# MATH135 Complex Analysis Notes

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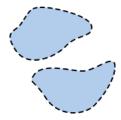
# Regions, differentiability, analyticity

## **Regions**

**Definition 1.** A **region** is a nonempty, connected, open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

• A region without "holes" is simply connected.

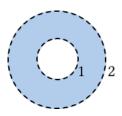
**Non-example 1.** This is not a region (not connected):



**Example 2.**  $\mathbb{C}$  is a region.

**Example 3.**  $\mathbb{D} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < 1\}$ , the open unit disk is a region.

**Example 4.**  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid 1 < |z| < 2\}$ , the annulus region is a region that is not *simply-connected*:



# Complex derivatives and analyticity

**Definition 2.** Let  $\Omega$  be a region. Let  $z_0 \in \Omega$  and  $f : \Omega \to \mathbb{C}$  be a function.

1. Complex function f is **differentiable** at  $z_0$  if

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

exists.

- 2. If f is differentiable at every point in  $\Omega$ , we say f is **analytic** on  $\Omega$ .
- 3. If f is analytic on  $\mathbb{C}$ , then f is **entire**.

- $\leftarrow$  this  $z \rightarrow z_0$  could be from **any** directions!
- ← Means that
  existence of 1st
  derivative implies
  the existence of ∞th
  derivative! & has
  Taylor expansion.
- ← Usual calculus

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**Example 5.** Polynomials are entire functions.

**Example 6.** Rational functions are analytic on  $\mathbb{C}$  except where the denominator vanishes.

**Non-example 7.**  $f(z) = \bar{z}$  is NOT analytic **anywhere!** 

*Proof.* Let 
$$z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$$
. Then  $\frac{f(z)-f(z_0)}{z-z_0} = \frac{\bar{z}-\bar{z_0}}{z-z_0}$ .

If  $z \to z_0$  horizontally, then  $z - z_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , meaning that

$$\lim_{z \to z_0} = \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} = \frac{\bar{z} - \bar{z}_0}{z - z_0} = \frac{z - z_0}{z - z_0} = 1.$$

Else if  $z \to z_0$  vertically, then  $\overline{z - z_0} = -(z - z_0)$ , meaning that

$$\lim_{z \to z_0} = \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} = \frac{\bar{z} - \bar{z}_0}{z - z_0} = \frac{-(z - z_0)}{z - z_0} = -1.$$

We observe that  $1 \neq -1$ , thus, the limit from different directions are not the same. We conclude that the limit does not exist anywhere.

**Proposition 1.** Let f be differentiable at  $z_0$ . Then, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists some  $\delta > 0$  such that **whenever**  $0 < |z - z_0| < \delta$ , **we have**  $|f'(z_0) - \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0}| < \varepsilon$ .

**Remark.** Now consider multiplying  $|z - z_0|$  on both sides of Proposition 1:

$$|f'(z_0) \cdot (z - z_0) - f(z) + f(z_0)| < \varepsilon |z - z_0|$$

$$|f(z_0) + f'(z_0)(z - z_0) - f(z)| < \varepsilon |z - z_0|$$

That is to say, near  $z_0$  (when the distance  $< \varepsilon$ ),

$$f(z) \approx f(z_0) + f'(z_0)(z - z_0)$$

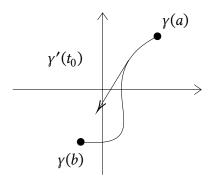
this is the "tangent-line approximation" equivalent in  $\mathbb{C}!$ 

In addition,  $f(z_0) + f'(z_0)(z - z_0)$  means to take  $z - z_0$ , rotate and dilate by  $f'(z_0)$ , then translate by  $f(z_0)$ . If  $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ , this function is <u>locally orientation-preserving</u> and could be approximated by a linear function.

- ← The RHS is a **linear** function!
- $\leftarrow$  This explains why  $z \mapsto \bar{z}$  is NOT analytic anywhere: it is orientation-reversing.

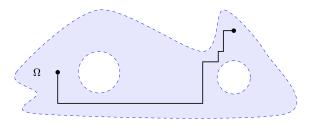
## Curves, paths

**Definition 3.** A **curve** in  $\mathbb{C}$  is a function  $\gamma : [a, b] \to \mathbb{C}, a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .



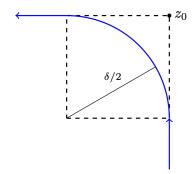
**Definition 4.** Parameterize  $\gamma(t) = (x(t), y(t)) = x(t) + iy(t)$ . Then  $\gamma'(t_0) = (x'(t_0), y'(t_0))$  is a **tangent vector** to the curve at  $\gamma(t_0)$  (assume  $\gamma'(t_0) \neq 0$ , aka.  $\gamma$  is regular at  $\gamma(t_0)$ .)

**Theorem 2** (The "Boxy-path" Theorem). A nonempty open set  $\Omega$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  is connected *if and only if* each pair of distinct points in  $\Omega$  can be joined by a sequence of line segments lying in  $\Omega$ , each of which is parallel to either to the real or imaginary axis.



In other words, between any 2 points in a region  $\Omega$  there exists a "boxy path".

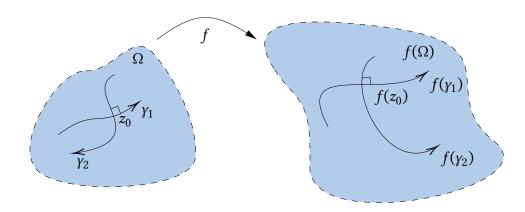
**Remark.** There is also always a **smooth path**. That is:



**Theorem 3** ("Smooth-path"). A nonempty open set  $\Omega$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  is connected if and only if each pair of distinct points in  $\Omega$  can be joined by a continuously differentiable curve in  $\Omega$  that is regular at every point.

