

**Cauchy–Riemann Equations.** Let  $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$  where  $z = x + iy$ . If  $f$  is a complex differentiable function then  $u_x = v_y$  and  $v_x = -u_y$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  is differentiable at  $z$ . Then the limit

$$f'(z) = \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{C}}} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h}$$

exists. Since the limit exists as  $h \rightarrow 0$  through all complex numbers, then it also exists as  $h \rightarrow 0$  approaches through the real numbers. Therefore, the limits

$$\lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{R}}} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{\substack{ih \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{R}}} \frac{f(z+ih) - f(z)}{ih}$$

are both equal to  $f'(z)$ . Computing yields that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{R}}} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h} &= \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{R}}} \frac{(u(x+h, y) + iv(x+h, y)) - ((u(x, y) + iv(x, y)))}{h} \\ &= \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{R}}} \frac{u(x+h, y) - u(x, y)}{h} + \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{R}}} i \frac{v(x+h, y) - iv(x, y)}{h} \\ &= u_x(x, y) + iv_x(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{R}}} \frac{f(z+ih) - f(z)}{ih} &= \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{R}}} \frac{(u(x, y+h) + iv(x, y+h)) - ((u(x, y) + iv(x, y)))}{ih} \\ &= \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{R}}} \frac{u(x, y+h) - u(x, y)}{ih} + \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbf{R}}} \frac{v(x, y+h) - iv(x, y)}{h} \\ &= \frac{1}{i} u_y(x, y) + v_y(x, y) = -iu_y(x, y) + v_y(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $u_x = v_y$  and  $v_x = -u_y$ .

**Green's Theorem.** [Folland, Advanced Calculus, page 223] Suppose  $S$  is a regular region in  $\mathbf{R}^2$ , that is, let  $S$  be a compact set that is the closure of its interior. Further suppose that  $S$  has a piecewise smooth boundary  $\partial S$ . If  $P$  and  $Q$  are  $C^1$  on  $S$  then

$$\int_{\partial S} P dx + Q dy = \int_S (Q_x - P_y) dx dy.$$

Note the path integral over  $\partial S$  is to be taken in the positive sense. This means that if

$$\partial = \cup_j \Gamma_j \quad \text{where} \quad \Gamma_j = \{\gamma_j(t) : t \in [0, 1]\}$$

then  $\gamma_j(t)$  is a one-to-one piecewise differentiable function such that as  $t$  increases the region  $S$  lies to the left of  $\gamma_j(t)$ .

**Cauchy's Formula.** Let  $R \subseteq \mathbf{C}$  be open and  $f$  be a complex differentiable function defined on  $R$ . Let  $\Omega$  be open and suppose  $S = \overline{\Omega} \subset R$  is a set on which Green's Theorem holds. Then

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} f(z)dz = 0.$$

*Proof.* Writing  $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$  where  $z = x + iy$  we apply Green's Theorem to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\partial\Omega} f(z)dz &= \int_{\partial\Omega} (u(x, y) + iv(x, y))d(x + iy) \\ &= \int_{\partial\Omega} u(x, y)dx - v(x, y)dy + i \int_{\partial\Omega} v(x, y)dx + u(x, y)dy \\ &= \int_{\Omega} (-v_x - u_y) dx dy + i \int_{\Omega} (u_x - v_y) dx dy \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f$  is differentiable on  $R$  then the Cauchy–Riemann equations  $u_x = v_y$  and  $v_x = -u_y$  hold at every point in  $\Omega$ . It follows that the last two integrals above are zero.

