

COMPLEX DIFFERENTIATION

01° We identify \mathbf{C} with \mathbf{R}^2 , subject to the following notation:

$$z = x + iy = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Let W be a region in \mathbf{C} and let f be a mapping carrying W to \mathbf{C} :

$$f(z) = w = u + iv = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \quad (z \in W)$$

By the foregoing identification, we may regard f as a mapping carrying W to \mathbf{R}^2 :

$$f\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

02° Let z_o be a member of W :

$$z_o = x_o + iy_o = \begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix}$$

One says that f is *analytic* at z_o iff there is a member c of \mathbf{C} :

$$c = a + ib = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

such that:

$$(1) \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow z_o} \frac{1}{z - z_o} (f(z) - f(z_o) - c(z - z_o)) = 0$$

One says that f is *totally differentiable* at z_o iff there is a two by two matrix M :

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} p & r \\ q & s \end{pmatrix}$$

having real entries such that:

$$(2) \quad \lim_{\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix}} \frac{1}{\left\| \begin{pmatrix} x - x_o \\ y - y_o \end{pmatrix} \right\|} \left\| f\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}\right) - f\left(\begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix}\right) - M \begin{pmatrix} x - x_o \\ y - y_o \end{pmatrix} \right\| = 0$$

In the latter case, it might (but may not) happen that $s = p$ and $r = -q$:

$$(3) \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} p & -q \\ q & p \end{pmatrix}$$

03° Given a member c of \mathbf{C} :

$$(4) \quad c = a + ib$$

we may introduce the following two by two matrix M :

$$(5) \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

having real entries. Clearly:

$$cz = (ax - by) + i(bx + ay) = \begin{pmatrix} ax - by \\ bx + ay \end{pmatrix} = M \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

04° Now it is plain that (1) holds iff (2) and (3) hold, where c and M are linked by (4) and (5). We conclude that f is analytic at z_o iff f is totally differentiable at z_o and the following relations hold:

$$(CR) \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix} \right) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix} \right), \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix} \right) = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

One calls these relations the Cauchy/Riemann Equations. Obviously:

$$(6) \quad f'(z_o) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix} \right) + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix} \right) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix} \right) - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_o \\ y_o \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

05° Informally, we write the foregoing relations as follows:

$$(CR) \quad u_x = v_y, \quad u_y = -v_x$$

and:

$$(7) \quad f' = u_x + i v_x = v_y - i u_y$$