

Chapter 1

complex numbers

1.1 foundations of complex numbers

Let's begin with the definition of complex numbers due to Gauss. We assume that the real numbers exist with all their usual field axioms. Also, we assume that \mathbb{R}^n is the set of n -tuples of real numbers. For example, $\mathbb{R}^3 = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \mid x_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

Definition 1.1.1.

We define **complex multiplication** of points in \mathbb{R}^2 according to the rule:

$$(x, y) * (a, b) = (xa - yb, xb + ya)$$

for all $(x, y), (a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. We define the **real part** of (x, y) by $Re(x, y) = x$ and the **imaginary part** of (x, y) by $Im(x, y) = y$. We define **complex addition** by the usual addition of vectors in \mathbb{R}^2

$$(x, y) + (a, b) = (x + a, y + b)$$

We say $z \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is **real** iff $Im(z) = 0$. Likewise, $z \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is said to be **imaginary** iff $Re(z) = 0$.

Notice that $*$ is a binary operation on \mathbb{R}^2 ; in other words $*$: $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a function. Of course, there are many other binary operations you can imagine for the plane. What makes this one so special is that it models all the desired algebraic traits of a complex number. Since many people are unwilling to cede the existence of mathematical objects merely on the basis of algebra this construction due to Gauss is nice. It gives us an answer to the question: "what is a complex number?" The answer is: "you can view them as two dimensional vectors with a special multiplication". There are many other answers but that is the one we mostly pursue in these notes¹. At this point you should be saying to yourself, WHAT? How in the world is \mathbb{R}^2 with $*$ the same as the complex numbers \mathbb{C} we needed to solve quadratic equations? Let's work it out.

¹complex numbers can also be constructed from 2×2 matrices or through field extension theory as you can study in Math 422 at LU, there are likely other ways to **construct** complex numbers.

Proposition 1.1.2.

Let $z \in \mathbb{R}^2$ then $z * (1, 0) = z$ and $(1, 0) * z = z$ therefore the vector $(1, 0)$ is a multiplicative identity for complex multiplication.

Proof: suppose $z = (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ then $z * (1, 0) = (x, y) * (1, 0) = (x \cdot 1 - y \cdot 0, x \cdot 0 + y \cdot 1) = (x, y)$. Likewise, $(1, 0) * z = (1, 0) * (x, y) = (1 \cdot x - 0 \cdot y, 1 \cdot y + 0 \cdot x) = (x, y) = z$. \square

Proposition 1.1.3.

The equation $(x, 0) * (x, 0) = (-1, 0)$ has solution $(0, 1)$.

Proof: to say that $(0, 1)$ solves the equation means that if we substitute it into the given equation then the equation holds true. Note then

$$(0, 1) * (0, 1) = (0(0) - 1(1), 0(1) + 1(0)) = (-1, 0). \quad \square$$

In the notation of later sections $(-1, 0) = 1$ and $(0, 1) = i$ and we just proved that $i^2 = -1$. This funny vector multiplication gives us a way to build the imaginary number i .

Theorem 1.1.4. *Complex numbers form a field.*

Let $v, w, z \in \mathbb{R}^2$ with $z = (x, y)$ then

1. $z + w = w + z$; addition is commutative.
2. $(v + w) + z = v + (w + z)$; addition is associative.
3. $z + (0, 0) = (0, 0)$; additive identity.
4. $z + (-x, -y) = (0, 0)$; additive inverse.
5. $z * w = w * z$; multiplication is commutative.
6. $(v * w) * z = v * (w * z)$; multiplication is associative.
7. $z * (1, 0) = z$; multiplicative identity.
8. for $z \neq 0$ there exists z^{-1} such that $z * z^{-1} = (1, 0)$; additive inverse.
9. $v * (z + w) = v * z + v * w$; distributive property.

Proof: each of these is proved by simply writing it out and using the definition of the $*$ multiplication. Notice we already proved (7.). I'll prove (8.) and (9.). Some of the others are in your homework.

Begin with (9.). Let $v = (a, b)$, $z = (x, y)$ and $w = (r, t)$. Observe by definition of $*$ and $+$ on \mathbb{R}^2 ,

$$\begin{aligned} v * (z + w) &= (a, b) * [(x, y) + (r, t)] \\ &= (a, b) * (x + r, y + t) \\ &= (a(x + r) - b(y + t), a(y + t) + b(x + r)) \\ &= (ax + ar - by - bt, ay + at + bx + br) \\ &= (ax - by, ay + bx) + (ar - bt, at + br) \\ &= (a, b) * (x, y) + (a, b) * (r, t) \\ &= v * z + v * w. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore (9.) is true for all $v, w, z \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Notice in the calculation above I used the distributive field axioms for \mathbb{R} several times.

To prove (8.) we first must search out the formula for z^{-1} . Set it up as an algebra problem. We're given that $z = (x, y) \neq 0$ hence either $x \neq 0$ or $y \neq 0$. We would like to find $z^{-1} = (a, b)$ such that

$$(x, y) * (a, b) = (1, 0) \Rightarrow (ax - by, xb + ya) = (1, 0)$$

Thus by definition of vector equality,

$$ax - by = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad xb + ya = 0$$

We'll need to consider several cases.

Case 1: $x \neq 0$ but $y = 0$ then $ax = 1$ hence $a = 1/x$ and so $ya = 0$ and it follows $xb = 0$ hence $b = 0$ and we deduce $z^{-1} = (1/x, 0)$.

Case 2: $x = 0$ but $y \neq 0$ then $-by = 1$ hence $b = -1/y$ and so $xb = 0$ and it follows $ya = 0$ hence $a = 0$ and we deduce $z^{-1} = (0, -1/y)$.

Case 3: $x \neq 0$ and $y \neq 0$ so we can divide by both x and y without fear,

$$xb + ya = 0 \Rightarrow b = -ya/x$$

$$ax - by = 1 \Rightarrow ax + y^2 a/x = 1 \Rightarrow a(x^2 + y^2) = x \Rightarrow a = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

Substitute that into $b = -ya/x$,

$$b = \frac{-y}{x} \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

Note that the formulas for cases 1 and 2 are also covered by 3 despite the fact that the derivation for case 3 is nonsense in those cases, neat. To summarize:

$$\boxed{z^{-1} = \left(\frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}, \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} \right)}.$$

The formula above solves $z^{-1} * z = (1, 0)$ for all $z \in \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $x^2 + y^2 \neq 0$. The proof of (8.) follows. \square

Definition 1.1.5.

We define **division** of z by w for $z, w \in \mathbb{R}^2$ where $w \neq 0$ to be multiplication by the inverse of the reciprocal, $z/w = z * w^{-1}$.

Example 1.1.6.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{(1,2)}{(0,1)} &= (0,1)^{-1} * (1,2) \\ &= (0,-1) * (1,2) \\ &= (2,-1).\end{aligned}$$

Remark: pragmatically speaking this notation is horrible.

We soon learn that $\frac{1+2i}{i} = \left(\frac{1+2i}{i}\right) \frac{i}{i} = \frac{i+2i^2}{i^2} = \frac{i-2}{-1} = 2-i$.

1.2 complex conjugation**Definition 1.2.1.**

The **complex conjugate** of $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is denoted $\overline{(x, y)}$ where we define $\overline{(x, y)} = (x, -y)$.

The complex conjugate of a vector is the reflection of the vector about the x -axis. Naturally if we do two such reflections we'll get back to where we started. I don't suppose that all the properties listed in the theorem below are that easy to "see".

Theorem 1.2.2. Properties of conjugation.

Let $z, w \in \mathbb{R}^2$,

1. $\overline{z + w} = \overline{z} + \overline{w}$.
2. $\overline{z * w} = \overline{z} * \overline{w}$.
3. $\overline{z/w} = \overline{z}/\overline{w}$.
4. $\overline{\overline{z}} = z$

The properties above are easy to verify, I leave it to the reader or the test.

For example, $z = (x, y)$ then $\overline{z} = (x, -y)$ and $\overline{\overline{z}} = \overline{(x, -y)} = (x, y) = z$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{or, } \overline{z + w} &= \overline{(x, y) + (a, b)} = \overline{(x+a, y+b)} = (x+a, -y-b) \\ &= (x, -y) + (a, -b) \\ &= \overline{(x, y)} + \overline{(a, b)} \\ &= \overline{z} + \overline{w}.\end{aligned}$$

Proofs of (3.) and (2.) are similar.

Theorem 1.2.3. *Properties of conjugation.*

Let $z \in \mathbb{R}^2$,

1. if $z = (x, y)$ then $z * \bar{z} = (x^2 + y^2, 0)$.
2. if $z = (x, y)$ then $(x, 0) = \frac{1}{(2, 0)}(z + \bar{z})$
3. if $z = (x, y)$ then $(y, 0) = \frac{1}{(0, 2)}(z - \bar{z})$

Proof: Begin with (1.),

$$z * \bar{z} = (x, y) * (x, -y) = (x^2 + y^2, -xy + yx) = (x^2 + y^2, 0).$$

Now (2.),

$$z + \bar{z} = (x, y) + (x, -y) = (2x, 0) \Rightarrow z + \bar{z} = (x, 0) * (2, 0).$$

To see (3.) we subtract,

$$z - \bar{z} = (x, y) - (x, -y) = (0, 2y) \Rightarrow z - \bar{z} = (y, 0) * (0, 2).$$

The theorem follows. \square .

Remark 1.2.4.

I believe at this point we have proved enough properties of \mathbb{R}^2 paired with $*$ to convince you that we really can construct such a thing as \mathbb{C} . From this point onward I will revert to the standard notation which assumes the things we have just proved in these notes so far. In short I will omit the $*$ and write $(x, 0) = x$ and $(0, y) = yi$. The fundamental formulas are $(1, 0) = 1$ and $(0, 1) = i$. Thus we find the unit vectors in the Argand plane are precisely the number one and the imaginary number i . In view of this correspondence we find great logic in saying the vertical axes in the complex plane \mathbb{R}^2 has unit vector i whereas the x -axes has unit vector 1. We adopt the notation \mathbb{R}^2 together with $*$ is \mathbb{C} .

Let me restate the theorem in less obtuse notation,

Theorem 1.2.5. *Properties of conjugation.*

Let $z \in \mathbb{C}$,

1. if $z = (x, y)$ then $z\bar{z} = x^2 + y^2$.
2. if $z = (x, y)$ then $x = \frac{1}{2}(\bar{z} + z)$
3. if $z = (x, y)$ then ~~$y = \frac{1}{2i}(\bar{z} - z)$~~ $y = \frac{1}{2i}(\bar{z} - z)$.
4. If $z = \text{Re}(z) + i\text{Im}(z)$ then $\text{Re}(z) = \frac{1}{2}(z + \bar{z})$ and $\text{Im}(z) = \frac{1}{2i}(z - \bar{z})$.

We can also restate the field axioms with the $*$ omitted. Our custom will be the usual one throughout the remainder of the course, we use *juxtaposition* to denote multiplication. At this point I have covered what I am likely to cover from §1&2 of Churchill.

1.3 modulus and reality

The modulus of a complex number is the length of the corresponding vector in \mathbb{R}^2 .

Definition 1.3.1.

The **modulus** of $z \in \mathbb{C}$ is denoted $|z|$ where we define $|z| = \sqrt{z\bar{z}}$.

Notice that item (1.) of Theorem 1.2.5 shows that $z\bar{z}$ is a non-negative quantity therefore the squareroot will return a real, non-negative, quantity. We also can calculate the distance between complex numbers via the modulus as follows:

Definition 1.3.2.

Let $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$. The **distance between z and w** is denoted $d(z, w)$ and we define $d(z, w) = |z - w|$.

Let's pause to contemplate the geometrical meaning of a few complex equations.

Example 1.3.3. .

We may use $x = \frac{1}{2}(z + \bar{z})$ and $y = \frac{1}{2i}(z - \bar{z})$ to convert a known cartesian eqⁿ to a complex eqⁿ. For example, $y = mx + b$ for $m, b \in \mathbb{R}$ yields

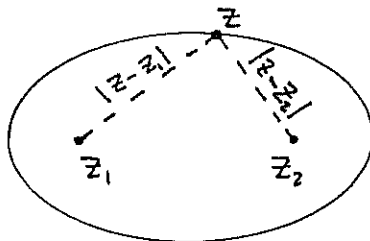
$$\frac{1}{2i}(z - \bar{z}) = m\left(\frac{1}{2}(z + \bar{z})\right) + b$$

Note, this is probably not a useful formulation for a line in \mathbb{C} . Instead $z = z_0 + tV$ gives parametric eqⁿ of line through z_0 with direction V ... more later...

Example 1.3.4. .

Circle : $|z - z_0| = R$ (Radius R , centered at z_0)

Ellipse : $|z - z_1| + |z - z_2| = R$



Hyperbola : $|z - z_1| - |z - z_2| = R$

Notice that we cannot write inequalities for complex numbers with nonzero imaginary parts. We have no definition for $z < w$ given arbitrary $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$. However, the modulus of a complex number is a real number so we can write various inequalities. These will be important to limit arguments in upcoming sections.

Theorem 1.3.5. *Properties of the modulus.*

Let $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$1. |z|^2 = \operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2$$

$$2. \operatorname{Re}(z) \leq |\operatorname{Re}(z)| \leq |z|$$

$$3. \operatorname{Im}(z) \leq |\operatorname{Im}(z)| \leq |z|$$

$$4. |zw| = |z||w|$$

$$5. |z^{-1}| = 1/|z| \quad \text{provided } z \neq 0.$$

$$6. |cz| = |c||z| \quad \text{for } z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Proof: follows from Theorem 1.2.3.

Item (1.) of Th^m 1.2.3 says $z\bar{z} = x^2 + y^2$ for $z = x + iy$ where $\operatorname{Re}(z) = x$ and $\operatorname{Im}(z) = y$ so (1) is proved.

Items 2 & 3 follow from the inequality $\pm a \leq |a| \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{and } \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \geq \sqrt{a^2} = |a| \quad \therefore |a| \leq \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}.$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{(\operatorname{Re}(z))^2 + (\operatorname{Im}(z))^2} \quad \begin{cases} \rightarrow |\operatorname{Re}(z)| \leq |z| \\ \rightarrow |\operatorname{Im}(z)| \leq |z| \end{cases}$$

$$\text{hence } \operatorname{Re}(z) \leq |\operatorname{Re}(z)| \leq |z| \quad \& \quad \operatorname{Im}(z) \leq |\operatorname{Im}(z)| \leq |z|.$$

To prove (4.) just use properties of conjugate,

$$\begin{aligned} |zw|^2 &= (\overline{zw})(zw) \\ &= \overline{z}\overline{w}zw \end{aligned}$$

$$= (\overline{z}z)(\overline{w}w)$$

$$= |z|^2 |w|^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad |zw| = |z||w| \quad \text{since } | \cdot | \text{ is non-negative.}$$

(5) follows from (4.). Assume $z \neq 0$,

$$zz^{-1} = 1 \quad \text{by defⁿ of } z^{-1}$$

$$|z||z^{-1}| = |1| = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad |z^{-1}| = \frac{1}{|z|}.$$

$$(6.) \text{ follows from } |c| = \sqrt{c^2 + 0^2} = \sqrt{c^2} = \operatorname{abs}(c) = |c|.$$

\uparrow
modulus

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absolute value.

Theorem 1.3.6. *Inequalities of the modulus.*

Let $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$,

$$1. |z + w| \leq |z| + |w|$$

$$2. |z + w| \geq |z| - |w| \quad (\text{it's a minus.})$$

Proof: item (1.) is geometrically obvious. We'll prove it algebraically for the sake of logical completeness.

$$\begin{aligned} |z + w|^2 &= (\overline{z + w})(z + w) \\ &= (\overline{z} + \overline{w})(z + w) \\ &= \overline{z}z + \overline{z}w + \overline{w}z + \overline{w}w \\ &= |z|^2 + \underbrace{\overline{z}w + \overline{w}z}_{\text{you can show } \overline{z}w + \overline{w}z \leq 2|z||w|} + |w|^2 \\ &\leq |z|^2 + 2|z||w| + |w|^2 \\ &= (|z| + |w|)^2 \end{aligned}$$

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

To prove (2.),

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

$$\therefore \underline{|z + w| \geq |z| - |w|}.$$

(since the quantities after the $\sqrt{\quad}$ are positive. In contrast, $(-5)^2 \leq 6^2$
 $\nRightarrow \sqrt{5} \neq 6$.)

1.4 polar form of complex numbers

Given a point $z = (x, y) = x + iy$ in the complex plane we can find the **polar coordinates** in the same way we did in calculus II or III. Recall that $x = r \cos(\theta)$ and $y = r \sin(\theta)$ so

$$x + iy = r \cos(\theta) + ir \sin(\theta) = r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))$$

However, we insist that $r \geq 0$ in this course and the value for the angle requires some discussion. The trouble with angles is that one direction geometrically corresponds to infinitely many angles. This makes the angle a multiply-valued function (a contradiction in terms if you want to be critical!). To give a careful account of the ambiguity of choosing the angle we have to invent some notation to summarize these concerns. This is the reason for "*arg*" and "*Arg*". Be warned I am more careful than Churchill in my use of *arg* however I probably agree with his use of *Arg*.

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$$\arg(z) = \{\theta \in \mathbb{R} \mid z = r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))\}$$

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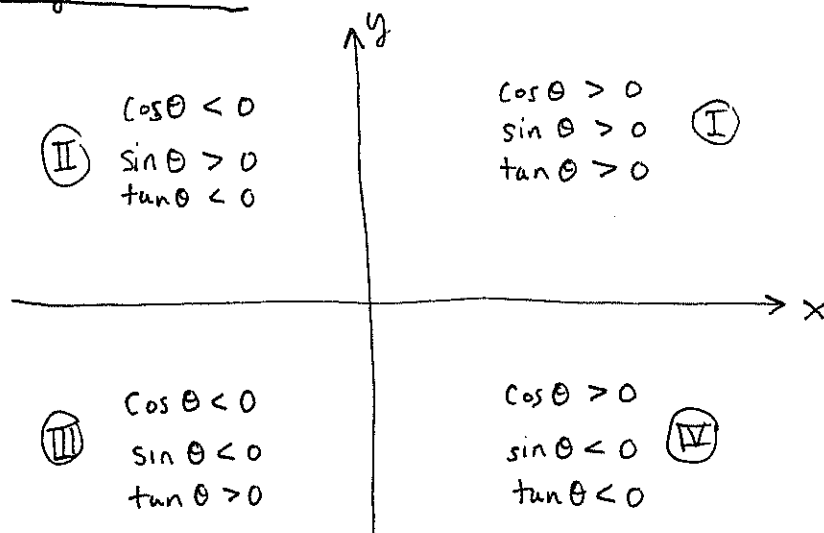
We may also use the notation $\text{Arg}(z) = \Theta$.

We should probably pause and appreciate that the following set of equations does define the angle up to an integer multiple of 2π , if $z = (x, y) = x + iy$ then

$$x = |z| \cos(\theta) \quad y = |z| \sin(\theta).$$

The set of equations above does not suffer the ambiguity of the tangent.

Trigonometry Reminder:



If we check both eq^s for $\sin \theta$ & $\cos \theta$ we avoid ambiguity of tangent.

Remember, ~~and~~

$$\text{range}(\cos^{-1}) = [0, \pi], \quad \text{range}(\sin^{-1}) = [-\pi/2, \pi/2]$$

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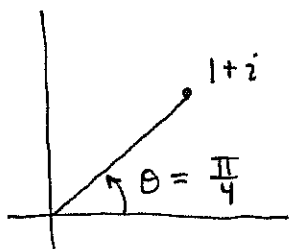
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Example 1.4.2.

Let $z = 1 + i$ then $|z| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$



$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{1}{1} = 1 \rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ or } \frac{5\pi}{4}$$

But, we also have $0 < \theta < \pi/2$ by the graph so clearly $\text{Arg}(z) = \pi/4$.

$$\underline{\arg(z) = \left\{ \frac{\pi}{4} + 2\pi n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} .}$$

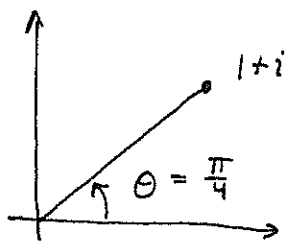
Example 1.4.3.

Let $z = -3$ then $|z| = 3$ and $\text{Arg}(z) = \pi$

whereas $\arg(z) = \{ \pi + 2\pi n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \}$

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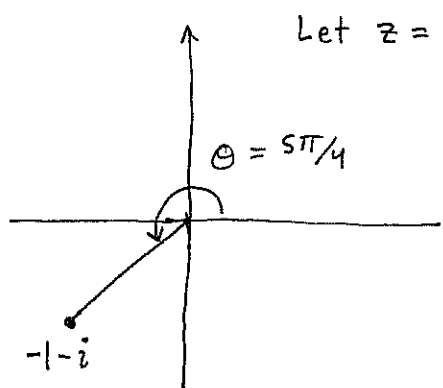


$$x = \sqrt{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} = \sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 1.$$

$$y = \sqrt{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} = \sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 1.$$

Note $\tan \theta = 1$ could imply either $\theta = \pi/4$ or $\theta = 5\pi/4$. But, $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$ remove this ambiguity.

Example 1.4.3.



