

# COMPLEX ANALYSIS

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## 1. LECTURE 1

**1.1. Proof of Proposition 1.1.** In this exercise, we will show that any open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  is connected if and only if it is path connected. So, let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be any open subset, and first suppose that  $A$  is path connected. We claim that  $A$  is connected; for the sake of contradiction, suppose  $A$  is *not* connected, that is  $A = U \sqcup V$  where  $U, V$  are non-empty disjoint open subsets of  $A$ . Let  $x \in U$  and  $y \in V$ , and let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow A$  be a path in  $A$  from  $x$  to  $y$ . Consider the open subsets  $f^{-1}(U)$  and  $f^{-1}(V)$  of  $[0, 1]$ . Clearly, these intervals are disjoint and their union is  $[0, 1]$ . But, this contradicts the connectedness of  $[0, 1]$ . So, it follows that  $A$  is indeed connected (**note that in any path-connected topological space is connected by the same argument**).

Conversely, suppose  $A$  is open and connected. Recall that in any connected space, the only sets which are both open and closed are  $\emptyset$  and  $A$ . So, let  $a \in A$  be any point. Let  $A_1$  be the set of all points of  $A$  which are connected via paths to  $a$ , and let  $A_1'$  be its complement in  $A$ . Clearly,  $A_1 \neq \emptyset$  (because  $a \in A_1$ ). We will show that  $A_1$  is both open and closed, and it will follow that  $A_1 = A$ , which will show that  $A$  is path-connected. It is easy to show that  $A_1$  is open; take any point  $x \in A_1$ , i.e.  $a$  is connected to  $x$  by a path. Since  $A$  is open, there is a ball centered at  $x$  which is

completely contained inside  $A$ . Clearly, any point  $x'$  in this ball can be connected to  $a$  via a path, by concatenating the path from  $a$  to  $x$  and the linear path from  $x$  to  $x'$ . So,  $A_1$  is an open set. To show that  $A_1$  is closed, we can very similarly show that  $A'_1$  is open. This completes the proof.

1.2. **Exercise (1).** The proof of the fact that any connected open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is path-connected is given in section 1.1 above. We will show that the *topologists sine curve*, i.e the closure of

$$\left\{ \left( x, \sin \frac{1}{x} \right) \mid x \in (0, 1) \right\}$$

inside  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is connected but not path-connected. Observe that the above set is the image of  $(0, 1)$  under the continuous map

$$x \mapsto \left( x, \sin \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

and hence this set is connected. Because closures of connected sets are connected, it follows that the *topologists sine curve* is also connected. Now, we will show that this curve is *not* path-connected. **Need to complete this!**

1.3. **Exercise (2).** Let  $n$  be any positive integer. We will show that  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is complete. To show this, use two facts.

- (1) The norms  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  and  $\|\cdot\|_2$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are equivalent (or just use the more stronger fact that all norms in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are equivalent).
- (2) Now just use the fact that  $\mathbb{R}$  is complete.

1.4. **Exercise (3).** This problem is trivial once we know the fact that the map  $t \mapsto (\cos t, \sin t)$  is bijective from  $[0, 2\pi)$  onto the unit circle  $S^1$ .

1.5. **Exercise (4).** Consider the equation  $z^n = \bar{z}^n$ . If  $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$ , this equation in polar coordinates corresponds to

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

Solving this, we get

$$2i \sin n\theta = 0$$

and from here the values of  $\theta$  can be computed.

## 2. LECTURE 2

2.1. **Simpler proof of Theorem 2.8.** Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a domain, and let  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a function. Let  $c = a + bi \in U$ , and write  $f = u + iv$ , where  $u$  and  $v$  are real functions on  $U$ . Then  $f$  is differentiable at  $c$  if and only if  $u, v$  are differentiable at  $(a, b)$  (as functions from  $U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ) and their partial derivatives satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(a, b) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(a, b) \text{ and } \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(a, b) = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(a, b)$$

Further, when this happens, it is true that

$$f'(c) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(a, b) + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(a, b) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(a, b) - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(a, b)$$

*Proof.* First, suppose  $f$  is (complex) differentiable at  $c$ . To show that  $u, v$  are differentiable as functions from  $U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , it is enough to show that  $f$  is real differentiable as a function  $U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ . First, let  $h \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then, we have the following chain of equations.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(c) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h+c) - f(c)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(h+c) + iv(h+c) - u(c) - iv(c)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

From here, separate the real and imaginary parts to get the following.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(c) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(h+c) - u(c)}{h} + i \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{v(h+c) - v(c)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(a+h, b) - u(a, b)}{h} + i \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{v(a+h, b) - v(a, b)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

and this implies that both  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$  exist at the point  $(a, b)$ , and we immediately see that

$$f'(c) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(a, b) + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(a, b)$$

Next, we can replace  $h$  by  $ih$  in the above equations, and we will obtain that both  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$  and  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$  exist at the point  $(a, b)$ , and that

$$f'(c) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(a, b) - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(a, b)$$

From the last two equations, we obtain the Cauchy-Riemann equations. It remains to show that  $f$  is real differentiable at  $(a, b)$ . But we have the derivative with us! It is simply

$$f'(a, b) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(a, b) & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(a, b) \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(a, b) & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(a, b) \end{bmatrix} = \lambda$$

Checking this is a simple calculation. Suppose  $h = (h_1, h_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , or we can write  $h = h_1 + ih_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then using the Cauchy-Riemann equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f(c+h) - f(c) - \lambda(h)\|}{\|h\|} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{f(c+h) - f(c) - \lambda(h)}{h} \right| \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{f(c+h) - f(c) - \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(a, b)h_1 + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(a, b)h_2, \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(a, b)h_1 + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(a, b)h_2 \right)}{h} \right| \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{f(c+h) - f(c) - \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(a, b)h_1 - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(a, b)h_2, \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(a, b)h_1 + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(a, b)h_2 \right)}{h} \right| \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{f(c+h) - f(c) - (h_1 + ih_2) \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(a, b) + i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(a, b) \right)}{h} \right| \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{f(c+h) - f(c) - hf'(c)}{h} \right| \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

and this shows that  $f$  is real differentiable at  $(a, b)$ , and so are  $u, v$ .

