

Complex Variables

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1 Complex numbers

1.1 Fundamental definitions and identities

Definition 1.1 (Complex number). A complex number is an expression of the form $z = x + iy$, where x and y are real numbers.

Definition 1.2. Every complex number $z \neq 0$ has a multiplicative inverse given by

$$\frac{1}{z} = \frac{x - iy}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

Definition 1.3 (Modulus). The modulus of a complex number $z = x + iy$ is the length of the vector (x, y) , and is denoted $|z|$.

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

Proposition 1.4. For $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$, it follows from the triangle inequality that

$$\begin{aligned} |z + w| &\leq |z| + |w| \\ |z - w| &\geq |z| - |w| \end{aligned}$$

Definition 1.5 (Multiplication). $(x + iy)(u + iv) = xu - yv + i(xv + yu)$.

Definition 1.6 (Complex conjugate). The complex conjugate of a complex number $z = x + iy$ is defined to be $\bar{z} = x - iy$.

Proposition 1.7. For $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$, the following identities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\bar{z}} &= z \\ \overline{z + w} &= \bar{z} + \bar{w} \\ \overline{zw} &= \bar{z}\bar{w} \\ \overline{\bar{z}\bar{w}} &= zw \\ |z| &= |\bar{z}| \\ |z|^2 &= z\bar{z} \\ |zw| &= |z||w| \\ \operatorname{Re} z + \operatorname{Re} w &= \operatorname{Re} z + w \\ \operatorname{Im} z + \operatorname{Im} w &= \operatorname{Im} z + w \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 1.8. The real and imaginary parts of z can be recovered from z by

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} z &= (z + \bar{z})/2 \\ \operatorname{Im} z &= (z - \bar{z})/2i \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 1.9 (Triangle inequality in \mathbb{R}^n). Suppose $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$, with $|a|$ the distance from a to 0 under the euclidean metric. Then

$$|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|.$$

Proof: If dot product of two vectors is zero, they are LI. Prove basis exists such that each vector dotted with all vectors in basis is zero (use nullity potentially). if a, b vectors such that $b \cdot a = 0$, then $a \cdot (a + b) = a \cdot a$. If $|a + b| < |a|$ then $a \cdot (a + b) < a \cdot a$, so $|a + b| \geq |a|$. $|a|, |b|$ are both geq than magnitude of their sides made of a scalar multiple of $a + b$. \square

Proposition 1.10. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$. Then

$$|a + b|^2 = |a|^2 + |b|^2 + a\bar{b} + b\bar{a} = |a|^2 + |b|^2 + 2\operatorname{Re} a\bar{b}.$$

Lemma 1.11 (Triangle inequality in \mathbb{C}). For $x, y \in \mathbb{C}$, $|x + y| \leq |x| + |y|$.

Proof: Suppose $u, v \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$|u + iv| = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2} \geq \sqrt{u^2} = |u| \geq u.$$

Therefore $\operatorname{Re} x + y \leq |x + y|$ and

$$2\operatorname{Re} x\bar{y} \leq 2|x\bar{y}| = 2|xy| = 2|x||y|$$

Because $(|x| + |y|)^2 = |x|^2 + |y|^2 + 2|x||y|$, it follows from proposition 1.10 that $(|x| + |y|)^2 \leq (|x| + |y|)^2$, and therefore $|x + y| \leq |x| + |y|$. \square

Definition 1.12 (Cauchy's inequality).

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i \right|^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |a_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n |b_i|^2$$

Proposition 1.13. If $z = x + iy$ then

$$\begin{aligned} |x| &\leq |z|, \\ |y| &\leq |z|. \end{aligned}$$

Proof: From the definition of modulus,

$$|z|^2 = x^2 + y^2. \quad (1)$$

Thus wlog

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \pm \sqrt{|z|^2 - y^2}, \\ |x| &= \sqrt{|z|^2 - y^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose to the contrary $|x| > |z|$. Then $|x|^2 = x^2 > |z|^2$, and because y^2 is nonnegative, equation 1 is not true. \square

1.2 Polar representation

Definition 1.14 (Polar representation). The polar representation of a complex number $z = x + iy$ is

$$re^{i\theta} = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta).$$

Here $r = |z|$. The *argument* of z is a multivalued function of θ , with

$$\arg z \in \{\theta + 2\pi k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

The principle value of $\arg z$ denoted $\text{Arg } z$ is the unique member of $\arg z$ such that $-\pi < \text{Arg } z \leq \pi$.

