15.3 Functions given by power series. 15.4 Taylor series.

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Power series

We will study functions represented by power series

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

 z_0 - center of the power series.

- ▶ The series converges in a disk centered at z_0 , $\{z: |z-z_0| < R\}$, $0 \le R \le +\infty$ (this disk may degenerate to a single point z_0 or be the whole plane)
- ▶ The series diverges outside the closed disk, i.e. it diverges when $|z z_0| > R$. We don't know the behavior on the circle $\{z : |z z_0| = R\}$, it depends on the coefficients.
- Formula for the radius of convergence is

$$R = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{|a_n|}{|a_{n+1}|}$$
 if the limit exists,

Examples

- 1. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$ converges everywhere, $R=\infty$, as for real numbers we have $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!} = e^z$.
- 2. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ converges when |z| < 1 to the sum $\frac{1}{1-z}$ and diverges when $|z| \ge 1$, R = 1.
- 3. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n^2}$ converges when $|z| \leq 1$ and diverges when |z| > 1, R=1
- 4. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n}$ converges when |z| < 1 and diverges when |z| > 1, R=1; when z=1 the series diverges, when z=-1 it converges. (What happens for other z on the unit circle?)
- 5. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n! z^n$ diverges when $z \neq 0$, R = 0 (use the formula for R).
- 6. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n (z+i)^{2n}$ converges when $|z+i| < 1/\sqrt{2}$, $R = 1/\sqrt{2}$.
- 7. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(z-1)^n$ converges when |z-1| < 1, R = 1.

The sum of power series

Let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$ be a power series with positive radius of convergence R. Then for each $z:|z-z_0|< R$ the sum

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

is defined. We say that f is represented by the power series.

Theorem

If f is represented by a power series in some disk $\{z : |z - z_0| < R\}$ with R > 0 then f is continuous at z_0 .

Uniqueness of power series and operation

Theorem

Suppose that f(z) is represented by two series $\sum a_n(z-z_0)^n$ and $\sum_n b_n(z-z_0)^n$ in some disk centered at z_0 . Then these series are equal, $a_n = b_n$.

Let $f(z) = \sum a_n(z - z_0)^n$ and $g(z) = \sum_n b_n(z - z_0)^n$ and both radii of convergence are $\geq R$. Then

- ► The series $\sum_n (a_n + b_n)(z z_0)^n$ converges in $\{|z z_0| < R\}$ to f(z) + g(z)
- ► For $\{z: |z-z_0| < R\}$ the product f(z)g(z) is represented by the series

$$a_0b_0 + (a_0b_1 + b_0a_1)(z - z_0) + (a_0b_2 + a_1b_1 + a_2b_0)(z - z_0)^2 + \dots =$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_0b_n + a_1b_{n-1} + \dots + a_nb_0)z^n$$

Term-wise differentiation and integration

Consider the following power series

- 1. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$
- 2. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} na_n(z-z_0)^{n-1}$
- 3. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n+1} (z-z_0)^{n+1}$

These series has the same radius of convergence. The second one is obtained from the first by term-wise differentiation. The third is the term-wise integration of the first.

Theorem

If f(z) is represented by a power series $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z-z_0)^n$ with a positive radius of convergence R, then f(z) is analytic in the open disk $\{z : |z-z_0| < R\}$ and f'(z) is represented by the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n (z-z_0)^{n-1}$.

Term-wise integration

Theorem

If f(z) is represented by a power series $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$ with a positive radius of convergence R, then the anti-derivative F(z) is represented by the series $C + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n+1} (z - z_0)^{n+1}$.

Example

If
$$f(z) = \sum_{0}^{\infty} z^{n} = \frac{1}{1-z}$$
 then

$$\log(1-z) = -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n}, \quad |z| < 1$$

Examples

- 1. $e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$ and $(e^z)' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{nz^{n-1}}{n!} = e^z$.
- 2. $(1-z)^{-1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ and $(1-z)^{-2} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nz^n$.
- 3. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(z-i)^n}{n3^n}$ converges to an analytic function f in |z-i| < 3 and $f'(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(z-i)^{n-1}}{3^n} = \frac{1}{3(1-(z-i)/3)} = \frac{3}{3+i-z}$. Then $f(z) = -3\ln(z-3+i)$

when
$$|z - i| < 3$$

4. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1)(z-\pi i)^n$, the radius of convergence is R=1 and

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1)(z-\pi i)^n = (z-\pi i)^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1)(z-\pi i)^{n-2}$$

$$= (z-\pi i)^2 \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (z-\pi i)^n\right)'' = (z-\pi i)^2 \left(\frac{1}{1+\pi i-z}\right)'' =$$

$$= \frac{2(z-\pi i)^2}{(1+\pi i-z)^3}$$

Power series: example

Geometric series: $z \in \mathbb{C}$ and $w_n = z^n$

$$\sum_{0}^{\infty} z^{n} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-z}, & |z| < 1, \\ \text{diverges}, & |z| \ge 1. \end{cases}$$

Expansion of the Cauchy kernel:

Fix $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ and let $\zeta, z \in \mathbb{C}$ be such that $|z - z_0| < |\zeta - z_0|$. Then

$$\frac{1}{\zeta - z} = \frac{1}{(\zeta - z_0) - (z - z_0)} = \frac{1}{\zeta - z_0} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{z - z_0}{\zeta - z_0}} = \frac{1}{\zeta - z_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z - z_0}{\zeta - z_0}\right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z - z_0)^n}{(\zeta - z_0)^{n+1}}$$

We are going to use this formula for making expansions of analytic functions into power series !

Expansions of analytic functions into power series

 $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$, R > 0, f(z) is analytic in $\{z : |z - z_0| < R\}$.

Cauchy representation + expansion of the Cauchy kernel \Rightarrow

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{|\zeta - z_0| = R} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta$$

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$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (z - z_0)^n \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{|\zeta - z_0| = R} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z_0)^{n+1}} d\zeta$$

Expansions of analytic functions into power series

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$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (z - z_0)^n \underbrace{\frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{|\zeta - z_0| = R} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z_0)^{n+1}} d\zeta}_{\frac{1}{n!} f^{(n)}(z_0)} =$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z - z_0)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(z_0).$$

We obtained Taylor series expansion for analytic function. It converges for all z such that $|z - z_0| < R$.

Taylor's formula with remainder

If f is analytic in a disk $\{|z - z_0| < R\}$ then f can be represented by a power series

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

in this disk and $a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!}$. We call it the Taylor series of f.

Taking partial sums of the Taylor series we obtain polynomial approximation of an analytic function

$$f(z) = f(z_0) + (z - z_0)f'(z_0) + ... + \frac{(z - z_0)^n}{n!}f^{(n)}(z_0) + R_n(z)$$

The remainder is given by the formula

$$R_n(z) = \frac{(z-z_0)^{n+1}}{2\pi i} \oint_{|\zeta-z_0|=R} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta-z_0)^{n+1}(\zeta-z)} d\zeta$$

Taylor series as power series

Theorem

Let f(z) be analytic in a domain D and z_0 be any point in D. There there is precisely one Taylor series with center z_0 that represents f(z). The disk of convergence for this series is the largest disk centered at z_0 where f(z) is analytic.

Example

- 1. $f(z) = \frac{1}{1+z^2}$, $z_0 = 0$ the Taylor series converges for |z| < 1
- 2. $f(z) = (\cos z)^{-1}$, $z_0 = 0$ the Taylor series converges for $|z| < \pi/2$.

A power series with a nonzero radius of convergence is the Taylor series of its sum.