Conversely, if  $u, v$  are real differentiable at  $(a, b)$ , then so is  $f$ . In addition, suppose  $u, v$  satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations. So, all that needs to be shown is that  $f$  is complex differentiable at  $c$ . But this can easily be checked as above by putting

$$f'(c) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(a, b) + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(a, b)$$

This completes the proof. ■

**2.2. Exercise (1). (Very Boring)** Here, we will prove the rules of differentiation for complex functions. So let  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ , and  $f, g$  functions defined in a neighborhood of  $c$  and differentiable at  $c$ ,  $h$  a function defined on a neighborhood of  $f(c)$  and differentiable at  $f(c)$ , and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then we have the following.

(1)  $(f + \alpha g)'(c) = f'(c) + \alpha g'(c)$ .

*Proof.* This is an easy computation. We have the following chain of equations.

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

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(2)  $(fg)'(c) = f'(c)g(c) + f(c)g'(c)$ .

*Proof.* This one has a neat trick. We do it as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} (fg)'(c) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(fg)(c + h) - (fg)(c)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c + h)g(c + h) - f(c)g(c)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c + h)g(c + h) + f(c)g(c + h) - f(c)g(c + h) - f(c)g(c)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[f(c + h) - f(c)]g(c + h)}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[g(c + h) - g(c)]f(c)}{h} \\ &= f'(c)g(c) + f(c)g'(c) \end{aligned}$$

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(3)  $(h \circ f)'(c) = h'(f(c))f'(c)$ . **To be completed.**

(4)  $\left(\frac{1}{f}\right)'(c) = -\frac{f'(c)}{f(c)^2}$  if  $f(c_1) \neq 0$  for every  $c_1$  in a neighborhood of  $c$ . **To be completed.**

**2.3. Exercise (2).** Let

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} z^5|z|^{-4}, & z \neq 0 \\ 0, & z = 0 \end{cases}$$

We now determine  $\Re(f)$  and  $\Im(f)$  as functions of real variables  $x$  and  $y$ , where  $z = x + iy$ . The following computation is straightforward.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z^5}{|z|^4} &= \frac{(x + iy)^5}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\ &= x^5 + \binom{5}{1}x^4(iy) + \binom{5}{2}x^3(iy)^2 + \binom{5}{3}x^2(iy)^3 + \binom{5}{4}x(iy)^4 + \binom{5}{5}(iy)^5 \\ &= \frac{x^5 + 5x^4(iy) + 10x^3(iy)^2 + 10x^2(iy)^3 + 5x(iy)^4 + (iy)^5}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{x^5 - 10x^3y^2 + 5xy^4}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} + i \frac{(5x^4y - 10x^2y^3 + y^5)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

and hence we see that

$$\Re(f)(x, y) = \frac{x^5 - 10x^3y^2 + 5xy^4}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}, \quad \Im(f)(x, y) = \frac{5x^4y - 10x^2y^3 + y^5}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

Next, we show that  $\Re(f)$  and  $\Im(f)$  satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations at  $z = 0$ . But this is clear by the following.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \Re(f)(0, 0)}{\partial x} &= 1 \\ \frac{\partial \Re(f)(0, 0)}{\partial y} &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial \Im(f)(0, 0)}{\partial x} &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial \Im(f)(0, 0)}{\partial y} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we show that  $f'(0)$  does not exist. Let  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , and first let  $h = r$ . Then, we see that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h)}{h} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(r)}{r} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r}{r} = 1$$

Next, put  $h = (1 + i)r$ . So we have

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f((1 + i)r)}{(1 + i)r} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{-4r^5 - i4r^5}{4|r|^4r(1 + i)} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{-r^4}{|r^4|} = -1$$

and hence it follows that  $f'(0)$  does not exist.

**2.4. Exercise (3).** We define

$$\begin{aligned} f_z &= \frac{1}{2}(f_x - if_y) \\ f_{\bar{z}} &= \frac{1}{2}(f_x + if_y) \end{aligned}$$

**(a)** Let us treat  $z$  and  $\bar{z}$  as the independent coordinates. Then, our composite mapping is

$$(z, \bar{z}) \mapsto \left( \frac{z + \bar{z}}{2}, \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2i} \right) \mapsto f \left( \frac{z + \bar{z}}{2}, \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2i} \right)$$

So, using the chain rule of differentiation, we see that

$$[f_z \quad f_{\bar{z}}] = [f_x \quad f_y] \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2i} & \frac{-1}{2i} \end{bmatrix}$$

and hence the above equation agrees with our definitions.

(b) If  $f$  is differentiable at a point  $c$ , then we know from **Theorem 2.8** that  $f'(c) = u_x(c) + iv_x(c)$ . Now, from the Cauchy-Riemann equations, we see that

$$u_x(c) + iv_x(c) = \frac{1}{2} [u_x(c) + v_y(c) + i(v_x(c) - u_y(c))] = \frac{1}{2} [f_x(c) - if_y(c)] = f_z(c)$$

and hence  $f'(c) = f_z(c)$ . Similarly, the Cauchy Riemann equations will simplify to give  $f_{\bar{z}}(c) = 0$ .