Let $z = -1 - i \Rightarrow |z| = \sqrt{1+1} = \sqrt{2}$

$$x = \sqrt{2} \cos \left(\frac{5\pi}{4} \right) = \sqrt{2} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = -1$$

$$y = \sqrt{2} \sin \left(\frac{5\pi}{4} \right) = \sqrt{2} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = -1$$

You can see that $\theta = 5\pi/4$ is "the" correct choice. Actually,

$$\arg(z) = \left\{ \frac{5\pi}{4} + 2\pi k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

We could just as well have used $\theta = -\frac{3\pi}{4}$ or $\frac{13\pi}{4}$ geometrically speaking. However, if we want $\text{Arg}(z)$ then, by defⁿ we insist $-\pi < \text{Arg}(z) \leq \pi$, clearly

$$\underline{\text{Arg}(-1-i) = -\frac{3\pi}{4}}.$$

The polar form will soon be written $z = |z| e^{i \text{Arg}(z)}$ w/o ambiguity or $z = |z| e^{i \arg(z)}$ in general.

$$e^{i \text{Arg}(z)} = \cos(\text{Arg}(z)) + i \sin(\text{Arg}(z))$$

clarified in upcoming section.

1.5 complex exponential notation

There are various approaches to this topic. I'll get straight to the point here.

Definition 1.5.1.

Let $z = (x, y) \in \mathbb{C}$, we define the **complex exponential function** by

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

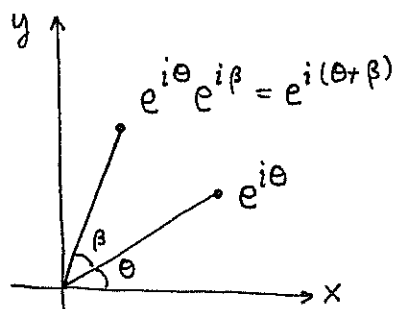
where e^x is the usual exponential function as defined in elementary calculus and sine and cosine are likewise the standard trigonometric functions defined in elementary trigonometry.

I wanted to emphasize that the definition of the complex exponential has been given purely in terms of things that you already know from calculus and trig. Notice that an immediate consequence of this definition is Euler's formula:

Definition 1.5.2.

Let $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ then $e^{i\theta} = \cos(\theta) + i\sin(\theta)$.

Churchill says this *defines the imaginary exponential function*². Then later through a few sections 6 and 23 he eventually arrives at the definition I just gave. I give the definition now so we can avoid heuristic calculations. We should pause to appreciate the geometric genius of the formula above. We prove on the next page that $e^{z+w} = e^z e^w$, let's look at the special case of imaginary numbers $z = i\theta$ and $w = i\beta$:



multiplication by $e^{i\beta}$
rotates the point by
an angle β in
counter clockwise direction.

²see page 13 equation (3)

Theorem 1.5.3.

Let $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ then

1. $e^0 = 1$
2. $e^{z+w} = e^z e^w$
3. $(e^z)^{-1} = e^{-z}$

Proof: This is one of my favorite proofs. I need to assume you know the adding angles formulas for sine and cosine and also the ordinary law of exponents for the exponential function.

$$(1.) \quad e^0 = e^{0+i(0)} = e^0 (\cos(0) + i \sin(0)) = 1 (1 + i(0)) = 1.$$

$$(2.) \quad \text{Let } z = x+iy \text{ and } w = a+ib$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^z e^w &= e^{x+iy} e^{a+ib} \\ &= e^x (\cos y + i \sin y) e^a (\cos b + i \sin b) \\ &= e^x e^a (\cos y \cos b + i^2 \sin y \sin b + i [\sin y \cos b + \cos y \sin b]) \\ &= e^{x+a} (\cos y \cos b - \sin y \sin b + i [\sin y \cos b + \cos y \sin b]) \\ &= e^{x+a} (\cos(y+b) + i \sin(y+b)) \\ &= e^{x+a + i(y+b)} \\ &= e^{(x+iy) + (a+ib)} \\ &= e^{z+w}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3.) \quad e^z e^{-z} &= e^{z-z} : \text{ by (2.)} \\ &= e^0 : z-z = 0 \text{ by defn of } -z. \\ &= 1, : \text{ by (1.)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(e^z)^{-1} = e^{-z}$ and (3.) follows.

Remark: the adding angles formulas

$$\cos(a+b) = \cos a \cos b - \sin a \sin b$$

$$\sin(a+b) = \sin a \cos b + \sin b \cos a$$

are derived from basic trigonometry.

If you'd like proof I can show you.

Theorem 1.5.4.

Let $z \in \mathbb{C}$ and define $(e^z)^n$ inductively by $(e^z)^0 = 1$ and $(e^z)^n = (e^z)^{n-1} e^z$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Likewise define $(e^z)^{-n} = (e^{-z})^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

1. $(e^z)^n = e^{nz}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$
2. if $z = |z|e^{i\theta}$ then $(e^z)^n = |z|^n(\cos(n\theta) + i\sin(n\theta))$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

① Proof for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ to show $(e^z)^n = e^{nz}$

Note $n=1$ holds true since $(e^z)^1 = (e^z)^{1-1} e^z = (e^z)^0 e^z = 1 e^z = e^z$.
Suppose inductively that $(e^z)^n = e^{nz}$. Consider,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (e^z)^{n+1} &= (e^z)^n e^z && : \text{by def. of power of } e^z. \\
 &= e^{nz} e^z && : \text{using induction hypothesis.} \\
 &= e^{nz+z} && : \text{by (2) of Th. 1.5.3.} \\
 &= e^{(n+1)z}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the claim holds true for $n+1$. Therefore by mathematical induction on n we find $(e^z)^n = e^{nz} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$

② Since we define $(e^z)^{-n} = (e^{-z})^n$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we find ② follows from ①. Note,

$$(e^z)^{-n} = (e^{-z})^n = e^{n(-z)} = e^{-nz}.$$

To prove (2.) we need a Lemma $(z_1 z_2)^n = z_1^n z_2^n$. I leave the proof of this to the reader. Given this Lemma note,

$$\begin{aligned}
 z^n &= (|z|e^{i\theta})^n = |z|^n (e^{i\theta})^n && : \text{by Lemma.} \\
 &= |z|^n e^{i(n\theta)} && : \text{by (1.)} \\
 &= |z|^n (\cos n\theta + i\sin n\theta) && : \text{def. of } e^{i\theta} \text{ or Euler's Formula.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 1.5.5. Show how to use de Moivre's formula to obtain nontrivial trig. identities.

$$(e^{i\theta})^2 = e^{2i\theta}$$

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^2 = \cos(2\theta) + i \sin(2\theta)$$

$$\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta + i(\cos \theta \sin \theta + \sin \theta \cos \theta) = \cos 2\theta + i \sin 2\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\cos 2\theta = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta} \quad \& \quad \boxed{\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}$$

To find identities for 4θ look at $(e^{i\theta})^4 = e^{4i\theta}$ etc...

Theorem 1.5.6.

If $z_1 = r_1 e^{i\theta_1}$ and $z_2 = r_2 e^{i\theta_2}$ are nonzero then

$$\arg(z_1 z_2) = \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2)$$

where the sum of the sets is defined by

$$\arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2) = \{\tilde{\theta}_1 + \tilde{\theta}_2 \mid \tilde{\theta}_1 \in \arg(z_1), \tilde{\theta}_2 \in \arg(z_2)\}$$

Note that $z_1 z_2 = (r_1 e^{i\theta_1})(r_2 e^{i\theta_2}) = r_1 r_2 e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$.

Furthermore, since $z_1 = r_1 e^{i\theta_1} = r_1 (\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1) \Rightarrow \theta_1 \in \arg(z_1)$ and similarly $\theta_2 \in \arg(z_2)$. (this was my definition for $\arg(z)$, we said $\theta \in \arg(z)$ iff $z = |z|(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$).

Also, $\theta_1 + \theta_2 \in \arg(z_1 z_2)$ since $z_1 z_2 = r_1 r_2 (\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2))$.

Let $\theta \in \arg(z_1 z_2)$ then $\theta = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + 2\pi k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

since we know $\theta_1 + \theta_2$ is in $\arg(z_1 z_2)$. Note

that $\theta_1 \in \arg(z_1)$ and $\theta_2 + 2\pi k \in \arg(z_2) \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}$

hence $\theta_1 + (\theta_2 + 2\pi k) \in \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2)$. $\therefore \arg(z_1 z_2) \subseteq \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2)$.

Let $\theta \in \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2)$. This means $\theta = \gamma_1 + \gamma_2$ for

some $\gamma_1 \in \arg(z_1)$ and $\gamma_2 \in \arg(z_2)$. But, since $\theta_1 \in \arg(z_1)$

and $\theta_2 \in \arg(z_2)$ it follows $\gamma_2 = \theta_2 + 2\pi j$ & $\gamma_1 = \theta_1 + 2\pi l$

for some $j, l \in \mathbb{Z}$. Thus $\theta = \gamma_1 + \gamma_2 = \theta_1 + 2\pi l + \theta_2 + 2\pi j$

$\therefore \theta = \theta_1 + \theta_2 + 2\pi(j+l) \Rightarrow \theta \in \arg(z_1 z_2) \therefore \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2) \subseteq \arg(z_1 z_2)$.

To conclude, we have shown $\arg(z_1 z_2) = \arg(z_1) + \arg(z_2)$.

The practical meaning of Theorem 1.5.6 is that when we are faced with solving equations such as $e^z = e^w$ we must be careful to consider a multitude of possible cases. The complex exponential function is far from one-one.

1.5.1 trigonometric identities from the imaginary exponential

Now that we have a few of the basics settled let's do a few interesting calculations. I probably didn't cover these in lecture.

Example 1.5.7.

Note that $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ and $e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$ since $\cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta$ and $\sin(-\theta) = -\sin \theta$. We can add & subtract to find that

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta &= \frac{1}{2}(e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}) \\ \sin \theta &= \frac{1}{2i}(e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}) \end{aligned}$$

these give us formulas for the real-valued sine & cosine fcts. in terms of the imaginary exponentials $e^{\pm i\theta}$. This is nice since we know $e^{z+w} = e^z e^w$ applies to the imaginary exponentials. We can "derive" trig. identities via these formulas.

Example 1.5.8.

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \theta \cos \theta &= \left(\frac{1}{2i}(e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}) \right) \left(\frac{1}{2}(e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4i}(e^{2i\theta} - 1 - e^{-2i\theta}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2i}(e^{2i\theta} - e^{-2i\theta}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sin(2\theta) \Rightarrow \underline{\sin(2\theta) = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos^3 \theta &= \frac{1}{8}(e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta})^3 \\ &= \frac{1}{8}(e^{3i\theta} + 3e^{i\theta} + 3e^{-i\theta} + e^{-3i\theta}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{2}(e^{3i\theta} + e^{-3i\theta}) + \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{2}(e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \cos(3\theta) + \frac{3}{4} \cos(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

I used $(a+b)^3 = a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3$ with $a = e^{i\theta}$ & $b = e^{-i\theta}$ to go from 1st to 2nd line.

1.6 complex roots of unity

In this section we examine the meaning of fractional exponent of a complex number. It turns out that we cannot expect a single value. Instead we'll learn that $z^{\frac{m}{n}}$ is a set of values. The complex roots of unity are used to generate the set of values. There is a neat connection between rotations by $\theta = 2\pi/n$ and $e^{i\theta}$ and \mathbb{Z}_n .

Definition 1.6.1.

Let $z_o \in \mathbb{C}$ be nonzero. The n -th roots of z_o is the set of values defined below:

$$z_o^{1/n} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid z^n = z_o\}$$

Suppose that $z_o = r_o e^{i\theta_o}$ and $z = r e^{i\theta}$ then the requirement $z^n = z_o$ yields

$$r^n e^{in\theta} = r_o e^{i\theta_o}$$

It follows that $r^n = r_o$ and $n\theta_o = \theta + 2\pi k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Therefore, if we denote the **positive n -th root of the real number r_o by $\sqrt[n]{r_o}$** then $r = \sqrt[n]{r_o}$. Moreover, we may write the set of roots as follows:

$$z_o^{1/n} = \{ \sqrt[n]{r_o} \exp\left[\frac{i(\theta_o + 2\pi k)}{n}\right] \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

For example,

$$1^{1/2} = \{\exp(i2\pi k/2) \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

where I identified that $\theta_o = 0$ and $r_o = 1$ since $z_o = 1e^{i0}$. Great, but what is this set $1^{1/2}$? Notice that

$$\exp(i2\pi k/2) = \cos(\pi k) + i \sin(\pi k)$$

If $k \in 2\mathbb{Z}$ then k is an even integer and $\cos(\pi k) = 1$. However, if $k \in 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$ then k is an odd integer and $\cos(\pi k) = -1$. In all cases the sine term vanishes. We find,

$$1^{1/2} = \{1, -1\}$$

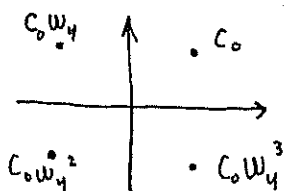
To find the cube roots of 1 we'd examine the values of $\exp(i2\pi k/3) = \cos(2\pi k/3) + i \sin(2\pi k/3)$. We'd soon learn that $k \in 3\mathbb{Z}$ give $\exp(i2\pi k/3) = 1$ whereas $k \in 3\mathbb{Z} + 1$ give $\exp(i2\pi k/3) = \exp(2\pi/3) = \cos(2\pi/3) + i \sin(2\pi/3) = -\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ and finally $k \in 3\mathbb{Z} + 2$ give $\exp(i2\pi k/3) = \exp(4\pi/3) = -\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$. We denote these by

$$1^{1/3} = \{1, \omega_3, \omega_3^2\}$$

here $\omega_3 = \exp(2\pi/3) = -\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ is called the ~~principal~~ ^{principal} cube root of unity. Naturally we can do this for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and it is not hard to show that the n -th roots of unity are generated from powers of $\omega_n = \exp(2\pi/n)$. Indeed we could show that

$$1^{1/n} = \{1, \omega_n, \omega_n^2, \dots, \omega_n^{n-1}\}$$

Example: $z_o = 16e^{i\pi/4} \Rightarrow z_o^{1/4} = \{ \underbrace{2e^{i\pi/4}}_{C_0}, \underbrace{2e^{i\pi/4}\omega_4}_{C_1}, \underbrace{2e^{i\pi/4}\omega_4^2}_{C_2}, \underbrace{2e^{i\pi/4}\omega_4^3}_{C_3} \}$



$\omega_4 = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i}{4}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = i = \omega_4.$

The correspondence with $\mathbb{Z}_n = \{\bar{0}, \bar{1}, \dots, \overline{n-1}\}$ is provided by the mapping $\Phi(\omega_n^k) = \bar{k}$. You can check that $\Phi(zw) = \Phi(z) + \Phi(w)$. It is a homomorphism between the multiplicative group of units and the additive group \mathbb{Z}_n .

Theorem 1.6.2.

If $z_o = r_o \exp(i\theta_o)$ then the n -th roots of z_o are generated from the n -th roots of unity as follows:

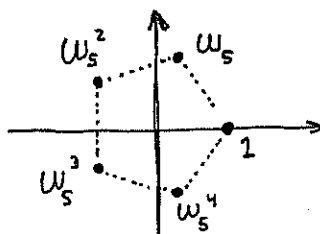
$$z_o^{1/n} = \{c, c\omega_n, c\omega_n^2, \dots, c\omega_n^{n-1}\}$$

where c is a particular n -th root of z_o ; $c^n = z_o$. Notice that $|c| = \sqrt[n]{r_o}$ and in the case that $0 < z_o \in \mathbb{R}$ we may choose $c = \sqrt[n]{r_o}$ where $\sqrt[n]{r_o}$ denotes the positive n -th root of the positive real number r_o . In the formula above I am using our standard notation that ω_n is the principal n -th root of unity which is given by the formula:

$$\omega_n = \exp(i2\pi/n).$$

Geometrically this theorem is very nice. It gives us a way to find the vectors which point to the vertices of a regular polygon with n -sides. Moreover, we can rotate the polygon by using a $z_o \neq 1$.

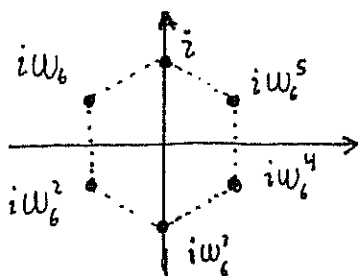
Example 1.6.3.



$$\omega_5 = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{5}} = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right)$$

$$1^{1/5} = \{1, \omega_5, \omega_5^2, \omega_5^3, \omega_5^4\}$$

Example 1.6.4.



$$\omega_6 = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{6}} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$(-1)^{1/6} = \{i, i\omega_6, i\omega_6^2, i\omega_6^3, i\omega_6^4, i\omega_6^5\}.$$

$$\boxed{\text{note } i^6 = (-1)^3 = -1 \therefore i \in (-1)^{1/6}}$$

Example 1.6.5.

note, we can use $(e^{i\theta})^n = e^{in\theta}$ to calculate explicit cartesian form of particular roots. For example,

$$i\omega_6^4 = i(e^{i\pi/3})^4 = ie^{i4\pi/3} = i\left(\cos \frac{4\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{4\pi}{3}\right)$$

$$\therefore i\omega_6^4 = -\sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) + i \cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = +\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{i}{2} = i\omega_6^5$$

As a check on the calculation let's multiply by ω_6 and see what happens

$$(i\omega_6^4)\omega_6 = \left(+\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{i}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = +\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{i}{2} = i\omega_6^5$$

(checks with picture.)

1.7 complex numbers and factoring

In this section we examine a few examples of the **factor theorem**. This theorem states that every zero of a complex polynomial corresponds to a factor. Don't mind the definitions if you're not interested, just skip to the examples:

Definition 1.7.1.

A polynomial in x with coefficients in S is an expression

$$p(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \cdots + c_kx^k = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_jx^j$$

where $c_j \in S$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and only finitely many of these coefficients are nonzero. The $\deg(p) = k$ if c_k is the nonzero coefficient with the largest index k . We say that $p(x) \in S(x)$. The set of polynomials in z with coefficients in \mathbb{C} is denoted $\mathbb{C}(z)$. The set of polynomials in z with coefficients in \mathbb{R} is denoted $\mathbb{R}(z)$.

Remark 1.7.2.

In the definition above I am thinking of polynomials as abstract expressions. Notice we can add, subtract and multiply polynomials provided we can perform the same operations in S . This makes $S(x)$ a vector space over S if S is a field. However, if S is only a ring then the set of polynomials forms what is known as a **module**. Polynomials can be used to build number systems through an algebraic construction called **field extension**. This material is discussed in some depth in Math 422 at LU.

Obviously we are primarily interested in either $\mathbb{C}(z)$ or $\mathbb{R}(x)$ in most undergraduate mathematics. These are precisely the objects we learned to factor in highschool and so forth. Let me give a precise definition of factoring. Since we can view $\mathbb{R}(z) \subset \mathbb{C}(z)$ we will focus on $\mathbb{C}(z)$ in remainder of this section.

Definition 1.7.3.

Suppose $f(z), g(z), h(z) \in \mathbb{C}(z)$. Suppose $\deg(h), \deg(g) \geq 1$. If $f(z) = h(z)g(z)$ then we say that $g(z)$ and $h(z)$ **factor** $f(z)$. If $f(z)$ has no factors then we say that f is **irreducible**. If $\deg(f) = 1$ then we say $f(z)$ is a **linear factor**.

Example 1.7.4.

$f(z) = z^5 - z$ has factors $z^4 - 1, z, z^2 + 1, z^2 - 1, z + 1, z - 1$ and $z + i, z - i$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= z(z^4 - 1) \\ &= z(z^2 + 1)(z^2 - 1) \\ &= z \underbrace{(z + i)(z - i)(z + 1)(z - 1)}_{\text{linear factors}}. \end{aligned}$$

Example 1.7.5. factoring $z^3 - 1$ is tied to solving $z^3 - 1 = 0$ due to the factor theorem discussed at base of page.

$$z^3 - 1 = 0 \rightarrow z^3 = 1 \rightarrow z \in 1^{1/3} = \{1, \omega_3, \omega_3^2\}$$

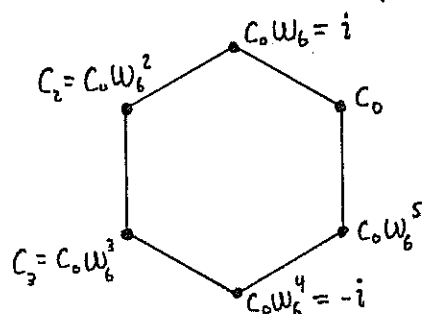
Note that $\omega_3 = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i}{3}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

also $\omega_3^2 = \exp\left(\frac{4\pi i}{3}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{2} - i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

The factor theorem tells us that

$$\begin{aligned} z^3 - 1 &= (z - 1)(z - \omega_3)(z - \omega_3^2) \\ &= (z - 1)\left(z + \frac{1}{2} - i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\left(z + \frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \\ &= (z - 1)\underbrace{\left(z^2 + z + 1\right)}_{\text{irreducible in } \mathbb{R}(z)}. \end{aligned}$$

Example 1.7.6: Idea: find sol^{ns} of $z^6 + 1 = 0$ and use these zeros to factor $z^6 + 1 \in \mathbb{C}(z)$. Note $z^6 = -1 \Rightarrow z \in (-1)^{1/6}$. We need to write $-1 = 1(\cos \pi + i \sin \pi) = 1e^{i\pi}$ thus we find root $\exp(i\pi/6) = \cos \pi/6 + i \sin \pi/6 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{i}{2} \equiv C_0$.



