

Lecture 16 (2/14/22)

- Recall and finish proof of Riemann Mapping Thm from Lecture 15 notes.

Factorization theorems.

Recall that if $f \in H(G)$ and has zeros at a_1, \dots, a_n , then $\exists g \in H(G)$ s.t

$$f(z) = (z-a_1) \dots (z-a_n) g(z). \quad (*)$$

Moreover, any additional zeros will also be zeros of g . Thus, if the zero set of f is finite, a_1, \dots, a_n , repeated w/ multiplicities then $(*)$ holds and g has no zeros in G .

We also know that f may have ∞ many zeros (but without limit points in S).

Is there an analogue of (*)?

$$f(z) = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} (z-a_j) g(z), \quad g \neq 0?$$

What do we mean by infinite product?

Before answering the last question, let us consider a couple of examples.

Ex(1). $f(z) = \sin \pi z$. This is an entire function w/ zeros at $z = n \in \mathbb{Z}$. If you single out the zero at $z=0$ and try to express

$$\sin \pi z = z \prod_{n \neq 0} (z-n) g(z),$$

you realize that, at e.g. $z=0$, the

infinite product $\prod_{n \neq 0} (1 + \frac{1}{n})$ is trying to multiply together all nonzero integers, which you cannot make any sense of as a complex number.

The second example shows that even if you are able to make sense of the product, it may not give you what you want.

Ex 2. Consider a sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in $B(0, \frac{1}{4}) = G$ converging to $z = \frac{1}{4}$. Suppose $\exists f \in H(G)$ st f has zeros at $\{a_n\}$ (are there such? Yes, by results we will prove here.) Can we make sense of $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (z - a_n)$?

Well, for $z \in G$, $|z - a_n| \leq \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow$ a partial product $|\prod_{j=1}^n (z - a_j)| \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

so setting $f_n(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n (z - a_j)$ gives
a sequence $f_n \in H(G)$ w/ zeros at
 $z = a_1, \dots, a_n$, but f_n converges in
 $H(G)$ to 0, not to f .

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With this in mind, we first study
convergence of infinite products of
complex numbers in a suitable sense.

Def. 1 A seq. $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ of complex
numbers has an infinite product,

$$z = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n,$$

$$\text{if } z = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{j=1}^n z_j.$$

In view of Ex (2), we want a criterion
s.t. if $\forall n, z_n \neq 0$, then $z \neq 0$.

Obs. • If $\pi_n = \prod_{j=1}^n z_j$, $\pi_n \rightarrow z \neq 0$,

then $z_n = \frac{\pi_n}{\pi_{n-1}} \rightarrow 1$. Thus, there

is no loss of generality to assume $z_n \rightarrow 1$.

We may and we shall assume $\operatorname{Re} z_n > 0$.

Note that $\underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{principal branch}}}{\operatorname{Log}} z_n$ is then well defined.

• $\pi_n = z_1 \cdots z_n = \exp(\operatorname{Log} z_1 + \cdots + \operatorname{Log} z_n)$ is

Prop. Let $\operatorname{Re} z_n > 0$. Then $\prod_{j=1}^n z_j$

converges to $z \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow$

$\sum_{j=1}^n \operatorname{Log} z_j$ converges to l , $z = e^l$.

Pf. " \Leftarrow " is easy and left to DIY.

" \Rightarrow ". Write $z = e^l$, where

$l = \log |z| + i\theta$, $\theta \in [-\pi, \pi)$,

and similarly $\pi_n = e^{l_n} w /$
 $l_n = \log |\pi_n| + i \theta_n, \theta_n \in [0, \pi), \theta_n \in [0, \pi).$
 Moreover, let $s_n = \sum_{j=1}^n \log z_n$. Then,
 $\pi_n = e^{s_n} \Rightarrow s_n = l_n + 2\pi i k_n, k_n \in \mathbb{Z}.$

The l_n are chosen s.t. $\pi_n \rightarrow z \Rightarrow$
 $l_n \rightarrow l$. In particular, by obs. above,
 $\log z_n = s_n - s_{n-1} \rightarrow 0$ ($z_n \rightarrow 1$).

Thus, $l_n - l_{n-1} + 2\pi i(k_n - k_{n-1}) \rightarrow 0$

Since $l_n \rightarrow l$, $l_n - l_{n-1} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$

$k_n - k_{n-1} \rightarrow 0$ but since $k_n \in \mathbb{Z}$,
 this can only happen if $k_n = k_{n-1}$
 for $n \gg 1$. Thus, $s_n = l_n$ for $n \gg 1$
 and $l_n \rightarrow l \Rightarrow s_n \rightarrow l$ as desired.

