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Changing variables

We have $x = \frac{1}{2}(z + \bar{z})$ and $y = \frac{1}{2i}(z - \bar{z})$, so f can also be considered as a function of z and \bar{z} .

Apply the multi-variable chain-rule:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial \bar{z}} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial \bar{z}} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{2i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$$

Changing variables

Use real and imaginary parts and the Cauchy-Riemann equations:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{1}{2}(u_x + iv_x) - \frac{1}{2i}(u_y + iv_y) = \frac{1}{2}(u_x - v_y) - \frac{1}{2i}(v_x + u_y) = 0$$

So, \dots , f is (complex) differentiable iff

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = 0$$

Analytic functions

Definition

A function f is **analytic** at z_0 if it is differentiable on some neighbourhood $N(z_0, \varepsilon)$ of z_0 .

- f is then also analytic at all points of $N(z_0, \varepsilon)$
- the domain of an analytic function is open
- $f(z) = |z|^2$ is differentiable at 0 but not analytic

Orthogonal curves

Useful fact:

if $f = u + iv$ is analytic then the level curves $u(x, y) = \alpha$ and $v(x, y) = \beta$ are always orthogonal.

Use implicit differentiation

- $dy/dx = -u_x/u_y$ on level curves of u
- $dy/dx = -v_x/v_y$ on level curves of v

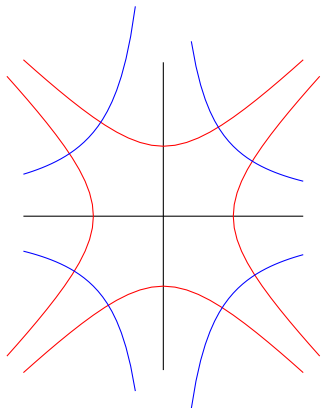
Apply Cauchy-Riemann equations:

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_u \cdot \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_v = \left(-\frac{u_x}{u_y}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{v_x}{v_y}\right) = -\frac{u_x}{u_y} \cdot \frac{u_y}{u_x} = -1$$

So there.

Example: z^2

Because $z^2 = x^2 - y^2 + 2xyi$ we have the level curves of



$$u = x^2 - y^2 \text{ (red)}$$

$$v = 2xy \text{ (blue) .}$$

Harmonic functions

Definition

A function $\phi : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is *harmonic* on a domain D if it is twice differentiable and $\phi_{xx}(x, y) + \phi_{yy}(x, y) = 0$ on all of D

If $f = u + iv$ is analytic then u and v are harmonic.

- $u_{xx} = v_{yx}$ and $v_{xx} = -u_{yx}$
- $u_{yy} = -v_{xy}$ and $v_{yy} = u_{xy}$

Now add.

We will see later that all these derivatives actually exist

Harmonic conjugate

If u and v are harmonic and such that $f = u + iv$ is analytic then v is a *harmonic conjugate* of u .

Equivalently: u and v satisfy $u_x = v_y$ and $u_y = -v_x$ — the Cauchy-Riemann equations.

This is not symmetric: u is not a conjugate of v .

$z^2 = x^2 - y^2 + 2xyi$ is analytic but $i\bar{z}^2 = 2xy + (x^2 - y^2)i$ is not.

Finding harmonic conjugates

If u is harmonic is there a harmonic conjugate?

On simply connected domains: yes.

How to find it?

Force the Cauchy-Riemann equations to hold: v can be written as

$$v(x, y) = \int -u_y \, dx \text{ and } v(x, y) = \int u_x \, dy$$

Just try this!

Example: $\frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2)$

$u(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2)$ is harmonic on the right-hand half plane
(check)

We have

$$u_x = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \text{ and } u_y = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

Integrate

$$v(x, y) = - \int \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} dx \text{ and } v(x, y) = \int \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} dy$$

Example: $\frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2)$

We get

$$v(x, y) = \int \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} dy = \arctan \frac{y}{x} + h_1(x)$$

and

$$v(x, y) = - \int \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} dx = - \arctan \frac{x}{y} + h_2(y)$$

Remember: if $x > 0$ then $\arctan x + \arctan \frac{1}{x} = \frac{\pi}{2}$ and
if $x < 0$ then $\arctan x + \arctan \frac{1}{x} = -\frac{\pi}{2}$

Example: $\frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2)$

Since $\arctan \frac{y}{x}$ and $-\arctan \frac{x}{y}$ differ by a constant we conclude that

$$v(x, y) = \arctan \frac{y}{x} + c$$

on the right-hand half plane.