2.5. **Exercise (4).** Let  $f = z^m \bar{z}^n$  with  $m, n \geq 0$ . We show that

$$f_z = mz^{m-1} \bar{z}^n \quad , \quad f_{\bar{z}} = nz^m \bar{z}^{n-1}$$

Complete this using polar coordinates

2.6. **Exercise (5).** Consider the function

$$f(x + yi) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy^2(x + yi)}{x^2 + y^4} & , (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & , (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

We show that  $f$  is not differentiable at the origin. Writing  $f = u + vi$ , we see that

$$u(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 y^2}{x^2 + y^4} & , (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & , (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

and that

$$v(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy^3}{x^2 + y^4} & , (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & , (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

For  $f$  to be differentiable at 0, both  $u, v$  must be differentiable at  $(0, 0)$  and they must satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations. Observe that

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, 0) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(0, 0) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(0, 0) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}(0, 0) = 0$$

and so if  $u, v$  are differentiable at 0, their derivatives must be 0. This implies that

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|v(x, y)|}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = 0$$

Now, consider the curve  $x = y^2$ . Taking the above limit over this curve, we see that

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{|y^5|}{2y^4 \sqrt{y^4 + y^2}} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{|y^5|}{2|y^5| \sqrt{y^2 + 1}} \neq 0$$

and this is a contradiction. So, it follows that  $v$  is not differentiable, i.e  $f$  is not complex differentiable at 0.

**2.7. Exercise (6).** Let  $f(z)$  be a function defined in a neighborhood of  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ . We show that  $f(z)$  is differentiable at  $c$  if and only if  $\overline{f(\bar{z})}$  is differentiable at  $\bar{c}$ .

First, suppose  $f(z)$  is differentiable at the point  $c$ . Clearly, we see that  $\overline{f(\bar{z})}$  is defined in a neighborhood of  $\bar{c}$ . Put  $g(z) = \overline{f(\bar{z})}$ . This is to say that  $g(z)$  is defined in a neighborhood of  $\bar{c}$ . We claim that

$$g'(\bar{c}) = \overline{f'(c)}$$

This is just a straightforward computation. We have the following.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(\bar{c} + h) - g(\bar{c})}{h} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\overline{f(\overline{\bar{c} + h})} - \overline{f(c)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\overline{f(c + \bar{h})} - \overline{f(c)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\overline{f(c + \bar{h}) - f(c)}}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \overline{\left( \frac{f(c + \bar{h}) - f(c)}{\bar{h}} \right)} \\ &= \overline{f'(c)} \end{aligned}$$

and in the last step above, we have interchanged the conjugation operator with the limit, because conjugation is continuous. The converse is similarly proven.

**2.8. Exercise (7).** Here we will find the Cauchy-Riemann equations in polar coordinates. If  $f$  is some complex function, we write

$$f = u + iv$$

We define a map  $g$  by  $g = f \circ \gamma$ , where  $\gamma : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is the map

$$\gamma(r, \theta) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)$$

By the chain rule, we see that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -r \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & r \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

So, this corresponds to the four equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \sin \theta \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} &= -\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} r \sin \theta + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} r \cos \theta \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \sin \theta \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} &= -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} r \sin \theta + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} r \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

and so the Cauchy-Riemann equations in polar coordinates are

$$r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} \quad , \quad r \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}$$



3. LECTURE 3

3.1. **Exercise (6).** Here we will look at two important limits.

- (1) The first limit is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$ . For many amazing proofs, check out [this link](#).
- (2) The second limit is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{n}{k}^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$  for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Observe that

$$\binom{n}{k}^{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{n^{\frac{1}{n}}(n-1)^{\frac{1}{n}} \dots (n-(k-1))^{\frac{1}{n}}}{(k!)^{\frac{1}{n}}}$$

Using the limit in (1), and the fact that  $\sqrt[n]{k!} \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , the claim follows.

3.2. **Exercise (8).** It is clear that  $\mathbb{C}\{z\}$  is a subring of  $\mathbb{C}[[z]]$ , because sums and products of convergent power series are themselves convergent power series. We will now show that if  $a_0 \neq 0$ , then the inverse of  $\sum a_n z^n$  in  $\mathbb{C}[[z]]$  belongs to  $\mathbb{C}\{z\}$ . **To be completed.**

4. LECTURE 4

4.1. **Fact used in Proposition 4.4.** In the proof of **Proposition 4.4** of the notes, the following fact has been used: if

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_{ij}$$

is an absolutely convergent double series of complex numbers, then

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_{ij} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_{ji}$$

4.2. **Exercise (1).** Let  $U$  be a domain,  $c_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\tau : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be the map  $c \mapsto c + c_0$ . Clearly,  $\tau$  is a continuous map, being a translation. It also has a two sided inverse, namely the map  $\tau^{-1}$  given by  $c \mapsto c - c_0$ , and being a translation  $\tau^{-1}$  is also a continuous map. Clearly,  $\tau$  is a homeomorphism; hence,  $\text{Im}(\tau)$  is an open connected set, i.e  $\text{Im}(\tau)$  is a domain in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Suppose  $x_0 \in U$  is a point such that a map  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is differentiable at  $x_0$ . We show that  $f \circ \tau^{-1}$  is differentiable at the point  $\tau(x_0) \in \text{Im}(\tau)$ . But this is obvious by the chain rule, since  $\tau^{-1}$  is differentiable at each point in  $\text{Im}(\tau)$ .

Next, suppose  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is analytic on  $U$ . We show that  $f \circ \tau^{-1}$  is analytic on  $\text{Im}(\tau)$ . To show this, let  $c \in \text{Im}(\tau)$ . Consider the point  $\tau^{-1}(c)$ . We know that there is some  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $B_{\tau^{-1}(c), \epsilon} \subseteq U$  and

$$(*) \quad f(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n (z - \tau^{-1}(c))^n$$

for all  $z \in B_{\tau^{-1}(c), \epsilon}$ . Observe that

$$\tau(B_{\tau^{-1}(c), \epsilon}) = B(c, \epsilon) \subseteq \text{Im}(\tau)$$

So, if  $z \in B(c, \epsilon)$ , then  $(*)$  implies that

$$f \circ \tau^{-1}(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n (\tau^{-1}(z) - \tau^{-1}(c))^n = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n (z - c)^n$$

and this proves that  $f \circ \tau^{-1}$  is analytic on  $\text{Im}(\tau)$ .

