

LECTURE - 10. (L-13, L-14)

Application of
Taylor's theorem.

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→ Zeros of analytic functions

→ Identity theorem

→ Maximum Modulus principle.

§ Zeros of analytic functions:

Let f be an analytic function in a domain $D \supset B_R(z_0)$. Then

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n \quad \text{where } a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!} (z-z_0)^n.$$

Suppose $f(z_0) = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 = 0$

$(f \neq 0)$ Let $a_m \neq 0 \Rightarrow a_i = 0 \forall i < m$
on $B_R(z_0)$

$$\text{Then } f(z) = \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$$

$$= (z-z_0)^m \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+m} (z-z_0)^n}_{g(z)}.$$

$$f(z) = (z-z_0)^m g(z), \quad g(z_0) = a_m \neq 0$$

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Now, $g(z)$ is analytic, hence continuous

$$\Rightarrow g(z_0) \neq 0 \Rightarrow g(z) \neq 0 \quad \forall z \in B_\varepsilon(z_0)$$

$$\therefore f(z) \neq 0 \quad \forall z \neq z_0, z \in B_\varepsilon(z_0)$$

i.e. zeros of f are isolated.

§ Identity Theorem

Suppose f is analytic on D (domain). If

$$\{z_n\} \subset D \ni z_n \rightarrow z_0 \in D \ni f(z_n) = 0 \quad \forall n$$

Then $f \equiv 0$ on D .

Pf: $z_n \rightarrow z_0 \Rightarrow f(z_n) \rightarrow f(z_0)$

$$\therefore f(z_0) = 0.$$

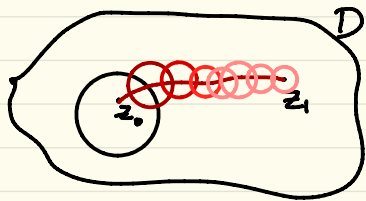
Suppose $f \neq 0$ on $B_R(z_0)$

By previous result, $\exists \varepsilon > 0 \Rightarrow f(z) \neq 0$
 $\forall z \neq z_0, z \in B_\varepsilon(z_0)$

but $z_n \rightarrow z_0 \Rightarrow \exists N > 0 \Rightarrow z_n \in B_\varepsilon(z_0)$
 $\forall n > N$

Thus, $f \equiv 0$ on $B_R(z_0)$

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Idea of proof.

Take $|z| = \varepsilon$, $\exists \{z_n\} \rightarrow z \Rightarrow f(z_n) = 0 \forall n$

By similar argument as above

$f \equiv 0$ on $B_{\varepsilon_2}(z)$. Proceeding thus

we get $f(z_1) = 0$ □

Cor: (Uniqueness theorem) Let f, g be analytic on $B_R(z_0) \ni f(z_n) = g(z_n)$ for $\{z_n^* \} \rightarrow z$.

Then $f = g$ on $B_R(z_0)$. (Pf: apply above to $f - g$)

§ Maximum-Modulus principle.

Let f be a non-constant analytic f.m. on a domain G . Then $|f|$ does not attain a local maximum "in" G .

Pf: Suppose $\exists z_0 \in G \ni |f(z)| \leq |f(z_0)| \forall z \in B_\varepsilon(z_0)$

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$$\text{Now } f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{S_r(z_0)} \frac{f(w) dw}{w - z_0}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(z_0 + re^{it})}{re^{it}} re^{it} dt$$

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z_0 + re^{it}) dt$$

"mean value property".

$$B_r(z_0) \subset B_R(z_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(z_0)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(z_0 + re^{it})| dt$$

$$\leq |f(z_0)|$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(z_0)| - |f(z_0 + re^{it})| dt = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |f(z_0)| = |f(z_0 + re^{it})|$$

$$\Rightarrow |f| \text{ is constant on } B_R(z_0)$$

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$$\Rightarrow f = \text{constant on } G \text{ (by Uniqueness thm).}$$

Cor: If f is analytic inside and on a simple closed curve C , then $|f|$ attains its maximum on the boundary. (5)