

Chapter 9 Complex Numbers and Functions

9-1 Complex Numbers and Complex Functions

Complex number z : $z = a + ib = r \angle \theta = r \cos \theta + i r \sin \theta$

Complex conjugate of z : $\bar{z} = a - ib = r \angle -\theta = r \cos \theta - i r \sin \theta$

Theorem $z \in R \Leftrightarrow z = \bar{z}$, z is pure imaginary $\Leftrightarrow z = -\bar{z}$

Theorem $R_e(z) = \frac{z + \bar{z}}{2} = a$, $I_m(z) = \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2i} = b$

Theorem $\overline{zw} = \bar{z} \bar{w}$, $\overline{z+w} = \bar{z} + \bar{w}$, $|z|^2 = z \cdot \bar{z}$

Theorem $|zw| = |z||w|$, $\arg(zw) = \arg(z) + \arg(w)$, $|z/w| = |z|/|w|$ if $w \neq 0$, $\arg(z/w) = \arg(z) - \arg(w)$

Theorem

$$w^2 = z = a + ib = r \angle \theta \Leftrightarrow w = \sqrt{r} \angle \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + n\pi \right) = \sqrt{r} \cos \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + n\pi \right) + i \sqrt{r} \sin \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + n\pi \right)$$

Theorem $z \cdot w = R_e(\bar{z}\bar{w}) = \frac{1}{2}(\bar{z}\bar{w} + z\bar{w}) = |z||w| \cos \phi$

$z \times w = I_m(\bar{z}\bar{w}) = \frac{1}{2i}(\bar{z}\bar{w} - z\bar{w}) = |z||w| \sin \phi$

Analytic function $f(z)$: $f(z)$ and $f'(z)$ are continuous and bounded at a certain point.

Theorem For an analytic complex function $f(z) = f(x+iy) = u(x,y) + iv(x,y)$, we have

$$f'(z) = \frac{df(z)}{dz} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}.$$

Cauchy-Riemann Equations to test whether $f(z) = f(x+iy) = u(x,y) + iv(x,y)$ is analytic:

$$f(z) = f(x+iy) = u(x,y) + iv(x,y) \text{ is analytic} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \end{cases}$$

Eg. An analytic function $f(z) = u(x,y) + iv(x,y)$ has a real part $u(x,y) = x^2 - y^2$. Find out its imaginary part $v(x,y)$.

$$(Sol.) u(x,y) = x^2 - y^2 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -2y = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \end{cases} \Rightarrow v(x,y) = 2xy + c.$$

Eg. Is $f(x,y)=x+y+i(-x+y)$ analytical function?

$$(\text{Sol.}) \quad u(x,y) = x+y, \quad v(x,y) = -x+y \Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1 = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 1 = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}, \quad \therefore f(x,y) \text{ is analytic.}$$

Eg. Show that $f(z)=z^3$ is analytic.

$$(\text{Proof}) \quad f(z) = f(x+iy) = (x+iy)^3 = (x^3 - 3xy^2) + i(3x^2y - y^3) = u(x,y) + iv(x,y)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 3x^2 - 3y^2 = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -6xy = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

Eg. Show that $f(z)=|z|^2=zz$ is not analytic at any point $z \neq 0$.

$$(\text{Proof}) \quad f(z) = f(x+iy) = x^2 + y^2 = u(x,y) + iv(x,y) \Rightarrow v(x,y) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x \neq \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \text{if } x \neq 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2y \neq -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \quad \text{if } y \neq 0 \Rightarrow f(z) \text{ is not analytic at } z \neq 0$$

Eg. Is $f(x,y)=x^2-y^2-2y+i(2xy+2x)$ an analytic function? $f(z, \bar{z}) = ?$

$$(\text{Sol.}) \quad x = \frac{1}{2}(z + \bar{z}), \quad y = \frac{1}{2i}(z - \bar{z})$$

$$f(z, \bar{z}) = \frac{1}{4}(z + \bar{z})^2 - \frac{1}{(-4)}(z - \bar{z})^2 - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{(2i)}(z - \bar{z}) + i \left[\frac{1}{2i}(z + \bar{z})(z - \bar{z}) + (z + \bar{z}) \right]$$

$$= z^2 + 2iz \equiv f(z) \quad \text{is independent of } \bar{z}$$

$$\begin{cases} u(x, y) = x^2 - y^2 - 2y \\ v(x, y) = 2xy + 2x \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -2y - 2 = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \end{cases}, \quad \therefore f(x, y) \text{ is analytic}$$

