

CHAPTER 3: MEROMORPHIC FNS AND THE LOGARITHM

GOALS:

- Extend Cauchy's Thm to include fns with poles
- Understand singularities of fns + their consequences
 - ↳ Picard's Thm (what does the ST: TUB work on?)
 - ↳ how many values can a complex diff fn omit without being constant?
- Riemann Mapping Thm: later in semester, will see "lighter" version here
 - ↳ any simply connected open set not all of \mathbb{C} can be mapped to unit disc with a complex diff fn
 - ↳ what of boundary?
- Rouché's Thm:
 - ↳ Relating # zeros of f and g
- Finding maxima of fns
- Analytic continuation
 - ↳ $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n = \frac{1}{1-r}$

Sec 1: ZEROS AND POLES

Point Singularity of f is a $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ st f is defined for all z near z_0 but not at z_0 . Also call this an isolated singularity.

↳ removable singularities: $f(z) = \frac{z^2-1}{z-1}$ at $z=1$

zero/pole: f has a zero of order n if $f(z) = (z-z_0)^n g(z)$ with $g(z_0) \neq 0$; has a pole of order n at z_0 if $1/f(z)$ has a zero of order n at z_0 .

↳ actual defn is just $f(z_0) = 0$. If f is holo in connected open SZ get $f(z) = (z-z_0)^n g(z)$ — see book (pg 73)

Often convenient to study deleted neighborhoods $\{z: 0 < |z-z_0| < r\}$.

Similarly of pole at z_0 get $f(z) = (z-z_0)^{-n} h(z)$.

Call the integer n the multiplicity of the zero or pole; if $n=1$ say simple

Thm 1.3: If f has a pole of order n at z_0 , then \exists holo G st

$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-n}}{(z-z_0)^n} + \dots + \frac{a_{-1}}{z-z_0} + G(z)$$

Proof: $f(z) = (z-z_0)^{-n} h(z)$

$$h(z) = h_0 + h_1 z + \dots$$

Expand

Call $\frac{a_{-n}}{(z-z_0)^n} + \dots + \frac{a_{-1}}{z-z_0}$ The principal part of f at the pole z_0 , and a_{-1} The residue, often written by $\text{res}_{z_0}(f) = a_{-1}$

Sec 1: ZEROS + POLES: CONTINUED

Lemma: If $P(z)$ is the principal part of f at z_0 and C is a ~~sufficiently small~~ circle centered at z_0 , then $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C P(z) dz = a_{-1}$

Proof: Follows from $\oint_C z^n dz = \begin{cases} 2\pi i & \text{if } n = -1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

↳ Prove this: could do $r \cos n\theta + i r \sin n\theta \dots$
 $z = r e^{i\theta} \quad dz = i r e^{i\theta} d\theta$ ▢

Very important to be able to find residues (the a_{-1} term).
This part not in book.

Example: Find poles and residues of $\frac{1}{z^2+1}$

↳ Soln: clear poles are $z = i$ and $-i$

$$\text{Get } \frac{1}{z^2+1} = \frac{1}{z+i} - \frac{1}{z-i}$$

note $\frac{1}{z+i}$ is hole at $z = i$

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

$$\text{Thus } \frac{1}{z+i} = \frac{1}{2i \left(1 - \frac{i(z-i)}{2}\right)} = \frac{1}{2i} \left[1 + \frac{i(z-i)}{2} + \dots\right]$$

note residue is just $\frac{1}{2i}$, which is $\frac{1}{i+i} = \frac{1}{2i}$

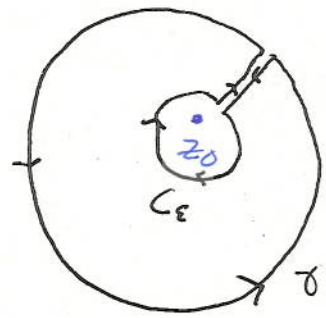
↳ other don't need infinite series.

