_0, y_0)$$

as desired.

The proof of the other direction is simply a reversed process of the above.

6.2 Differentiability

Definition 6.2.1 (Neighbourhood)

For $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}, r \in \mathbb{R}$, let

$$D(z_0, r) := \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < r \}. \tag{6.3}$$

On the complex plane, this is seen as a open disk centered around the point z_0 with radius r, as shown below.

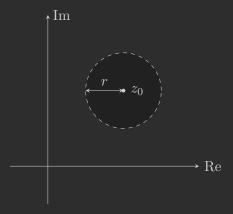


Figure 6.1: Open disk centered around z_0 with radius r

This open disk is called a **neighbourhood** of z_0 .

Definition 6.2.2 (Differentiable/Holomorphic)

Let f(z) be defined in a neighbourhood of $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. We say f is differentiable/holomorphic at z_0 if for some $h \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h} \tag{6.4}$$

exists. If such a limit exists, we denote the limit by $f'(z_0)$.

Remark

 $h \in \mathbb{C}$: h need not necessarily be real. In this sense, h approaches 0 from any direction around $0 \in \mathbb{C}$.

Example 6.2.1

For $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, let $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$. Let $z_0 \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$. Note that

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{1}{z_0 + h} - \frac{1}{z_0}}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1}{h} \left[\frac{-h}{(z_0 + h)z_0} \right] = -\frac{1}{z_0^2}$$

Thus f is holomorphic at any $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, and hence $f'(z) = -\frac{1}{z}$.

Example 6.2.2

For $z \in \mathbb{C}$, let $f(z) = \bar{z}$. Let $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. Notice that

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\overline{z_0 + h} - \overline{z}}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\overline{h}}{h}.$$

From Example 5.1.2, we know that such a limit does not exist. Thus f is not holomorphic on any $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Exercise 6.2.1 (Holomorphic Functions Properties)

If f, g are holomorphic at $z \in \mathbb{C}$, prove that

- 1. f + g is holomorphic and (f + g)' = f' + g'.
- 2. fg is holomorphic and (fg)' = f'g + fg'.
- 3. if $g(z) \neq 0$, $\frac{f}{g}$ is holomorphic and $(\frac{f}{g})' = \frac{f'g fg'}{g^2}$.

Solution

1. For f + g,

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(z+h) + g(z+h) - f(z) - g(z)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \left[\frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} + \frac{g(z+h) - g(z)}{g} \right]$$

$$= f'(z) + g'(z)$$

Thus (f + g)' = f' + g'.

2. For fg,

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(z+h)g(z+h) - f(z)g(z)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(z+h)g(z+h) + f(z)g(z+h) - f(z)g(z+h) - f(z)g(z)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \left[\frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} g(z+h) + f(z) \frac{g(z+h) - g(z)}{h} \right]$$

$$= f'(z)g(z) + f(z)g'(z)$$

Therefore, (fg)' = f'g + fg'.

3. When $\forall z \in \mathbb{C} \ g(z) \neq 0$, for $\frac{f}{g}$,

$$\begin{split} &\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{f(z+h)}{g(z+h)} - \frac{f(z)}{g(z)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1}{h} \left[\frac{f(z+h)g(z) - f(z)g(z+h)}{g(z+h)g(z)} \right] \\ &= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1}{g(z+h)g(z)} \left[\frac{f(z+h)g(z) + f(z)g(z) - f(z)g(z) - f(z)g(z+h)}{g} \right] \\ &= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1}{g(z+h)g(z)} \left[\frac{[f(z+h) - f(z)]g(z) - f(z)[g(z+h) - g(z)]}{h} \right] \\ &= \frac{f'(z)g(z) - f(z)g'(z)}{g^2(z)} \end{split}$$

Hence,
$$\frac{f}{g} = \frac{f'g - fg'}{g^2}$$

Note

If we look at the example above from the perspective of f being treated as a real-valued function, i.e. f(z) = u(x,y) + iv(x,y) where $u,v: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$ and z = x + iy, observe that $\forall (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, (x,y) \mapsto (x,-y)$, which we see that u and v are partially differentiable in \mathbb{R}^2 .

We will now look into this "discrepancy".

6.2.1 Cauchy-Riemann Equations

Consider the following function taken from Equation (6.4),

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h}$$
(6.5)

While h may approach $0 \in \mathbb{C}$ from infinitely many sides on the complex plane, we will consider 2 cases.

Case 1: $h \rightarrow 0$ via the real axis

In this case, h = x + i(0) and $x \to 0 \in \mathbb{R}$. Then Equation (6.5) gives

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{u(x_0 + x, y_0) + iv(x_0 + x, y_0) - u(x_0, y_0) - iv(x_0, y_0)}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \left[\frac{u(x_0 + x, y_0) - u(x_0, y_0)}{x} + i \frac{v(x_0 + x, y_0) - v(x_0, y_0)}{x} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)}$$
(6.6)

Case 2: $h \rightarrow 0$ via the imaginary axis

In this case, h = 0 + iy and $y \to 0 \in \mathbb{R}$. In a similar fashion, Equation (6.5) becomes

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{y \to 0} \left[\frac{u(x_0, y_0 + y) - u(x_0, y_0)}{iy} + \frac{v(x_0, y_0 + y) - v(x_0, y_0)}{y} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{i} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)}$$
(6.7)

Note that since $f'(z_0)$ exists, the real and imaginary part of Equation (6.6) and Equation (6.7) must equate. Also note that $\frac{1}{i} = -i$. With that, we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 6.2.1 (Cauchy-Riemann Equations)

If f(z) is holomorphic at $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ where $x_0, y_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, then, at (x_0, y_0) ,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$$
 and $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$. (6.8)

Chapter 7

Lecture 7 Jan 17th 2018

7.1 Differentiability (Continued)

7.1.1 Cauchy-Riemann Equations (Continued)

It is natural to wonder if the **converse** of Theorem 6.2.1 is true. We present the following example.

Example 7.1.1

Let

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{\overline{z}^2}{z} & \text{if } z \neq 0\\ 0 & \text{if } z = 0 \end{cases}$$

Check if

- 1. f is holomorphic at 0.
- 2. Theorem 6.2.1 holds at (0,0).

Proof

1. Observe that by letting $h = x_h + iy_h$ where $x_h, y_h \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\frac{\overline{0+h}^2}{0+h} - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\overline{h}^2}{h} = \lim_{x_h + iy_h \to 0} \left(\frac{x_h - iy_h}{x_h + iy_h} \right)^2$$

Consider $y_h = kx_h$, for $k \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. Then

$$\lim_{x_h \to 0} \left(\frac{x_h - ikx_h}{x_h + ikx_h} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{1 - ik}{1 + ik} \right)^2,$$

where we see that the limit depends on the value of k. Therefore, the limit DNE. Hence f is not holomorphic at 0.

2. Let z = x + iy for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\frac{\bar{z}^2}{z} = \frac{(x-iy)^2}{x+iy} = \frac{(x-iy)^3}{x^2+y^2} = \frac{x^3 - 3xy^2}{x^2+y^2} + i\frac{(-3x^2y + y^3)}{x^2+y^2}$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$u(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3 - 3xy^2}{x^2 + y^2} & (x,y) \neq (0,0) \\ 0 & (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$$
$$v(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{y^3 - 3x^2y}{x^2 + y^2} & (x,y) \neq (0,0) \\ 0 & (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$$

Observe that

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\Big|_{(0,0)} = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{u(x,0) - u(0,0)}{x} = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial y}\Big|_{(0,0)} = \lim_{y \to 0} \frac{v(0,y) - v(0,0)}{y} = 1$$

$$and$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\Big|_{(0,0)} = \lim_{y \to 0} \frac{u(0,y) - u(0,0)}{y} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}\Big|_{(0,0)} = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{v(x,0) - v(0,0)}{x} = 0$$

satisfies Equation (6.8).

This illustrates that the converse of Theorem 6.2.1 is not true. We will, however, show that the converse will be true given an extra condition.

Theorem 7.1.1 (Conditional Converse of CRE)

Let
$$z_0 = x_0 + iy_0 \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}, x_0, y_0 \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ and } u, v : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}, f = u + iv : \Omega \to \mathbb{C}$$
. If

1. the partials of u, v exist in a neighbourhood of (x_0, y_0) ,

2. the partials of u, v are continuous at (x_0, y_0) , and

3.
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$$
 and $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ at (x_0, y_0) ,

then f is holomorphic at z_0 .

A proof of the theorem is in page 36 of Newman and Bak (recommended text of PMATH352W18). I may include the proof whenever I am free.

7.1.2 Power Series

Definition 7.1.1 (Power Series)

A power series in \mathbb{C} is an infinite series of the form

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}} c_n z^n,\tag{7.1}$$

where each $c_n \in \mathbb{C}$ is the coefficient of z of the n-th power.

In this subsection, we are interested to see if Equation (7.1) converges.

Recall the notion of convergence in series from \mathbb{R} . Equation (7.1) converges if the sequence of partial sums $\{S_N\}$ converges as $N \to \infty$, where

$$S_N := \sum_{n=0}^N c_n z^n$$

In other words, using the same definition of S_N ,

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\} \quad \forall n > N$$
$$|S_n - L| < \varepsilon$$

where $L \in \mathbb{C}$ is the limit that the sequence converges to.

We also know that Equation (7.1) converges absolutely if $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |c_n| |z|^n$ converges. This is a stronger statement (i.e. absolute convergence \implies convergence)

$$\left| \sum_{n=0}^{N} c_n z^n \right| \leq \sum_{n=0}^{N} |c_n| |z|^n \quad \text{for each } N \in \mathbb{N}$$

Example 7.1.2

 $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ converges absolutely for |z| < 1.

Note that the partial sum of a geometric series is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N} r^n = \frac{1 - r^{N+1}}{1 - r}$$

and so the limit as $N \to \infty$ exists if |r| < 1, and hence we see that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N} r^n \to \frac{1}{1-r}$$

if |r| < 1 as $N \to \infty$.

However, if |z| = 1, the power series diverges.

Another note that we shall point out is that if Equation (7.1) converges absolutely for some $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$, then it converges absolutely for any z where $|z| < |z_0|$.

These notions, in turn, begs the question of what is the largest possible $|z_0|$ for the series to converge absolutely.

Chapter 8

Lecture 8 Jan 19 2018

8.1 Power Series (Continued)

8.1.1 Radius of Convergence

Theorem 8.1.1 (Convergence in the Radius of Convergence)

For any power series $\sum_{n\in\mathbb{N}} c_n z^n$, $\exists 0 \leq R < \infty$, such that

- 1. $|z| < R \implies series converges absolutely.$
- 2. $|z| > R \implies series diverges$.

Moreover, R is given by **Hadamard's Formula**:

$$\frac{1}{R} := \limsup_{n \to \infty} |c_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} \tag{8.1}$$

Remark

- 1. R is called the radius of convergence of the series. $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < R\}$ is called the disk of convergence of the series.
- 2. Recall the definition of the limit supremum

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup a_n := \lim_{n \to \infty} (\sup_{m \ge n} a_m)$$
(8.2)

which we may colloquially say as the "highest peak 'reached' by a_n 's as $n \to \infty$ "

Proposition 8.1.1 (A Property of limsup)

$$\forall \{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \quad L := \limsup_{n \to \infty} a_n \implies$$

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists N > 0 \quad \forall n > N$$

$$L - \varepsilon < a_n < L + \varepsilon$$

(Proof to be included)

Proof (Theorem 8.1.1)

Let $L := \frac{1}{R} = \limsup_{n \to \infty} |c_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}$. Clearly, $L \ge 0$.

1. Suppose |z| < R. $\exists \varepsilon > 0, r := |z| (L + \varepsilon)$ such that 0 < r < 1. By Proposition 8.1.1, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n > N, |c_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} < L + \varepsilon$.

Now since $L = \frac{1}{R}$,

$$\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |c_n| |z|^n = \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} (|c_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} |z|)^n < \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} r^n$$

and since 0 < r < 1, the final summation converges (as it is a geometric sum). Thus by comparison test, $\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |c_n| |z|^n$ converges.

We may also proceed with noticing that the partial sum of $\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |c_n| |z|^n$ is bounded and monotonic, which shows that the series converges.

2. Suppose |z| > R. $\exists \varepsilon > 0, r := |z| (L - \varepsilon)$ such that r > 1. By Proposition 8.1.1, $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n > N, |c_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} > L - \varepsilon$. Then analogous to the proof above,

$$\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |c_n| |z|^n = \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} (|c_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} |z|)^n > \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} r^n$$

where the final summation diverges, and thus implying that $\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |c_n| |z|^n$ diverges.

Theorem 8.1.2 (Power function, holomorphic function, region of convergence) Suppose $f(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} c_n z^n$ has a radius of convergence $R \in \mathbb{R}$. Then f'(z) exists and equals

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n c_n z^{n-1}$$

throughout |z| < R.

Moreover, f' has the same radius of convergence as f.

Proof

Note that f' has the same radius of convergence as f since

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} |nc_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = \limsup_{n \to \infty} |n|^{\frac{1}{n}} |c_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = \limsup_{n \to \infty} |c_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

where note that $\lim_{n\to\infty} |n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$.

Let $|z_0| \le r < R$ and $g(z_0) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nc_n z_0^{n-1}$.

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$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h} = g(z_0)$$

OR

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \ \exists \delta > 0$$

$$|h| < \delta \implies \left| \frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h} - g(z_0) \right| < \varepsilon$$

$$(\dagger)$$

(Note that we would want $\delta > 0$ such that $|z_0 + h| \le r < R$)

WTP (†). $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, choose $\delta > 0$. Suppose $|z_0 + h| < |z_0 + \delta| \le r < R$. Write

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{N} c_n z^n + \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} c_n z^n$$

and let $S_N(z)$ and $E_N(z)$ be the first and second terms respectively. Then we have that

$$S'_{N}(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} nc_{n}z^{n-1}$$

Consider

$$\left| \frac{S_N(z_0 + h) - S_N(z_0)}{h} + \frac{E_N(z_0 + h) - E_N(z_0)}{h} - g(z_0) + S'_N(z_0) - S'_N(z_0) \right| \\
\leq \left| \frac{S_N(z_0 + h) - S_N(z_0)}{h} - S'_N(z_0) \right| + \left| \frac{E_N(z_0 + h) - E_N(z_0)}{h} \right| + \left| S'_N(z_0) - g(z_0) \right| \quad (8.3)$$

For the second term, since $a^2-b^2=(a-b)(a^{n-1}+a^{n-2}b+\dots ab^{n-2}+b^{n-1})$ and $|z_0|, |z_0+h| < r \le R$, we obtain $(z_0+h)^n-z_0^n \le hnr^{n-1}$. Thus

$$\left| \frac{E_N(z_0 + h) - E_N(z_0)}{h} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{h} \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} c_n [(z_0 + h)^n - z_0^n] \right| \le \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} n c_n r^{n-1}.$$

Note that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nc_n r^{n-1} = g(r), \tag{8.4}$$

and since r < R, Equation (8.4) converges absolutely by Theorem 8.1.1, thus the tail $\sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} nc_n r^{n-1}$ converges absolutely. Therefore, by comparison, we can pick $\frac{\varepsilon}{3} > 0$ so that $\exists N_1 \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n > N_1$

$$\left| \frac{E_N(z_0 + h) - E_N(z_0)}{h} \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

For the third term in Equation (8.3), we observe that by definition, $S'_N(z_0) = \sum_{n=1}^N nc_n z^{n-1}$. Since

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} S_N'(z_0) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{n=1}^N nc_n z^{n-1} = \sum_{n=1}^\infty nc_n z^{n-1} = g(z_0)$$

we know that we can pick $\frac{\varepsilon}{3} > 0, \exists N_2 \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n > N_2, \text{ we have}$

$$\left|S_N'(z_0) - g(z_0)\right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

For the first term in Equation (8.3), note that $(S_N(z_0))' = S'_N(z_0)$. Let $\frac{\varepsilon}{3} > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \exists N > \max\{N_1, N_2\}, \forall n > N$, since $|h| < \delta$, we have that

$$\left|\frac{S_N(z_0+h)-S_N(z_0)}{h}-S_N'(z_0)\right|<\frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

This completes the proof.

Chapter 9

Lecture 9 Jan 22nd 2018

9.1 Power Series (Continued 2)

9.1.1 Radius of Convergence (Continued)

Example 9.1.1

Let $f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n}$. To find the radius of convergence, we use Hadamard's Formula:

$$\frac{1}{R} = \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1 \qquad \because \lim_{n \to \infty} n^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$$

Therefore R = 1. Thus, by Theorem 8.1.1, f converges absolutely when |z| < 1 and diverges when |z| > 1. As for the boundary, i.e. |z| = 1, consider the following two cases:

- 1. If z = 1, then $f(1) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ is a harmonic series, and hence f diverges.
- 2. If z = i, then

$$f(i) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{i^n}{n}$$

$$= i - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{-i}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{i}{5} - \frac{1}{6}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{6} + \dots \right) + i \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \dots \right).$$

Observe that both the real and imaginary parts are alternating series where the absolute values of each term is decreasing, which, by the alternating series test, converge. Thus in this case, f converges.

Therefore, we observe that both convergence and divergence may occur on the boundary, depending on the value of z.

