

Last time: If f is analytic on $D(r) - \{0\}$, 3 possibilities:

Type of singularity

Behavior of f near 0

Laurent series

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} a_k z^k$$

$$\sum_{k \geq -n} a_k z^k, \quad a_{-n} \neq 0$$

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} a_k z^k, \quad \infty \text{ negative part}$$

1) removable sing.: f extends to $D(r)$

f bounded

2) pole of order n : $f(z) = g(z)/z^n$,
g analytic, $g(0) \neq 0$

$|f| \rightarrow \infty$ as $z \rightarrow 0$

3) essential singularity

$f(D(\varepsilon) - \{0\})$ dense in \mathbb{C}

Def: || If f is analytic in $U - \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$ and has poles at p_1, \dots, p_n (no essential sing.)
|| then we say f is meromorphic in U .

- If $f: U - \{p_i\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is meromorphic with poles at p_i , then $|f(z)| \rightarrow \infty$ as $z \rightarrow p_i$, so
 $1/f$ has a removable singularity at p_i , where it has a zero (of order = pole order of f)
Hence f extends to $\hat{f}: U \rightarrow S = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ Riemann sphere by setting $\hat{f}(p_i) = \infty$, and
 \hat{f} is continuous and analytic, in the sense that
 - away from the poles $\{p_i\} = \hat{f}'(\infty)$, \hat{f} takes values in \mathbb{C} and is analytic
 - away from the zeros, $\frac{1}{\hat{f}(z)}$ takes values in \mathbb{C} and is analytic
(= analytic extension of $\frac{1}{f}$ over the removable sing. at p_i).
- Hence: zeros and poles of (non-identically zero) meromorphic functions are isolated.
 → if f and g are analytic on U , $g \neq 0$, then f/g is meromorphic on U .
 if f and g have no common zeros, f/g has zeros = zeros of f , poles = zeros of g .
 if there's a common zero, highest order wins (Factor out powers of $(z - z_0)$).
 → the converse is actually true (won't prove): every meromorphic function is a quotient f/g of analytic functions.
- Assume f is meromorphic on all \mathbb{C} (ie. f analytic on $\mathbb{C} - \{p_i\}$, w/ poles at p_i).
 If $|f(z)|$ is either bounded or $\rightarrow \infty$ as $|z| \rightarrow \infty$, then the function $g(w) = f(1/w)$ has a removable singularity or a pole at $w=0$, so it is meromorphic near 0.
 ⇒ can extend \hat{f} to the Riemann sphere by setting $\hat{f}(\infty) = \hat{g}(0)$.
 Thus: if $f(z)$ and $f(\frac{1}{z})$ are meromorphic, get an analytic extension
 $\hat{f}: S \rightarrow S$ to the whole Riemann sphere!
- In fact, such \hat{f} is necessarily a rational function. This follows from
Theorem: || If f is an analytic entire function $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $|f(z)| \leq M |z|^n$
 (homework) || near $|z| \rightarrow \infty$ then f is a polynomial of degree at most n .

Corollary: || If $f: S \rightarrow S$ is analytic (ie. $f(z)$ and $f(\frac{1}{z})$ are meromorphic) ②
 Then f is a rational function.

Proof: . the fact that $g(w) = f(\frac{1}{w})$ is meromorphic near 0 gives a bound of the form

$$|g(w)| \leq \frac{C}{|w|^n} \text{ for } w \rightarrow 0, \text{ ie. } |f(z)| \leq C|z|^n \text{ for } z \in \mathbb{C}, z \rightarrow \infty$$

• f isn't an entire function, it does have poles - but only finitely many of them
 (poles of f are zeros of $\frac{1}{f}$ hence isolated, and S is compact).

so: \exists polynomial $P(z) = \prod (z - p_i)^{n_i}$ (p_i : poles of f , n_i : order) st.

$P(z)f(z)$ extends to an entire function on \mathbb{C} , also satisfying a bound

$$|P(z)f(z)| \leq C' |z|^{n+\deg P} \text{ as } z \rightarrow \infty. \text{ By the previous thm, } P(z)f(z) \text{ is a polynomial. } \square$$

Local behavior of analytic functions: maximum principle and open mapping principle.

* Cauchy's integral formula can be viewed as a mean value formula:

Thm: || If f is analytic on $U \supset \overline{B_r(z)}$ then $f(z)$ is the average value of f on $S'(z, r)$.

Pf: by Cauchy, $f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{S'(z, r)} \frac{f(w) dw}{w-z} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(z+re^{i\theta})}{re^{i\theta}} d(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z+re^{i\theta}) d\theta$. \square

• Corollary: the maximum principle

Thm: || If f is analytic on $U \subset \mathbb{C}$ ^{open connected} & nonconstant, then $|f|$ doesn't achieve its maximum anywhere in U . In particular, if f is analytic on U and continuous on \overline{U} , \overline{U} compact,
 || then the maximum of $|f|$ on \overline{U} is achieved on the boundary of U .

