

Some real analysis

σ and O - notation

Suppose f is defined in a nbhd of $0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

$$f = o(|x|^k) \Leftrightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(x)|}{|x|^k} = 0 \quad (k=0 \text{ is called } o(1))$$

$$f = O(|x|^k) \Leftrightarrow \exists C > 0 \text{ s.t. } |f(x)| \leq C|x|^k, \quad x \text{ small}$$

Def. f is differentiable at a if there is a linear map $L: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ such that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(a+x) - f(a) - L(x)|}{|x|} = 0$$

\Leftrightarrow

$$f(a+x) = f(a) + L(x) + o(|x|)$$

- L is called the derivative of f at a and denoted df_a
- If f is differentiable at a , then the partial derivatives

$\frac{\partial f_j}{\partial x_i}(a)$ exist and

$$df_a(v) = \sum_{j=1}^m \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial x_i}(a) v_i \right) e_j$$

$$df = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

Jacobian matrix.

- If the partial derivatives $\frac{\partial f_j}{\partial x_i}$ exist in a nbhd of a

and are continuous at a , then f is differentiable at a .

$$C(\Omega) = \{f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; f \text{ is continuous}\}$$

$$C^1(\Omega) = \left\{ f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \in C(\Omega), i=1, \dots, n \right\}$$

$$C^k(\Omega) = \left\{ f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}; \text{all partial derivatives of order} \leq k \text{ are cont.} \right\}$$

Order does not matter.

$$\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n \text{ multiindex}$$

$$|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n, \quad \text{order the multiindex}$$

$$D^\alpha f = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|} f}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \partial x_2^{\alpha_2} \dots \partial x_n^{\alpha_n}}$$

$$C^\infty(\Omega) = \bigcap_k C^k(\Omega)$$

Complex function of a complex variable, $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$

$$f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad z = x + iy, \quad f = u + iv$$

$$f(z) = f(x, y) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y)$$

As a real function $f: \underset{\mathbb{R}^2}{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $f = (u, v)$

Let $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta \in \mathbb{C} \cong \mathbb{R}^2$. What is $df(\lambda)$?

$$\begin{aligned} df(\lambda) &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \cdot \alpha + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \cdot \beta \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \cdot \alpha + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \cdot \beta \end{pmatrix} = \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \cdot \alpha + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \cdot \beta \right) + i \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \cdot \alpha + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \cdot \beta \right) \\ &= \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \beta \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{aligned}$$

Want to express in terms of λ

$$\alpha = \operatorname{Re} \lambda = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda + \bar{\lambda}) \quad \beta = \operatorname{Im} \lambda = \frac{1}{2i}(\lambda - \bar{\lambda})$$

$$df(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda + \bar{\lambda}) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2i}(\lambda - \bar{\lambda}) \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \lambda + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \bar{\lambda} =: \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \lambda + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} \bar{\lambda}$$

Complex linear

$$L(c\lambda) = cL(\lambda)$$

Complex antilinear

$$L(c\lambda) = \bar{c}L(\lambda)$$

$$df \text{ is } \mathbb{C}\text{-linear} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = 0.$$

$-\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = 0$ is called the Cauchy-Riemann equations, i.e. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -i \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$

Real form:

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

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

Exercise

a) Show that $\frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}$ satisfy Leibniz rule!

b) Suppose $L: \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^m$ is \mathbb{R} -linear. Show that

$$L \text{ is } \mathbb{C}\text{-linear} \Leftrightarrow L(i v) = i L(v) \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{C}^m$$

$$L \text{ is } \mathbb{C}\text{-antilinear} \Leftrightarrow L(i v) = -i L(v)$$

c) Show that every \mathbb{R} linear $L: \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^m$ split uniquely in a \mathbb{C} -linear and \mathbb{C} -antilinear part

$$L = L_{\mathbb{C}} + L_{\bar{\mathbb{C}}}$$

$$L_{\mathbb{C}}(v) = \frac{1}{2}(L(v) - i L(i v)), \quad L_{\bar{\mathbb{C}}}(v) = \frac{1}{2}(L(v) + i L(i v))$$

Def. $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is called \mathbb{C} -differentiable at a if

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+\lambda) - f(a)}{\lambda}$$

exist. This is denoted by $f'(a)$.

\Leftrightarrow

$$f(a+\lambda) = f(a) + f'(a)\lambda + o(|\lambda|)$$

f is \mathbb{C} -diff. at $a \Leftrightarrow f$ is differentiable at a and

df_a is \mathbb{C} -linear

Def. Let Ω be an open subset of \mathbb{C} . We say that a complex function $f(z)$ defined in Ω is holomorphic if $f \in C^1(\Omega)$ and f is complex differentiable at all points in Ω , i.e. f satisfies the C-R equations.

- The set of holomorphic functions is denoted by $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$
- It is not necessary to assume $f \in C^1(\Omega)$. (this follows automatically when f is \mathbb{C} -differentiable), but it makes things easier, because we can use Green's theorem in the plane.

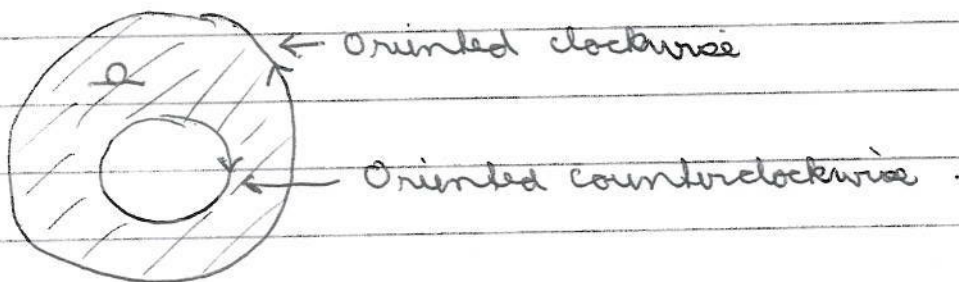
- Green's theorem in the plane

If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is an open set with piecewise smooth boundary $\partial\Omega$ and M, N are two C^1 functions in $\bar{\Omega} = \Omega \cup \partial\Omega$, then

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} M dx + N dy = \iint_{\Omega} \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$$

Remarks:

1. $\partial\Omega$ is oriented such that Ω lies to the left of $\partial\Omega$.



2. It does not matter if M and N are real or complex valued.

3. $\int_{\partial\Omega} M dx + N dy$ is computed by parametrizing $\partial\Omega$

$(x(t), y(t))$, $a \leq t \leq b$. Then -

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} M dx + N dy = \int_a^b M(x(t), y(t)) x'(t) + N(x(t), y(t)) y'(t) dt$$

i.e. $dx = x'(t)dt$, $dy = y'(t)dt$.

- If $\gamma \subset \mathbb{C}$ is a curve parametrized by

$$z(t) = x(t) + iy(t), \quad a \leq t \leq b$$

and f is a complex function on γ , then the complex line integral is defined by

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_a^b f(x(t) + iy(t)) z'(t) dt = \int_a^b f(x(t) + iy(t)) (x'(t) + iy'(t)) dt$$

$$= \int_{\gamma} f dx + i f dy \quad (\text{Similar } \int_{\gamma} f(z) d\bar{z})$$

If $\gamma = \partial\Omega$ as in Green's theorem, we get

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} f dz = \iint_{\Omega} \left(i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = 2i \iint_{\Omega} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} dx dy$$

(Complex form of Green's theorem)

Remarks:

1. If f is holomorphic, we get Cauchy's theorem

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} f dz = 0$$

2. If γ is the circle $z = \zeta + re^{i\theta}$, then

$dz = ire^{i\theta} d\theta$ and

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z-\zeta} dz = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(\zeta + re^{i\theta})}{re^{i\theta}} \cdot ire^{i\theta} d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} i f(\zeta + re^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

$$= 2\pi i \cdot \text{average value on circle} \cong 2\pi i f(\zeta)$$

3. Integral of a gradient; If γ is a curve from a to b and f is C^1 on γ , then

$$f(b) - f(a) = \int_{\gamma} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy = \int_{\gamma} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} dz + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} d\bar{z}$$

If f is holomorphic, then $f(b) - f(a) = \int_{\gamma} f'(z) dz$

If $|f'(z)| \leq M$ on γ , then $|f(b) - f(a)| \leq M \cdot l(\gamma)$.

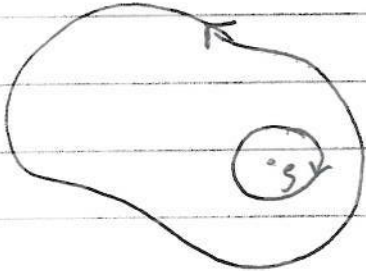
Cauchy - Stokes formula

Assume f is C^1 in $\bar{\Omega}$, as in Green's theorem and let $\zeta \in \Omega$. For small r , let

$$\Omega_r = \Omega \setminus \bar{D}(a, r). \text{ Then } \partial\Omega_r = \partial\Omega \cup \partial D(a, r)$$

where $\partial D(a, r)$ is oriented ~~counterclockwise~~.

Applying the complex form of Green's theorem to $\frac{f(z)}{z-\zeta}$ in Ω_r , we get



$$\int_{\partial\Omega_r} \frac{f(z)}{z-\zeta} dz - i \int_0^{2\pi} f(\zeta + re^{i\theta}) d\theta = 2i \iint_{\Omega_r} \frac{\partial f / \partial \bar{z}}{z-\zeta} dx dy$$

$$\downarrow r \rightarrow 0 \qquad \qquad \qquad \downarrow r \rightarrow 0$$

$$2\pi i f(\zeta) \qquad \qquad \qquad 2i \iint_{\Omega} \frac{\partial f / \partial \bar{z}}{z-\zeta} dx dy$$

(In the limit to the right, we have used the fact that $\frac{1}{z-\zeta}$ has a finite integral over Ω , i.e. is integrable, see Lemma 2 on page 99 of Nečasimtan). This proves:

Theorem If f is C^1 in $\bar{\Omega}$ and $\zeta \in \Omega$ then

$$f(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(z)}{z-\zeta} dz - \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\Omega} \frac{\partial f / \partial \bar{z}}{z-\zeta} dx dy$$

In particular, if f is holomorphic, we get Cauchy's formula

$$f(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(z)}{z-\zeta} dz$$

Another particular case is if $f \in C^1(\mathbb{C})$ has compact support, then

$$f(\zeta) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{\partial f / \partial \bar{z}}{z-\zeta} dx dy \quad \text{for all } \zeta \in \mathbb{C}.$$

3. Some consequences of the integral formulas

The first integral in the previous theorem is defined for all $f \in C(\partial\Omega)$. It is called the Cauchy integral of f . It is actually holomorphic for any curve:

Proposition 3.1 Let $\gamma \subset \mathbb{C}$ be a piecewise smooth (C^1) curve and let $f \in C(\gamma)$. Then the function

$$\tilde{f}(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z-z} dz$$

is holomorphic in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma$. Moreover, \tilde{f} is C^∞ smooth, \tilde{f}' is holomorphic in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma$ and

$$\tilde{f}^{(k)}(z) = \frac{k!}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z-z)^{k+1}} dz$$

Def. We say that a sequence of functions $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ on Ω converges uniformly on compact in Ω if there is a function f such that for any compact set $K \subset \Omega$ and $\epsilon > 0$ there is an integer $N (= N(K, \epsilon))$ such that

$$|f_n(z) - f(z)| < \epsilon \text{ for all } n \geq N \text{ and } z \in K.$$

Proposition 3.2 Let $f_n \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ and assume that $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on compact in Ω . Then $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ and $f_n^{(k)} \rightarrow f^{(k)}$ uniformly on compact in Ω for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof: Enough to prove on closed discs $\overline{D}(a, r) \subset \Omega$.
This follows since f is given by an integral formula in $D(a, r)$ as in the previous proposition.

Definition 3.3 We say that a function f on Ω is analytic if f is given by a power series in all discs in Ω , i.e. if $D(a, r) \subset \Omega$, then

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z-a)^n \quad \text{for all } z \in D(a, r)$$

Proposition 3.4 If f is analytic in Ω then $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$.

Proof: Enough to prove that f is holomorphic in some disc $D(a, t)$ for all $a \in \Omega$. For simplicity of notation, assume $a = 0$ and that $D_r = \{|z| < r\} \subset \Omega$. If $0 < t < r < \infty$, then there exists $M > 0$ such that $|c_j z^j| < M$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Then for all $z \in \overline{D}_t$ we have

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_j z^j \right| \leq \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |c_j z^j| \left(\frac{t}{r} \right)^j \leq M \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{t}{r} \right)^j$$

The geometric series on the right converges. This shows that f is the limit of a sequence of polynomials on \overline{D}_t , hence f is holomorphic in D_t by proposition 3.2

Proposition 3.5 (Cauchy estimates) If $f \in \mathcal{O}(D_r) \cap C(\overline{D}_r)$

then

$$|f^{(k)}(0)| \leq \frac{k! \|f\|_{\infty, \overline{D}_r}}{r^k}$$

PROOF. By (3.2) we have that

$$\begin{aligned} |f^{(k)}(0)| &\leq \frac{k!}{2\pi} \left| \int_{b\mathbb{D}_r} \frac{f(z)}{z^{k+1}} dz \right| \\ &= \frac{k!}{2\pi} \left| \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(re^{it})}{(re^{it})^{k+1}} ire^{it} dt \right| \\ &\leq \frac{k! \cdot \|f\|_{b\mathbb{D}_r}}{r^k}. \end{aligned}$$

□

COROLLARY 3.6. (*Simple Maximum principle for a disk*) Let $f \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{D}_r) \cap C(\overline{\mathbb{D}_r})$. Then $|f(0)| \leq \|f\|_{b\mathbb{D}_r}$.