Note

We may not always exchange the position of $\lim_{a\to 1}$ and $\sum_{a=1}^{b}$ when we consider an infinite sum (i.e. $b=\infty$). Here's an example why this is true. Consider the function $f(x)=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}(x^n-x^{n-1})$ for |x|<1. Is

$$\lim_{x \to 1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x^n - x^{n-1}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lim_{x \to 1} (x^n - x^{n+1})$$

true?

Clearly, RHS is 0. For LHS, note that

$$f(x) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (x^n - x^{n+1})$$

$$= \lim_{N \to \infty} (x - x^2 + x^2 - x^3 + \dots + x^N - x^{N+1})$$

$$= \lim_{N \to \infty} (x - x^{N+1}) = x.$$

So.

$$LHS = \lim_{x \to 1} x = 1$$

And we see that $RHS \neq LHS$.

Definition 9.1.1 (Entire Function)

A function f is said to be entire if f is holomorphic in the entire complex plane.

Exercise 9.1.1

Define $e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$. Show that

- 1. the radius of convergence of this series is ∞ , and hence that e^z is an entire function. (Hint: Use Stirling's formula: $n! \sim (\frac{n}{e})^n \sqrt{2\pi n}$)
- $2. (e^z)' = e^z$

Solution

1. Using Stirling's formula, note that we have

$$e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} \left(\frac{ez}{n}\right)^n$$

To find R, we have

$$\frac{1}{R} = \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} \left(\frac{e}{n} \right)^n \right|^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$= \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{e}{n} \right| \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} \right|^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$= 0$$

since $\limsup_{n\to\infty} \frac{e}{n} = 0$ and $\limsup_{n\to\infty} \left|\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n}}\right|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$. Thus $R = \infty$. By Theorem 8.1.1, e^z is an entire function.

2. Note that

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^{z+h} - e^z}{h} = e^z \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{e^h - 1}{h}$$

$$= e^z \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{1 + h + \frac{h^2}{2} + \frac{h^3}{3} + \dots - 1}{h}$$

$$= e^z$$

Thus $(e^z)' = e^z$ as required.

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Lecture 10 Jan 24th 2018

10.1 Power Series (Continued 3)

10.1.1 Radius of Convergence (Continued 2)

A power series is infinitely C-differentiable in its radius of convergence. All its derivatives are also power series, obtained by term-wise differentiation.

E.g.

$$f(z) - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n z^n$$
 then $f^{(2)}(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1)c_n z^{n-2}$

In general, we may have $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(z-z_0)^n$, which is a power series centered at $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. Then, as before, the radius of convergence of this power series is given by

$$\frac{1}{R} = \limsup_{n \to \infty} |c_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

So instead of having the disc of convergence centered around 0, we now have one that is centered around z_0 .

Corollary 10.1.1 (Corollary of Theorem 8.1.2)

From Theorem 8.1.2, we have shown that

$$f(z)$$
 has a power series expansion at z_0
(i.e. $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z - z_0)^n$ in some
neighbourhood of z_0) with radius of
$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z - z_0)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty$$

The converse of the statement above is true, i.e.

$$f(z)$$
 has a power series expansion at z_0

$$\implies \begin{cases} f(z) \text{ has a power series expansion at } z_0 \\ \text{(i.e. } f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z - z_0)^n \text{ in some } \\ \text{neighbourhood of } z_0) \text{ with radius of } \\ \text{convergence } R > 0 \end{cases}$$

This converse, however, is not possible to be proven given the current tools on our belt. And so we now have to venture into integrals in \mathbb{C} .

10.2 Integration in $\mathbb C$

10.2.1 Curves and Paths

Before we begin with the definition of a curve in \mathbb{C} , let us consider how a straight line should be described as a vector-valued function in the complex plane. For instance, if we have two points $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$, and we want to describe the straight line connecting the two.



Let γ be the function that describes this line. We may then define $\gamma:[0,1]\to\mathbb{C}$ to be either

$$\gamma(t) = \alpha + (\beta - \alpha)t$$
 or $\gamma = \alpha(1 - t) + \beta t$.

We would then have the following mapping:

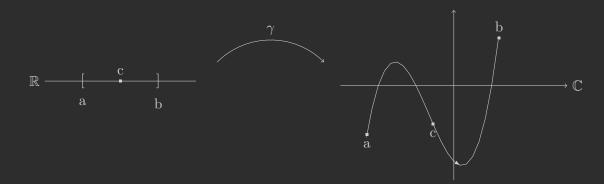


Figure 10.1: Mapping from $\mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{C}$ with γ , which is called **the curve** γ

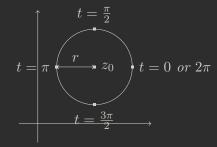
Definition 10.2.1 (Curves in \mathbb{C})

A curve in \mathbb{C} is a continuous function, $\gamma(t):[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$, where $a,b\in\mathbb{R}$. The image of γ in \mathbb{C} is called γ^* .

Example 10.2.1

Let $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}, r > 0$.

The two functions above describe a circle centered at z_0 with radius r, anticlockwise-oriented.



We say that γ and γ' are equivalent parameterizations for the same oriented path.

Definition 10.2.2 (Equivalent Parameterization)

Let $\gamma_1: [a,b] \to \mathbb{C}, \gamma_2: [c,d] \to \mathbb{C}$ where $a,b,c,d \in \mathbb{C}$ describe the path γ^* . The two parameterizations are said to be equivalent parameterizations if $\exists h: [a,b] \to [c,d]$ that

is a bijection and a continuous function such that

$$\gamma_1(t) = \gamma_2(h(t))$$

where $t \in [a, b]$.

Note

We will not look at functions like the Weierstrass function in this course.

Definition 10.2.3 (Smooth Curve)

Let $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$, $a,b,\in\mathbb{C}$. γ is said to be smooth if its derivative γ' exists and is continuous on [a,b] and $\forall t\in[a,b], \gamma'(t)\neq 0$.

Definition 10.2.4 (Piecewise Smooth)

Let $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$. γ is said to be piecewise smooth if it is smooth on [a,b] except on finitely many points in [a,b].

Remark

Piecewise smooth curves shall be called paths.

10.2.2 Integral

Definition 10.2.5 (Contour)

Given a path $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$ and $f:\mathbb{C}\to\mathbb{C}$, a function continuous on γ . We define the integral f along γ , called a **contour**, as

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz := \int_{a}^{b} f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt$$
 (10.1)

where we let $z = \gamma(t)$ and hence $dz = \gamma'(t)dt$.

Remark

1. Suppose g is a complex-valued function, then

$$\int_{a}^{b} g(t)dt = \int_{a}^{b} \operatorname{Re}(g(t))dt + i \int_{a}^{b} \operatorname{Im}(g(t))dt$$

2. The integral of f along γ can be shown to be independent of the chosen parameterization for γ^* .

Proof

Let $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}, \gamma_1 : [a, b] \to \mathbb{C}, \gamma_2 : [c, d] \to \mathbb{C}$ describe the same path γ^* . By Definition 10.2.2, define a bijection $h : [a, b] \to [c, d]$ that is a continuous function such that $t \mapsto \tau$, so that

$$\gamma_1(t) = \gamma_2(h(t)) = \gamma(\tau).$$

Note that

$$\gamma'_1(t) = h'(t)\gamma'_2(h(t))$$
 and
 $h(t) = \tau \implies h'(t)dt = d\tau.$

Now since h is a bijection, we claim that $h(a) = \underline{c}$ while $h(b) = \underline{d}$.

We know that h cannot be a constant function. Suppose h is an increasing function, then since $a \leq b$ and $c \leq d$, it is clear that h(a) = c and h(b) = d. Similarly, if h is a decreasing function, then h(a) = d and h(b) = c. But this is a contradiction to our supposition that γ_1 and γ_2 describe the same orientation. Thus h must be an increasing function, and hence we have h(a) = c and h(b) = d.

(This can be more rigorous but that is an easy proof, and we may use perhaps the Approximation Property of \mathbb{R} to that end, which is a fun exercise that shall not be included within these covers.)

Now

$$\int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz = \int_a^b f(\gamma_1(t)) \gamma_1'(t) dt$$

$$= \int_a^b f(\gamma_2(h(t))) h'(t) \gamma_2'(h(t)) dt$$

$$= \int_c^d f(\gamma_2(\tau)) \gamma_2'(\tau) d\tau$$

$$= \int_{\gamma_2} f(z) dz$$

This completes the proof.

Chapter 11

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11.1 Integration in \mathbb{C} (Continued)

11.1.1 Integral (Continued)

Note (Recall)

Let $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$ be a piecewise smooth curve. For a function f that is continuous on γ , we defined

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{a}^{b} f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt$$

$$= \int_{a}^{b} \operatorname{Re} \left(f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) \right) dt + i \int_{a}^{b} \operatorname{Im} \left(f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) \right) dt$$

and have

$$\gamma'(t) = u'(t) + iv'(t)$$
if $\gamma(t) = u(t) + iv(t)$

Example 11.1.1

Let $f(z) = f(x+iy) = x^2 + y^2$ be continuous along $\gamma : [0,1] \to \mathbb{C}$ $t \mapsto t+it$. Evaluate $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$.

Solution

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{0}^{1} f(t+it)(1+i)dt$$

$$= (1+i)^{2} \int_{0}^{1} t^{2} dt$$

$$= (1+i)^{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} t^{3} \Big|_{0}^{1}$$

$$= \frac{2i}{3}$$

Example 11.1.2

 $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$, evaluate $\int_{\gamma} z^n dz$ that is continue on the path γ that describes any circle centered at origin oriented anticlockwise.

Solution

Let $R \in \mathbb{R}$, and define

$$\gamma: [0,1] \to \mathbb{C} \ t \mapsto Re^{2\pi it}$$

$$\gamma'(t) = 2R\pi i e^{2\pi it} = 2\pi i \gamma(t)$$

Then

$$\begin{split} \int_{\gamma} z^n \, dz &= \int_0^1 R^n e^{2\pi i n t} \cdot 2\pi i \cdot R e^{2\pi i t} dt \\ &= 2\pi i R^{n+1} \int_0^1 e^{2\pi i (n+1) t} dt \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{R^{n+1}}{n+1} e^{2\pi i (n+1) t} \Big|_0^1 & \text{if } n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{-1\} \\ 2\pi i t \Big|_0^1 & \text{if } n = -1 \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{R^{n+1}}{n+1} \left(e^{2\pi i (n+1)} - 1 \right) & \text{if } n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{-1\} \\ 2\pi i & \text{if } n = -1 \end{cases} & \because e^{2\pi k i} \equiv 1 \mod 2\pi \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{-1\} \\ 2\pi i & \text{if } n = -1 \end{cases} \end{split}$$

Note that our final answer does not depend on R, the radius of the circle.

Proposition 11.1.1 (Properties of integrals in \mathbb{C})

- 1. (Linearity) Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$. $\int_{\gamma} (\alpha f(z) + \beta g(z)) dz = \alpha \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz + \beta \int_{\gamma} g(z) dz$.
- 2. (a) For any complex-valued function g, and $b \ge a$,

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} g(t)dt \right| \leq \int_{a}^{b} |g(t)| dt$$

(b) For any function f(z) that is continuous on a path $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$,

$$\left| \int_{\gamma} f(z) \, dz \right| \le \sup_{z \in \gamma} |f(z)| \cdot \underbrace{\int_{a}^{b} |\gamma'(t)| \, dt}_{length \ of \ the \ path}$$

3. If γ^- is the path $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$ with a reversed direction, then

$$\int_{\gamma^{-}} f(z) dz = -\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$$

Proof

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$$LHS = \int_{\gamma} \alpha f(z) + \beta g(z) dz$$

$$= \int_{\gamma} \alpha \left(\operatorname{Re}(f(z)) + i \operatorname{Im}(f(z)) \right) + \beta \left(\operatorname{Re}(g(z)) + i \operatorname{Im}(g(z)) \right) dz$$

$$= \frac{\alpha}{a} \int_{a}^{b} \left(\operatorname{Re}(f(z)) + i \operatorname{Im}(f(z)) \right) dt$$

$$= \frac{\beta}{a} \int_{a}^{b} \left(\operatorname{Re}(g(z)) + i \operatorname{Im}(g(z)) \right) dt$$

$$= \alpha \int_{a}^{b} f(z) dz + \beta \int_{a}^{b} g(z) dz$$

$$(\dagger)$$

where (\dagger) is because of Item 1 from an earlier remark and Linearity of Integrals in \mathbb{R} .

2. (a) Let $R \in \mathbb{R}$. Suppose $\int_a^b g(t)dt = Re^{i\theta}$. Then

$$LHS = R = \int_{a}^{b} \underbrace{e^{-i\theta}g(t)}_{u(t)+iv(t)} dt$$
$$= \int_{a}^{b} u(t)dt + i \int_{a}^{b} v(t)dt$$

Since $R \in \mathbb{R}$, we have $\int_a^b v(t)dt = 0$, so

$$\begin{split} R &= \int_a^b u(t)dt \\ &\leq \int_a^b |u(t)| \, dt \quad \because a \leq b \land u(t) \leq |u(t)| \in \mathbb{R} \\ &\leq \int_a^b |u(t) + iv(t)| \, dt \\ &= \int_a^b \left| e^{-i\theta} g(t) \right| \, dt \\ &= \int_a^b |g(t)| \, dt = RHS \end{split}$$

(b)

$$\begin{split} LHS &= \left| \int_{\gamma} f(z) \, dz \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{a}^{b} f\left(\gamma(t)\right) \gamma'(t) dt \right| \\ &\leq \int_{a}^{b} \left| f\left(\gamma(t)\right) \gamma'(t) \right| \, dt \quad by \ Item \ 2a \\ &\leq \int_{a}^{b} \sup_{z \in \gamma} |f(z)| \left| \gamma'(t) \right| \, dt \quad since \ |f(z)| \leq \sup_{z \in \gamma} |f(z)| \\ &= \sup_{z \in \gamma} |f(z)| \cdot \int_{a}^{b} \left| \gamma'(t) \right| \, dt = RHS \end{split}$$

3. Let $\gamma^-:[b,a]\to\mathbb{C}$ such that $\gamma^-=\gamma(b-t+a)$. Let k=b-t+a so that dk=-dt, and $t=b\implies k=a\land t=a\implies k=b$. Note that $k\in[a,b]$ with this definition.

Then

$$LHS = \int_{\gamma^{-}}^{a} f(z) dz$$

$$= \int_{b}^{a} f(\gamma^{-}(t)) \gamma^{-'}(t) dt$$

$$= \int_{b}^{a} f(\gamma(b-t+a)) \gamma'(b-t+a) dt$$

$$= -\int_{a}^{b} f(\gamma(k)) \gamma'(k) dk$$

$$= -\int_{\gamma}^{a} f(z) dz = RHS$$

as required.

We are now in a position to generalize the Fundamental Theorem of Calclus for \mathbb{C} .

Chapter 12

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12.1 Integration in \mathbb{C} (Continued 2)

12.1.1 Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

To simplify statements from hereon, we shall use the following notations.

Notation

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be an open set in \mathbb{C} . We denote $f \in H(\Omega) \iff f$ is holomorphic on Ω .

Theorem 12.1.1 (Fundamental Theorem of Calculus)

Let $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$ be a path inside an open set $\Omega\subseteq\mathbb{C}$. Suppose f(z) is continuous on γ , and has an antiderivative $F\in\Omega$. Then

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = F(\gamma(b)) - F(\gamma(a))$$
(12.1)

Proof

Let $G = F \circ \gamma$ and suppose γ is a smooth function. Since γ is smooth, γ' exists and is continuous on [a,b] and $\gamma'(t) \neq 0$ for all $t \in [a,b]$, and since f is continuous on [a,b], $G(t) = F'(\gamma(t))\gamma'(t)$ is continuous as well.

Now

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{a}^{b} f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt$$

$$= \int_{a}^{b} F'(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt$$

$$= \int_{a}^{b} G'(t) dt$$

$$= G(b) - G(a) \quad by \text{ applying FTC in } \mathbb{R} \text{ to real and imaginary parts}$$

$$= F(\gamma(b)) - F(\gamma(a))$$

If γ is piecewise smooth, then we can simply apply the above to each of the smooth paths separately and sum up all of the integrals.

Definition 12.1.1 (Closed Path)

A path $\gamma: [a,b] \to \mathbb{C}$ is said to be **closed** if $\gamma(a) = \gamma(b)$.

Corollary 12.1.1 (Corollary of FTC)

If $F \in H(\Omega)$, $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ (hence F' is continuous on Ω), then

$$\int_{\gamma} F'(z) \, dz = 0$$

on any closed path γ on Ω .

Proof

A closed path
$$\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$$
 has $\gamma(a)=\gamma(b)$. By Theorem 12.1.1, $\int_{\gamma}F'(z)\,dz=F(\gamma(b))-F(\gamma(a))=0$ as required.

$\overline{\text{Example } 12.1.1}$

Take $f(z) = z^n$ where $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{-1\}$ as in Example 11.1.2. Then f is continuous on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ (not sure why this would be problematic when we've already excluded -1 for n). Then f = F' for $F(z) = \frac{z^{n+1}}{n+1}$ and $F \in H(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\})$. Therefore by Corollary 12.1.1, $\int_{\gamma} z^n dz = 0$ for any closed path γ not passing through 0.

