Complex function theory - recitation

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1 Cauchy theorem/equation and its uses

Theorem 1 (Cauchy theorem). Let G be a good domain and $f \in Hol(G) \cap C(G)$. Then

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

Theorem 2 (Cauchy equation).

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial G} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz = \begin{cases} f(z_0) & z_0 \in G \\ 0 & z_0 \in \mathbb{C} \backslash G \end{cases}$$

One can derivate under the integral sign ∞ times.

$$\frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial G} \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^{n+1}} = \begin{cases} f^{(n)}(z_0) & z_0 \in G\\ 0 & z_0 \in \mathbb{C} \backslash G \end{cases}$$

Corollary 1. 1. The maximum principle: If $f \in Hol(G)$ and |f| has a local maximum in G, then f is constant.

2. Liouville theorem: If f is an entire function $(Hol(\mathbb{C}))$ and bounded then f is constant.

Problem 1. Show that if f, g are to golomorphic functions in a bounded domain G and continuous up to the boundary, then the maximum of |f| + |g| is at the boundary.

Solution 1. We will mark with $z_0 \in \overline{G}$ the point at which the maximum of |f| + |g| is arrived at(from weierstrauss). There exist $|C_1| = |C_2| = 1$ such that $c_1f(z_0) = |f(z_0)|$ and $C_2g(z_0) = |g(z_0)|$. We will define $h = C_1f + C_2g$. By the triangle inequality, $|h| \leq |g| + |f|$ and on the other hand,

$$|h(z_0)| = |f(z_0)| + |g(z_0)| \ge |f(z)| + |g(z)|$$

Since h is analytic in G, we have two options,

- 1. $z_0 \in G$ and h is constant and we are done.
- 2. !!!!

Problem 2. $D = \{z : |z| < 1\}$. Given $f \in Hol(D) \cap C(\overline{D})$. Assume that

$$\left|f(z)\right| \le \begin{cases} 3 & \Re z > 0\\ 2 & \Re z < 0 \end{cases}$$

Show that

1. $|f(0)| \le \frac{5}{2}$. 2. $|f(0)| \le \sqrt{6}$.

Solution 2. 1.

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=1} \frac{f(z)}{z} dz \\ \left| f(0) \right| &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \left| f\left(e^{it}\right) \right| dt \leq \frac{3+2}{2} = \frac{5}{2} \end{aligned}$$

2. We will define $g(z) = f(z) \cdot f(-z)$ which is analytic in D and continuous up to the boundary. $|g| \le 6$ for $z \in \overline{D} \setminus i\mathbb{R}$

$$|f(0)|^2 = |g(0)| = \left|\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=1} \frac{g(z)}{z} dz\right| \le 6$$

Problem 3. Let f be an entire function, assume that $\Re f$ is bounded from above. Show that f is constant.

Solution 3. We will define $g = e^f$. $|g| - e^{\Re f} < \infty$ and then g is constant, $0 \equiv g' \bigcap f' \cdot e^f$ and since $e^f \neq 0$ we have $f' \equiv 0$.