

Chapter 8

Some Special Functions

8.1 Notes

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• Plan:

1. Go over some of the hits in chapter 8.
2. Define sine.
3. Power series.
4. Exponential functions (log, sin, cos).

- Proposition (power series properties): If $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ converges for all $|x| < R$, and $f : B_R(0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$

then:

(a) f is continuous.

- From the root test, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ is in fact absolutely convergent on $(-R, R)$. Therefore, on any interval $[-R + \epsilon, R - \epsilon]$ ($0 < \epsilon < R$), we have

$$|a_n x^n| \leq |a_n| |R + \epsilon|^n$$

so by the M -test, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ converges uniformly on $[-R + \epsilon, R - \epsilon]$. Then since $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ converges uniformly on $[-R + \epsilon, R - \epsilon]$, we have (a) since all $\sum_{n=0}^N a_n x^n$ are continuous.

(b) f is differentiable with $f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$.

- (b) follows similarly to (a) by uniform convergence.
- Note that $\limsup \sqrt[n]{n a_n} = \limsup \sqrt[n]{a_n}$ (since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{n} = 1$).
- Therefore, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$ converges on $(-R, R)$.

(c) More generally, f is infinitely differentiable with

$$f^{(k)}(x) = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} a_n x^{n-k}$$

- Now (c) follows as in the proof of (b).

(d) We have the identity

$$a_k = \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!}$$

- (d) follows from (c) by plugging in zero.

- Note that historically, the analysis of power series motivated the development of all of the Chapter 7 theorems; we simply learned those first without motivation to present the proofs in an ordered manner.
- Aside: Consider the exponential function x^y for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ with $x \geq 0$.
 - We define it for natural numbers and integers fairly easily, then rationals, and then for reals as the supremum of exponentials of the entries in the Dedekind cut below $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
 - Under this definition, we can confirm our normal exponential rules and then that x^y is continuous.

- Recall that

$$e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!}$$

- So now we are going to construct $E(x)$, $L(x)$, $C(x)$, and $S(x)$ (which are just e^x , $\ln(x)$, $\cos(x)$, and $\sin(x)$).
- Define $E : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

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

- By the proposition, it converges and is continuous for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.
- For the real numbers, E is differentiable. (E is also complex-differentiable, but we won't go into that).
- Proposition: $E(z)E(w) = E(z+w)$ for all $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$.
 - We have by the Cauchy product (Mertens' theorem) that

$$\begin{aligned} E(z)E(w) &= \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!} \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{w^n}{n!} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{z^k w^{n-k}}{k!(n-k)!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} z^k w^{n-k} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (z+w)^n \\ &= E(z+w) \end{aligned}$$

- Corollary: $E(z)E(-z) = E(0) = 1$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.
- $E(x) > 0$ for $x \geq 0$.
 - It follows since $E(z+w) = E(z)E(w)$ that $E(x) > 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
- $dE/dx = E$; E is the unique, normalized ($E(0) = 1$) function such that this is true.
 - We can prove this from the power series definition.
- $E(x) \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $E(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$. (Also from the power series definition.)
- $0 \leq x_1 < x_2$ implies that $E(x_1) < E(x_2)$.
 - Either from $dE/dx = E > 0$ or from the power series definition.
 - It follows from $E(z+w) = E(z)E(w)$ that $x_1 < x_2$ implies $E(x_1) < E(x_2)$.

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• Plan:

1. Keep going with E , L , C , and S .
2. Prove the fundamental theorem of algebra.

• Define

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

– Recall that $E(z+w) = E(z)E(w)$.

• Theorem: $E(x) = e^x$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

- $E(1) = e^1$ (by definition).
- $E(n) = e^n$ (by $E(z+w) = E(z)E(w)$).
- $[E(p/q)]^q = E(p) = e^p$ (by $E(z+w) = E(z)E(w)$).
- $E(p/q) = e^{p/q}$ for all $p/q \in \mathbb{Q}$.
- $E(x) = e^x$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ (since both LHS and RHS are continuous functions that agree on \mathbb{Q}).

• Briefly: $E : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is a strictly increasing surjective function. Thus, we have an inverse function $L : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.• Theorem: L is differentiable (and therefore continuous).

– Since $E' = E > 0$ everywhere, we may apply the inverse function theorem at every point.

• Now by the chain rule, $E(L(x)) = x$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$, so taking derivatives yields

$$\begin{aligned} E'(L(x))L'(x) &= 1 \\ E(L(x))L'(x) &= 1 \\ xL'(x) &= 1 \\ L'(x) &= \frac{1}{x} \end{aligned}$$

• Proposition:

1. $L(uw) = L(u) + L(w)$.
2. $L(x) = \int_1^x t^{-1} dt$.