Remark. The value of certain functions depend on the argument of elements in it's domain. Thus in order to prevent the function from being multi-valued, a 'branch' of the domain must be chosen with only one argument. In order to maintain continuity, 'branch cuts' must be made to the functions domain, where the argument of elements on a branch coincide.

Definition 1.15 (de Moivre's formulae). The identities obtained by equating the imaginary and real parts of the expansions of $e^{in\theta}$ and $(e^{i\theta})^n$ are known as de Moivre's formulae, e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} e^{2i\theta} &= (e^{i\theta})^2 \\ \cos 2\theta + i \sin 2\theta &= \cos^2 \theta + 2i \cos \theta \sin \theta - \sin^2 \theta \\ \cos 2\theta &= \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta \\ \sin 2\theta &= 2 \cos \theta \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

Definition 1.16 (n th root). A number $z \in \mathbb{C}$ is the n th root of $w \in \mathbb{C}$ if $z^n = w$. If $w = \rho e^{i\varphi} \neq 0$, then the n th roots of w are

$$\rho^{1/n} e^{i\varphi/n + 2\pi k/n}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1.$$

This is equivalent to multiplying $\rho^{1/n} e^{i\varphi/n}$ by the n th roots of unity, i.e. all n th roots of 1.

1.3 Exp, log, and power functions

Definition 1.17 (Extended complex plane). The extended complex plane is the complex plane together with the point at infinity, denoted $\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$.

Proposition 1.18. If $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with $z = x + iy$ then

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

2 Analytic Functions

Remark. Going forward, if a function's domain and codomain are not specified, the function is from \mathbb{C} to \mathbb{C} .

2.1 Limits

Definition 2.1 (Limits). If the limit of $f(z)$ as z approaches z_0 is w_0 , this means that for all $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}^+$, there exists $\delta \in \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$0 < |z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(z) - w_0| < \epsilon.$$

This is written as $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = w_0$. If the domain or range of the function we are taking the limit of is \mathbb{R}^n , the definition remains the same and uses the euclidean metric.

Lemma 2.2. The limit of a function is unique.

Proof: Suppose $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ a function and that $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = w_0$ and $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = w_1$ with $w_0 \neq w_1$. Because $w_0 \neq w_1$, $|w_0 - w_1| = L > 0$. If we take $\epsilon = L/2$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $|z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(z) - w_0| < L/2 \wedge |f(z) - w_1| < L/2$. Because $(z - w_1) + (w_0 - z) = w_0 - w_1$, by the triangle inequality $|w_0 - w_1| \leq |f(z) - w_0| + |f(z) - w_1| = L$, a contradiction. \square

Theorem 2.3. Suppose $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$, $z = x + iy$, and that $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$ and $w_0 = u_0 + iv_0$. Then $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = w_0$ iff

$$\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} u(x, y) = u_0 \text{ and } \lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} v(x, y) = v_0. \quad (2)$$

Proof: Suppose $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = w_0$. Then for all $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} |(x - x_0) + i(y - y_0)| &= \sqrt{(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2} < \delta \Rightarrow \\ |u(x, y) - u_0 + i(v(x, y) - v_0)| &= \sqrt{(u(x, y) - u_0)^2 + (v(x, y) - v_0)^2} < \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Because $\sqrt{(u(x, y) - u_0)^2} \leq \sqrt{(u(x, y) - u_0)^2 + (v(x, y) - v_0)^2}$,

$$\sqrt{(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2} < \delta \Rightarrow \sqrt{(u(x, y) - u_0)^2} < \epsilon.$$

Therefore wlog $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} u(x, y) = u_0$ and $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} v(x, y) = v_0$.