It follows that $(-1)^{1/6} = \{C_0, C_0 \omega_6, \dots, C_0 \omega_6^5\}$. This gives by factor th^m

$$z^6 + 1 = \underbrace{(z - C_0)(z - C_0 \omega_6^5)}_{\text{gives irred. quadratic in } \mathbb{R}(z)} \underbrace{(z - i)(z + i)}_{\text{again these conjugate pairs give quad. inside } \mathbb{R}(z)} \underbrace{(z - C_2)(z - C_3)}_{\text{again these conjugate pairs give quad. inside } \mathbb{R}(z)}$$

In the next chapter we discuss the concept of a complex function. Once we take that viewpoint we can *evaluate* polynomials at complex numbers. It's worth noticing that if $(z - r)$ is a factor of $f(z)$ then it follows $f(r) = 0$. The converse is also true; if $f(r) = 0$ for some $r \in \mathbb{C}$ then $f(z) = (z - r)g(z)$ where $g(z)$ is some other polynomial (the proof of the converse is less obvious). In any event, if you believe me, then we have the following: (here I mean for c_j, b_j to denote complex constants)

$$c_0 + c_1 z + \dots + c_n z^n = 0 \text{ for } z = r \Leftrightarrow c_0 + c_1 z + \dots + c_k z^k = (z - r)(b_0 + b_1 z + \dots + b_m z^m)$$

I sometimes refer to the calculation above as the **fundamental theorem of algebra**. We'll probably prove that theorem sometime this semester.

Chapter 2

topology and mappings

Mathematics is built with functions and sets for the most part. In this chapter we learn what a complex function is and we examine a number of interesting features. Mappings are also studied and contrasted with functions. Since a complex function is a real mapping we begin with a brief overview of what is known about real mappings. Continuity of complex functions is then discussed in some depth. We then define connected sets, domains and regions. Next the extended complex plane as modeled by the Riemann sphere is introduced as a convenient device to capture limits at ∞ . We then examine a number of transformations and introduce the idea of the w -plane. Branch-cuts are defined to extract functions from multiply-valued functions. In particular, n -th root functions are defined. The complex logarithm is defined as a local inverse to the complex exponential. We discover many of the standard examples in this chapter. Notable exceptions are sine, cosine and hyperbolic sine or cosine etc... We focus on algebraic functions and the complex exponential.

2.1 open, closed and continuity in \mathbb{R}^n

In this section we describe the *metric topology* for \mathbb{R}^n . The topology is built via the **Euclidean norm** which is denoted by $\|\cdot\| : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ where $\|x\| = \sqrt{x \cdot x}$ and $x \cdot x$ denotes the dot-product where $x \cdot y = x_1 y_1 + \cdots + x_n y_n$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Once we're done with this section I will recapitulate many of the definitions given in this section in the special case of $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{C}$ where we have the familiar formula $|z| = \sqrt{\bar{z}z}$ and this is in fact the same idea of length; $|z| = \|z\|$. These notes are borrowed from my advanced calculus notes which in turn mirror the excellent text by Edwards on the subject.

In the study of functions of one real variable we often need to refer to open or closed intervals. The definition that follows generalizes those concepts to n -dimensions.

Definition 2.1.1.

An **open ball** of radius ϵ centered at $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the subset all points in \mathbb{R}^n which are less than ϵ units from a , we denote this open ball by $B_\epsilon(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - a\| < \epsilon\}$.
The **closed ball** of radius ϵ centered at $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is likewise defined by $\bar{B}_\epsilon(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - a\| \leq \epsilon\}$.

Notice that in the $n = 1$ case we observe an open ball is an open interval: let $a \in \mathbb{R}$,

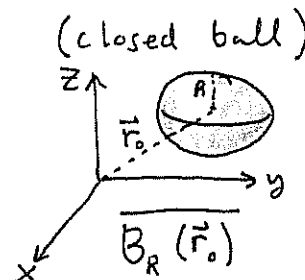
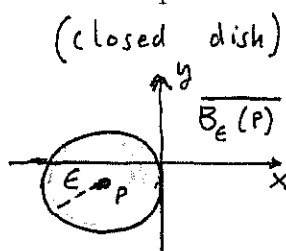
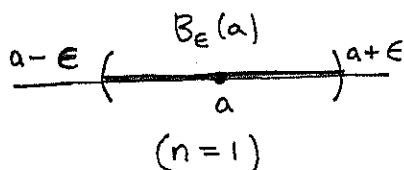
$$B_\epsilon(a) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \|x - a\| < \epsilon\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid |x - a| < \epsilon\} = (a - \epsilon, a + \epsilon)$$

In the $n = 2$ case we observe that an open ball is an open disk: let $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$B_\epsilon((a, b)) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \|(x, y) - (a, b)\| < \epsilon\} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \sqrt{(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2} < \epsilon\}$$

For $n = 3$ an open ball is a sphere without the outer shell. In contrast, a closed ball in $n = 3$ is a solid sphere which includes the outer shell of the sphere.

Example 2.1.2. . . .

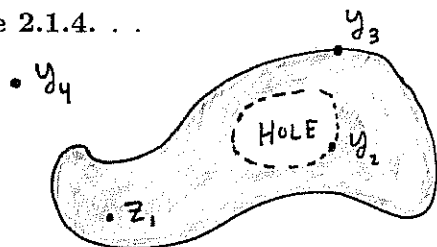


Definition 2.1.3.

Let $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. We say $y \in D$ is an **interior point** of D iff there exists some open ball centered at y which is completely contained in D . We say $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is a **limit point** of D iff every open ball centered at y contains points in $D - \{y\}$. We say $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is a **boundary point** of D iff every open ball centered at y contains points not in D and other points which are in $D - \{y\}$. We say $y \in D$ is an **isolated point** or **exterior point** of D if there exist open balls about y which do not contain other points in D . The set of all interior points of D is called the **interior** of D . Likewise the set of all boundary points for D is denoted ∂D . The **closure** of D is defined to be $\overline{D} = D \cup \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid y \text{ a limit point}\}$

If you're like me the paragraph above doesn't help much until I see the picture below. All the terms are aptly named. The term "limit point" is given because those points are the ones for which it is natural to define a limit.

Example 2.1.4. . . .



z_1 — interior point
 y_2 — boundary points — y_3
 y_4 — isolated point.
 z_1, y_2, y_3 — limit points.

Definition 2.1.5.

Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is an **open set** iff for each $x \in A$ there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $x \in B_\epsilon(x)$ and $B_\epsilon(x) \subset A$. Let $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is an **closed set** iff it contains all of its boundary points.

In calculus I the limit of a function is defined in terms of deleted open intervals centered about the limit point. The limit of a mapping is likewise defined via deleted open balls:

Definition 2.1.6.

Let $f : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ be a mapping. We say that f has limit $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ at limit point a of U iff for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $0 < \|x - a\| < \delta$ implies $\|f(x) - b\| < \epsilon$. In such a case we can denote the above by stating that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = b$.

Definition 2.1.7.

Let $f : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ be a mapping. If $a \in U$ is a limit point of f then we say that f is **continuous at a** iff

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$$

If $a \in U$ is an isolated point then we also say that f is continuous at a . The mapping f is **continuous on S** iff it is continuous at each point in S . The **mapping f is continuous** iff it is continuous on its domain.

Notice that in the $m = n = 1$ case we recover the definition of continuous functions from calc. I. It turns out that most of the theorems for continuous functions transfer over to appropriately generalized theorems on mappings. The proofs can be found in Edwards.

Proposition 2.1.8.

Suppose that $f : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ is a mapping with component functions f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m . Let $a \in U$ be a limit point of f then f is continuous at a iff f_j is continuous at a for $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Moreover, f is continuous on S iff all the component functions of f are continuous on S . Finally, a mapping f is continuous iff all of its component functions are continuous.

Proposition 2.1.9.

Let f and g be mappings such that $f \circ g$ is well-defined. The composite function $f \circ g$ is continuous for points $a \in \text{dom}(f \circ g)$ such that the following two conditions hold:

1. g is continuous at a
2. f is continuous at $g(a)$.

The proof of the proposition is in Edwards, it's his Theorem 7.2. I'll prove this theorem in a particular context in this chapter.

Proposition 2.1.10.

Assume $f, g : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow V \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ are continuous functions at $a \in U$ and suppose $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

1. $f + g$ is continuous at a .
2. fg is continuous at a
3. cf is continuous at a .

Moreover, if f, g are continuous then $f + g, fg$ and cf are continuous.

2.2 open, closed and continuity in \mathbb{C}

The definitions of the preceding section remain unaltered except that we specialize to two dimensions and use appropriate complex notation in this section. Trade the word "ball" for "disk" and "norm" for "modulus". Just to remind you the connection between the modulus and norm is simply the following:

$$|z| = \sqrt{z\bar{z}} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \|(x, y)\|.$$

Definition 2.2.1.

An **open disk** of radius ϵ centered at $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ is the subset all complex numbers which are less than an ϵ distance from z_0 , we denote this open ball by

$$D_\epsilon(z_0) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - z_0| < \epsilon\}.$$

The **deleted-disk** with radius ϵ centered at z_0 is likewise defined

$$D_\epsilon^o(z_0) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid 0 < |z - z_0| < \epsilon\}.$$

The **closed disk** of radius ϵ centered at $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ is defined by

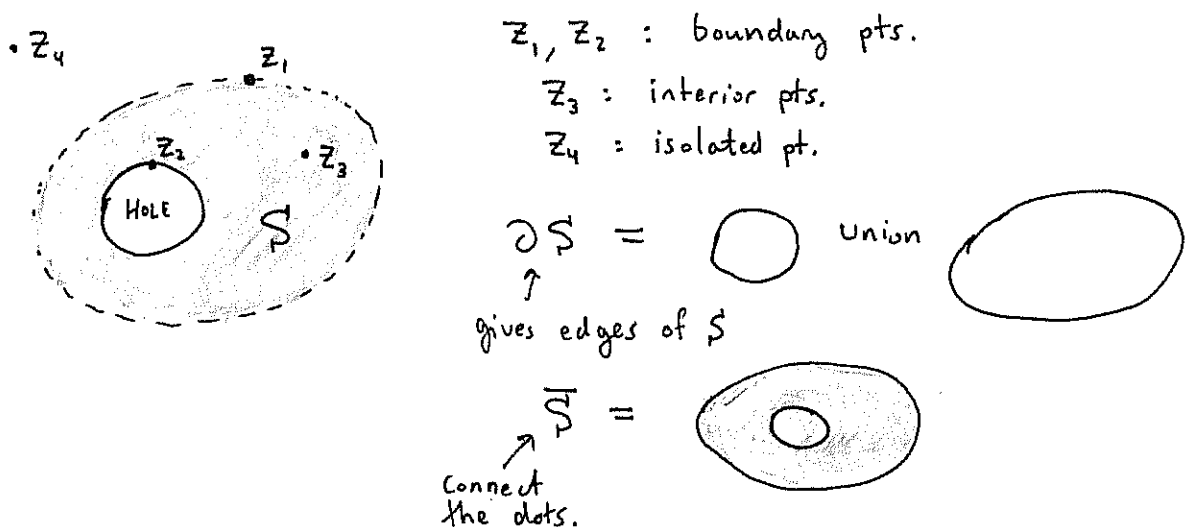
$$\overline{D}_\epsilon(z_0) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - z_0| \leq \epsilon\}$$

The following definition is nearly unchanged from the preceding section.

Definition 2.2.2.

Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. We say $y \in S$ is an **interior point** of S iff there exists some open disk centered at y which is completely contained in S . We say $y \in \mathbb{C}$ is a **limit point** of S iff every open disk centered at y contains points in $S - \{y\}$. We say $y \in \mathbb{C}$ is a **boundary point** of S iff every open disk centered at y contains points not in S and other points which are in $S - \{y\}$. We say $y \in S$ is an **isolated point** or **exterior point** of S if there exist open disks about y which do not contain other points in S . The set of all interior points of S is called the **interior** of S . Likewise the set of all boundary points for S is denoted ∂S . The **closure** of S is defined to be $\overline{S} = S \cup \{y \in \mathbb{C} \mid y \text{ a limit point of } S\}$

Perhaps the following picture helps clarify these definitions:



Definition 2.2.3.

Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is an **open set** iff for each $z \in S$ there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $D_\epsilon(z) \subset S$. If $B \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ then B is a **closed set** iff it contains all of its boundary points. In other words, a closed set S has $\partial S \subset S$.

A **complex function** is simply a function whose domain and codomain are subsets of \mathbb{C} .

Definition 2.2.4.

Let $f : U \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be a complex function. We say that f has limit $w_o \in \mathbb{C}$ at limit point z_o of U iff for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with $0 < |z - z_o| < \delta$ implies $|f(z) - w_o| < \epsilon$. In such a case we can denote the above by stating that $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} f(z) = w_o$. In other words, we say $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} f(z) = w_o$ iff for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $f(D_\delta^o(z_o)) \subset D_\epsilon(w_o)$.

Example 2.2.5. . .

Let $\epsilon > 0$ and $z_o \in \mathbb{C}$. (choose $\delta = \epsilon$ and assume $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $0 < |z - z_o| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(z) - w_o| < \epsilon$ for $f(z) = z$ and $w_o = z_o$. Therefore,

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} (z) = z_o.$$

We should also note that z_o need not be inside the domain of f in the limit. In the special case that $f(z_o)$ is defined and $f(z_o) = w_o$ we say the complex function is continuous at z_o .

Definition 2.2.6.

Let $f : U \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be a complex function. If $z_o \in U$ is a limit point of f then we say that f is **continuous at a** iff

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} f(z) = f(z_o)$$

If $z_o \in U$ is an isolated point then we also say that f is continuous at z_o . The function f is **continuous on S** iff it is continuous at each point in S . The **function f is continuous** iff it is continuous on its domain.

Example 2.2.7. . .

Let $f(z) = \bar{z} + 2$. Suppose $\epsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta = \epsilon$.

If $z_o \in \mathbb{C}$ and $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $0 < |z - z_o| < \delta$ we find

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z) - f(z_o)| &= |\bar{z} + 2 - \bar{z}_o - 2| \\ &= |\overline{z - z_o}| \quad : \quad |w| = |\bar{w}| \text{ is prop. of modulus. (prove it!)} \\ &= |z - z_o| < \delta = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} (f(z)) = f(z_o) = \bar{z}_o + 2$.

We find $f(z) = \bar{z} + 2$ is a continuous fct. on \mathbb{C} .

We postpone the proof of the proposition below until the end of this section. In short, most of the limit theorems for real-valued functions generalize naturally to the context of \mathbb{C} .

Proposition 2.2.8.

Assume $f, g : U \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow V \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ are functions with limit point $z_0 \in U$ where the limits of f and g exist at z_0 .

1. $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (f(z) + g(z)) = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) + \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} g(z)$.
2. $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (f(z)g(z)) = \left(\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) \right) \left(\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} g(z) \right)$.
3. if $c \in \mathbb{C}$ then $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (cf(z)) = c \left(\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) \right)$.
4. if $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} g(z) \neq 0$ then $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \left[\frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right] = \frac{\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)}{\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} g(z)}$.
5. if $h : \text{dom}(h) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is continuous at $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)$ then

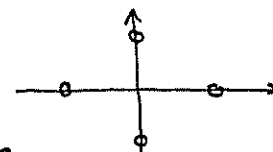
$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} h(f(z)) = h\left(\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)\right).$$

An immediate consequence of the theorem above is that the sum, product, quotient and composite of continuous complex functions is again continuous. Moreover, induction can be used to extend these results to power functions of z and arbitrary finite sums. It then follows that complex polynomials are continuous on \mathbb{C} . A complex **rational function** is defined pointwise as the quotient of two complex polynomials. Rational functions in \mathbb{C} are continuous for points where the denominator polynomial is nonzero.

Example 2.2.9. . .

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z(z^6 + 1)} \quad \text{discontinuous at } z = 0 \text{ and } z \in (-1)^{1/6}. \text{ (See example 1.7.6)}$$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^4 + 1} = \frac{1}{(z+1)(z-1)(z+i)(z-i)}$$



picture of pts of discontinuity.

Example 2.2.10. . .

$$f(z) = e^z \iff f(x, y) = \underbrace{e^x \cos y}_{\text{continuous}} + i \underbrace{e^x \sin y}_{\text{continuous}}$$

$\therefore f$ has continuous components on $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{C}$
 $\therefore f(z) = e^z$ is continuous.

2.2.1 complex functions are real mappings

If the complex function is as simple as the last example then the direct computation of limits via the modulus is not too difficult. However, in general it is nice to be able to apply the calculus of many real variables. Notice that $f : \text{dom}(f) \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ then we can split each output of the function into its real and imaginary part. We define:

$$\boxed{u(z) = \text{Re}(f(z)) \quad v(z) = \text{Im}(f(z))}$$

Therefore, since $\text{Re}(f(z)), \text{Im}(f(z)) \in \mathbb{R}$ for all $z \in \text{dom}(f)$ there exist real-valued functions $u, v : \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f(z) = u(z) + iv(z).$$

Moreover, since or convention is to write $z = x + iy = (x, y)$ we can view a complex function as a mapping from $\text{dom}(f) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ to \mathbb{R}^2 where

$$\boxed{f(x + iy) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)}$$

This is a standard notation in most texts.

Example 2.2.11. . .

$$f(z) = z^2 = (x + iy)(x + iy) = x^2 - y^2 + i(2xy)$$

$$\text{thus } u = x^2 - y^2 \quad \text{and} \quad v = 2xy.$$

(although we should write $u(x, y), v(x, y)$ technically)

Example 2.2.12. . .

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

$$\therefore u(x, y) = x \quad \text{and} \quad v(x, y) = -y$$

Example 2.2.13. . .

$$f(z) = z\bar{z} = (x + iy)(x - iy) = x^2 + y^2$$

$$\therefore u(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 \quad \text{and} \quad v(x, y) = 0.$$

Example 2.2.14. . .

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= ze^{z^2} = (x + iy)e^{2x + 2iy} \\ &= (x + iy)e^{2x}(\cos 2y + i\sin 2y) \\ &= \underbrace{e^{2x}(x \cos(2y) - y \sin(2y))}_{u(x, y)} + i \underbrace{e^{2x}(y \cos 2y + x \sin 2y)}_{v(x, y)} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\therefore u(x, y) = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \quad \& \quad v(x, y) = \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

2.2.2 proofs on continuity of complex functions

To begin note that if $f = u + iv$ is a complex function then we may as well identify $f = (u, v)$ as a mapping from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 with component functions $f_1 = u$ and $f_2 = v$. Therefore, by Proposition 2.1.8 we find:

Proposition 2.2.15.

If $f : D \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a complex function with $f(x + iy) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ for all $(x, y) \in D$ then f is continuous at $z_0 \in D$ as a complex function iff u and v are continuous at $z_0 = (x_0, y_0) \in D$ as real functions from $\text{dom}(f) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ to \mathbb{R} . Moreover, a complex function is continuous iff its component functions are continuous real functions.

Proof: it is interesting that the proof in Edwards is similar, just it uses norms instead of modulus. In any event, since you may not have had advanced calculus it's probably best for me to include this proof here:

Assume $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = W_0$ where $f(z) = u(z) + iv(z)$ and $W_0 = U_0 + iV_0$.

We wish to show $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} u(z) = U_0$ and $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} v(z) = V_0$. Let

$\epsilon > 0$ an, by given limit for $f(z)$, choose $\delta > 0$ such that $|f(z) - W_0| < \epsilon$ for $z \in D_{z_0}^\circ(\delta)$. Suppose $0 < |z - z_0| < \delta$,

$$\begin{aligned} |u(z) - U_0| &= |\operatorname{Re}(f(z)) - \operatorname{Re}(W_0)| \\ &= |\operatorname{Re}(f(z) - W_0)| \\ &\leq |f(z) - W_0| < \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Likewise, $0 < |z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |v(z) - V_0| < \epsilon$. Therefore,

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} u(z) = U_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} v(z) = V_0$$

where we've defined $U_0 = \operatorname{Re}(\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z))$ and $V_0 = \operatorname{Im}(\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z))$.

Therefore, $f(z)$ continuous at $z_0 \Rightarrow u(z), v(z)$ continuous at z_0 .

Since the defⁿ of real and complex continuity are the same modulo the notation and a little Lemma we find $u, v: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are continuous as real functions.

Converse part of proof:

Assume $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} u(z) = u_0$ and $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} v(z) = v_0$. Note that it follows $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)} u(x,y) = u_0$ & $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)} v(x,y) = v_0$

because $\|u(z)\| = |u(z)|$ and $\|v(z)\| = |v(z)|$. Likewise $\|f(z)\| = \|(u,v)\| = |u+iv| = \sqrt{u^2+v^2}$. The concept of continuity matches for \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{C} because the norm and modulus are the same for corresponding vector (v_x, v_y) and complex number v_x+iv_y .

Let $\epsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta > 0$ such that

$$0 < |z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow \frac{|u(z) - u_0| < \epsilon/2 \text{ and } |v(z) - v_0| < \epsilon/2.}{\star}$$

Hence, let $f(z) = u(z) + iv(z)$ and consider,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z) - u_0 - iv_0| &= |u(z) + iv(z) - u_0 - iv_0| \\ &= |u(z) - u_0 + i(v(z) - v_0)| \\ &\leq |u(z) - u_0| + |i(v(z) - v_0)| \\ &= |u(z) - u_0| + |v(z) - v_0| \\ &< \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 \\ &= \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Thus $0 < |z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(z) - u_0 - iv_0| < \epsilon$

hence $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = u_0 + iv_0$ for $f(z) = u(z) + iv(z)$.

It follows that continuity of u, v at $z_0 \Rightarrow$ continuity of $f(z) = u(z) + iv(z)$ at z_0 .

\star : we can do this by choosing $\delta_1 > 0$ such that $|u(z) - u_0| < \epsilon/2$ and $\delta_2 > 0$ s.t. $|v(z) - v_0| < \epsilon/2$ for $z \in D_{\delta_1}^\circ(z_0)$ and $z \in D_{\delta_2}^\circ(z_0)$ respective. The $\delta > 0$ in proof is chosen to be $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$.

