

Quick review

We do a quick review with differentiation of basic complex functions of z : z , z^2 , \sqrt{z} , $1/z$, $\text{Log}(z)$, e^z , $\cos z$, and $\sin z$.

z

$$z = x + iy = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$$

$$u_x = 1 = v_y$$

$$u_y = 0 = v_x$$

I guess this qualifies as meeting CRE.

$$(z)' = u_x + iv_x = 1$$

Note: for $\bar{x} = x* = x - iy$, $u_x \neq v_y$ and CRE are *not* satisfied.

z^2

$$z^2 = (x + iy)(x + iy) = x^2 - y^2 + i2xy$$

$$u_x = 2x = v_y$$

$$u_y = -2y = -v_x$$

$$(z^2)' = u_x + iv_x = 2x + i2y = 2z$$

$$\sqrt{z}$$

This one is easiest in polar coordinates. Take the principal value:

$$f(z) = \sqrt{z} = \sqrt{r}e^{i\theta/2}$$

We need to rewrite this as $z = u(r, \theta) + iv(r, \theta)$

$$u(r, \theta) = \sqrt{r} \cos \theta/2$$

$$v(r, \theta) = \sqrt{r} \sin \theta/2$$

So

$$u_r = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{r}} \cos \theta/2$$

$$u_\theta = \sqrt{r} \frac{1}{2} (-\sin \theta/2)$$

$$v_r = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{r}} \sin \theta/2$$

$$v_\theta = \sqrt{r} \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta/2$$

We see that

$$ru_r = v_\theta$$

$$rv_r = -u_\theta$$

The polar CRE are satisfied and

$$\begin{aligned} (\sqrt{z})' &= e^{-i\theta}(u_r + iv_r) \\ &= e^{-i\theta}\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{r}} \cos \theta/2 + i\frac{1}{2\sqrt{r}} \sin \theta/2\right) \\ &= e^{-i\theta} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{r}} e^{i\theta/2} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{r}} e^{-i\theta/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{z}}$$

For an explanation of where that $e^{-i\theta}$ comes from in the polar form of the derivative, see the chapter on the polar CRE in our write-up on complex analysis.

1/z

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

Every partial derivative will have a factor of $(x^2+y^2)^2$ in the denominator. It is easier if we just remember that and don't write it explicitly:

$$u_x = x^2 + y^2 - 2x^2 = y^2 - x^2$$

$$u_y = -2xy$$

$$v_x = 2xy$$

$$v_y = x^2 + y^2 - 2y^2 = x^2 - y^2$$

So So $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$ and CRE are satisfied.

$$\left[\frac{1}{z} \right]' = u_x + iv_x = \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} + i \frac{2xy}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

We feel that this derivative should be equal to $-1/z^2$. So let's try to work backward, leaving the minus sign out for now.

$$\frac{1}{z^2} = \frac{1}{z} \frac{1}{z} = \frac{z^*}{zz^*} \frac{z^*}{zz^*}$$

So the denominator is clearly correct.

$$(zz^*)^2 = (x^2 + y^2)^2$$

On top we have

$$(z^*)^2 = (x - iy)(x - iy) = x^2 - y^2 - i2xy$$

??? But remember the minus sign, we really have

$$(z^*)^2 = y^2 - x^2 + i2xy$$

This matches what we have from $u_x + iv_x$.

$$\left[\frac{1}{z} \right]' = -\frac{1}{z^2}$$

1/z in polar form

Log(z)

$$\text{Log}(z) = \text{Log}(re^{i\theta}) = \ln r + i\theta$$

Now rewrite in terms of x and y :

$$= \ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + i \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln x^2 + y^2 + i \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}$$

$$u_x = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2)} 2x = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$u_y = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$v_x = \frac{1}{1 + (y/x)^2} \left(-\frac{y}{x^2}\right) = -\frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$v_y = \frac{1}{1 + (y/x)^2} 1/x = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

So $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$ and CRE are satisfied.