Example: $\frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2)$

Note: $\frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2)$ is harmonic on the whole complex plane, except at $(0, 0)$; can we define $v(x, y)$ everywhere too?

Suppose we want $v(1, 1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$

We must choose $v(x, y) = \arctan \frac{y}{x}$ on the right-hand half plane

On the upper half plane we (must) take $v(x, y) = -\arctan \frac{x}{y} + \frac{\pi}{2}$

On the lower half plane we must take $v(x, y) = -\arctan \frac{x}{y} - \frac{\pi}{2}$
(because $v(1, -1) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$)

But now we cannot get past the negative real axis.

So: simple connectivity is necessary.

We look at e^z

Remember

Definition

If $z = x + iy$ then, by definition,

$$e^z = e^x(\cos y + i \sin y)$$

- $\operatorname{Re} e^z = e^x \cos y$ and $\operatorname{Im} e^z = e^x \sin y$
- $|e^z| = e^x$ and $\arg e^z = y$
- $e^z e^w = e^{z+w}$
- $e^{z+2\pi i} = e^z$

e^z is an entire function

We have seen: e^z is real differentiable everywhere and

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^x \cos y & -e^x \sin y \\ e^x \sin y & e^x \cos y \end{pmatrix}$$

so, by the C-R equations, it is complex differentiable everywhere. It is an **entire** function (analytic on the whole complex plane).

$(e^z)' = e^z$: the matrix on the right represents multiplication by e^z .

It is the only sensible choice

Theorem

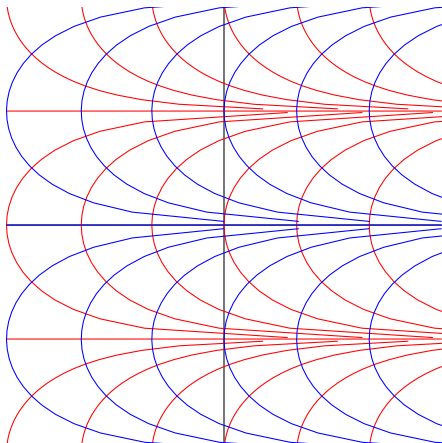
$f(z) = e^z$ is the only function that satisfies

- 1 it is entire
- 2 $f'(z) = f(z)$
- 3 $f(0) = 1$

See the book for a derivation.

Mapping behaviour

Level curves of $e^x \cos y$ (red) and $e^x \sin y$ (blue)



sin z and cos z

Definition

We use the Euler formulas to define

$$\sin z = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i} \quad \text{and} \quad \cos z = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}$$

Compare with hyperbolic functions:

$$\sin z = \frac{1}{i} \sinh iz \quad \text{and} \quad \cos z = \cosh iz$$

or

$$\sinh z = \frac{1}{i} \sin iz \quad \text{and} \quad \cosh z = \cos iz$$

Formulas

Use addition formulas:

$$\sin(x + iy) = \sin x \cos iy + \cos x \sin iy = \sin x \cosh y + i \cos x \sinh y$$

and

$$\cos(x + iy) = \cos x \cos iy - \sin x \sin iy = \cos x \cosh y - i \sin x \sinh y$$

After some manipulations:

$$|\sin z| = \sqrt{\sin^2 x + \sinh^2 y} \quad \text{and} \quad |\cos z| = \sqrt{\cos^2 x + \sinh^2 y}$$