In view of Proposition 2.2.15 we can easily deduce that Examples 2.2.11 - 2.2.14 give complex functions that are mostly continuous. I assume you recall the definition of continuous functions of two variables from calculus III, remember the function $g(x, y)$ is continuous iff the limit of the function $g(\vec{r}(t)) \rightarrow g(p)$ as $t \rightarrow 0$ for all curves $t \rightarrow \vec{r}(t)$ with $\vec{r}(0) = p$. Typically we only employ this definition directly for the purpose of finding a contradiction. If you can show the limit is different along two different paths then the limit does not exist. Of course, to be rigorous one should consult the $\epsilon - \delta$ definition of continuity offered in the preceding section.

Example 2.2.16. . .

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2xy}{x^2+y^2} & : (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & : (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f(x, y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2x^2}{x^2+x^2} \right) = 1 \quad \leftarrow \text{along } y = x$$

$$\lim_{(x, 2x) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f(x, y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2x(2x)}{x^2+4x^2} \right) = \frac{4}{5} \quad \leftarrow \text{along } y = 2x$$

Observe f not continuous at $(0, 0)$. Likewise $f(z) = \frac{2\operatorname{Re}(z)\operatorname{Im}(z)}{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2}$ for $z \neq 0$ and $f(0) = 0$ is discontinuous.

The proof of the following proposition is identical to the proof given in Edwards for the general case. I leave the proof as an exercise for the reader.

Proposition 2.2.17.

Let f and g be complex functions such that $f \circ g$ is well-defined. The composite function $f \circ g$ is continuous for points $a \in \operatorname{dom}(f \circ g)$ such that the following two conditions hold:

1. g is continuous at a
2. f is continuous at $g(a)$.

The proof of part (1.) the following theorem is identical to the proof given in Edwards for the general case. I will show that (2.) and (3.) also follow from the corresponding proposition for sums and products of real functions. Then I give a second proof which does not borrow from the theory of real mappings.

Proposition 2.2.18.

Assume $f, g : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow V \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ are continuous functions at $z_0 \in U$ and suppose $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

1. $f + g$ is continuous at z_0 .
2. fg is continuous at z_0
3. cf is continuous at z_0 .

Moreover, if f, g are continuous then $f + g, fg$ and cf are continuous.

Proof: We begin with the proof of (2.). Suppose $f = u + iv$ and $g = a + ib$ are continuous at z_o and note, omitting the z -dependence,

$$fg = (u + iv)(a + ib) = ua - vb + i(ub + va).$$

In terms of real notation we have $fg = (ua - vb, ub + va)$. But, we know u, v, a, b are continuous at z_o because they are the component functions of continuous functions f, g . Moreover, we find fg is continuous at z_o since it has component functions $(fg)_1 = ua - vb$ and $(fg)_2 = ub + va$ which are the sum or difference of products of continuous functions at z_o .

To prove (3.) just take the constant function $g(z) = c$. I leave the proof that the constant function is continuous as an exercise for the reader. \square

Hopefully you've noticed that the heart of the proofs given above were stolen from the corresponding theorems of real mappings. I did this purposefully because I want to draw a clear distinction between these results on continuity and the later results we'll find for complex differentiability. The proof that follows is self-contained.

Proof: Suppose $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} f(z) = f_o$ and $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} g(z) = g_o$. Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since the limit of f at z_o exists we can find $\delta_f > 0$ such that $0 < |z - z_o| < \delta_f$ implies $|f(z) - f_o| < \epsilon/2$. Likewise, as the limit of g at z_o exists we can find $\delta_g > 0$ such that $0 < |z - z_o| < \delta_g$ implies $|g(z) - g_o| < \epsilon/2$. Suppose that $\delta = \min(\delta_f, \delta_g)$ and assume that $z \in D_\delta^o(z_o)$. It follows that

$$|(f + g)(z) - (f_o + g_o)| = |f(z) + g(z) - f_o - g_o| \leq |f(z) - f_o| + |g(z) - g_o| < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon.$$

Thus $0 < |z - z_o| < \delta$ implies $|(f + g)(z) - (f_o + g_o)| < \epsilon$. Therefore,

$$\boxed{\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} (f(z) + g(z)) = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} f(z) + \lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} g(z)}$$

Part (1.) of the proposition follows immediately.

Preparing for the proof of (2): We need to study $|f(z)g(z) - f_o g_o|$. Consider that

$$|f(z)g(z) - f_o g_o| = |f(z)g(z) - f(z)g_o + f(z)g_o - f_o g_o| = |f(z)(g(z) - g_o) + (f(z) - f_o)g_o|$$

Then we can use properties of the modulus to find:

$$|f(z)g(z) - f_o g_o| \leq |f(z)||g(z) - g_o| + |g_o||f(z) - f_o|$$

Note that we can choose a $\delta > 0$ such that if $z \in D_\delta^o(z_o)$ then both $|g(z) - g_o|$ and $|f(z) - f_o|$ are as small as we'd like. Furthermore, if $|f(z) - f_o| < \beta$ then $|f(z)| < |f_o| + \beta$. Consider then that if $|f(z) - f_o| < \beta$ and $|g(z) - g_o| < \beta$ it follows that

$$|f(z)g(z) - f_o g_o| < (|f_o| + \beta)\beta + |g_o|\beta = \beta^2 + \beta(|f_o| + |g_o|)$$

Our goal is to find a δ such that $z \in D_\delta^o(z_o)$ implies $|f(z)g(z) - f_o g_o| < \epsilon$. In view of our calculations up to this point we see that this can be accomplished if we could choose β such that

$$\beta^2 + \beta(|f_o| + |g_o|) = \epsilon.$$

Apply the quadratic equation to find

$$\beta = \frac{-|f_o| - |g_o| \pm \sqrt{(|f_o| + |g_o|)^2 + 4\epsilon}}{2}$$

Note that it is clear that the (+) solution does yield $\beta > 0$.

Proof: Let $\epsilon > 0$. Define

$$\beta = \frac{-|f_o| - |g_o| + \sqrt{(|f_o| + |g_o|)^2 + 4\epsilon}}{2}.$$

Since the limits of f and g exist it follows that we choose $\delta > 0$ such that $z \in D_\delta^o(z_o)$ implies both $|g(z) - g_o| < \beta$ and $|f(z) - f_o| < \beta$. The following calculations were justified in the paragraph preceding the proof:

$$|f(z)g(z) - f_o g_o| < \beta^2 + \beta(|f_o| + |g_o|) = \epsilon.$$

Therefore,

$$\boxed{\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} f(z)g(z) = \left(\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} f(z) \right) \left(\lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} g(z) \right)}$$

Part (2.) of the proposition follows immediately. \square .

2.3 connected sets, domains and regions

To avoid certain pathological cases we often insist that the set considered is a **domain** or a **region**. These are technical terms in this context and we should be careful not to confuse them with their previous uses in mathematical discussion.

Definition 2.3.1.

If $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ then we define the **directed line segment from a to b** to be the set

$$[a, b] = \{a + t(b - a) \mid t \in [0, 1]\}$$

Definition 2.3.2.

A **polygonal path** γ from a to b in \mathbb{C} is the union of finitely many line segments which are placed end to end;

$$\gamma = [a, z_1] \cup [z_1, z_2] \cup \cdots \cup [z_{n-2}, z_{n-1}] \cup [z_{n-1}, b]$$

Definition 2.3.3.

A set $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is **connected** iff there exists a polygonal path contained in S between any two points in S . That is for all $a, b \in S$ there exists a polygonal path γ from a to b such that $\gamma \subseteq S$.

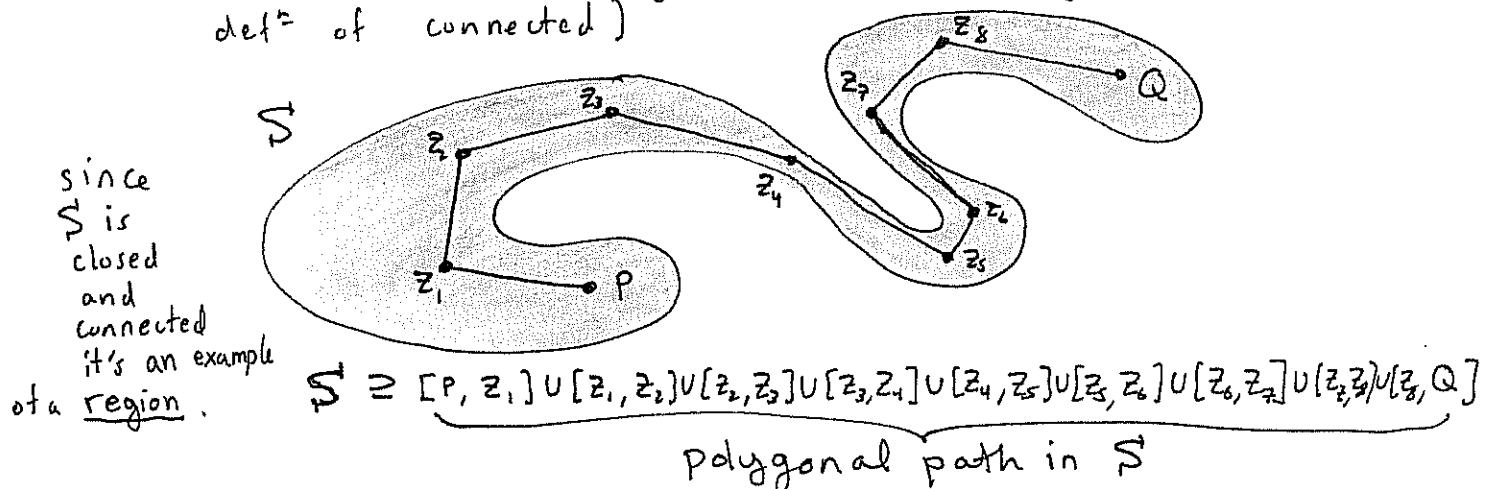
Incidentally, the definitions just offered for \mathbb{C} apply equally well to \mathbb{R}^n .

Definition 2.3.4.

An open connected set is called a **domain**. We say R is a **region** if $R = D \cup S$ where D is a domain D and $S \subseteq \partial D$.

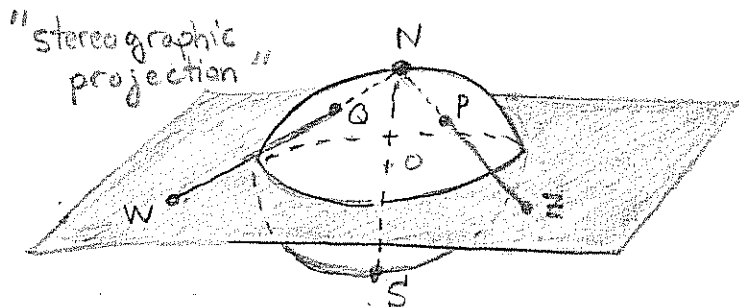
Example 2.3.5. . .

The set below is path-connected since a path in S connects any pair of points in S . Inside \mathbb{C} it turns out connected and path connected are same concept (ask me if you wish to know general defⁿ of connected)



2.4 Riemann sphere and the point at ∞

The Riemann sphere sets up a correspondence between the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ and the complex plane. In short, the stereographic projection maps each point on the sphere to a particular point on the complex plane. The one exception is the North Pole $(0, 0, 1)$. It is natural to identify the North Pole with ∞ for the complex plane. This is primarily a topological construction, all sense of distance is lost in the mapping.



$$\begin{aligned} P &\leftrightarrow z, \quad Q \leftrightarrow w \\ S &\leftrightarrow z = 0 \\ N &\leftrightarrow z = \infty \\ \mathbb{S}^2 &\leftrightarrow \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}. \end{aligned}$$

As far as this course is concerned the point at infinity is simply a convenient concept to describe a limit where the value of the modulus gets arbitrarily large. The complex numbers together with ∞ is called the *extended complex plane*.

Definition 2.4.1.

We say that $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = \infty$ iff for all $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $0 < |z - z_0| < \delta$ implies $|f(z)| > 1/\epsilon$. We define a neighborhood of ∞ as follows:

$$D_\epsilon(\infty) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} \mid |w| > 1/\epsilon\}$$

For each $\epsilon > 0$ we need to find $\delta > 0$ such that $f(D_\delta(z_0)) \subset D_\epsilon(\infty)$ if we wish to prove $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = \infty$. Limits "at" infinity are likewise defined:

Definition 2.4.2.

We say that $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = w_0$ iff for all $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $|z| > 1/\delta$ implies $|f(z) - w_0| < \epsilon$.

Example 2.4.3. . .

Claim: $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{z}\right) = 0.$

Proof: Let $\epsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta = \epsilon$.

Suppose $|z| > 1/\delta$ and consider, $|z| > 1/\delta \Rightarrow \frac{1}{|z|} < \delta$

$$\left|\frac{1}{z} - 0\right| = \left|\frac{1}{z}\right| = \frac{1}{|z|} < \delta = \epsilon.$$

Thus the limit follows.

Proposition 2.4.4.

Suppose $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a complex function and z_0 is a limit point of S then,

$$(1.) \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = \infty \quad \text{iff} \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{1}{f(z)} = 0$$

$$(2.) \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = w_0 \quad \text{iff} \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(1/z) = w_0$$

$$(3.) \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = \infty \quad \text{iff} \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{f(1/z)} = 0$$

I leave the proof to the reader. Let's see how to use these. We will need these later in places.

Example 2.4.5. . .

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2z + 3}{4z - 1} \right) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2/z + 3}{4/z - 1} \right) : \text{by (2.) and} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2 + 3z}{4 - z} \right) \text{future steps,} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{2}{4}}. \text{need for the} \\ &\quad \text{limit to exist.} \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.4.6. . . (Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$.)

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} (z^n) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\frac{1}{z^n}} \right) = \underbrace{\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} (z^n)}_{\text{Claim.}} = 0.$$

Proof of Claim: Let $\epsilon > 0$ choose $\delta = \sqrt[n]{\epsilon}$. Suppose $0 < |z| < \delta$,

$$|z^n| = |z|^n < \delta^n = \epsilon$$

$$\text{Thus } 0 < |z| < \delta \Rightarrow |z^n - 0| < \epsilon \therefore \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} (z^n) = 0.$$

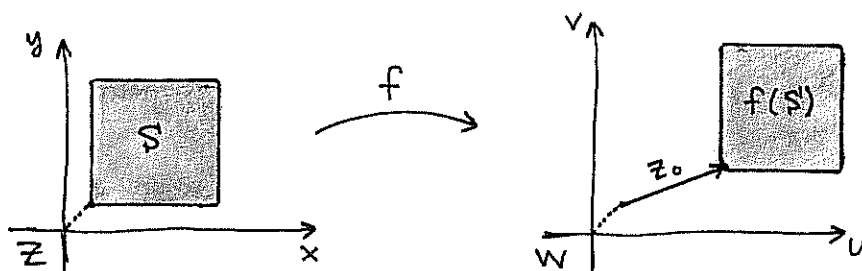
Remark 2.4.7: we'll see these sort of limits when we return to questions involving ∞ . For example, if you wish to integrate to the edge of \mathbb{C} then you want $z \rightarrow \infty$. For now these limits are a bit unusual.

2.5 transformations and mappings

The examples given in this section are by no means comprehensive. Mostly this section is just for fun. Notice that most of the transformations are given by functions with the exception of the square root transformation. The transformation $z \rightarrow w = z^{1/2}$ is called a **multiply-valued function**. We could say it is a 1 to 2 function, technically this means it is not a function in the strict sense of the term common to modern mathematics. We ought to say it is a **relation**. However, it is customary to refer to such relations as multiply-valued functions. We begin with a few simple transformations: in each case we picture the domain and range as separate complex planes. The domain is called the z -plane whereas the range is in the w -plane.

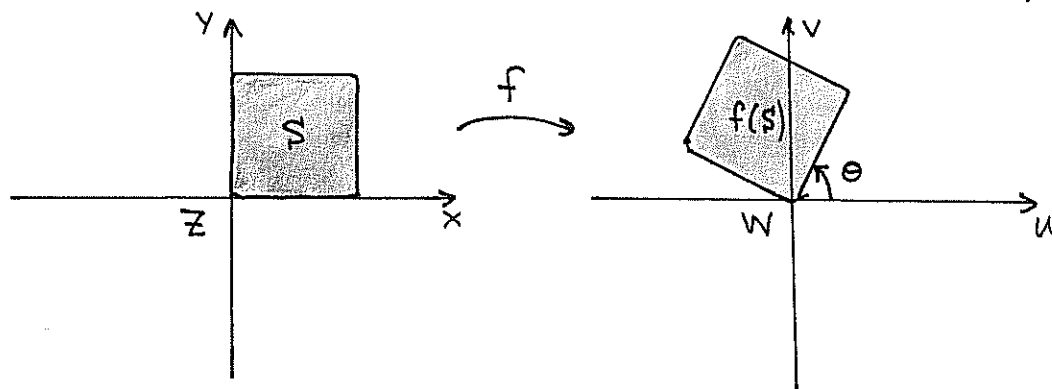
2.5.1 translations

Example 2.5.1. . . Let $f(z) = z + z_0$. Then if $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}_z$ we'll find $f(S) = z_0 + S \subseteq \mathbb{C}_w$



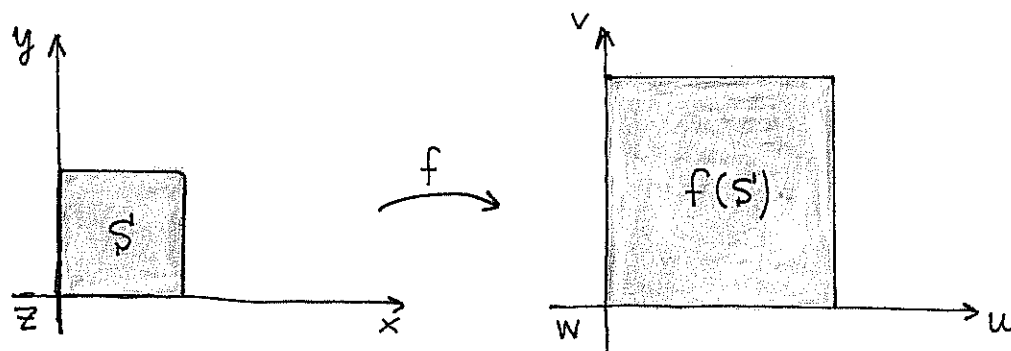
2.5.2 rotations

Example 2.5.2. . . Let $f(z) = e^{i\theta} z$. Note that this is same as $f(x+iy) = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)(x+iy) = \cos \theta x - \sin \theta y + i(\sin \theta x + \cos \theta y)$
 $\Rightarrow f(x,y) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}}_{2 \times 2 \text{ rotation matrix.}} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$



2.5.3 magnifications

Example 2.5.3. . . Let $f(z) = c z$ for some $c \in \mathbb{R}$.



($c > 1$ magnifies whereas $c < 1$ shrinks shapes)

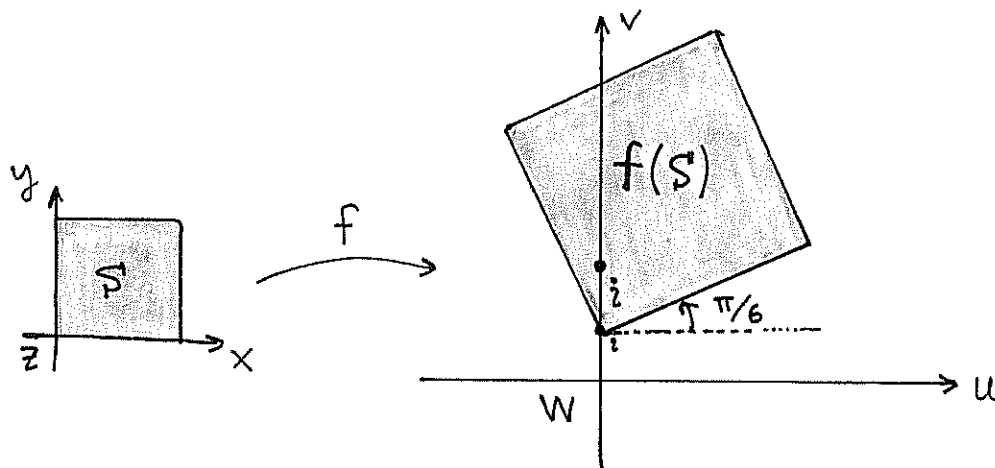
2.5.4 linear mappings

Example 2.5.4. . . $f(z) = m z + b$ is actually an affine mapping since $f(0) = b \neq 0$ generally speaking. Now, $m \in \mathbb{C}$ can be written in polar form as $m = c e^{i\beta}$ thus

$$f(z) = c e^{i\beta} z + b$$

$$\Rightarrow f = (T_b \circ M_c \circ R_\beta)(z) \begin{cases} T_b(z) = z + b : \text{translation.} \\ M_c(z) = c z : \text{magnification.} \\ R_\beta(z) = e^{i\beta} z : \text{rotation.} \end{cases}$$

For example, $f(z) = 2e^{i\pi/6} + i$



If $|m| = 1$ then $f(z) = m z + b$ gives rigid motion on plane.

2.5.5 the $w = z^2$ mapping

Example 2.5.5. . .

$$W = z^2 = (x + iy)^2 = x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy = u + iv = f(z)$$

This gives $u = x^2 - y^2$ and $v = 2xy$.