If we do include -1 for n, note that F' would not be continuous on 0, and thus the corollary would not apply. We have also shown in the earlier example that $\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz = 2\pi i$.

Note (Recall)

The interior of a set Ω is defined as $\{z \in \Omega : \forall \varepsilon > 0 \ B(z, \varepsilon) \subseteq \Omega\}$, and denoted as Ω^0 .

Theorem 12.1.2 (Goursat's Theorem / Cauchy's Theorem for a triangle)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be an open set. Suppose $\Delta \subseteq \Omega$ is a closed triangle whose interior is also contained in Ω . Let $f \in H(\Omega)$. Then

$$\int_{\Delta} f(z) \, dz = 0$$

This theorem holds more meaning than the presented statement, as it implies that, essentially, given any two points connected by two different paths in an open set in \mathbb{C} , and a function that is holomorphic over the two paths, the **two path integrals of the function will yield the same result**!

Proof

Let $\Delta_1^{(1)}, \Delta_2^{(1)}, \Delta_3^{(1)}, \Delta_4^{(1)}$ be smaller triangles by bisecting each side of Δ . $\forall i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, orient $\Delta_i^{(1)}$ anticlockwise. Then we have

$$J := \int_{\Delta} f(z) dz = \sum_{i=1}^{4} \int_{\Delta_{i}^{(1)}} f(z) dz$$
 (12.2)

Note that there must at least one of the $\Delta_i^{(1)}$ such that $\left|\int_{\Delta_i^{(1)}}\right| \geq \frac{|J|}{4}$, since $\forall i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $\left|\int_{\Delta_i^{(1)}}\right| < \frac{|J|}{4}$ would contradict Equation (12.2). Without loss of generality, let $\Delta_1^{(1)}$ be the largest triangle of the four.

Now note that each of the perimeter of $\Delta_i^{(1)}$ is half of the perimeter of Δ . Let $\ell(x)$ be the perimeter of x. Continue with taking bisectors of $\Delta_1^{(1)}, \Delta_1^{(2)}, \ldots$ such that

$$\Delta \supseteq \Delta_1^{(1)} \supseteq \Delta_1^{(2)} \supseteq \dots,$$

then we have that for each $j \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$, $\Delta_i^{(j)}$ is such that

$$\left| \int_{\Delta_i^{(j)}} f(z) \, dz \right| \ge \frac{|J|}{4^j}$$

and $\ell(\Delta_i^{(j)}) = \frac{1}{2^j}\ell(\Delta)$. By the Nested Rectangle Theorem from Real Analysis, $\exists z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $z_0 \in \Delta_i^{(j)}$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ that is a limit point. Since $z_0 \in \Omega \land f \in H(\Omega)$,

we have that

$$\forall z \in \Omega \ \forall \varepsilon > 0 \ \exists \delta > 0$$
$$0 < |z - z_0| < \delta \implies \left| \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} - f'(z_0) \right| < \varepsilon$$

Consider $D(z_0, \delta), \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}, \Delta_1^{(n)} \subseteq D(z_0, \delta)$. Consider

$$\int_{\Delta_1^{(n)}} f(z) dz = \int_{\Delta_1^{(n)}} \left(f(z) - f(z_0) - f'(z_0)(z - z_0) \right) dz,$$

where we note that $\int_{\Delta_1^{(n)}} f(z_0) dz = \int_{\Delta_1^{(n)}} f'(z_0)(z-z_0) dz = 0$ by Corollary 12.1.1.

By Item 2a in Proposition 11.1.1,

$$\left| \int_{\Delta_{1}^{(n)}} f(z) dz \right| \leq \int_{\Delta_{1}^{(n)}} \left| f(z) - f(z_{0}) - f'(z_{0})(z - z_{0}) \right| dz$$

$$\leq \int_{\Delta_{1}^{(n)}} \varepsilon |z - z_{0}| dz \leq \varepsilon \ell(\Delta_{1}^{(n)}) \int_{\Delta_{1}^{(n)}} dz = \varepsilon \ell(\Delta_{1}^{(n)})^{2}$$

where we note that $|z-z_0| \le \ell(\Delta_1^{(n)} \text{ since } z \in \Delta_1^{(n)}$. This implies that

$$\frac{|J|}{4^n} \le \varepsilon \ell(\Delta_1^{(n)})^2 \le \varepsilon \frac{\ell(\Delta)^2}{4^n} = |J| \le \varepsilon$$

and therefore, |J| = 0!

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Note

Consider the power series $\sum_{n\geq 0} a_n (z-z_0)^n$ and let $\frac{1}{R} := \limsup_{n\to\infty} \sup \sqrt[n]{|a_n|} \in [0,\infty)$.

- If $|z-z_0| < R$, $\sum_{n\geq 0} a_n(z-z_0)^n$ converges absolutely.
- If $|z-z_0| > R$, $\sum_{n>0} a_n(z-z_0)^n$ diverges.
- If 0 < r < R, then $\sum_{n \ge 0} a_0 (z z_0)^n$ converges uniformly on $\{z : |z z_0| < r\}$.

12.2 Practice Problems

1. Parameterize the semicircle |z-4-5i|=3 clockwise, starting from z=4+8i to z=4+2i.

Solution

Let $\gamma: [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}] \to \mathbb{C}$ such that $\gamma(t) = 3e^{-it} + 4 + 5i$. Note that γ parameterizes the given semicircle:

$$\gamma\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 4 + 8i$$
$$\gamma(0) = 7 + 5i$$
$$\gamma\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 4 + 2i$$

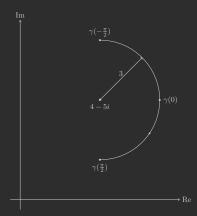


Figure 12.1: Semicircle |z-4-5i|=3 oriented clockwise, parameterized by γ

2. If the power series $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z-z_0)^n$ centered at z_0 has a non-zero radius of convergence, then show that

$$c_m = \frac{f^{(m)}(z_0)}{m!}$$

for any $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, $m \geq 0$, where $f^{(m)}(z_0)$ denotes the mth derivative of f at z_0 .

Solution

Since f(z) is a power series and the radius of convergence $R \neq 0$, by Theorem 8.1.2, f(z) is \mathbb{C} -differentiable and each derivative has the same radius of convergence. By induction, it can be shown that

$$f^{(m)}(z) = \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{(n-m)!} c_n (z-z_0)^{n-m}$$

Evaluating $f^{(m)}$ at z_0 , we have

$$f^{(m)}(z_0) = \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{(n-m)!} c_n (z_0 - z_0)^{n-m}$$
$$= m! c_m$$

where all terms above m are 0. Then we obtain

$$c_m = \frac{f^{(m)}(z_0)}{m!}$$

 $as\ desired.$

3. Let γ be the arc of the unit circle centered at the origin in the first quadrant oriented clockwise (from i to 1). Evaluate the integral

$$\int_{\gamma} \bar{z}^2 \, dz$$

by parameterizing the curve.

Solution

Consider the parameterization $\gamma: [-\frac{\pi}{2}, 0] \to \mathbb{C}$ given by $\gamma(t) = e^{-it}$. Note that $e^{-it} = e^{it}$. Then

$$\int_{\gamma} \bar{z}^2 dz = \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 e^{2it} \cdot \left(-ie^{-it}\right) dt$$
$$= -i \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 e^{it} dt$$
$$= -e^{it} \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^0$$
$$= -1 - i$$

4. Evaluate the above integral by finding an antiderivative. (Hint: Use $\left(\frac{z\bar{z}}{z}\right)^2$)

Solution

Note that $z\bar{z}=|z|^2$, so on the circle, we have $\bar{z}=\frac{1}{z}$. Thus the integral is equivalent to

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z^2} \, dz$$

Note that the antiderivative of $\frac{1}{z^2}$ is $-\frac{1}{z}$. Thus by Theorem 12.1.1,

$$\int_{\gamma} \bar{z}^2 \, dz = \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z^2} = F(\gamma(0)) - F\left(\gamma\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right) = -\frac{1}{e^{-i(0)}} + \frac{1}{e^{-i(-\pi/2)}} = -1 - i$$

5. Let $\{c_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of positive real numbers such that

$$L = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{c_{n+1}}{c_n}$$

exists. Then show that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} c_n^{\frac{1}{n}} = L$$

This shows that, when applicable, the **ratio test** can be used instead of the root test to calculate the radius of convergence of a power series.

Solution

Suppose that

$$L = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{c_{n+1}}{c_n}$$

exists. By definition, we have

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \ \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \ \forall n > N$$

$$\left| \frac{c_n}{c_{n-1}} - L \right| < \varepsilon$$

Thus for $n \geq N$,

$$c_n^{\frac{1}{n}} = \left(\frac{c_n}{c_{n-1}} \cdot \frac{c_{n-1}}{c_{n-2}} \dots \frac{c_N}{c_{N-1}} \cdot c_{N-1}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{c_n}{c_{n-1}}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \left(\frac{c_{n-1}}{c_{n-2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \dots \left(\frac{c_N}{c_{N-1}}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} c_{N-1}^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

Now

$$(L-\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{n}}(L-\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{n}}\dots(L-\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{n}}c_{N-1}^{\frac{1}{n}} \le c_{n}^{\frac{1}{n}} \le (L+\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{n}}(L+\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{n}}\dots(L+\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{n}}c_{N-1}^{\frac{1}{n}}$$
$$(L-\varepsilon)^{\frac{n-N+1}{n}}c_{N-1}^{\frac{1}{n}} \le c_{n}^{\frac{1}{n}} \le (L+\varepsilon)^{\frac{n-N+1}{n}}c_{N-1}^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

Note that

$$\begin{split} &\lim_{n\to\infty}(L-\varepsilon)^{\frac{n-N+1}{n}}c_{N-1}^{\frac{1}{n}}=L-\varepsilon\\ &\lim_{n\to\infty}(L+\varepsilon)^{\frac{n-N+1}{n}}c_{N-1}^{\frac{1}{n}}=L+\varepsilon \end{split}$$

Thus we have

$$\left| L - \varepsilon \le c_n^{\frac{1}{n}} \le L + \varepsilon \right|$$

$$\left| c_n^{\frac{1}{n}} - L \right| \le \varepsilon$$

as desired.

6. Find the radius of convergence of

(a)
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^n z^n}{n!}$$

(b)
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^{2^n}$$

Solution

(a) By Stirling's Approximation, i.e. $n! \sim (\frac{n}{e})^n \sqrt{2\pi n}$, we have that Hadamard's formula is

$$\frac{1}{R} = \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{n^n}{n!} \right|^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$= \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{n^n}{\left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \sqrt{2\pi n}} \right|^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$= \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{e^n}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} \right|^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$= e \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} \right|^{\frac{1}{n}} = e$$

Therefore, $R = \frac{1}{e}$.

- (b) no solution yet: current problem, not being able to express the sum as a power series, in turn failing to get c_n which is needed for $\frac{1}{R}$.
- 7. Show that for any path $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$ and f(z) continuous on $\gamma,$ we have

$$\left| \int_{\gamma} f(z) \, dz \right| \le \sup_{z \in \gamma} |f(z)| \int_{a}^{b} |\gamma'(t)| \, dt$$

Solution

$$\begin{split} LHS &= \left| \int_{\gamma} f(z) \, dz \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{a}^{b} f\left(\gamma(t)\right) \gamma'(t) dt \right| \ \, by \, \, definition \\ &\leq \int_{a}^{b} \left| f\left(\gamma(t)\right) \gamma'(t) \right| dt \quad by \, Item \, \, 2a \, \, of \, Proposition \, \, 11.1.1 \\ &\leq \int_{a}^{b} \sup_{z \in \gamma} \left| f(z) \right| \left| \gamma'(t) \right| dt \quad since \, \, |f(z)| \leq \sup_{z \in \gamma} |f(z)| \\ &= \sup_{z \in \gamma} \left| f(z) \right| \cdot \int_{a}^{b} \left| \gamma'(t) \right| dt = RHS \end{split}$$

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13.1 Cauchy's Integral Formula

Definition 13.1.1 (Convex Set)

A set $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is called a **convex set** if the line segment joining any pair of points in S lies entirely in S.

Theorem 13.1.1 (Cauchy's Theorem for Convex Set)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be a convex open set, and $f \in H(\Omega)$. Then

- 1. f = F' for some $F \in H(\Omega)$.
- 2. $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0$ for any closed path $\gamma \in \Omega$.

Proof

Note that it is sufficient to prove 1 since $1 \implies 2$ by Theorem 12.1.1.

Let $a \in \Omega$, and let [a, z] denote the straight line from a to z. Since Ω is a convex set, [a, z] is in Ω . Define $F(z)^1 = \int_{[a,z]} f(z) dz^2$.

¹It can be verified that F is continuous.

²This is a keys step: defining an "antiderivative" as how we would expect it to be.

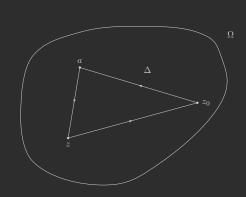
WTS
$$F \in H(\Omega), F'(z_0) = f(z_0)$$
 for any $z_0 \in \Omega$.

Now by Theorem 12.1.2,

$$0 = \int_{\Delta}^{3} f(z) dz$$

$$= \int_{[a,z]} f(z) dz + \int_{[z,z_0]} f(z) dz + \int_{[z_0,a]} f(z) dz$$

$$= F(z) + \int_{[z,z_0]} f(z) dz + (-F(z_0))$$



This implies that

$$F(z) - F(z_0) = \int_{[z_0, z]} f(z) dz.$$

Divide both sides by $z - z_0$, then

$$\frac{F(z) - F(z_0)}{z - z_0} - f(z_0) = \frac{1}{z - z_0} \int_{[z_0, z]} f(z) dz - f(z_0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{z - z_0} \int_{[z_0, z]} f(z) - f(z_0) dz \quad since \int_{[z_0, z]} dz = z - z_0$$

Since $f \in H(\Omega)$ and is hence continuous, we have that

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \; \exists \delta > 0$$
$$|z - z_0| < \delta \implies |f(z) - f(z_0)| < \varepsilon$$

which in turn implies that

$$\left| \frac{F(z) - F(z_0)}{z - z_0} - f(z_0) \right| = \left| \frac{1}{z - z_0} \int_{[z_0, z]} \left[f(z) - f(z_0) \right] dz \right| \le \frac{1}{|z - z_0|} \left| \int_{[z_0, z]} \varepsilon \ dz \right| = \varepsilon$$

Hence, by first principle, $F'(z_0) = f(z_0)$.

Theorem 13.1.2 (Cauchy's Integral Formula 1)

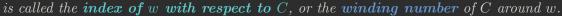
Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be a convex open set, and C be a closed circle path in Ω . If $w \in \Omega \setminus \partial C$, where ∂C is the **boundary of** C, and $f \in H(\Omega)$, then

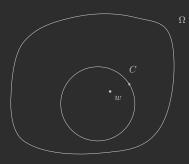
$$f(w)\operatorname{Ind}_{C}(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C} \frac{f(z)}{z - w} dz$$

where

$$\operatorname{Ind}_{C}(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - w}$$

denotes the number of times the countour C winds around the point w.





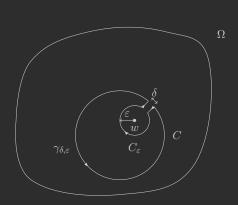
Proof

Let $w \in \Omega \setminus \partial C$. Define

$$g(w) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(z) - f(w)}{z - w} & \text{if } z \neq w \\ f'(w) & \text{if } z = w \end{cases}$$

By the construction of g, g is continuous on Ω , and $g \in H(\Omega \setminus \{w\})$.

We need to construct a convex set $\Omega' \subseteq \Omega$ that contains $\gamma_{\delta,\varepsilon}$ such that $g \in H(\Omega')$.



We now follow a similar argument as in the proof for Theorem 13.1.1. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\exists \delta > 0$, so that we can define the "keyhole" $\gamma_{\delta,\varepsilon}$ which omits w. Consider $D(w,\varepsilon)$, call the image of the border of $D(w,\varepsilon)$ as C_{ε} , let δ be the width of the "corridor", and the two paths that are the "sides of the corridor" be called $C_{\delta_1}, C_{\delta_2}$ respectively. Define $G(z) = \int_{[a,z]} g(z) dz$, where a and z are in the interior of C but not in the interior of C_{ε} . Then if we define a set Ω' such that it contains the interior of $\gamma_{\delta,\varepsilon}$, we have that Ω' is a convex open set, and $G \in H(\Omega')$. By Theorem 13.1.1, G' = g.

Also from Theorem 13.1.1, we have that $\int_{\gamma_{\delta,\varepsilon}} g(z) dz = 0$ for any $\varepsilon, \delta > 0$. As $\delta \to 0^+$, we have that the integrals over C_{δ_1} and C_{δ_2} cancel out. Hence, we are left with

$$\int_{C} g(z) dz + \int_{C_{\varepsilon}} g(z) dz = 0$$

Let's put our focus on the smaller circle, C_{ε} . Now as $\varepsilon \to 0^+$, $\frac{f(z)-f(w)}{z-w} \to 0$, and thus

$$\int_{C_{\varepsilon}} g(z) dz = \int_{C_{\varepsilon}} \frac{f(z) - f(w)}{z - w} dz \to 0$$

Therefore,

$$\int_C g(z) \, dz = 0$$

which implies, in the limit, that

$$\int_C \frac{f(z)}{z-w} dz = \int_C \frac{f(w)}{z-w} dz = f(w) \int_C \frac{dz}{z-w}$$

We now require $\int_C \frac{dz}{z-w} = 2\pi i$, but we shall prove for a more general case as a lemma.