Suppose $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} u(x, y) = u_0$ and $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} v(x, y) = v_0$. Then for all $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta_1, \delta_2 > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2} < \delta_1 &\Rightarrow \sqrt{(u(x, y) - u_0)^2} < \epsilon/2, \\ \sqrt{(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2} < \delta_2 &\Rightarrow \sqrt{(v(x, y) - v_0)^2} < \epsilon/2. \end{aligned}$$

If $0 < \delta < \delta_1, \delta_2$, it follows from the triangle inequality, the definition of f , and the definition of modulus that

$$|z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(z) - w_0| < \epsilon.$$

Thus $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = w_0$. \square

Remark. Going forward, for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $d(x, y)$ refers to the euclidean metric.

Theorem 2.4. Suppose that

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = w_0 \text{ and } \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} F(z) = W_0.$$

Then the following is true:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} [f(z) + F(z)] &= w_0 + W_0, \\ \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} [f(z)F(z)] &= w_0 W_0, \\ \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f(z)}{F(z)} &= \frac{w_0}{W_0}, \quad W_0 \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Proof: prove \square

Theorem 2.5. If z_0 and w_0 are points in the z and w planes respectively, then the following properties hold:

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = \infty &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{1}{f(z)} = 0 \\ \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = w_0 &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) = w_0 \\ \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = \infty &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{f(1/z)} = 0\end{aligned}$$

Proof: prove □

2.2 Derivatives

Definition 2.6 (Continuity). A function f is continuous at a point z_0 if all three of the following conditions are satisfied:

- (a) $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)$ exists.
- (b) $f(z_0)$ exists.
- (c) $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = f(z_0)$.

Theorem 2.7. The composition of continuous functions is continuous.

Proof: prove □

Theorem 2.8. If a function $f(z)$ is continuous and nonzero at a point z_0 , then $f(z) \neq 0$ throughout some neighborhood of that point

Proof: prove □

Theorem 2.9. If a function f is continuous throughout a region R that is both closed and bounded, there exists a nonnegative real number M and $z' \in R$ such that

$$\forall z \in R, |f(z)| \leq M$$

and

$$f(z') = M.$$

Proof: prove □

Definition 2.10 (Derivative). Let f be a function whose domain of definition contains an ϵ -neighborhood of z_0 . The derivative of f at z_0 is the limit

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0}.$$

The function f is said to be differentiable at z_0 if $f'(z_0)$ exists. If we set $\Delta z = z - z_0$, we can write the definition as

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z_0 + \Delta z) - f(z_0)}{\Delta z}.$$

When using this form of the derivative, the subscript on z is often dropped and we introduce the number $\Delta w = f(z + \Delta z) - f(z)$ so that the derivative becomes

$$f'(z_0) = \frac{dw}{dz} = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta z}.$$

Proposition 2.11. Because the derivative is a limit, if it exists it must be unique.

Proposition 2.12. If a function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is differentiable at a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$, then f is continuous at z_0 .

Proposition 2.13 (Differentiation formulas). Let $c \in \mathbb{C}$ be a constant, $z \in \mathbb{C}$ an independent variable, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, and f a function from $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ which is differentiable at z . These differentiation formulas can be derived from the definition of the derivative:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dz}c &= 0 \\ \frac{d}{dz}z &= 1 \\ \frac{d}{dz}[cf(z)] &= cf'(z) \\ \frac{d}{dz}z^n &= nz^{n-1} \\ \frac{d}{dz}[f(z) + g(z)] &= f'(z) + g'(z) \\ \frac{d}{dz}f(z)g(z) &= f(z)g'(z) + f'(z)g(z) \\ \frac{d}{dz}\frac{f(z)}{g(z)} &= \frac{g(z)f'(z) - f(z)g'(z)}{[g(z)]^2}\end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.14 (Chain rule). If f, g functions from $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ differentiable at $z \in \mathbb{C}$, then

$$\frac{d}{dz}g \circ f(z) = g' \circ f(z) \cdot f'(z).$$

2.3 Cauchy-Riemann equations

Theorem 2.15. Suppose that $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ with $z = x + iy$ and that $f'(z)$ exists at a point $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$. Additionally, let u_x, v_x, u_y, v_y be the partial derivatives of the component functions of f with respect to x and y at x_0, y_0 . Then the first order partial derivatives of u and v exist at x_0, y_0 , and they must satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations

$$u_x = v_y, \quad u_y = -v_x$$

at that point. In polar form, these equations are

$$ru_r = v_\theta, \quad u_\theta = -rv_r.$$

Proof: The proof follows from the equality of the limit definition of the derivative approaching a point z_0 from the x -axis, and approaching z_0 from the y -axis. We utilize the fact that the limit of a sum of component functions of z is the sum of the limits of the individual functions. These individual limits then become the partial derivatives of f with respect to x and y . Approaching z_0 along the x -axis, the derivative of $f = u(x, 0) + v(x, 0)$ at z_0 is

$$\begin{aligned}f'(z_0) &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x + \Delta x) - u(x)}{\Delta x} + i \frac{v(x + \Delta x) - v(x)}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x + \Delta x) - u(x)}{\Delta x} + \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} i \frac{v(x + \Delta x) - v(x)}{\Delta x}\end{aligned}$$

Approaching z_0 along the y -axis, the derivative of $f(u(0, y) + v(0, y))$ at z_0 is

$$\begin{aligned}f'(z_0) &= \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(y + \Delta y) - u(y)}{i\Delta y} + i \frac{v(y + \Delta y) - v(y)}{i\Delta y} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(y + \Delta y) - u(y)}{i\Delta y} + \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} i \frac{v(y + \Delta y) - v(y)}{i\Delta y} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} -i \frac{u(y + \Delta y) - u(y)}{\Delta y} + \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{v(y + \Delta y) - v(y)}{\Delta y}\end{aligned}$$

Thus $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$. □

Remark. $1/i = -i$.

Corollary 2.16. $f'(z_0) = u_x + iv_x = v_y - iu_y$.

Theorem 2.17. Let the function $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ be defined throughout some ϵ -neighborhood of a point $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$, and suppose that:

- (a) The first-order partial derivatives of the functions u and v with respect to x and y exist everywhere in the neighborhood.
- (b) Those partial derivatives are continuous at (x_0, y_0) and satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations at (x_0, y_0) .

Then $f'(z_0)$ exists.

Proof: prove □

Theorem 2.18. Let the function $f(z) = u(r, \theta) + iv(r, \theta)$ be defined throughout some ϵ -neighborhood of a nonzero point $z_0 = r_0 \exp(i\theta_0)$, and suppose that

- (a) The first order partial derivatives of the function u and v with respect to r and θ exists everywhere in the neighborhood;
- (b) Those partial derivatives are continuous at (r_0, θ_0) and satisfy the polar form of the Cauchy Riemann equations.

Then $f'(z_0)$ exists, its value being $f'(z_0) = \exp(i\theta_0)(u_r + iv_r)$.

Proof: prove □

2.4 Analytic and harmonic functions

Definition 2.19 (Analytic function). A function f of the complex variable z is analytic at a point z_0 if it has a derivative at each point in some neighborhood z_0 . A function is analytic in an open set if it has a derivative everywhere in that set.

Definition 2.20 (Entire function). An entire function from $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a function that is analytic at each point in its domain.

Remark. Every polynomial is an entire function.

Definition 2.21 (Singular point). If $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a function not analytic at a point z_0 , but analytic at some point in every neighborhood of z_0 , then z_0 is called a singular point.

Proposition 2.22. If two functions P and Q are analytic in a domain D , their sum and product are analytic. Their quotient is analytic in D provided the denominator is nonzero in D .

Proposition 2.23. The composition of two analytic functions is analytic.

Theorem 2.24. If $f'(z) = 0$ everywhere in a domain D , then $f(z)$ must be constant throughout D .

Definition 2.25 (Harmonic). A real-valued function H of two real variables x and y is said to be harmonic in a given domain of the xy plane if, throughout that domain, it has continuous partial derivatives of the first and second order, and satisfies

$$H_{xx} + H_{yy} = 0.$$

Theorem 2.26. If a function $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ is analytic in a domain D , then its component functions u and v are harmonic in D .

Definition 2.27 (Harmonic conjugate). If two given functions u and v are harmonic in a domain D and their first-order partial derivatives satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations (in the same order as u and v appear in the c.r. equations) throughout D , then v is said to be the harmonic conjugate of u .