THEOREM 3.7. (*Montel*) Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ be an open set, and \mathcal{F} be a family of holomorphic functions on Ω with the property that for each compact set $K \subset \Omega$ there exists a constant $C_K > 0$ such that $\|f\|_K \leq C_K$ for all $f \in \mathcal{F}$. Then for any sequence $\{f_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{F}$ there exists a subsequence $\{f_{n(j)}\}$ such that $f_{n(j)} \rightarrow f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ uniformly on compact subsets of Ω .

PROOF. Let $A \subset \Omega$ be a dense sequence of points, and let $\{f_j\} \subset \mathcal{F}$ be a sequence such that $f_j(a) \rightarrow \tilde{a} \in \mathbb{C}$ for all $a \in A$. We claim that the sequence $\{f_j\}$ converges to a holomorphic function f uniformly on compact subsets of Ω . Choose an exhaustion of Ω by compact sets $K_j \subset K_{j+1}^\circ$. For any j we have that $\|f_i\|_{K_j} \leq M_j$ for all i . By the Cauchy estimates there is a constant N_j such that $\|f_i'\|_{K_j} < N_j$ for all i .

Now we fix K_j and show that $\{f_i\}|_{K_j}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Note that by the Mean Value Theorem we have for $z, z' \in K_{j+1}$ that $|f_i(z) - f_i(z')| \leq N_{j+1}|z - z'|$. Given any $\epsilon > 0$ we may choose a finite subset $\tilde{A} \subset K_{j+1}$ of A such that for any $z \in K_j$, there exists an $a \in \tilde{A}$ with $|z - a| < \frac{\epsilon}{4N_{j+1}}$. Furthermore, since $\{f_i\}|_{\tilde{A}}$ is Cauchy, we may find $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|f_l(a) - f_m(a)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ for all $m, n \geq N$. So given any $z \in K_j$ we may pick $a \in \tilde{A}$ to see that

$$\begin{aligned} |f_l(z) - f_m(z)| &\leq |f_l(z) - f_l(a)| + |f_l(a) - f_m(a)| + |f_m(a) - f_m(z)| \\ &\leq 2N_{j+2}|z - a| + \epsilon/2 < \epsilon, \end{aligned}$$

for all $l, m \geq N$, hence $\{f_i\}|_{K_j}$ is a Cauchy sequence. □

THEOREM 3.8. Let $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ and $\overline{D(a, r)} \subset \Omega$. Then

$$(3.5) \quad f(\zeta) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_j (\zeta - a)^j \quad \text{in } D(a, r)$$

where

$$(3.6) \quad c_j = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{b\mathbb{D}_r} \frac{f(z)}{(z-a)^{j+1}} dz.$$

PROOF. Note that $\frac{1}{z-\zeta} = \frac{1}{z(1-\zeta/z)} = 1/z \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\frac{\zeta}{z})^j$ as long as $|\zeta| < |z|$, and plug this into Cauchy's Integral Formula. \square

PROPOSITION 3.9. (*Identity principle*) Let $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$. If $Z(f) = \{z \in \Omega : f(z) = 0\}$ has non-empty interior, then $f \equiv 0$ on Ω . (*Ω connected*)

PROOF. For each $a \in \Omega$ we have that $f(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_j(a)(z-a)^j$ on a small enough disk centered at a . By (3.6) we see that $c_j(a)$ is continuous in a for all j . So the set of points $\{a \in \Omega : c_j(a) = 0 \text{ for all } j \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is non-empty, open and closed in Ω . \square

PROPOSITION 3.10. Let $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$. Then $Z(f)$ is discrete unless f is constantly equal to zero.

PROOF. We assume that f is not constant. Near a point $a \in \Omega$ with $f(a) = 0$ we have that $f(z) = \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} c_j(z-a)^j$, $k \geq 1$, $c_k \neq 0$, so we can write $f(z) = (z-a)^k(c_k + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} c_{k+j}(z-a)^j)$. \square

$$\underline{\text{Def.}} \quad \theta^*(\Omega) = \{f \in \theta(\Omega); f(z) \neq 0 \quad \forall z \in \Omega\} \quad (A)$$

Th. $D = D(a, r)$ disc. If $f \in \theta(D)$, then f has a holomorphic antiderivative, i.e. there is $F \in \theta(D)$ such that $F' = f$.

If $f \in \theta^*(D)$, then f has a holomorphic logarithm and m -th root of any order.

Pf: We know that $f = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n (z-a)^n$ in D .

$$\text{Let } F = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_n}{n+1} (z-a)^{n+1}.$$

If $f \in \theta^*(D)$, then $\frac{f'}{f} \in \theta(D)$ and there is $F \in \theta(D)$

such that $F' = \frac{f'}{f}$. Then $g = f e^{-F} \in \theta^*(D)$ and

$$g' = f' e^{-F} + f \cdot e^{-F} \cdot \left(-\frac{f'}{f}\right) = 0, \text{ hence } g = c \neq 0, \text{ a constant.}$$

Pick $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $e^\alpha = c$. Then $f = e^{F+\alpha}$, so $G = F + \alpha$ is a holomorphic logarithm and $e^{\frac{1}{m}G}$ is a holomorphic m -th root for any $m \in \mathbb{N}$.

Remark: This result is true in any simply connected domain Ω .

Theorem 3.11 If Ω is a domain and $f \in \theta(\Omega)$ is nonconstant, then $f(\Omega)$ is open.

Pf: Pick $a \in \Omega$. We have to show that $f(\Omega)$ contains a nbh of $f(a)$. We may assume $a = 0 = f(a)$. Ω contains a disc $D = D(0, r)$ and f is not constant in D . If $f(D)$ does not contain a nbh of 0, there exist $a_j \rightarrow 0$ such that $f(z) \neq a_j$ in D , i.e. $g_j = \frac{1}{f - a_j} \in \theta(D)$. If $n' < n$ is such that

$f(z) \neq 0$ for all z with $|z|=r$, then $|g_j|$ is uniformly bounded on this circle, but $|g_j(0)| = 1/|a_j| \rightarrow \infty$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$. This contradicts the maximum principle on a disc.

Cor 3.12 (Maximum principle) If Ω is a domain, $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ and $a \in \Omega$ such that $|f(z)| \leq |f(a)|$ for all $z \in \Omega$, then f is constant.

Pf: Follows from Open Mapping Th.

Prop 3.13 (Hurwitz theorem). If Ω is a domain, $f_j \in \mathcal{O}^*(\Omega)$ and $f_j \rightarrow f$ uniformly on compact then either $f \in \mathcal{O}^*(\Omega)$ or $f \equiv 0$ in Ω .

Pf: If $f(a) = 0$ and $f \neq 0$, pick $\epsilon > 0$ such that $f(z) \neq 0$ when $|z-a| = \epsilon$. Then $|f(z)| \geq \delta > 0$ when $|z-a| = \epsilon$, hence $|f_j(z)| \geq \frac{1}{2}\delta$ when $|z-a| = \epsilon$ for sufficiently large j . Therefore $g_j = \frac{1}{f_j} \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ and $|g_j(z)| \leq \frac{2}{\delta}$ when $|z-a| = \epsilon$. But this is impossible, since $g_j(a) = \frac{1}{f_j(a)} \rightarrow \infty$ when $j \rightarrow \infty$.

- Punctured disc around a : $D^*(a, r) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid 0 < |z-a| < r\}$
- If $a \in \mathbb{C}$ and $f \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{a\})$, we say that f has a pole of order $k \in \mathbb{N}$ at a if in some punctured disc around a we have

$$f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{(z-a)^k}$$

where $g(z) \neq 0$ in $D^*(a, r)$. We then have

$$f(z) = c_{-k} (z-a)^{-k} + c_{-k+1} (z-a)^{-k+1} + \dots = \sum_{n=-k}^{\infty} c_n (z-a)^n$$

in $D^*(a, r)$.

- The residue of f at a is defined by

$$\operatorname{res}_a f = c_{-1}$$

In $D^*(a, r)$ we then have

$$f(z) = \frac{c_{-1}}{z-a} + \frac{d}{dz} \left(\sum_{\substack{n=-k \\ n \neq -1}}^{\infty} \frac{c_n}{n+1} (z-a)^{n+1} \right)$$

Hence for $r' < r$ we have

$$\int_{|z-a|=r'} f(z) dz = 2\pi i c_{-1} = 2\pi i \operatorname{res}_a f.$$

- Prop 3.14 If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ has piecewise smooth C^1 boundary, $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \cap C^1(\bar{\Omega})$, except for poles $a_1, \dots, a_N \in \Omega$ then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial \Omega} f dz = \sum_{i=1}^N \operatorname{res}_{a_i} f.$$

(This is called the residue theorem),

Proof: Let D_1, \dots, D_N be disjoint small discs around a_1, \dots, a_N and put $\Omega' = \Omega \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^N \overline{D_j}$. Then Cauchy's theorem gives

$$0 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial \Omega'} f dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial \Omega} f dz - \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D_j} f dz =$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial \Omega} f dz - \sum_{j=1}^N \text{res}_{a_j} f$$

• Def. $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega \setminus \{a\})$ has order k at a if

$$f(z) = (z-a)^k g(z)$$

where $g \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ and $g(a) \neq 0$.

$k > 0$: Zero of order k

$k < 0$: Pole of order $-k$.

It follows that

$$\frac{f'}{f} = \frac{k}{z-a} + \frac{g'}{g} \quad \text{near } a,$$

hence $\text{res}_a \frac{f'}{f} = k = \text{ord}_a f$

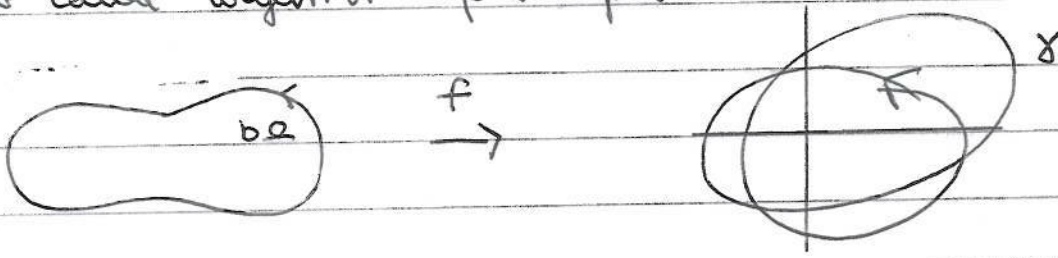
• Corollary If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ as above, $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \cap C^1(\overline{\Omega})$ with $f(z) \neq 0$ on $\partial \Omega$, then

$$\int_{\partial \Omega} \frac{f'}{f} dz = 2\pi i \sum_{a \in \Omega} \text{ord}_a f$$

If f only has simple zeroes and poles, this is

zeroes - # poles.

Also called argument principle



$$\int_{b\Omega} \frac{f'}{f} dz = \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz = 2\pi i \cdot \text{winding number.}$$

This is still true if f has poles in Ω .

Theorem 3.15 (Rouché's theorem) $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ as above,

$f, g \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega) \cap C'(\bar{\Omega})$ such that $|f(z) - g(z)| < |f(z)|$ for all $z \in b\Omega$. Then f and g have the same number of zeros in Ω , i.e.

$$\sum_{z \in \Omega} \text{ord}_z f = \sum_{z \in \Omega} \text{ord}_z g.$$

PF: Clearly f has no zeros on $b\Omega$ and $|1 - \frac{g(z)}{f(z)}| < 1$ on $b\Omega$, so $F = \frac{g}{f}$ takes values in the disk $D(1, 1)$ on $b\Omega$ and therefore has a holomorphic logarithm near $b\Omega$. We have

$$(\log F)' = \frac{F'}{F} = \frac{\frac{g'f - f'g}{f^2}}{\frac{f}{g}} = \frac{g'}{g} - \frac{f'}{f}$$

Hence

$$0 = \int_{b, \Omega} (\log F)' dz = \int_{b, \Omega} \frac{g'}{g} - \int_{b, \Omega} \frac{f'}{f} = \sum_{z \in \Omega} \text{ord}_z g - \sum_{z \in \Omega} \text{ord}_z f.$$

Prop 3.17 If Ω is a domain, $f_j \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ are injective for all j and $f_j \rightarrow f$ uniformly on compact, then either f is injective or f is constant.

Proof: Assume $a, b \in \Omega$ and $f(b) = f(a)$. Let $g_j(z) = f_j(z) - f(a)$. Then $g_j \in \mathcal{O}^*(\Omega \setminus \{a\})$ and $g_j \rightarrow f - f(a)$ uniformly on compact. Then either $f - f(a)$ is constant, which must be zero, so $f \equiv f(a)$ or $f - f(a)$ is without zeroes, which contradicts the fact that $f(b) = f(a)$.

Prop 3.18+19 If $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ is injective, then $f'(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \Omega$ and f has a holomorphic inverse $f^{-1} \in \mathcal{O}(f(\Omega))$.

Proof: We may assume $z=0$ and $f(z)=0$. We shall show that f has a zero of order 1 at 0. We have that $f(z) = z^k g(z)$ with $g \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$, $g(0) \neq 0$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

In a disc D_N , g has a holomorphic k -th root, i.e.

there is $h \in \mathcal{O}(D_N)$ with $g(z) = h(z)^k$ and $h(0) \neq 0$.

We get $f(z) = (z h(z))^k$. The function $z h(z)$ is nonconstant, hence open. But then f takes values in a small disc at least k times in D_N . Hence $k=1$.