□

Prop 2. Suppose $z_n = 1 + w_n$, $w_n \rightarrow 0$.

Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \log z_n$ conv. abs. $\Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} w_n$ conv.

absolutely.

Pf. Since $f(w) = \log(1+w)$ is analytic in $\operatorname{Re} w > -1$, $f(0) = 0$, $f'(0) = 1$, we have

$$f(w) = w g(w), \quad g(0) = 1,$$

g analytic in $\operatorname{Re} w > -1$. It follows

that $\exists B(0, \delta)$ s.t. $\frac{1}{2} \leq |g(w)| \leq \frac{3}{2}$

in $B(0, \delta) \Rightarrow$

$$(1) \quad \frac{1}{2}|w| \leq |\log(1+w)| \leq \frac{3}{2}|w|, \quad w \in B(0, \delta).$$

Since $w_n \rightarrow 0$, $w_n \in B(0, \delta)$ for $n \gg 1$

and Prop 2 follows easily. \square

Def. 2. If $z_n \rightarrow 1$, then we say

that $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n$ converges absolutely if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - z_n) \text{ conv. abs. } \left(\Rightarrow \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = e^s, \text{ where } s = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \log z_n. \right)$$

Thm 1. Let $G \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ be region, $\{f_n\}$ seq. in $H(G)$ s.t. no $f_n \equiv 0$, and assume that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1-f_n)$ conv. abs. + unif. (normally) on compact subsets of G .

Then ① $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ converges to f in $H(G)$

and ② any zero of f is a zero of finitely many of the f_n . The multipl. of any zero is the sum of the multipl. of the f_n 's that are zero at the point.

Pr. ① Let $\{U \subseteq G \text{ open s.t. } K = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} U \subseteq G$. Since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1-f_n)$ conv. abs. + unif., $f_n \rightarrow 1$ unif. on $K \Rightarrow \exists N$ s.t. $\operatorname{Re} f_n > 0$ on K ($\Rightarrow f_n \neq 0$)
Let $f_K = \prod_{n=1}^N f_n$. Now, by Prop 2 (estimate

(1)), $\sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \log f_n$ conv. abs. + unif. on K .

$\Rightarrow \exists g_K \in H(U) \cap C(K)$ s.t.

$g_k = \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \log f_n$. By cont. of $w \rightarrow e^w$,

for $z \in K$, $\prod_{j=1}^n f_j(z) = f_k(z)$.

$$\prod_{j=N+1}^n f_j(z) = f_k(z) \exp \sum_{j=N+1}^n \log f_j(z)$$

$$\rightarrow f_k(z) e^{g_k(z)} = f(z).$$

Note: While f_k, g_k depend on k , $f(z)$ does not.

What about unif. convergence of

$\prod_{j=N+1}^n f_n$? Let $\pi_n = \prod_{j=N+1}^n f_j$. Then ($m \leq n$):

$$|\pi_n - \pi_m| = \prod_{j=N+1}^m |f_j| \left| \prod_{j=m}^n f_n - 1 \right| \quad (2)$$

Since $\sum \log f_n$ conv. abs + unif. on $K \subset \mathbb{C}$, $\exists M > 0$ s.t. $\sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \log |f_n| \leq M$ on K (*)

For $\varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $|e^w - 1| \leq e^{-M} \varepsilon$

when $|w| < \delta$.

(*) Note that the bound uses also compactness of K .

Again by ^{abs. unif.} conv. of $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \log f_j$ we can find $N' \geq N$ s.t.

$$\sum_{j=N'+1}^{\infty} \log |f_j| < \delta \quad \text{on } K.$$

\Rightarrow by (2):

$$|\pi_n - \pi_m| \leq e^{\sum_{N'+1}^m \log |f_j|} |e^{\sum_{N'+1}^m \log |f_j|} - 1|$$

$$< e^M \cdot e^{-M} \varepsilon = \varepsilon.$$

This proves $\pi_n \rightarrow f$ unif. on K .
 Since $U \subseteq G$ was arbitrary, $\pi_n \rightarrow f$ in G .

(2) For $U \subseteq G$ as above, $K = \bar{U} \subseteq G$,
 $f(z) = \left(\prod_{j=1}^N f_j(z) \right) e^{g_K(z)}$, and

hence all zeros of f in U come from the finite product $\prod_{j=1}^N f_j(z)$.

The conclusion follows. □

