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Maximum and minimum of holomorphic functions

- Let $f : U(\text{open}) \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a non-constant holomorphic function, then by

(Open mapping theorem for open subsets in $\mathbb{C}$) Let f be *non-constant* holomorphic function on a connected open set U then $f(U)$ is open (and connected).

- for all $z \in U$ there is a $u \in U$ such that

$$|f(u)| > |f(z)|$$

that means $|f|$ **does not have a maximum** at any point of U

- minimum can only be 0** because otherwise the modulus of the holomorphic

$$\frac{1}{f(z)}$$

attains a maximum.

- In other words,

$$U \xrightarrow[\text{open}]{f} \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow[\text{open}]{||} [0, \infty)$$

implies $|f(U)|$ is *open* in $[0, \infty)$.

Therefore,

(Maximum of holomorphic functions on is never attained on the interior) Let $f \in \mathcal{O}(U)$ be a **non-constant** holomorphic function on a open set $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$. Then $|f|$ has no local maximum on U .
For $f \in \mathcal{O} \cap \mathcal{C}(\overline{U})$ where $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is a bounded open subset, $\|f\|_\infty$ is attained on ∂U .

via harmonic functions

Steady-state thermal interpretation of [Maximum of holomorphic functions on is never attained on the interior](#)

As

$$z \mapsto \log |f(z)|$$

is a harmonic function, steady-state temperature, there cannot be any maximum on the interior of a domain.

via Cauchy's integral formula

- Let $z_0 \in U$ is such that

$$|f(z_0)| \geq |f(z)| \qquad z \in U$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(z_0) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial B(r, z_0)} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz \\ \implies |f(z)| \leq |f(z_0)| &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \int_{t \in [0, 2\pi]} f(z + re^{it}) dt \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{t \in [0, 2\pi]} |f(z + re^{it})| dt \end{aligned}$$

- As $r \rightarrow 0$ the average converges to $|f(z)|$ by

Let $g \in \mathcal{C} \cap L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Then for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \delta > 0$ there exists $r(\delta, x) > 0$ such that

$$\forall y \in B_{r(\delta, x)}(x), |g(y) - g(x)| < \delta$$

- For all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \epsilon > 0$, if $r < r(\delta, x)$ we have $y \in B_r(x) \subseteq B_{r(\delta, x)}$ then

$$\begin{aligned} |(A_r g - g)(x)| &= \frac{1}{m(B_r(x))} \left| \int_{B_r(x)} (g - g(x)) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{m(B_r(x))} \int_{B_r(x)} \underbrace{|g - g(x)|}_{< \delta} \\ &< \delta \end{aligned}$$

- Therefore,

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} (A_r f)(x) = f(x)$$

for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

- or, we have

$$0 \leq \int_{t \in [0, 2\pi]} (|f(z_0)| - |f(z_0 + re^{it})|) dt \leq 0$$

which implies...?

- By

(Identity theorem for holomorphic functions on subsets of $\mathbb{C}$) Let

$$f : \Omega(\text{open}) \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

be holomorphic. And L be the set of limit points of $f^{-1}(0)$. Then L is **both open and closed in Ω** .

Therefore if Ω is connected, either $L = \Omega \iff f \equiv 0$ on Ω or $f^{-1}(0)$ has no limit point in Ω , that is if $f^{-1}(0)$ has a limit point in Ω then $f \equiv 0$.

$f \equiv f(z_0)$

on U

on difference of holomorphic functions

For two holomorphic functions f, g on a connected open set U we get $f - g$ on U which can either be constant or have no maximum modulus on U ,... this probably tells us nothing.

on derivatives

☰ Let $f \in \mathcal{O}(U)$. Then some higher derivative $f^{(n)}$ attains a maximum $\iff f$ is a polynomial of degree $\leq n$.

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