• Trig functions:

$$C(x) = \frac{1}{2}[E(ix) + E(-ix)] \qquad S(x) = \frac{1}{2i}[E(ix) - E(-ix)]$$

– You can use these definitions to prove trig identities, having derived them geometrically.

• Proposition: If $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then $C(x), S(x) \in \mathbb{R}$.

- Key observation: $E(\bar{z}) = \overline{E(z)}$.
- We have

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{C(x)} &= \frac{1}{2}[\overline{E(ix)} + \overline{E(-ix)}] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}[E(-ix) + E(ix)] \\ &= C(x) \end{aligned}$$

– Symmetric for $S(x)$.

- Note that we could equally well define C, S by

$$C(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{2k} \qquad S(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!} x^{2k+1}$$

- Proposition: $E(ix) = C(x) + iS(x)$.
- Proposition: C, S are differentiable with

$$C'(x) = -S(x) \qquad S'(x) = C(x)$$

- Proposition: For all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $|E(ix)| = 1$.

– We have that

$$|E(ix)|^2 = E(ix)\overline{E(ix)} = E(ix)E(-ix) = E(0) = 1$$

– Taking square roots of both sides yields the desired result.

- The above result proves that the imaginary axis maps onto the unit circle in the complex plane.
- We now define π and all that.

– Goal: Show that for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|z| = 1$, there exists a unique $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$ such that $e^{i\theta} = z$. Further, $E(ix)$ has period 2π .

- Proposition: $C(x)^2 + S(x)^2 = 1$.

– Use $E(ix) = C(x) + iS(x)$ and $|E(ix)| = 1$.

- Proposition: There exists some positive number x such that $C(x) = 0$.

– Suppose (contradiction): $C(x) > 0$ for all $x > 0$ (since $C(0) = 1$).

– Thus, $S'(x) > 0$ for all $x > 0$.

– Consequently, given $0 < x < y$,

$$S(x)(y-x) < \int_x^y S(t) dt = C(x) - C(y) \leq 2$$

– But we can choose y large enough to make $S(x)(y-x) > 2$, a contradiction.

- π : The real number such that $\pi/2$ is the unique smallest positive real number with $C(\pi/2) = 0$.

– We know that a unique smallest number exists because since $C(0) = 1$ and C is continuous, there exists a neighborhood around 0 where C is nonzero.

- Proposition: $S(\pi/2) = 1$.

– We have

$$\begin{aligned} C(\pi/2)^2 + S(\pi/2)^2 &= 1 \\ S(\pi/2) &= \pm 1 \end{aligned}$$

– Furthermore, since $S(0) = 0$ and $S'(x) = C(x)$ is positive on $[0, \pi/2)$, we know that S is increasing and thus $S(\pi/2) = +1$.

8.2 Chapter 8: Some Special Functions

3/10: • **Analytic function:** A function that can be represented by a power series.

- Theorem 8.1: If

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$$

converges for $|x| < R$, then...

1. f converges uniformly on $[-R + \epsilon, R - \epsilon]$ for all $\epsilon > 0$;
2. f is continuous and differentiable on $(-R, R)$;
3. We have the identity

$$f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n c_n x^{n-1}$$

for all $|x| < R$.

- Corollary: If f satisfies the hypotheses of Theorem 8.1, then f has derivatives of all orders in $(-R, R)$ given by

$$f^{(k)}(x) = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} c_n x^{n-k}$$

In particular,

$$f^{(k)}(0) = k! c_k$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

- Note that there exist functions f that have derivatives of all orders at a point but cannot be expanded in a power series at that point (see Exercise 8.1).
- Theorem 8.2: If $\sum c_n$ converges and

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$$

for $|x| < 1$, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n$$

- Theorem 8.3: If $\{a_{ij}\}$ ($i, j \in \mathbb{N}$) is a double sequence, $\{b_i\}$ is defined by

$$b_i = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |a_{ij}|$$

for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$, and $\sum b_i$ converges, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_{ij} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{ij}$$

- Theorem 8.4: If

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$$

converges for $|x| < R$ and $a \in (-R, R)$, then f can be expanded in a power series about $x = a$ which converges in $|x - a| < R - |a|$ and

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x - a)^n$$

for all $|x - a| < R - |a|$.

– “This is an extension of Theorem 5.15 and is also known as Taylor’s theorem” (Rudin, 1976, p. 176).