By the inverse mapping theorem f has a C^∞ smooth

inverse $f^{-1}: f(\Omega) \rightarrow \Omega$. The derivative df^{-1} is the inverse of df , hence it is complex linear and f^{-1} is holomorphic.

$$\bullet A(r, \rho) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid r < |z| < \rho\}, \quad 0 \leq r < \rho \leq \infty$$

• Prop 3.20 (Laurent expansion) If $f \in \mathcal{O}(A(r, \rho))$ then f has a unique Laurent series expansion in $A(r, \rho)$

$$f(z) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} c_j z^j$$

where $c_j = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{f(z)}{z^{j+1}} dz$, any $\rho \in (r, \rho)$. The series

$\sum_{j \geq 0} c_j z^j$ converges for $|z| < \rho$ and the series $\sum_{j < 0} c_j z^j$

converges for $|z| > r$.

Proof: The Cauchy theorem gives that $\int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{f(z)}{z^{j+1}} dz$ is

independent of $\rho \in (r, \rho)$. Let $z \in A(r, \rho)$ and pick r', ρ' such that

$$r < r' < |z| < \rho' < \rho.$$

By the Cauchy-Stokes formula, we have

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=\rho'} \frac{f(z)}{z-z} dz - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=r'} \frac{f(z)}{z-z} dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=\rho'} \frac{f(z)}{z} \frac{1}{1-\frac{z}{z}} dz + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=r'} \frac{f(z)}{z} \frac{1}{1-\frac{z}{z}} dz$$

$$= I + II.$$

$$I = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=r'} \frac{f(z)}{z} \cdot \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{z}\right)^j dz = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=r'} \frac{f(z)}{z^{j+1}} \right) z^j$$

$$II = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=r'} \frac{f(z)}{z} \cdot \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{z}\right)^j = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=r'} f(z) z^j \right) z^{-j+1}$$

$$= \sum_{j' < 0} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=r'} f(z) z^{-(j'+1)} \right) z^{j'}$$

• Exercise If $n=0$, $A(n, r)$ is the punctured disc $D_r^* = \{z \mid 0 < |z| < r\}$. f has a singularity at 0. There are three types

(1) Removable singularity: $a_n = 0$ for $n < 0 \Leftrightarrow f$ is bounded in D_r^*

(2) Pole of order k : $a_{-k} \neq 0, a_n = 0$ for $n < -k \Leftrightarrow |f| \rightarrow \infty$ when $z \rightarrow 0$

(3) Essential singularity: $a_n \neq 0$ for infinitely many $n < 0$



$f(D_t^*)$ is dense in \mathbb{C} for all $0 < t \leq r$.

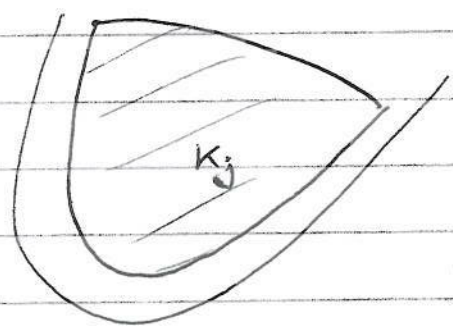
• Liouville's theorem If $f \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$ is bounded, then f is constant.

Follows easily from Cauchy estimate of f' .

Partitions of unity

- If $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ is open, then there exist an exhaustion $\{K_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ of U by compact such that $K_j \subset K_{j+1}^\circ$, $\bigcup_j K_j = U$

Proof: If $U = \mathbb{R}^m$ this is trivial. If not, let $K_j = \{z \in U; d(z, \mathbb{R}^m \setminus U) \geq \frac{1}{j}\} \cap \bar{B}(j)$



- We say that a family \mathcal{F} of subsets of \mathbb{R}^m is locally finite if every $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$ has a nbhd. $B(a, r)$ such that $B(a, r) \cap E \neq \emptyset$ for only a finite number of set $E \in \mathcal{F}$.

This is equivalent to $K \cap E \neq \emptyset$ for only a finite number of set $E \in \mathcal{F}$ for any compact K .

- Let $\mathcal{U} = \{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a collection of open set. We say that $\mathcal{V} = \{V_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a refinement of \mathcal{U} if for each V_j there is a U_i with $V_j \subset U_i$ and $\bigcup_{j \in J} V_j = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$.

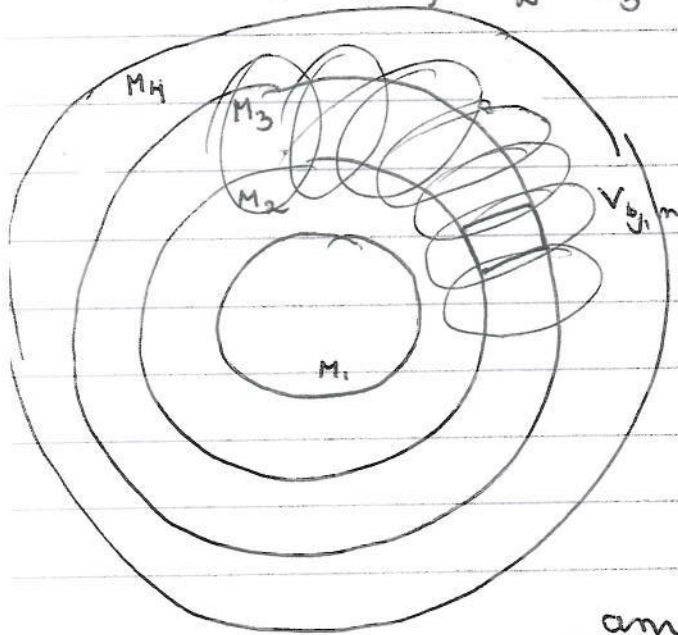
- If $\mathcal{U} = \{U_i\}$ is an open covering of U (i.e. $U = \bigcup U_i$) then there is a locally finite refinement $\mathcal{V} = \{V_j\}$ of \mathcal{U} and compact $K_j \subset V_j$ such that $\bigcup_{j \in J} K_j = U$.

Proof: Let $\{K_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be an exhaustion of U . We shall divide U into compact "rings" M_n like this:

$M_1 = K_1, M_{n+1} = K_{n+1} \setminus K_n^\circ, \text{ so } \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty M_n = U.$

We then define open set W_n containing M_n which can only intersect the previous and next ring:

$W_1 = K_2^\circ, W_2 = K_3^\circ, W_n = K_{n+1}^\circ \setminus K_{n-2}^\circ \text{ for } n \geq 3$



Now $\mathcal{Y}_n = \{V_{i_j, n} = U_i \cap W_n\}$

is an open cover of M_n and

there exist $V_{i_j, n} \in \mathcal{Y}_n, j=1, \dots, p_n$

which cover M_n . Then there is

some $\delta (= \delta(n))$ such that for

any $x \in M_n$ there is some i_j such

that $B(x, \delta) \subset V_{i_j, n}$. This gives that the compact

$$L_{i_j, n} = \{x \in M_n \mid d(x, \mathbb{R}^n \setminus V_{i_j, n}) \geq \delta\} \subset V_{i_j, n}$$

cover M_n . Now, let

$$\mathcal{Y} = \{V_{i_j, n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N}; j=1, \dots, i_n\}$$

\mathcal{Y} is a refinement of \mathcal{U} and since any compact K is contained in some K_n and therefore will not intersect any $V_{i_j, m}$ when $m > n+1$, it is locally finite.

The corresponding $L_{i_j, n}$ cover M_n and hence U .

- If ϕ is a function defined on U , we define

$$\text{supp } \phi = \overline{\{x; \phi(x) \neq 0\}}^U$$

i.e. we are taking the closure in U .

- $C_0^\infty(U) = \{ \phi \in C^\infty(U); \phi \text{ is real and } \text{supp } \phi \text{ is a compact subset of } U \}$

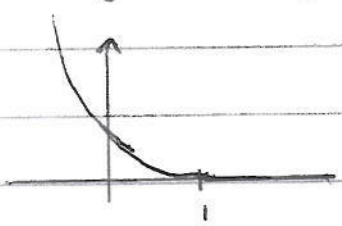
- Def. Partition of unity relative to \mathcal{U}

If $\mathcal{U} = \{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ is an open cover of U , then a partition of unity relative to \mathcal{U} is a family $\phi_i \in C_0^\infty(U)$ such that

- $\phi_i \geq 0$, $S_i = \text{supp } \phi_i \subset U_i$ (support taken in U)
- S_i is locally finite
- $\sum_i \phi_i \equiv 1$ in U .

Lemma 1 If U is open, $K \subset U$ is compact, then there is a positive function $\phi \in C_0^\infty(U)$ such that $\phi(x) > 0$ for all $x \in K$.

Proof: The function $\psi(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-1/(1-t)} & t \leq 1 \\ 0 & t \geq 1 \end{cases}$ is in $C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$



There exist $\delta > 0$ such that $\text{dist}(K, \mathbb{R}^m \setminus U) \geq 2\delta$

There are a finite number of points $a_1, \dots, a_N \in K$ such that $K \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^N B(a_i, \delta)$. Let

$$\phi(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \psi\left(\frac{|x-a_i|^2}{\delta^2}\right)$$

Theorem 1. If $U = \{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ is an open cover of U , then there is a partition of unity relative to U .

Proof: Let $V = \{V_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a locally finite refinement of U and $K_j \subset V_j$ compact which cover U . Then there are $\psi_j \in C_0^\infty(V_j) \subset C^\infty(U)$ such that $\psi_j > 0$ in K_j .

Let $\psi = \sum \psi_j$. This sum is locally finite, hence $\psi \in C^\infty(U)$ and $\psi > 0$ in U . If we let $\chi_j = \psi_j / \psi$, then χ_j is a partition of unity relative to V_j . For each $j \in J$ pick $\tau(j) \in I$ such that $V_j \subset U_{\tau(j)}$ and for each $i \in I$ define

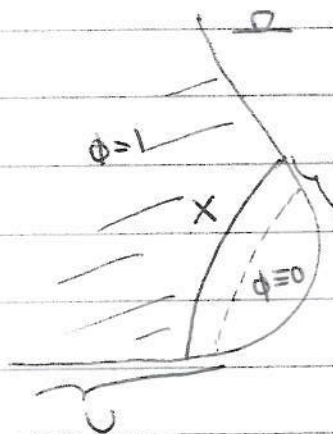
$$\phi_i = \sum_{j \in \tau^{-1}(i)} \chi_j \in C^\infty(U). \text{ Clearly, } \{\text{supp } \phi_i\} \text{ is locally finite.}$$

If $x \in U \setminus U_i$ there is a nbhd V of x such that

$V \cap \text{supp } \chi_j \neq \emptyset$ for only finitely many j . If $j \in \tau^{-1}(i)$, then $\text{supp } \chi_j$ is a compact subset of U_i , hence $\phi_i \equiv 0$ in $V \setminus \bigcup_{j \in \tau^{-1}(i)} \text{supp } \chi_j$ and

$x \notin \text{supp } \phi_i$. This proves that $\text{supp } \phi_i \subset U_i$.

Theorem 2 (Separation of closed sets) If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is open, $X \subset \Omega$ closed (relatively), $X \subset U$ open, then there exist $\phi \in C^\infty(\Omega)$, $0 \leq \phi \leq 1$, $\phi|_X = 1$, $\phi|_{\Omega \setminus U} = 0$



Proof: Let ϕ_U, ϕ_V be a partition of unity relative to the covering $\{U, \overline{\Omega \setminus X}\}$

Must have $\phi_V|_X = 0 \Rightarrow \phi_U = 1$ on X

Also $\phi_U = 0$ in $\Omega \setminus U$.

Patching C^∞ functions on disjoint closed sets

Theorem 3. If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is open, $X_1, X_2 \subset \Omega$ two disjoint closed sets and $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in C^\infty(\Omega)$. Then there exist $\phi \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ such that $\phi|_{X_1} = \phi_1$, $\phi|_{X_2} = \phi_2$

Proof: Pick $\alpha \in C^\infty(\Omega)$, $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, $\alpha|_{X_1} = 1$, $\alpha|_{X_2} = 0$ and let

$$\phi = \alpha \phi_1 + (1 - \alpha) \phi_2.$$

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The $\bar{\partial}$ -equation, $\frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}} = \phi$.

Recall Cauchy-Stokes formula in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ ($z = x + iy, \zeta = \xi + i\eta$)

• $f \in C^1(\bar{\Omega}), z \in \Omega \Rightarrow f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta - \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\Omega} \frac{\partial f / \partial \bar{\zeta}}{\zeta - z} d\zeta d\eta$

• f also holomorphic in Ω : $f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta$

• $f \in C_0^1(\mathbb{C}), z \in \mathbb{C} \Rightarrow f(z) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{\partial f / \partial \bar{\zeta}}{\zeta - z} d\zeta d\eta$

Given $\phi \in C_0^1(\mathbb{C})$, we want to find f such that

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = \phi$$

It is natural to try

$$f(z) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{\phi(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta d\eta = -\frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{\phi(\zeta + z)}{\zeta} d\zeta d\eta$$

If we can diff. under sign of integration

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}}(z) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{\partial \phi / \partial \bar{z}}{\zeta}(\zeta + z) d\zeta d\eta = \phi(z)$$

Differentiation is allowed. Diff. with respect to x , let $h \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{1}{h} [\phi(\zeta+z+h) - \phi(\zeta+z)] d\zeta d\bar{\zeta} \xrightarrow{\text{dom. const. } h} -\frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{\partial \phi / \partial \bar{\zeta}}{\zeta - z} d\zeta d\bar{\zeta}$$

$\frac{1}{\zeta} \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^2)$

Can do the same in y direction.

