

# Complex Function Theory

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## 1 Corollaries from the Cauchy equation

*Reminder 1.* If  $G \subset \mathbb{C}$  is a good domain,  $\Gamma = \partial G$ ,  $z \in G$  and  $g \in \text{Hol}(G) \cap C(\bar{G})$  then

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta$$

**Lemma 1.** Let  $\gamma : I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be piecewise  $C^1$ , regular and  $\varphi \in C(\gamma)$ . We will define

$$F(z) := \int_{\gamma} \frac{\varphi(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta$$

Then  $F \in \text{Hol}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma)$ ,  $F \in C_{\mathbb{C}}^{\infty}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma)$   $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma$ , then:

$$F^{(n)}(z) = n! \int_{\gamma} \frac{\varphi(\zeta) d\zeta}{(\zeta - z)^{n+1}}$$

*Proof.* We will set  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma$ ,  $\delta := \text{dist}(z_0, \gamma)$  meaning that  $\delta > |z - z_0|$  ( $\Rightarrow z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma$ )

$$\frac{1}{\zeta - z} = \frac{1}{\zeta - z_0} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{z - z_0}{\zeta - z_0}} = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(z - z_0)^n}{(\zeta - z_0)^{n+1}}$$

Using the Majorant theorem from Calculus 2 we can prove that the series converges uniformly, and indeed:

$$\zeta \in \gamma \quad \left| \frac{z - z_0}{\zeta - z_0} \right| < 1$$

Thus:

$$\frac{\varphi(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} = \sum_{n \geq 0} (z - z_0)^n \frac{\varphi(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z_0)^{n+1}}$$

Setting

$$F(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} (z - z_0)^n \overbrace{\int_{\gamma} \frac{\varphi(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z_0)^{n+1}} d\zeta}^{:= c_n}$$

$$F \in \text{Hol}(\{z : |z - z_0| < \delta\})$$

$$\frac{F^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!} = \int_{\gamma} \frac{\varphi(\zeta) d\zeta}{(\zeta - z_0)^{n+1}}$$

□

**Corollary 1.** 1.  $f \in C_{\mathbb{C}}^{\infty}(G)$  and

$$f^{(n)}(z) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta-z|=\rho} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta-z)^{n+1}} d\zeta$$

Where  $\rho < \text{dist}(z, \partial G)$

2.

$$f(w) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{f^{(n)}(z)}{n!} (w-z)^n \quad |w-z| < \text{dist}(z, \partial G)$$

**Corollary 2** (Morera theorem). Let  $f \in C(G)$  such that for every closed triangle  $T \subset G$  for which  $\int_{\partial T} f dz = 0$  then  $f \in \text{Hol}(G)$

*Proof.* There exists a previous function  $F \in \text{Hol}(G)$  such that  $F' = f$ . From the first corollary,  $f \in \text{Hol}(G)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.** Let  $G \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a domain and  $I \subset G$  is a closed interval. If  $f \in \text{Hol}(G \setminus I)$  and is continuous in  $G$  then  $f \in \text{Hol}(G)$

**Corollary 4.** Defining  $\mathcal{D} = \{z : |z-a| < \rho\}$  we have the **Cauchy inequalities**:

$$F \in \text{Hol}(\mathcal{D}(a, \rho)) \cap C(\hat{\mathcal{D}}(a, \rho)) \Rightarrow |f^{(n)}(a)| \leq \frac{n!}{\rho^n} \cdot \max_{\partial \mathcal{D}(a, \rho)} |f|$$

*Proof.*

$$|f^{(n)}(a)| = \left| \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial \mathcal{D}(a, \rho)} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta-a)^{n+1}} d\zeta \right| \leq \frac{n!}{2\pi} \max_{\zeta \in \partial \mathcal{D}(a, \rho)} \frac{|f(\zeta)|}{|\zeta-a|^{n+1}} \cdot \pi \rho$$

$\square$

**Corollary 5** (Liouville theorem). Let  $f \in \text{Hol}(\mathbb{C})$  and bounded  $\Rightarrow f \equiv \text{const}$

*Proof.*  $z \in \mathbb{C}$

$$|f'(z)| \leq \frac{1}{\rho} \overbrace{\max_{\partial \mathcal{D}(z, \rho)} |f|}^{\leq C = \sup_{\mathbb{C}} |f|} \Rightarrow f'(z) = 0 \Rightarrow f \equiv \text{const}$$

$\square$

**Corollary 6** (Fundamental theorem of algebra). Let  $p \in \mathbb{C}[z]$  be a polynomial,  $\deg P \geq 1$  then there exists a point  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $p(z_0) = 0$

*Proof.* WE will assume by contradiction that  $p \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{C} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{p} \in \text{Hol}(\mathbb{C})$ .

$$|p(z)| \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow \infty} \infty \Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{p(z)} \right| \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

Therefore  $\frac{1}{p}$  is bounded in  $\mathbb{C}$  and as a result is constant,  $p \equiv \text{const} \Rightarrow \deg p = 0$ .  $\square$

## 2 Uniqueness theorems

**Theorem 1.** Let  $f \in \text{Hol}(G)$  and  $\exists a \in G$  such that  $f^{(m)}(a) = 0, m \geq 0$  then  $f \equiv 0$ .