SEC 2: THE RESIDUE FORMULA

Thm: f holo on open set containing circle C and its interior except for pole z_0 inside C . Then

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z_0} f \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C f(z) dz = \operatorname{Res}_{z_0} f$$

Proof:



f holo inside contour, so $\oint_{C_\epsilon} f(z) dz = 0$
 Letting separation tend to zero gives

$$\oint_C f(z) dz - \oint_{C_\epsilon} f(z) dz = 0$$

Write $f(z) = P_{z_0}(z) + G(z)$ with G holo

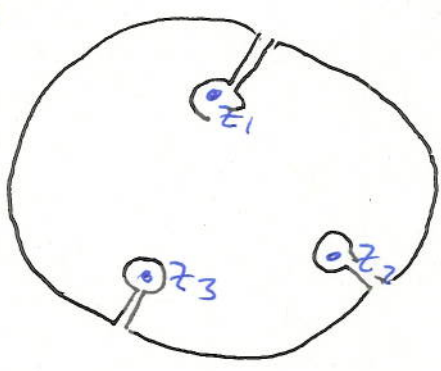
$$\text{Then } \oint_{C_\epsilon} f(z) dz = \oint_{C_\epsilon} P(z) + G(z) = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z_0} f$$

Cor: f holo in open set containing C and interior save at z_1, \dots, z_N inside C . Then

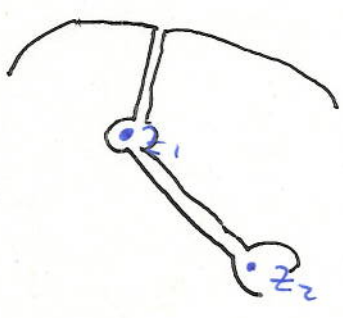
$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C f(z) dz = \sum_{k=1}^N \operatorname{Res}_{z_k} f$$

CALL THIS THE RESIDUE FORMULA

Proof:



or



SEC 2: THE RESIDUE FORMULA (CONT)

Can use this to evaluate lots of integrals.

Example 1: $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2+1}$ $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx$

General Advice

- Choose appropriate f
- Choose appropriate contours so can exploit decay

Do more examples

Question: What if pole on the contour?

Ex: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$:

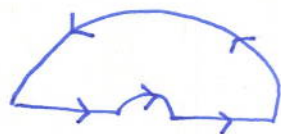
↳ first prove $\lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-A}^A \frac{\sin x}{x} dx < \infty$ so this

makes sense! Natural choice $f(z) = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2iz}$

Problem: $e^{\pm iz}/z$ has a pole at $z=0$, want



but need to do



or maybe



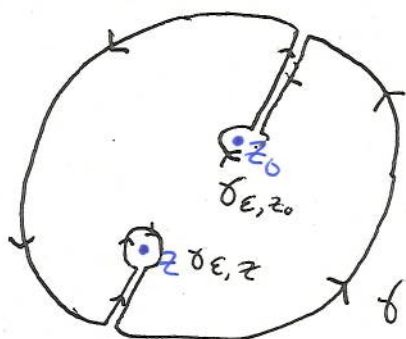
SEC 3: SINGULARITIES AND MEROMORPHIC FNS

Thm: RIEMANN'S THM ON REMOVABLE SINGULARITIES

f holo on open Ω save possibly at $z_0 \in \Omega$, If

f is bounded on $\Omega - \{z_0\}$ Then z_0 is a removable

singularity, and $f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} dz$



f is holo in this contour: $\oint_C \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta = 0$

Letting separation tend to zero yields

$$\oint_C \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta - \oint_{C_{\epsilon, z_0}} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta - \oint_{C_{\epsilon, z}} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta = 0$$

tends to 0
 f is bounded
 ζ near z_0 and
 thus far from z

$$\text{Yields } \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_{\epsilon, z}} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta = f(z)$$

Thus regain $f(z)$ for $z \neq z_0$, use this for $z = z_0$ too.

on the curve C , ζ is far from z_0

↳ integral is thus continuous in z .

↳ By Thm 5.4, Chap 2 know that this integral rep

means f is holo/analytic.

COR: f has isolated singularity at z_0 Then z_0 is a pole if $|f(z)| \rightarrow \infty$ as $z \rightarrow z_0$.

See book for proof.