Hence we have proved

Theorem 2 If $\phi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{C})$ and

$$f(z) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{\phi(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta d\bar{\zeta}$$

then $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{C})$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = \phi$

- Notice that in general f does not have compact support since for large R

$$0 = \int_{|z|=R} f dz = 2i \iint_{|z| \leq R} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} dx dy = 2i \iint_{|z| \leq R} \phi dx dy \Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{C}} \phi dx dy = 0$$

Theorem 3 (Smeared out Cauchy integral formula)

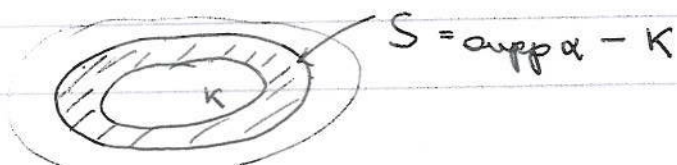
If $K \subset \Omega$ is compact, $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ and $\alpha \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$ is $\equiv 1$ on K ,

then for $z \in K$

$$f(z) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\Omega} f(\zeta) \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \bar{\zeta}} \frac{1}{\zeta - z} d\zeta d\bar{\zeta}$$

In particular $\iint_{\Omega} f(\zeta) \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \bar{\zeta}} d\zeta d\bar{\zeta} = 0$

Proof: Apply Cauchy - Stokes to $\phi = \alpha f$.



Def. Let $K \subset \mathbb{C}$ be compact. Then

$$\mathcal{O}(K) = \{ f \in \mathcal{O}(U_f) \mid U_f \text{ open nbhd. of } K \}.$$

Example

$$K = \{ |z| = \frac{1}{2} \}$$

$f(z) = z$, $g(z) = \frac{1}{z}$ are both in $\mathcal{O}(K)$.

Runge problem

Let $K \subset \mathbb{C}$ be compact and $f \in \mathcal{O}(K)$. Is it possible to approximate f on K by $f_n \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$?

Example K as above, f and g above

a) $\Omega = \mathbb{D} = \{ |z| < 1 \}$

$f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$, so no problem. Claim that g cannot be approximated: If $h \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{D})$ and $h \sim g$ on K (close) then

$$1 = zg(z) \sim zh(z) \text{ on } K.$$

If $k(z) = zh(z)$ is close to 1 on K , then it also close on $\mathbb{D}_{1/2} = \{ |z| < \frac{1}{2} \}$ by the maximum modulus theorem. But this is not true, since $k(0) = 0$.

b) $\Omega = \mathbb{D}^* = \mathbb{D} \setminus \{0\}$

Then both f and g are in $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$, so no problem

The problem in a) is that $\Omega \setminus K$ has a component, $\mathbb{D}_{1/2}$ which is relatively compact in Ω . In b) the corresponding component is $\mathbb{D}_{1/2} \setminus \{0\}$ which is not relatively compact since it goes all the way up to $0 \in \partial\Omega$.

Exercise Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ be open, $K \subset \Omega$ compact and U a bounded connected component of $\Omega \setminus K$.

Then the following are equivalent:

- 1) $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $|z - w| \geq \delta$ for all $z \in U, w \notin \Omega$.
- 2) $U \subset \Omega$
- 3) $\partial U = K$
- 4) U is also a connected component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$.

If we negate this, the following are equivalent

- 1) For all $\delta > 0$ there exist $z \in U$ and $w \notin \Omega$ such that $|z - w| < \delta$.
- 2) $U \not\subset \Omega$
- 3) $\partial U \cap (\mathbb{C} \setminus K) \neq \emptyset$
- 4) The connected component U' of $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$ containing U is not contained in Ω , i.e. $U' \cap (\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega) \neq \emptyset$.

Theorem 1. (Runge) $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ open, $K \subset \Omega$ compact.

The following are equivalent:

- (1) $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)|_K$ is dense in $\mathcal{O}(K)$
- (2) No connected component of $\Omega \setminus K$ is relatively compact in Ω
- (3) $\forall a \in \Omega \setminus K$ there is $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ such that $|f(a)| > |f|$

Proof:

(1) \Rightarrow (2) If U is a connected component of $\Omega \setminus K$ which is relatively compact in Ω , then $\partial U \subset K$, because otherwise we could attach a disc to $z \in \partial U \setminus K$ to obtain a bigger connected set. If $z_0 \in U$ and

$f(z) = \frac{1}{z-z_0} \in \mathcal{O}(K)$, then f cannot be approximated by

$f_n \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$, because if $\frac{1}{z-z_0} - f_n \rightarrow 0$ on K , then

$g_n = 1 - (z-z_0)f_n \rightarrow 0$ on K , but $g_n(z_0) = 1$, so this violates the maximum modulus theorem since $\partial U \subset K$

(2) \Rightarrow (1) We must prove that every $f \in \mathcal{O}(K)$ can be approximated uniformly on K by $f_n \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$.

Pick $f \in \mathcal{O}(W)$ for some open neighbourhood W of K .

Step 1. Approximation of f by rational functions with poles outside K .

Pick $\alpha \in C_0^\infty(W)$ such that $\alpha = 1$ in a nbhv W_0 of K

For $z \in K$ we have by Cauchy - Stokes formula

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\Omega} f(\zeta) \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \bar{\zeta}} \frac{1}{z-\zeta} d\zeta d\bar{\zeta} = \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{W_0} f(\zeta) \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \bar{\zeta}} \frac{1}{z-\zeta} d\zeta d\bar{\zeta}$$

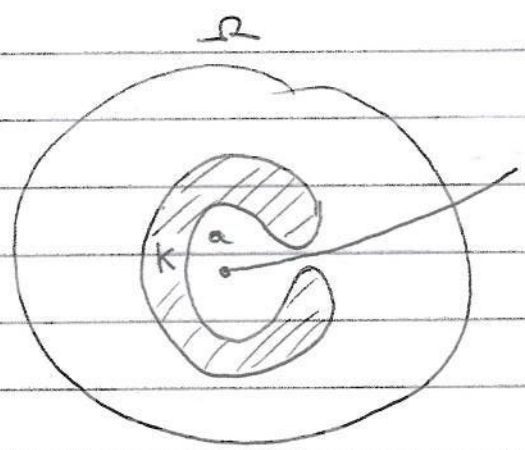
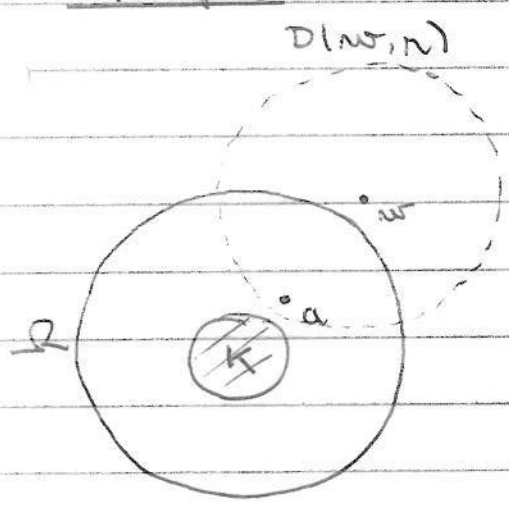
If we subdivide \mathbb{C} by small squares and form the corresponding Riemann sum for the integral,

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{\nu} f(z_{\nu}) \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \bar{z}}(z_{\nu}) \frac{1}{z - z_{\nu}}$$

then these Riemann sum will approximate the integrals, uniformly on K , since the integrand is compactly supported, hence uniformly continuous in \mathbb{C} . The z_{ν} 's will be close to $L = \text{supp } \alpha \setminus W_0$, hence in $\Omega \setminus K$. It follows that f can be approximated on K by a finite sum $\sum_{\nu} c_{\nu} \frac{1}{z - z_{\nu}}$ with $z_{\nu} \in \Omega \setminus K$.

Step 2. We now look at terms of the form $\frac{1}{z - a}$ with $a \in \Omega \setminus K$. We shall approximate these by functions which are holomorphic in Ω by "pushing the poles out of Ω ".

Example



$\frac{1}{z - a}$ is holomorphic outside $D(w, r)$ and is given there by a power series in $\frac{1}{z - w}$.

The pole a can be gradually pushed out of Ω .

Therefore, let $a \in \mathbb{C} \setminus K$ and let U be the connected component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$ containing a . Let

$$U_a = \left\{ w \in U; \frac{1}{z-a} \text{ can be approximated on } K \text{ by polynomials in } \frac{1}{z-w} \right\}.$$

We will show that $U_a = U$. We will show that U_a is both open and closed in $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$.

U_a is open: Suppose $w \in U_a$ and $D(w, r) \cap K = \emptyset$.

If P_ϵ is a polynomial in $\frac{1}{z-w}$ which approximates f on K and $w' \in D(w, r/2)$, then $P_\epsilon(\frac{1}{z-w})$ is holomorphic outside $\bar{D}(w', r/2)$ and can therefore be developed in a power series in $1/z-w'$ there.

A finite sum of this power series will approximate P_ϵ on the compact $K \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \bar{D}(w', r/2)$.

U_a is closed in $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$: A sequence $w_n \in U_a$ and $w_n \rightarrow w \in \mathbb{C} \setminus K$. Then there is a disc $\bar{D}(w, r) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus K$

and a $w_n \in \bar{D}(w, r)$. $\frac{1}{z-a}$ can be approximated on K by polynomials in $\frac{1}{z-w_n}$. These are holomorphic outside $\bar{D}(w, r)$ and the same argument as above gives that $w \in U_a$.

This proves the claim.

We now prove that $\frac{1}{z-a}$ can be approximated on K by a function which is holomorphic in Ω .

If U_a is bounded, then we claim that $U_a \cap (\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega) \neq \emptyset$ otherwise, $U_a \subset \Omega$ and U_a is a connected component

of $\Omega \setminus K$. But $\partial U_a = K$, hence U_a would be relatively compact in Ω , which is impossible. Hence there is some $w \in U_a \setminus \Omega$ and by definition $\frac{1}{z-a}$ can be approximated by a polynomial in $\frac{1}{z-w}$, which is holomorphic in Ω .

If U_a is unbounded, then there is $w \in U_a$ with $|w| > \sup\{|z|; z \in K\}$. Let $r = |w|$. In this case a polynomial in $\frac{1}{z-w}$ is holomorphic in the disc $D(0, r)$, hence is given by a power series there, and can be approximated by a polynomial on K .

(3) \Rightarrow (2) is analogous with (1) \Rightarrow (2): If $U \subset \subset \Omega$ is a connected component of $\Omega \setminus K$, then $\partial U = K$ and for all $a \in U$ we have by the max. modulus principle

$$|f(a)| \leq |f|_{\partial U} \leq |f|_K.$$

which contradicts (3).

(2) \Rightarrow (3). If $a \in \Omega \setminus K$, then $L = K \cup \{a\}$ has the same property and by the implication (2) \Rightarrow (1), $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)|_L$ is dense in $\mathcal{O}(L)$. If U and V are disjoint open sets, $K \subset U$, $a \in V$ and ϕ is defined by $\phi = 0$ in U , $\phi = 1$ in V , then $\phi \in \mathcal{O}(L)$, hence there exist $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ such that $|f - \phi|_L < \frac{1}{2}$. But then

$$|f|_K < \frac{1}{2} < |f(a)|$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

- Remark: From the implication (2) \Rightarrow (1) we that if
 - No connected component of $\Omega \setminus K$ is rel.comp. in Ω
 - $A \subset \mathbb{C}$ is a set which contains at least one point in every bounded component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$.
 - $f \in \mathcal{O}(K)$

then f can be approximated uniformly on K by rational functions with poles in A .

- The polynomials are dense in $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$. Hence if we let $\Omega = \mathbb{C}$ in Runge's theorem, we get:

Corollary For a compact set $K \subset \mathbb{C}$ the following are equivalent:

- (1) Every $f \in \mathcal{O}(K)$ can be approximated by polynomials
- (2) $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$ is connected (i.e. K has no holes)
- (3) For any $z \notin K$ there is a polynomial P such that $|P(z)| > |P|_K$.

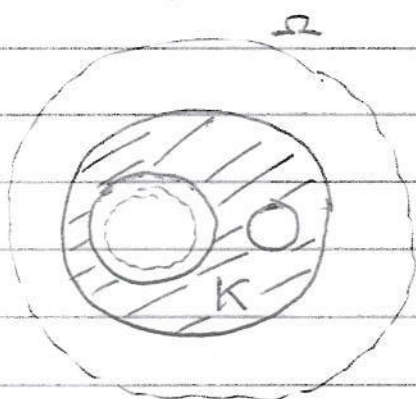
Such K are called polynomially convex.

- Def. Let $K \subset \Omega$ be compact. The holomorphically convex hull of K in Ω is defined by

$$\hat{K}_\Omega = \{z \in \Omega; |f(z)| \leq |f|_K \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)\}$$

(3) in Runge's theorem states that $\hat{K}_\Omega = K$, in which case we call K holomorphically convex in Ω . We have $\hat{\hat{K}}_\Omega = \hat{K}_\Omega$. We shall see that \hat{K}_Ω fills in the holes in K which do not contain holes in Ω .

Example.



\hat{K}_Ω fills in the hole to the right,
not the left.

Exercise: - \hat{K}_Ω does not get closer to $\partial\Omega$
i.e. $d(\hat{K}_\Omega, \partial\Omega) = d(K, \partial\Omega)$.

- \hat{K}_Ω is compact

Theorem \hat{K}_Ω is the union of K and all relatively compact components of $\Omega \setminus K$.

Proof: If U is such a component, then $\partial U \subset K$ and therefore $U \subset \hat{K}_\Omega$ by the maximum modulus theorem.