Remark. It is possible that v is the harmonic conjugate of u with the reverse not being true.

Theorem 2.28. A function $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ is analytic in a domain D iff v is the harmonic conjugate of u .

3 Elementary functions

Definition 3.1 (Branch). A branch of a multiple-valued function f is any single-valued function F that is analytic in some domain at each point z of which the value $F(z)$ is one of the values of f .

Definition 3.2 (Complex exponents). When $z \neq 0$ and the exponent c is any complex number, the function z^c is defined by means of the equation

$$z^c = e^{c \log z}.$$

Definition 3.3 (log and Log). Let $z = re^{i\theta}$. $\log z$ is a multiple-valued function defined by

$$\log z = \ln|z| + i \arg z.$$

$\text{Log } z$ is the single valued function

$$\text{Log } z = \ln r + i\Theta,$$

Where $\Theta = \text{Arg } z$. $\text{Log } z$ is not analytic because it is not continuous when $z \in \mathbb{R}^-$.

Proposition 3.4 (Branches and derivatives of logarithms). If $\theta = \Theta + 2n\pi$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, and $z = re^{i\theta}$, then $\log z$ can be defined

$$\log z = \ln r + i\theta.$$

If we let α denoted any real number, and $\alpha < \theta < \alpha + 2\pi$ with $r > 0$, $\log z$ becomes a single-valued continuous function. $\log z$ restricted to this domain is a branch of $\log z$. If $\alpha = -\pi$, this branch is called the principal branch, and is equal to $\text{Log } z$ with the additional restriction $\Theta < \pi$.

Definition 3.5 (Sin and Cos).

$$\begin{aligned}\sin x &= \frac{e^{ix} - e^{-ix}}{2i} \\ \cos x &= \frac{e^{ix} + e^{-ix}}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Definition 3.6 (Sinh and Cosh).

$$\begin{aligned}\sinh x &= \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} \\ \cosh x &= \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Proposition 3.7.

$$\begin{aligned}|\sin z|^2 &= \sin^2 x + \sinh^2 y \\ |\cos z|^2 &= \cos^2 x + \sinh^2 y\end{aligned}$$

4 Integrals

4.1 Derivatives and contours

Definition 4.1 (Derivative). Let $w(t) = u(t) + iv(t)$ be a complex-valued function of a real variable, where the functions $u(t)$ and $v(t)$ are real valued functions of a real variable. Then the derivative of $w(t)$ with respect to t is

$$\frac{d}{dt}w(t) = \frac{d}{dt}u(t) + i \frac{d}{dt}v(t).$$

Definition 4.2 (Definite integral for function of a real variable). When $w(t)$ is a complex-valued function of a real variable t , written

$$w(t) = u(t) + iv(t),$$

where u and v are real-valued, the definite integral of $w(t)$ over an interval $a \leq t \leq b$ is

$$\int_a^b w(t)dt = \int_a^b u(t)dt + i \int_a^b v(t)dt,$$

Provided the integrals on the left exist.

Remark. This is analagous to derivatives of vector functions in calculus, where the definite integral of a function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a vector in \mathbb{R}^n .

Definition 4.3 (Arc). A set of points $z = (x, y)$ in the complex plane is said to be an arc if

$$x = x(t), \quad y = y(t), \quad a \leq t \leq b$$

where x and y are continuous functions of the real parameter t . An arc C is called a simple arc, or a Jordan arc, if it does not cross itself. When the arc is simple except for the fact that $z(b) = z(a)$, we say that C is a simple closed curve. Such a curve is positively oriented when it is in the counterclockwise direction.

Definition 4.4 (Smooth arc). A smooth arc $z = z(t)$ defined on $a \leq t \leq b$ has continuous first derivatives on its domain $a \leq t \leq b$ which are nonzero on $a < t < b$.

Definition 4.5 (Contour). A contour, or piecewise smooth arc, is an arc consisting of a finite number of smooth arcs joined end to end. When only the initial and final values of a contour C are the same, we say C is a simple closed contour.