# **Conformality**

Let f be an analytic complex function on  $\Omega$ .



Let  $z_0 \in \Omega$  such that  $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ . Let  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$  be two curves that pass through  $z_0$  intersecting with an angle  $\theta$ . Then  $f(\gamma_1), f(\gamma_2)$  are two curves in  $f(\Omega)$  passing through  $f(\zeta_0)$  also with angle  $\theta$ .

Therefore, f is **conformal**!

# Cauchy-Riemann equations, harmonic functions

# Multivariate notion of complex derivatives

Recall: 
$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h}$$
.

Now we write each function with complex variables as f(z) = u(z) + iv(z) where u, v are real-valued functions.

← meaning their range is real

Since  $\mathbb{C} \cong \mathbb{R}^2$ , we denote every point z = (x, y).

Now we let f(x, y) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y). We first let the small distance h = (r, 0) be horizontally approaching 0 with  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ . That is,  $z_0 + h = (x_0 + r, y_0)$ .

$$f'(z_0) = \lim_{r \to 0} \frac{u(x_0 + r, y_0) - u(x_0, y_0)}{r} + i \cdot \lim_{r \to 0} \frac{v(x_0 + r, y_0) - v(x_0, y_0)}{r}$$
$$= u_x(x_0, y_0) + i \cdot v_x(x_0, y_0)$$

Similarly, if we vertically let h = ir = (0, r) with  $r \to 0, r \in \mathbb{R}$ , we would get  $f' = v_y - i \cdot u_y$ .

**Remark.** If a derivative exists, the horizontal & the vertical ones should be equal!

**Theorem 4** (Cauchy-Riemann Equations).

$$u_x = v_y$$
$$u_y = -v_x$$

**Corollary 5.** If  $f: \Omega \to \mathbb{C}$  is analytic and f' = 0 on  $\Omega$ , then f is **constant**.

*Proof.* Since  $0 = f' = u_x + iv_x$ , we see that  $u_x = v_x = 0$  on  $\Omega$ . By Cauchy-Riemann,  $v_y = u_y = 0$  is also true on  $\Omega$ . Hence,  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}$  are constant on either horizontal or vertical segments. By the Boxy Path Theorem, f = u + iv cannot assume two distinct values in  $\Omega$ .

## Orientation-preserving as shown by Jacobian

Let  $f:\Omega\to\mathbb{C}$  be analytic. Then  $f'=u_x+iv_x$  and hence:

$$\begin{split} |f'|^2 &= \bar{f}' \cdot f = (u_x - iv_x)(u_x + iv_x) \\ &= u_x^2 + v_x^2 \\ &= u_x u_x + v_x v_x \\ &= u_x v_y - u_y v_x \\ &= \det \left( \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{bmatrix} \right) \end{split} \qquad \text{the Jacobian of } f!$$

Since  $|f'|^2 \ge 0$ , the determinant of the Jacobian is always  $\ge 0$ , implying that f is always locally orientation-preserving. Moreover,

**Proposition 6.** If  $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ , then  $|f'|^2 > 0$  implies:

- 1. f is **injective** near  $z_0$
- 2. f scales  $\mathbb{R}$  by  $|f'(z_0)|^2$  near  $z_0$
- 3. f preserves orientation near  $z_0$

## The Laplacian, harmonic functions and conjugates

Suppose that f = u + iv is analytic and u, v have continuous second partial derivatives. Then:

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = \Delta u = (v_y)_x + (-v_x)_y = v_{yx} - v_{xy} = 0$$

This means that the Laplacian of this function u is 0!

**Definition 5.** Real-valued functions  $u: \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$  satisfying that the Laplacian  $\Delta u = u_{xx} + u_{yy}$  is 0 on  $\Omega$  is called **harmonic functions**.

**Definition 6.** A **harmonic conjugate** of u is a harmonic function  $v : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f = u + i \cdot v$  is **analytic** on  $\Omega$ .

**Example 8.** 
$$u = x^2 - y^2, v = 2xy$$
.

**Remark.** Harmonic conjugates are unique up to translation (± constants).

**Remark.** If u is harmonic on  $\Omega$ , it does NOT have to have a harmonic conjugate on  $\Omega$ .

# Finding a harmonic conjugate

Recall that the real and imaginary parts of an analytic function are **harmonic**, in addition to satisfying the Cauchy-Riemann Equations:  $u_x = v_y$  and  $u_y = -v_x$ .

**Example 9.**  $u(z) = \log |z|$  is harmonic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ .

*Proof.* Write 
$$u(x, y) = \log(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}) = \frac{1}{2}\log(x^2 + y^2)$$
.

Then,

$$u_x = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{1}{2} \log(x^2 + y^2) \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2x}{x^2 + y^2}$$
$$= \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

 $\leftarrow$   $\Delta u = 0$ characterizes steady-state solutions to heat equations on  $\Omega$ .

← Check it!

Hence,

$$u_{xx} = \frac{(x^2 + y^2) - x(2x)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$
$$= \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

← Review quotient rule!

Symmetrically, we find

$$u_{yy} = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

Hence  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ , implying that the function is harmonic.

Now, can we find a harmonic conjugate for the aforementioned u?

We could use the two Cauchy-Riemann Equations. One of them:

$$v_y = u_x$$
$$= \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

Therefore,

$$v(x, y) = \int v_y dy + C(x)$$
 unknown function of  $x$   
=  $\arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + C(x)$ 

Then, we use the second one:

$$\frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} = u_y = -v_x = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + C(x) \right)$$
$$= \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} - C'(x) \implies C'(x) = 0$$

Hence, a good harmonic conjugate candidate seems to be

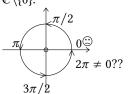
$$v(x, y) = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + C$$

where *C* is a constant. WLOG, let C = 0. Then  $v(x, y) = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$ , meaning that:

$$v(z) = \arg(z)$$

Therefore,  $f(z) = \log |z| + i \cdot \arg(z)$  is analytic!