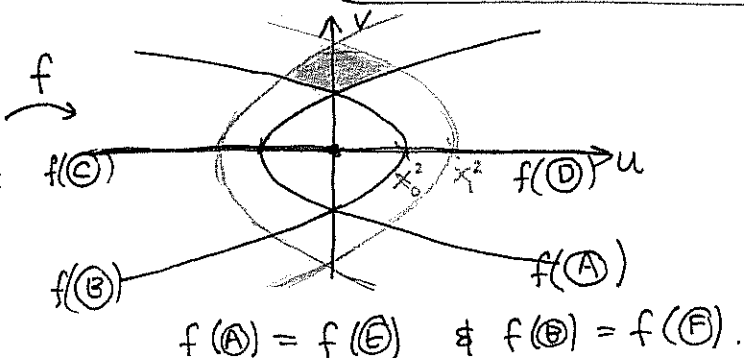
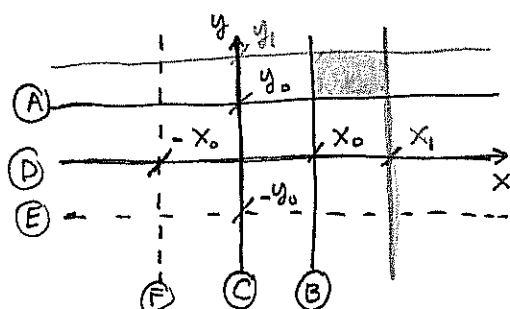
① $x = x_0$ maps to $u = x_0^2 - y^2$ and $v = 2x_0 y$

Hence $y = v/2x_0 \Rightarrow u = x_0^2 - \frac{v^2}{4x_0^2}$ sideways parabola opens leftward, has v-intercept $u = x_0^2$.

② $y = y_0$ maps to $u = x^2 - y_0^2$ and $v = 2xy_0$

Hence $x = v/2y_0 \Rightarrow u = \frac{v^2}{4y_0^2} - y_0^2$ sideways parabola opens rightward, has v-intercept $u = -y_0^2$.

Of course $x = 0$ and $y = 0$ are special cases

2.5.6 the $w = z^{1/2}$ mapping

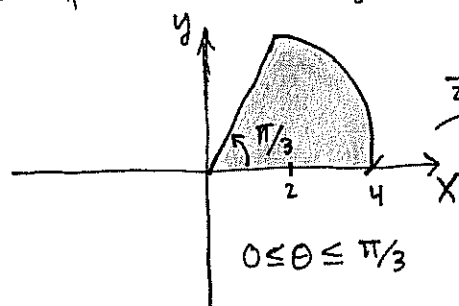
Example 2.5.6. . .

$$W = z^{1/2} = \{z_0 \in \mathbb{C} \mid z_0^2 = z\}$$

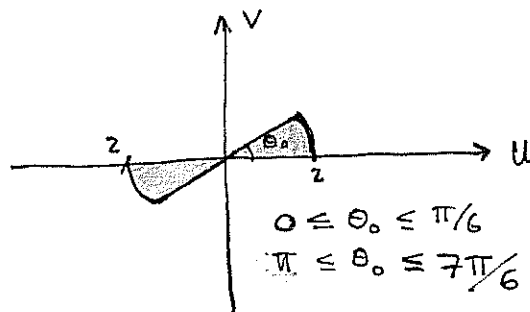
$$\begin{aligned} f(z) = f(re^{i\theta}) &= \{z_0 \in \mathbb{C} \mid r_0 e^{i\theta_0} = z_0, r_0^2 e^{2i\theta_0} = re^{i\theta}\} \\ &= \{r_0 e^{i\theta_0} \mid r_0^2 = r, 2\theta_0 = \theta + 2\pi k, k \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ &= \{\sqrt{r} e^{i\theta_0} \mid \theta_0 = \theta/2 \pm \pi k, k \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ &= \{\sqrt{r} e^{i\theta/2}, \sqrt{r} e^{i(\theta/2 + \pi)}\} \\ &= \{\sqrt{r} e^{i\theta/2}, -\sqrt{r} e^{i\theta/2}\} \end{aligned}$$

$\nearrow e^{i\pi} = -1$.

The square root mapping takes $z = re^{i\theta}$ to both $\sqrt{r} e^{i\theta/2}$ and $-\sqrt{r} e^{i\theta/2}$.



$$z \mapsto z^{1/2}$$



2.5.7 reciprocal mapping

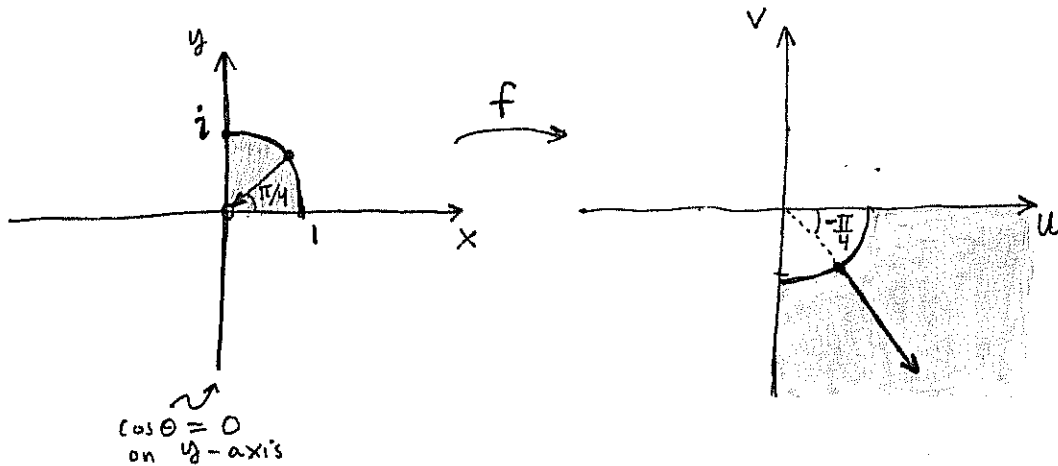
Example 2.5.7. . .

$$\text{Let } f(z) = \frac{1}{z} = \frac{\bar{z}}{z\bar{z}} = \frac{x-iy}{x^2+y^2} = u+iv \quad \begin{matrix} \nearrow u = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \\ \searrow v = \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2} \end{matrix}$$

Polar coordinates nice here, $f(r, \theta) = \frac{1}{r} \cos \theta - i \frac{1}{r} \sin \theta$.

This means $u = \cos \theta / r$ and $v = -\sin \theta / r$ we can eliminate r w/o much trouble; $v/u = -\tan \theta$

Thus, for $r \neq 0$ and $\cos \theta \neq 0$ we have $\underline{v = -\tan \theta u}$.



2.5.8 exponential mapping

Example 2.5.8. . .

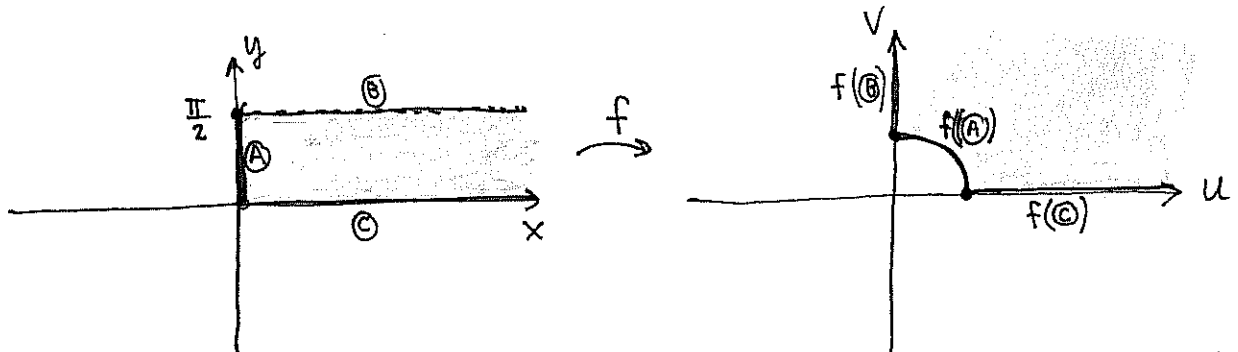
$$f(z) = e^z = e^{x+iy} = e^x \cos y + i e^x \sin y = u + iv$$

$$\text{We have } v = e^x \sin y \text{ and } u = e^x \cos y \Rightarrow \frac{v}{u} = \sin y / \cos y$$

Thus, $v = (\tan y)u$ for $\cos y \neq 0$. Let $w = e^z$, note

that $|w| = |e^z| = |e^x e^{iy}| = e^x$ thus $|w| \neq 0$ whereas

$-\infty < x \leq 0$ maps to $0 < |w| < e^0 = 1$ and $x \geq 0$ maps to $1 \leq |w| < \infty$.



- If $S = \{ (x, y) \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } y_0 \leq y \leq y_0 + 2\pi \}$ then $f(S) = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$.
- The exponential is 1-1 with respect to a 2π -width horizontal strip.

2.6 branch cuts

The inverse mappings of $w = z^n$ and $w = e^z$ are $w = z^{1/n}$ or $w = \log(z)$. Technically these are not functions since the mappings $w = z^n$ and $w = e^z$ are not injective. If we cut down the domain of $w = z^n$ or $w = e^z$ then we can gain injectivity. The process of selecting just one of the many values of a multiply-valued function is called a **branch cut**. If a particular point is common to all the branch cuts for a particular mapping then the point is called a **branch point**. I don't attempt a general definition here. We'll see how the branch cuts work for the root and logarithm in this section.

2.6.1 the principal root functions

$$(re^{i\theta})^{1/n} = \left\{ \underbrace{\sqrt[n]{r} e^{i\theta/n}}_{C_0}, \underbrace{\sqrt[n]{r} e^{i(\frac{\theta}{n} + \frac{2\pi}{n})}}_{C_0 \omega_n}, \dots, \underbrace{\sqrt[n]{r} e^{i(\frac{\theta}{n} + \frac{2\pi(n-1)}{n})}}_{C_0 \omega_n^{n-1}} \right\}$$

$f(z) = z^n$ is not injective on all of \mathbb{C} , we need to restrict the dom(f) to a sector. Consider

$$f(z_1) = f(z_2)$$

$$z_1^n = z_2^n$$

$$(r_1 e^{i\theta_1})^n = (r_2 e^{i\theta_2})^n$$

$$r_1^n e^{i\theta_1 n} = r_2^n e^{i\theta_2 n} \Rightarrow n\theta_1 = n\theta_2 + 2\pi k \text{ for } k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

If we restrict θ_1, θ_2 to the range $(\frac{2\pi}{n}k, \frac{2\pi}{n}(k+1))$
then $\frac{2\pi k}{n} < \theta_1, \theta_2 < \frac{2\pi(k+1)}{n}$ thus,

$$n\theta_1 = n\theta_2 + 2\pi k \rightarrow \theta_1 = \theta_2 + \frac{2\pi k}{n}$$

If $k \geq 1$ and $n > 1$ then we'd have

$$\frac{2\pi k}{n} < \theta_1, \theta_2 < \frac{2\pi k}{n} + \frac{2\pi}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_1 = \theta_2 + \frac{2\pi k}{n}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \theta_1 - \theta_2 = \frac{2\pi k}{n} \geq \frac{2\pi}{n}$$

But, this contradicts the inequality above hence $k=0$ and $\theta_1 = \theta_2$.

Observation: $f(z) = z^n$ is injective on any sector with $\theta_0 \leq \theta < \theta_0 + \frac{2\pi}{n}$

A branch cut of $z^{1/n}$ is a selection of a single root from the set of outputs. This makes the branch cut a local inverse for $f(z) = z^n$. A branch cut makes a multiply-valued map into a function.

§2.6.1 the principal root functions (continued)

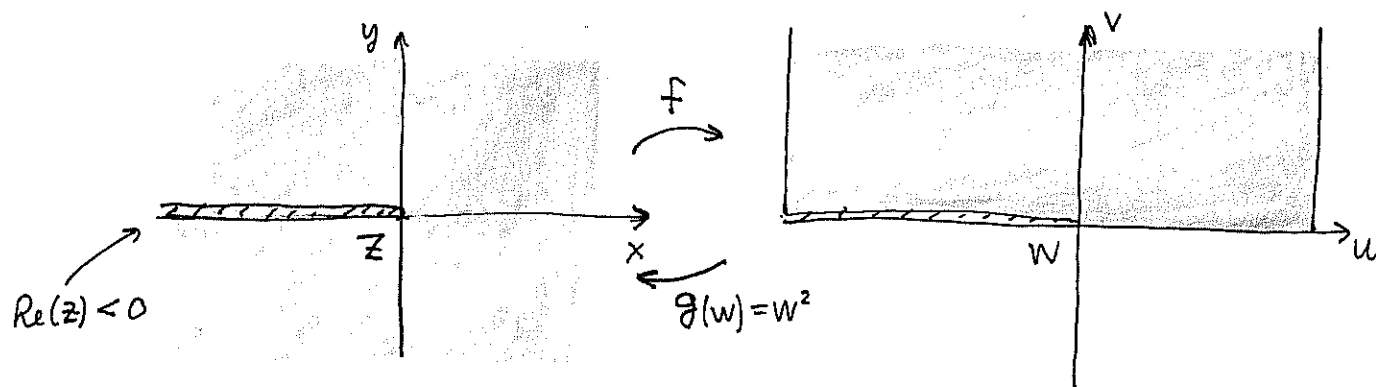
Example: $f(z) = \{w \in \mathbb{C}^{1/2} \mid 0 \leq \text{Arg}(w) \leq \pi\}$, $\text{dom}(f) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \theta \neq \pi\}$

$$f(1) = \{w \in 1^{1/2} \mid 0 \leq \text{Arg}(w) \leq \pi\}, \quad 1^{1/2} = \{1, -1\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(1+i) &= \{w \in (1+i)^{1/2} \mid 0 \leq \text{Arg } w < \pi\} \\ &= \{w \in \left\{\frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{-1-i}{\sqrt{2}}\right\} \mid 0 \leq \text{Arg } w < \pi\} \\ &= \frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{since } \text{Arg}\left(\frac{1+i}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \pi/4 \end{aligned}$$

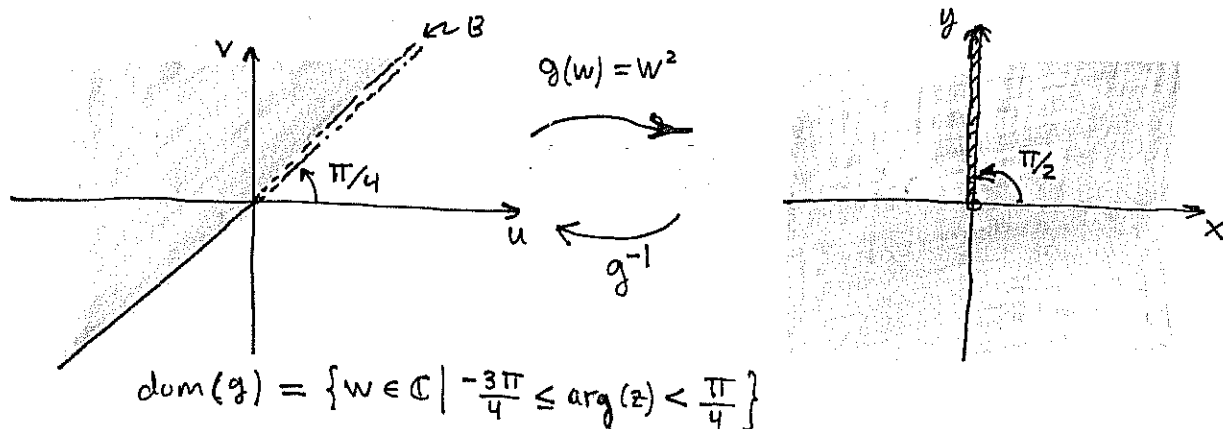
$\text{Arg}(1) = 0, \text{Arg}(-1) = \pi$
 $\Rightarrow \underline{f(1) = 1}$

You can see that f is single valued because we have selected just one of the two-values for $z^{1/2}$ relative to the set $\text{dom}(f) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid z \neq x < 0, z = x+iy\}$



Let $g(w) = w^2$ for $0 \leq \text{Arg}(w) < \pi$ then we see that $g = f^{-1}$ and $f^{-1} = g$. In other words, f is a local inverse for the squared function $h(z) = z^2$.

There are many other branches for $z^{1/2}$. If we restrict $h(w) = w^2$ to any half-plane then h is injective onto \mathbb{C} modulo a branch cut.

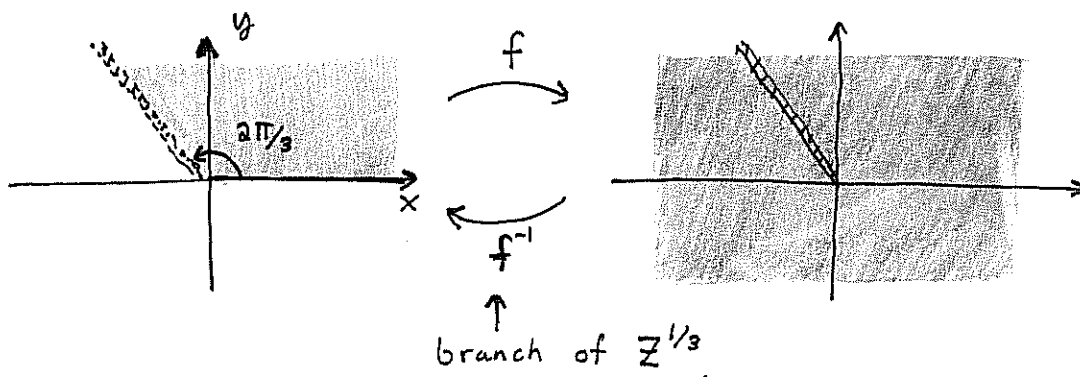


§ 2.6.1 the principal root function (continued)

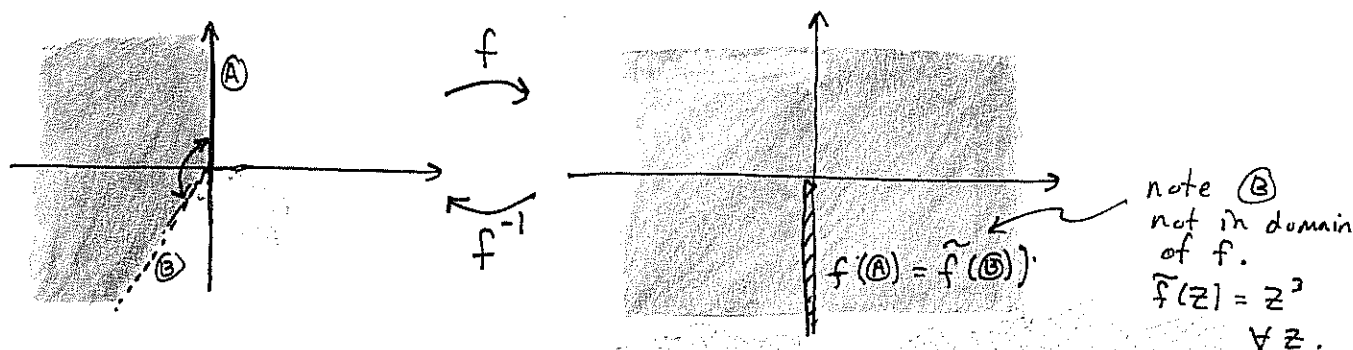
Example: Let $f(z) = z^3$ with $\text{dom}(f) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid 0 \leq \text{Arg}(z) < 2\pi/3\}$

$$\text{then } f^{-1}(w) = \{z \in \text{dom}(f) \mid z^3 = w\}$$

this selects the cube-root
with $0 \leq \text{Arg}(z) < 2\pi/3$



Example: Let $f(z) = z^3$ with $\text{dom}(f) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \frac{\pi}{2} \leq \text{Arg}(z) < \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{2\pi}{3}\}$



Note $f(i) = i^3 = -i$ and

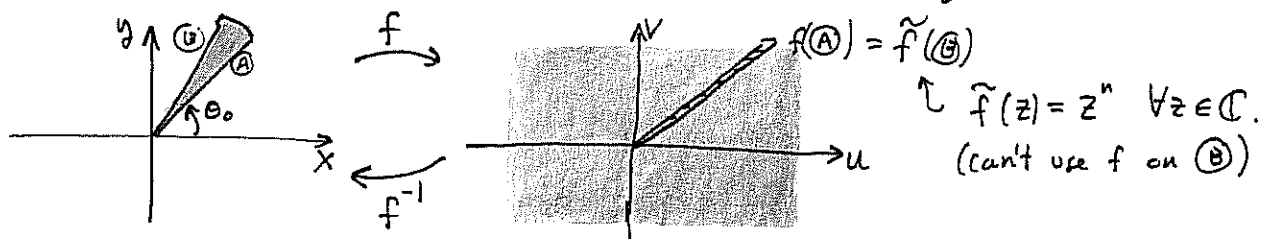
Remark: If we restrict $f(z) = z^n$ to a domain,

$$\text{dom } f = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \theta_0 \leq \arg(z) < \theta_0 + \frac{2\pi}{n}\}$$

then f will be one-one and

$$f^{-1}(w) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \theta_0 \leq \arg(z) < \theta_0 + \frac{2\pi}{n}\}$$

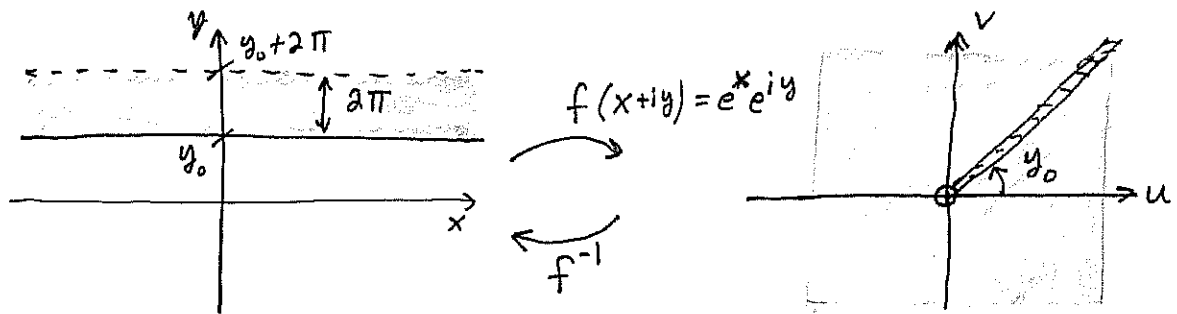
with $\text{dom}(f^{-1}) = \text{range}(f) = \mathbb{C} - \{re^{in\theta_0} \mid r \leq 0\}$



2.6.2 logarithms

We defined $e^z = e^{x+iy} = e^x \cos(y) + ie^x \sin(y) \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Notice $e^{z+2\pi im} = e^z$ for all $m \in \mathbb{Z}$. Therefore, if $f(z) = e^z$ then we must choose $\text{dom}(f)$ as a horizontal strip with width 2π if we want f to be injective.