Eg. Is $f(z)=\bar{z}$ an analytic function?

$$(\text{Sol.}) \quad f(z) = f(x+iy) = x - iy = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1 \neq \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -1 \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0 = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \end{cases}, \quad \therefore f(z) \text{ is not analytic.}$$

$$\text{Check } f'(i) = \lim_{z \rightarrow i} \frac{f(z) - f(i)}{z - i} = \lim_{z \rightarrow i} \frac{\bar{z} - (-i)}{z - i} = \lim_{z \rightarrow i} \frac{\bar{z} + i}{z - i}$$

$$(a) \text{ if } z = \alpha i, \alpha \text{ is real, } \frac{\bar{z} + i}{z - i} = \frac{-\alpha i + i}{\alpha i - i} = \frac{1 - \alpha}{\alpha - 1} = -1$$

$$(b) \text{ if } z = \beta + i, \beta \text{ is real, } \frac{\bar{z} + i}{z - i} = \frac{\beta - i + i}{\beta + i - i} = 1 \Rightarrow f'(i) \text{ does not exist!} \quad \therefore f(z) = \bar{z} \text{ is not analytic}$$

Eg. Is $f(x,y)=x^2+iy^2$ an analytic function? $f(z, \bar{z}) = ?$

$$(\text{Sol.}) \quad f(z, \bar{z}) = \left[\frac{1}{2}(z + \bar{z}) \right]^2 + i \left[\frac{1}{2i}(z - \bar{z}) \right]^2 = \frac{1}{4}(z^2 + 2z\bar{z} + \bar{z}^2) - \frac{i}{4}(z^2 - 2z\bar{z} + \bar{z}^2)$$

is dependent on \bar{z} .

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, y) = x^2 &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x \neq \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 2y \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0 = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \end{cases}, \therefore f(x, y) \text{ is not analytic.} \\ v(x, y) = y^2 \end{aligned}$$

9-2 Complex Operators $\nabla \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$, $\bar{\nabla} \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$, **and** $\nabla^2 = 4 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}$

Theorem Let $F(x, y) = G(z, \bar{z})$ be a complex scalar function, and $A(x, y) = P(x, y) + iQ(x, y) = B(z, \bar{z})$ be a complex vector function. Then we have

$$\nabla F = 2 \frac{\partial G}{\partial z}, \quad \nabla \cdot A = 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial z} \right), \quad \nabla \times A = 2 I_m \left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial z} \right), \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla^2 = 4 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}.$$

$$(\text{Proof}) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \frac{\partial \bar{z}}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \frac{\partial \bar{z}}{\partial y} = i \frac{\partial}{\partial z} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}$$

$$\therefore \nabla \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, \quad \bar{\nabla} \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \Rightarrow \nabla F(x, y) = 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \{G(z, \bar{z})\}$$

$$\nabla \cdot A = R_e(\bar{\nabla} A) = R_e \left(2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} B \right) = 2 R_e \left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial z} \right) = R_e \left\{ \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) (P + iQ) \right\} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y}$$

$$\nabla \times A = I_m(\bar{\nabla} A) = I_m \left(2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} B \right) = 2 I_m \left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial z} \right) = I_m \left\{ \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) (P + iQ) \right\} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$$

$$\nabla^2 = \nabla \cdot \nabla = R_e(\bar{\nabla} \nabla) = R_e \left(2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \right) = 4 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}}$$

$$\text{Eg. Solve } \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial y^2} = \frac{8}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

$$(\text{Sol.}) \quad \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial y^2} = \nabla^2 U = 4 \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} = \frac{8}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{8}{z \bar{z}}$$

$$\Rightarrow U(z, \bar{z}) = 2 \ln |z| \cdot \ln |\bar{z}| + F_1(z) + F_2(\bar{z})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow U(x, y) &= 2 \left[\ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + i \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) \right] \cdot \left[\ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - i \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) \right] \\ &\quad + F_1(x + iy) + F_2(x - iy) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2 \left[\ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \right]^2 + 2 \left[\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) \right]^2 + F_1(x + iy) + F_2(x - iy)$$

Green's theorem $\oint_c P(x, y)dx + Q(x, y)dy = \iint_R \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dxdy$

General Green's theorem $\oint_c P(z, \bar{z})dz + Q(z, \bar{z})d\bar{z} = 2i \iint_R \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \bar{z}} \right) dA$

Eg. Show that $A = \frac{1}{4i} \oint_c \bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}$.