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14.1 Cauchy's Integral Formula (Continued)

Lemma 14.1.1

(Lemma and proof from Newman & Bak on Complex Analysis, 3rd Ed.)

Suppose $a \in C^0_\rho$ such that $\exists \alpha \in C_\rho$ that is the center of the circle C_ρ , where ρ is the radius of C_ρ , and hence $|a - \alpha| < \rho$. Then

$$\int_{C_o} \frac{dz}{z - a} = 2\pi i$$

Proof

Let $z \equiv \alpha + \rho e^{i\theta}$, then $dz = i\rho e^{i\theta} d\theta$. Thus

$$\int_{C_{\rho}} \frac{dz}{z - \alpha} = \int_{0}^{2\pi} \frac{i\rho e^{i\theta}}{\rho e^{i\theta}} d\theta = 2\pi i$$

while

$$\int_{C_{\rho}} \frac{dz}{(z-\alpha)^{k+1}} = 0 \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, 3, \dots \,. \tag{14.1}$$

The Equation (14.1) follows not only from a direct evaluation of the integral

$$\int_{C_{\rho}} \frac{dz}{(z-\alpha)^{k+1}} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{i\rho e^{i\theta}}{(\rho e^{i\theta})^{k+1}} d\theta = \frac{i}{\rho^k} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ik\theta} d\theta = 0$$

but also the fact that $\frac{1}{(z-\alpha)^{k+1}}$ is the derivative of $-\frac{1}{k(z-\alpha)^k}$, which can be verified to be holomorphic on C_ρ , which simply makes Equation (14.1) true by Theorem 12.1.1.

To evaluate $\int_{C_0} \frac{dz}{z-a}$, write

$$\frac{1}{z-a} = \frac{1}{(z-\alpha) - (a-\alpha)} = \frac{1}{(z-\alpha)[1 - \frac{a-\alpha}{z-\alpha}]}$$
$$= \frac{1}{z-\alpha} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\omega}$$

where

$$\omega = \frac{a - \alpha}{z - \alpha} \text{ has fixed modulus } \frac{|a - \alpha|}{\rho} < 1 \text{ throughout } C_{\rho}$$
 (14.2)

By Equation (14.2) and by the Infinite Geometric Sum that $\frac{1}{1-\omega} = 1 + \omega + \omega^2 + \dots$, we get

$$\frac{1}{z-a} = \frac{1}{z-\alpha} \left[1 + \frac{a-\alpha}{z-\alpha} + \frac{(a-\alpha)^2}{(z-\alpha)^2} + \dots \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{z-\alpha} + \frac{a-\alpha}{(z-\alpha)^2} + \frac{(a-\alpha)^2}{(z-\alpha)^3} + \dots$$

Since the convergence is uniform throughout C_{ρ} ,

$$\int_{C_{\rho}} \frac{1}{z - a} dz = \int_{C_{\rho}} \frac{1}{z - \alpha} dz + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{C_{\rho}} \frac{(a - \alpha)^k}{(z - \alpha)^{k+1}} dz = 2\pi i$$

We may now continue with completing the previous proof.

Proof (Continued - Theorem 13.1.2)

Lemma 14.1.1 completes the part where we required $\int_C \frac{dz}{z-w} = 2\pi i$.

We now have

$$f(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{z - w} \, dz$$

Now note that if we further generalize the number of times the contour C_{ρ} made around a, where in this case C_{ρ} is a closed path instead of a simple circle in Ω , in Lemma 14.1.1, we would get $\int_{C_{\rho}} \frac{dz}{z-a} = 2k\pi i$ where k would represent that number.

In this case, we would get

$$f(w)k = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{z - w} \, dz$$

where $k = \operatorname{Ind}_C(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{dz}{z-w}$ which represents the number of times the contour C winds around w.

Remark

As noted, Theorem 13.1.2 holds for any closed path $\gamma \in \Omega$ instead of a simple circle C. If $w \in \Omega \setminus \gamma^*$, we get

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z - w} dz = f(w) \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w)$$

Proposition 14.1.1 (Holomorphic Functions can be expressed as Power series) Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be an open set, $f \in H(\Omega)$. Then f can be expressed as a power series.

Proof

 $\forall w \in \Omega, \exists C \subseteq \Omega \text{ that is a closed circle path with } w \in C^0.$ By Theorem 13.1.2, and since C is a circle, i.e. the contour winds around w only once, we have

$$f(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{z - w} dz.$$

Let $w_0 \in \Omega$ be the center of C. Then $\forall z \in \partial C, 0 < |w - w_0| < |z - w_0|^1$. This implies that

$$0 < \frac{|w - w_0|}{|z - w_0|} < 1$$

$$\implies \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{w - w_0}{z - w_0}\right)^n = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{w - w_0}{z - w_0}} = \frac{z - w_0}{z - w} \text{ by the Infinite Geometric Sum}$$

$$\implies \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{z - w} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{z - w_0} \frac{z - w_0}{z - w} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{z - w_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{w - w_0}{z - w_0}\right)^n dz$$

Note that each of the terms in the integrand of the last expression are absolutely convergent, thus by Fubini's Theorem, we can interchange the summation and integral sign to get

$$f(w) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C} \frac{f(z)}{(z - w_0)^{n+1}} dz \right] (w - w_0)^n$$

which is a power series centered at w_0 with coefficient a_n .

¹This is the key step

Note (Recall)

Consider the power series $f(w) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (w - w_0)^n$. Recall Item 2 from Section 12.2 that

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(w_0)}{n!}$$

Applying this to Proposition 14.1.1, we get

$$\frac{f^{(n)}(w_0)}{n!} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z - w_0)^{n+1}} dz$$

which holds for any $w_0 \in \Omega$ by having $C \subseteq \Omega$ centered at w_0 .

Theorem 14.1.1 (Cauchy's Integral Formula 2)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open, $f \in H(\Omega)$. Then

- 1. $\forall w \in \Omega$, f has a power series expansion at w.
- 2. f is differentiable infinitely many times in Ω .
- 3. $\forall C \subseteq \Omega$ that is a closed circle oriented anticlockwise, we have that $\forall w \in C^0$,

$$f^{(n)}(w) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z-w)^{n+1}} dz$$
 (14.3)

Remark

Item 3 is the actual Cauchy's Integral Formula in the theorem.

Proof

We have shown 1 from Proposition 14.1.1 and 2 from Theorem 8.1.2. It remains to prove 3, which we shall prove by induction.

When n = 0, it is simply Theorem 13.1.2. Suppose f has up to n - 1 complex derivatives and that

$$f^{(n-1)}(w) = \frac{(n-1)!}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z-w)^n} dz.$$

Consider h > 0, the difference of the quotient for $f^{(n-1)}$ is

$$\frac{f^{(n-1)}(w-h) - f^{(n-1)}(w)}{h} = \frac{(n-1)!}{2\pi i} \int_C f(z) \frac{1}{h} \left[\frac{1}{z-w-h} - \frac{1}{z-w} \right] dz \tag{14.4}$$

Note that

$$A^{n} - B^{n} = (A - B)(A^{n-1} + A^{n-2}B + \dots + AB^{n-2} + B^{n-1})$$

Let $A = \frac{1}{z-w-h}$, $B = \frac{1}{z-w}^2$, then the term in square brackets in Equation (14.4) becomes

$$\frac{h}{(z-w-h)(z-w)} \left[A^{n-1} + A^{n-2}B + \ldots + AB^{n-2} + B^{n-1} \right]$$

Thus as $h \to 0$, we have

$$f^{(n)} = \frac{(n-1)!}{2\pi i} \int_C f(z) \left[\frac{1}{(z-w)^2} \right] \left[\frac{n}{(z-w)^{n-1}} \right] dz = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z-w)^{n+1}} dz$$

which completes the induction proof and proves 3.

Corollary 14.1.1 (Taylor Expansion of Entire Functions)

If f is an entire function, then $\forall z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$, we have

$$f(z) = f(z_0) + f'(z_0)(z - z_0) + \frac{f''(z_0)}{2!}(z - z_0)^2 + \dots$$

which is a **Taylor Expansion** of f around z_0 .

Proof

By Proposition 14.1.1, we have that

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C} \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_{0})^{n+1}} dw \right] (z - z_{0})^{n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C} \frac{f(w)}{w - z_{0}} dw + \left[\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C} \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_{0})^{2}} \right] (z - z_{0})$$

$$+ \left[\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C} \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_{0})^{3}} dw \right] (z - z_{0})^{2} + \dots$$

$$+ \left[\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C} \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_{0})^{k+1}} dw \right] (z - z_{0})^{k} + \dots$$
(14.5)

²Key step

Now by Theorem 14.1.1, we have

$$f(z_0) = f^{(0)}(z_0) = \frac{0!}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(w)}{w - z_0} dw = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(w)}{w - z_0} dw$$

$$f^{(1)}(z_0) = \frac{1!}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_0)^2} dw$$

$$f^{(2)}(z_0) = \frac{2!}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_0)^3} dw$$

$$\vdots$$

$$f^{(k)}(z_0) = \frac{k!}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_0)^{k+1}} dw$$

$$\vdots$$

Thus Equation (14.5) becomes

$$f(z) = f(z_0) + f^{(1)}(z_0)(z - z_0) + \frac{f^{(2)}(z_0)}{2!}(z - z_0)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(k)}(z_0)}{k!}(z - z_0)^k + \dots$$
as required.

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15.1 Cauchy's Integral Formula (Continued 1)

At this point, it is important that we provide the following definition:

Definition 15.1.1 (Analytic Functions)

We say that f is analytic in Ω if f has a power series expansion at every $z \in \Omega$.

Remark

- 1. We have proven, in the previous lecture, that Holomorphicity \implies Analyticity
- 2. Should we have defined, in Theorem 14.1.1, that the closed circle orients clockwise, then we would have a negative equation for Equation (14.3).

15.1.1 Applications of Cauchy's Integral Formula

Exercise 15.1.1

1. (Cauchy's Inequality)¹ Prove that $\forall z_0 \in \mathbb{C} \ \forall R > 0 \in \mathbb{R} \ \forall f \in H(C = D(z_0, R))$

$$f^{(n)}(z_0) \le \frac{n!}{R^n} \cdot \sup_{z \in \mathbb{C}} |f(z)|$$

¹In a sense, this inequality implies that as we take higher derivatives, the value of the derivatives become smaller.

Proof

From Equation (14.3), we have

$$f^{(n)}(z_0) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz$$

Parameterize C with $\gamma:[0,2\pi]\to\mathbb{C}$, where $t\mapsto z_0+Re^{it}$. Then

$$f^{(n)}(z_0) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(z_0 + Re^{it})}{(Re^{it})^{n+1}} Rie^{it} dt$$

$$\left| f^{(n)}(z_0) \right| \le \frac{n!}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\left| f(z_0 + Re^{it}) \right|}{R^n} dt \quad \because \left| Re^{it} \right| = R$$

$$\le \frac{n!}{2\pi R^n} \sup_{z \in C} |f(z)| \int_0^{2\pi} dt$$

$$= \frac{n!}{R^n} \sup_{z \in C} |f(z)|$$

This completes the proof.

2. (Liouville's Theorem) A bounded entire function $f: \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$ is a constant² ³.

Proof

Since f is entire, we may take R, in Item 1, to be any large value. Let M be the bound of f, i.e. $\exists M \in \mathbb{C}, \ \forall z_0 \in \mathbb{C}, \ \left| f^{(n)}(z_0) \right| \leq \frac{n!}{R^n} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{C}} |f(z)| = \frac{n!}{R^n} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{C}} M$. Let n = 1, then $|f'(z_0)| = \frac{M}{R}$. Thus we observe that $R \to \infty \implies f(z_0) \to 0$ for any $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$. By A2Q5(a), f is a constant.

3. (Parseval's Theorem) Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open, $f \in H(\Omega)$, $\overline{D(z_0,R)} \subseteq \Omega$. Then $\forall z \in \overline{D(z_0,R)}$, $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(z-z_0)^n$, which in turn implies that ⁴

$$\forall z \in \overline{D(z_0, R)} \quad f(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (re^{i\theta})^n \tag{\dagger}$$

²The theorem is not true in \mathbb{R} , since $\sin x$ is a bounded function differentiable everywhere, but is not a constant.

 $^{^3}$ The theorem also implies that "trigonometry" in $\mathbb C$ is unbounded, whatever the definition of "trigonometry" may be.

⁴This is why the L^2 -norm is perserved, as seen in AMATH231.

Consider (the L^2 norm)

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| f(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \right|^2 d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (re^{i\theta})^n \right|^2 d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n r^n e^{in\theta} \right] \left[\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \overline{c_m} r^m e^{-in\theta} \right] d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} c_n \overline{c_m} r^{n+m} e^{i(n-m)\theta} d\theta$$

Since the series are absolutely convergent, use may use Fubini's Theorem, and thus

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n,m=0}^{\infty} c_n \overline{c_m} r^{n+m} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(n-m)\theta} d\theta$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n,m=0}^{\infty} c_n \overline{c_m} r^{n+m} 2\pi & \text{if } n = m \\ \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n,m=0}^{\infty} c_n \overline{c_m} r^{n+m} \frac{e^{i(n-m)\theta}}{i(n-m)} \Big|_0^{2\pi} = 0 & \text{if } n \neq m \end{cases}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 r^{2n} \quad \text{if } n = m$$

Therefore, we have what is known as Parseval's Identity:

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| f(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \right|^2 d\theta = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 r^{2n}$$
 (15.1)

Parseval's Theorem states that:

 L^2 -norm of LHS in Equation (15.1) = L^2 -norm of RHS of Equation (†)

Before going into the next application, please see Lemma 15.1.1.

4. (Maximum Modulus Principle) Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open and connected, and $f \in H(\Omega)$.

Then

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

This implies that f cannot attain its maximum value in Ω^0 .

Proof

Suppose not, i.e. $\exists z_0 \in \Omega^0, \forall z \in \Omega \text{ such that } |f(z_0)| = \max_{z \in \Omega} |f(z)| \ge |f(z)|$

$$\implies \exists r > 0 \quad \overline{D(z_0, r)} \subseteq \Omega$$

$$\implies \forall z \in \overline{D(z_0, r)} \quad f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z - z_0)^n$$

Note that $c_0 = \frac{f^{(0)}(z_0)}{0!} = f(z_0)$. By Item 3,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 r^{2n} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| f(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \right|^2 d\theta$$

$$\implies f(z_0)^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 r^{2n} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| f(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \right|^2 d\theta$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} |f(z_0)|^2 (2\pi) \quad \because f(z_0) = \max_{z \in \Omega} f(z)$$

$$\implies f(z_0)^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 r^{2n} \leq |f(z_0)|^2$$

$$\implies \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 r^{2n} \leq 0$$

$$\implies c_1, c_2, \dots = 0$$

$$\implies f \text{ is a constant in } \overline{D(z_0, r)}$$

$$\implies f \text{ is a constant in } \Omega \text{ by Lemma 15.1.1}$$

which is a contradiction.

Lemma 15.1.1 (Principle of Analytic Continuation)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open and connected, and $f \in H(\Omega)$. Let $Z(f) = \{a \in \Omega : f(a) = 0\}$. Then either

- $Z(f) = \Omega$, i.e. $\forall z \in \Omega$, f(z) = 0; or
- Z(f) has no limit point, i.e. points where f = 0 are isolated

This is a powerful result, since if we can find a small region for where f is 0 in Ω , then f would be 0 in the entirety of Ω . If not, then f is only 0 at isolated points, i.e. points where f = 0 are all apart from each other.

Lecture 16 Feb 16th 2018

16.1 Cauchy's Integral Formula (Continued 3)

16.1.1 Applications of Cauchy's Integral Formula (Continued)

Exercise 15.1.1 (Continued)

We shall restate the Item 4 in the following manner.

4. Maximum Modulus Principle (MMP) Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, $f \in H(\Omega)$, $D_{z_0} = \overline{D(z_0, r)} \subseteq \Omega$. Then $|f(z_0)| \leq \max_{z \in \partial D_{z_0}} |f(z)|$ with

$$|f(z_0)| = \max_{z \in \partial D_{z_0}} |f(z)| \iff f \text{ is a constant on } \Omega$$

Remark

- (a) This implies that for a non-constant analytic function f, $\forall z \in \Omega^0$, $f(z) \neq \max_{w \in \Omega} f(w)$.
- (b) Since a global maximum is also a local maximum, we observe that for any smaller region $\Omega_0 \subseteq \Omega$, f cannot attain its maximum value for any point in Ω_0^0 . This is a stronger statement than the our previous statement about the MMP.