SEC 3: SINGULARITIES + REMOVABLE FNS

Three types of singularities

- Removable: f bounded near z_0
- Pole: $|f(z)| \rightarrow \infty$ as $z \rightarrow z_0$
- Essential: anything else

↳ ex: $f(z) = e^{1/z}$

↳ if $z = x \rightarrow 0^+$ tends to $+\infty$

if $z = iy$ then absolute value is 1

THM: CASORATI-WEIERSTRASS

f holo in punctured disk $D_r(z_0) - \{z_0\}$ and has an essential singularity at $\{z_0\}$. Then f of the punctured disk is dense in \mathbb{C} .

Proof: By Contradiction. Assume not, so $\exists w \exists \delta$ st $|f(z) - w| > \delta$ for all $z \in D_r(z_0) - \{z_0\}$.

Set $g(z) = \frac{1}{f(z) - w}$

↳ holo on punctured disk, bounded by $1/\delta$

↳ Thus has removable singularity at z_0 .

↳ if $g(z_0) \neq 0$ then $f(z) - w$ is holo at z_0 ,
contradicting z_0 an essential sing of f .

↳ if $g(z_0) = 0$ then f has pole at z_0 ,
again contradicting essential singularity. \square

Give refs to Picard's Thms (Big and Little)

SEC 3: SINGS AND MEROMORPHIC FNS (CONT)

Skipping most of rest of section

Say we have a fn f with only isolated singularities

that are poles. We say f is meromorphic on an open Ω

if there exists a seq $\{z_0, z_1, z_2, \dots\}$ that has no limit point in Ω st

(1) f is holo in $\Omega - \{z_0, z_1, z_2, \dots\}$

(2) f has poles at z_0, z_1, z_2, \dots

SEC 4: THE ARGUMENT PRINCIPLE AND APPLICATIONS

Logarithm is hard to define:

$$z = se^{2\pi i k} \quad \text{or} \quad se^{2\pi i k} + 2\pi i k \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Sadly lose $\log f_1 f_2 = \log f_1 + \log f_2$

Do have $\frac{(f_1 f_2)'}{f_1 f_2} = \frac{f_1'}{f_1} + \frac{f_2'}{f_2}$ (quotient rule)

Say holo f has zero order n at z_0 : $f(z) = (z - z_0)^n g(z)$

Then $\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{n}{z - z_0} + \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)}$, with $\frac{g'(z)}{g(z)}$ holo

↳ note f'/f has simple pole of residue n at z_0 .

↳ Similar result if f has a pole

Sec 4: ARG PRINCIPLE + APPLICATIONS (CONT)

THM: ARGUMENT PRINCIPLE

f meromorphic in open set containing circle C and its interior,
 f has no zeros or poles on C . Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \left(\begin{array}{c} \# \text{ zeros of } f \\ \text{inside } C \end{array} \right) - \left(\begin{array}{c} \# \text{ poles of } f \\ \text{inside } C \end{array} \right)$$

Proof: If f has a zero or pole of order n at z_0 then

by previous $\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{n}{z-z_0} + \text{holo}$ in small nbhd

use appropriate contour:



Cor: Of course C need not be a circle...

Question: can you use this to prove any poly of deg 2 has exactly two roots?

What about a deg n poly?

Applications

- Rouché's Thm
- open mapping Thm: holo f maps open sets to open sets
- Maximum modulus principle

SEC 4: ARG PRINCIPLE AND APP (CONT)

THM: Rouché's THM: f, g holo on open set containing circle C and its interior. If $|f(z)| > |g(z)| \quad \forall z \in C$
Then f and $f+g$ have same # of zeros inside C .

Proof: Will continuously pass from f to $f+g$

Main idea: if a cont fn is always an integer then it's constant

$$\text{Let } f_t(z) = f(z) + t g(z)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Note } f_0(z) = f(z) \quad \text{and} \quad f_1(z) = f(z) + g(z)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{As } |f| > |g| \text{ on } C, f_t \text{ is non-zero on } C$$

$$\text{Argument Principle: } \# \text{ zeros of } f_t = n(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f'_t(z)}{f_t(z)} dz$$

\hookrightarrow Proof follows by showing integral is continuous as $n(t) \in \mathbb{Z}$

Note $\frac{f'_t(z)}{f_t(z)}$ is cont for $(t, z) \in [0, 1] \times C$, compact set

\hookrightarrow num and denom cont, denom is non-zero ▣

$$\Rightarrow n(0) = n(1)$$

SEC 4: ARG PRINCIPLE AND APPS (CONT)

Mapping is OPEN if it sends open sets to open sets.