This shows that

$$K_1 := K \cup \left(\bigcup_{U \subset \subset \Omega} U \right) \subset \hat{K}_\Omega.$$

Also $\Omega \setminus K_1 = \bigcup_{U \subset \subset \Omega} U$ is open, hence K_1 is closed in Ω

and therefore compact. Also, no components of $\Omega \setminus K_1$ are relatively compact. Runge's theorem gives that any $z \notin K_1$ can be separated from K_1 (and hence K) by a holomorphic function in Ω . This proves that $z \notin \hat{K}_\Omega$, i.e. $\hat{K}_\Omega = K_1$.

Lemma If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ is open, then

$$K_m = \{z \in \Omega; d(z, \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega) \geq \frac{1}{m}, |z| \leq m\}$$

is a holomorphically convex exhaustion of Ω .

Theorem 3 (Classical Runge theorem)

If $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ is open, $A \subset \mathbb{C}$ is a set which contains one point from each bounded component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$, then every $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ can be approximated uniformly on compact by rational functions with poles in A .

Proof: Pick $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ and a compact set $K \subset \Omega$. Replace K by \hat{K}_a , we may assume that K is holomorphically convex in Ω . The result follows from the remark to Runge's theorem.

Mittag-Leffler theorem

Def. $\mathbb{C}_a^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{a\}$, \mathbb{C}_0^* is denoted \mathbb{C}^*

If f is holomorphic in a punctured disc around a , we have

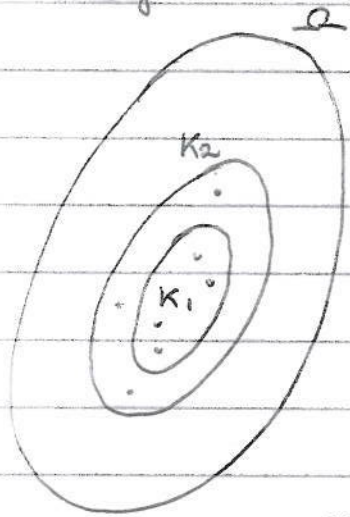
$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n (z-a)^n$$

The negative powers $p_a = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} c_n (z-a)^n$ is called the principal part of f at a . We have $p_a \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}_a^*)$.

Theorem 1 (Mittag-Leffler) Prescribing principal parts.

If $E \subset \Omega$ is discrete and for every $a \in E$ there is given a principal part $p_a \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}_a^*)$, then there is $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega \setminus E)$ such that $f - p_a$ is holomorphic in a neighbourhood of a for all $a \in E$.

Proof:



Let $\{K_n\}$ be a holomorphically convex exhaustion of Ω and put $K_0 = \emptyset$.

Let $E_n = E \cap \{K_n \setminus K_{n-1}\}$. E_n is finite. Put

$$g_n = \sum_{a \in E_n} p_a \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus E_n) \supset \mathcal{O}(K_{n-1})$$

Let $f_1 = g_1$. Then $f_1 - p_a$ is holomorphic in Ω for all $a \in E_1$ and is holomorphic outside K_1 . We would like to add g_2 ,

but the problem is convergence. However, since $g_2 \in \mathcal{O}(K_1)$ and K_1 is holomorphically convex, we can find $h_2 \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ such that $|g_2 - h_2|_{K_1} < 2^{-2}$.

If we let $f_2 = g_1 + (g_2 - h_2)$, then $f_2 - p_a$ is holomorphic at all $a \in E_1 \cup E_2$. We proceed inductively to find $h_n \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ such that $|g_n - h_n|_{K_{n-1}} < 2^{-n}$. It follows

that $f = \lim f_n = g_1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (g_n - h_n)$ solves the problem

- If every $p_a \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{C})$, i.e. only has a pole at a , then $f \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$
- Enough to assume $p_a \in \mathcal{O}(D^*(a, r))$ for some $r > 0$.

- Equivalent formulation:

Theorem 1' If $E \subset \Omega$ is discrete, $\Omega = \bigcup_{j \in J} U_j$ and $g_j \in \mathcal{O}(U_j \setminus E)$ such that $g_j - g_k \in \mathcal{O}(U_j \cap U_k)$ for all j, k , then there is $g \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega \setminus E)$ such that $g - g_j \in \mathcal{O}(U_j) \forall j$

(1') \Rightarrow (1) Put $E = \{z_j\}$, $U_j = (\Omega \setminus E) \cup \{z_j\}$ and $g_j = p_{z_j}$

(1) \Rightarrow (1') For $a \in E$ pick $j(a)$ such that $a \in U_{j(a)}$ and let $p_a =$ the principal part of $g_{j(a)}$ at a . This is

independent of the choice of $j(a)$. If $g \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega, E)$ such that $g - p_a$ is holomorphic at a for all $a \in E$, then $g - g_j \in \mathcal{O}(U_j)$.

In theorem 1', suppose we can find the "holomorphic correction term", $f_j = g - g_j \in \mathcal{O}(U_j)$ directly. How can we be sure that they patch together to a global g ?

We must have

$$f_i + g_i = f_j + g_j \quad \text{in } (U_i \cap U_j) \setminus E$$

$$f_i - f_j = g_j - g_i \quad \text{in } U_i \cap U_j$$

Let $f_{ij} = g_j - g_i \in \mathcal{O}(U_i \cap U_j)$. The existence of f_i follows from:

Theorem 4 If $\{U_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ is an open covering of Ω and $f_{ij} \in \mathcal{O}(U_i \cap U_j)$ satisfy the cocycle condition

$$f_{ij} + f_{jk} + f_{ki} = 0 \quad \text{in } U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k$$

for all indices i, j, k . Then there exist $f_j \in \mathcal{O}(U_j)$ such that $f_{ij} = f_i - f_j$ in $U_i \cap U_j$ for all i, j .

- Notice that the cocycle condition implies that $f_{ii} = 0$ and $f_{ji} = -f_{ij}$ for all i, j .
- The argument above shows that Theorem 4 \Rightarrow Theorem 1'
- We shall now prove Theorem 4. We first prove a solution theorem for the $\bar{\partial}$ -equation.

Step 1. We first prove that there are smooth solutions to the problem, i.e. there are $\phi_i \in C^\infty(U_i)$ such that $f_{ij} = \phi_i - \phi_j$ in $U_i \cap U_j$. For this, it is sufficient that $f_{ij} \in C^\infty(U_i \cap U_j)$.

Proof: Let α_i be a partition of unity relative to $U = \{U_i\}$ and define in U_i :

$$\phi_i = \sum_k \alpha_k f_{ik}$$

This is in $C^\infty(U_i)$, since $\text{supp } \alpha_k \subset U_k$ and the sum is locally finite. In $U_i \cap U_j$ we have

$$\phi_i - \phi_j = \sum_k \alpha_k (f_{ik} - f_{jk}) = \sum_k \alpha_k f_{ij} = f_{ij}.$$

Step 2. We now correct the ϕ_i to make a holomorphic solution. Notice that since $\phi_i - \phi_j$ differ by a holomorphic function on $U_i \cap U_j$, the function

$$\psi(z) = \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial \bar{z}} \quad \text{for } z \in U_i$$

is globally defined in Ω . If we can find $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ such that

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}} = \psi$$

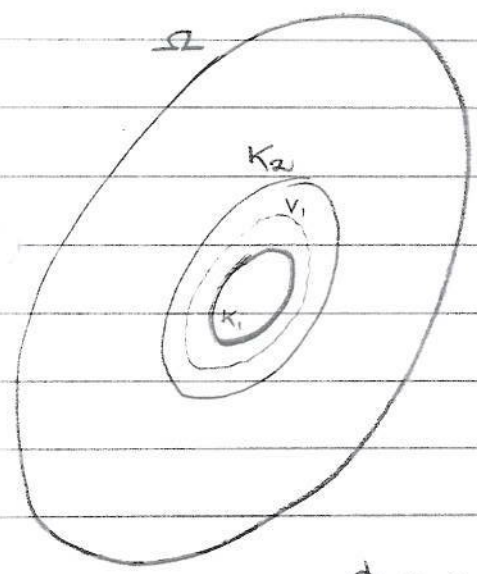
then $f_i = \phi_i - u \in \mathcal{O}(U_i)$ and solves the problem.

Hence Theorem 4 follows from the following result:

Theorem 2 (Solution of $\bar{\partial}$ -equation) If $\psi \in C^\infty(\Omega)$, then there exist $u \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ such that $\frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}} = \psi$.

Proof: Notice that we can solve the equation in a nbhd of any compact set $K \subset \Omega$. Just chop off ψ with a smooth function. The solution is in $C^\infty(\Omega)$.

We shall now build the solution inductively as in Mittag-Leffler theorem. Let $\{K_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be a holomorphically convex exhaustion of Ω .



First, solve

$$\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \bar{z}} = \psi \text{ in an open nbhd } V_1 \text{ of } K_1,$$

$u_1 \in C^\infty(\Omega)$. We now want to correct u_1 so the equation is satisfied in an open nbhd V_2 of K_2 .

Let $\phi = \psi - \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \bar{z}}$. Then $\phi \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ and

$$\phi = 0 \text{ in } V_1. \text{ Now solve } \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial \bar{z}} = \phi \text{ in } V_2,$$

$v_2 \in C^\infty(\Omega) \cap \mathcal{O}(V_1)$. $u_1 + v_2$ solves the problem in V_2 , but we want the process to converge, so we pick $f_2 \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ such that $\|v_2 - f_2\|_{K_1} < 2^{-2}$ and let $u_2 = v_2 - f_2$.

Now, proceed to find $u_3, \dots, u_n \in C^\infty(\Omega)$ and open nbhd V_j of K_j , $j = 3, \dots, n$, such that

- $u_j \in \mathcal{O}(V_{j-1})$, $\|u_j\|_{K_{j-1}} < 2^{-j}$
- $\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial \bar{z}} + \dots + \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial \bar{z}} = \psi$ in V_n

Then $u = \sum_{n=1}^\infty u_n$ is the required solution. ■

The winding number

Let γ be a closed piecewise C^1 curve in \mathbb{C} . Then for $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma$,

$$\text{Ind}(\gamma, z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z-z}$$

is called the winding number of γ around z . Clearly $\text{Ind}(\gamma, z) \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Lemma $\text{Ind}(\gamma, z) \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Pf: A curve γ is parametrized over $[0, 1]$, so $\gamma(0) = \gamma(1)$.

Then

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{e^{\int_0^t \frac{\gamma'(s)}{\gamma(s)-z} ds}}{\gamma(t)-z} = \frac{e^{\int_0^t \frac{\gamma'(s)}{\gamma(s)-z} ds} \cdot \frac{\gamma'(t)}{\gamma(t)-z} - (\gamma(t)-z) \cdot e^{\int_0^t \frac{\gamma'(s)}{\gamma(s)-z} ds}}{(\gamma(t)-z)^2} = 0$$

Hence is constant, which must be $\frac{1}{\gamma(0)-z}$. Then

$$e^{\int_0^1 \frac{\gamma'(s)}{\gamma(s)-z} ds} = \frac{\gamma(1)-z}{\gamma(0)-z} = 1, \text{ hence } \int_0^1 \frac{\gamma'(s)}{\gamma(s)-z} ds = 2\pi i \cdot n, n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

- $\text{Ind}(\gamma, z)$ is constant in each connected comp. of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma$, 0 in the unbounded
- Ω is simply connected if any closed curve is homotopic to a constant curve.

TFAE:

- (1) Ω is simply connected
- (2) Any two curves between two points a and b are homotopic
- (3) For any closed curve $\gamma \subset \Omega$ and $z \notin \Omega$, $\text{Ind}(\gamma, z) = 0$.

Two more formulations:

- (4) $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$ has no compact components
- (5) $\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \Omega$ is connected

Lemma Suppose $g \in \mathcal{O}^*(\Omega)$. TFAE

- (1) g has a holomorphic logarithm in Ω ($e^f = g$)
- (2) g'/g has a holomorphic primitive in Ω
- (3) $\int_{\gamma} g'/g dz = 0$ for all closed curves in Ω

Proof:

(1) \Rightarrow (2) If $e^f = g$, then $g'/g = f'$

(2) \Rightarrow (1) If $g'/g = f'$, let $h = e^{-f} g$. Then $h' = e^{-f} (g' - f'g) = 0$

Hence $h \equiv c$, so $g = c e^f = e^{f+\alpha}$

\equiv q. of (2) and (3) well known from calculus class.

\cdot Ω simply connected, then g has a holomorphic logarithm because (3) holds.

Lemma If z_0 and z_1 are in the same component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$, then $g(z) = \frac{z-z_0}{z-z_1}$ has a hol. logarithm in a nbhd of K . If z_0 is in the unbounded component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$, $g(z) = z - z_0$ has a hol. logarithm.

PF: Pick a nbhd Ω of K such that z_0, z_1 are in the same component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$. Then

$$\frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} = \frac{1}{z-z_0} - \frac{1}{z-z_1}$$

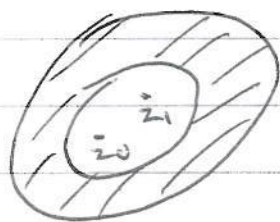
Hence if $\gamma \subset \Omega$ is a closed curve, then

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} dz = \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z-z_0} - \frac{dz}{z-z_1} = \text{Ind}(\gamma, z_0) - \text{Ind}(\gamma, z_1) = 0.$$

For z_0 in the unbounded component, $\frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} = \frac{1}{z-z_0}$, so

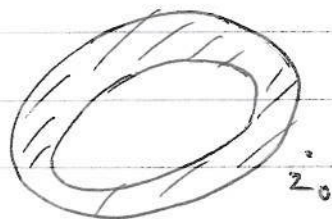
$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} dz = \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z-z_0} = \text{Ind}(\gamma, z_0) = 0.$$

Pushing zeros



$$f(z) = \log \frac{z-z_0}{z-z_1} \in \mathcal{O}(K)$$

$\Rightarrow z-z_0 = e^{f(z)}(z-z_1)$. Now, approximate f on K by $\tilde{f}(z) \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{z_1\})$, so $z-z_0 \sim e^{\tilde{f}(z)}(z-z_1)$ on K .



$$f(z) = \log(z-z_0) \in \mathcal{O}(K)$$

$z-z_0 = e^{f(z)}$. Approximate f on K by $\tilde{f} \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$ so $z-z_0 \sim e^{\tilde{f}(z)}$ on K . Thus we have

approximated $z-z_0$ on K by a zero free entire function.

