

## 1. LIMITS AND COMPLEX DERIVATIVES

1.1. **Complex analysis extends calculus.** The big theme of this workshop is **complex analysis is an extension of freshman calculus.**

We'll need to develop the complex versions of the basic tools of calculus:

- limits,
- derivatives,
- integrals.

$$x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

1.2. **Complex numbers.** A complex number is of the form  $z = x + iy$ , where  $i^2 = -1$  is the imaginary unit.

complex conjugate::

$$z = x + iy \quad \bar{z} = \text{"z bar"}$$

$$\bar{z} = \overline{(x + iy)} = x - iy$$

$$\text{ex: } \overline{(2 - 3i)} = 2 + 3i$$

real part::

$$z = x + iy \quad \operatorname{Re} z = x$$

$$\operatorname{Re} z = \frac{z + \bar{z}}{2}$$

imaginary part::

$$z = x + iy$$

$$\operatorname{Im} z = y$$

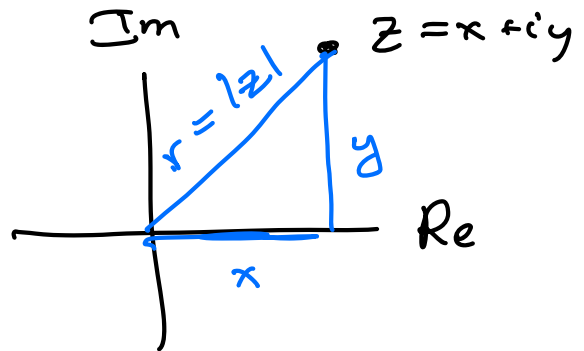
$$\operatorname{Im} z = \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2i}$$

$(x, y)$

modulus:: absolute value

$$|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$z \cdot \bar{z} = x^2 + y^2 = |z|^2$$



Basic facts:

- $|zw| = |z| |w|$
- $-|z| \leq \operatorname{Re} z \leq |z|$
- $-|z| \leq \operatorname{Im} z \leq |z|$
- $|z| \leq |\operatorname{Re} z| + |\operatorname{Im} z|$

estimates

**Theorem 1.1** (Triangle inequalities). Let  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then

$$|z + w| \leq |z| + |w|$$

(hammer of analysis)

and

$$|z - w| \geq ||z| - |w|| \quad (\text{reverse } \Delta \text{ inequality})$$

Pf: let  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ . WTS:  $|z + w| \leq |z| + |w|$

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

$$= z\bar{z} + \underbrace{z\bar{w} + \bar{z}w}_{2\operatorname{Re}(z\bar{w})} + w\bar{w}$$

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

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

$$= |z|^2 + 2|z||w| + |w|^2$$

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

check

$$\begin{aligned} z\bar{w} + \overline{(z\bar{w})} \\ = 2\operatorname{Re}(z\bar{w}) \end{aligned}$$

$$|w| = |\bar{w}|$$

check

imply that  $|z+w| \leq |z|+|w|$ .

1.3. **Complex functions.** A complex function  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  can be thought of as a map

$$f: x+iy \mapsto \underline{u(x,y)} + i \underline{v(x,y)}.$$

complex disks:

$$\operatorname{Re} f = u \quad \operatorname{Im} f = v$$

$$D_r(a) = \{z: |z-a| < r\} \quad (\text{open disk})$$

disk of radius  $r$   
centered at  $z=a$



1.4. **Complex limits.**

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $f$  be defined on  $D_r(a)$  for  $r > 0$ . Then  $\lim_{z \rightarrow a} f(z) = L$  means that given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(z) - L| < \varepsilon$  whenever  $0 < |z - a| < \delta$ .

Notice - this is the same definition from calculus! We should expect the limit theorems from calculus to hold. (See Johnston Theorem 1.1.2).

**Theorem 1.3** (Example limit theorem). Suppose that

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow a} f(z) = L \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow a} g(z) = M.$$

Then

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow a} f(z)g(z) = LM.$$



pf: assume  $f(z) \rightarrow L, g(z) \rightarrow M, z \rightarrow a$ . WLOG, let  $a=0$ .

let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. WTS,  $\exists \delta > 0$  so that  $|fg - LM| < \varepsilon$  when  $|z| < \delta$ .

let  $\delta_f$  be such that  $|f(z) - L| < \frac{\varepsilon/2}{1+2|M|}$  when  $|z| < \delta_f$  \*

let  $\delta_g$  be such that  $|g(z) - M| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2|L|}$  when  $|z| < \delta_g$  \*\*

let  $\delta = \min \delta_f, \delta_g$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow |fg - LM| &= |fg - Lg + Lg - LM| \leq |fg - Lg| + |Lg - LM| \\ &= |g| |f - L| + |L| |g - M| \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq (1+2|M|) |f - L| + |L| |g - M|$$

$$= |g - M| |f + L| + |L| |g - M| \leq (|g - M| + |L|) |f + L| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2|L|} + |M| \left( \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon + 2|L|} \right) + |L| \frac{\epsilon}{2|L|} \leq \epsilon$$

1.5. The complex derivative.

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $f$  be a complex function. Then define the **derivative of  $f$  at  $z = a$**  by

$$f'(z) = \frac{df}{dz} := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} \text{ when the limit exists.}$$

ex. try to figure out.

**Example 1.5.** Complex functions can be differentiable at only a point. Consider  $f(z) = |z|^2$ .

**Definition 1.6.** A function  $f$  is called **holomorphic at  $z = z_0$**  if  $f$  is (complex) differentiable at every point in some disk centered at  $z_0$ . A function that is holomorphic at every point in its domain is called **holomorphic**. A function that is holomorphic at every complex number is called **entire**.

**Example 1.7.** The function  $f(z) = z^2$  is differentiable for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

holomorphic - differentiable on a small disk.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(z+h)^2 - z^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{z^2 + 2zh + h^2 - z^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2zh + h^2}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (2z + h) = 2z. \end{aligned}$$

$$f(z) = z^2$$

$$f'(z) = 2z$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\overline{(z+h)} - \bar{z}}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\bar{h}}{h} \quad h = x + iy$$

real axis,  $h = x$

imaginary axis,  $h = iy$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\bar{x}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{x} = 1. \quad \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\bar{iy}}{iy} = \frac{-iy}{iy} = -1$$

different limits on different paths,

**Example 1.8.** The function  $f(z) = \bar{z}$  is differentiable for no value of  $z$ .

no limit.

Just like the limit theorems, the derivative theorems of calculus carry forward into complex analysis. See Johnston Theorem 1.1.3.

**Theorem 1.9** (Example derivative theorem).

$$\frac{d}{dz} z^n = n z^{n-1}$$

$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k y^{n-k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(z+h)^n - z^n}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{z^n + n z^{n-1} h + \binom{n}{2} z^{n-2} h^2 + \dots + h^n - z^n}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{n z^{n-1} h + \binom{n}{2} z^{n-2} h^2 + \dots + h^n}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} n z^{n-1} + \binom{n}{2} z^{n-2} h + \dots + h^{n-1} \\ &= n z^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$