Consider $f(x) = x^2$ on $(-1, 1)$. Then $f((-1, 1)) = [0, 1)$

is not open, so the nice real-valued fn $f(x) = x^2$ is not open.

THM: OPEN MAPPING THM

f holomorphic and non-constant in open Ω . Then f is open.

Proof: Say $w_0 \in \text{Im}(f)$ so $f(z_0) = w_0$

Must show some ball about $w_0 \subset \text{Im}(f)$

Set $g_w(z) = f(z) - w$ for some fixed w near w_0

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow g_w(z) &= (f(z) - w_0) + (w_0 - w) \\ &= F(z) + G(z) \end{aligned}$$

Choose $\delta > 0$ st disc $|z - z_0| \leq \delta$ contained in Ω

and $f(z) \neq w_0$ on circle $|z - z_0| = \delta$.

\hookrightarrow Must prove can do: proof not in book.

\hookrightarrow It can't, for all radii $r \leq \delta$ have a z_r on C_r

st $f(z_r) = w_0$, thus $f(z) - w_0$ has an accumulation point and is locally constant.

\hookrightarrow Thus $\exists \epsilon > 0$ st $|f(z) - w_0| > \epsilon$ on circle $|z - z_0| = \delta$

As $|w - w_0| < \epsilon$, have $|F(z)| > |G(z)|$ on circle $|z - z_0| = \delta$.

Thus by Rouché F and $F + G$ have same # of zeros.

\hookrightarrow As F has a zero (z_0), $F + G$ has a zero and thus

$\exists z$ st $f(z) = w$ \Rightarrow

Sec 4: ARG PRINCIPLE + APPLICATIONS (CONT)

Thm: MAXIMUM Modulus Principle

If f non-const holo fn in open Ω then f cannot attain a maximum in Ω .

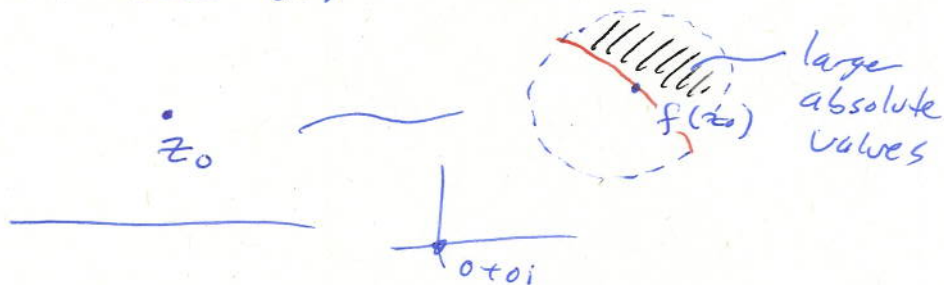
Proof: Follows from open mapping Thm.

Note by "maximum" we mean a maximum for $|f|$

↳ If $|f|$ is max at $z_0 \in \Omega$, then since open map

we have an open ball $B_r(|f(z_0)|) \subset f(B_r(z_0))$

Thus have larger absolute value.



Cor: Ω st $\bar{\Omega}$ is compact, f holo on Ω and cont on $\bar{\Omega}$,
Then $\sup_{z \in \Omega} |f| \leq \sup_{z \in \bar{\Omega} - \Omega} |f|$ (ie, max on boundary)

Proof: by real analysis have max of $|f|$ on $\bar{\Omega}$, by above cannot attain in Ω , only $\bar{\Omega} - \Omega$ left. ☐

Note: Compactness important:

Consider e^{-iz^2} on first quadrant



Sec 5: Homotopies and Simply Connected Domains

Skipping proofs: see book

γ_0, γ_1 curves in open Ω with common endpoints. Say homotopic in Ω if \exists jointly cont $\gamma_s(t)$ for $(s,t) \in [0,1] \times [a,b]$ ($\gamma_0, \gamma_1: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$) with $\gamma_s(t)|_{s=0} = \gamma_0(t)$ and $\gamma_s(t)|_{s=1} = \gamma_1(t)$.