**Lemma for Cauchy's Formula.** Let  $B_\rho(z_0) = \{z : |z - z_0| < \rho\}$  be the open ball of radius  $\rho$  centered at  $z_0$ . Then

$$\int_{\partial B_\rho(z_0)} \frac{1}{\zeta - z_0} d\zeta = 2\pi i.$$

*Proof.* Translating by  $z_0$  we may rewrite the integral in terms of  $z = \zeta - z_0$  over the set  $\partial B_\rho(0)$ . Since, with positive orientation

$$\partial B_\rho(0) = \{ \gamma(t) : t \in [0, 2\pi] \} \quad \text{where} \quad \gamma(t) = \rho \cos t + i\rho \sin t,$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\partial B_\rho(0)} \frac{1}{z} dz &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{\gamma(t)} \gamma'(t) dt = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{-\rho \sin t + i\rho \cos t}{\rho \cos t + i\rho \sin t} dt \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{-\sin t + i \cos t}{\cos t + i \sin t} \cdot \frac{\cos t - i \sin t}{\cos t - i \sin t} dt \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} i \frac{\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t}{\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t} dt = 2\pi i. \end{aligned}$$

**Cauchy's Formula.** Let  $R$ ,  $\Omega$  and  $f$  be as in the statement of Cauchy's theorem. Then

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta \quad \text{for } z \in \Omega.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\rho > 0$  be so small that  $\overline{B}_\rho(z) \subset \Omega$  and define  $\Omega' = \Omega \setminus \overline{B}_\rho(z) = \Omega \cap B_\rho(z)^c$  where  $B_\rho(z)^c = \{\zeta : |\zeta - z| > \rho\}$  is the complement of  $\overline{B}_\rho(z)$ . It follows that

$$\partial\Omega' = \partial\Omega \cup \partial B_\rho(z)^c.$$

By Cauchy's theorem

$$\int_{\partial\Omega'} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta = \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta + \int_{\partial B_\rho(z)^c} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta = 0$$

since  $z \notin \Omega'$  implies  $f(\zeta)/(\zeta - z)$  is differentiable on a neighborhood of  $\Omega'$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta &= -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial B_\rho(z)^c} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial B_\rho(z)} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial B_\rho(z)} \frac{f(z)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial B_\rho(z)} \frac{f(\zeta) - f(z)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta \\ &= f(z) + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial B_\rho(z)} \frac{f(\zeta) - f(z)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta. \end{aligned}$$

We claim that the last integral tends to zero as  $\rho \rightarrow 0$ . Since  $f$  is differentiable at  $z$  then  $f$  is continuous at  $z$ . Therefore, given  $\epsilon > 0$  there is  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|\zeta - z| < \delta$  implies  $|f(\zeta) - f(z)| < \epsilon$ . Taking  $\rho \leq \delta$  and  $\gamma(t) = z + \rho \cos(t) + \rho i \sin(t)$  yields

$$\left| \int_{\partial B_\rho(z)} \frac{f(\zeta) - f(z)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta \right| \leq \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{|f(\gamma(t)) - f(z)|}{|\gamma(t) - z|} |\gamma'(t)| dt \leq \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\epsilon}{\rho} \rho dt = 2\pi\epsilon.$$

Since  $\epsilon$  was arbitrary, we obtain

$$\lim_{\rho \rightarrow 0} \int_{\partial B_\rho(z)} \frac{f(\zeta) - f(z)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta = 0.$$

The result now follows.

**Cauchy's Derivative Formula.** Let  $R$ ,  $\Omega$  and  $f$  be as in the statement of Cauchy's theorem. Then

$$f^{(n)}(z) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z)^{n+1}} d\zeta \quad \text{for } z \in \Omega.$$

*Proof.* Since  $z \in \Omega$  and  $\Omega$  is open, then there exists an open set  $U$  such that  $\bar{U} \subset \Omega$  and  $z \in U$ . Since the derivatives

$$\frac{d^n}{dz^n} \frac{1}{\zeta - z} = \frac{n!}{(\zeta - z)^{n+1}}$$

are continuous for  $z \in \bar{U}$  and  $\zeta \in \partial\Omega$ , then the Leibniz integral rule allows us to differentiate through the integral sign in Cauchy's formula. Consequently

$$f^{(n)}(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{d^n}{dz^n} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z)^{n+1}} d\zeta \quad \text{for } z \in \Omega.$$

