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same as in the real case...

A function is a map  $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

Corresponding to such an  $f$  there are two real-valued functions on  $\mathbb{C}$ :

$$\operatorname{Re} f = \operatorname{Re} \circ f$$

$$\operatorname{Im} f = \operatorname{Im} \circ f$$

$$\text{So, } f = \operatorname{Re}(f) + i \operatorname{Im}(f).$$

Now thinking of  $\mathbb{C}$  as  $\mathbb{R}^2$  what we have is two real-valued functions on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :

$$u : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{given by } u(x, y) = \operatorname{Re}(f)(x + iy)$$

$$v : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{given by } v(x, y) = \operatorname{Im}(f)(x + iy)$$

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# Arithmetic of limits

Let  $g$  and  $f$  be two functions defined in a neighbourhood around  $z_0$ . Let

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = l$$

and

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} g(z) = l'.$$

Then

- 1  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) + g(z) = l + l'$
- 2  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)g(z) = ll'$
- 3 further, if  $l' \neq 0$ , then  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)/g(z) = l/l'$
- 4  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} cf(z) = cl$

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$$\text{and } v(x, y) \rightarrow \operatorname{Im} f(z_0) = v(x_0, y_0) \\ \text{as } (x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0).$$

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(b)  $f(z_n) \rightarrow f(z) \iff$   
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