**4.3. Exercise (2).** We can also prove the same when  $\tau$  is just a scaling map, i.e.  $\zeta \mapsto c_0\zeta$  for some  $c_0 \neq 0$ . The proof is easy. The statement about  $f \circ \tau$  being holomorphic is again follows by the chain rule. So, we will only prove the statement about analyticity.

So, suppose  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is analytic on  $U$ . Let  $c \in \text{Im}(\tau)$ . Consider the point  $\tau^{-1}(c) \in U$ . We know that there is some  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $B_{\tau^{-1}(c), \epsilon} \subseteq U$  and that for any  $z \in B_{\tau^{-1}(c), \epsilon}$

$$(\dagger) \quad f(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n (z - \tau^{-1}(c))^n$$

Observe that

$$\tau(B_{\tau^{-1}(c), \epsilon}) = B(c, c_0\epsilon) \subseteq \text{Im}(\tau)$$

So, if  $z \in B(c, c_0\epsilon)$ , then  $(\dagger)$  implies that

$$f \circ \tau^{-1}(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n (\tau^{-1}(z) - \tau^{-1}(c))^n = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{a_n}{c_0^n} (z - c)^n$$

and hence it follows that  $f \circ \tau^{-1}$  is analytic on  $\text{Im}(\tau)$ .

**4.4. Exercise (3).** Let  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be an analytic function on a domain  $U$  such that  $f^{(k)}(z) = 0$  for every  $z \in U$ . Let  $c \in U$  be any point. We know that locally around  $c$ ,  $f$  can be written as a power series, that is

$$f(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n (z - c)^n$$

for all  $z$  in a ball centered at  $c$ . Now, restrict  $f$  to this ball. We know that  $f$  is infinitely differentiable, and the coefficients  $a_k$  are given by

$$a_m = m! f^{(m)}(c)$$

Since  $f^{(k)} = 0$ , it follows that  $f$  is a polynomial of degree atmost  $k - 1$  in this ball. Let this polynomial be  $p$ . So, we have shown that  $f \equiv p$  on a non-empty open set contained in  $U$ . So, it follows that  $f - p$  is identically zero on a non-empty open set contained in  $U$ . However, by **Proposition 4.6** in the main notes, we know that the zeroes of  $f - p$  in  $U$  will be isolated if  $f - p$  is not identically zero, since  $f - p$  is analytic on  $U$ . So, it follows that  $f - p$  is identically zero on  $U$ , i.e  $f$  is a polynomial of degree atmost  $k - 1$ . This completes our proof.

**4.5. Exercise (4).** This is an alternative proof of the fact that the zeroes of an analytic function that is not identically zero are isolated.

**4.6. Exercise (5).** **To be completed.**

## 5. LECTURE 5

**5.1. Exercise (1).** Points number (1) and (2), i.e the power series expansions of  $\sin$  and  $\cos$  are clear by the power series expansion of  $e^z$ .

The formula  $e^{iz} = \cos z + i \sin z$  is also clear from the definition of these functions.

The rest of the properties are also easy to see from the definitions.

5.2. **Exercise (4).** Here we expand  $1/z$  as a power series around  $z = 1$ , and we compute its radius of convergence. So suppose

$$\frac{1}{z} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n (z - 1)^n$$

in some neighborhood of 1. We see that

$$a_n = \left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^{(n)}(1) \frac{1}{n!} = (-1)^n$$

and hence we see that

$$\frac{1}{z} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (-1)^n (z - 1)^n$$

Clearly, the radius of convergence of this series is 1.

5.3. **Exercise (6).** Let  $U$  be a domain not containing 0 and let  $f, g$  be branches of the logarithm on  $U$ . Consider the function

$$h(z) := \frac{f(z) - g(z)}{2\pi i}$$

on  $U$ . We have

$$e^{2\pi i h(z)} = e^{f(z) - g(z)} = 1$$

because  $f, g$  are branches of the logarithm. This means that  $h(z) \in \mathbb{Z}$  for all  $z \in U$ . Since  $h$  is continuous, it follows that  $h(z) = n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . This implies that

$$f(z) - g(z) = 2n\pi i$$

i.e any two branches of the logarithm differ by an integer multiple of  $2\pi i$ . Conversely, if  $f(z) - g(z) = 2\pi i$ , it is clear that  $f$  is a branch of a logarithm if and only if  $g$  is.

5.4. **Exercise (7).** Let  $U$  be a domain not containing 0 and let  $f$  be a branch of the logarithm on  $U$ . We show that  $f$  is holomorphic on  $U$ .

First, suppose  $c \in U \setminus (-\infty, 0]$ . Take a ball  $B_{c,R}$  which does not intersect  $(-\infty, 0]$ ; on this neighborhood,  $f(z)$  differs from  $\text{Log}(z)$  by a holomorphic function (in particular, any two branches of the logarithm differ by an integer multiple of  $2\pi i$ ), and hence  $f(z)$  is also holomorphic at  $c$ . Moreover, it is clear that  $f'(z) = 1/z$  on  $U \setminus (-\infty, 0]$ .

Next, suppose  $c \in U \cap (-\infty, 0]$ . The idea is to *rotate the domain* where  $\text{Log}(z)$  is differentiable by an appropriate angle  $\theta$ . For any angle  $\theta$ , note that the function

$$\text{Log}(e^{i\theta} z) - i\theta$$

is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$ , where  $K$  is the negative  $x$ -axis  $(-\infty, 0]$  rotated counter-clockwise by the angle  $\theta$ . So, let  $\theta \neq 2k\pi$  by any angle. Choose  $B_{c,\epsilon}$  such that  $B_{c,\epsilon} \subseteq U \setminus K$  (possible because  $U$  is open). Then, again,  $f(z)$  and  $\text{Log}(e^{i\theta} z) - i\theta$  differ by a multiple of  $2\pi i$ , and hence  $f$  is differentiable at  $c$ . Again, we have

$$f'(c) = (\text{Log}(e^{i\theta} z) - i\theta)'_{z=c} = \frac{1}{z}$$

and this proves the claim.

