

# Complex functions $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

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Motivation: Inverse Laplace tr:  $f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-i\infty+a}^{i\infty+a} F(s) e^{st} ds$

Green function:  $G'(t) + 3G(t) = f(t)$ ,  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{ip+3} e^{ipt} dp = G(t)$

Hard to understand these without complex analysis.

① Real analytic functions  $\rightarrow$  Taylor series  $\rightarrow$  Complex functions.

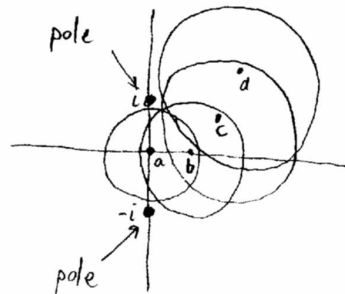
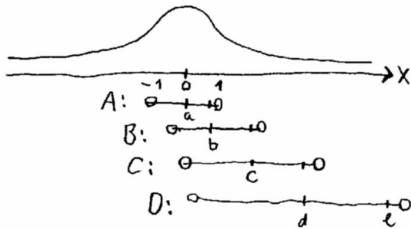
(a)  $\exp: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\exp(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots \rightarrow \exp: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots$

$\infty$  radius of convergence  $\rightarrow e^x$  complex analytic on  $\mathbb{C}$

(b)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \dots$

radius of convergence = 1. Why?

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

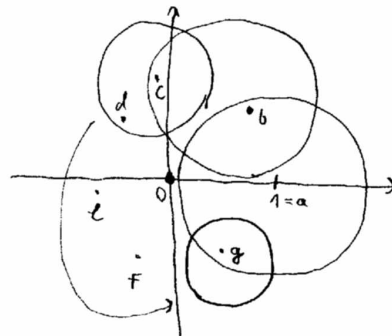
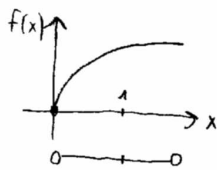


extends  $f$  to  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{i, -i\}$

Taylor series defines  $f(x)$  on  $A = (-1, 1)$ , pick  $b$ , compute Taylor series around it, now  $f$  is defined on  $A \cup B$ , etc.

(Analytic continuation)

(c)  $f(x) = \sqrt{x} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}(x-1) - \frac{1}{8}(x-1)^2 + \dots$

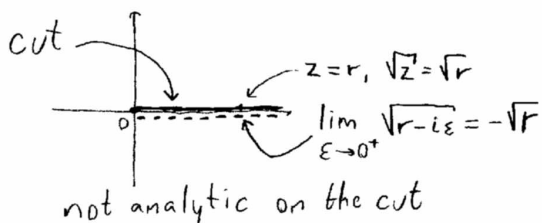


Analytic cont. produces two different values for  $\sqrt{z}$ .

Taylor series around  $a$ :  
 $z = r e^{i\varphi} \rightarrow \sqrt{z} = \sqrt{r} \cdot e^{i\varphi/2}$

around  $g$ :

$$\rightarrow \sqrt{z} = \sqrt{r} \cdot e^{i(\frac{\varphi}{2} + \frac{2\pi}{2})} = -\sqrt{r} \cdot e^{i\varphi/2}$$

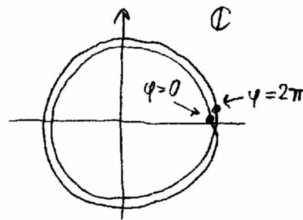
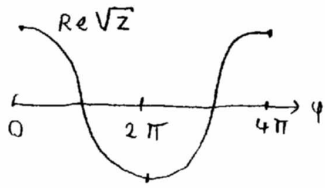


Remark: Better to use  $(-\infty, 0]$  for the cut.

(ii) Double the complex plane.

$$\varphi \in [0, 2 \cdot 2\pi) = [0, 4\pi)$$

$$\sqrt{z} = \sqrt{r e^{i\varphi}} = \sqrt{r} \cdot e^{i\varphi/2}$$



$\varphi = 0, 2\pi, 4\pi$  are the same points on the original complex plane.

$\varphi = 0, 4\pi$  are the same points on the doubled complex plane

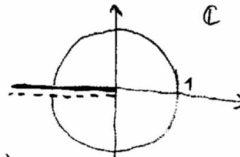
Advantage: Now  $\sqrt{z}$  is analytic except at  $z=0$ .  
Disadvantage: Need to learn Riemann surface theory.

(d) logarithm:  $\log z = \log(r \cdot e^{i\varphi}) = \log(r) + i\varphi$

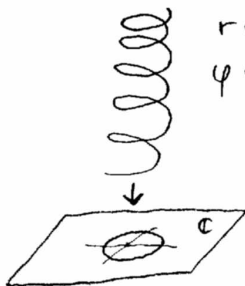
(i)  $\varphi \in (-\pi, \pi]$ ,  $\text{Log}(z)$

$$\text{Log}(-1) = i\pi$$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Log}(-1 - i\varepsilon) = -i\pi$$



(ii)  $r \in (0, \infty)$   
 $\varphi \in (-\infty, \infty)$ ,  $\log(r \cdot e^{i\varphi}) = \log(r) + i\varphi$   
infinite covering of  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$



# Derivation

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Real analysis:  $C^0 \supset C^1 \supset C^2 \dots \supset C^n \supset \dots \supset C^\infty \supset \text{Analytic functs.}$   
continuous twice differentiable smooth

Complex analysis:  $C^1 := \text{Holomorf} = \text{Analytic}$

Linear approximation:

$f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, f(z+\Delta z) \approx f(z) + f'(z)\Delta z$

$f(z) = f(x+iy) = u(x,y) + i v(x,y), x,y,u,v \text{ are real}$

$\Delta_1 f = f(z+(\delta+0i)) - f(z) = f((x+\delta)+iy) - f(x+iy) \approx [u'_x(x,y) + i v'_x(x,y)] \cdot \delta$

$\Delta_2 f = f(z+(0+\delta i)) - f(z) = f(x+i(y+\delta)) - f(x+iy) \approx [u'_y(x,y) + i v'_y(x,y)] \cdot \delta$

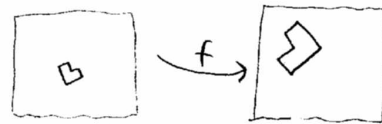
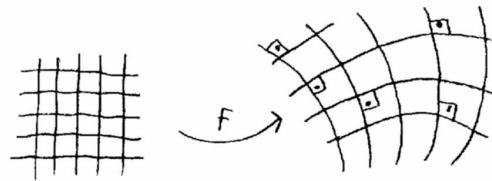
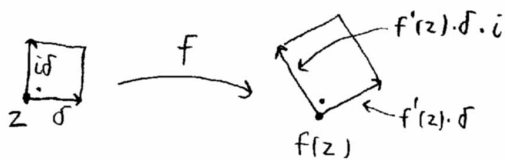
$\Delta_2 f = i \Delta_1 f$   
 $\Delta z = i \cdot \delta$   $\Delta z = \delta$

$i(u'_x + i v'_x) = (u'_y + i v'_y)$

$u'_x = v'_y, -v'_x = u'_y$

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

Cauchy-Riemann equations (CR)



conformal mapping:

small shapes are approximately preserved, since  $f'(z) \sim \text{rotation} + \text{rescaling}$

Remark: CR equation  $\rightarrow$  Laplace eq. for  $u, v$

$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(-\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}\right) = v_{xy} - v_{yx} = 0 \quad \Delta u = 0$

$\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(-\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right) = -u_{xy} + u_{yx} = 0 \quad \Delta v = 0$

# Cauchy integral formula

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Theorem:



$f$  holomorphic in  $D$ ,  $D$  open and simply connected,  
the closed curve  $\Gamma$  is inside  $D$ ,

then 
$$\oint_{\Gamma} f(z) dz = 0.$$

Remark: Similar to:  $\text{rot } \vec{V}(\vec{r}) = 0 \iff \vec{V} = \text{grad } \varphi \implies \oint_{\Gamma} \vec{V}(\vec{r}(t)) d\vec{r}(t) = 0$

Proof:  $\Gamma: \gamma(t) = \gamma_1(t) + \gamma_2(t) \cdot i, \quad \vec{r}(t) = (\gamma_1(t), \gamma_2(t))$

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{\Gamma} f(z) dz &= \oint dt f(\gamma_1(t) + \gamma_2(t) \cdot i) \cdot (\dot{\gamma}_1(t) + \dot{\gamma}_2(t) \cdot i) \\ &= \oint dt \left[ U(\gamma_1(t), \gamma_2(t)) \cdot \dot{\gamma}_1(t) - V(\gamma_1(t), \gamma_2(t)) \cdot \dot{\gamma}_2(t) \right] \\ &\quad + i \left[ U(\gamma_1(t), \gamma_2(t)) \cdot \dot{\gamma}_2(t) + V(\gamma_1(t), \gamma_2(t)) \cdot \dot{\gamma}_1(t) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \oint dt \left( [U, -V, 0](\vec{r}(t)) \cdot [\dot{\gamma}_1(t), \dot{\gamma}_2(t), 0] \right)$$

$$+ i \oint dt \left( [V, U, 0](\vec{r}(t)) \cdot [\dot{\gamma}_1(t), \dot{\gamma}_2(t), 0] \right)$$

$$= \iint d\vec{n} \cdot \text{rot} [U, -V, 0] + i \iint d\vec{n} \cdot \text{rot} [V, U, 0]$$

$$= \iint dn \cdot [0, 0, 1] \cdot \left[ 0, 0, \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(-V) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} U}_{=0, \text{ since } -V'_x = U'_y} \right] + i \iint dn [0, 0, 1] \cdot \left[ 0, 0, \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} U - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} V}_{=0, \text{ since } U'_x = V'_y} \right]$$

$= 0$ , since  $-V'_x = U'_y$

here  $U(x, y) \rightarrow U(x, y, z) = U(x, y)$ , etc.