The inverse functions for particular restrictions of the $z \mapsto e^z$ function are called logarithms.

We can define a multiply-valued function

$$\log(z) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} \mid e^w = z, z \neq 0\}$$

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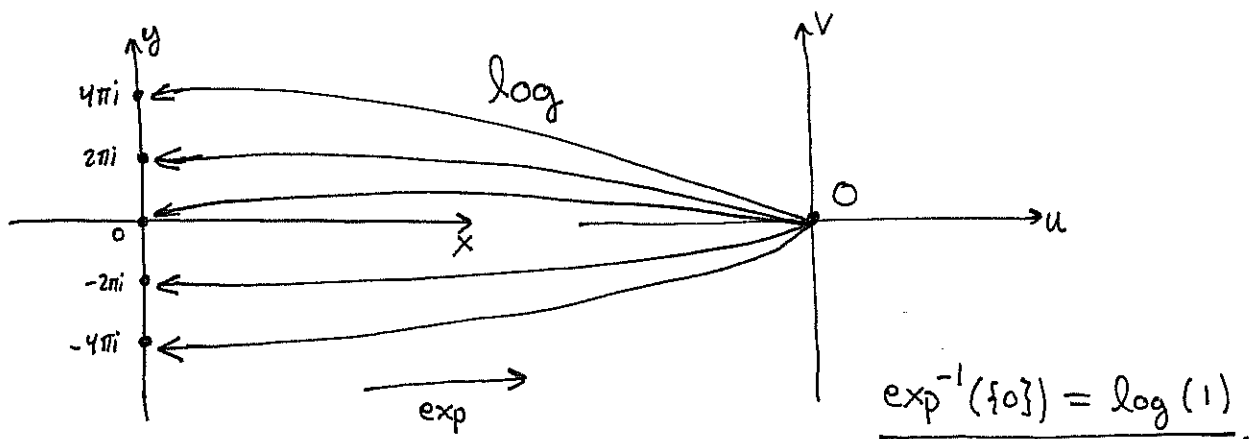
$$\begin{aligned} \log(re^{i\theta}) &= \{w \in \mathbb{C} \mid e^w = re^{i\theta}, r \neq 0\} \\ &= \{u+iv \in \mathbb{C} \mid e^u e^{iv} = re^{i\theta}, r \neq 0\} \\ &= \{u+iv \in \mathbb{C} \mid e^u = r, v = \theta + 2\pi k, k \in \mathbb{Z}\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \log(re^{i\theta}) = \{\ln(r) + i(\theta + 2\pi k) \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}, r \neq 0\}$$

Equivalently,

$$\log(z) = \underbrace{\ln|z| + i\arg(z)}_{\text{this is a set.}}$$

Example: $\log(1) = \{ \ln(1) + i\theta \mid \theta \in \arg(1) \} = \{ 2\pi ki \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \}$.



Example:

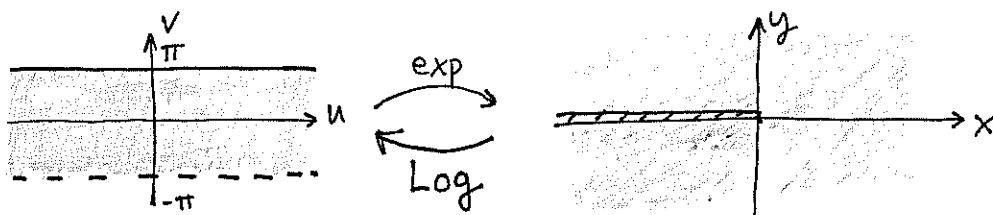
$$\begin{aligned} \log(4+5i) &= \log(\sqrt{41} e^{i \tan^{-1}(5/4)}) \\ &= \{ \ln \sqrt{41} + i(\tan^{-1}(5/4) + 2\pi k) \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \} \end{aligned}$$

Defⁿ/ $\text{Log}(z) = \ln|z| + i \text{Arg}(z)$ for $z \in \mathbb{C}$ & $z \neq 0$

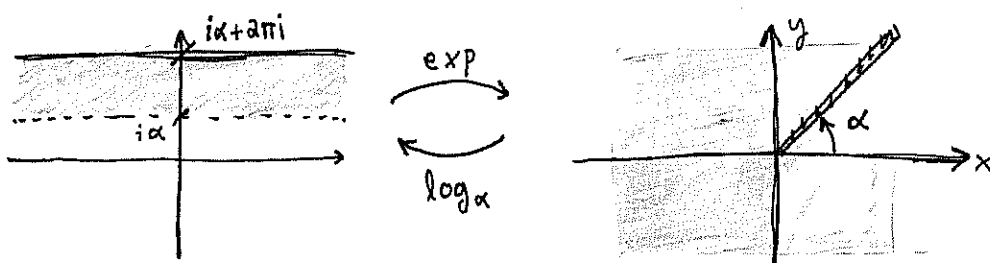
Example:

$$\text{Log}(4+5i) = \ln \sqrt{41} + i \tan^{-1}(5/4).$$

the Log is the principal logarithm, it is a branch of \log .



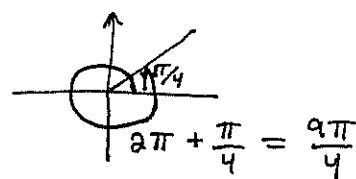
For Log the branch is along the negative x-axis.



Defⁿ/ $\log_\alpha(z) = \ln|z| + i\theta$ where $\theta \in \arg(z)$ and $\alpha < \theta \leq \alpha + 2\pi$

Ex) $\log_{2\pi}(2+2i) = \log_{2\pi}(\sqrt{8} e^{i\pi/4})$
 $= \ln \sqrt{8} + i\theta$
 $= \ln \sqrt{8} + \frac{9\pi i}{4}$

need $2\pi < \theta \leq 4\pi$
 and $e^{i\pi/4} = e^{i\theta}$



Proposition: $e^{\log(z)} = z$ BUT $\log(e^z) \neq z$ \neq

Proof: $\log(z) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} - \{0\} \mid e^w = z\}$ thus $w \in \log(z)$
 implies $e^w = z$. This holds for all $w \in \log(z) \therefore e^{\log(z)} = z$.
 Perhaps we should say $e^{\log(z)} = \{z\}$ to be clear this is
 a statement about sets of values. In other words,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\log(z)} &= e^{\ln|z| + i\arg(z)} \\ &= |z| e^{i\arg(z)} \\ &= |z| e^{i\text{Arg}(z)} \\ &= z. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, $\log(e^{i\pi}) = \log(e^{3\pi i})$ but $i\pi \neq 3\pi i$.
 We can say $\{z\} \subset \log(e^z)$.

Proposition: $\text{Log}(z^2) \neq 2\text{Log}(z)$. ($\exists z$ such that the eqⁿ fails.)

Proof: Let $z = -1+i$ then $z^2 = (-1+i)(-1+i) = -2i$

$$-2i = 2e^{-i\pi/2} \Rightarrow \text{Log}(z^2) = \text{Log}(2e^{-i\pi/2}) = \ln(2) - i\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$2\text{Log}(z) = 2\text{Log}(-1+i) = 2\text{Log}(\sqrt{2} e^{+3\pi i/4}) = 2(\ln \sqrt{2} + \frac{3\pi i}{4})$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\text{Log}(z) = \ln(2) + \frac{3\pi i}{2} \neq \ln(2) - \frac{\pi i}{2} = \text{Log}(z^2)$$

Remark: properties of real logarithms and power functions, root functions
 do not always transfer over to the complex case. For example,
 $1 = \sqrt{1} = \sqrt{(-1)(-1)} = \sqrt{-1} \sqrt{-1} = i \cdot i = -1$ (oops!)

Complex Power Function

$$\text{Def}^1 / z^c = e^{c \log(z)} = e^{c \text{Log}(z)}.$$

Usual Laws of Real Power functions would translate to:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} (z^c)^d = z^{cd} \\ \textcircled{2} z^a z^b = z^{a+b} \end{array} \right\} \text{Question: when do these hold true??}$$

Challenge: find counter-examples to the laws above in the complex setting. The corresponding laws for exponents also fail,

$$\textcircled{3} \text{Log}(z_1 z_2) = \text{Log}(z_1) + \text{Log}(z_2)$$

$$\textcircled{4} \text{Log}(z_1^c) = c \text{Log}(z_1)$$

Sometimes $\textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}, \textcircled{3}, \textcircled{4}$ are true, but since $\exists z, z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ such that they fail we say the usual laws of exponents and logarithms fail. You need to cut down to a particular domain if you want $\textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}, \textcircled{3}$ and $\textcircled{4}$ to hold true.

$$\text{Again: } \sqrt{1 \cdot 1} = \sqrt{(-1)(-1)} = \sqrt{-1} \sqrt{-1} = i \cdot i = -1$$
$$\underbrace{(zz)^{1/2}}_{\text{not true in general!}} = z^{1/2} z^{1/2}$$

Def² / $c^z = e^{z \text{Log}(c)}$ defines an exponential function for a complex base c .

$$\text{Ex)} \quad i^z = e^{z \text{Log}(i)} = e^{z \text{Log}(e^{i\pi/2})} = e^{i z \pi/2} \quad \text{not } e^{i z \pi/2}$$

Ex) Continued

$$\begin{aligned} i^{x+iy} &= e^{i[x+iy]\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ &= \exp\left(\frac{ix\pi}{2} - \frac{y\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{y\pi}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) + i \exp\left(-\frac{y\pi}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Application: the Cauchy-Euler Diff Eqⁿ

To solve $at^2y'' + bty' + cy = 0$ guess $y = t^m$ (*)
 so that $y' = mt^{m-1}$ and $y'' = m(m-1)t^{m-2}$ hence,

$$at^2(m(m-1)t^{m-2}) + bt(mt^{m-1}) + ct^m = 0$$

$$(a(m(m-1)) + bm + c)t^m = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow am(m-1) + bm + c = 0 \text{ for solⁿ } y = t^m \text{ to solve (*)}$$

Ex) $t^2y'' + 5ty' + 3y = 0$ - (**)

$$\Rightarrow m(m-1) + 5m + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 + 4m + 3 = (m+1)(m+3) = 0 \quad \therefore m_1 = -1, m_2 = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow y = c_1 t^{-1} + c_2 t^{-3} \text{ solves **}$$

Ex) $t^2y'' + ty' + 4y = 0$ - (***) (for $t > 0$)

$$\Rightarrow m(m-1) + m + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{m = \pm 2i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= t^{ai} = e^{ai \log(t)} \\ &= e^{ai \ln(t)} \\ &= \cos(2 \ln(t)) + i \sin(2 \ln(t)) \end{aligned}$$

complex solⁿ for (***)

Complex Solⁿ gives two real, linearly independent solⁿs to a linear DEⁿ $\Rightarrow y = c_1 \cos(2 \ln(t)) + c_2 \sin(2 \ln(t))$

Chapter 3

complex differentiation

The concept of complex differentiation is the natural analogue of real differentiation.

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

The interesting feature is that there are many complex functions which have simple formulas and yet fail to be complex-differentiable. For example $f(z) = \bar{z}$. Such functions are usually real-differentiable. The Cauchy-Riemann equations for $f = u + iv$ are

$$u_x = -v_y \quad u_y = v_x \quad \text{Cauchy-Riemann (CR)-equations.}$$

We'll see the CR-equations at a point are necessary conditions for differentiability of a complex function at a point. However, they are not sufficient. This is not surprising since the same is true in multivariate real calculus. We all should have learned in calculus III that the derivative of a mapping exists at some point iff the partial derivatives exist and are continuous in some neighborhood of a point. What is interesting is that the rather unrestrictive condition that the partial derivatives of the component functions exist is replaced with the technical condition that the Cauchy Riemann equations are satisfied. But again, that is not enough to insure complex differentiability. We need continuity of the partial derivatives in some neighborhood of the point.

In this chapter we also discuss the polar form of the CR-equations as well as the concept of analytic functions and entire functions. We introduce a few new functions which are natural extensions of their real counterparts.

3.1 theory of differentiation for functions from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2

I give a short account here. You can read more in the advanced calculus notes if you wish for motivations and examples etc... Our goal here is to briefly describe how to differentiate $f(x, y) = (u(x, y), v(x, y))$. The derivative is the matrix of the linear transformation which gives the best linear approximation to the change in the transformation near some point.

Definition 3.1.1.

Suppose that U is open and $f : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a mapping then we say that f is **differentiable** at $p_o = (x_o, y_o) \in U$ iff there exists a linear mapping $L : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a) - L(h)}{\|h\|} = 0.$$

In such a case we call the linear mapping L the **differential** at p_o and we denote $L = df_{p_o}$. If $f = (u, v)$ then the matrix of the differential is called the **Jacobian** of f at p_o and it has the form

$$J_f(p_o) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(p_o) & v_x(p_o) \\ u_y(p_o) & v_y(p_o) \end{bmatrix} \quad L(v) = J_f(p_o)v$$

Example 3.1.2. . .

$$f(x, y) = (x + y, 2x + 3y) \Rightarrow u = x + y \quad \& \quad v = 2x + 3y.$$

$$J_f(p_o) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(p_o) & u_y(p_o) \\ v_x(p_o) & v_y(p_o) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Note } L(x, y) = J_f \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x+y \\ 2x+3y \end{bmatrix} = (x+y, 2x+3y)$$

Hence $L(x, y) = f(x, y)$ in this special case.

The best linear approx. of a linear transformation is itself!

If we were given that the partial derivatives of u and v exist at p_o then we could not say for certain that the derivative of $f = (u, v)$ exists at p_o . It could be that strange things happen along directions other than the coordinate axes. We need another concept to be able to build differentiability from partial derivatives.

Definition 3.1.3.

A mapping $f : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is **continuously differentiable** at $p_o \in U$ iff the partial derivative mappings u_x, u_y, v_x, v_y are continuous on an open set containing p_o . and u, v continuous.

The condition of continuity is key.

Theorem 3.1.4.

If f is continuously differentiable at p_0 then f is differentiable at p_0

You can find the proof in Edwards on pages 72-73. This is not a trivial theorem.

Example 3.1.5. . .

Given $u(x,y) = e^x + \cos(xy)$, $v(x,y) = \sqrt{xy}$ we note that $U = [1,2] \times [1,2]$ makes u, v, u_x, u_y, v_x, v_y continuous at each point in U . Thus we can construct the mapping $f(x,y) = (u, v)$ and be certain it is differentiable at each point in U because we were given the needed hypotheses for continuous differentiability.

3.2 complex linearity

Finally, note that we have $L(cv) = cL(v)$ for all $c \in \mathbb{R}$ in the context of the definitions and theorems thus far in this section. The linearity is with respect to \mathbb{R} . In contrast, if we have some function $T: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$(1.) T(v+w) = T(v) + T(w) \text{ for all } v, w \in \mathbb{C} \quad (2.) T(cv) = cT(v) \text{ for all } c, v \in \mathbb{C}$$

then we would say that T is **complex-linear**. Condition (1.) is **additivity** whereas condition (2.) is **homogeneity**. Note that complex linearity implies real linearity however the converse is not true.

Example 3.2.1. . .

Note $f(x,y) = (x+y, 2x+3y)$ is not complex linear. Write $f(x+iy) = (x+y) + i(2x+3y)$ to see this claim clearly. Note that

$$f(i) = f(0+i(1)) = 0+1+i(2(0)+3(1)) = 1+3i$$

$$\text{whereas } f(i1) = i f(1) = i(1+2i) = i-2 \neq 1+3i.$$

Not every real linear map from $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is complex linear. Complex linearity is very special.

Let $f(x+iy) = (a+ib)(x+iy) \leftarrow \det^2 \text{ for now.}$

$$= ax - by + i(bx + ay)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} ax - by \\ bx + ay \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

this calculation shows if $f(z) = \lambda z$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\lambda = a+ib$ then it's same as 2×2 matrix multiplication of $\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$

Suppose that L is a linear mapping from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 . It is known from linear algebra that there exists a matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ such that $L(v) = Av$ for all $v \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

Theorem 3.2.2.

The linear mapping $L(v) = Av$ is complex linear iff the matrix A will have the special form below:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

To be clear, we mean to identify \mathbb{R}^2 with \mathbb{C} as before. Thus the condition of complex homogeneity reads $L((a,b) * (x,y)) = (a,b) * L(x,y)$

Proof: assume L is complex linear. Define the matrix of L as before:

$$L(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

This yields,

$$L(x + iy) = ax + by + i(cx + dy)$$

We can gain conditions on the matrix by examining the special points $1 = (1,0)$ and $i = (0,1)$

$$L(1,0) = (a,c) \quad L(0,1) = (b,d)$$

Note that $(c_1, c_2) * (1,0) = (c_1, c_2)$ hence $L((c_1 + ic_2)1) = (c_1 + ic_2)L(1)$ yields

$$(ac_1 + bc_2) + i(cc_1 + dc_2) = (c_1 + ic_2)(a + ic) = c_1a - c_2c + i(c_1c + c_2a)$$

We find two equations by equating the real and imaginary parts:

$$ac_1 + bc_2 = c_1a - c_2c \quad cc_1 + dc_2 = c_1c + c_2a$$

Therefore, $bc_2 = -c_2c$ and $dc_2 = c_2a$ for all $(c_1, c_2) \in \mathbb{C}$. Suppose $c_1 = 0$ and $c_2 = 1$. We find $b = -c$ and $d = a$. We leave the converse proof to the reader. The proposition follows. \square

Example 3.2.3.

$$f(z) = z^2 = (x+iy)^2$$

$$f(x,y) = x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy$$

$$J_f = \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{bmatrix} : \begin{matrix} u = x^2 - y^2 \\ v = 2xy \end{matrix}$$

$$J_f = \begin{bmatrix} 2x & -2y \\ 2y & 2x \end{bmatrix}$$

actually, I just did it on pg. 44 if you look, I show any mapping $L(v) = \lambda v$ can be written as $L(v) = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re} \lambda & -\operatorname{Im} \lambda \\ \operatorname{Im} \lambda & \operatorname{Re} \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re} v \\ \operatorname{Im} v \end{bmatrix}$ and L linear from $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \Rightarrow L(v) = \lambda v = v\lambda$.

$\Rightarrow L(v) = J_f v$ is complex linear map. can also write as $L(v) = \lambda v$ for $\lambda = 2x + 2iy$.

got this from J_f -

$$\begin{aligned} L(a,b) &= L(a+ib) = (2x + 2iy)(a+ib) \\ &= 2xa - 2yb + i(2xb + 2ya) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2xa - 2yb \\ 2xb + 2ya \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2x & -2y \\ 2y & 2x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = J_f \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark: this equivalence between 2×2 and complex # multiplication needs complex linearity!

3.3 complex differentiability and the Cauchy Riemann equations

In analogy with the real case we could define $f'(z)$ as the slope of the best **complex-linear** approximation to the change in f near z . This is equivalent to the following definition:

Definition 3.3.1.

Suppose $f : \text{dom}(f) \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $z \in \text{dom}(f)$ then we define $f'(z)$ by the limit below:

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

The derivative function f' is defined pointwise for all such $z \in \text{dom}(f)$ that the limit above exists. When $f'(z)$ exists we say f is **complex differentiable at z** .

Note that $f'(z) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(z)h}{h}$ hence

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

Note that the limit above simply says that $L(v) = f'(z)v$ gives the is the best complex-linear approximation of $\Delta f = f(z+h) - f(z)$.

Proposition 3.3.2.

If f is a complex differentiable at z_o then linearization $L(h) = f'(z_o)h$ is a complex linear mapping.

Proof: let $c, h \in \mathbb{C}$ and note $L(ch) = f'(z_o)(ch) = cf'(z_o)h = cL(h)$. \square

The difference between the definitions of $L(h) = f'(z_o)h$ and $L(v) = J_f(p_o)v$ (see Definition 3.1.1) is that in the complex derivative we divide by a small complex number whereas in the derivative of $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ we divided by the norm of a two-dimensional vector¹.

Proposition 3.3.3.

If f is a complex differentiable at z_o then f is (real) differentiable at z_o with $L(h) = f'(z_o)h$.

Proof: note that $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z) - f'(z)h}{h} = 0$ implies

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

but then $|h| = \|h\|$ and we know $L(h) = f'(z_o)h$ is real-linear hence L is the best linear approximation to Δf at z_o and the proposition follows. \square

¹note that the definition of the derivative for $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is the same but $J_f(p_o)$ is then a $m \times n$ matrix of partials in the general case. Each row is the gradient vector of a component function, in the case $n = 1$ the Jacobian matrix gives us the gradient of the function; $J_f = (\nabla f)^T$.