*Proof.*

$$Z = \left\{ z \in G : \forall m \geq 0 f^{(m)}(z) = 0 \right\}$$

1.  $z \neq \emptyset$ .
2.  $Z$  is open.  $f|_{\mathcal{D}(z, \delta)} \equiv 0$  (Taylor expansion around  $z$ ).
3.  $G \setminus Z$  is open (continuity of  $f^{(m)}$ ).

$z \in G \setminus Z \Rightarrow \exists m \geq 0 : f^{(m)}(z) \neq 0 \Rightarrow f^{(m)} \neq 0$  in a neighborhood of  $z$ . By connectivity of  $G$ , we have  $Z = G$   $\square$

*Claim 1.*  $f(z) = f'(z) = \dots = f^{(m-1)}(a) = 0 \Rightarrow f(Z) = (z - a)^m g(z)$ , where

$$g(a) = \frac{f^{(m)}(a)}{m!}, g \in \text{Hol}(\text{Neighborhood of } a)$$

*Proof.*

$$f(z) = \sum_{n \geq m} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (z - a)^n = (z - a)^m \sum_{n \geq 0} \overbrace{\frac{f^{(n+m)}(a)}{(n+m)!}}^{:=g(z)} (z - a)^n$$

$\square$

**Definition 1** (multiplicity). The multiplicity of zero at a point  $a$  is  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  such that  $f(a) = \dots = f^{(n-1)}(a) = 0$   $f^{(n)}(a) \neq 0$  e.g.  $m_f(a) = \min \left\{ n \in \mathbb{Z}_+ : f^{(n)}(a) \neq 0 \right\}$ .

*Note 1.*  $f(a) \neq 0 \Rightarrow m_f(a) = 0, m_f(a) = \infty \Rightarrow f \equiv 0$

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\{z_n\} \subset G$  converges to  $a \in G$ . We will assume that  $f(z_n) = 0$  then  $f \equiv 0$ .

*Proof.* ‘ $f^{(m)}(a) = 0$ ?’ We will prove with induction on  $m$ . For  $m = 0$  it is obvious (continuity of  $f$ ).

**Induction step:**  $m - 1 \Rightarrow m$   $f(a) = f'(a) = \dots = f^{(m-1)}(a) \Rightarrow g(z) = \frac{f(z)}{(z-a)^m}$  is analytic in  $G$ .  $f(z_n) = 0 \Rightarrow g(z_n) = 0$ , thus by continuity of  $g$  we have  $g(a) = 0 \Rightarrow f^{(m)}(a) = 0$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 7.** If  $f_1(z_n) = f_2(z_n)$  for some  $\{z_n\} \subset G$  then  $f_1 = f_2$  in  $G$ .

**Theorem 3** (Weierstrauss). If  $\{f_n\} \subset \text{Hol}(G)$  uniformly converges locally then  $\lim_n f_n = f \in \text{Hol}(G)$  and for all  $j \geq 0$   $f_n^{(j)} \xrightarrow{u} f^{(j)}$  locally.

*Proof.* Setting  $K, \delta = \frac{1}{2} \text{dist}(K, \partial G) > 0$   $K_{+\delta} = \{z : \text{dist}(z, K) \leq \delta\} \subset G$  is compact.

1.  $f \in \text{Hol}(G)$ :  $T \subset G$  is a closed triangle,  $\partial T \subset G$  is compact.

$$\int_{\partial T} f_n dz = 0 \Rightarrow \int_{\partial T} f dz = 0 \Rightarrow f \text{ is analytic in } G$$

2.  $f^{(j)} \xrightarrow{u} f^{(j)}$  in  $K$ .  
Let  $z \in K$

$$\left| f_n^{(j)}(z) - f^{(j)}(z) \right| \leq \frac{j!}{\delta^j} \max_{|\zeta - z| = \delta} |f_n(\zeta) - f(\zeta)| \stackrel{\text{Cauchy}}{\leq} \frac{j!}{\delta^j} \max_{K_{+\delta}} |f_n - f| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

$$\max_K \left| f_n^{(j)} - f^{(j)} \right| \leq \frac{j!}{\delta^j} \max_{K_{+\delta}} |f_n - f| \Rightarrow f_n^{(j)} \xrightarrow{u} f^{(j)} \text{ (in } K)$$

□

An example of a function that is not zero in  $C^\infty$  but the multiplicity of 0 at 0 is  $\infty$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{\frac{1}{x^2}} & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

**Problem 1.**  $I = [a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$   $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that for all  $n \geq 0$ ,  $\max_I |f^{(n)}| \leq C^n n$  and  $C > 0$  then there exists a domain  $I \subset G$  such that  $f \in \text{Hol}(G)$ .

**Problem 2** (S. bernstein).  $f : [0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f \in C^\infty(I)$  and assume that  $f^{(n)}(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in [0, 1)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  then

$$f \in \text{Hol}(\{|z| < 1\})$$