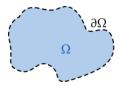
← There is currently a great **CAVEAT** in all of these, because  $v(z) = \arg(z)$  cannot be defined in a continuous manner in all of  $\mathbb{C}\setminus\{0\}$ :



To be resolved later!

# Physics analogies of harmonic functions

**Example 10.** Let T(x, y, t) be the temperature at (x, y) at time t of a thermally conductive plate in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Assume the plate gives rise to a **bounded** region  $\Omega$  (with boundary denoted  $\partial\Omega$ ). Temperature on  $\partial\Omega$  is a fixed function (time-independent).



Now given the heat equation:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \alpha \Delta T = 0$$

where  $\alpha$  is a constant.

We think the system tends towards a thermal equilibrium as  $t \to \infty$ . At equilibrium,  $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$  is **zero**. Hence, at equilibrium,  $\Delta T = T_{xx} + T_{yy} = 0$ .

**Idea**: Harmonic function behave like equilibrium temperature distributions!

**Proposition** 7. Let U(x, y) be a harmonic function on  $\Omega$ .

- 1. U cannot have a *local* maximum in  $\Omega$ .
- 2. The absolute maximum of U on  $\Omega^-$  occurs on  $\partial\Omega$ .
- 3. *U* cannot be locally constant without being globally constant.

**Theorem 8** (Maximum principle). Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded region in  $\mathbb{C}$  and let  $f: \Omega^- \to \mathbb{C}$  be analytic on  $\Omega$  and continuous on  $\Omega^-$ .

- 1. If |f| achieves a local max in  $\Omega$ , then f is constant.
- 2. The global max of |f| on  $\Omega^-$  is attained on  $\partial\Omega$ .

# Möbius transformations

# Möbius transformations, the extended plane

**Definition** 7 (Möbius transformations).

$$f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$$
 where  $ad-bc \neq 0, a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}$ 

 $\leftarrow$  Ω<sup>-</sup> denotes the closure of Ω

Such an f is **analytic** on  $\mathbb{C}\setminus\{\frac{-d}{c}\}$  and **comformal** there since  $f'(z)=\frac{ad-bc}{(cz+d)^2}\neq 0$  on  $\mathbb{C}\setminus\{\frac{-d}{c}\}$ .

**Remark.** In addition, *f* is injective (one-to-one)!

Proof.

$$f(z) = f(w) \implies \frac{az+b}{cz+d} = \frac{aw+b}{cw+d}$$
$$(az+b)(cw+d) = (cz+d)(aw+b)$$
$$aczw+bcw+adz+bd = aczw+adw+bcz+bd$$
$$(ad-bc)z = (ad-bc)w$$
$$z = w$$

**Definition 8** (The extended plane). We set the following convention:

$$f(\frac{-d}{c}) = \infty$$
$$f(\infty) = \frac{a}{c}$$

with this, f is a **bijection** from  $\widehat{\mathbb{C}} = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$  to itself.

← recall Riemann sphere

← this association is not a bijection: it's only so up to

scaling

← check this!

← recall that rational functions are

analytic except when the

denominator vanishes, i.e.  $cz + d \neq 0$ .

#### Möbius transformations as matrices

**Remark.** We can associate  $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$  where  $ad-bc \neq 0$  with the matrix

$$M_f = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

**Remark.**  $M_{f \circ g} = M_f \cdot M_g$ 

**Remark.** The inverse of  $M_f = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  is  $M_f^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$  and scaling does not matter, so we could write the **inverse** of such Möbius transformation as:

$$f^{-1}(w) = \frac{dw - b}{-cw + a}$$

**Theorem 9.** A Möbius transformation  $f:\widehat{\mathbb{C}}\to\widehat{\mathbb{C}}$  with three fixed points in  $\widehat{\mathbb{C}}$  is the **identity map**  $\mathrm{id}(z)=z=\frac{z+0}{0z+1}.$ 

$$\leftarrow I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

*Proof.* Let  $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$  be a Möbius transformation.

- 1. If  $\infty$  is fixed, then c = 0. Then  $f(z) = \frac{a}{d}z + \frac{b}{d}$ , which is a **linear** transformation  $\leftarrow$  think about that!

- (a) If f(z) = z, we are done since we get the identity!
- (b) Otherwise the function only has one fixed point at  $\infty$ .
- 2. If  $\infty$  is not a fixed point, then  $c \neq 0$ . Solve:

$$f(z) + z \Leftrightarrow \frac{az + b}{cz + d} = z$$
$$az + b = cz^{2} + dz$$
$$cz^{2} + (d - a)z - b = 0$$

is a quadratic which has at most two (distinct) solutions in C. Hence, this transformation fixes at most two points.

#### Möbius transformations take circles to circles

**Remark.** Lines can be circles (they are just circles that pass through the point at infinity).

**Theorem 10.** The image of a circle under a Möbius transformation is still a circle.

*Proof.* Let  $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$  be a Möbius transformation.

- 1. If c = 0, then  $f(z) = \frac{a}{d}z + \frac{b}{d}$ , which is a **linear/affine** transformation and so we are done.
- 2. Now suppose  $c \neq 0$ . Then

← since linear transformations preserve circles and lines

$$f(z) = \frac{a}{d}z + \frac{b}{d}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{a}{c}(cz+d) - \frac{ad}{c} + b}{cz+d}$$

$$= \frac{b - \frac{ad}{c}}{cz+d} + \frac{a}{c}$$

which is a composition of affine, inversion and affine:

$$z \mapsto cz + d \mapsto \frac{1}{cz + d} \mapsto \frac{b - \frac{ad}{c}}{cz + d} + \frac{a}{c}$$

We now only need to show that inversion preserves circles.