Proof

Suppose for f that f has a maximum in Ω^0 , say at z_0 . Hence $\exists r > 0, D_{z_0} = \overline{D(z_0, r)}$

where

$$|f(z_0)| \ge \max_{z \in D_{z_0}} |f(z)|$$

On D_{z_0} , we have

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z - z_0)^n$$
 (16.1)

Note that $c_0 = f(z_0)$. By Item 3, on D_{z_0} ,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 r^{2n} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| f(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \right|^2 d\theta \quad by \ Equation \ (15.1)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(z_0)|^2 d\theta \quad by \ Equation \ (16.1)$$

$$= |f(z_0)|^2.$$

Then we have

$$|c_0|^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 r^{2n} = |f(z_0)|^2$$
$$|f(z_0)|^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 r^{2n} = |f(z_0)|^2$$
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 r^{2n} = 0$$

which $\implies c_1 = c_2 = \ldots = 0$. Thus $\forall z \in D_{z_0}$, $f(z) \equiv c_0 \mod 2\pi$. Then by Lemma 15.1.1, since $f(z_0) - c_0$, as $f(z) - c_0$ contains $\overline{D(z - 0, r)}$, we see that $f(z) - c_0 \equiv 0$ in Ω , which implies the equality of Item 4.

5. Fundamental Theorem of Algebra (FTA) Any polynomial $P(z) \in \mathbb{C}[z]$ of degree greater than 1 has precisely n roots in \mathbb{C} , given by $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, ..., \alpha_n$. P(z) can be factored as $P(z) = A(z - \alpha_1) ... (z - \alpha_n)$ for some $A \in \mathbb{C}$.

Proof

We may write $P(z) = A(z^n + a_{n-1}z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1z + a_0)$, which then

$$\frac{P(z)}{z^n} = A\left(1 + \frac{a_{n+1}}{z} + \dots + \frac{a_1}{z^{n-1}} + \frac{a_0}{z^n}\right)$$

which then, by the Reverse Triangle Inequality,

$$\implies \left| \frac{P(z)}{z^n} \right| \ge |A| \left[1 - \frac{|a_{n-1}|}{|z|} - \dots - \frac{|a_1|}{|z^{n-1}|} - \frac{|a_0|}{|z^n|} \right] \tag{16.2}$$

So as $|z| \to \infty$, $\left| \frac{P(z)}{z^n} \right| \to |A|$, from Equation (16.2). Since $|z| \to \infty$, $\exists R > 0$, $\forall |z| > R$, then $\forall \theta \in [0, 2\pi]$,

$$\left| P(Re^{i\theta}) \right| = |P(z)| \ge \frac{|A|}{2} |z|^n \ge \frac{|A|}{2} R^n$$

Taking R to be even larger if necessary, we can get

$$\left| P(Re^{i\theta}) \right| \ge |P(0)|$$
 (†)

Suppose, for contradiction, P(z) has no root in \mathbb{C} . Then $g(z) = \frac{1}{P(z)}$ is an entire function. By Equation (†), we have that $|g(Re^{i\theta})| \leq |g(0)|$ for all $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$. But this contradicts Item 4 unless if g(z) is constant on \mathbb{C} , which in turn implies that P is a constant, but that contradicts that P has degree greater than 1.

 $\therefore P(z)$ has to have a zero in \mathbb{C} , say α_1 . This implies that

$$P(z) = A(z - \alpha_1)P_1(z)$$

where $P_1(z) \in \mathbb{C}[z]$. By repeatedly taking the above steps, inductively so, for $P_1, P_2, ...$, the proof is completed.

Lecture 17 Feb 26th 2018

17.1 Analytic Continuity

We shall restate the important lemma that we have been using in the last two lectures, and proceed to prove this lemma.

Lemma 17.1.1 (Principle of Analytic Continuity)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open and connected, and $f \in H(\Omega)$. Let $Z(f) = \{ain\Omega : f(a) = 0\}$. Then either

- $Z(f) = \Omega$, i.e. $\forall z \in \Omega$, f(z) = 0; or
- Z(f) has no limit point, i.e. points where f = 0 are isolated

Proof

Let $z_0 \in Z(f)^*$.

Step 1: Show that $z_0 \in Z(f)^0$, i.e. f is identically 0 on some $\overline{D(z_0, r)} \subseteq \Omega$ for r > 0.

On $\overline{D(z_0,r)}$, $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(z-z_0)^n$. Suppose f is not identically 0 on $\overline{D(z_0,r)}$. Then $\exists m \in \mathbb{N}, c_m \neq 0, \forall j < m, c_j = 0, i.e. \ f(z) = c_m(z-z_0)^m + c_{m+1}(z-z_0)^{m+1} + \dots$

Define, in Ω ,

$$g(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^m} & z \in \Omega \setminus \{z_0\} \\ c_m & z = z_0 \end{cases}$$

Clearly, $g \in H(\Omega \setminus \{z_0\})$. But on $\overline{D(z_0, r)}$,

$$g(z) = c_m + c_{m+1}(z - z_0) + c_{m+2}(z - z_0)^2 + \dots$$

which implies $g \in H(\Omega)$. Now $g(z_0) = c_m \neq 0$, so there exists a neighbourhood U_{z_0} of z_0 , such that $g \neq 0$ on U_{z_0} .

 $\forall a \neq z_0 \in Z(f)$, we have that g(a) = 0 by defintion of Z(f), which implies that $a \notin U_{z_0}$, which contradicts that $z_0 \in Z(f)^*$. This implies $f \equiv 0$ in $\overline{D(z_0, r)}$.

Step 2: $Z(f)^0$ is both open and closed.

Note that

$$Z(f)^0 := \left\{ a \in Z(f) \, : \, \exists r > 0, \, \overline{D(a,r)} \subseteq Z(f) \right\}$$

is open by definition.

WTP
$$[Z(f)^0]^* \subseteq [Z(f)]^*$$
.

From **Step 1**, we know that $[Z(f)^0]^* \subseteq Z(f)^0$. Thus $Z(f)^0$ contains its limit points and is hence closed by definition.

Step 3: $Z(f) = \emptyset$ or Ω .

$$\Omega$$
 is connected

$$\implies \Omega = Z(f)^0 \sqcup \left(Z(f)^0\right)^c$$

$$\implies \left(Z(f)^0\right)^c \text{ is open and closed by Step 2}$$

A connected set cannot be expressed as a disjoint union of non-trivial open sets. Therefore, either $Z(f)^0 = \emptyset$ or $Z(f)^0 = \Omega$.

$$Z(f)^0 = \emptyset \implies Z(f)^* = \emptyset$$
 by $Step \ 1 \implies Z(f) = \emptyset$
 $Z(f)^0 = \Omega \implies Z(f) = \Omega$ by $Step \ 1$

Corollary 17.1.1 (Uniqueness of a Function)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open and connected. $\forall f, g \in H(\Omega)$ with f(z) = g(z) for $z \in \Omega_1 \subseteq \Omega$ where Ω_1 has limit points. Then $\forall z \in \Omega$, f(z) = g(z).

Proof

Apply Lemma 15.1.1 to the function f - g.

Remark

- 1. In \mathbb{C} , we cannot have two functions sharing a region of points in their images. (But this is possible in \mathbb{R})
- 2. Suppose $f \in H(\Omega)$, $\Omega \in \mathbb{C}$ is open and connected, $F \in H(\Omega')$ with $\Omega \subseteq \Omega'$. If f, F agree on Ω , then F is called an analytic continuation of f in Ω' (i.e. F 'extends' f in Ω'). Lemma 15.1.1 states that F is uniquely determined by f, i.e. there is a unique way to analytically 'continue' f.

17.2 Morera's Theorem

Remark (Recall)

From Cauchy's Theorem, we know that $\forall f \in H(\Omega) \implies \forall \gamma \in \Omega \ \int f = 0$. We used Goursat's Theorem, i.e. $\forall \Delta \in \Omega \ \int_{\Delta} f = 0$ to proof this, and in the process we constructed an antiderivative. Now, our question is, is the converse of the said Cauchy's Theorem true?

Unfortunately for us, that is not true (**example needed**). But a "partial" converse exists.

Theorem 17.2.1 (Morera's Theorem)

Let f be continuous on $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, which is an open set, and $\forall \Delta \in \Omega$, $\int_{\Delta} f = 0$, where Δ is a triangular path. Then $f \in H(\Omega)$.

Proof

Use the same construction as in Cauchy's Theorem for Convex Sets to get an antiderivative F for f, where $F \in H(\Omega)$, i.e.

$$F(z) := \int_{[a,z]} f(z) \, dz$$

Then F'(z) = f(z), which in turn implies that $f \in H(\Omega)$ since F is \mathbb{C} -differentiable on Ω by Theorem 14.1.1.

Lecture 18 Feb 28th 2018

18.1 Winding Numbers

Recall Cauchy's Integral Formula. We claimed that

$$\operatorname{Ind}_{C}(w) = \begin{cases} 1 & w \in C^{0} \\ 0 & w \notin C \end{cases}$$

We will now formally define this index.

Definition 18.1.1 (Winding Numbers)

Let $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$ be a closed and oriented anti-clockwise, and γ^* be the image of γ in \mathbb{C} . Let $\Omega=\mathbb{C}\setminus\gamma^*$. $\forall w\in\Omega$, define the index of w with respect to γ as

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - w}$$

in which shall be called the winding number of γ around w.

Theorem 18.1.1 (Winding Number Theorem)

We shall use notation as the definition above. Ind_{γ} (w) is

- 1. always an integer;
- 2. constant on any connected component of Ω ; and

3. zero on the unbounded component of Ω .

Note

 γ is compact in \mathbb{C} (since it creates a ring from [a,b] under γ). So for some disc D, $\gamma^* \subseteq D$. Let $\Omega \supset \mathbb{C} \setminus D$, where we note that the contained set is connected and unbounded. Then Ω contains one unbounded component, while other components of Ω are inside D. Therefore, we know that components in D are bounded.

Proof

1. By definition,

$$\operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - w}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{a}^{b} \frac{\gamma'(t) dt}{\gamma(t) - w}$$

WTS Ind_{\gamma} $(w) \in \mathbb{Z} \equiv \int_a^b \frac{\gamma'(t) dt}{\gamma(t) - w} \in 2\pi i \mathbb{Z}$.

Note that $z \in 2\pi i \mathbb{Z} \iff e^z = 1$. Thus it suffices to show that

$$e^{\int_a^b \frac{\gamma'(t)\,dt}{\gamma(t)-w}} = 1$$

Idea: Think of $\exp\left(\int_a^u \frac{\gamma'(t) dt}{\gamma(t)-w}\right)$ as a function of u, call it $\phi(u)$. Then we just need to show that $\phi(b) = 1$. We know that $\phi(a) = \exp\left(\int_a^a \ldots\right) = 1$. This motivates us to find the derivative of ϕ .

Define ϕ accordingly, and then since $(e^{f(u)})' = e^{f(u)} \cdot f'(u)$,

$$\phi'(u) = \phi(u) \cdot \frac{d}{du} \int_{a}^{u} \frac{\gamma'(t) dt}{\gamma(t) - w}$$

$$by \ FTC \implies \frac{\phi'(u)}{\phi(u)} = \frac{\gamma'(u)}{\gamma(u) - w}$$

$$\implies \phi'(u) (\gamma(u) - w) - \gamma'(u)\phi(u) = 0$$

$$\implies \frac{d}{du} \left(\frac{\phi(u)}{\gamma(u) - w}\right) = 0 \quad by \ quotient \ rule$$

$$\implies \frac{\phi(b)}{\gamma(b) - w} = \frac{\phi(a)}{\gamma(a) - w} \quad since \ \frac{\phi(u)}{\gamma(u) - w} \quad is \ a \ constant \ function \ of \ u$$

$$\implies \phi(b) = \phi(a) = 1 \quad \because \gamma \ is \ closed.$$

We will prove that $\operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w)$ is continuous.

$$\forall w \in \Omega \ \forall z \in \gamma^* \ \exists M > 0 \ |w - z| > M$$

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \ \exists \delta = \frac{M^2 \pi \varepsilon}{\int_{\gamma} dz} > 0 \ \forall w_0 \in \Omega$$

$$|w - w_0| < \delta \ \land \ |w_0 - z| > \frac{M}{2}$$

then

$$|\operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w) - \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w_{0})| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - w} - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - w_{0}} \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \int_{\gamma} \frac{w - w_{0}}{(z - w)(z - w_{0})} dz \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\gamma} \left| \frac{w - w_{0}}{(z - w)(z - w_{0})} \right| dz$$

$$< \frac{1}{2\pi} \delta \int_{\gamma} \left| \frac{2}{M \cdot M} \right| dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{M^{2}\pi} \delta \int_{\gamma} dz = \varepsilon$$

- 2. Also $\operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w)$ takes only integer values, thus it must be constant on each open connected component¹ (why?).
- 3. Note that

$$|\operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w)| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \int_{a}^{b} \frac{\gamma'(t) dt}{\gamma(t) - w} \right|$$

Let w be in the unbounded component in the complement of γ such that $|w| \to \infty$. Then $\forall t \in [a,b], \exists M > 0$ such that

$$\frac{1}{|\gamma(t) - w|} \le \frac{1}{M}$$

which implies that

$$|\operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{M} \cdot \underbrace{\int_{a}^{b} |\gamma'(t)| dt}_{is \ a \ fixed \ constant}$$

$$as \ \gamma \ is \ a \ fixed \ path$$

$$\implies (|w| \to \infty \implies M \to \infty \implies |\operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w)| \to 0)$$

¹We may invoke Lemma 15.1.1 but it is, to an extent, unnecessary for such a powerful statement.

Then by parts 1 and 2, the proof is completed.

Remark

Note that by 2, we have that $\forall w \in C^0$,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{dz}{z-w} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{dz}{z-z_0} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{Rie^{i\theta}}{Re^{i\theta}} d\theta = 1$$

where z_0 is the center of the circle path C.

Lecture 19 Mar 2nd 2018

19.1 Singularities

Exercise 19.1.1

Let $C:[0,2\pi]\to\mathbb{C}$ such that $\forall t\in[0,2\pi],\ t\to e^{it}$. Suppose $f\in H(\Omega)$, then by Cauchy

$$\int_C f(z) \, dz = 0$$

Let $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$, then $\int_C \frac{1}{z} dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Ind}_C(0) = 2\pi i$ when it is "supposed" to be 0 by the argument above. Then in this case, $f \notin H(\Omega)$. In fact, f is undefined at 0.

The example above introduces us to the study of such exceptional points.

Definition 19.1.1 ((Isolated) Singularity)

 $\forall a \in \mathbb{C}, \exists r > 0, \exists D = D(a, r).$

$$f \in H(D \setminus \{a\}) \land f(a) \text{ is undefined} \iff$$

f has a(n) point/isolated singularity at z = a.

Example 19.1.1

1. Given $f \in H(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\})$, define $f(z) = \frac{e^z - 1}{z}$. Clearly, z is a singularity. Consider the function $(e^z - 1) \in H(\mathbb{C})$. Then we have that the function has a power series

expansion around z = 0. So $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$e^z - 1 = z + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \dots$$

And for $z \neq 0$, we have

$$\frac{e^z - 1}{z} = 1 + \frac{z}{2!} + \frac{z^2}{3!} + \dots {19.1}$$

This motivates us to define

$$g(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^z - 1}{z} & z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \\ 1 & z = 0 \end{cases}$$

Clearly then $g \in H(\mathbb{C})$, where in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ its holomorphicity is given by f, and in a neighbourhood of 0, from Equation (19.1). Therefore, y assigning f the value of 1 at z = 0, we can make f "entire".

We call such a point z as a removable singularity for f.

2. Given $f \in H(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\})$, define $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$. Is the singularity at 0 removable?

Suppose $\exists g \in H(\mathbb{C})$ such that

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \quad g(z) = f(z) \tag{19.2}$$

 $\therefore \exists r > 0 \ \forall z \in D(0,r)$

$$g(z) = c_0 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + \dots (19.3)$$

Consider the function zg(z). By Equation (19.2),

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \quad zq(z) = 1$$

By Equation (19.3), $z = 0 \implies zg(z) = 0$. But this cannot happen since $zg(z) \in H(\mathbb{C})$ (if we pick an open ball of, say, $\frac{1}{2}$ around 0, then there are no points in the entirety of \mathbb{C} that is close to 0). Therefore z = 0 is not a removable singularity for f.

Definition 19.1.2 (Removable Singularity, Pole, Essential Singularity) Let f have a singularity at $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$.

- 1. $\exists r > 0 \ \forall z \in D = D(z_0, r) \ \exists g(z) \in H(D) \ \forall z \in D \setminus \{z_0\} \ g(z) = f(z)$ $\implies f \text{ has a removable singularity at } z_0^{-1}.$
- 2. $\exists r > 0 \ \forall z \in D = D * (z_0, r) \ \exists A, B \in H(D) \ A(z_0) \neq 0 \land B(z_0) = 0 \ f(z) = \frac{A(z)}{B(z)}$ $\implies f \text{ has a pole at } z_0 \text{ (a non-removable singularity)}^2$
- 3. f has a singularity at z_0 which is neither removeable nor a pole \implies f has an essential singularity at z_0 .

Example 19.1.2

To show an example of an essential singularity, consider the function $f(z) = e^{\frac{1}{z}}$. If we attempt to do a "Taylor expansion" on the function (which is invalid at z = 0), we have

$$f(z) = 1 + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{2!z^2} + \frac{1}{3!z^3} + \dots$$

The point 0 for f is said to be a "pole of infinite order" (this shall be defined later on)

While **removable singularities** are nice to have, they are not as interesting to us. On the other hand, we are more interested in their non-removable counterpart, the **poles**. This motivates the study of zeros of holomorphic functions.