Thm: f holomorphic on Ω , γ_0 and γ_1 homotopic, then

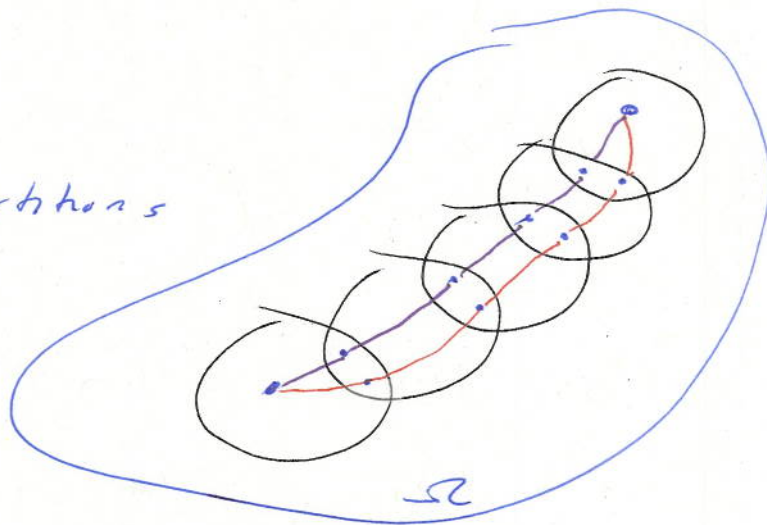
$$\int_{\gamma_0} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz$$

Idea of proof

↳ Partition

↳ Use primitives in partitions

↳ use points in overlap




Sec 6: The Complex LOGARITHM

$$z = r e^{i\theta} = r e^{i\theta + 2\pi i k} \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

natural to set $\log z = \log r + i\theta$, but ...

Need to make a branch cut.

Most common:  $\mathbb{C} - (-\infty, 0]$

Principle branch

Thm 6.1: Ω simply conn with $1 \in \Omega$, $0 \notin \Omega$. Then in Ω

There is a branch of the logarithm s.t. $F(z) = \log_{\Omega}(z)$ with

(1) F is holo in Ω

(2) $e^{F(z)} = z \quad \forall z \in \Omega$

(3) $F(r) = \log r$ when r is a real number near 1.

Proof: Idea: construct a primitive (i.e. anti-deriv) for $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$

Define $\log_{\Omega} z := F(z) = \int_{\gamma} f(w) dw$ for any path γ from 1 to z

\hookrightarrow as Ω is simply conn, integral indep of γ (Cauchy's Thm)

\hookrightarrow Yields $F'(z) = 1/z \quad \forall z \in \Omega$

\hookrightarrow (2) equiv to $z e^{-F(z)} = 1$

\hookrightarrow note $(z e^{-F(z)})' = (1 - z F'(z)) e^{-F(z)} = 0$

so deriv constant and zero $\Rightarrow z e^{-F(z)}$ constant

and know $1 \cdot e^{-F(1)} = 1 \cdot e^0 = 1$

\hookrightarrow (3): choose a path from 1 to r in \mathbb{R} , so $F(r) = \int_1^r \frac{dx}{x} = \log r$ \square

Sec 6: Complex Logarithm (Cont)

• Can Prove Taylor Expansion:

$$\log(1+z) = z - \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^3}{3} - \frac{z^4}{4} + \dots$$

↳ alternate proof from book!

↳ know true for $z \in \mathbb{R}$

look at difference, accumulation points...

• Ω simply conn, $1 \in \Omega$, $0 \notin \Omega$, choose branch with $\log 1 = 0$
and for $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ set $z^\alpha = e^{\alpha \log z}$

↳ need this in calculus for deriv of z^r general r

↳ combinatorics for z^n , $z^{p/q}$ not available

Thm: f nowhere vanishing holo fn on simply conn Ω then \exists holo g on Ω st $f(z) = e^{g(z)}$

See book for proof.

HW: #1, #2 (can you do $\frac{1}{1+x^{2k}}$), #10, #12, #13, #15 a b d
#16, #17

Suggested: #3, #6 (see Wallis' Formula), #9, #15 c, #19,
#21, #22