(Proof) $\frac{1}{4i} \oint_c \bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z} = \frac{1}{4i} \cdot 2i \iint_R [1 - (-1)] dxdy = \iint_R dxdy = A$

9-3 Elementary Functions

For $z=x+iy$, where $x, y \in R$

Exponential function: $e^z = e^x [\cos(y) + i\sin(y)]$

Theorem $|e^z| = e^x$.

Theorem $e^z = e^w \Leftrightarrow z = w + 2n\pi i$, where n is an integer.

Eg. Solve $e^{4z} = 1 - i\sqrt{3}$. 【台大機研】

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{Sol.}) \quad e^{4z} = 1 - i\sqrt{3} &= 2e^{-i\frac{\pi}{3}} = e^{\ln 2 - i\frac{\pi}{3} + i2n\pi} \Rightarrow 4z = \ln 2 + i\left(2n\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\ &\Rightarrow z = \frac{1}{4} \left[\ln 2 + i\left(2n\pi - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Eg. Find e^z for (a) $z = -\frac{i\pi}{4}$, **(b)** $z = 3 + \frac{\pi}{2}i$. 【清大材料所】

(Ans.) $\frac{1-i}{\sqrt{2}}, ie^3$

$$\begin{aligned} \textbf{Trigonometric functions: } \sin(z) &= \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i} = \frac{1}{2i} [e^{i(x+iy)} - e^{-i(x+iy)}] \\ &= \sin(x)\cosh(y) + i\cos(x)\sinh(y) \\ \cos(z) &= \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} [e^{i(x+iy)} + e^{-i(x+iy)}] \\ &= \cos(x)\cosh(y) - i\sin(x)\sinh(y) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem $\sin(iy) = i\sinh(y)$ and $\cos(iy) = \cosh(y)$.

Hyperbolic functions: $\sinh(z) = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2}$, $\cosh(z) = \frac{e^z + e^{-z}}{2}$

Logarithm function: $\log(z) = \log |z| + i\arg(z) + 2n\pi i = \log |z| + i\arg(z)$

$$= \log \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + i\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \log(x^2 + y^2) + i\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

Eg. $(-i)^i=?$ and $(-1)^{2i}=?$

$$(\text{Sol.}) \quad (-i)^i = e^{i\ell n(-i)} = e^{i(-i\pi/2)} = e^{\frac{\pi}{2}}, \quad (-1)^{2i} = e^{2i\ell n(-1)} = e^{2i(i\pi)} = e^{-2\pi}$$

Inverse trigonometric functions:

$$\sin^{-1} z = k\pi + (-1)^k \cdot \left[\frac{\pi}{2} - i \operatorname{Log}(z + \sqrt{1 - z^2}) \right], \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$\cos^{-1} z = 2k\pi + i(-1)^k \cdot \operatorname{Log}(z + \sqrt{1 - z^2}), \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \quad n = 1, 2$$

$$\tan^{-1} z = k\pi + \frac{1}{2i} \operatorname{Log}\left(\frac{1+iz}{1-iz}\right), \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$\sinh^{-1} z = k\pi i - (-1)^k \cdot \left\{ \operatorname{Log}\left[iz + \sqrt{1 + z^2}\right] + \frac{\pi}{2}i \right\}$$

$$\cosh^{-1} z = 2k\pi i + (-1)^n \cdot \operatorname{Log}\left[z + \sqrt{1 - z^2}\right]$$

Eg. Show that $\tan^{-1} z = \frac{i}{2} \ln\left[\frac{i+z}{i-z}\right]$. 【清大電研、清大動機研】

(Sol.) Let $w = \tan^{-1} z$,

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \tan w = \frac{\sin w}{\cos w} = \frac{e^{iw} - e^{-iw}}{2i} \cdot \frac{2}{e^{iw} + e^{-iw}} = \frac{1}{i} \cdot \frac{e^{2iw} - 1}{e^{2iw} + 1} \Rightarrow e^{2iw} = \frac{1+iz}{1-iz} = \frac{i-z}{i+z} \\ &\Rightarrow 2iw = \ell n \frac{i-z}{i+z} \Rightarrow w = \tan^{-1} z = \frac{1}{2i} \ln\left[\frac{i-z}{i+z}\right] = -\frac{i}{2} \ln\left[\frac{i-z}{i+z}\right] = \frac{i}{2} \ln\left[\frac{i+z}{i-z}\right] \end{aligned}$$