Theorem 19.1.1 (Theorem 9)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open and connected. Suppose that $f \in H(\Omega)$ with $f \not\equiv 0$ on Ω and that f has a zero at $z_0 \in \Omega$. Then

$$\exists r > 0 \ \forall z \in D = D(z_0, r) \ \exists g \in H(D) \ g(z_0) \neq 0 \ \exists ! n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$f(z) = (z - z_0)^n \cdot g(z) \tag{19.4}$$

Proof

By Analytic Continuation, zeros of f are isolated since $f \not\equiv 0$. So $\exists r > 0$ such that $\exists D = D(z_0, r)$, in which $\forall z \in D \setminus \{z_0\}$, $f(z) \neq 0$.

Since $f \in H(\Omega), \forall z \in D$,

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k (z - z_0)^k$$

¹For the laymen, "the value of f at z_0 can be corrected or defined to make it holomorphic in its designated region."

²For the laymen, "the singularity of f comes from a zero of its denominator."

As $f \not\equiv 0$ in D, $\exists n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ that is the smallest such that $c_n \neq 0^3$.

$$\therefore f(z) = c_n (z - z_0)^n + c_{n+1} (z - z_0)^{n+1} + \dots$$

$$= (z - z_0)^n \underbrace{[c_n + c_{n+1} (z - z_0) + \dots]}_{call \ this \ g(z)}$$

Note that $g(z_0) \neq 0$ since $c_n \neq 0$. Thus $g(z) \in H(D)$ since it has the same radius of convergence as f.

To prove uniqueness, suppose that we may write

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (z - z_0)^n \cdot g(z) = (z - z_0)^m \cdot h(z)$$

for some $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and that $h(z) \neq 0$. If m > n, dividing both sides by $(z - z_0)^n$,

$$g(z) = (z - z_0)^{m-n} h(z).$$

As $z \to z_0$, we would have $g(z_0) = 0$, which is a contradiction. If m < n, we can perform a similar argument and have that as $z \to z_0$, $h(z_0) = 0$, also a contradiction. Therefore, m = n and h = g.

We say that f has a **zero of order** n at z_0 if Equation (19.4) holds.

 $^{^{3}}n \neq 0$ since we have $f(z_{0}) = 0$ which implies $c_{0} = 0$.

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20.1 Singularity (Continued)

Recall the definition of a removable singularity from Definition 19.1.2.

Theorem 20.1.1 (Theorem 10)

If $f \in H(\Omega \setminus \{z_0\})$ has an isolated singularity at z_0 and $\lim_{z\to z_0} (z-z_0)f(z) = 0$, then the singularity at z_0 is removable.

Proof

Since $f(z_0)$ is undefined, set

$$h(z) = \begin{cases} (z - z_0)^2 f(z) & \forall z \in \Omega \setminus \{z_0\} \\ 0 & z = z_0 \end{cases}$$

Clearly $h \in H(\Omega \setminus \{z_0\})$. At z_0 ,

$$\lim_{z \to z_0} \frac{h(z) - h(z_0)}{z - z_0} = \lim_{z \to z_0} \frac{(z - z_0)^2 f(z)}{z - z_0}$$
= 0 by assumption

 $^{^{1}}$ Goes to show that the definition of h is no foresight.

 \therefore $h'(z_0)$ exists and equals 0. Clearly then that $h \in H(\Omega)$. So $\exists r > 0$ such that $\exists D = D(z_0, r)$, so that $\forall z \in D$,

$$h(z) = c_0 + c_1(z - z_0) + c_2(z - z_0)^2 + \dots$$

But $c_0 = h(z_0) = 0$ and $c_1 = h'(z_0) = 0$. Thus the power series can be written as

$$h(z) = c_2(z - z_0)^2 + c_3(z - z_0)^3 + \dots$$

= $(z - z_0)^2 [c_2 + c_3(z - z_0) + \dots]$

Hence by the definition of h, $\forall z \in \Omega \setminus \{z_0\}$, $f(z) = c_2 + c_3(z - z_0) + \dots$ Therefore, by redefining $f(z_0) = c_2$, we see that the singularity at z_0 is removable.

We may also complete the proof by defining a function g as, $\forall z \in \Omega$,

$$g(z) = \begin{cases} f(z) & z \neq z_0 \\ c_2 & z = z_0 \end{cases}$$

Recall Theorem 19.1.1

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open and connected, and $f \in H(\Omega)$ where $\forall z \in \Omega, f(z) \neq 0$.

$$f(z_0) = 0 \implies$$

$$\exists r > 0 \ \exists D = D(z_0, r) \ \forall z \in D \ \exists! n \in \mathbb{N}$$
$$\exists! g \in H(D) \ g(z_0) \neq 0$$
$$f(z) = (z - z_0)^n g(z)$$

Definition 20.1.1 (Zero of Order n & Simple Zero)

By the above setting, we say that f has a zero of order n at z_0 .

If n = 1, we say that z_0 is a simple zero.

Recall definition of a pole from Definition 19.1.2

Suppose f has an isolated singularity at z_0 , and that there exists a neighbourhood D around z_0 where $A, B \in H(D)$, in which A and B are defined such that $\forall z \neq z_0 \in D$, $A(z_0) \neq 0 \land B(z_0) = 0$, so that we can let $f(z) = \frac{A(z)}{B(z)}$. Then f has a pole at z_0 .

²In laymen terms, "Rate at which the function vanishes at z_0 . The greater n is, the greater the rate."

Theorem 20.1.2 (Theorem 9.1)

If f has a pole at $z_0 \in \Omega$, then in a neighbourhood of that point there exists a non-vanishing holomorphic function h and a unique positive integer n such that

$$f(z) = (z - z_0)^{-n}h(z)$$

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Proof

By Theorem 19.1.1, we have $\frac{1}{f(z)} = (z-z_0)^n g(z)$, where g is holomorphic and non-vanishing in a neighbourhood of z_0 , so the result follows with $h(z) = \frac{1}{g(z)}$.

Definition 20.1.2 (Pole of order n & Simple Pole)

With the above setting, we say that f has a **pole** of order n at z_0 if the function B has a zero of order n^3

If n = 1, then z_0 is a simple pole.

Theorem 20.1.3 (Theorem 11)

Let f have a pole of order n at z_0 . Then $\exists r > 0$, $\exists D = D(z_0, r)$, such that $\forall z \in D \setminus \{z_0\}$,

$$f(z) = \frac{c_{-n}}{(z - z_0)^n} + \frac{c_{-(n-1)}}{(z - z_0)^{n-1}} + \dots + \frac{c_{-1}}{z - z_0} + G(z)$$

for some $G \in H(D)$.

Proof

By Theorem 20.1.2, write the holomorphic function h as $h(z) = a_0 + a_1(z - z_0) + a_2(z - z_0)^2 + \dots$, then

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-z_0)^n} \left[a_0 + a_1(z-z_0) + a_2(z-z_0)^2 + \ldots \right].$$

The proof is complete by expanding the equation.

Definition 20.1.3 (Principal Part)

In Theorem 20.1.3, the sum $\sum_{j=1}^{n} = \frac{c_{-j}}{(z-z_0)^j}$ is called the **principal part** of f at the pole z_0 .

³In laymen terms, "Rate at which f 'grows' near z_0 ."

Definition 20.1.4 (Residue)

In Theorem 20.1.3, the coefficient c_{-1} is called the **residue** of f at the pole z_0 , denoted $\underset{z=z_0}{\operatorname{Res}} f(z)$.

The **residue** shall be more carefully studied later on.

Lecture 21 Mar 7th 2018

21.1 Singularity (Continued 2)

Theorem 21.1.1 (Casorati-Weierstrass)

Let $z_0 \in \Omega$ and $f \in H(\Omega \setminus \{z_0\})$. Suppose f has a singularity at z_0 . Then one of the following occurs:

- 1. f is a removable singularity at z_0 ;
- 2. $\exists m \in \mathbb{N}, \ \{c_j\}_{j=1}^m \subseteq \mathbb{C}, \ f(z) \sum_{j=1}^m c_j (z-z_0)^- j \ has \ a \ removable \ singularity \ at \ z_0; \ or$
- 3. $\forall r > 0, B(z_0, r) \subseteq \Omega$ such that $f(B^0(z_0, r))$ is dense in \mathbb{C} (Note: $B^0(z_0, r)$ is the punctured ball)

Proof

Suppose 3. does not hold, i.e. $f(B^0(z_0,r))$ is not dense in \mathbb{C} for some r>0. Then $\exists w \in \mathbb{C}, \exists \delta > 0$, such that

$$f(B^{0}(z_{0},r)) \cap B(w,\delta) = \emptyset$$

$$\implies \forall z \in B^{0}(z_{0},r) \quad |f(z) - w| > \delta$$

Consider $g(z) = \frac{1}{f(z)-w}$ for $z \in B^0(z_0,r)$, in which $g \in H(B^0(z_0,r))$. Then $|g(z)| \leq \frac{1}{\delta}$ for all $z \in B^0(z_0,r)$, which implies that

$$\lim_{z \to z_0} (z - z_0)g(z) = 0$$

By Theorem 20.1.1, g has a removable singularity at z_0 , thus we can extend the function to a function $\tilde{g} \in H(B(z_0, r))$. From here, we try to construct a function that extends on f onto the singularity z_0 , say, \tilde{f} . The construction of \tilde{g} satisfies the equation $\frac{1}{\tilde{g}(z)} + w = f(z)$ except, possibly, at z_0 .

Case 1: Suppose $\tilde{g}(z_0) \neq 0$.

We can simply define

$$\frac{1}{\tilde{g}(z)} = \begin{cases} f(z) - w & z \in B^0(z_0, r) \\ \frac{1}{\tilde{g}(z_0)} & z = z_0 \end{cases}$$

Clearly then $\frac{1}{\tilde{g}} \in H(B^0(z_0, r))$. At z_0 ,

$$\tilde{g}(z_0) \neq 0 \implies \exists r_1 > 0 \ D = D(z_0, r_1) \ \forall z \in D \ \tilde{g}(z) \neq 0 \implies \frac{1}{\tilde{g}} \in H(D)$$

Therefore, $\frac{1}{\tilde{g}} \in H(B(z_0, r))^1$

Since $\forall z \in B^0(z_0, r) \ f(z) = \frac{1}{\tilde{g}(z)} + w \ by \ construction, \ we \ may \ define$

$$\tilde{f}(z) = \frac{1}{\tilde{g}(z)} + w$$

such that $f(z_0)$ is defined as $\frac{1}{\tilde{q}(z_0)} + w$. By this construction, 1. holds.

Case 2: $\tilde{g}(z_0) = 0$.

$$\because \tilde{g} \in H(B^0(z_0,r)) \, \wedge \, \tilde{g}(z_0) = 0 \, \wedge \, (\forall z \in B^0(z_0,r) \, \tilde{g}(z_0) \neq 0)$$

By Theorem 19.1.1,

$$\exists ! m \in \mathbb{N} \ \exists 0 < r_1 < r \ \exists g_1 \in H(B(z_0, r_1))$$

$$\forall z \in B(z_0, r_1) \ \tilde{g}(z) = (z - z_0)^m g_1(z)$$
(21.1)

 $\therefore g_1 \in H(B(z_0, r_1)) \land g(z_0) \neq 0$, we can repeat the argument as in **Case 1** for g_1 to get that $\frac{1}{g_1} \in H(B(z_0, r_1))$, which implies

$$\forall z \in B(z_0, r_1) \ \frac{1}{q_1(z)} = a_0 + a_1(z - z_0) + \dots$$

 $^{^{1}\}frac{1}{\tilde{g}}$ is the inverse of a non-zero holomorphic function.

By construction given by Equation (21.1), $\forall z \in B^0(z_0, r_1)$

$$f(z) - w = \frac{1}{g_1(z)(z - z_0)^m}$$

$$= \frac{a_0}{(z - z_0)^m} + \frac{a_1}{(z - z_0)^{m-1}} + \dots + \frac{a_{m-1}}{z - z_0} + a_m + a_{m+1}(z - z_0) + \dots$$

 $\therefore \forall z \in B^0(z_0, r_1),$

$$f(z) - \frac{a_0}{(z - z_0)^m} - \dots - \frac{a_{m-1}}{z - z_0} = w + a_m + a_{m+1}(z - z_0) \dots$$

Thus we may define an "extended" function of f, \tilde{f} to be $w+a_m$ at the singularity z_0 . Therefore, $f(z) - \sum_{j=1}^m a_j(z-z_0)^{-j}$ has a removable singularity at z_0 , i.e. 2. holds. \square

Lecture 22 Mar 9th 2018

22.1 Singularity (Continued 3)

Corollary 22.1.1

If f has an essential singularity at z_0 and is holomorphic in some $B^0(z_0, r)$ where r > 0, then $f(B^0(z_0, r))$ is dense in \mathbb{C} .

Proof

Suppose not, i.e. 3. of Theorem 21.1.1 does not hold. Then either 1., which implies that z_0 is removable, or 2., which implies that z_0 is a pole, is true. This contradicts the assumption that z_0 is an essential singularity.

Remark

There are a lot more that are actually true from Theorem 21.1.1! **Picard** showed that in any such punctured ball $B^0(z_0, r)$ around the essential singularity z_0 , f takes on every complex value (except possibly one value) infinitely often.

22.2 The Residue Theorem

Note (Recall)

If f has a pole at z_0 , $f \in H(\Omega \setminus \{z_0\})$, then in some open neighbourhood D of z_0 , we can write $\forall z \in D \setminus \{z_0\}$

$$f(z) = \underbrace{\frac{c_{-k}}{(z - z_0)^k} + \dots + \frac{c_{-1}}{(z - z_0)}}_{Principal\ Part} + \underbrace{c_0 + c_1(z - z_0) + \dots}_{G(z)}$$
(22.1)

with $G \in H(D)$.

Theorem 22.2.1 (Cauchy's Residue Theorem)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open, $f \in H(\Omega \setminus \{z_0\})$ where $z_0 \in \Omega$ is a pole. If γ is a closed path in $\Omega \setminus \{z_0\}$ such that $\forall w \notin \Omega$, $\operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w) = 0$. Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z) d(z) = \left(\underset{z=z_0}{\text{Res}} f(z) \right) \text{Ind}_{\gamma} (z_0)$$

where $\operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(\underline{z_0}) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z-z_0} dz$.

Proof

Using notation of Equation (21.1), define q(z) such that

$$g(z) := \begin{cases} f(z) - \sum_{j=1}^{k} \frac{c_{-j}}{(z - z_0)^j} & z \in \Omega \setminus \{z_0\} \\ c_0 & z = z_0 \end{cases}$$

Clearly, $g \in H(\Omega \setminus \{z_0\})$, since f(z) minus finitely many polynomials with non-zero denominators is still a holomorphic function. At z_0 , with a neighbourhood D around the point, we have, from Equation (21.1),

$$g(z) = c_0 + c_1(z - z_0) + \dots$$

which $g(z_0)$ agrees with c_0 and for any point $z \in D \setminus \{z_0\}$, by definition of g using Equation (21.1). This implies that $g \in H(D) \implies g \in H(\Omega)$.

Thus, by Cauchy's Theorem,

$$\int_{\gamma} g(z) \, dz = 0$$

Then $\forall z \in \gamma \text{ and since } z_0 \notin \gamma, \text{ we get}$

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) \, dz = \int_{\gamma} \sum_{j=1}^{k} \frac{c_{-j}}{(z - z_0)^j} \, dz$$

Consider each term of RHS in turn. Note that for $m \ge 2$, since $\frac{-1}{(m-1)(z-z_0)^{m-1}}$ is the antiderivative of $\frac{1}{(z-z_0)^m}$,

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{(z-z_0)^m} dz = F(\gamma(b)) - F(\gamma(a)) \quad by \ FTC$$
$$= 0 \quad since \ \gamma \ is \ closed.$$

If m = 1, then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - z_0} dz = \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(z_0) \ by \ definition$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = c_{-1} \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma} (z_{0})$$
$$= \left(\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_{0}} f(z) \right) \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma} (z_{0})$$

Definition 22.2.1 (Meromorphic Functions)

A function f is said to be meromorphic on Ω if $\exists \mathscr{A} \subseteq \Omega$ such that

- 1. $\mathscr{A}^* = \emptyset$
- 2. $f \in H(\Omega \setminus \mathscr{A})$
- 3. $\forall z \in \mathscr{A}$ f has a pole of finite order on z.

Remark

 $Holomorphicity \subseteq Meromorphicity (let \mathscr{A} = \emptyset)$

Lecture 23 Mar 12th 2018

23.1 The Residue Theorem (Continued)

We can generalize Theorem 22.2.1 for when there are more than one pole.

Theorem 23.1.1 (Cauchy's Residue Theorem - Generalized)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open, f be meromorphic on Ω , \mathscr{A} be a set of poles. If γ is a closed path in $\Omega \setminus \mathscr{A}$ such that $\forall w \notin \Omega \ \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w) = 0$, then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \underbrace{\sum_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \left(\underset{z=a}{\text{Res}} f(z) \right) \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma} (a)}_{\text{this is a finite sum}}$$

The proof is an exercise in Assignment 4 (which shall be included once that assignment is over)

Remark

We need Ω to be connected with the interior of γ contained in Ω , i.e. Ω is simply connected.