Let a circle in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  be  $Ax + By + C(x^2 + y^2) = D$  where  $A, B, C, D \in \mathbb{R}$ . If  $z = x + iy \in \widehat{\mathbb{C}}$ , then  $\frac{1}{z} = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} + i \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2}$ . Name  $\frac{1}{z} = u + iv$ , note that  $u^2 + v^2 = \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2}$ .

Then we note that  $Au - Bv + C = D(u^2 + v^2)$ , which is still a circle!

← check this!

**Theorem 11.** Given two triples  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  and  $w_1, w_2, w_3$  of distinct points in  $\widehat{\mathbb{C}}$ , then there is always a unique Möbius transformation f such that  $f(z_i) = w_i$  for all i = 1, 2, 3.

*Proof.* Claim: the *cross-ratio*  $\phi(z) = \frac{z-z_1}{z-z_3} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{z_2-z_3}{z_2-z_1}}_{\text{const.}}$  is a Möbius transformation that satisfies  $\phi(z_1) = 0, \phi(z_2) = 1, \phi(z_3) = \infty$ .

We can also find another Möbius transformation such that  $\psi(z_1) = 0, \psi(z_2) = 1, \psi(z_3) = \infty$ . Then:

$$z_{1} \xrightarrow{\phi} 0 \xrightarrow{\psi^{-1}} w_{1}$$

$$z_{2} \xrightarrow{\phi} 1 \xrightarrow{\psi^{-1}} w_{2}$$

$$z_{3} \xrightarrow{\phi} \infty \xrightarrow{\psi^{-1}} w_{3}$$

and we could simply let  $f = \psi^{-1} \circ \phi$ .

**Example 11.** Let  $f(z) = \frac{z+1}{-z+1}$ . We compute:

$$f(0) = 1$$

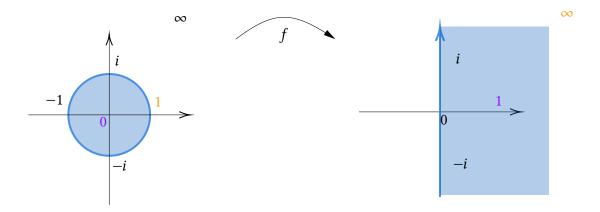
$$f(-1) = 0$$

$$f(1) = \infty$$

$$f(i) = i$$

$$f(-i) = -i$$

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# Recall: infinite series

**Definition 9.**  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges to S if  $\lim_{N\to\infty} S_N = S$  where  $S_N = a_1 + \cdots + a_N$ .

←  $S_N$  is the N-th partial sum.

## Divergence test

**Definition 10** (Divergence test). A pair of contrapositives:

← Note it's not an *if*and only if!

- 1. If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges, then  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = 0$ .
- 2. If  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n \neq 0$  (including the case where the limit doesn't exist) then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  diverges.

**Non-example 12.** The harmonic series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + ...$  diverges even though  $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$  tends to 0 when n tends to  $\infty$ .

← diverges, but really slowly!

**Theorem 12.** If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges, then  $\lim_{N\to\infty} \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} a_n = \lim_{N\to\infty} S - S_N = 0$ .

← In other words, the tail of a convergent series goes to 0.

**Theorem 13** (Cauchy Criterion).  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges *if and only if* for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that k > j > N implies  $\left| \sum_{n=j-1}^{k} a_n \right| = S_k - S_j < \varepsilon$ .

# Integral test

**Definition 11** (Integral test). Define  $a_n = f(n)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $f: [1, \infty[ \to \mathbb{R}$  is (piecewise) continuous, positive and decreasing. Then  $\int_1^\infty f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x$  converges if and only if  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n$  converges.

← do an improper integral!

Moreover,  $\int_{1}^{N} f(x) dx \le a_1 + \dots + a_N \le a_1 + \int_{1}^{N} f(x) dx$ .

**Example 13.** Apply the above with  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ . Then

$$\leftarrow a_n = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\ln N \le 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{N} \le 1 + \ln N$$

It is bounded below by a divergent function, so it must be divergent!

**Theorem 14.** The "p-series"  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$  converges if and only if p > 1.

Definition 12 (Riemann zeta function).

$$\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}$$
 for Re(s) > 1

Remark. Euler figured out:

$$\zeta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

$$\zeta(4) = \frac{\pi^4}{90}$$

$$\zeta(6) = \frac{\pi^6}{945}$$

$$\vdots$$

**Remark.** R. Apéry showed that  $\zeta(3)$  is irrational (1979):

$$\zeta(3) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3} = 1.202 \dots$$

 ← still an open question in mathematics

but no explicit formula known!

## Absolute convergence

**Definition 13.** A series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is:

1. **absolutely convergent** if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  converges.

- ← Good
- 2. **conditionally convergent** if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges but  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|$  diverges.
- $\leftarrow$  BAD

**Theorem 15.** Every absolutely convergent series converges.

**Example 14.** The alternating harmonic series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots$$

← Don't re-parenthesize the terms – grouping would change the sequence and thus the partial sums!

converges to ln 2. But the convergence is conditional because the absolute value

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \right| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$$

does not converge.

**Theorem 16.** An absolutely convergent series may be rearranged without changing its value. That is, if  $\phi : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$  is a bijection, then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{\phi(n)}$$

**Theorem 17** (Riemann Rearrangement Theorem). If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is a <u>conditionally convergent</u> series of real numbers, then for **any**  $S \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$ , there is a bijection  $\phi : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{\phi(n)} = S$ .