Theorem If $K \subset \Omega$ is holomorphically convex, i.e. $\hat{K}_{\Omega} = K$. Then $\mathcal{O}^*(\Omega)|_K$ is dense in $\mathcal{O}^*(K)$.

Proof: Let $f \in \mathcal{O}^*(K)$ and let $\epsilon > 0$, $\epsilon < \min\{|f(z)|; z \in K\}$.

Then there exists a rational function $R(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)} \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$

such that $|f-R|_K < \frac{1}{2}\epsilon$. P has no zeros on K .

Let a_1, \dots, a_k be the zeros of P in the bounded component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_m the zeros of P in the unbounded component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus K$ and pick $b_j, j=1, \dots, k$, $b_j \notin \Omega$, in the same component as a_j . We may

assume

$$P(z) = \prod_{j=1}^m (z-a_j)^{m_j}$$

Then $g(z) = \sum_{j=1}^k m_j \log\left(\frac{z-a_j}{z-b_j}\right) + \sum_{j=k+1}^m m_j \log(z-a_j) \in \mathcal{O}(K)$

and $e^{g(z)} = \frac{P(z)}{\prod_{j=1}^k (z-b_j)^{m_j}} = \frac{P(z)}{P_0(z)}$

We have $\min |Q(z)| = \delta > 0$. Let $M = \max_{z \in K} |P_0(z)|$,

$$N = \max_{z \in K} |e^{g(z)}| \quad \text{and}$$

let $\mu > 0$ be given. If $h \in \mathcal{O}(Q)$, $|h - g|_K < \log(1 + \mu)$

then $|e^{h-g} - 1|_K < \mu$. Hence for $z \in K$,

$$\left| R(z) - \frac{P_0(z) e^{h(z)}}{Q(z)} \right| = \left| \frac{P_0(z) e^{g(z)}}{Q(z)} - \frac{P_0(z) e^{h(z)}}{Q(z)} \right| \leq \frac{M}{\delta} |e^{g(z)} - e^{h(z)}|$$

$$\leq \frac{M}{\delta} |e^{g(z)}| |1 - e^{h(z)-g(z)}| \leq \frac{MN}{\delta} \cdot \mu < \frac{1}{2}\epsilon \quad \text{when } \mu \text{ is suff.}$$

small. Therefore $R_0(z) = \frac{P_0(z)}{Q(z)} e^{h(z)} \in \mathcal{O}^*(Q)$ is the required approximation.

Weierstrass theorem Shall prove result on prescription of zeros and poles. For this we need to study infinite products.

Let $\{a_n\} \in \mathbb{C}$. We say that $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is convergent if $p_N = \prod_{n=1}^N a_n$ is a convergent sequence, and we need
$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} p_N$$

If this limit is nonzero, it is clearly necessary that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \neq 0$. We shall consider products

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + u_n) \text{ with } u_n \rightarrow 0.$$

Stoopy calculation

$$\log \prod_{n=1}^N (1 + u_n) = \sum_{n=1}^N \log(1 + u_n) \approx \sum_{n=1}^N u_n$$

Hence it follows that the convergence of $\prod (1 + u_n)$ is related to the convergence of the series $\sum u_n$. Correct calc:

$$|p_N| \leq \prod_{n=1}^N (1 + |u_n|)$$

$$\log |p_N| \leq \sum_{n=1}^N \log(1 + |u_n|) \leq \sum_{n=1}^N |u_n| \quad (\log(1+x) \leq x)$$

$$|p_N| \leq e^{\sum |u_n|}$$

Hence $\{p_N\}$ is bounded if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |u_n| < \infty$

$p_N - 1$ is a polynomial in u_1, \dots, u_N , without constant term.

This gives

$$|p_N - 1| \leq \prod_{n=1}^N (1 + |u_n|) - 1 \leq e^{\sum |u_n|} - 1$$

Lemma 1 If $\{u_n(z)\}$ are bounded functions on a set E such that $\sum |u_n(z)|$ converges uniformly on E , then

$$f(z) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + u_n(z))$$

converges uniformly on E and $f(z_0) = 0$ iff $u_n(z_0) = -1$ for some n .

Proof: It follows that from $|p_N(z)| \leq e^{\sum_{n=1}^N |u_n(z)|}$ that $\{p_N(z)\}$ is uniformly bounded on E , i.e. $|p_N(z)| \leq C \forall z \in E$. For $M > N$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} |p_M(z) - p_N(z)| &= |p_N(z)| \left| \prod_{n=N+1}^M (1 + u_n(z)) - 1 \right| \\ &\leq C \left(e^{\sum_{n=N+1}^M |u_n(z)|} - 1 \right) \xrightarrow{N, M \rightarrow \infty} 0 \end{aligned}$$

which proves that $\{p_N(z)\}$ converges uniformly on E .

The inequality also shows that

$$|p_M(z)| \geq |p_N(z)| (1 - \epsilon) \text{ for } N \text{ suff. large, } M > N$$

Hence, the infinite product has a zero ^{at z_0} iff some finite p_N does.

Theorem If Ω is connected, $f_n \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$, no f_n is identically equal to zero and $\sum |1 - f_n(z)|$ converges u.o.c. in Ω ,

then $f(z) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(z)$ converges u.o.c. and

$$\text{ord}_a(f) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{ord}_a(f_n)$$

Theorem 2 Weierstrass theorem

If $E \subset \Omega$ is discrete and for every $a \in E$ there is given an integer $k_a \in \mathbb{Z}$, then there is a holomorphic function $f \in \mathcal{O}^*(\Omega \setminus E)$ such that $(z-a)^{-k_a} f(z)$ is holomorphic and nonzero in a nbhv. of a for all $a \in E$.

Proof: Let $\{K_n\}$ be a holomorphically convex exhaustion of Ω and let $E_n = E \cap (K_n \setminus K_{n-1})$, $K_0 = \emptyset$.

Let $g_n = \prod_{a \in E_n} (z-a)^{k_a}$. The g_n has the

required property for $a \in E_1$. We would like to multiply by g_2 , but the problem is convergence. Notice however that $g_2 \in \mathcal{O}^*(K_1)$, hence there is $h_2 \in \mathcal{O}^*(\Omega)$ such that $|g_2 h_2 - 1|_{K_1} < 2^{-2}$ and $g_1 \cdot (g_2 h_2)$ has the required property for $a \in E, \forall E_2$.

Inductively we can find $h_n \in \mathcal{O}^*(\Omega)$ such that $|g_n h_n - 1|_{K_{n-1}} < 2^{-n}$. This implies that

$$f = g_1 \cdot \prod_{n=2}^{\infty} g_n h_n$$

has the required properties.

Exercise The analogous version of Theorem 4 for Weierstrass theorem is the following:

If $\{U_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ is an open covering of Ω and $f_{ij} \in \mathcal{O}^*(U_i \cap U_j)$ satisfy the cocycle condition $f_{ij} f_{jk} f_{ki} = 1$ in $U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k$ then there exist $f_i \in \mathcal{O}^*(U_i)$ such that $f_{ij} = f_i / f_j$ in $U_i \cap U_j$ for all i, j .

Show that this implies Weierstrass theorem.

Theorem 4 (Interpolation in a discrete set)

If $E \subset \Omega$ is discrete and for every $a \in E$ is given $\phi_a \in \mathcal{O}(D^*(a, r_a))$ and $k_a \geq 0$. Then there is $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega \setminus E)$ such that $f - \phi_a$ is holomorphic at a and $\text{ord}_a(f - \phi_a) > k_a$ for all $a \in E$.

Proof: By Weierstrass theorem there is $g \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ such that $Z(g) = E$ and $\text{ord}_a g = k_a + 1$ for all $a \in E$. Then $\phi_a/g \in \mathcal{O}(D^*(a, r_a))$ for all $a \in E$ and by Mittag-Leffler there is $h \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega \setminus E)$ such that

$$h - \phi_a/g = \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ as } z \rightarrow a \quad \forall a \in E.$$

Then $h = \phi_a/g + \mathcal{O}(1)$ and $f = hg = \phi_a + \mathcal{O}(|z-a|^{k+1})$ as $z \rightarrow a$. ■

Notice h can have zeros outside E .

If each ϕ_a is meromorphic then we can find such f without other zeroes:

Theorem 5 If $E \subset \Omega$ is discrete and for every $a \in E$ there is given $\phi_a \in \mathcal{O}(D^*(a, r_a))$ such that $\text{ord}_a \phi_a > -\infty$. Then there is $f \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega) \cap \mathcal{O}^*(\Omega \setminus E)$ such that $\text{ord}_a(f - \phi_a) > k_a$ for all $a \in E$.

Proof: • $E_0 = \{a; \phi_a \neq 0\}$
• $m_a = \text{ord}_a \phi_a, a \in E_0$

• By Weierstrass, we can find $g \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$ such that

$$\text{ord}_a g = \begin{cases} m_a & \text{for } a \in E_0 \\ > k_b & \text{for } b \in E \setminus E_0 \end{cases}$$

$$g \in \mathcal{O}^*(\Omega \setminus E)$$

If $h \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ and $f = g e^{h(z)}$ then everything holds except possibly $\text{ord}_a(f - \phi_a) > k_a$ for $a \in E_0$. How can we achieve this? Notice that ϕ_a/g is holomorphic and nonzero near a , so there is $h_a \in \mathcal{O}(D^*(a, r_a))$ such that $e^{h_a} = \phi_a/g$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ord}_a(g e^h - \phi_a) &= \text{ord}_a g \left(e^h - \frac{\phi_a}{g} \right) = \text{ord}_a g (e^h - e^{h_a}) \\ &= \text{ord}_a g e^{h_a} (e^{h-h_a} - 1) = m_a + \text{ord}_a(h-h_a) \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 4 there is $h \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ such that $\text{ord}_a(h-h_a) > m_a + k_a$. This completes the proof.

Automorphisms of the disc

Def: An automorphism of an open set $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ is a biholomorphic map of Ω onto itself, i.e. a holomorphic map $f: \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ which has a holomorphic inverse.

Denoted by $\text{Aut}(\Omega)$. This is a group.

$D = D(0, 1) = \{ |z| < 1 \}$ the unit disc; $T = \{ \lambda; |\lambda| = 1 \}$

Theorem 1. Schwarz lemma.

If $f \in \mathcal{O}(D)$, $|f(z)| \leq 1$ for all $z \in D$ and $f(0) = 0$, then

$$|f'(0)| \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad |f(z)| \leq |z|$$

Equality holds for some $z \in D \Leftrightarrow f(z) = \lambda z$, $|\lambda| = 1$.

Proof: Let $g(z) = \frac{f(z)}{z}$, $g(0) = f'(0)$. Then $g \in \mathcal{O}(D)$

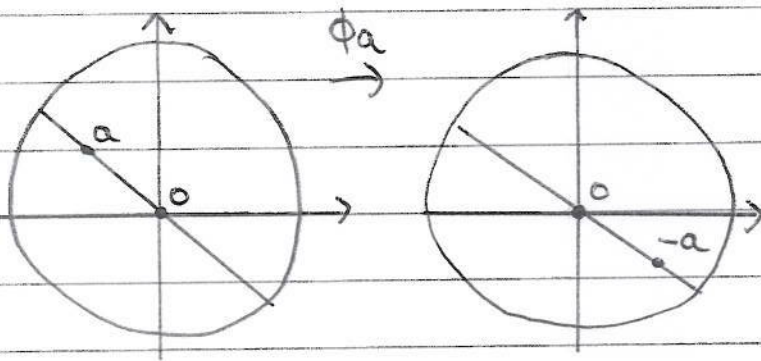
and $\lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta \in T} |g(z)| \leq 1$, hence the maximum modulus theorem

implies that either $|g(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in D$ or $g(z) \equiv \lambda \in T$.

In the first case $|f(z)| < |z|$ and $|f'(0)| < 1$, in the second case $f(z) = \lambda z$.

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For $a \in D$, let $\phi_a(z) = \frac{z-a}{1-\bar{a}z}$ $\phi_a(a) = 0$, $\phi_a(0) = -a$



If $|z| = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi_a(z)| &= \left| \frac{z-a}{(1-\bar{a}z)\bar{z}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{z-a}{z-a} \right| = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\phi_a: D \rightarrow D$. Easy to see that $\phi_a^{-1} = \phi_{-a}$.

ϕ_a is an automorphism.

Theorem 2 Every automorphism of D is of the form
 $\psi(z) = \lambda \phi_a(z)$ for some $\lambda \in T$.

Proof: If $\psi(0) = 0$, then $(\psi^{-1})'(0) \cdot \psi'(0) = 1$. Since $\psi, \psi^{-1} \in \text{Aut}(D)$ and are 0 at 0, their derivatives at zero must be ≤ 1 in absolute value. \leq is impossible, so $|\psi'(0)| = 1$ and $\psi = \lambda z$ by the Schwarz lemma.

In general, if $\psi(a) = 0$, consider $\phi = \psi \circ \phi_{-a}$. Then $\phi \in \text{Aut}(D)$, $\phi(0) = 0$, so $\phi(z) = \lambda z$ hence $\psi(z) = \lambda \phi_a(z)$.