Theorem 4.6 (Jordan curve theorem). *The points on any simple closed contour C are boundary points of two distinct domains. One of these domains is the interior of C , and is bounded. The other is the exterior of C , and is unbounded.*

4.2 Contour integrals

Suppose a contour C is represented by the function $z : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ on the interval $(a \leq t \leq b)$. If $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ a function, and $f[z(t)]$ is piecewise continuous on the interval $a \leq t \leq b$, the function f is piecewise continuous on C . We then define the contour integral of f along C as

$$\int_C f(z)dz = \int_a^b f[z(t)]z'(t)dt.$$

Proposition 4.7. It follows from the properties of complex-valued functions of a real variable that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C z_0 f(z)dz &= z_0 \int_C f(z)dz, \\ \int_C [f(z) + g(z)]dz &= \int_C f(z)dz + \int_C g(z)dz. \end{aligned}$$

Remark. prove statements of section 40, 41, 42

Proposition 4.8.

4.3 Contour integral other shit

Lemma 4.9. If $w : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is piecewise continuous on an interval $a \leq t \leq b$, then

$$\left| \int_a^b w(t)dt \right| \leq \int_a^b |w(t)|dt.$$

Theorem 4.10. Let C denote a contour of length L , and suppose that a function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is continuous on C . If M is a nonnegative constant such that

$$|f(z)| \leq M,$$

for all points z on C at which $f(z)$ is defined, then

$$\left| \int_C f(z) dz \right| \leq ML.$$

Theorem 4.11. Suppose that a function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is continuous on domain D . The following statements are logically equivalent:

- (a) f has an antiderivative F throughout D .
- (b) The integrals of f along contours lying entirely in D and extending from any fixed point z_1 to any fixed point z_2 all have the same value.
- (c) The integrals around closed contours lying entirely in D are equal to zero.

Theorem 4.12 (Cauchy-Goursat theorem).

If a function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is analytic at all points interior to and on a simple closed contour C , then

$$\int_C f(z) dz = 0.$$

Theorem 4.13. If a function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is analytic throughout a simply connected domain D , then

$$\int_C f(z) dz = 0$$

for every closed contour C lying in D .

Remark. Notice the lack of specificity that this contour is simple.

Theorem 4.14. Suppose that

- (a) C is a simple closed contour, described in the counterclockwise direction.
- (b) C_k , $k = 1, \dots, n$ are simple closed contours interior to C , all described in the clockwise direction, that are disjoint and whose interiors have no points in common.

If a function f is analytic on all of these contours and throughout the multiply connected domain consisting of the points inside C and exterior to each C_k , then

$$\int_C f(z) dz + \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{C_k} f(z) dz = 0.$$

Corollary 4.15 (Principle of deformation of paths). Let C_1 and C_2 denote positively oriented simple closed contours, where C_1 is interior to C_2 . If a function f is analytic in the closed region consisting of these contours and all points between them, then

$$\int_{C_1} f(z) dz = \int_{C_2} f(z) dz.$$

Theorem 4.16 (Cauchy integral formula). Let $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be analytic everywhere inside and on a simple closed contour C , taken in the positive sense. If z_0 is any point interior to C , then

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z) dz}{z - z_0}.$$

This formula can be extended to find the derivative of functions analytic on and inside the interior of a simple closed contour C with respect to a point z on the interior of this curve:

$$f^{(n)}(z) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(s) ds}{(s - z)^{n+1}}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

Theorem 4.17. If a function f is analytic at a given point, then its derivatives of all orders are analytic there too.

Remark. read 51-53

Lemma 4.18. Suppose that $|f(z)| \leq |f(z_0)|$ at each point z in some neighborhood $|z - z_0| < \epsilon$ in which f is analytic. Then $f(z)$ has constant value $f(z_0)$ throughout that neighborhood.

Theorem 4.19. If a function f is analytic and not constant in a given domain D , then $|f(z)|$ has no maximum value in D . That is, there is no point z_0 in the domain such that $|f(z)| \leq |f(z_0)|$ for all points z in it.

Corollary 4.20. Suppose that a function f is continuous on a closed bounded region R , and that it is analytic and not constant in the interior of R . then the maximum value of $|f(z)|$ in R , which is always reached, occurs somewhere on the boundary of R and never in the interior.