**Convergence of Taylor's Series.** Suppose  $f$  is differentiable on the set  $B_r(z_0)$ . Then

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z - z_0)^k}{k!} f^{(k)}(z_0) \quad \text{for } z \in B_r(z_0).$$

*Proof.* Let  $\rho < r$ . Taking  $R = B_r(z_0)$  and  $\Omega = B_\rho(z_0)$  satisfies the hypothesis of Cauchy's formula. By the geometric series formula

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\zeta - z} &= \frac{1}{\zeta - z_0} \left/ \left( 1 + \frac{\zeta - z}{\zeta - z_0} - 1 \right) \right. = \frac{1}{\zeta - z_0} \left/ \left( 1 - \frac{z - z_0}{\zeta - z_0} \right) \right. \\ &= \frac{1}{\zeta - z_0} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{z - z_0}{\zeta - z_0} \right)^k \quad \text{for } \left| \frac{z - z_0}{\zeta - z_0} \right| < 1. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, for any  $\gamma < 1$  the convergence is uniform for  $z \in B_{\gamma\rho}(z_0)$  and  $\zeta \in \partial B_\rho(z_0)$ . Therefore, we may interchange the limit with the integral in Cauchy's formula and then apply Cauchy's derivative formula to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z_0} \left( \frac{z - z_0}{\zeta - z_0} \right)^k d\zeta \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (z - z_0)^k \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z_0)^{k+1}} d\zeta = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z - z_0)^k}{k!} f^{(k)}(z_0) \end{aligned}$$

for every  $z \in B_{\gamma\rho}(z_0)$ . Since the above holds for any  $\gamma < 1$  and  $\rho < r$ , taking the limits  $\rho \rightarrow r$  and  $\gamma \rightarrow 1$  yields the same equality for  $z \in B_r(z_0)$ .

**Maximal Radius of Analyticity.** As shown by problem 8 on page 37, a power series defines a differentiable function on its radius of convergence. Suppose

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k (z - z_0)^k \quad \text{for} \quad z \in B_r(z_0)$$

where  $r$  is the maximal radius on which the power series converges. Then, it is impossible to extend  $f$  to a differentiable function defined on  $B_\rho(z_0)$  for any  $\rho > r$ .

*Proof.* For contradiction, suppose there existed  $\rho > r$  and a differentiable function  $g$  defined on  $B_\rho(z_0)$  such that  $g(z) = f(z)$  for  $z \in B_r(z_0)$ . By the theorem on the convergence of Taylor series it follows that

$$g(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z - z_0)^k}{k!} g^{(k)}(z_0) \quad \text{for} \quad z \in B_\rho(z_0).$$

Since the Taylor series expanded about the point  $z_0$  are the same for  $g$  and  $f$  then

$$a_k = \frac{g^{(k)}(z_0)}{k!}.$$

But then  $\rho > r$  contradicts  $r$  being maximal. Therefore, no differentiable extension of  $f$  defined on  $B_\rho(z_0)$  for  $\rho > r$  could exist.

**Exponential Function.** The exponential function defined by the power series

$$\exp(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k!} \quad \text{for} \quad z \in \mathbf{C}$$

satisfies the identities

$$\frac{d}{dz} \exp(z) = \exp(z) \quad \text{and} \quad \exp(z + w) = \exp(z) \exp(w).$$

*Proof.* By the ratio test

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{z^{k+1}/(k+1)!}{z^k/k!} \right| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|z|}{k+1} = 0$$

shows the radius of convergence is  $\infty$ . From problem 8 on page 37 it follows that  $\exp(z)$  is differentiable with derivative obtained using term-by-term differentiation. Thus

$$\frac{d}{dz} \exp(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dz} \frac{z^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} = \exp(z).$$

As the series is absolutely convergent we can rearrange it. Setting  $m = k + l$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(z) \exp(w) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k!} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{w^l}{l!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k w^l}{k! l!} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{z^k w^{m-k}}{k! (m-k)!} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} z^k w^{m-k} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} (z + w)^m = \exp(z + w). \end{aligned}$$