- ← This seems
  obvious for finite
  series, but consider
  how this is
  extraordinary for
  infinite series!
- Meaning we can get it to be equal to whatever we want just by rearranging!

Now if  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$  converge, one might expect that

$$\left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i\right) \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} b_j\right) = (a_0 + a_1 + \dots)(b_0 + b_1 + \dots)$$

$$= a_0 b_0 + (a_0 b_1 + a_1 b_0) + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \text{ where } c_n = \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k b_{n-k}$$

But this only works if both series are absolutely convergent, in which case the new series is absolutely convergent.

← conditionally convergent doesn't work! See notes.

# Uniform convergence

**Definition 14.** A sequence of functions  $f_n: X \to \mathbb{C}$  where  $X \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  **converges uniformly** to  $f: X \to \mathbb{C}$  if for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n \ge N$  implies  $|f_n(z) - f(z)| < \varepsilon$  for all  $z \in X$ .

← This is MATH131!

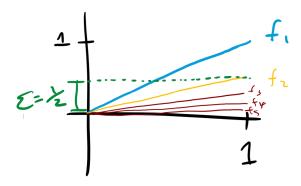


FIGURE 8. Uniform Convergence

**Theorem 18.** If  $f_n: X \to \mathbb{C}$  are continuous and converges uniformly on X to  $f: X \to \mathbb{C}$ , then f is continuous on X. In other words, the uniform limit of continuous functions is continuous.

**Remark.**  $f_n$  converges to f pointwise on X if  $\lim_{n\to\infty} f_n(z) = f(z)$  for all  $z \in X$ .

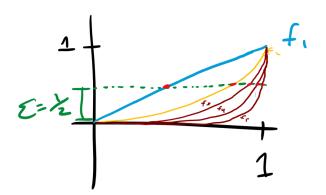


FIGURE 9. Non-uniform convergence

**Theorem 19.** If  $f_n:[a,b]\to\mathbb{C}$  are continuous and converge uniformly on [a,b] to f, then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_a^b f_n(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_a^b f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x$$

**Remark.** Uniform convergence doesn't necessarily preserve differentiability, limit or derivatives!

**Example 15.**  $f_n(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + \frac{1}{n}}$  on [-1, 1] converges uniformly to  $f_n(x) = |x|$ . But the limit function is **not** differentiable at x = 0 even though every  $f_n$  were.

**Theorem 20** (Weierstrass M-Test). Let  $f_n: X \to \mathbb{C}$  satisfy  $|f_n(z)| \leq M_n$  for all  $z \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n$  converges, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(z)$  converges both **absolutely** and **uniformly** on X.

- ← unif. conv. preserves continuity
- ← This doesn't say anything about the rate each point converges.

← Integrals work with uniform convergence

#### Power series

**Definition 15.** A **power series** is a series of the form  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$ . The  $a_n$  is the *coefficient* and  $z_0$  is the *center*.

#### Convergence of geometric series

**Theorem 21.** The geometric series  $(a_n = 1, z_0 = 0) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$  converges absolutely to  $\frac{1}{1-z}$  if |z| < 1, and it diverges otherwise.

Moreover, for each  $r \in [0, 1[$ , the convergence is **uniform** on  $|z| \le r$ .

*Proof.* If  $|z| \ge 1$ , then  $z^n \ne 0$ , so by the test of divergence, the series diverges.

Now suppose |z| < 1. Then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} z^n$$

$$= \lim_{N \to \infty} (1 + z + z^2 + \dots + z^{N-1})$$

$$= \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1 - z^N}{1 - z}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - z} \qquad \text{since } |z| < 1$$

← The fact that we can find a formula for this sum is quite rare!

Which gives us point-wise convergence. Then, for any r such that  $|z| \le r < 1$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |z^n| \le \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n = \frac{1}{1-r} < \infty$$

Hence, by the Weierstrass M-test, the series converges absolutely and uniformly on  $|z| \le r$ .

**Remark.** Moral of the story:

- The *radius of convergence* R = 1 has the property that the series converges on |z| < R, and diverges if |z| > R.
- The series converges *uniformly* on  $|z| \le r < 1$  but not on |z| < 1 itself. Why? Let r = 1; we need be able to get  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n \ge N$ , we have  $\left|\frac{1-z^N}{1-z} \frac{1}{1-z}\right| < 1$  for all |z| < 1. However, this is not gonna work: as  $z \to 1$ , observe that this is going to eventually exceed 1.

- The limit function  $\frac{1}{1-z}$  is **analytic** on  $\mathbb{C}\setminus\{1\}$ . But the geometric series represents this function only on |z|<1. In a smaller set, the power series represents the function that might originally be defined on a much larger set. The limit function is the *analytic continuation* of the series.
- ← the limit function is well-defined way beyond the D!
- The limit function  $\frac{1}{1-z}$  is cool if  $z \neq 1$ , but as long as |z| = 1 (**even** if  $z \neq 1$ ), the geometric series diverges!
- ← in the complex number sense!

## Radius of convergence

**Definition 16.** The **limit superior** ( $\limsup$  of a sequence of nonnegative real numbers  $x_n$  is the largest *limit point* of the  $x_n$ :

$$\leftarrow$$
 limits of a subsequence of  $x_n$ 

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the RHS as in real

$$\limsup_{n\to\infty} x_n = \inf_{n\geq 0} \sup_{m\geq n} x_m$$

If the sequence is unbounded, the lim sup would be  $\infty$ .

**Example 16.** If  $x_n$  is the sequence 0, 1, 0, 1, ... then  $\limsup x_n = 1$ .

**Example 17.** If  $x_n$  is the sequence  $0, 1, 0, \frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{3}, \dots$ , then  $\limsup_{n \to \infty} x_n = 0$ .