- Theorem 8.5: If $\sum a_n x^n, \sum b_n x^n$ converge on $S = (-R, R)$, E is the set of all $x \in S$ at which

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n x^n$$

and E has a limit point in S , then $a_n = b_n$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. Hence, the above equation holds for all $x \in S$.

- **E**: The function defined as follows for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Given by

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

- We have that $E(z+w) = E(z)E(w)$ and thus $E(z)E(-z) = E(z-z) = E(0) = 1$ for all $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$.
- Thus, $E(x) = 1/E(-x) > 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
- It follows since $E(x) \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ that $E(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$.
- $0 < x < y$ implies $E(x) < E(y)$.

- We have that

$$E'(z) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{E(z+h) - E(z)}{h} = E(z) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{E(h) - 1}{h} = E(z)$$

- Rudin (1976) proves that $E(x) = e^x$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ as in class.
- Theorem 8.6: Let e^x be defined on \mathbb{R} as above. Then
 - (a) e^x is continuous and differentiable for all x .
 - (b) $(e^x)' = e^x$.
 - (c) e^x is a strictly increasing function of x , and $e^x > 0$.
 - (d) $e^{x+y} = e^x e^y$.
 - (e) $e^x \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $e^x \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$.
 - (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^n e^{-x} = 0$ for all n .
- Theorem 8.6f shows that e^x tends to infinity faster than any power of x .
- **L**: The inverse of E , implied to exist by the IVT since E is strictly increasing and differentiable on \mathbb{R} .
- Differentiating $L(E(x)) = x$ with the chain rule reveals that $L'(y) = 1/y$.
- Since $L(1) = L(E(0)) = 0$, the FTC implies that $L(y) = \int_1^y dx/x$.
- If $E(x) = u$ and $E(y) = v$, then

$$\begin{aligned} L(uv) &= L(E(x)E(y)) \\ &= L(E(x+y)) \\ &= x+y \\ &= L(u) + L(v) \end{aligned}$$

- We define $x^n = E(nL(x))$ for all $x > 0$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, which we can extend analogously to before to x^y for any $x > 0$ and $y \in \mathbb{R}$.
- In the same vein, we have that

$$(x^\alpha)' = E(\alpha L(x)) \cdot \frac{\alpha}{x} = \alpha x^{\alpha-1}$$

- We also have $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{-\alpha} \log x = 0$, i.e., that $\log x \rightarrow \infty$ slower than any positive power of x .
- We define

$$C(x) = \frac{1}{2}[E(ix) + E(-ix)] \qquad S(x) = \frac{1}{2i}[E(ix) - E(-ix)]$$

- We know that $E(\bar{z}) = \overline{E(z)}$, so $C(x), S(x)$ are real for real x .
- Also, $E(ix) = C(x) + iS(x)$.
- We have $|E(ix)| = 1$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
- We have $C(0) = 1$ and $S(0) = 0$.
- We have

$$C'(x) = -S(x) \qquad S'(x) = C(x)$$

- Rudin (1976) proves, as in class, that there exist positive numbers x for which $C(x) = 0$.
- A smallest positive number such that $C(x) = 0$ exists since $f^{-1}(\{0\})$ is closed as the preimage of a closed set under a continuous function.
- We can prove as in class that $C(\pi/2) = 0$ and $S(\pi/2) = 1$. It follows that

$$E\left(i\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = i$$

so that, by the addition formula, $E(2\pi i) = 1$, and hence $E(z + 2\pi i) = E(z)$ by the addition formula for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

- Theorem 8.7:
 - (a) E is periodic with period $2\pi i$.
 - (b) C, S are periodic with period 2π .
 - (c) $0 < t < 2\pi$ implies that $E(it) \neq 1$.
 - (d) $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|z| = 1$ implies there is a unique $t \in [0, 2\pi)$ with $E(it) = z$.
- Calculating the circumference of a circle.

- Consider the curve $\gamma : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by

$$\gamma(t) = E(it)$$

- This is a simple closed curve in the plane whose range is exactly the unit circle in the plane.
- Thus, since $\gamma'(t) = iE(it)$, the length of γ (i.e., the circumference of the unit circle) is

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |\gamma'(t)| dt = 2\pi$$

- This shows that π has the same geometric significance in analysis with which it was originally defined in geometry.
- Similarly, we can consider the triangle with vertices at $z_1 = 0$, $z_2 = \gamma(t_0)$, and $z_3 = C(t_0)$ to recover the original geometric definition of $C(t)$.
 - We can do the same with S .