## 6. LECTURE 6

6.1. **Exercise (1).** Here we show that  $\int_{\gamma} f(z)dz$  is independent of the choice of the partition. But this is really easy, and I'll just give a proof sketch. Suppose

$$P := a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = b$$

is a partition of  $[a, b]$ . Now let  $P'$  be any *refinement* of this partition. We show that the integral  $\int_{\gamma} f(z)dz$  taken with respect to  $P$  is equal to the one taken with respect to the refinement  $P'$ . But this is trivial, by the additivity of integrals. Then, given two partitions  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  of  $[a, b]$ , the claim follows by taking their common refinement and using **Lemma 6.4**.

6.2. **Exercise 3.** Let  $U$  be a domain. We will show that between any two points of  $U$ , there is a piecewise-linear path between them.

Let  $a_0 \in U$  be any point. We show that the set

$$S := \{a \in U \mid \text{There is a piecewise-linear path between } a \text{ and } a_0\}$$

Clearly,  $S$  is non-empty, because  $a_0 \in S$ . We show that  $S$  is both open and closed in  $U$ , and this will show that  $S = U$ , which will complete our proof.

Suppose  $a \in S$ . Take a ball  $B_{a,\epsilon}$  such that  $B_{a,\epsilon} \subseteq U$  (possible because  $U$  is open). Since  $a \in S$ , there is a piecewise-linear path from  $a_0$  to  $a$ . If  $\zeta \in B_{a,\epsilon}$ , we can extend this piecewise-linear path to a path from  $a_0 \rightarrow \zeta$ , by simply concatenating the line segment from  $a$  to  $\zeta$  to our path. This shows that  $\zeta \in S$ , i.e  $S$  is open.

To show that  $S$  is closed, let  $p \in U$  be a limit point of  $S$ . Again, take a ball  $B_{p,\epsilon}$  such that  $B_{p,\epsilon} \subseteq U$ . Now,  $S \cap B_{p,\epsilon} \neq \emptyset$  since  $p$  is a limit point of  $S$ . Again, by concatenating a piecewise-linear path with a straight line, we obtain that  $p \in S$ , showing that  $S$  is closed in  $U$ . This completes our proof.

## 7. LECTURE 7

7.1. **Exercise (1).** Here we show that  $\gamma_2$  is *not* a reparametrization of  $\gamma$ , where  $\gamma, \gamma_2$  are as in **Example 7.2**. As mentioned in the example, the intuitive idea is that  $\gamma$  goes around the circle *once*, while  $\gamma_2$  revolves around the circle *twice*. We use this idea to distinguish between the two maps.

For the sake of contradiction, suppose  $\gamma_2$  is a reparametrisation of  $\gamma$ , i.e

$$\gamma_2 = \gamma \circ \tau$$

where  $\tau : [0, 2] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a non-decreasing piecewise differentiable surjective map. It is easy to see that  $\gamma_2^{-1}(1, 0) = \{0, 1, 2\}$ . We will show that  $(\gamma \circ \tau)^{-1}(1, 0)$  cannot be this set, and that will be our contradiction. Note that

$$(\gamma \circ \tau)^{-1}(1, 0) = \tau^{-1}(\gamma^{-1}(1, 0))$$

Now we know that  $\gamma^{-1}(1, 0) = \{0, 1\}$ . Because  $\tau$  is a non-decreasing surjective map, it is clear that  $\tau(0) = 0$  and  $\tau(2) = 1$ , i.e  $\{0, 2\} \subseteq \tau^{-1}(\{0, 1\})$ . Now, we also have that  $\tau(1) \in \{0, 1\}$ . If  $\tau(1) = 0$ , then it follows that  $\tau[0, 1] = 0$ , which contradicts the fact that  $\tau^{-1}\{0, 1\} = \{0, 1, 2\}$ . Similarly, a contradiction is obtained if  $\tau(1) = 1$ . This proves the claim.

8. LECTURE 8

8.1. **Exercise (1).** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a function. We show that

$$\left| \int_a^b f dt \right| \leq \int_a^b |f| dt$$

To see this, let  $\theta = \arg \int_a^b f dt$ . Observe that

$$e^{-i\theta} \int_a^b f dt = \int_a^b e^{-i\theta} f dt$$

an this implies that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ e^{-i\theta} \int_a^b f dt \right] = \int_a^b \operatorname{Re}[e^{-i\theta} f] dt \leq \int_a^b |f| dt$$

Also, the extreme left hand side in the above equation is just

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ e^{-i\theta} \int_a^b f dt \right] = \left| \int_a^b f dt \right|$$

and this completes the proof.

8.2. **Exercise (2).** Here we complete the assertion (2)  $\iff$  (3) of **Proposition 8.4.**

Throughout this proof,  $U$  is a domain and  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a continuous function.

First, suppose there is some function  $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that for all piecewise-differentiable paths  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow U$  it is true that

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = F(\gamma(b)) - F(\gamma(a))$$

If  $\gamma$  is a piecewise-differentiable closed path in  $U$ , the right hand side in the above equality becomes 0, and we get that

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0$$

which proves the forward direction.