**Remark.** If  $x_n$  are nonnegative, then

• 
$$\limsup_{n\to\infty} (a_n + b_n) = \limsup_{n\to\infty} a_n + \limsup_{n\to\infty} b_n$$

• 
$$\limsup_{n\to\infty} (a_n b_n) \le (\limsup_{n\to\infty} a_n)(\limsup_{n\to\infty} b_n)$$

**Theorem 22** (Cauchy-Hadamard). Let  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$  be a power series. Define  $R \in [0, \infty]$  by

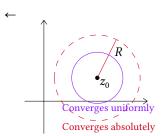
$$\leftarrow$$
 interpret  $\frac{1}{0} = \infty$ 

$$\frac{1}{R} = \limsup_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|}$$

Then the *R* is the *radius of convergence*.

- (a) On  $|z z_0| < R$ , the series converges **absolutely**. For each  $r \in [0, R[$ , the convergence is **uniform** on  $|z z_0| \le r$ .
- (b) If  $|z z_0| > R$  then the series diverges. For  $|z z_0| = R$  anything could happen!

**Example 18.** We claim that  $\exp(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$  has an infinite radius of convergence  $R = \infty$ . To check:



$$\sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = \sqrt[n]{\frac{1}{n!}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{n!}} \to 0$$

This is because  $\sqrt[n]{n!} = \sqrt[n]{1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot n}$ , and in n!, there are at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  terms that are  $> \frac{n}{2}$ . Thus,  $\sqrt[n]{n!} \ge \left(\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} = \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^{1/2} \to \infty$ .

So  $R = \infty$  and we are done  $\odot$ . We have that  $\exp(z)$  has absolute convergence on the entire complex plane!

Absolute convergence means that we can multiply term-by-term:

$$\exp(z) \exp(w) = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}\right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{w^n}{n!}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k!} \cdot \frac{w^{n-k}}{(n-k)!}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} z^k w^{n-k}$$
binomial theorem
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (z+w)^n$$

$$= \exp(z+w)$$

Now define  $e = \exp(1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!}$ .

# Term-by-term differentiation of power series

Lemma 23.  $n^{\frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow 1$ 

*Proof 1.* 
$$e^{\log(n^{\frac{1}{n}})} = e^{\frac{\log n}{n}} \to e^0 = 1$$
 by l'Hopital. So  $n^{\frac{1}{n}} \to 1$ .

*Proof 2 (better).* Write  $n^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1 + \delta_n$  where  $\delta_n \ge 0$ . The binomial theorem says:

$$n = (1 + \delta_n)^n$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} {n \choose k} \delta_n^k \cdot 1^{n-k}$$

$$= 1 + n\delta_n + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \delta_n^2 + \dots$$

$$\geq 1 + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \delta_n^2$$

Therefore,  $n-1 \ge \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \delta_n^2$  and we get  $\frac{2}{n} \ge \delta_n^2 \ge 0$  hence  $\delta_n \to 0$ .

Hence  $n^{\frac{1}{n}} \to 1$ .

**Theorem 24.** If  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$  has radius of convergence R, then

$$f'(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} na_n (z - z_0)^{n-1}$$

for  $|z - z_0| < R$ . Moreover, the new series also has a radius of convergence R.

*Proof.* WLOG R > 0 and  $z_0 = 0$ .

For |z| < R we write:

$$f(z) = \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} a_n z^n}_{S_N(z)} + \underbrace{\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} a_n z^n}_{R_N(z)}$$

and the 'new series'

$$g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n a_n z^{n-1} = \lim_{N \to \infty} S'_N(z)$$

We first prove that the radius of convergence for g is the same as f. By Cauchy-Hadamard:

$$\frac{1}{R_g} = \limsup_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{n|a_n|}$$

$$= \limsup_{n \to \infty} (n^{\frac{1}{n}}) \sqrt[n]{|a_n|}$$
 by the previous lemma,
$$= \limsup_{n \to \infty} \sqrt[n]{|a_n|}$$

$$= \frac{1}{R}$$

Thus,  $R_g = R$  by Cauchy-Hadamard.

Next, we need to show that f' = g with |z| < R.

Fix  $0 \le |w| < R$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . We want a  $\delta > 0$  such that whenever  $|z - w| < \delta$ , we have  $\left| \frac{f(z) - f(w)}{z - w} - g(w) \right| < \varepsilon$ .

← just saying that the derivative at any *w* gets close to *g*(*w*)

← we just translate it; also *R* = 0 isn't that meaningful

← just splitting the

parts

function into two

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We rewrite:

$$\left| \frac{f(z) - f(w)}{z - w} - g(w) \right| = \left| \frac{[S_N(z) + R_N(z)] - [S_N(w) + R_N(w)]}{z - w} - g(w) \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{S_N(z) - S_N(w)}{z - w} + \frac{R_N(z) - R_N(w)}{z - w} + \frac{S'_N(w) - S'_N(w) - g(w)}{z - w} \right|$$

$$\leq \left| S'_N(w) - g(w) \right| + \left| \frac{R_N(z) - R_N(w)}{z - w} \right| + \left| \frac{S_N(z) - S_N(w)}{z - w} - S'_N(w) \right|$$

- **1st term**: by def of g and  $g(z) = \lim_{N \to \infty} S'_N(z)$ , we can always find some  $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that any  $N \ge N_1$  gives us  $\left|S'_N(w) g(w)\right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ .
- 2nd term: since |w| < R, there is an r such that |w| < r < R. For |z| < r, we have