Pf: Given $z_0 \in U$, we have $|f(z_0)| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) d\theta \right| \stackrel{(*)}{\leq} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(z_0 + re^{i\theta})| d\theta \leq \max_{S'(z_0, r)} |f|$.
 $r > 0$ small so $\overline{B_r(z_0)} \subset U$.

If $|f|$ has a (local) max. at z_0 , then $\max_{S'(z_0, r)} |f| = |f(z_0)|$ and these inequalities are equalities.

This implies $|f(z)| = |f(z_0)| \forall z \in S'(z_0, r)$. In fact $f(z) = f(z_0)$: if $\arg(f(z))$ varies then (*) is <. (eg. rescale so $f(z_0) = 1$, then $|f(z)| \leq 1$ so $\operatorname{Re}(f(z)) \leq 1$, and $\operatorname{Re} f(z_0) = \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) d\theta \right) \leq 1$, equality implies $\operatorname{Re}(f(z)) = 1 \forall z \in S'(z_0, r)$, and since $|f(z)| \leq 1$, this gives $f(z) = 1 \forall z \in S'(z_0, r)$).

Since f is analytic, $f(z) - f(z_0) = 0 \quad \forall z \in S'(z_0, r) \Rightarrow$ zeros of $f(z) - f(z_0)$ aren't isolated (zeros of nontrivial analytic $f - c$ are isolated) $\Rightarrow f(z) - f(z_0) = 0$ on $U \Rightarrow f = \text{constant}$ on U . \square

(Rmk: This also implies max principle for $\operatorname{Re}(f)$, since $|\operatorname{e}^{\operatorname{Re}(f)}| = e^{\operatorname{Re}(f)}$ has no (local) max.).

- One nice (non-local) consequence is a contraction principle: the Schwarz lemma. ③

Thm: || f analytic on $D = \{ |z| < 1 \}$, and $|f(z)| < 1 \forall z \in D$ (i.e. $f: D \rightarrow D$), and $f(0) = 0$, then $|f'(0)| \leq 1$, and $|f(z)| \leq |z| \forall z \in D - \{0\}$.
Moreover if equality holds in either of these then $f(z) = e^{i\theta} z$ for some $e^{i\theta} \in S^1$.

Pf: Write $f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n = z F(z)$ where $F(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+1} z^n$ analytic
($f(0) = 0 \Rightarrow$ no constant term)

For $|z| = r \in (0,1)$, we have $|F(z)| = \left| \frac{f(z)}{z} \right| \leq \frac{1}{r}$, hence by the maximum principle, $|F(z)| \leq \frac{1}{r}$ whenever $|z| \leq r$. Taking $r \rightarrow 1$, $|F(z)| \leq 1 \forall z \in D$.

Hence the bounds on $f'(0) = F(0)$ and $f(z) = zF(z)$. Moreover, if $|F| = 1$ is achieved anywhere inside D then F is constant $= e^{i\theta}$, so $f(z) = e^{i\theta} z$. \square

Note: • The bound on $|f'(0)|$ is the same as the bound one gets from Cauchy's integral formula. The Schwarz lemma is a strengthening to pointwise bounds $|f(z)| \leq |z|$ globally on the disc.

• by composing f with fractional linear transformations, we can get Schwarz-type bounds for all sorts of other situations, e.g. if f maps a disc to a half-plane, etc.

There is another important class of functions which satisfy mean value & max-principle:

Def: || A C^2 function $f: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is harmonic if $\Delta f = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2} = 0$.

(Physically important! e.g. electric & gravitational potentials in vacuum are harmonic, so is temperature distribution at thermal equilibrium, etc.).

Real analysis gives general methods for studying harmonic functions, but the case of 2 real variables $f(x,y)$ is closely related to complex analysis.

• $u: U \subset \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is harmonic if $\Delta u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$.

Thm: || If $f = u + iv$ is analytic, then $u = \operatorname{Re} f$ and $v = \operatorname{Im} f$ are harmonic.

Pf: Cauchy-Riemann eq: $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = 0$ says $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$ and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$, so

$$\Delta u = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) = 0. \quad \square$$

What is unique about harmonic functions in 2 variables is that we have a converse:

Thm: || If u is harmonic on a simply-connected open $U \subset \mathbb{C}$, then there exists an analytic function $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ s.t. $u = \operatorname{Re}(f)$.

i.e. there exists a harmonic $v: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ("harmonic conjugate of u ") s.t. $u+iv$ is analytic. (4)

Ex. $u = \log|z| = \operatorname{Re}(\log z)$ on domain not enclosing origin $\rightsquigarrow v = \arg(z)$.

This shows the assumption on U is necessary (v not single-valued on \mathbb{C}^*).

