

Cauchy-Riemann Equations

(Continued)

Suppose $f(z) = u + iv$ is analytic on \mathbb{R} . Then, for $z \in \mathbb{R}$ the limit

$$f'(z) = \lim_{\substack{\Delta x \rightarrow 0 \\ \Delta y \rightarrow 0}} \frac{u(x+\Delta x, y+\Delta y) + i v(x+\Delta x, y+\Delta y)}{\Delta x + i \Delta y}$$

$$= \frac{u(x, y) + i v(x, y) - u(x, y) - i v(x, y)}{\Delta x + i \Delta y}$$

exists,

Case 1 Suppose $\Delta y = 0$. Then $-i v(x, y)$

$$\text{limit} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x+\Delta x, y) + i v(x+\Delta x, y) - u(x, y) - i v(x, y)}{\Delta x}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{u(x+\Delta x, y) - u(x, y)}{\Delta x} \right\} + i \left\{ \frac{v(x+\Delta x, y) - v(x, y)}{\Delta x} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \quad (1) \quad \text{exists.}$$

Case 2 Suppose $\Delta x = 0$. Then

$$\text{limit} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \quad (2)$$

For $f(z)$ to be analytic we need $(1) = (2)$.

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

Hence

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} &= -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Cauchy-Riemann equations.}$$

Theorem If $f(z) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y)$ is analytic on a region R then the Cauchy-Riemann equations hold in R .

Remember: Class Test next
Monday 4th Feb.

Theorem Let $f(z)$, $g(z)$ be
analytic in a region containing
the point z_0 . Suppose that
 $f(z_0) = g(z_0) = 0$ but
 $g'(z_0) \neq 0$. Then

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} = \frac{f'(z_0)}{g'(z_0)}$$

Problem Evaluate

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow i} \frac{z^{10} + 1}{z^6 + 1}$$

$$\text{Set } f(z) = z^{10} + 1, \quad g(z) = z^6 + 1.$$

$$\text{Note } f(i) = 0, \quad g(i) = 0.$$

$$f'(z) = 10z^9$$

$$g'(z) = 6z^5, \quad g'(i) \neq 0.$$

Hence

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow i} \frac{z^{10} + 1}{z^6 + 1} = \frac{10(i)^9}{6(i)^5} = \frac{5}{3}$$

HARMONIC FUNCTIONS

Defn A function $u(x, y) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
is harmonic if

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

Theorem (from Chapter V)

If $f(z)$ is analytic on a disc R
then all higher derivatives
 $f'(z), f''(z), f'''(z), \dots$ exist in
 R .

Corollary Suppose that $f(z) = u + iv$ is analytic in a disk R . Then both u and v are harmonic.

Proof $f(z)$ analytic \Rightarrow

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y \partial x} = -\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

i.e. u is harmonic.

Exercise: v is harmonic.

Singular points

Defn A point at which $f(z)$ fails to be analytic is called a singular point or singularity of $f(z)$.

Defn A singular point $z = z_0$ of $f(z)$ is isolated if we can find $\delta > 0$ such that the disk

$$|z - z_0| < \delta$$

contains no other singular point of $f(z)$.

Defn If z_0 is an isolated singular point of $f(z)$ for which we can find an integer n



such that

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z - z_0)^n f(z) = A \neq 0$$

then z_0 is a pole of order n .

Example Find and describe the singularities of

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{(z^2 + 4)^2}$$

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$$f(z) = \frac{z}{(z + 2i)^2 (z - 2i)^2}$$

Since

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 2i} (z - 2i)^2 f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 2i} \frac{z}{(z + 2i)^2} = \frac{1}{4i} \neq 0$$

and since $z = 2i$ is an isolated singularity of $f(z)$



we conclude that $z = 2i$
is a pole of $f(z)$ of order 2.

Exercise: $z = -2i$ is also a
pole of order 2.