← work on a smaller disk

$$\left| \frac{R_N(z) - R_N(w)}{z - w} \right| = \frac{1}{|z - w|} \left| \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} a_n z^n \right| = -\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} a_n w^n$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |a_n| \left| \frac{z^n - w^n}{z - w} \right|$$

$$= \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |a_n| \left| \frac{z^n}{z} \cdot \frac{1 - \frac{w^n}{z^n}}{1 - \frac{w}{z}} \right|$$
by geometric sequence
$$= \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |a_n| \left| \frac{z^n}{z} \cdot \left( 1 + \left( \frac{w}{z} \right) + \left( \frac{w}{z} \right)^2 + \dots + \left( \frac{w}{z} \right)^{n-1} \right) \right|$$

$$= \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |a_n| \left| z^{n-1} + z^{n-2}w + \dots + zw^{n-2} + w^{n-1} \right|$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} |a_n| \cdot n \cdot r^{n-1} \text{by } |z|, |w| < r < R$$

Thus, there exists an  $N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that any  $N \ge N_2$  gives us

$$\left|\frac{R_N(z) - R_N(w)}{z - w}\right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

• **3rd term**: let  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ . The definition of  $S_N'(w)$  provides  $\gamma > 0$   $\leftarrow$  review def of such that if  $|z - w| < \gamma$ , then we have  $\left|\frac{S_N(z) - S_N(w)}{z - w} - S_N'(w)\right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ .

Now if  $0 < \delta < \min\{\gamma, r - |w|\}$ , then the 3 terms above are all  $< \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$ . Hence,  $\left|\frac{f(z)-f(w)}{z-w} - g(w)\right| < \varepsilon$  holds for this  $\delta$ .

**Corollary 25.** A power series  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$  with R > 0 is infinitely differentiable on  $|z - z_0| < R$ . Moreover,

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!}$$

are the coefficients of the terms of the power series.

**Corollary 26.** Power series expansions are unique. That is, if r > 0 and

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

on  $|z - z_0| < r$ , then  $a_n = b_n$  for  $n \ge 0$ .

**Remark.** Recall that  $\exp(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$  has a radius of convergence  $\infty$  (it's an *entire* function). Now, if we differentiate it term-by-term:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}z} \exp(z) = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k!}$$

$$= \exp(z)$$

Thus, the derivative of  $\exp(z)$  is itself! Moreover,  $\exp(1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} = e$ .

**Remark.** We claim that  $\exp(z) = e^z$ .

Since  $e^z e^{c-z}$  is a constant for all constant c, z, we have

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\,z}(e^z e^{c-z}) = 0$$

to recover the constant  $e^z e^{c-z}$ , we let z = 0, giving us

$$e^z e^{c-z} = e^c$$

which is the addition formula!

Therefore,

$$\exp(n) = \exp(1 + 1 + \dots + 1)$$
$$= exp(1)^n$$
$$= e^n$$

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← prove by keep

coeffs.

taking derivatives!

← because there is a unique formula for

# **Elementary functions**

Now that we have derived *e*, we could use it to derive sin and cos:

**Definition 17.** 

$$\cos(z) = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n z^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$\sin(z) = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$$

We observe that we have the following property:

• Radius of convergence  $R = \infty$ 

• 
$$(\cos z)' = -\sin z$$
,  $(\sin z)' = \cos z$ 

• 
$$\cos x = \text{Re } (e^{ix}), \sin x = \text{Im } e^{ix} \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}$$

• 
$$\cos(-z) = \cos z, \sin(-z) = -\sin z$$

• 
$$\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$$
 so  $\cosh(ix) = \cos x$ 

• 
$$e^{iz} = \cos z + i \sin z$$

•

$$\cos^{2} z + \sin^{2} z = \left(\frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}\right)^{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{4}(e^{2iz} + 2 + e^{-2iz}) - \frac{1}{4}(e^{2iz} - 2 + e^{-2iz})$$
$$= 1 \qquad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$$

.

$$\cos^{2} z = \left(\frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}\right)^{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}(e^{2iz} + 2 + e^{-2iz})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{e^{2iz} + e^{-2iz}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2z)$$

• If  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $\cos x$ ,  $\sin x$  are real. We get  $|\sin x|$ ,  $|\cos x| \le 1$ .

**Definition 18.**  $f: \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$  is **periodic** with a *period*  $\omega$  if  $f(z + \omega) = f(z)$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

**Theorem 27.** There exists a positive real number  $\pi$  such that:

- (a)  $\cos z$ ,  $\sin z$  have period  $2\pi$
- (b)  $e^z$  is periodic with period  $2\pi i$
- (c)  $\pi$  is the area of the unit circle

*Proof.* By Euler's formula, it suffices to consider  $e^{iz}$  only. If  $\omega$  is a period of  $e^{iz}$ , then

$$e^{iz} = e^{i(z+\omega)} = e^{iz}e^{i\omega}$$

which only happens if  $e^{i\omega}=1$ . Conversely, if  $e^{i\omega}=1$ , then  $e^{i(z+\omega)}=e^{iz}$ .

Hence,  $\omega$  is a period of  $e^{iz}$  if and only if  $e^{iw} = 1$ .