Hurwitz theorem If Ω is connected, $f_n \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ without zeros and $f_n \rightarrow f \neq 0$ uniformly on compact, then f is without zeros.

Proof: Let $a \in \Omega$ and pick $\nu > 0$ such that f has no zeros on $\gamma = \{z; |z-a| = \nu\}$. Then $f_n'/f_n \rightarrow f'/f$ uniformly on γ , so

$$\# \text{ zeros of } f \text{ in } D(a, \nu) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f'}{f} dz = \lim \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f_n'}{f_n} dz = 0$$

Corollary If Ω is connected, $f_n \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ are injective and $f_n \rightarrow f \neq c$ uniformly on compact, then f is injective.

Proof: If $f(a) = f(b) = w$ and $D(a, \nu) \cap D(b, \nu) = \emptyset$, then by Hurwitz theorem $f_n(z) - w$ must have a zero in both $D(a, \nu)$ and $D(b, \nu)$ for sufficiently large n , hence f_n is not injective.

Riemann mapping theorem

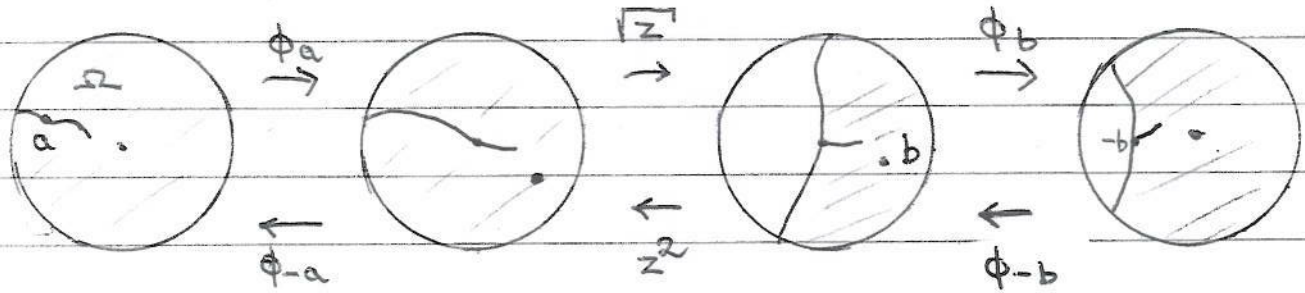
Theorem 1. If $\Omega \neq \mathbb{C}$ is simply connected (and connected), the Ω is biholomorphic to D .

- We shall see that this follows from the fact that every $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$, f without zeros, has a holomorphic square root. This is true in a simply connected domain since f has a holomorphic logarithm. If $g = e^{\frac{1}{2} \log f}$, then $g^2 = f$.
- $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is biholomorphic onto its image $\Leftrightarrow f$ is injective
- The square root property is invariant under biholomorphism
- If $f: \Omega \rightarrow \Omega'$ is biholomorphic and has a holomorphic square root, then \sqrt{f} is also biholomorphic.
Also; if $w \in \text{Im}(\sqrt{f})$, then $-w \notin \text{Im}(\sqrt{f})$.

Proposition (Koebe) If $0 \in \Omega \subset D$, $\Omega \neq D$ is connected and has the square root property, then there is a $\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ such that

- (i) $\mathcal{K}(0) = 0$, $\mathcal{K}(\Omega) \subset D$
- (ii) \mathcal{K} is injective
- (iii) $|\mathcal{K}(z)| > |z|$ for all $z \in \Omega$, $z \neq 0$.

Proof: Pick $a \in D \setminus \Omega$



Let $\mathcal{R} = \phi_b \circ \sqrt{z} \circ \phi_a$. Then (i) and (ii) holds.

\mathcal{R}^{-1} is defined in all of D and is $2-1$ (except at $-b$), therefore $|\mathcal{R}^{-1}(w)| < |w|$ for all $w \neq 0$, so $|\mathcal{R}(z)| > |z|$ for all $z \neq 0$. \blacksquare

Proof Theorem 1. We know that Ω has the square root property.

Step 1. To map Ω biholomorphically onto a bounded domain

Pick $a \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$ and $g \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ such that $g^2(z) = z - a$.

If $D(w, \nu) \subset g(\Omega)$ (which is open), then $D(-w, \nu) \cap g(\Omega) = \emptyset$

and

$\psi(z) = \frac{1}{g(z) + w}$ is biholomorphic in Ω and

$$|\psi(z)| < \frac{1}{\nu}$$

For small ϵ , $R(z) = \epsilon(\psi(z) - \psi(z_0))$, is biholomorphic onto $0 \in \Omega_0 \subset D$. Ω_0 has the square root property.

Step 2. We shall produce a biholomorphic map $\Omega_0 \rightarrow D$ which is "maximal". Let

$$J = \{ f: \Omega_0 \rightarrow D; f \text{ is hol, injective and } f(0) = 0 \}$$

Let $z_0 \in \Omega_0$, $z_0 \neq 0$ and put

$$\alpha = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} |f(z_0)| \in (0, 1].$$

and pick $f_n \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f_n(z_0)| = \alpha$. By Montel's

theorem there is a convergent subsequence, i.e. we may assume $f_n \rightarrow f$ u.o.c. Since $f(0) = 0$ and $|f(z_0)| = \alpha > 0$, f is not constant. By corollary of Hurwitz theorem, f is injective, so f is a biholomorphism $f: \Omega_0 \rightarrow \Omega = f(\Omega_0) \subset \mathbb{D}$. We cannot have $\Omega = \mathbb{D}$, because by Koebe's theorem there is a $\mathcal{K}: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ injective such that $|\mathcal{K}(f(z_0))| > |f(z_0)| = \alpha$, contradicting the definition of α . \blacksquare

It is instructive to read Theorem 1 of section 7.3.

Schwarz - Pick and Ahlfors Lemma.

$$\varphi_a(z) = \frac{z - a}{1 - \bar{a}z}$$

$$\varphi'_a(z) = \frac{1 - |a|^2}{(1 - \bar{a}z)^2}$$

$$\varphi'_a(0) = 1 - |a|^2$$

$$\varphi'_a(a) = \frac{1}{1 - |a|^2}$$

If $f: D \rightarrow D$ is holomorphic, $z \in D$, let

$$g = \varphi_{f(z)} \circ f \circ \varphi_{-z}$$

Then $g(0) = 0$ and

$$g'(0) = \varphi'_{f(z)}(f(z)) \cdot f'(z) \cdot \varphi'_{-z}(0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - |f(z)|^2} \cdot f'(z) \cdot (1 - |z|^2)$$

We get

Theorem 1.1. If $f: D \rightarrow D$ is holomorphic, then

$$\frac{|f'(z)|}{1 - |f(z)|^2} \leq \frac{1}{1 - |z|^2}$$

Equality at one point implies that f is an automorphism

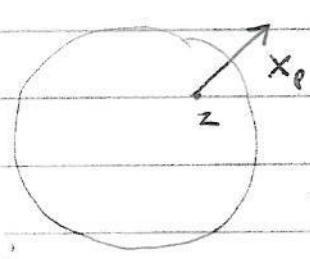
Pf: The last statement follows from $g(w) = \lambda w$, so

$$f(w) = \varphi_{-f(z)}(\lambda \varphi_z(w)) \Rightarrow f = \varphi_{-f(z)} \circ (\lambda \varphi_z)$$

This formulation is equivalent to the Schwarz lemma
 Poincaré gave an invariant definition of this:
 Consider the (Kähler) metric

$$ds^2_{\mathbb{H}} = \frac{dz d\bar{z}}{(1-|z|^2)^2}$$

on \mathbb{D} , i.e. for a tangent vector $X \in T_p \mathbb{D}$, $p \in \mathbb{D}$



$$ds^2_{\mathbb{H}}(X) = \frac{|X|^2}{(1-|z|^2)^2}$$

Then

$$f^*(ds^2_{\mathbb{H}}) = \frac{|f'(z)|^2}{(1-|f(z)|^2)^2} dz d\bar{z} \leq \frac{dz d\bar{z}}{(1-|z|^2)^2} = ds^2_{\mathbb{H}} \text{ i.e.}$$

$$f^*(ds^2_{\mathbb{H}}) \leq ds^2_{\mathbb{H}}$$

with equality at one point iff f is an automorphism.

- We can define length of curves $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ using the metric $ds^2_{\mathbb{H}}$:

$$L(\gamma) = \int_a^b ds_{\mathbb{H}}(\gamma(t), \gamma'(t)) dt$$

It follows that holomorphic functions decrease the length of curves:

$$L(f \circ \gamma) \leq L(\gamma)$$

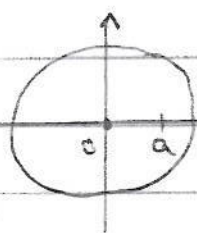
and automorphisms preserve length.

- This defines a distance on D by

$$\rho_H(z_1, z_2) = \inf l(\gamma), \quad \gamma \text{ curve from } z_1 \text{ to } z_2.$$

Holomorphic functions are distance decreasing and automorphisms preserve distances. It follows that

$$\rho_H(z_1, z_2) = \rho_H(0, |\varphi_{z_1}(z_2)|)$$



$$\rho_H(0, a) = \int_0^a \frac{dt}{1-t^2} = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1+a}{1-a}$$

$$\rho_H(z_1, z_2) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1+|\varphi_{z_1}(z_2)|}{1-|\varphi_{z_1}(z_2)|}$$

Theorem 1.2. If $f: D \rightarrow D$ is holomorphic, then

$$1. f^*(d\sigma_H) \leq d\sigma_H$$

$$2. \rho_H(f(z), f(w)) \leq \rho_H(z, w)$$

Equality in one point in 1 or one pair $z \neq w$ in 2 implies f is auto.

$d\sigma_H$ is called the Poincaré metric

ρ_H

Poincaré distance.

- The curvature of a metric $h dz d\bar{z}$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{K} = -\frac{2}{h} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} \log h = -\frac{1}{2h} \Delta(\log h)$$

$$\text{For } h = \frac{1}{(1-|z|^2)^2} \text{ we get}$$

$$\mathcal{K} = -2(1-|z|^2)^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} \log(1-|z|^2)^{-2}$$

$$= 4(1-|z|^2)^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} \log(1-z\bar{z}) = 4(1-|z|^2)^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{-z}{1-z\bar{z}}$$

$$= 4(1-|z|^2)^2 \cdot \frac{-1(1-z\bar{z}) - (-z)(-\bar{z})}{(1-z\bar{z})^2} = 4(1-|z|^2)^2 \cdot \frac{-1}{(1-z\bar{z})^2} = -4$$

do_N^2

- If $R dz d\bar{z}$ is metric on Ω and $f: U \rightarrow \Omega$ satisfies $f'(z) \neq 0$ everywhere, then

$$f^*(do_N^2) = |f'(z)|^2 R(f(z)) dz d\bar{z}$$

and

$$\mathcal{K}_{f^*(do_N^2)}(z) = \mathcal{K}_{do_N^2}(f(z)). \quad \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} (\log |f'(z)|^2) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} (\log |h|)(f(z)) \cdot |f'(z)|^2 \right)$$

This curvature is a conformal invariant.

- The metric $do_a^2 = \frac{4\tilde{a}^2}{A} \frac{dz d\bar{z}}{(a^2 - |z|^2)^2}$ on $D_a = \{|z| < a\}$ has curvature $-A$. Theorem 1.2. generalizes to

Theorem 1.3. Ahlfors lemma.

If M is a Riemann surface with metric do_M^2 with curvature $\leq -B$ ($B > 0$) and $f: D_a \rightarrow M$ is holomorphic,

then $f^*(do_M^2) \leq \frac{A}{B} do_a^2$

Proof:

Define $u \geq 0$ on D_a by $f^*(do_M^2) = u do_a^2 = u(z) \frac{4\tilde{a}^2 dz d\bar{z}}{A(a^2 - |z|^2)^2}$

and for $n \leq a$, u_n is defined by $f^*(do_M^2) = u_n do_n^2$ on D_n so $u = u_a$ and

$$u_n(z) = u(z) \frac{a^2 (n^2 - |z|^2)^2}{n^2 (a^2 - |z|^2)^2}$$

so $u_n \rightarrow u$ when $n \rightarrow a$. It is therefore sufficient to note that $u_n(z) \leq \frac{A}{B}$ for $z \in D_n$.

By the formula above, $u_n(z) = 0$ when $|z| = n$. If $u(z) \equiv 0$ we are done. Otherwise, u_n has a maximum at some $z_0 \in D_n$. Then f defines local coordinates around z_0 , i.e. there is a nbhd U of z_0 with $f'(z) \neq 0$ for $z \in U$ and we can compute the curvature of do_M^2 by computing it in U .

We have

$$f^*(ds_M^2) = u_N ds_N^2 = u_N(z) \frac{4N^2 dz d\bar{z}}{A(N^2 - |z|^2)^2} =: h(z) dz d\bar{z}$$

so

$$\mathcal{R} = -\frac{2}{h} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} \log h = -\frac{2}{h} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} \left(\log u_N + \log \frac{4N^2}{A(N^2 - |z|^2)^2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{2}{h} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} \log u_N + \frac{2N^2}{(N^2 - |z|^2)^2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{2}{h} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} \log u_N - \frac{A}{u_N} \leq -B$$

$$\frac{2\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} \log u_N \geq B - \frac{A}{u_N}, \quad \text{but } \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} \log u_N(z) = \frac{1}{4} \Delta \log u_N(z) \leq 0$$

since z_0 is a maximum.

$$\text{This gives } u_N(z_0) \leq \frac{A}{B}. \quad \square$$

Which M can have a metric with negative curvature?