Pf. Observe: to find v s.t. $u+iv$ analytic, need to solve $\begin{cases} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \end{cases}$. Cauchy-Riemann

$$\text{let } \alpha = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dy$$

$$\text{Then } d\alpha = \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right) dx \wedge dy = 0, \text{ so } \alpha \text{ is closed}$$

$$\qquad \qquad \qquad \curvearrowright = \Delta u = 0.$$

Since U is simply connected, closed 1-forms are exact, i.e. $\exists v$ s.t. $dv = \alpha$
 (can define $v(z) = \int_{z_0}^z \alpha$ by integrating over any path in U ;
 the integral is path-independent by Stokes since $d\alpha = 0$ and U simply connected)

$f = u+iv$ then satisfies Cauchy-Riemann, i.e. it is analytic on U . \square

Now we know that harmonic functions are secretly real parts of analytic functions, we get:

Corollaries: (also true in n variables!)

- any C^2 harmonic function is actually C^∞
- harmonic functions satisfy the mean value thm: $u(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z+r e^{i\theta}) d\theta$.
- maximum principle

Another pair of deep results (which we won't prove) are about existence of analytic mappings & harmonic functions:

* The Riemann mapping theorem:

Thm: if $U \subset \mathbb{C}$ is a non-empty simply connected open subset, $U \neq \mathbb{C}$, then there exists a biholomorphism $\varphi: U \xrightarrow{\sim} D = \{z | |z| < 1\}$ i.e. analytic bijection w/ analytic inverse.

(+ Carathéodory: if ∂U is a Jordan curve, then φ extends to a continuous map $\bar{U} \rightarrow \bar{D}$ giving a homeomorphism on the boundary)

Ex: can you find explicit biholom's

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{quarter disc} & \simeq & \text{half disc} & \simeq & \cdots & \text{---} & ? \\ & & & & & & \end{array}$$

or... unit disc \simeq half-plane $\simeq \mathbb{R} \times (0,1)$? (see HW).

* The existence of solutions to Dirichlet's problem (harmonic functions with prescribed values at the boundary of a domain) can be thought of as an analogue for harmonic functions:

Thm: if $U \subset \mathbb{C}$ is a simply connected bounded open subset with suff. nice boundary (reg. ∂U piecewise smooth) and $f \in C^0(\partial U, \mathbb{R})$ any continuous function

$\Rightarrow \exists$ unique $u \in C^0(\bar{U}, \mathbb{R})$ s.t. $u/\partial U = f$ and u is harmonic inside U .

(Uniqueness follows easily from the max-principle: $u-v=0$ at ∂U , $u-v$ harmonic $\Rightarrow u-v \equiv 0$). (5)

One way to prove this is actually to first establish it for the unit disc, using Fourier series to reduce to trigonometric polynomials; $\sum c_n e^{in\theta} \rightsquigarrow \sum_{n \geq 0} c_n z^n + \sum_{n < 0} c_n \bar{z}^{|n|}$ then use Riemann mapping theorem (+Carathéodory) to map $U \xrightarrow{\varphi} \mathbb{D}$; u is harmonic iff $u \circ \varphi$ is.

Back to analytic f^{an} , there's a stronger local result: the open mapping principle (\Rightarrow max. principle).

Thm: // A nonconstant analytic function is an open mapping, i.e. U open $\Rightarrow f(U)$ open

in other terms: f analytic at z_0 $\Rightarrow \forall r > 0$, $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ s.t. $f(B_r(z_0)) \supset B_\varepsilon(f(z_0))$
 non-constant $(\Rightarrow |f(z)|, \operatorname{Re} f(z), \dots \text{can't have local max})$

First we prove

Prop: // if $f(z)$ has an isolated zero at $z=z_0$, then \exists analytic function g defined near z_0 , with $g(z_0)=0$, $g'(z_0) \neq 0$, and $n \geq 1$, s.t. $f(z) = g(z)^n$.

Pf: let $n = \text{order of the zero of } f$, i.e. write $f(z) = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} a_k (z-z_0)^k = a_n (z-z_0)^n (1+h(z))$ with $h(z_0)=0$. $\exists V \ni z_0$ s.t. $|h(z)| < 1 \quad \forall z \in V$; over V we can define $g(z) = a_n^{1/n} (z-z_0) (1+h(z))^{1/n}$, where $(1+h(z))^{1/n} = \exp\left(\frac{1}{n} \log(1+h(z))\right)$ well def'd for $|h| < 1$. \square

Pf. then: for $z_0 \in U$, write $f(z)-f(z_0) = g(z)^n$ for some $n \geq 1$. $g(z_0)=0$, $g'(z_0) \neq 0$.

By inverse function thm, g is a local diff' at z_0 (since $g'(z_0) \neq 0$), hence an open mapping near z_0 (\exists continuous, actually analytic, inverse mapping), so $\forall V \ni z_0$ open (\subset domain of g), $g(V) \ni 0$ contains some ball $B_\varepsilon(0)$, hence taking n^{th} power, $f(V) \supset B(f(z_0), \varepsilon^n)$. \square