Conversely, suppose for every piecewise-differentiable closed path  $\gamma$  in  $U$ , it is true that

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0$$

Fix a point  $a_0 \in U$ . Now, for any point  $a \in U$ , we know that there is a piecewise-differentiable path  $\gamma_a$  in  $U$  from  $a_0$  to  $a$ . Define the map  $F : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by

$$F(a) = \int_{\gamma_a} f(z) dz$$

First, we need to show that  $F$  is well-defined, i.e the choice of the path  $\gamma_a$  does not matter.  $\gamma_a$  and  $\gamma'_a$  are two piecewise-differentiable paths from  $a_0$  to  $a$ . So, observe that the path  $\gamma_a - \gamma'_a$  is a path from  $a_0$  to itself. By our hypothesis, we know that

$$\int_{\gamma_a - \gamma'_a} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_a} f(z) dz - \int_{\gamma'_a} f(z) dz = 0$$

and this implies that

$$\int_{\gamma_a} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma'_a} f(z) dz$$

and this proves the well-definedness of  $F$ . Next, we claim that if  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow U$  is any piecewise-differentiable path in  $U$  then

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = F(\gamma(b)) - F(\gamma(a))$$

To see this, let  $\gamma_a$  and  $\gamma_b$  be piecewise-differentiable paths in  $U$  from  $a_0$  to  $\gamma(a)$  and  $a_0$  to  $\gamma(b)$  respectively. Then, observe that

$$\gamma_a + \gamma - \gamma_b$$

is a path from  $a_0$  to  $a_0$ . So, we see that

$$\int_{\gamma_a + \gamma - \gamma_b} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_a} f(z) dz + \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz - \int_{\gamma_b} f(z) dz = 0$$

and this implies that

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = F(\gamma(b)) - F(\gamma(a))$$

and this completes the proof.

**8.3. Exercise (3).** Let  $r$  be a positive real number, and let  $\gamma : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be the path given by  $t \mapsto re^{it}$ . We show that

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz = 2\pi i$$

But this is clear, because

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{re^{it}} ire^{it} dt = 2\pi i$$

Now, let  $\gamma$  be a piecewise-differentiable closed path that avoids some ray in  $\mathbb{C}$  (by a ray we mean the set  $\{re^{i\alpha} \mid r \in \mathbb{R}, r \geq 0\}$  for some  $\alpha$ ). Then

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz = 0$$

This is because the function  $1/z$  has a primitive on  $\mathbb{C} - \{re^{i\alpha} \mid r \in \mathbb{R}, r \geq 0\}$  obtained by rotating the domain where  $\text{Log}(z)$  is differentiable, just like we did in [Exercise \(7\)](#) of Lecture 5.

## 9. LECTURE 10

**9.1. Exercise (1).** In this exercise, we show that it can be assumed that  $U$  is centered at 0, where  $U$  is as in the statement of [Theorem 10.1](#). So, let  $c$  be the centre of  $U$ . Let  $\tau : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be the map  $z \mapsto z - c$ , and let  $U_1 = \text{Im}(\tau)$ . Then it is clear that  $\tau$  is a homeomorphism between  $U$  and  $U_1$ . Let  $f_1 = f \circ \tau^{-1}$  and let  $\gamma_1 = \tau \circ \gamma$ . Then we will show that

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_1} f_1(z) dz$$

Suppose the path  $\gamma$  is defined on the interval  $[a, b]$ . Let  $a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_k = b$  be a good partition for  $\gamma$ . It is clear that this is a good partition for  $\gamma_1$  as well, because

$\tau$  is a holomorphic function on  $\mathbb{C}$ , and hence we can use the chain rule. Now, observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\gamma_1} f_1(z) dz &= \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} f_1(\gamma_1(t)) \gamma_1'(t) dt \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} f(\tau^{-1}(\gamma_1(t))) \tau'(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt \\ &= \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \end{aligned}$$

and this completes the proof.

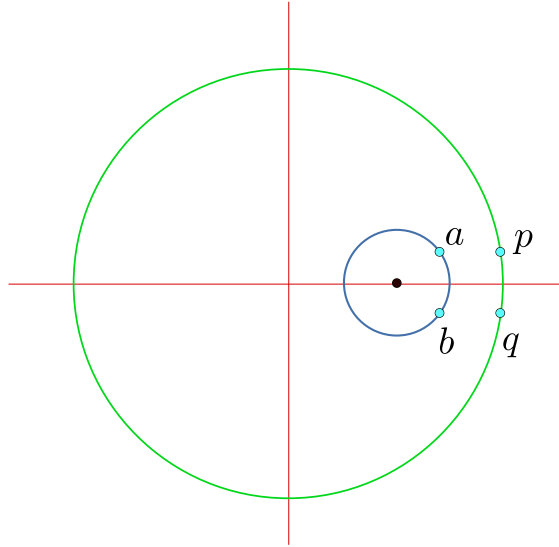
**9.2. Exercise (3).** Let  $U$  be a domain containing  $\overline{B_{0,1}}$  and let  $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be the path given by  $t \mapsto e^{2\pi it}$ . In this exercise, we will compute

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - \frac{1}{2}} dz$$

(a) Let  $0 < r \ll 1$  and  $\sigma : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be the closed path  $t \mapsto \frac{1}{2} + r e^{2\pi it}$ . Since  $r \ll 1$ , we can assume that  $B_{\frac{1}{2}, r} \subseteq \overline{B_{0,1}}$ . Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\sigma} \frac{1}{z - \frac{1}{2}} dz &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + r e^{2\pi it} - \frac{1}{2}} \sigma'(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{r e^{2\pi it}} 2\pi i r e^{2\pi it} dt \\ &= 2\pi i \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let  $0 < \epsilon \ll 1$ . Consider the following picture.



The path  $\gamma$  is the circle in green; the path  $\sigma$  is the smaller circle in blue; the points  $p, q, a$  and  $b$  are as marked in the figure. The path  $\gamma_1$  is the path from  $p$  to  $q$  following the green circle counter clockwise. The path  $\sigma_1$  is the path from  $a$  to  $b$  following the blue circle counter-clockwise.  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  are the paths from  $a$  to  $p$  and  $b$  to  $q$  respectively, which are both parallel to the real axis.