1. \mathbb{C} does not have such a metric.

Pf: If $ds_{\mathbb{C}}^2$ is such a metric, let $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be defined by $f(z) = az$. Then

$$(f^* ds_{\mathbb{C}}^2)(0) = |a|^2 ds_{\mathbb{C}}^2(0), \text{ hence no such}$$

inequality can hold. The metric $(1+|z|^2) dz d\bar{z}$ has curvature $\mathcal{R} = -2/(1+|z|^2)^2$ and is complete.

2. $\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ does not have such a metric, since $f(z) = e^z$ is a covering $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$, hence if \mathbb{C}^* had a metric with negative curvature, so would \mathbb{C} .

The metric $\frac{dz d\bar{z}}{\log(1+|z|^2)}$ has curvature $\mathcal{R} = \frac{-2}{(1+|z|^2)^2} \left(\frac{|z|^2}{\log(1+|z|^2)} - 1 \right) < 0$

and is complete.

3. The upper half plane \mathbb{C}^+ has such a metric since it is biholomorphic to D . A biholomorphic map is

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

$$f^* \left(\frac{dzd\bar{z}}{(1-|z|^2)^2} \right) = \frac{|f'(z)|^2}{(1-|f(z)|^2)^2} dzd\bar{z} = \frac{4}{|z+i|^2 \left(1 - \left|\frac{z-i}{z+i}\right|^2\right)^2} dzd\bar{z}$$

$$= \frac{4}{(|z+i|^2 - |z-i|^2)^2} dzd\bar{z} = \frac{4 dzd\bar{z}}{((x^2+(y+1)^2) - (x^2+(y-1)^2))^2} = \frac{4 dzd\bar{z}}{(4y)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4y^2} dzd\bar{z}$$

4. The punctured disc D^* has such a metric.

We have a covering map $p: \mathbb{C}^+ \rightarrow D^*$ given by $p(z) = e^{iz}$. This has local inverses $p^{-1}(w) = \frac{1}{i} \log w$ and

$$(p^{-1})^* \left(\frac{dzd\bar{z}}{4y^2} \right) = \frac{|(p^{-1})'(w)|^2 dw d\bar{w}}{4 (\text{Im } p^{-1}(w))^2}$$

$$= \frac{dw d\bar{w}}{4|w|^2 (\log|w|)^2} = \frac{dw d\bar{w}}{|w|^2 (\log|w|^2)^2} =: ds_{D^*}^2$$

This metric is also complete. If $0 < N < R < 1$, then

$$P_{D^*}(N, R) = \int_N^R \frac{dt}{t(-\log t^2)} = -\frac{1}{2} \int_N^R \frac{dt}{t \log t} = -\frac{1}{2} \log(-\log t) \Big|_N^R$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\log(\log \frac{1}{N}) - \log(\log \frac{1}{R}) \right) \rightarrow \infty \text{ when } N \rightarrow 0 \text{ or } R \rightarrow 1$$

The circle $\gamma(t) = Ne^{it}$ has length

$$l(\gamma) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{N dt}{N(-\log N^2)} = \frac{\pi/2}{\log(1/N^2)} \rightarrow 0 \text{ when } N \rightarrow 0.$$

5. The doubly punctured plane $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{z_0, z_1\}$ has a metric $K(z) dz d\bar{z}$ with curvature bounded above by a negative constant.

Remark: It is possible to find such a metric which is also complete, i.e. the distance to the points z_0, z_1 and ∞ is infinite. This metric is much more complicated to construct, however.

Proof: We may assume $z_0 = 0, z_1 = 1$. We shall prove that

$$K(z) = \frac{(1+|z|^\alpha)^\beta}{|z|^\gamma} \cdot \frac{(1+|z-1|^\alpha)^\beta}{|z-1|^\gamma}$$

has the required property for suitable α, β and γ .

The expression for the Laplacian of a radial function $f(r)$ is

$$\Delta f(r) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \quad (\text{check this!}).$$

This gives

$$\Delta \left(\log \frac{(1+r^\alpha)^\beta}{r^\gamma} \right) = \Delta \left(\beta \log(1+r^\alpha) - \gamma \log r \right) = \beta \Delta (\log(1+r^\alpha))$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \log(1+r^\alpha) = \frac{\alpha r^{\alpha-1}}{1+r^\alpha}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} \log(1+r^\alpha) = \alpha \left(\frac{(\alpha-1)r^{\alpha-2}(1+r^\alpha) - r^{\alpha-1} \cdot \alpha r^{\alpha-1}}{(1+r^\alpha)^2} \right) = \frac{\alpha r^{\alpha-2}}{(1+r^\alpha)^2} (\alpha-1-r^\alpha)$$

Hence

$$\beta \Delta \log(1+n^\alpha) = 2\beta \left(\frac{\alpha n^{\alpha-2}}{(1+n^\alpha)^2} (\alpha-1-n^\alpha) + \frac{1}{n} \frac{\alpha n^{\alpha-1}}{1+n^\alpha} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\alpha \beta n^{\alpha-2}}{(1+n^\alpha)^2} \left((\alpha-1-n^\alpha) + (1+n^\alpha) \right) = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta n^{\alpha-2}}{(1+n^\alpha)^2}$$

This gives

$$\mathcal{H} = -\frac{1}{2h} \Delta(\log h) = -\frac{\alpha^2 \beta}{2} \frac{|z|^\gamma |z-1|^\delta}{(1+|z|^\alpha)^\beta (1+|z-1|^\alpha)^\beta} \left(\frac{|z|^{\alpha-2}}{(1+|z|^\alpha)^2} + \frac{|z-1|^{\alpha-2}}{(1+|z-1|^\alpha)^2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{\alpha^2 \beta}{2} \left(\frac{|z|^{\gamma+\alpha-2} |z-1|^\delta}{(1+|z|^\alpha)^{\beta+2} (1+|z-1|^\alpha)^\beta} + \frac{|z-1|^{\gamma+\alpha-2} |z|^\delta}{(1+|z-1|^\alpha)^{\beta+2} (1+|z|^\alpha)^\beta} \right)$$

Now, if

$$(1) \quad \gamma + \alpha - 2 = 0, \quad \text{i.e. } \gamma = 2 - \alpha$$

this is

$$-\frac{\alpha^2 \beta}{2} \left(\frac{|z-1|^\delta}{(1+|z|^\alpha)^{\beta+2} (1+|z-1|^\alpha)^\beta} + \frac{|z|^\delta}{(1+|z-1|^\alpha)^{\beta+2} (1+|z|^\alpha)^\beta} \right)$$

Hence

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{H} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \mathcal{H} = -\frac{\alpha^2 \beta}{2^{\beta+1}} < 0.$$

As $z \rightarrow \infty$, the power of $|z|$ in \mathcal{H} is $\gamma - 2\alpha\beta - 2\alpha$

Hence $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{H} \leq -\alpha^2 \beta$ if

$$(2) \quad \gamma - 2\alpha\beta - 2\alpha \geq 0$$

Inserting (1) in (2) gives $2 - \alpha - 2\alpha\beta - 2\alpha \geq 0$

$$\therefore (3) \quad \alpha \leq \frac{2}{3 + 2\beta}$$

For instance $\alpha = \frac{1}{3}$, $\beta = 1$, $\gamma = \frac{5}{3}$ solves the problem.

We also get Ahlfors lemma for maps from D^* .
(We have put $A=1$).

Theorem 1.3 b. Ahlfors lemma for D^*

If M is a Riemann surface with metric do_M^2 with curvature $\leq -B$ ($B > 0$) and $f: D^* \rightarrow M$ is holomorphic, then

$$f^*(do_M^2) \leq \frac{1}{B} do_{D^*}^2$$

Proof: We have $do_{D^*}^2 = (p^{-1})^* do_D^2$, $f \circ p: D \rightarrow M$ is holomorphic, so by the Ahlfors lemma for D we have

$$(f \circ p)^*(do_M^2) = p^*(f^*(do_M^2)) \leq \frac{1}{B} do_D^2$$

which gives

$$f^*(do_M^2) = (p^{-1})^*(p^*(f^*(do_M^2))) \leq (p^{-1})^*\left(\frac{1}{B} do_D^2\right) = \frac{1}{B} do_{D^*}^2$$

Theorem 1.4 Suppose $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ has a metric with curvature $\leq -B$. Then

- a) There is no nonconstant holomorphic map $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \Omega$
- b) No holomorphic function $f: D^* \rightarrow \Omega$ can have an essential singularity at 0.

Proof:

a) Restricting to a disc of radius a (with $A=1$) the Schwarz lemma gives

$$f^*(do_\Omega^2) \leq \frac{1}{B} do_a^2 = \frac{1}{B} \frac{4a^2}{(a^2 - |z|^2)^2} dz d\bar{z} \rightarrow 0$$

Since $f^*(do_\Omega^2) = |f'(z)|^2 h(f(z)) dz d\bar{z}$, when $a \rightarrow \infty$

this gives $f'(z) = 0$, so f is constant.

To prove b) use the following

Lemma If $f \in \mathcal{O}(D^*)$ has an essential singularity at 0 then $f(D^*)$ is dense in \mathbb{C} .

Pf: If not, there is $a \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\delta > 0$ such that $|f(z) - a| \geq \delta$ for all $z \in D^*$. But then $g(z) = \frac{1}{f(z) - a}$

satisfies $|g(z)| \leq 1/\delta$, hence has a removable singularity at 0. But then $f(z) = \frac{1}{g(z)} + a$ either has a pole or a removable singularity at 0.

To prove b), notice that if $f : D^* \rightarrow \Omega$ has an essential singularity at 0, then $f(D_n^*)$ is dense in \mathbb{C} for all $n > 0$ hence there is a sequence $z_n \rightarrow 0$ such that $f(z_n) \rightarrow p \in \mathbb{C}$

If ρ is the metric defined by ds_ρ , i.e.

$$\rho(z, w) = \inf \left\{ \int_0^1 ds_\rho(\gamma'(t)) dt ; \gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow \Omega, \gamma(0) = z, \gamma(1) = w \right\}$$

and $\bar{B}(p, \nu) \subset \Omega$, then $\inf \{ \rho(p, z) ; |p - z| = \nu \} = \delta > 0$.

If $\rho(p, f(z_n)) < \frac{1}{2}\delta$ and γ is a curve of length $\leq \frac{1}{2}\delta$ starting at $f(z_n)$, then $\gamma \subset B(p, \nu)$, hence $|\gamma(t)| \leq |p| + \nu = C$ for all t .

We may assume that $\nu_n = |z_n|$ decrease strictly to zero. Since $f(z_n) \rightarrow p$ there is N such that $\rho(p, f(z_n)) < \frac{1}{2}\delta$ for $n \geq N$.

Let γ_n be the circle $|z| = \nu_n$. Then

$$L(f \circ \gamma_n) \leq \frac{1}{\nu_n} L(\gamma_n) \leq \frac{\pi}{2\nu_n \log \frac{1}{\nu_n^2}} \rightarrow 0 \text{ when } \nu_n \rightarrow \infty$$

Hence for large n , $L(f \circ \gamma_n) \leq \frac{1}{2}$. This implies that $|f(z)| \leq C$ for all z with $|z| = r_n$.

This means that $|f(z)| \leq C$ for all z in the annuli $A_n = \{r_{n+1} \leq |z| \leq r_n\}$ and therefore in a punctured disc D_n . Hence f has a removable singularity at 0 .

Theorem 1.5

- Picard's small theorem: A nonconstant entire function cannot omit more than one value.
- Picard's big theorem: If a holomorphic function has an essential singularity at a , then f takes all complex values except possibly one in any punctured disc around a .

Proof: a) If f omits two values z_0 and z_1 , then $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \Omega = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{z_0, z_1\}$. Since Ω has a metric with curvature $\leq -\beta$ this follows from 1.4 a).

b) Follows in the same way from 1.4 b). ■

We will now use the complete metric on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{z_0, z_1\}$ mentioned in the remark on page 48.

Theorem 1.6 Schottky's Theorem Given $R_0 > 0$ and $\nu < 1$, then there is a constant $M (= M(R_0, \nu))$ such that if $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus \{z_0, z_1\}$ is holomorphic and $|f(0)| \leq R_0$, then $|f(z)| \leq M$ for all z with $|z| \leq \nu$.

Proof: Let γ be the curve $\gamma(t) = tz$. By Ahlfors lemma

$$L(f \circ \gamma) \leq \frac{1}{|B|} L(\gamma) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1+|z|}{1-|z|} \leq \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1+r}{1-r}$$

It follows that $f(z)$ must be bounded since $d_{\mathbb{D}}(f(0), \infty) \rightarrow \infty$ as $|z| \rightarrow \infty$.

It follows that $f(z)$ must also stay away from z_0 and z_1 , i.e. $|f(z) - z_0| \geq M_0$, $|f(z) - z_1| \geq M_1$.

The same proof can be used to prove bounds on maps $f: \mathbb{D}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus \{z_0, z_1\}$ on either annular regions or circles. Here is the circle version:

Theorem 1.7. Schottky's Theorem in \mathbb{D}^* Given $R_0 > 0$ and $r < 1$ there is a constant M such that if $f: \mathbb{D}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus \{z_0, z_1\}$ is holomorphic and $|f(z)| \leq R_0$ for some z with $|z| \leq r$, then $|f(\zeta)| \leq M$ for all ζ with $|\zeta| = |z|$.

Pf: We use the curve $\gamma(t) = ze^{it}$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$, whose length is

$$\frac{\pi}{2 \log(1/|z|^2)} \leq \frac{\pi}{2 \log(1/r^2)}$$

and Ahlfors lemma for \mathbb{D}^* .