Now all the above begs the question: how exactly do we find the residue of a pole?

Suppose that f has a pole of order k at z_0 . Then in some neighbourhood D of z_0 , we have

the Laurent expansion

$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-k}}{(z - z_0)^k} + \ldots + \frac{a_{-1}}{z - z_0} + a_0 + a_1(z - z_0) + \ldots$$

which implies

$$f(z)(z-z_0)^k = a_{-k} + a_{-k+1}(z-z_0) + \dots + a_{-1}(z-z_0)^{k-1} + \dots$$

So a_{-1} is the $(k-1)^{\text{th}}$ coefficient for $f(z)(z-z_0)^k$, i.e. we can get

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = a_{-1} = \lim_{z \to z_0} \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \frac{d^{k-1}}{dz^{k-1}} f(z) (z - z_0)^k$$

23.2 Applications of Cauchy's Residue Theorem

Exercise 23.2.1

Evaluate $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^4} dx$.

The typical approach (from a complex analysis standpoint) is:

- 1. Choose a complex function and integrate along some path / contour γ . By the Residue Theorem, we can get our answer in a straightforward way.
- 2. Break the contour into different parts
 - the needed real integral
 - use symmetry, decay of function, etc., in the limit (we shall see more about this later on)

Let $f(z) = \frac{1}{1+z^4}$. The singularities are

$$z^4 = -1 \implies z = e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}, e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}}, e^{i\frac{5\pi}{4}}, e^{i\frac{7\pi}{4}}$$

(Note: These are all simple poles)

Let R > 0, and let Γ_R be the semi-circular, anti-clockwise contour, centered at zero, sitting in the positive side of the imaginary axis on the complex plane. Theorem 23.1.1 gives that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \operatorname{Res}_{z=e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}} f(z) + \operatorname{Res}_{z=e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}}} f(z)$$

Lecture 24 Mar 14 2018

24.1 Application of Cauchy's Residue Theorem (Continued)

We will continue with the previous example.

Exercise 24.1.1

 $\overline{Evaluate} \ I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^4} \, dx.$

Consider the function $f(z) = \frac{1}{1+z^4}$. Then f has simple poles at $\alpha_1 = e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}$, $\alpha_2 = e^{i\frac{3\pi}{4}}$, $\alpha_3 = e^{i\frac{5\pi}{4}}$, $\alpha_4 = e^{i\frac{7\pi}{4}}$. Consider the contour Γ_R , where R is large, that consists of an anticlockwise semi-circle C_R going from R to -R, and a straight line from -R to R on the real axis.

By the Residue Theorem,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{1+z^4} dz = \underset{z=\alpha_1}{\text{Res}} f(z) + \underset{z=\alpha_2}{\text{Res}} f(z)$$
 (24.1)

Note that for Equation (24.1),

$$LHS = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[\int_{-R}^{R} \frac{1}{1+x^4} \, dx + \int_{C_R} \frac{1}{1+z^4} \, dz \right]$$

On C_R , we have that |z| = R, so $|1 + z^4| \ge ||1| - |z|^4| = R^4 - 1$, and therefore

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{1}{1+z^4} dz \right| \le \int_{C_R} \left| \frac{1}{1+z^4} \right| dz$$

$$\le \int_{C_R} \frac{1}{R^4 - 1} dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{R^4 - 1} \int_{C_R} |dz|$$

$$= \frac{1}{R^4 - 1} \cdot \pi R$$

As $R \to \infty$, we have $\int_{C_R} \frac{1}{1+z^4} dz \to 0$, since it is bounded above by $\frac{\pi R}{R^4-1}$ that goes to 0.

Therefore, taking the limit of LHS (as well as RHS) as $R \to \infty$ in Equation (24.1), we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^4} = \operatorname{Res}_{z=\alpha_1} f(z) + \operatorname{Res}_{z=\alpha_2} f(z)$$

Next, we compute the residues:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Res}_{z=\alpha_{1}} f(z) &= \lim_{z \to \alpha_{1}} f(z)(z - \alpha_{1}) \\ &= \lim_{z \to \alpha_{1}} \frac{z - \alpha_{1}}{g(z)} \quad where \ g(z) = 1 + z^{4} \\ &= \lim_{z \to \alpha_{1}} \frac{z - \alpha_{1}}{g(z) - g(\alpha_{1})} \quad \because g(\alpha_{1}) = 0 \\ &= \frac{1}{g'(z)} \Big|_{z=\alpha_{1}} = \frac{1}{4z^{3}} \Big|_{\alpha_{1}} = \frac{1}{4\alpha_{1}^{3}} \\ \operatorname{Res}_{z=\alpha_{2}} f(z) &= \frac{1}{4z^{3}} \Big|_{\alpha_{2}} = \frac{1}{4\alpha_{2}^{3}} \end{aligned}$$

So RHS of Equation (24.1) is

$$RHS = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{e^{3i\frac{\pi}{4}}} + \frac{1}{e^{9i\frac{\pi}{4}}} \right) = \frac{1}{4} \left(e^{-i\frac{3\pi}{4}} + e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}} \right) = \frac{i}{2} \sin\frac{\pi}{4} = -\frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

Therefore,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^4} dx = 2\pi i \left(-\frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Exercise 24.1.2

Show that $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} \, dx = \pi$

(Note: This integrand is not absolutely convergent)

If we try $f(z) = \frac{\sin z}{z}$ on some semi-circle arc C_R with $|f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{R}$, then

$$\left| \int_{C_R} f(z) \, dz \right| \leq \int_{C_R} \frac{1}{R} \, |dz| = \frac{length \ of \ C_R}{R} \approx \pi$$

which means that the decay of the f is insufficient to help us compute our desired result.

Consider $\sin x = \frac{e^{ix} - e^{-ix}}{2i}$. We then need to show

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ix} - e^{-ix}}{2ix} dx = \pi$$

Let $f(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{z} = \frac{1}{z}(1 + iz + \frac{(iz)^2}{2} + \ldots)$. Thus F has a simple poles at z = 0 with residue 1.

Consider the countour Γ_R :

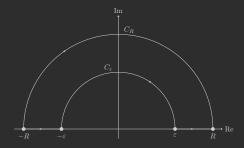


Figure 24.1: Contour Γ_R

The Residue Theorem gives

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz = 0$$

$$\implies 0 = \int_{-R}^{-\varepsilon} \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx + \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz + \int_{\varepsilon}^{R} \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx + \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz$$

Note that

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right| = \left| \int_0^{\pi} \frac{e^{iR(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)}}{Re^{i\theta}} Rie^{i\theta} d\theta \right|$$

$$\leq \int_0^{\pi} e^{-R\sin\theta} d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-R\sin\theta} d\theta + \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} e^{-R\sin\theta} d\theta$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-R\sin\theta} d\theta \quad by \quad symmetry$$

By a similar argument as in A3Q1(c), on $[0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$,

$$\sin \theta \ge \frac{2}{\pi} \theta$$
$$e^{-\sin \theta} < e^{-\frac{2}{\pi} \theta}$$

Thus

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right| \le 2 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-\frac{2R\theta}{\pi}} d\theta$$

$$= 2 \left(-\frac{\pi}{2R} \right) e^{-\frac{2R\theta}{\pi}} \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} = -\frac{\pi}{R} e^{-R-1}$$

Thus we observe that as $R \to \infty$, $RHS \to 0$.

By A4Q4, on C_{ε} , as $\varepsilon \to 0$, we pick up half of the residue at z = 0, i.e.

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_{\varepsilon}} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} \, dz = -\frac{1}{2},$$

in which we note that the value is negative since C_{ε} is clockwise.

Therefore,

$$\lim_{\substack{R \to \infty \\ \varepsilon \to 0}} \left[\int_{-R}^{-\varepsilon} \frac{e^{ix}}{x} \, dx + \int_{\varepsilon}^{R} \frac{e^{ix}}{x} \, dx \right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ix}}{x} \, dx = \pi i$$

Using a similar argument (do this as an exercise), it can be shown that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-ix}}{x} \, dx = -\pi i$$

And with that, we obtain the final solution of

$$\frac{\pi i - (-\pi i)}{2i} = \pi$$

as required.

Refer to Stein & Shakarchi, Section 2.1, for more examples.

Lecture 25 Mar 16 2018

We are now in a position to look into how we can define "logarithms" for \mathbb{C} .

25.1 The Argument Principle

Since we may express $z = Re^{i(\theta + 2k\pi)}$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, we would expect a logarithm to be of the form

$$\log z = \log R + i(\theta + 2k\pi)$$

So in general,

$$\log f(z) = \log |f(z)| + i \arg f(z)$$

The derivative of $\log z$ is $\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}$, should we expect the same idea extending from the reals, which is single-valued. Then the integral

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \, dz$$

can be interpreted as the change in the argument of f as z traverses the curve γ . Moreover, assuming that γ is a closed path, this change of argument is determined entirely by the zeros and poles of f in γ .

Note (Stein & Shakarchi, pg. 89)

The addivitity formula for log,

$$\log(f_1 f_2) = \log f_1 + \log f_2$$

fails in general.

Theorem 25.1.1 (Argument Principle)

Suppose f is meromorphic on a region (open & connected) $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, γ a closed path such that $\gamma^* \in \Omega \setminus (\mathscr{A} \cup Z(f))$ such that

- $\forall w \notin \Omega \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w) = 0$
- $\forall w \in \Omega \setminus \gamma^* \ \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w) = 0 \ or \ 1$

Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \left| Z(f) \cap \gamma^{0} \right| - \left| \mathscr{A} \cap \gamma^{0} \right|$$

where the zeros and poles are counted by multiplicity.

Proof

(include proof here: use Theorem 23.1.1 to CTP).

Question: What are the poles of $\frac{f'}{f}$?

Suppose that f has a zero of order k at z_0 . Then $\exists r > 0$, $\forall z \in D(z_0, r)$, $f(z) = (z - z_0)^k g(z)$ where $g \in H(D(z_0, r))$ and $g \not\equiv 0$ on $D(z_0, r)$. So

$$f'(z) = k(z - z_0)^{k-1}g(z) + (z - z_0)^k g'(z) \Longrightarrow$$
$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{k}{z - z_0} + \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} \Longrightarrow$$

 $\frac{f'}{f}$ has a simple pole at z_0 with residue k.

Suppose f has a pole of order k. Then $\exists r > 0, \forall z \in D(z_0, r), \exists h \in H(D(z_0, r)) \ h \not\equiv 0, f(z) = (z - z_0)^{-k} h(z)$. Then

$$f'(z) = -k(z - z_0)^{-k-1}h(z) + (z - z_0)^{-k}h'(z) \implies \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{-k}{z - z_0} + \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)} \implies$$

 $\frac{f'}{f}$ has a simple pole at z_0 with residue -k.

 \therefore f is meromorphic on $\Omega \implies \frac{f'}{f}$ has simple zeros and poles at exactly the zeros and poles of f with residue equals to the order of zeros of f and negative of the order of poles of f, respectively.

Theorem 25.1.2 (Rouché's Theorem)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be a region, $f, g \in H(\Omega)$, γ a closed path on Ω with

- $\forall w \notin \Omega \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w) = 0$,
- $\forall w \in \Omega \setminus \gamma^* \operatorname{Ind}_{\gamma}(w) = 0 \text{ or } 1.$

If f, g satisfy

$$\forall z \in \gamma^* \ |f(z) - g(z)| < |f(z)|,$$

then f and g have the same number of zeros on γ^* (counted with multiplicity).

Proof (Idea)

WTS $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f'}{f} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \overline{\int_{\gamma} \frac{g'}{g}}$, since the result would follow by Theorem 25.1.1. This is equivalent to $\frac{1}{2\pi i} = \int_{\gamma} \left[\frac{f'}{f} - \frac{g'}{g} \right] = 0$. By our small argument about how a log function should behave in \mathbb{C} , observe that we thus have

$$(\log f)' - (\log g)' = \left(\log \frac{f}{g}\right)'$$

So we wish to get either $\frac{g}{f}$ or $\frac{f}{g}$.

Proof

Given that $\forall z \in \gamma^*$, |f - g| < |f|. Note that $f \not\equiv 0$; otherwise we would have the impossible case of |0 - g| < |0|.

Divide both sides by |f|, then

$$\forall z \in \gamma^* \ \left| 1 - \frac{g}{f} \right| < 1$$

Therefore, $\forall z \in \gamma^*$, $F = \frac{g}{f} \in B(1,1)$. Let $\gamma : [a,b] \to \mathbb{C}$ be a parameterization of γ^* . Consider the function $F \circ \gamma$, which is a closed path that is contained in B(1,1). z = 0 lies outside of $F \circ \gamma$, we have $\operatorname{Ind}_{F \circ \gamma}(0) = 0$. Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{F_0}^{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_a^b \frac{F'(\gamma(t))\gamma(t) dt}{F(\gamma(t))} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)} dz = 0 \quad by \ letting\gamma(t) = z$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \left(\frac{g'}{g} - \frac{f'}{f}\right) dz = 0 \qquad (\dagger)$$

where for Equation (\dagger) , note that

$$F' = \frac{g'f - gf'}{f^2} \text{ by Quotient Rule}$$

$$\frac{F'}{F} = \frac{g'f - gf'}{f^2} \cdot \frac{f}{g} = \frac{g'}{g} - \frac{f'}{f}$$

The proof is complete by Theorem 25.1.1.

Lecture 26 Mar 19 2018

26.1 The Argument Principle (Continued)

Note (Notation)

Let f be a function meromorphic on a region $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. We write

$$N_f := \#zeros \ of \ f \ inside \ \gamma^* - \#poles \ of \ f \ inside \ \gamma^*$$

= $|Z(f) \cap \gamma^0| - |\mathscr{A} \cap \gamma^0|$

Remark

If all conditions of Rouché's Theorem hold except that, instead, $f \, \& \, g$ are meromorphic on Ω , then if γ^* contains no poles of $f \, \& \, g$ then we can conclude that $N_f = N_g$

Exercise 26.1.1

Find the number of roots of $P(z) = z^8 - 5z^3 + z - 2$ lying in $|z| \le 1$.

Solution

Let γ be the circle |z|=1, oriented anticlockwise. Let $g(z)=P(z), f(z)=-5z^{31}$. Then

 $^{^{1}}$ We pick the dominant term in P for f

 $|f(z)| = |5z^3| = 5$, and

$$|f(z) - g(z)| = |z^8 + z - 2|$$

 $\leq 1 + 1 + 2$ by Triangle Inequality, and on γ
 $= 4 < 5 = |f(z)|$

So the inequality in Rouché's Theorem holds. Hence by Rouché, P(z) = g(z) has 3 roots (at z = 0, counted thrice since it has order 3) in |z| < 1.

To get the zeros for $|z| \le 1$, change γ to be on $|z| = 1 + \varepsilon$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$ and proceed from there.

You should try more of these problems from the recommended texts.

26.1.1 Alternative Proof for FTA

Before proceeding with providing with alternative proof, note the following two definitions about polynomials.

Definition 26.1.1 (Monic Polynomial)

A monic polynomial is a polynomial with a leading coefficient of 1.

Definition 26.1.2 (Monomial)

A monomial is a polynomial with only one term.

Recall the statement of the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra (FTA)

 $\forall P \in C[z]$ with deg P = n for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, P has n roots in \mathbb{C} .

Proof

Without loss of generality, assume that the polynomial is monic (divide the polynomial by the leading coefficient if necessary). Take

$$g(z) = z^n + a_{n-1}z^{n-1} + \ldots + a_1z + a_0$$

with $a_1 \in \mathbb{C}$ for $i \in [1, n-1] \subset \mathbb{N}$. Let γ be the circle $|z| = R > \max \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} |a_j|, 1 \right\}^2$,

²This is chosen from the later part of the proof

oriented anticlockwise. Let $f(z) = z^n$. Then $|f(z)| = R^n$ on γ . We also have

$$|g(z) - f(z)| = |a_{n-1}z^{n-1} + \dots + a_1z + a_0|$$

$$\leq |a_{n-1}| R^{n-1} + \dots + |a_1| R + |a_0|$$

$$\leq (|a_{n-1}| + \dots + |a_1| + |a_0|) R^{n-1}$$

$$< R^n$$

Hence, the inequality for Rouché's Theorem holds. Hence by Rouché, $N_f = N_g$ and $N_f = n$.

Exercise: Show that these are the only zeros of g(z), using factorization of polynomials in the ring $\mathbb{C}[z]$.

Suppose not, i.e. say g has $m \neq n$ zeros. If m > n, then that would imply that $\deg g = m$, which f assumption. If m < n, then we can write

$$g(z) = (z - \alpha_1)(z - \alpha_2) \dots (z - \alpha_m)P_1(z)$$

where each $\alpha_j \in \mathbb{C}$ is a root of g and $P_1 \in \mathbb{C}[z]$ has $\deg P_1 = n - m$ and that P_1 has no roots (otherwise we would have m + 1 roots). Then P_1 must be a constant polynomial, but that would imply that $\deg g = m \neq n$, which is yet another f.

The above proof leads to the following result:

Corollary 26.1.1

All the zeros of a monic polynomial lie inside the disc $|z| \le R$ with $R = \max \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} |a_j|, a \right\}$ where $\{a_j\}_{j=0}^{n-1} \subset \mathbb{C}$ are the coefficients of the monic polynomial.