Let  $\Gamma$  be the piecewise-differentiable closed path given by

$$\Gamma = \gamma_1 - \tau_2 - \sigma_1 + \tau_1$$

We show that

$$(9.1) \quad \int_{\Gamma} \frac{1}{z - \frac{1}{2}} dz = 0$$

Observe that  $\Gamma \subseteq U \setminus \{\frac{1}{2} + r \mid r \in \mathbb{R}, r \geq 0\}$ , and we know that there is a branch of the logarithm on an open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  minus a ray in  $\mathbb{C}$ , as in **Exercise (7)** of Lecture 5. So, it follows that the integrand in (9.1) has a primitive on  $U \setminus \{\frac{1}{2} + r \mid r \in \mathbb{R}, r \geq 0\}$ , and hence the given integral is zero.

(c) **This part is really easy. Will complete it soon.**

(d) This follows by taking limits as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  in equation (9.1).

(e) Note that there is nothing special about the point  $\frac{1}{2}$  here; we can repeat the same exact argument for any other point in  $B_{0,1}$  by taking a suitable disk around the point that is contained in  $B_{0,1}$  and then define similar paths as above.

## 10. LECTURE 13

10.1. **Exercise (1).** We have to show that  $f(U) \cap (-\infty, 0] = \emptyset$ . The function we have is  $f : \mathbb{C} - \{\zeta'\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  given by

$$f(z) = \frac{z - \zeta}{z - \zeta'}$$

and  $U$  is the complement of the line segment between  $\zeta$  and  $\zeta'$ . Geometrically, this is clear: either the imaginary part of  $f(z)$  is non-zero, in which case there is nothing to prove. If the imaginary part of  $f(z)$  is zero, then

$$z - \zeta = r(z - \zeta')$$



for some  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ . Thinking of this in vectors, the vectors  $z - \zeta$  and  $z - \zeta'$  must have the same direction, because the point *does not* lie on the segment between  $\zeta$  and  $\zeta'$ .

10.2. **Exercise (2).** Let  $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a piecewise-differentiable closed path. We show that  $n(\zeta, \gamma) = 0$  for all  $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\zeta| \gg 0$ . First, we know that if  $\zeta \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \text{Im}(\gamma)$ , then

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - \zeta} dz = n(\zeta, \gamma) \cdot 2\pi i$$

Now, if  $|\zeta| \gg 0$ , then the quantity

$$\frac{1}{z - \zeta}$$

can be made arbitrarily small, where  $z \in \text{Im}(\gamma)$ . This means that for  $\zeta \gg 0$ , we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - \zeta} dz \right| = |n(\zeta, \gamma)| < \epsilon$$

where  $\epsilon > 0$  is any real number. Since  $n(\zeta, \gamma)$  is an integer, this implies that

$$n(\zeta, \gamma) = 0$$

for such  $\zeta$ . This completes the proof.

## 11. LECTURE 14

11.1. **Exercise (2).** Let  $U$  be a domain and let  $\gamma$  be a piecewise-differentiable path in  $U$ . Let  $f_n$  be a sequence of continuous functions on  $U$  converging uniformly to  $f$ . The claim is that

$$\lim_n \int_{\gamma} f_n(z) dz = \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$$

This is a standard analysis statement about uniform convergence.

## 12. LECTURE 15

12.1. **Exercise (1).** Uniqueness of  $\tilde{f}$  is trivial, because on  $U'$ ,  $\tilde{f}$  restricts to  $f$ . From there, use the fact that  $\tilde{f}$  is continuous.

12.2. **Exercise (2).** Here, we show that the  $k^{\text{th}}$  order derivative of  $(z - c)^k g(z)$  at  $z = c$  is  $k!g(c)$ . By the general Leibniz formula, we have for any  $k \geq 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} [(z - c)^{k+1} g(z)]^{(k+1)}(c) &= \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} \binom{k+1}{i} ((z - c)^{k+1})^{(k+1-i)}(c) g^{(i)}(c) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} \binom{k+1}{i} \frac{(k+1)!}{(i)!} (z - c)^i(c) g^{(i)}(c) \\ &= (k+1)!g(c) \end{aligned}$$

12.3. **Exercise (3).** Suppose  $\zeta_2 \in B_{c,R}$  is fixed. By definition,

$$G(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{(z - \zeta_1)(z - \zeta_2)} dz$$

where  $\gamma$  is the path given by  $\partial B_{c,R}$ . Clearly, function  $h : \text{Im}(\gamma) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  given by

$$h(z) = \frac{1}{(z - \zeta_2)}$$

is continuous. Also, note that

$$G(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = \int_{\gamma} \frac{h(z)}{(z - \zeta_1)} dz$$

**Lemma 14.2** then implies that  $G(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)$  as a function of  $\zeta_1$  is a holomorphic function.

12.4. **Exercise (4).** Let  $f : U \setminus \{c\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a non-zero holomorphic function for which  $c$  is a removable singularity, where  $U$  is an open neighborhood of  $c$ . We know that  $f$  can be extended to a holomorphic function  $\tilde{f}$  on  $U$ . Now,  $\tilde{f}$  being holomorphic on  $U$  is also analytic. Since  $\tilde{f}$  is non-zero (because  $f$  is non-zero), not all  $f^{(k)}(c)$  are zero for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . So, let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  be the smallest integer such that  $f^{(k)}(c) \neq 0$ . By **Theorem 15.3** applied to  $n = k + 1$ , we see that

$$f(z) = \frac{f^{(k)}(c)}{k!} (z - c)^k + (z - c)^{k+1} f_{k+1}(z)$$

for  $z \in U$ , where  $f_{k+1}$  is a holomorphic function on  $U$ . So,

$$f(z) = (z - c)^k \left( \frac{f^{(k)}(c)}{k!} + (z - c) f_{k+1}(z) \right)$$

and the parenthesis computed at  $z = c$  is non-zero. This proves the claim.