Let's summarize what we've learned: if $f : \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is complex differentiable at z_0 and $f = u + iv$ then,

1. $L(h) = f'(z_0)h$ is complex linear.
2. $L(h) = f'(z_0)h$ is the best real linear approximation to f viewed as a mapping on \mathbb{R}^2 .

The Jacobian matrix for $f = (u, v)$ has the form

$$J_f(p_0) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(p_0) & u_y(p_0) \\ v_x(p_0) & v_y(p_0) \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem 3.2.2 applies to $J_f(p_0)$ since L is a complex linear mapping. Therefore we find the Cauchy Riemann equations: $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$. We have proved the following theorem:

Theorem 3.3.4.

If $f = u + iv$ is a complex function which is differentiable at z_0 then the partial derivatives of u and v exist at z_0 and satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations at z_0

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}.$$

Example 3.3.5. . .

$$f(z) = z^2 = x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy \quad \text{for } z = x + iy$$

hence $u = x^2 - y^2$ and $v = 2xy$. We can prove from $\text{def}^n \quad \frac{d}{dz}(z^2) = 2z$ so f is diff on \mathbb{C} .

Moreover, the CR eqⁿ's do indeed hold: $u_x = v_y = 2x$.
 $u_y = -v_x = -2y$.

$$\text{Note, } f'(z) = 2(x + iy) = u_x - iu_y.$$

The converse of Theorem 3.3.4 is not true in general. It is possible to have functions $u, v : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that satisfy the CR-equations at $z_0 \in U$ and yet $f = u + iv$ fails to be complex differentiable at z_0 . Indeed, this is the case even if we weakened our demand and simply requested real differentiability of $f = (u, v)$.

Example 3.3.6. Counter-example to converse of Theorem 3.3.4.

$$f(x + iy) = \begin{cases} x + iy & \text{for } (x, y) \in (\mathbb{R} \times \{0\}) \cup (\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}) \\ \pi & \text{all other } (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{C}. \end{cases}$$

Note that along the x or y axes we have $f(x + iy) = x + iy$
hence $u(x, y) = x$ and $v(x, y) = y$.

$$u_x = 1, u_y = 0 \quad v_x = 0, v_y = 1$$

Thus at $(0, 0)$ the CR-eqⁿ's hold; $u_x = v_y = 1 \neq u_y = -v_x = 0$.

However, $f'(0)$ does not exist since f is discontinuous at $(0, 0)$. (we'll prove in upcoming section that complex diff \Rightarrow complex continuity.)
(see next page)

Theorem 3.3.7.

If u, v, u_x, u_y, v_x, v_y are continuous functions in some open disk of z_0 and $u_x(z_0) = v_y(z_0)$ and $u_y(z_0) = -v_x(z_0)$ then $f = u + iv$ is complex differentiable at z_0 .

Proof: we are given that a function $f : D_\epsilon(z_0) \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is continuous with continuous partial derivatives of its component functions u and v . Therefore, by Theorem 3.1.4 we know f is (real) differentiable at z_0 . Therefore, we have a best linear approximation to the change in f near z_0 which can be induced via multiplication of the Jacobian matrix:

$$L(v_1, v_2) = \begin{bmatrix} u_x(z_0) & u_y(z_0) \\ v_x(z_0) & v_y(z_0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note then that the given CR-equations show the matrix of L has the form

$$[L] = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix}$$

where $a = u_x(z_0)$ and $b = v_x(z_0)$. Consequently we find L is complex linear and it follows that f is complex differentiable at z_0 since we have a complex linear map L such that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z) - L(h)}{\|h\|} = 0$$

note that the limit with h in the denominator is equivalent to the limit above which followed directly from the (real) differentiability at z_0 . (the following is not needed for the proof of the theorem, but perhaps it is interesting anyway) Moreover, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} L(h_1, h_2) &= \begin{bmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ -u_y & u_x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} u_x h_1 + u_y h_2 \\ -u_y h_1 + u_x h_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= u_x h_1 + u_y h_2 + i(-u_y h_1 + u_x h_2) \\ &= (u_x - iu_y)(h_1 + ih_2) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we find $f'(z_0) = u_x - iu_y$ gives $L(h) = f'(z_0)z$. \square

Th^m 3.3.8: If f is complex differentiable at z_0 then f is continuous at z_0 .

Proof: Given $f'(z_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(z_0+h) - f(z_0)}{h} \right) \in \mathbb{C}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note, } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [f(z_0+h) - f(z_0)] &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{h}{h} [f(z_0+h) - f(z_0)] \right] \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (h) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(z_0+h) - f(z_0)}{h} \right] \\ &= 0 \cdot f'(z_0) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(z_0+h) = f(z_0)$ and continuity at z_0 follows.

3.3.1 how to calculate df/dz via partial derivatives of components

If the partials exist and are continuous near a point z_0 and satisfy the CR-equations then we have a few nice formulas to calculate $f'(z)$:

| | | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| $f'(z) = u_x + iv_x$ | $f'(z) = v_y - iu_y$ | $f'(z) = u_x - iu_y$ | $f'(z) = v_y + iv_x$ |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\frac{df}{dz} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\frac{df}{dz} = \frac{1}{i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}} \quad \leftarrow \text{nice.}$

Example 3.3.8. . .

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(z) &= ze^z = (x+iy)e^x(\cos y + i\sin y) \quad \text{for } z = x+iy \\
 &= \underbrace{(xe^x \cos y - ye^x \sin y)}_u + i \underbrace{(xe^x \sin y + ye^x \cos y)}_v
 \end{aligned}$$

Note

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 u_x &= e^x \cos y + xe^x \cos y - ye^x \sin y \\
 u_y &= -xe^x \sin y - e^x \sin y - ye^x \cos y \\
 v_x &= e^x \sin y + xe^x \sin y + ye^x \cos y \\
 v_y &= xe^x \cos y + e^x \cos y + ye^x \sin y
 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} &\text{note that} \\ &u_x = v_y \\ &u_y = -v_x \end{aligned}$$

Also u, v, u_x, v_x, u_y, v_y continuous on $\mathbb{C} \therefore f'(z)$ exists $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}$.

In fact we can see

Example 3.3.9. . .

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(z) &= u_x - iu_y \\
 &= e^x(\cos y + x \cos y - y \sin y) + \\
 &\quad + ie^x(x \sin y + \sin y + y \cos y)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $f(z) = \bar{z}$

$$f(x+iy) = x - iy$$

$$\therefore u(x,y) = x \quad \& \quad v(x,y) = -y$$

Note $u_x = 1$ and $v_y = -1 \therefore$ CR eqⁿs fail to hold for $f(z) = \bar{z}$.

Example 3.3.10. . . fun with notation $\frac{df}{dz} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial z}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{df}{dz} &= \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + i \left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial z} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) \quad \begin{aligned} x &= \frac{1}{2}(z + \bar{z}) \\ y &= \frac{1}{2i}(z - \bar{z}) \end{aligned}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} u_x + \frac{1}{2i} u_y + i \left(\frac{1}{2} v_x + \frac{1}{2i} v_y \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (u_x + v_y) + i \left(\frac{1}{2} v_x - \frac{1}{2} u_y \right) = u_x - i u_y.$$

Question: why are these "formal" calculations? Answer: $\frac{\partial x}{\partial z} = ??$

3.3.2 Cauchy Riemann equations in polar coordinates

If we use polar coordinates to rewrite f as follows:

$$f(x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta)) = u(x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta)) + iv(x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta))$$

we use shorthands $F(r, \theta) = f(x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta))$ and $U(r, \theta) = u(x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta))$ and $V(r, \theta) = v(x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta))$. We derive the CR-equations in polar coordinates via the chain rule from multivariate calculus,

$$U_r = x_r u_x + y_r u_y = \cos(\theta) u_x + \sin(\theta) u_y \quad \text{and} \quad U_\theta = x_\theta u_x + y_\theta u_y = -r \sin(\theta) u_x + r \cos(\theta) u_y$$

Likewise,

$$V_r = x_r v_x + y_r v_y = \cos(\theta) v_x + \sin(\theta) v_y \quad \text{and} \quad V_\theta = x_\theta v_x + y_\theta v_y = -r \sin(\theta) v_x + r \cos(\theta) v_y$$

We can write these in matrix notation as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_r \\ U_\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) \\ -r \sin(\theta) & r \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_x \\ u_y \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{bmatrix} V_r \\ V_\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) \\ -r \sin(\theta) & r \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \end{bmatrix}$$

Multiply these by the inverse matrix: $\begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \sin(\theta) \\ -r \sin(\theta) & r \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{r} \begin{bmatrix} r \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ r \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$ to find

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_x \\ u_y \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{r} \begin{bmatrix} r \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ r \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_r \\ U_\theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) U_r - \frac{1}{r} \sin(\theta) U_\theta \\ \sin(\theta) U_r + \frac{1}{r} \cos(\theta) U_\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

A similar calculation holds for V . To summarize:

| | |
|--|--|
| $u_x = \cos(\theta) U_r - \frac{1}{r} \sin(\theta) U_\theta$ | $v_x = \cos(\theta) V_r - \frac{1}{r} \sin(\theta) V_\theta$ |
| $u_y = \sin(\theta) U_r + \frac{1}{r} \cos(\theta) U_\theta$ | $v_y = \sin(\theta) V_r + \frac{1}{r} \cos(\theta) V_\theta$ |

Another way to derive these would be to just apply the chain-rule directly to u_x ,

$$u_x = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}$$

where $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and $\theta = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$. I leave it to the reader to show you get the same formulas from that approach. The CR-equation $u_x = v_y$ yields:

$$(A.) \quad \cos(\theta) U_r - \frac{1}{r} \sin(\theta) U_\theta = \sin(\theta) V_r + \frac{1}{r} \cos(\theta) V_\theta$$

Likewise the CR-equation $u_y = -v_x$ yields:

$$(B.) \quad \sin(\theta) U_r + \frac{1}{r} \cos(\theta) U_\theta = -\cos(\theta) V_r + \frac{1}{r} \sin(\theta) V_\theta$$

Multiply (A.) by $r \sin(\theta)$ and (B.) by $r \cos(\theta)$ and subtract (A.) from (B.):

$$U_\theta = -rV_r$$

Likewise multiply (A.) by $r \cos(\theta)$ and (B.) by $r \sin(\theta)$ and add (A.) and (B.):

$$rU_r = V_\theta$$

Finally, recall that $z = re^{i\theta} = r(\cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta))$ hence

$$\begin{aligned} f'(z) &= u_x + iv_x \\ &= (\cos(\theta)U_r - \frac{1}{r} \sin(\theta)U_\theta) + i(\cos(\theta)V_r - \frac{1}{r} \sin(\theta)V_\theta) \\ &= (\cos(\theta)U_r + \sin(\theta)V_r) + i(\cos(\theta)V_r - \sin(\theta)U_r) \\ &= (\cos(\theta) - i \sin(\theta))U_r + i(\cos(\theta) - i \sin(\theta))V_r \\ &= e^{-i\theta}(U_r + iV_r) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.3.11.

If $f(re^{i\theta}) = U(r, \theta) + iV(r, \theta)$ is a complex function written in polar coordinates r, θ then the Cauchy Riemann equations are written $U_\theta = -rV_r$ and $rU_r = V_\theta$. If $f'(z_0)$ exists then the CR-equations in polar coordinates hold. Likewise, if the CR-equations hold in polar coordinates and all the polar component functions and their partial derivatives with respect to r, θ are continuous on an open disk about z_0 then $f'(z_0)$ exists and $f'(z) = e^{-i\theta}(U_r + iV_r)$.

Example 3.3.12. . .

$$\frac{df}{dz} = e^{i\theta} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \quad (\text{neat!})$$

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

$$U(r, \theta) = r \cos \theta \quad \& \quad V(r, \theta) = r \sin \theta$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} U_\theta = -r \sin \theta & \& V_\theta = r \cos \theta \\ U_r = \cos \theta & \& V_r = \sin \theta \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} U_\theta = -rV_r = -r \sin \theta \\ rU_r = V_\theta = r \cos \theta \end{array}$$

$$\frac{df}{dz} = e^{-i\theta}(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = e^{-i\theta} e^{i\theta} = 1. \quad (\text{is this surprising?})$$

Example 3.3.13. . .

$$f(r, \theta) = \frac{1}{re^{i\theta}} = \frac{e^{-i\theta}}{r} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{r} \cos \theta}_U - \underbrace{\frac{i}{r} \sin \theta}_V$$

You can check that $U_\theta = -rV_r$ and $rU_r = V_\theta$.

$$\frac{df}{dz} = e^{-i\theta} \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial r} + i \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \right) = e^{-i\theta} \left(-\frac{1}{r^2} \cos \theta + \frac{i}{r^2} \sin \theta \right)$$

$$= -e^{-i\theta} (\cos \theta - i \sin \theta) \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$= -e^{-i\theta} e^{-i\theta} \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{r^2 e^{2i\theta}} = \frac{-1}{(re^{i\theta})^2} \quad (\text{is this surprising?})$$

3.4 analytic functions

In the preceding section we found necessary and sufficient conditions for the component functions u, v to construct an complex differentiable function $f = u + iv$. The definition that follows is the next logical step: we say a function is analytic² at z_o if it is complex differentiable at each point in some open disk about z_o .

Definition 3.4.1.

Let $f = u + iv$ be a complex function. If there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that f is complex differentiable for each $z \in D_\epsilon(z_o)$ then we say that f is **analytic** at z_o . If f is analytic for each $z_o \in U$ then we say f is analytic on U . If f is not analytic at z_o then we say that z_o is a **singular point**. Singular points may be outside the domain of the function. If f is analytic on the entire complex plane then we say f is **entire**. **Analytic functions are also called holomorphic functions**

The theorem below shows that the sum, difference, quotient, product and composite of analytic functions is again analytic provided that there is no division by zero in the expression. This means that polynomials will be analytic everywhere, rational functions will be analytic at points where the denominator is nonzero and similar comments apply to algebraic functions of a complex variable. For the most part singular points will arise from division by zero in later examples.

Theorem 3.4.2.

Suppose f, g are complex differentiable at $z \in \mathbb{C}$ and $c \in \mathbb{C}$ then

1. $\frac{d}{dz}(f(z) + g(z)) = \frac{df}{dz} + \frac{dg}{dz}$
2. $\frac{d}{dz}(f(z)g(z)) = \frac{df}{dz}g(z) + f(z)\frac{dg}{dz}$
3. if $g(z) \neq 0$ then $\frac{d}{dz}\left[\frac{f(z)}{g(z)}\right] = \frac{f'(z)g(z) - f(z)g'(z)}{g(z)^2}$
4. $\frac{d}{dz}(cf) = c\frac{df}{dz}$
5. if h is differentiable at $f(z)$ then $\frac{d}{dz}(h(f(z))) = \frac{dh}{dz}\frac{df}{dz} = h'(f(z))f'(z)$
6. $\frac{d}{dz}(c) = 0$
7. $\frac{d}{dz}(z^n) = nz^{n-1}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$
8. $\frac{d}{dz}(e^z) = e^z$

²you may recall that a function on \mathbb{R} was analytic at x_o if its Talyor series at x_o converged to the function in some neighborhood of x_o . This terminology is consistent but it'll be while before we make the connection explicit

Proof: I use Proposition 2.2.8 to simplify limits throughout the argument below. That proposition helps us avoid direct $\epsilon - \delta$ argumentation. Assume f, g are differentiable at z then

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

This proves (1.). I leave the of the other parts (2-7) as exercises for the reader. To prove (8.) recall that $e^z = e^x \cos(y) + ie^x \sin(y)$ for $z = x + iy$. Note that the Cauchy Riemann equations are indeed satisfied by $u(x, y) = e^x \cos(y)$ and $v(x, y) = e^x \sin(y)$ since

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

gives $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$. Moreover, u, v, u_x, u_y, v_x, v_y are clearly continuous on \mathbb{C} thus we find $f(z) = e^z$ is differentiable at each $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Moreover,

$$f'(z) = u_x + iv_x = u + iv \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dz}(e^z) = e^z. \quad \square$$

~~Example 3.4.3.~~ . .

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$$f'(z) = u_x + iv_x = u + iv \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dz}(e^z) = e^z. \quad \square$$

Example 3.4.3. . .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dz} (z^2 + ze^{-z}) &= \frac{d}{dz}(z^2) + \frac{d}{dz}(ze^{-z}) \quad : \text{linearity} \\ &= 2z + \frac{dz}{dz} e^{-z} + z \frac{d}{dz}(e^{-z}) \quad : \text{product rule} \\ &= \underline{2z + e^{-z} - ze^{-z}}. \quad : \text{used chain rule on } e^{-z}. \end{aligned}$$

Example 3.4.4. . .

$$\frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{1}{1-z} \right) = \frac{0 \cdot (1-z) - 1(-1)}{(1-z)^2} = \frac{1}{(1-z)^2} \quad (\text{by 3.})$$

$$\text{alternatively, } \frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{1}{1-z} \right) = \frac{-1}{(1-z)^2} \frac{d}{dz}(1-z) = \frac{1}{(1-z)^2}.$$

note $f(z) = \frac{1}{1-z}$ and $f'(z) = \frac{1}{(1-z)^2}$ both have singular pt. at $z=1$.

Example 3.4.5. . .

$$e^{\log(z)} = z \quad (\text{on some branch of } \log)$$

$$1 = \frac{d}{dz} [e^{\log(z)}] = e^{\log(z)} \frac{d}{dz} [\log(z)] \Rightarrow \underline{\frac{d}{dz} [\log(z)] = \frac{1}{z}}.$$

Example 3.4.6. . . let $b \in \mathbb{C}$ then $z^b = e^{b \log(z)}$ on some branch of $\log(z)$. We calculate by chain rule,

$$\frac{d}{dz} (z^b) = \frac{d}{dz} [e^{b \log(z)}] = e^{b \log(z)} \frac{d}{dz} [b \log(z)] = z^b \frac{b}{z}$$

$$\therefore \underline{\frac{d}{dz} (z^b) = b z^{b-1}} \quad (\text{for a branch of } \log(z).)$$

Theorem 3.4.7.

If $f : U \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is complex differentiable at z_o then f is continuous at z_o . Moreover, if f is analytic at z_o then there exists an open disk $D_\epsilon(z_o)$ on which f is continuous.

Proof: We seek to show that $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(z_o + h) = f(z_o)$. Consider that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(z_o + h) = f(z_o) &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (f(z_o + h) - f(z_o)) = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(f(z_o + h) - f(z_o))}{h} = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (h) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z_o + h) - f(z_o)}{h} = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow 0 \cdot f'(z_o) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The last statement is clearly true and the limit properties clearly hold because all the limits stated in the calculation exist. Finally, if f is analytic at z_o then it follows that there exists an open disk $D_\epsilon(z_o)$ such that f is differentiable at each point in the disk. But then f is continuous at each point as well by the first part of the theorem. \square

The contrapositive of the theorem above indicates that if there does not exist at least one open disk on which the function is continuous then the function is not analytic at that point. It follows that we have to throw out some of the domain of the branches we've used for the root function or the principal argument. To avoid discontinuity we must throw out the branch entirely.

Example 3.4.8. The principal square root function is defined by $f_1(z) = |z|\exp(i\text{Arg}(z)/2)$. The domain of f_1 is governed by the principal argument; $\text{dom}(f) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid z \neq 0\}$ However, $\text{Arg}(z) = \pi$ gives points of discontinuity since

$$f_1(z) = |z|\exp(i\text{Arg}(z)/2) = |z|(\cos(\text{Arg}(z)/2) + i\sin(\text{Arg}(z)/2))$$

has $f_1(z) \rightarrow |z|\sin(\pi/2) = |z|$ for paths with $\text{Arg}(z) \rightarrow \pi$ whereas $f_1(z) \rightarrow |z|\sin(-\pi/2) = -|z|$ for paths with $\text{Arg}(z) \rightarrow -\pi$. We must remove $\text{Arg}(z) = \pi$ from the domain if we wish f_1 to be analytic.

Example 3.4.9. Note, $f(z) = \text{Arg}(z)$ is analytic if we restrict to

$$\text{dom}(f) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{if } \text{Im}(z) = 0 \text{ then } \text{Re}(z) \not\leq 0\}.$$

In other words, $\text{dom}(f) = \mathbb{C} - \text{negative real axis and origin}$.

Similar comments apply to various branches of the logarithm and the n -th root mapping. The key is that continuity is required for an analytic function. However, continuity is not a sufficient condition for analyticity.

Theorem 3.4.10.

If f is analytic on a domain D and $f'(z) = 0$ for all $z \in D$ then f is constant on D .