Lemma 4.21. Suppose that $|f(z)| \leq |f(z_0)|$ at each point z in some neighborhood $|z - z_0| < \epsilon$ in which f is analytic. Then $f(z)$ has constant value $f(z_0)$ throughout that neighborhood.

Theorem 4.22. If a function f is analytic and not constant in a given domain D , then $|f(z)|$ has no maximum value in D . That is, there is no point z_0 in the domain such that $|f(z)| \leq |f(z_0)|$ for all points $z \in D$.

5 Sequences

5.1 Convergence

Definition 5.1 (Convergence of sequences). A sequence $(z_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ of complex numbers has a limit z if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, (n > N \Rightarrow |z_n - z| < \epsilon)$$

When a sequence has a limit, it is said to converge.

Theorem 5.2. Suppose that $z_n = x_n + iy_n$. Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z$ iff

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y.$$

Definition 5.3 (Convergence of series). An infinite series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = z_1 + z_2 + \dots$$

of complex numebrs converges to the sum S if the sequence

$$S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N z_n$$

of partial sums converges to S . We then write

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S.$$

Theorem 5.4. Suppose that $z_n = x_n + iy_n$ and $S = X + iY$. Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S \Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = X \text{ and } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n = Y.$$

Corollary 5.5. If a series of complex numbers converges, the n th term converges to zero as n tends to infinity.

5.2 Taylor series

Theorem 5.6. Suppose that a function f is analytic throughout a disk $|z - z_0| < R_0$, centered at z_0 and with radius R_0 . Then $f(z)$ has the power series representation

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n \quad (|z - z_0| < R_0),$$

where

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!} \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

Definition 5.7 (Maclaurin series). A Maclaurin series is a Taylor series centered at $z_0 = 0$.

Theorem 5.8. Suppose that a function f is analytic throughout an annular domain $R_1 < |z - z_0| < R_2$, centered at z_0 , and let C denote any positively oriented simple closed contour around z_0 and lying in that domain. Then, at each point in the domain, $f(z)$ has the series representation

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{(z - z_0)^n} \quad (R_1 < |z - z_0| < R_2).$$

where

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z) dz}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} \quad n = 0, 1, \dots,$$

and

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

5.3 Absolute and uniform convergence

Definition 5.9 (Absolute convergence). A series of complex numbers converges absolutely if the series of absolute values of those numbers converges.

Theorem 5.10. If a power series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

converges when $z = z_1$ with $z_1 \neq z_0$, then it is absolutely convergent at each point z in the open disk $|z - z_0| < R_1$ where $R_1 = |z_1 - z_0|$.

Remark. The greatest circle centered at z_0 such that the above series converges is called the circle of convergence.

Remark. when proving this, go over uniform convergence.

Theorem 5.11. A power series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

represents a continuous function $S(z)$ at each point inside its circle of convergence $|z - z_0| = R$.

5.4 Integration and differentiation of power series

Theorem 5.12. Let C denote any contour interior to the circle of convergence of the power series

$$S(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n, \tag{3}$$

and let $g(z)$ be any function that is continuous on C . The series formed by multiplying each term of the power series by $g(z)$ can be integrated term by term over C , i.e.

$$\int_C g(z) S(z) dz = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \int_C g(z) (z - z_0)^n dz.$$

Corollary 5.13. The sum $S(z)$ of power series in equation 3 is analytic at each point z interior to the circle of convergence of that series.

Theorem 5.14. The power series in equation 3 can be differentiated term by term, i.e. at each point z interior to the circle of convergence of that series,

$$S'(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n (z - z_0)^{n-1}.$$

Theorem 5.15. If a series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

converges to $f(z)$ at all points interior to some circle $|z - z_0| = R$, then it is the Taylor series expansion for f in powers of $z - z_0$.

Theorem 5.16. If a series

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n (z - z_0)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{(z - z_0)^n}$$

Converges to $f(z)$ at all points in some annular domain about z_0 , then it is the Laurent series expansion for f in powers of $z - z_0$ for that domain.