**Proposition 28.**  $\sin x \le x$  for all  $x \ge 0$ .

*Proof.* Since  $|\cos t| \le 1$ ,

$$x - \sin x = (x - \sin x) - (0 - \sin 0)$$

$$= \int_0^x \underbrace{1 - \cos t}_{\ge 0} dt \quad \text{by FTC}$$

$$\ge 0$$

**Proposition 29.** In addition,  $\cos x \ge 1 - \frac{x^2}{2}$  for  $x \ge 0$ .

*Proof.* The previous prop gives:

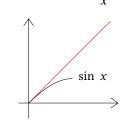
$$\cos x - 1 = \cos x - \cos 0$$

$$= \int_0^x -\sin t \, dt$$

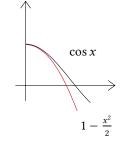
$$\geq \int_0^x -t \, dt$$

$$= \frac{-x^2}{2}$$

← This is the first term in the power series



← These are the first 2 terms in the power series

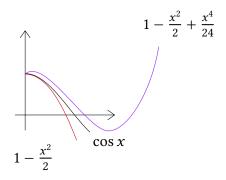


**Proposition 30.** Furthermore, for  $x \ge 0$ :

$$\bullet \sin x \ge x^3 - \frac{x^3}{6}$$

• 
$$\cos x \le 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{24}$$

**Proposition 31.** There exists  $x_0 \in (0, \sqrt{3})$  such that  $\cos x_0 = 0$ .



*Proof.* By the previous prop, we have  $\cos\sqrt{3} \le 1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}^2}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}^4}{24} = \frac{1}{8} < 0$ . Moreover,  $\cos 0 = 1 > 0$ , by IVT, there exists  $x_0 \in (0, \sqrt{3})$  such that  $\cos x_0 = 0$ .

**Proposition 32.**  $\omega_0 = 4x_0$  is a period of  $e^{iz}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\cos x_0 = 0$ , we have  $\sin x_0 = \pm 1$ . Then  $e^{ix_0} = \pm i$ . We have  $(\pm i)^4 = 1$ , so  $e^{4ix_0} = 1 = e^0$ , so  $\omega_0 = 4x_0$  is a period of  $e^{iz}$ .

**Proposition 33.**  $\omega_0$  is the *smallest* positive period of  $e^{iz}$ .

**Proposition 34.** All periods of  $e^{iz}$  are integer multiples of  $2\pi = 4x_0$ .

*Proof.* Define  $\pi = 2x_0$ . The area of unit circle is

$$4 \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 - x^2} \, dx = 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} \, d\theta$$
$$= 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos 2\theta) \, d\theta$$
$$= \pi$$

## Complex logarithm

We know:  $e^0 = 1, e^1 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} = 2.718...$ 

Since  $\frac{d}{dx}e^x = e^x$ , it is positive. If x > 0, we conclude that  $e^x$  is strictly increasing! As  $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} > 1 + x$ , so  $\lim_{x \to \infty} e^x = \infty$ ,

Therefore,  $e^x$  is a **bijection** from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $(0, \infty)$ . This means it has an inverse that is a bijection from  $(0, \infty)$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition 19.** ln *x* is the inverse of  $e^x$  for  $x \in (0, +\infty)$ .

Now what about the complex case? Let  $z \neq 0$  and  $z = re^{i\theta}$  where r = |z| > 0 and  $\theta = \arg z \in \mathbb{R}$ .

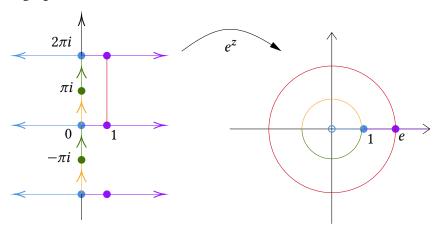
← cf. trig properties← Only determined

Hence,  $z=re^{i\theta}=e^{\ln r}e^{i\theta}=e^{\ln r+i\theta}$ . However, the  $\theta$  is ambiguous to addition of multiples of  $2\pi$ !

← Only determined up to addition of multiples of  $2\pi$ 

**Definition 20.** If  $z \neq 0$ , a **logarithm** of z is a  $w \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $e^w = z$ .

We could graph the function  $e^z$  with  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ :



**Definition 21.** If  $\Omega$  is a region in  $\mathbb{C}$ , then a continuous  $l:\Omega\to\mathbb{C}$  is a **branch** of the logarithm if  $e^{l(z)}=z$  for all  $z\in\Omega$ .

← note  $0 \notin \Omega$ 

**Example 19.** If  $\Omega = \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$  such that  $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi)$ , a logarithm could be defined on it. This is the **principal branch** of the logarithm.

← See graphed Riemann surface

**Remark.** Suppose l(z) is a branch of the logarithm and l is analytic, then:

$$e^{l(z)} = z \implies \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}z}e^{l(z)} = l'(z)e^{l(z)} = 1$$

Since  $e^{l(z)} = z$ , we conclude  $l'(z) = \frac{1}{z}$ .

## Complex power

**Definition 22.** If  $z \neq 0$ , define  $z^a = e^{a \log z}$ .

← NOT well-defined!

**Remark.** The definition of complex powers should coincide with the old one:  $z^n = \underbrace{z \cdot z \cdot \cdots \cdot z}_{n} = r^n e^{in\theta}$ .

Check:

$$z^{n} = e^{n \log z} = e^{n(\ln r + i\theta + i2\pi k)}$$
$$= e^{n \ln r} e^{in\theta} \underbrace{e^{i2\pi nk}}_{=1}$$
$$= r^{n} e^{in\theta}$$

is true for any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

How about *n*-th roots?

$$z^{\frac{1}{n}} = e^{\frac{1}{n}\log z}$$

$$= e^{\frac{1}{n}(\ln r + i\theta + i2\pi k)}$$

$$= e^{\frac{1}{n}\ln r}e^{\frac{i\theta}{n}} \underbrace{e^{\frac{i2\pi k}{n}}}_{n \text{ distinct}}$$

$$= r^{\frac{1}{n}}e^{i(\frac{\theta + 2\pi k}{n})}$$

#### Riemann surface

We still have a problem:  $\ln z$  is still not a function on  $\mathbb{C}$ ! The branch depends on the arbitrary choice of domain. What shall we do to make it not dependent on a choice?

Answer: let ln not live on the complex plane, but infinitely many copies of the slit plane  $\mathbb{C}\setminus(-\infty,0]$ , each one being glued to the next along the slit  $(-\infty,0]$ .

**Example 20.**  $z^{1/2}$  would live on a surface:

