

Week 9: §§4.5-4.6

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1 Cauchy's Integral Formula and Its Consequences

1.1 Cauchy's Integral Formula and Theorem 15

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- *Cauchy's integral formula.* Let Γ be simple, closed, positively oriented, and contained in a simply connected domain D . Let f be analytic in D . Then

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta \text{ for any } z \text{ inside } \Gamma$$

- Let g be continuous on the contour Γ . Then $G(z) = \int_{\Gamma} \frac{g(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta$ ($z \notin \Gamma$), is analytic and $G'(z) = \int_{\Gamma} \frac{g(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z)^2} d\zeta$.
- In fact $G^{(k)}$ is analytic for all $k \geq 0$ and $G^{(k)}(z) = k! \int_{\Gamma} \frac{g(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z)^{k+1}} d\zeta$ for each z not on Γ .

1.2 Theorems 16 and 17

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- Theorem 16. Let f be analytic in the domain D . Then derivatives of all orders exist and are analytic in D .
- Theorem 17. If $f = u + iv$ is analytic in a domain D , then $u, v \in C^{\infty}(D)$.

1.3 Morera's Theorem and The Generalized Cauchy Integral Formula

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- Theorem 18. *Morera's Theorem.* If f is continuous in the domain D and if all loop integrals of f in D vanish, then f is analytic in D .
- Proof. According to the Equivalence Theorem f has an antiderivative F in D . As the derivative of F the function f is analytic.

- Theorem 19 (*Generalized Cauchy Integral Formula*). Let Γ be a simple closed positively oriented contour contained in a simply connected domain D . Let f be analytic in D . Then for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$f^{(n)}(z) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z)^{n+1}} d\zeta \text{ for any } z \text{ inside } \Gamma$$

- Written differently

$$\int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^m} dz = \frac{2\pi i}{(m-1)!} f^{(m-1)}(z_0)$$

1.4 The Generalized Cauchy Integral Formula: Examples

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- Example A. Let Γ be the circle $|z - 2| = 1$ (counterclockwise). Let Log be the principal branch of the logarithm. Then

$$\int_{\Gamma} \frac{\text{Log}(z)}{(z-2)^3} dz = \frac{2\pi i}{2!} \left. \frac{d^2}{dz^2} \text{Log}(z) \right|_{z=2} = -\frac{\pi i}{4}$$

- Example B. Let now Γ be the circle $|z| = 1$ (counterclockwise). Then

$$\int_{\Gamma} \frac{\text{Log}(z)}{z^3} dz = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\text{Log}(e^{it})}{e^{3it}} ie^{it} dt = i \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} ite^{-2it} dt$$

- Integration by parts then gives us the result $\int_{\Gamma} \frac{\text{Log}(z)}{z^3} dz = -\pi i$.
- The method of Example A could not be used. We had to resort to explicit calculation.

1.5 Cauchy Estimates

Cauchy Estimates

- Theorem 20. Let f be analytic inside and on the circle C_R given by $|z - z_0| = R$. Suppose $|f(z)| \leq M$ for all z on C_R . Then for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$|f^{(n)}(z_0)| \leq \frac{n!M}{R^n}$$

- Proof. By the generalized Cauchy formula

$$f^{(n)}(z_0) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{C_R} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z_0)^{n+1}} d\zeta$$

- Thus we get

$$|f^{(n)}(z_0)| = \frac{n!}{2\pi} \left| \int_{C_R} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z_0)^{n+1}} d\zeta \right| \leq \frac{n!}{2\pi} \frac{M}{R^{n+1}} 2\pi R = \frac{n!M}{R^n}$$

1.6 Liouville's Theorem and The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

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- Theorem 21. *Liouville's Theorem.* An entire and bounded function is constant.
- Proof. Let f be entire and satisfy $|f(z)| \leq M$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$. By taking $n = 1$ in the Cauchy estimate

$$|f^{(n)}(z_0)| \leq \frac{n!M}{R^n}$$

we have for any z_0 and any R

$$|f'(z_0)| \leq \frac{M}{R}$$

- But then $f'(z_0) = 0$ for any z_0 , so that f is constant.
- Theorem 22. *The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra.* Every nonconstant polynomial has at least one zero.

1.7 The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra: Proof

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- Let $P(z) = a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 z + a_0$ with $a_n \neq 0$. Suppose $P(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.
- Then $f(z) = \frac{1}{P(z)}$ is entire. However, it is also bounded:
- We have as $|z| \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{P(z)}{z^n} = a_n + a_{n-1} z^{-1} + \cdots + a_1 z^{-n+1} + a_0 z^{-n} \rightarrow a_n$$

- Thus there is an $R > 0$ such that for $|z| \geq R$

$$\left| \frac{P(z)}{z^n} \right| \geq \frac{1}{2} |a_n|$$

- Thus for $|z| \geq R$

$$|f(z)| = \frac{1}{|P(z)|} \leq \frac{2}{|z|^n |a_n|} \leq \frac{2}{R^n |a_n|}$$

- As a continuous function $|f|$ is also bounded on the closed disk $|z| \leq R$.
- By Liouville's theorem f is constant. Thus $n = 0$.

1.8 The Mean-value Property

The Mean-value Property

- Let f be analytic inside and on the circle C_R given by $|z - z_0| = R$. By Cauchy's Integral Formula

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_R} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z_0} d\zeta$$

- C_R can be parametrized by $\zeta = z_0 + R e^{it}$, $t \in [0, 2\pi]$, so

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(z_0 + R e^{it})}{R e^{it}} R i e^{it} dt$$

- Thus f has the mean value-property:

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z_0 + R e^{it}) dt$$

- Example C. Take $f = \exp$, $z_0 = 0$. We get the result

$$1 = e^0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \exp(R e^{it}) dt$$

which is not entirely obvious, but is confirmed by Maple.

1.9 The Mean-value Property and the Maximum Modulus Principle

The Mean-value Property and the Maximum Modulus Principle

- Lemma 1. Let f be analytic in the disk B given by $|z - z_0| \leq R$. If $\max_{z \in B} |f(z)| = |f(z_0)|$ then $|f|$ is constant in B .
- Proof. Since for any $r \leq R$

$$|f(z_0)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(z_0 + r e^{it})| dt$$

and since $|f(z_0 + r e^{it})| \leq |f(z_0)|$ for all t , we in fact must have $|f(z_0 + r e^{it})| = |f(z_0)|$ for all t and all $r \leq R$.

- Theorem 23. *The Maximum Modulus Principle.* Let f be analytic in the domain D . Suppose $|f(z)|$ attains its maximum at a point $z_0 \in D$. Then f is constant.
- Remark. Notice that the conclusion is that f is constant, not only $|f|$.

1.10 The Maximum Modulus Principle I

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- Proof. Let $z_1 \in D$ be any other point than the point at which $|f(z)|$ attains its maximum z_0 .
- Connect z_0 and z_1 by a contour γ lying in D and parametrized by $z = \phi(t), t \in [a, b]$ with $\phi(a) = z_0$ and $\phi(b) = z_1$.
- The real-valued function $|f(\phi(t))|, t \in [a, b]$ is constant on some interval $[a, c]$ ($c > a$) by Lemma 1.
- Let $c_m = \max \{c \in [a, b] \mid |f(\phi(t))| = |f(z_0)| \text{ for } t \in [a, c]\}$.
- We shall show that $c_m = b$. Let B be a disk centered at $w = \phi(c_m)$ and contained in D .
- $|f|$ also attains its maximum at w . Thus by Lemma 1 $|f|$ is constant in B . So necessarily $c_m = b$, and $|f(z_1)| = |f(z_0)|$.
- But if $|f|$ is constant in D , so is f (see the lecture notes for week 3).

1.11 The Maximum Modulus Principle II

The Maximum Modulus Principle II

- Theorem 24. *The Maximum Modulus Principle: Version 2.* Let f be analytic in the bounded domain D . Suppose f is continuous on the closure \overline{D} . Then f attains its maximum modulus on the boundary of D .
- Proof. As a continuous function $|f|$ attains its maximum at some point z_0 of the compact set \overline{D} . If $z_0 \in D$ then f is constant in D and by continuity also in \overline{D} .
- Theorem 26. If ϕ is harmonic in a simply connected domain D and attains its maximum or minimum at some point in D , then ϕ is constant.
- Proof. ϕ is the real part of an analytic function f . Suppose $z_0 \in D$ is a maximum point for ϕ . Then $|e^{f(z)}| = e^{\phi(z)}$ attains its maximum at z_0 . However, $\exp \circ f$ is analytic, so must be constant in D . Therefore ϕ is constant.
- A minimum is handled by considering $-\phi$ instead.