5.5 Multiplication and division of power series

Remark. read 67

6 Residues and Poles

6.1 Residues

Definition 6.1. The residue of f at a point z_0 is the coefficient b_1 for the Laurent series valid in a deleted neighborhood of z_0 , i.e.

$$2\pi i \text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = \int_C f(z) dz.$$

The residue at infinity is b_1 term for the Laurent series valid as $|z| \rightarrow \infty$.

Remark. The Cauchy-Goursat theorem implies that if f is analytic inside and on a simple closed curve C , the residue of f at any point interior to C must be zero. Alternatively, if f is analytic, all coefficients on the principle part of the laurent series must be zero due to the integrand for these coefficients becoming analytic. It should be noted that a functions analyticity on a simply connected domain is a sufficient but not necessary condition for the integrals of simple closed curves being zero on that domain.

6.2 Classifying singular points

Definition 6.2 (Singular point). A point z_0 is called a singular point of f if f fails to be analytic at z_0 but is analytic at some point in every neighborhood of z_0 .

Definition 6.3 (Isolated point). A singular point is said to be isolated if there is a deleted neighborhood of z_0 throughout which f is analytic.

Theorem 6.4. Let C be a simple closed contour, described in the positive sense. If a function f is analytic inside and on C except for a finite number of singular points z_k ($k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$) inside C , then

$$\int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{k=1}^n \text{Res}_{z=z_k} f(z).$$

Definition 6.5 (Types of singular points). If the principle part of the Laurent series at an isolated singular point has a minimum degree $-m$, then pole is called a pole of order m . A pole of order $m = 1$ is referred to as a simple pole.

If the principle part of the Laurent series at an isolated singular point has all zero coefficients, the singularity at z_0 is said to be removable.

If an infinite number of the coefficients in the principle part are nonzero, z_0 is said to be an essential singular point of f .

Theorem 6.6. *An isolated singular point z_0 of a function f is a pole of order m iff $f(z)$ can be written in the form*

$$f(z) = \frac{\phi(z)}{(z - z_0)^m},$$

where $\phi(z)$ is analytic and nonzero at z_0 . Moreover,

$$\text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = \phi(z_0), \text{ if } m = 1$$

and

$$\text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = \frac{\phi^{(m-1)}(z_0)}{(m-1)!} \text{ if } m \geq 2.$$

Definition 6.7 (Zeros of analytic functions). Suppose a function f is analytic at a point z_0 . If $f(z_0) = 0$, and if there is a positive integer m with $f^{(m)}(z_0) \neq 0$ such that $n > m$ implies $f^{(n)}(z_0) = 0$, then f is said to have a zero of order m at z_0 .

Theorem 6.8. *Let a function f be analytic at a point z_0 . It has a zero of order m at z_0 iff there is a function g , which is analytic and nonzero at z_0 , such that*

$$f(z) = (z - z_0)^m g(z).$$

Theorem 6.9. *Suppose that*

- (a) *Two functions p and q are analytic at a point z_0 ;*
- (b) *$p(z_0) \neq 0$ and q has a zero of order m at z_0 .*

Then the quotient $p(z)/q(z)$ has a pole of order m at z_0 .

Theorem 6.10. *Let two functions p and q be analytic at a point z_0 . If*

$$p(z_0) \neq 0, q(z_0) = 0, q'(z_0) \neq 0,$$

then z_0 is a simple pole of the quotient $p(z)/q(z)$ and

$$\text{Res}_{z=z_0} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} = \frac{p(z_0)}{q'(z_0)}.$$

7 Mappings by elementary functions

Definition 7.1 (Bilinear transformation). The transformation

$$w = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}, \quad (ad - bc \neq 0),$$

where $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}$, is called a linear fractional transformation. This is a bijective mapping from the extended z -plane to the extended w -plane. Solving this equation for z yields

$$z = \frac{-dw + b}{cw - a}, \quad (ad - bc \neq 0).$$

The equation

$$\frac{(w - w_1)(w_2 - w_3)}{(w - w_3)(w_2 - w_1)} = \frac{(z - z_1)(z_2 - z_3)}{(z - z_3)(z_2 - z_1)}$$

Defines a linear fractional transformation that maps z_1, z_2, z_3 in the finite z plane onto distinct points w_1, w_2, w_3 respectively in the finite w plane.