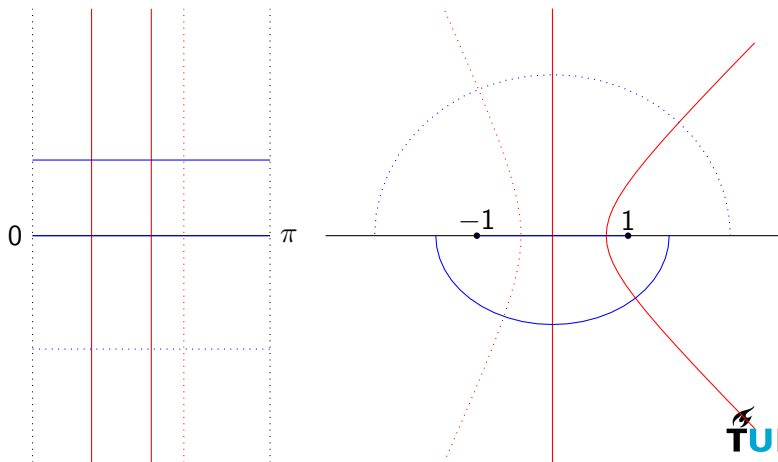
Mapping behaviour of $\cos z$

Consider $w = \cos z$, so $u = \cos x \cosh y$ and $v = -\sin x \sinh y$.

If $x = a$ is fixed then $\frac{u^2}{\cos^2 a} - \frac{v^2}{\sin^2 a} = 1$ (hyperbola in the w -plane)

If $y = b$ is fixed then $\frac{u^2}{\cosh^2 b} + \frac{v^2}{\sinh^2 b} = 1$ (ellipse in the w -plane)

Mapping behaviour of $\cos z$



What is $\log z$?

Definition

We write $w = \log z$ to mean that $e^w = z$.

Solve this using modulus, $|e^w| = e^u$, and argument, $\arg e^w = v$.

We get

- $e^u = |z|$, or $u = \ln |z|$ (one value)
- $v = \arg z$ (many values ...)

So, $\log z = \ln |z| + i \operatorname{Arg} z + 2k\pi i$ is many-valued.

What is $\text{Log } z$?

Definition

The **principal branch** of the logarithm is $\text{Log } z$, given by

$$\text{Log } z = \ln |z| + i \text{Arg } z \quad (-\pi < \text{Arg } z \leq \pi)$$

it is a single-valued function.

Properties

- $z = e^{\text{Log } z}$ is true
- $z = \text{Log } e^z$ is true **only if** $-\pi < y \leq \pi$
- $z = e^{\log z}$ is true, because of periodicity
- $z = \log e^z$ does not make sense (too many right-hand sides)

Derivative

Let's differentiate $\text{Log } z$.

- $u(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2)$, so $u_x = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}$ and $u_y = \frac{y}{x^2+y^2}$
- $v(x, y) = \arctan \frac{y}{x} (\pm \pi)$, so $v_x = -\frac{y}{x^2+y^2}$ and $v_y = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}$

The matrix

$$\frac{1}{x^2 + y^2} \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ -y & x \end{pmatrix}$$

represents multiplication by $\frac{x-iy}{x^2+y^2} = \frac{1}{z}$.

So, yes: $(\log z)' = \frac{1}{z}$.

Heat

Consider the upper half plane and heat up the positive real axis to U Kelvin; keep the negative real axis at absolute zero.

What's the temperature distribution, $T(x, y)$?

$T(x, y)$ is harmonic, $T(x, 0) = U$ ($x > 0$), $T(x, 0) = 0$ ($x < 0$).

Take $T(x, y) = \frac{U}{\pi}(\pi - \text{Arg } z)$; it's harmonic and it does the trick.

Later: this is the only solution.

Heat

Consider the unit disc heat up the top half of the boundary to U Kelvin; keep the other half at absolute zero.

What's the temperature distribution, $T(x, y)$?

Map the disc onto the upper half plane by

$$w = \frac{1}{i} \frac{z - 1}{z + 1} = \frac{2y - i(x^2 + y^2 - 1)}{(x + 1)^2 + y^2}$$

Check that $(1, i, -1) \mapsto (0, 1, \infty)$.

Heat

Now

$$T(x, y) = \frac{U}{\pi} \left(\pi - \operatorname{Arg} \left(\frac{1}{i} \frac{z-1}{z+1} \right) \right)$$

is the solution we seek.

In terms of x and y :

$$T(x, y) = \frac{U}{\pi} \left(\pi - \arctan \left(\frac{x^2 + y^2 - 1}{-2y} \right) \right)$$

What to do?

From the book: 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3.

Suitable exercises: 2.30 - 2.44; 3.1 - 3.24

Recommended exercises: 2.30, 2.31, 2.32, 2.34, 2.35; 3.1, 3.4, 3.5,
3.6, 3.10, 3.12, 3.15 (choice), 3.17 (choice), 3.19, 3.23.