$$\begin{aligned} [\operatorname{Log}(z)]' &= u_x + iv_x = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} - i \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} \\ &= \frac{z^*}{zz^*} = \frac{1}{z} \end{aligned}$$

exp(z)

$$\begin{aligned} e^z &= e^{x+iy} = e^x e^{iy} = e^x (\cos y + i \sin y) \\ &= e^x \cos y + i e^x \sin y \\ u_x &= e^x \cos y \\ u_y &= -e^x \sin y \\ v_x &= e^x \sin y \\ v_y &= e^x \cos y \end{aligned}$$

So $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$ and CRE are satisfied.

$$(e^z)' = e^x \cos y + i e^x \sin y = e^z$$

cos z and sin z

To begin, we suppose that Euler's formula also works for complex numbers

$$\begin{aligned} e^{iz} &= \cos z + i \sin z \\ e^{-iz} &= \cos z - i \sin z \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \cos z &= \frac{1}{2} [e^{iz} + e^{-iz}] \\ \sin z &= \frac{1}{2i} [e^{iz} - e^{-iz}] \end{aligned}$$

We can take derivatives with respect to z easily:

$$\begin{aligned}(\cos z)' &= \frac{1}{2} [ie^{iz} - ie^{-iz}] \\&= -\frac{1}{2i} [e^{iz} - e^{-iz}] = -\sin z\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(\sin z)' &= \frac{1}{2i} [ie^{iz} + ie^{-iz}] \\&= \frac{1}{2} [e^{iz} + e^{-iz}] = \cos z\end{aligned}$$

There is another way to get this result which separates z into $u(x, y)$ and $v(x, y)$.

We need a preliminary result, consider a purely imaginary z :

$$z = iy$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}e^{iz} &= e^{i iy} = e^{-y} \\e^{-iz} &= e^{-i iy} = e^y \\ \cos iy &= \frac{1}{2} [e^{iz} + e^{-iz}] = \frac{1}{2} [e^{-y} + e^y]\end{aligned}$$

The term on the right may be familiar from calculus, it is $\cosh y$.

$$\cos iy = \cosh y$$

Similarly

$$\sin iy = \frac{1}{2i} [e^{iz} - e^{-iz}] = \frac{1}{2i} [e^{-y} - e^y]$$

Having i on the bottom is the same as $-i$ on the top. We use the factor of -1 to switch the order of terms:

$$\sin iy = i \frac{1}{2} [e^y - e^{-y}] = i \sinh y$$

Now we proceed with the cosine first

$$\begin{aligned}\cos z &= \cos x + iy \\ &= \cos x \cos iy - \sin x \sin iy \\ &= \cos x \cosh y - i \sin x \sinh y\end{aligned}$$

For the sine:

$$\begin{aligned}\sin z &= \sin x + iy \\ &= \sin x \cos iy + \cos x \sin iy \\ &= \sin x \cosh y + i \cos x \sinh y\end{aligned}$$

Note that we have separated $u(x, y)$ from $v(x, y)$. This allows us to test the CRE, cosine first.

Note that $\sinh y' = \cosh y$ and $\cosh y' = \sinh y$ so

$$\begin{aligned}u_x &= -\sin x \cosh y \\ u_y &= \cos x \sinh y \\ v_x &= -\cos x \sinh y \\ v_y &= -\sin x \cosh y\end{aligned}$$

So $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$ and the CRE are satisfied.

Write the derivative.

$$[\cos z]' = u_x + iv_x = -\sin x \cosh y - i \cos x \sinh y = -\sin z$$

For the sine:

$$\begin{aligned}u_x &= \cos x \cosh y \\ u_y &= \sin x \sinh y \\ v_x &= -\sin x \sinh y\end{aligned}$$

$$v_y = \cos x \cosh y$$

So $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$ and CRE are satisfied.

$$[\sin z]' = u_x + iv_x = \cos x \cosh y - i \sin x \sinh y = \cos z$$