Proof: let $a, b \in D$ and, by connectedness of D , consider the line segment $[a, b] \subset D$ parametrized by $\gamma(t) = a + t(b - a)$ for $0 \leq t \leq 1$. Note, $f \circ \gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. The generalized chain rule states that the differential of the composite of two functions is the composite of the differentials,

$$d_t(f \circ \gamma) = d_{\gamma(t)}f \circ d_t\gamma$$

But, $f'(z) = 0$ for all $z \in D$ implies $d_{\gamma(t)}f(h) = f'(\gamma(t))h = 0$ for all $h \in \mathbb{C}$. Thus $d_{\gamma(t)}f = 0$ which gives us $d_t(f \circ \gamma) = 0$. It follows that, if $f = u + iv$ then $df = (df/dt)dt = (du/dt + idv/dt)dt = 0$ thus,

$$\frac{d}{dt}(u(\gamma(t))) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{dt}(v(\gamma(t))) = 0$$

for all $t \in [0, 1]$. But then $u([a, b]) = \{u_o\}$ and $v([a, b]) = \{v_o\}$ and we find that $f([a, b]) = u_o + iv_o$ so the function is constant along the line segment in D . But, if D is connected then we can connect any two points p, q by a sequence of line segments and each line segment remains in D hence the value of the function is constant on each line segment. It follows that the function has $f(p) = f(q)$ for all $p, q \in D$ thus $f(D) = \{u_o + iv_o\}$. \square

3.5 differentiation of complex valued functions of a real variable

Perhaps some of the concepts in the proofs of Theorem 3.4.10 above seemed bizarre. In this section we take some time to derive the chain rule for complex-valued functions of a real variable with an analytic complex function. We'll conclude this section with a few comments which reflect on the logical necessity of the complex exponential function³. Let me point out that differentiation of a complex-valued function of a real variable is nothing more than differentiation of a two-dimensional space curves in calculus III. We just use a complex notation for two-dimensional real vectors in this course. Let $\vec{f}(t) = \langle u(t), v(t) \rangle$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}$ then

$$\frac{d}{dt}[\vec{f}(t)] = \langle \frac{du}{dt}, \frac{dv}{dt} \rangle$$

In complex notation, $f = u + iv$ and $\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{du}{dt} + i\frac{dv}{dt}$. The criteria for the existence of df/dt for $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is much weaker than the criteria for the existence of df/dz for $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

Example 3.5.1. Note, $f(z) = \bar{z}$ is not analytic so $f'(z)$ is not defined. However, if $\gamma(t) = t + it^2$ then $(f \circ \gamma)(t) = f(t + it^2) = t - it^2$ and

$$\frac{d}{dt}[(f \circ \gamma)(t)] = \frac{d}{dt}[t - it^2] = \frac{dt}{dt} - i\frac{dt^2}{dt} = 1 - 2it.$$

³you could take this section as motivation for the complex exponential we defined earlier, this section is not logically necessary to earlier calculations however it might give you some idea of **why** the complex exponential was defined as it was. Another motivation comes from the extension of power series to the complex setting, we'll see that later on

Suppose $f = u + iv$ is analytic and let $\gamma(t) = a(t) + ib(t)$ for each $t \in \mathbb{R}$ where $a, b : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. If we compose f with γ then $f \circ \gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and we can calculate

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dt} [(f \circ \gamma)(t)] &= \frac{d}{dt} [u(\gamma(t)) + iv(\gamma(t))] \\
 &= \frac{d}{dt} [u(a(t), b(t)) + iv(a(t), b(t))] \\
 &= \frac{d}{dt} [u(a(t), b(t))] + i \frac{d}{dt} [v(a(t), b(t))] \\
 &= u_x \frac{da}{dt} + u_y \frac{db}{dt} + i [v_x \frac{da}{dt} + v_y \frac{db}{dt}] \\
 &= (u_x + iv_x) \frac{da}{dt} - i(u_y + iv_y) i \frac{db}{dt} \\
 &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{da}{dt} - i \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} i \frac{db}{dt} \\
 &= f'(\gamma(t)) \frac{da}{dt} + f'(\gamma(t)) i \frac{db}{dt} \\
 &= f'(\gamma(t)) \left(\frac{da}{dt} + i \frac{db}{dt} \right) \\
 &= f'(\gamma(t)) \frac{d\gamma}{dt}
 \end{aligned}$$

We could omit the arguments as is often done in the statement of a chain rule and simply say that

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dt} [f(z(t))] = \frac{df}{dz} \frac{dz}{dt}}$$

I remind the reader that the formula above holds for *analytic* functions.

Theorem 3.5.2.

Let $f(t) = \exp(\lambda t)$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$ then $df/dt = \lambda \exp(\lambda t)$.

Proof: Observe that $\gamma(t) = \lambda t = \operatorname{Re}(\lambda)t + i\operatorname{Im}(\lambda)t$ has $d\gamma/dt = \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) + i\operatorname{Im}(\lambda)$ and $f(z) = \exp(z)$ has $df/dz = \exp(z)$ therefore, by the calculation preceding the theorem, $d/dt(\exp(\lambda t)) = \lambda \exp(\lambda t)$.

Some authors might motivate the definition of the complex exponential function by assuming it should satisfy the theorem above. However you choose the starting point we should all agree that the complex exponential function should reduce to the real exponential function when restricted to the real-axis and it should maintain as many properties of the real exponential function as is reasonably possible in the complex setting. Indeed this is how all complex functions are typically defined. We want two main things: to extend $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ to $\tilde{f} : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ we expect

1. $\tilde{f}|_{\mathbb{R}} = f$
2. interesting properties of f generalize to properties of \tilde{f} .

Item (2.) is where the fun is. We'll see how to define complex trigonometric and hyperbolic functions in the upcoming sections. I suspect it's worth noting that one problem that naturally suggests the definition of the complex exponential is the problem of 2^{nd} order ordinary-constant-coefficient differential equations: that is, suppose you want to solve:

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0$$

Since this is analogous to $y' = \alpha y$ which has solution $y = e^{\alpha t}$ it's natural to guess the solution has the form $y = e^{\lambda t}$. Clearly, $y' = \lambda e^{\lambda t}$ and $y'' = \lambda^2 e^{\lambda t}$ hence

$$ay'' + by' + cy = 0 \Rightarrow a\lambda^2 e^{\lambda t} + b\lambda e^{\lambda t} + c\lambda e^{\lambda t} = (a\lambda^2 + b\lambda + c)e^{\lambda t} = 0$$

Therefore we find a necessary condition on λ is that it satisfy the **characteristic equation**:

$$\boxed{y = e^{\lambda t} \text{ solves } ay'' + by' + cy = 0 \Rightarrow a\lambda^2 + b\lambda + c = 0.}$$

Apparently, solving the differential equation $ay'' + by' + cy = 0$ reduces to the problem of solving a corresponding algebra equation. Notice that we are tempted to answer the question of what a complex exponential is in this setting. Whether or not we began this discussion with complex things in mind the math has brought us an equation which necessarily includes complex cases. Moreover, it's easy to see that $y'' + y = 0$ has $y = \sin(t)$ and $y = \cos(t)$ as solutions. Note that $y'' + y = 0$ gives $\lambda^2 + 1 = 0$ which has solutions $\lambda = \pm i$. We then must suspect that the complex exponential function has something to do with sine and cosine. The founders of complex analysis were well aware of these sort of differential equations and it is likely that many of the complex functions first found their home inside some differential equation where they naturally arise as part of some general *ansatz*.

3.6 analytic continuations

We do not yet have the tools to prove the following statement. I postpone the proof for now.

Conjecture 3.6.1.

If f is analytic on a disk D_1 and $f(z) = 0$ for all $z \in S$ where S is either a line-segment or another disk contained in D_1 then $f(z) = 0$ for all $z \in D_1$.

Note we can extend this to a domain without too much trouble.

Theorem 3.6.2.

If f is analytic on a domain D and if $f(z) = 0$ for all $z \in S$ where S is either a line-segment or another disk contained in D then $f(z) = 0$ for all $z \in D$.

Proof: Let $z_0 \in S$ and pick $w \in D - S$. Since D is connected there exists a polygonal path $\gamma = [z_0, z_1] \cup [z_1, z_2] \cup \cdots \cup [z_{n-1}, w]$ where each of the line segments lies inside D . Let δ be the smallest distance between a point on L and the boundary of D . Construct disks of radius δ with centers separated by a distance δ all along L . Notice that D is open so even the closest open disk will not get to the edge of D (which is not contained in the open set D). Moreover, the rest of the disks also remain in D . By our conjecture we find that the disk which is partially in S must have f identically zero since we can find a smaller disk totally in S so the conjecture gives us f zero on the first disk partly outside S . Then we can continue this process to the next disk. We simply take a smaller disk in the intersection of the two disks and because we already know it is zero from the last step of the argument it follows by the conjecture that f is zero on the second disk. Let me sketch a picture of the argument above:

As you can see, the argument can be repeated until we reach the disk containing w . Thus we find $f(w) = 0$ for arbitrary $w \in D$ hence $f(D) = \{0\}$. \square

Theorem 3.6.3.

Let Ω be a domain or a line segment. If f is analytic on a domain D which contains Ω then f is uniquely determined by its values on Ω .

Proof: Suppose f and g are analytic on D and $f(z) = g(z)$ for all $z \in \Omega$. Notice that $h : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by $h = f - g$ is identically zero on Ω since $h(z) = f(z) - g(z) = 0$ for all $z \in \Omega$. But then by 3.6 we find $h(z) = 0$ for all $z \in D$. It follows that $f = g$. \square

We say that f is the **analytic continuation** of $f|_{\Omega}$. There is more to learn and say about analytic continuations in general, however we have what we need for our purposes at this point. Let's get to the point:

Theorem 3.6.4.

If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{C}$ is a function and $\tilde{f} : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is an extension of f which is analytic then \tilde{f} is unique. In particular, if there is an analytic extension of sine, cosine, hyperbolic sine or hyperbolic cosine then those extensions are unique.

This means if we demand analyticity then we actually had no freedom in our choice of the exponential. If we find a complex function which matches the exponential function on a line-segment (*in particular a closed interval in \mathbb{R} viewed as a subset of \mathbb{C} is a line-segment*) then there is just one complex function which agrees with the real exponential and is complex differentiable everywhere.

$$f(x) = e^x \quad \text{extends uniquely to} \quad \tilde{f}(z) = e^{Re(z)}(\cos(Im(z)) + i \sin(Im(z))).$$

Note $\tilde{f}(x + 0i) = e^x(\cos(0) + i \sin(0)) = e^x$ thus $\tilde{f}|_{\mathbb{R}} = f$. Naturally, analyticity is a desirable property for the complex-extension of known functions so this concept of analytic continuation is very nice. Existence aside, we should first construct sine, cosine etc... then we have to check they are both analytic and also that they actually agree with the real sine or cosine etc... If a function on \mathbb{R} has vertical asymptotes, points of discontinuity or points where it is not smooth then the story is more complicated.

3.7 trigonometric and hyperbolic functions

Recall we found that for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ the formulas $\cos(\theta) = \frac{1}{2}(e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta})$ and $\sin(\theta) = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta})$ were useful for deriving trigonometric identities. We now extend to complex arguments.

Definition 3.7.1.

We define $\cos(z) = \frac{1}{2}(e^{iz} + e^{-iz})$ and $\sin(z) = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{iz} - e^{-iz})$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$

Note that $\cos(z)$ and $\sin(z)$ are sums of composites of analytic functions since the function $g(z) = cz$ is clearly analytic and $h(z) = e^z$ is analytic. Moreover, it is clear that $\tilde{f}(z) = \cos(z)$ restricts to the usual real cosine function along the real axis. This is a consequence of Euler's formula:

$$\cos(x + i0) = \frac{1}{2}(e^{ix} + e^{-ix}) = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(x) + i \sin(x) + \cos(x) + i \sin(-x)) = \cos(x)$$

Don't get lost in the notation here, the "cos" on the left is the newly defined complex cosine whereas the "cos" on the right is the cosine you know and love from the study of circular functions. The fact that the complex cosine is the unique analytic continuation of the real cosine function makes this notation reasonable. Similar comments apply to the sine function.

Proposition 3.7.2.

Let $z \in \mathbb{C}$,

1. $\sin(z)$ and $\cos(z)$ are unbounded.
2. $\sin(z)$ is an odd function of z
3. $\cos(z)$ is an even function of z

Notice that $z = iy$ gives $\cos(z) = \cos(iy) = \frac{1}{2}(e^{-y} + e^y)$. Thus the complex cosine can assume arbitrarily large values. Likewise, $\sin(iy) = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{-y} - e^y)$ has $|\sin(iy)|$ take arbitrarily large values as we range over the complex plane. Items (2.) and (3.) are immediate from the definition.

Proposition 3.7.3.

Let $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$,

1. $\sin(z + w) = \sin(z) \cos(w) + \cos(z) \sin(w)$
2. $\cos(z + w) = \cos(z) \cos(w) - \sin(z) \sin(w)$
3. $\sin^2(z) + \cos^2(z) = 1$
4. $\sin(2z) = 2 \sin(z) \cos(z)$
5. $\sin^2(z) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2z))$
6. $\cos^2(z) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos(2z))$

I leave the proof to the reader. I think some of these are homeworks in Churchill, some I may have assigned.

Definition 3.7.4.

We define the **hyperbolic cosine** $\cosh(z) = \frac{1}{2}(e^z + e^{-z})$ and the **hyperbolic sine** $\sinh(z) = \frac{1}{2}(e^z - e^{-z})$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

You may recall that we **defined** hyperbolic cosine and sine to be the even and odd parts of the exponential function respective,

$$e^x = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x})}_{\cosh(x)} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(e^x - e^{-x})}_{\sinh(x)}$$

Clearly the complex hyperbolic functions restrict to the real exponential functions and they are also entire since they are the sum and composite of entire functions e^z and $-z$. It follows that the complex hyperbolic functions defined above are the unique analytic continuation of the real hyperbolic functions. You could probably fill a small novel with interesting formulas which are known for hyperbolic functions. We will content ourselves to notice these three items:

Proposition 3.7.5.

1. $i \sinh(iz) = \sin(z)$
2. $\cosh(iz) = \cos(z)$
3. $\cosh^2(z) - \sinh^2(z) = 1$

Finally, I should mention that the other elementary trigonometric and hyperbolic functions are likewise defined. For example,

$$\tan(z) = \frac{\sin(z)}{\cos(z)}, \quad \tanh(z) = \frac{\sinh(z)}{\cosh(z)}, \quad \sec(z) = \frac{1}{\cos(z)}, \quad \operatorname{sech}(z) = \frac{1}{\cosh(z)}.$$

Inverse functions may also be defined for suitably restricted functions. Of course this should not be surprising, even in the real case we have to restrict sine, cosine and tangent in order to obtain standard inverse functions. This is essentially the same issue as the one we were forced to deal with in our discussion of branch cuts.

Proposition 3.7.6.

1. $d/dz(\sin(z)) = \cos(z)$
2. $d/dz(\cos(z)) = -\sin(z)$
3. $d/dz(\tan(z)) = \sec^2(z)$
4. $d/dz(\sinh(z)) = \cosh(z)$
5. $d/dz(\cosh(z)) = \sinh(z)$
6. $d/dz(\tanh(z)) = \operatorname{sech}^2(z)$

I leave the proof of these to the reader. Also, it might be interesting to study the geometry of the mapping $w = \sin(z)$ and so forth. Many complex variables texts have nice pictures of the geometry, I may put some up on the projector in lecture. The links on the webpage point you to several sites which explore the geometry of mappings.

3.8 harmonic functions

We've discussed in some depth how to determine if a given function $f = u + iv$ is in fact analytic. In this section we study another angle on the story. We learn that the component functions u, v of an analytic function $f = u + iv$ are *harmonic conjugates* and they satisfy the physically significant Laplace's equation $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$ where $\nabla^2 = \partial^2/\partial x^2 + \partial^2/\partial y^2$. In addition we'll learn

that if we have one solution of Laplace's equation then we can consider it to be the "u" of some yet undetermined analytic function $f = u + iv$. The remaining function v is then constructed through some integration guided by the CR-equations. The construction is similar to the problem of construction of a potential function for a given conservative force in calculus III.

Proposition 3.8.1.

If $f = u + iv$ is analytic on some domain $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ then u and v are solutions of Laplace's equation $\phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy} = 0$ on D .

Proof: since $f = u + iv$ is analytic we know the CR-equations hold true; $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$. Moreover, f is continuously differentiable so we may commute partial derivatives by a theorem from multivariate calculus. Consider

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = (u_x)_x + (u_y)_y = (v_y)_x + (-v_x)_y = v_{yx} - v_{xy} = 0$$

Likewise,

$$v_{xx} + v_{yy} = (v_x)_x + (v_y)_y = (-u_y)_x + (u_x)_y = -u_{yx} + u_{xy} = 0$$

Of course these relations hold for all points inside D and the proposition follows. \square

Example 3.8.2. Note $f(z) = z^2$ is analytic with $u = x^2 - y^2$ and $v = 2xy$. We calculate,

$$u_{xx} = 2, \quad u_{yy} = -2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

Note $v_{xx} = v_{yy} = 0$ so v is also a solution to Laplace's equation.

Now let's see if we can reverse this idea.

Example 3.8.3. Let $u(x, y) = x + c_1$ notice that u solves Laplace's equation. We seek to find a harmonic conjugate of u . We need to find v such that,

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1 \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0$$

Integrate these equations to deduce $v(x, y) = y + c_2$ for some constant $c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. We thus construct an analytic function $f(x, y) = x + c_1 + i(y + c_2) = x + iy + c_1 + ic_2$. This is just $f(z) = z + c$ for $c = c_1 + ic_2$.

Example 3.8.4. Suppose $u(x, y) = e^x \cos(y)$. Note that $u_{xx} = u$ whereas $u_{yy} = -u$ hence $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$. We seek to find v such that

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = e^x \cos(y) \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = e^x \sin(y)$$

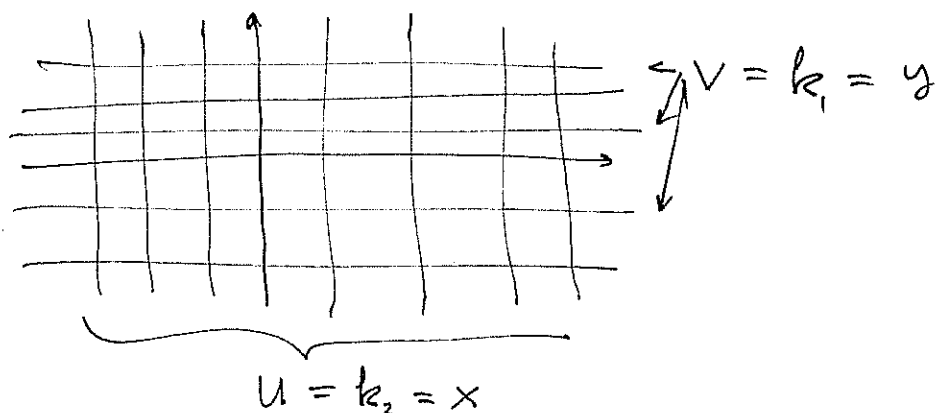
Integrating $v_y = e^x \cos(y)$ with respect to y and $v_x = e^x \sin(y)$ with respect to x yields $v(x, y) = e^x \sin(y)$. We thus construct an analytic function $f(x, y) = e^x \cos(y) + ie^x \sin(y)$. Of course we should recognize the function we just constructed, it's just the complex exponential $f(z) = e^z$.

Notice we cannot just construct an analytic function from any given function of two variables. We have to start with a solution to Laplace's equation. This condition is rather restrictive. There is much more to say about harmonic functions, especially where applications are concerned. My goal here was just to give another perspective on analytic functions. Geometrically one thing we could see without further work at this point is that for an analytic function $f = u + iv$ the families of level curves $u(x, y) = c_1$ and $v(x, y) = c_2$ are orthogonal. Note $\text{grad}(u) = \langle u_x, u_y \rangle$ and $\text{grad}(v) = \langle v_x, v_y \rangle$ have

$$\text{grad}(u) \cdot \text{grad}(v) = u_x v_x + u_y v_y = -u_x u_y + u_y u_x = 0$$

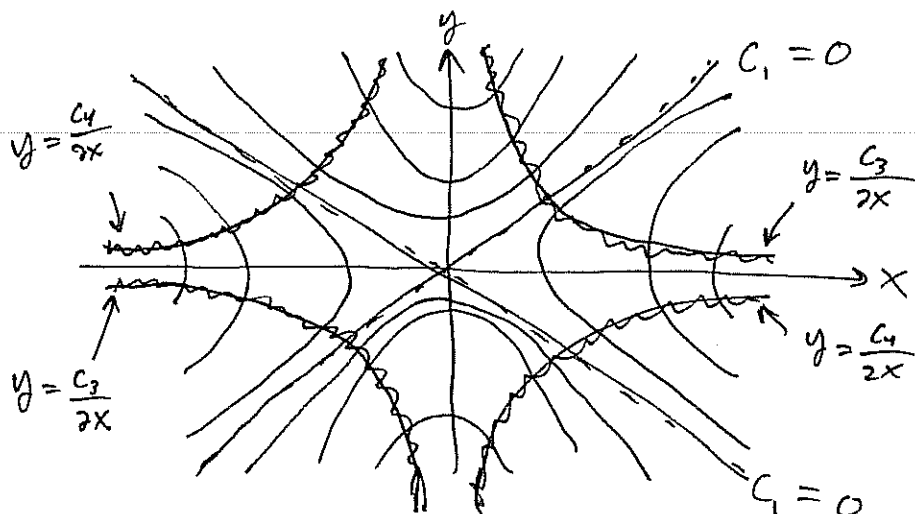
This means the normal lines to the level curves for u and v are orthogonal. Hence the level curves of u and v are orthogonal.

Example $f(z) = z$ has $u(x, y) = x$ & $v(x, y) = y$
the level curves are just horizontal & vertical lines!



Example: $f(z) = z^2 = x^2 - y^2 + 2ixy$

$$u = x^2 - y^2 = c_1 \quad \text{and} \quad 2xy = c_2 \quad \leadsto \quad y = \frac{c_2}{2x}$$



$c_1 < 0$ gives rotated hyperbola.
 $c_1 > 0$ gives rotated hyperbola.

I drew a bunch of level curves for $u = c_1$ both $c_1 < 0$, $c_1 > 0$ vertical hyperbolas horizontal hyperbolas have x - y axes as asymptotes!