12.5. **Exercise (5).** Let  $U$  be a domain and let  $f$  be a non-zero holomorphic function on  $U$ . Since  $f$  is analytic on  $U$ , its zeroes are isolated. Let  $C$  be a compact subset of  $U$ . We show that  $f$  has only finitely many zeroes in  $C$ . For the sake of contradiction, suppose  $f$  has infinitely many zeroes in  $C$ . Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence of zeroes in  $C$ . Then, this sequence has a convergent subsequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  in  $C$ , and note that since  $C$  is compact, the limit also belongs to  $C$ . But this contradicts the fact that the zeroes of  $f$  are isolated.

Next, suppose  $c \in U$  is a zero of  $f$ . Again, since the zeroes of  $f$  are isolated, there is an open ball around  $c$  on which  $f$  is non-zero. Since  $f$  is analytic, it has a Taylor expansion about the point  $c$ . So, it follows that there is some  $m > 0$  such that  $f^{(m)}(c) \neq 0$  (otherwise the Taylor expansion would imply that  $f$  is zero on around the point). Choose the minimal such  $m$ . Then just like in the previous problem, we can write

$$f(z) = (z - c)^m f_1(z)$$

for some holomorphic function  $f_1$  on  $U$ , such that  $f_1(c) \neq 0$ . This  $m$  is called the *order* of the zero  $c$ .

### 13. LECTURE 16

13.1. **Exercise (1).** Let  $f(X) = \sum_{i=0}^d b_i X^i \in \mathbb{R}[X]$  with  $b_d > 0$ . Then observe that

$$\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} f(X) = \infty$$

which can be obtained by factoring out the  $X^d$  term. This is what we wanted to show.

13.2. **Exercise (2).** Consider the line  $x = 1$  in the plane. Any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  on this line is of the form  $z = 1 + ib$ , where  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ . In that case, observe that

$$|e^z| = |e^{1+ib}| = |e| \cdot |e^{ib}| = |e|$$

and this is the required counter example for **Lemma** 16.4.

#### 14. LECTURE 17

14.1. **Exercise (1).** This is part (3) of **Proposition** 17.4, and it easily follows from part (1) of the same proposition.

14.2. **Exercise (2).** Here, we will give a proof of **Proposition** 17.5. **Currently, there is an error in Proposition 17.5 as it stands. I think it should be given that  $m \leq 0$ . A counterexample is the function  $f(z) = z$  with  $c = 0$ . So, I will give a proof assuming  $m \leq 0$ .**

It is clear that (1)  $\iff$  (2), because both conditions imply that  $c$  is a removable singularity of  $f$ .

Now, let us show that (2)  $\iff$  (3). Consider the holomorphic extension  $\tilde{f}$  of  $f$ . Clearly,  $c$  is a zero of  $\tilde{f}$ , and hence has some order  $m > 0$ . So we can write

$$\tilde{f}(z) = (z - c)^m f_1(z)$$

where  $f_1$  is some holomorphic function on  $U$  such that  $f_1(c) \neq 0$ . So, we see that  $m - 1 \geq 0$ , and also

$$\frac{\tilde{f}(z)}{(z - c)^{m-1}} = (z - c)f_1(z)$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow c} |z - c|^{1-m} |f(z)| = 0$$

Moreover, if  $n = m + 1$ , then we see that

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow c} |z - c|^{-n} |f(z)| = \infty$$

and this proves the forward direction. To show that (3)  $\implies$  (2), observe that if such an  $m \leq 0$  exists, then

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow c} f(z) = 0$$

and this proves the equivalence.

Finally, let us show that (2)  $\iff$  (4). If (2) is true, then put  $N$  to be the negative of the order of  $c$  as a zero of the extension  $\tilde{f}$ . It is clear that (4)  $\implies$  (2). This completes the proof.

14.3. **Exercise (3).** Here, we will give a proof of **Proposition** 17.6.

**The proof of this proposition is very similar to that of the proof given above of Proposition 17.5; just consider the function  $1/f$ , and repeat the steps.**

14.4. **Exercise (4).** Let  $U$  be a domain,  $c \in U$  and  $f$  holomorphic on  $U \setminus \{c\}$ . Suppose  $c$  is a pole of  $f$ . By **Proposition 17.4** part (2), there is a positive integer  $N$  and a neighborhood  $V$  of  $c$  in  $U$  such that

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=-N}^{\infty} a_k(z-c)^k$$

on  $V \setminus \{c\}$ . Here  $a_{-N} \neq 0$ . Let  $r > 0$  such that  $\overline{B_{c,r}} \subseteq V$ . Let  $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow V$  be the path  $t \mapsto c + re^{2\pi it}$ . By **Exercise 2** of Lecture 14, we have

$$\int_{\gamma} f \, dz = \sum_{k=-N}^{\infty} \int_{\gamma} a_k(z-c)^k \, dz = \int_{\gamma} \frac{a_{-1}}{z-c} \, dz = a_{-1}2\pi i$$

and note that all other integrals have vanished because all the other  $(z-c)^k$ 's have primitives on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ . This completes the proof.

## 15. LECTURE 20

15.1. **Exercise (1).** The Jacobian of the map  $z \rightarrow \bar{z}$  is

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Clearly, the above matrix is orthogonal with determinant  $-1$ . To, it preserves angles but not orientation.

**Exercise (3).** Suppose  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is conformal, and let  $p \in U$ . We know that  $f'(p) \neq 0$ . Now, recall that

$$Jf = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}$$

and hence we see that

$$\det(Jf) = \frac{\partial u^2}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v^2}{\partial x}$$

Since  $f'(p) \neq 0$ , we see that  $\det(Jf) > 0$ . In particular,  $Jf$  is invertible. So, one can apply the inverse function theorem to  $f$  at the point  $p$ . It follows that  $f$  maps a neighborhood of  $p$  homeomorphically onto its image.

15.2. **Exercise (4).** Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a domain, and let  $f$  be an injective holomorphic function on  $U$ . We show that  $f$  is conformal on  $U$ , and it is enough to show that  $f'(z) \neq 0$  for any  $z \in U$ . **Consider reading [this link](#) for a proof.**