Stokes: 
$$\oint \vec{V}(\vec{r}(t)) d\vec{r}(t) =$$

$$= \iint \text{rot } \vec{V} d\vec{n}$$

Remark: alternative proof:

① Check for  $f(z) = \alpha z + \beta$ .  $\Gamma = \text{triangle}$

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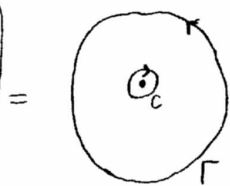
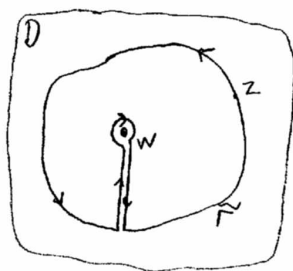
$$\oint f(z) dz \approx \sum_{\Delta} \oint_{\Delta} f(z) dz \rightarrow 0$$

zero for linear  $f(z)$ ,

$\approx 0$  if  $f(z)$  can be approximated

by  $\alpha z + \beta$ , i.e.  $f'(z)$  exists

Apply this for  $\frac{f(z)}{z-w}$ :  $\frac{f(z)}{z-w}$  holomorph inside the modified  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  curve 5  
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$$= 0 = \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z-w} dz + \underbrace{\oint_C \frac{f(z)}{z-w} dz}_{\text{circle of radius } \epsilon \text{ around } w, \epsilon \rightarrow 0^+}$$

$$\approx f(w) \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{\epsilon \cdot e^{-it}} \cdot \frac{d(\epsilon \cdot e^{-it})}{dt} dt = -2\pi i \cdot f(w)$$

So  $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z-w} dz = f(w)$

Remark: This does not mean that given an "arbitrary" function  $f(z)$  on the curve  $\Gamma$  we will get a holomorph function  $f(w)$  for the inside points  $w$  of  $\Gamma$ , such that its value on  $\Gamma$  is given by  $f(z)$

We can compute  $f'(w)$ :  $f'(w) = \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z-w)^2} dz \right)$   
etc.

$$f''(w) = \frac{\partial}{\partial w} f'(w) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z-w)^3} dz$$

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$$f^{(n)}(w) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z-w)^{n+1}} dz$$

So  $f$  is infinitely differentiable, and in fact analytic,

$$\text{since } f(w+a) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z-(w+a)} dz = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \frac{f(z)}{(z-w)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{a^n}{n!}$$

$$\text{as } \frac{1}{(z-w)-a} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^n}{(z-w)^{n+1}}$$

So holomorph  $\Rightarrow$  analytic

# Green function

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Example:  $G'(t) + 3G(t) = \delta(t)$

Retarded Green:  $G_R(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t < 0 \\ e^{-3t}, & \text{if } t > 0 \end{cases}$ , Advanced Green:  $G_A(t) = \begin{cases} -e^{-3t}, & \text{if } t < 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } t > 0 \end{cases}$

Solution by Fourier transform:

$$\hat{f}(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ipt} f(t) dt \quad f(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(p) e^{ipt} dp$$

$$\hat{\delta}(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ipt} \delta(t) dt = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \quad \delta(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ipt} dp$$

potential problem:  $\hat{\delta}(p) = \langle \frac{e^{-ipt}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \delta(t) \rangle$ ,  $\frac{e^{-ipt}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$  is not a test function  
 smooth, zero outside of a finite interval

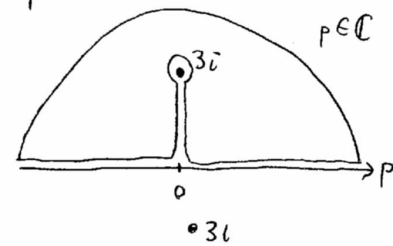
$$G(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{G}(p) e^{ipt} dp,$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{G}(p) \cdot ip \cdot e^{ipt} dp + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{G}(p) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ipt} dp$$

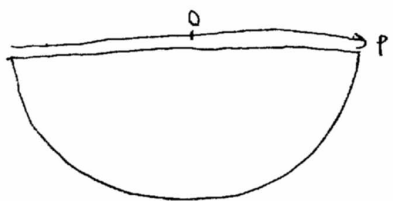
$$\hat{G}(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{ip+3}, \quad G(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ipt}}{ip+3} dp$$

What is  $G(t)$ ?  $G_A$  or  $G_R$ ? Answer: depends on the specification of the improper integral.

$\frac{e^{ipt}}{ip+3}$  holomorph if  $p \neq 3i$



$t > 0$   $e^{ipt}$  very small  $\rightarrow$   $G(t) = 0$  if  $t > 0$   
 advanced Green function



$t < 0$   $e^{ipt}$  very small  $\rightarrow$   $G(t) = 0$  if  $t < 0$   
 retarded Green