26.1.2 Open Mapping Theorem

Theorem 26.1.1 (Open Mapping Theorem)

If f is holomorphic and non-constant in a region in \mathbb{C} , then f maps open sets to open sets.

Proof

Let $w_0 = f(z_0)$ for some $z_0 \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. Let d > 0.

WTS
$$w_0 \in f(B(z_0, \delta))^0$$
.

Let $\gamma = \partial B(z_0, \delta)$ (i.e. $|z - z_0| = \delta$), oriented anticlockwise. $\forall z \in B(z_0, \delta)$, let $F(z) := f(z) - w_0$. Then F has at least one zero inside γ (in particular, z_0). Let G(z) := f(z) - w for some $w \in f(B(z_0, \delta))$.

Want to have G(z) having a zero inside γ for w "close enough" to w_0 .

Our setup satisfies Rouché's inequality:

$$\forall z \in \gamma^* \ |F(z) - G(z)| < |F(z)|$$

or $|w - w_0| < |f(z) - w_0|$ on γ^*

We want $f(z) \neq w_0$ on γ . Now we can choose a $\delta > 0$ such that $B(z_0, \delta) \subseteq \Omega$ and $\forall z \in \partial B(z_0, \delta), f(z) \neq w_0$.

Let $\varepsilon = \max_{z \in \gamma^*} |f(z) - w_0| > 0$. Observe that

$$|w - w_0| < \varepsilon \implies Z(G) \cap \gamma^0 \neq \emptyset$$

$$\implies w \in f(B(z_0, \delta))$$

$$\implies w_0 \in f(B(z_0, \delta))^0$$

variables.

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27.1 Introductory Passage to Log Functions in \mathbb{C}

We have dealt with integrals of real numbers using our approach from complex analysis. But what would we do if we come across a problem of the form

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)x^a dx \text{ for some } a \in \mathbb{R}?$$

If we try to apply residue integrals to the problem, we would need to consider $f(z)z^a$. But what is z^a , since $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and not simply $\in \mathbb{Z}$!?

When $a \in \mathbb{N}$, we know that $z^a = \underbrace{z \dots z}_{a \text{ times}}$. When $a \in \mathbb{R}$, we want to be able to interpret z^a as $e^{a \log z}$ just as we can do so in \mathbb{R} . This leads to the study of log functions as complex

We shall try to approach the problem via analytic continuation.

Exercise 27.1.1 (A simple problem in analytic continuation)

Let $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ for |z| < 1. We want to analytically continue f onto \mathbb{C} if possible.

For |z| < 1, we know that $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z}$. So let $g(z) = \frac{1}{1-z}$. Then we have that $g \in H(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{1\})$, where z = 1 is a simple pole, and g agrees with f on |z| < 1.

 \therefore g is an analytic continuation of f to $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{1\}$, or we say that f can be analytically continued except at z = 1, which is a simple pole.

In real analysis, log is the inverse of e^1 . But on \mathbb{C} , the exponential function is not 1-1, e.g.

$$e^z = 1 \iff z \in 2\pi i \mathbb{Z}$$

As such, we would like to restrict the domain (why?) for the exponential function. That begs the question: what is the natural domain on which $\log z$ lives for $z \in \mathbb{C}$?

- Globally, we would require the notion of Riemann Surfaces
- Locally, we would require the notion of Simply Connected Domains

(What does local and global mean here?)

27.2 Simply Connected Domains

Definition 27.2.1 (Homotopy (Poincaré))

Let X be a topological space². Recall that a curve in X is a continuous map $\gamma: I \to X$ where I = [0, 1], and γ is said to be closed if $\gamma(0) = \gamma(1)$.

Two closed curves γ_0 and γ_1 are said to be **homotopic** if $\exists H: I \times I \to X$ with

$$H(s,0) = \gamma_0(s) \ H(s,1) = \gamma_1(s)$$

and H(s,t) be continuous with respect to s and t.

Alternative Definition from Stein-Shakarchi - Complex Analysis³

Let γ_0 and γ_1 be two curves in an open set Ω with common end-points. So if γ_0 and γ_1 are two parameterizations on [a,b], then

$$\gamma_0(a) = \gamma_1(a) = \alpha$$
 and $\gamma_0(b) = \gamma_1(b) = \beta$

where $\alpha, \beta \in \Omega$. The two curves are said to be **homotopic** in Ω if for each $0 \le s \le 1$, $\exists \gamma_s \subset \Omega$ parameterized by $\gamma_s(t)$ defined on [a,b], such that $\forall s$,

$$\gamma_s(a) = \alpha \ \ and \ \ \gamma_s(b) = \beta,$$

e in \mathbb{R} is 1-1, and goes from $\mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^+$

²which we did not define

³I preferred this definition cause it's easier to read, but I shall be using the definition from the lecture for the class itself unless stated otherwise

and $\forall t \in [a, b]$,

$$\left|\gamma_s(t)\right|_{s=0} = \gamma_0(t) \ and \left|\gamma_s(t)\right|_{s=1} = \gamma_1(t).$$

Moreover, $\gamma_s(t)$ should be jointly continuous in $s \in [0,1]$ and $t \in [a,b]$.

Loosely speaking, γ_0, γ_1 are homotopic if we can **continuously deform** γ_0 to γ_1 (wlog) without any obstruction in X.

Definition 27.2.2 (Simply Connected Domain)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be open. We say Ω is **simply connected** if Ω is connected, and $\forall \gamma$ that is closed in Ω is homotopic to a point (i.e. a constant map $\gamma: I \to X$).

Exercise 27.2.1

- 1. \mathbb{C} is simply connected.
- 2. $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{z = x + iy : x \leq 0, y = 0\}$ is simply connected.
- 3. $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ is not simply connected.

Note

I will temporarily use \sim to represent homotopy, since it is an equivalence relation.

Here's a quick proof of that:

- 1. (Reflexive) Define $H: I \times I \to X$, where $I = [a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, with $H(s, t) = \gamma_t(s)$, where, in this case, t = 0. This shows reflexivity.
- 2. (Symmetric) Suppose $\gamma_0 \sim \gamma_1$. Then $\exists H$ as above such that, this time, $t \in [0,1]$. Choose $G: I \times I \to X$ with $G(s,t) = \gamma_{-t}(s)$ with $t \in [0,1]$. Then $\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_0$.
- 3. (Transitive) Suppose $\gamma_0 \sim \gamma_1$ and $\gamma_1 \sim \gamma_2$. Then $\exists H_1, H, 2: I \times I \to X$, I as above, with

$$H_1(s,t) = \gamma_t(s)$$

$$H_2(s,q) = \gamma_q(s)$$

with $t \in [0,1]$ and $q \in [1,2]$. Then we can simply create $G: I \times I \to X$, now with the 2nd argument, say, $p \in [0,2]$. such that

$$G(s,p) = \begin{cases} H_1(s,p) = \gamma_p(s) & p \in [0,1] \\ H_2(s,p) = \gamma_p(s) & p \in (1,2] \end{cases}$$

Then $\gamma_0 \sim \gamma_2$.

One of the key facts about simply connected domains is that, if $f \in H(\Omega)$, then whenever $\gamma_0 \sim \gamma_1$ in Ω

$$\int_{\gamma_0} f = \int_{\gamma_1} f$$

i.e. in a simply connected domain, the integral does not depend on the chosen path⁴.

⁴This should remind you of Goursat's Theorem and Cauchy's Theorem

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28.1 Constructing Logarithm

Theorem 28.1.1 (Theorem 17)

Suppose Ω is simply connected with $0 \notin \Omega$. Then in Ω , we can define a function, call it $\text{Log } z^1$, such that

- 1. Log $z \in H(\Omega) \wedge (\text{Log } z)' = \frac{1}{z}$
- 2. $e^{\text{Log }z} = z \text{ for all } z \in \Omega$
- 3. $\forall r \in \mathbb{R}^+ \ [1, r] \subseteq \Omega \implies \operatorname{Log} r \operatorname{Log} 1 = \operatorname{log} r \text{ where log denotes the usual natural logarithm on } \mathbb{R}^+.$

Proof

1. The proof can be completed using the method used in proving Cauchy's Theorem for Convex Sets if we define Log as follows:

$$\forall z \in \Omega \ \exists w_0 \in \mathbb{C} \ e^{w_0} = z_0$$

(If we let $z_0 = Re^{i\theta}$, then we choose $w_0 = \log R + i\theta$) Define

$$\operatorname{Log} z = w - 0 + \int_{z_0}^{z} \frac{1}{w} \, dw \tag{\dagger}$$

¹This is called a branch of the logarithm

where the integral is over any path between the points z_0 and z in Ω . From here, use the proof provided in Cauchy's Theorem for Convex Sets to complete the proof.

2. Let $G(z) = e^{-\log z} \cdot z$. WTS G(z) = 1.

Note that by part 1,

$$\forall z \in \Omega \ G'(z) = e^{-\log z} - z \cdot \frac{1}{z} \cdot e^{-\log z} = 0$$

 $\therefore G' \equiv 0$ in Ω . $\therefore G \in H(\Omega)$, we may write G as a power series, and since $G' \equiv 0$ on Ω , we have that $G(z) = G(z_0)$ in a neighbourhood of a chosen center $z_0 \in \Omega$, say with radius $r_0 > 0$. Therefore

$$\exists c \in \mathbb{C} \ \forall z \in B(z_0, r_0) \ G(z) = c$$

Thus by Analytic Continuation, since Ω is connected, we have that $\forall z \in \Omega$, G(z) = c.

It is therefore sufficient to show that $G(z_0) = 1$, and this is true by the following:

$$G(z_0) = e^{-\log z_0} \cdot c_0$$

$$= e^{-w_0} \cdot z_0 \quad \therefore Equation \ (\dagger)$$

$$= \frac{z_0}{e^{w_0}} = 1 \quad \therefore e^{w_0} = z_0$$

Thus we have $G \equiv 1$ on Ω and hence $\forall z \in \Omega$, $e^{\text{Log } z} = z$.

3. Suppose $r \in \mathbb{R}^+$ and $[1, r] \subseteq \Omega$. By Equation (\dagger) ,

$$Log r = w_0 + \frac{z - 0}{r} \frac{1}{w} dw
= w_0 + \int_{z_0}^1 \frac{1}{w} dw + \int_1^r \frac{1}{w} dw
= w_0 + \int_{z_0}^1 \frac{1}{w} dw + \underbrace{\int_1^r \frac{1}{t} dt}_{\log r - \log 1 = \log r}$$

where we choose the straight line [1, r] as the path for the 3rd term in the last line. Therefore we have

$$\log r - \log 1 = \log r$$

as required. \Box

Note

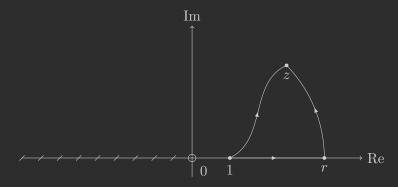
If we choose $z_0 = 1$ and $w_0 = 0$, then $\log 1 = 0$, and hence $\log r = \log r$ for any $r \in \mathbb{R}^+$ with $[1, r] \subseteq \Omega$.

28.2 Branches of the Logarithm

1. (**Principal Branch**) Let $\Omega_1 = \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$. We will write $z \in \Omega_1$ as $z = re^{i\theta}$ with r > 0 and $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi)$. Pick $z_0 = 1 \wedge w_0 = 0$; By Equation (†), $\log z = \int_1^z \frac{1}{w} dw$. Then in this case,

$$\text{Log } z = \log r + i\theta \quad \text{when } z = re^{i\theta} \text{ with } \theta \in (-\pi, \pi)$$

To see this, pick the straight line path from 1 to r, and then any path from r to $z=re^{i\theta}$



Then

$$\int_{1}^{z} \frac{1}{w} dw = \int_{1}^{r} \frac{1}{t} dt + \int_{0}^{\pi} \frac{ire^{it}}{re^{it}} dt$$
$$= \log r + i\theta$$

Exercise 28.2.1

Let $z_1 = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}$, then, using the Principal Branch, $\text{Log } z_1 = i\frac{2\pi}{3}$. But note that $\text{Log}(z_1^2) \neq i\frac{4\pi}{3}$. Instead, since

$$z_1^2 = e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}} = e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{3}}$$

(: the region in consideration is $(-\pi,\pi)$), we have that

$$Log(z_1^2) = -i\frac{2\pi}{3}$$

2. (a different branch) Let $\Omega_2 = \mathbb{C} \setminus [0, \infty)$. Write $z \in \Omega_2$ as $z = re^{i\theta}$ with $r > 0 \land \theta \in (0, 2\pi)$. Now we can pick **some function** so that

$$\text{Log } z = \log r + i\theta \quad \text{with } z = re^{i\theta} \wedge \theta \in (0, 2\pi)$$

In this case, we have that $Log(z_1^2) = 2 Log z_1$ does hold.

With that established, we may now use $z^a = e^{a \log z}$ if we fix a branch (and a simply connected domain) and stick with it till the end of the problem.

Remark

For the Principal Branch of the logarithm, the following Taylor expansion holds: For |z| < 1,

$$\log(1+z) = z - \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^3}{3} - \dots$$
$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n!} \frac{z^n}{n}$$

(To remember this: note $-\log(1-z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n}$) Let

$$F(z) = -\log(1-z)$$

$$G(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n}.$$

It can be shown that for |z| < 1,

$$F'(z) = \frac{1}{1-z} = G'(z)$$

which hence implies that

$$(F-G)' \equiv 0$$

 $\implies F-C = c \text{ for some } c \in \mathbb{C}$

Plug in z = 0 and we will get c = 0.

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29.1 Examples for Analytic Continuation

Gamma Function

For $s \in \mathbb{R}^+$, we define

$$\Gamma(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^s \frac{dt}{t}$$

where

 \int_0^∞ : the integral over a locally compact topological group \mathbb{R}^+

 $e^{-t}:$ additive character of \mathbb{R}^+ (homomorphism from $(\mathbb{R}^+,+)$ to $\mathbb{R})$

 t^s : multiplicative character of \mathbb{R}^+ (homomorphism from (\mathbb{R}^+,\cdot) to $\mathbb{R})$

 $\frac{dt}{t}$: Haar measure for \mathbb{R}^+ (invariant under multiplication)

Exercise $\overline{29.1.1}$

The integral $\int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^s \frac{dt}{t}$ converges for s > 0. Prove this.

Note (Euler)

Euler observed that

$$\Gamma(n+1) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{n+1} \frac{dt}{t}$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^n dt$$

$$= -t^n e^{-t} \Big|_0^\infty + n \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{n-1} dt \quad by \ IBP$$

$$= n\Gamma(n)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$= n(n-1) \dots 2 \cdot 1 \cdot \Gamma(1)$$

and since $\Gamma(1) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} dt = 1$, we have that

$$\Gamma(n+1) = n!$$

Remark

Euler observed that $\Gamma(s)$ is a continuous and differentiable function of s that interpolates the factorials.

We can extend $\Gamma(s)$ to complex numbers s as follows:

$$\forall s \in \mathbb{C} \ \operatorname{Re} s > 0 \ \Gamma(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^s \frac{dt}{t}$$

Note

- 1. $\Gamma(s)$ is holomorphic for $\operatorname{Re} s > 0$
 - It can be shown that $\int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^s \frac{dt}{t}$ converges for $\operatorname{Re} s > 0$
 - It can also show that this is C-differentiable
- 2. Γ is a Functional Equation: We can repeat Euler's calculation to show that

$$\forall s \in \mathbb{C} \ \operatorname{Re} s > 0 \ \Gamma(s+1) = s\Gamma(s)$$

which implies that, if $s \neq 0$,

$$\underbrace{\Gamma(s)}_{\text{defined for Re } s>0} = \underbrace{\frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{s}}_{\text{defined for Re } s>-1}$$

because RHS makes sense for Re s > -1, in which we may do

$$-1 < \text{Re } s < 0 \implies 0 < \text{Re } (s+1) < 1.$$

Thus, we can define, for -1 < Re s < 0, that, if $s \neq 0$,

$$\Gamma(s) = \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{s}$$

It is noteworthy that this definition agrees with our original definition of Γ due to Equation (†).

Q: What happens at s = 0?

Consider Equation (†), with $s \to 0^+$. Then

$$\lim_{s \to 0^+} \left[s\Gamma(s) \right] = \Gamma(1) = 0! = 1$$

 $\therefore \Gamma(s)$ behaves like $\frac{1}{s}$ near s=0, i.e. Γ has a simple poles at s=0.

Q: Can we continue the procedure above and go beyond Re s > -1? Yes. Equation (†) holes for $\Gamma(s+2)$ as well, which then we have, for Re s > 0,

$$\Gamma(s+2) = (s+1)\Gamma(s+1) = (s+1)(s)\Gamma(s)$$

And thus for $\operatorname{Re} s > -2$ and $s \neq 0, -1$,

$$\Gamma(s) = \frac{\Gamma(s+2)}{s(s+1)}$$

We can proceed with this procedure inductively so and analytically continue Γ to $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, -1, -2, ...\}$.

29.2 Characterizing Logarithms

Theorem 29.2.1 (Theorem 18)

Any entire function f(z) without any zeros has the form $Ae^{g(z)}$ where g is some entire function and $A \in \mathbb{C}$ is some constant.

This is a characterization of the function f that has no zeros or poles.

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