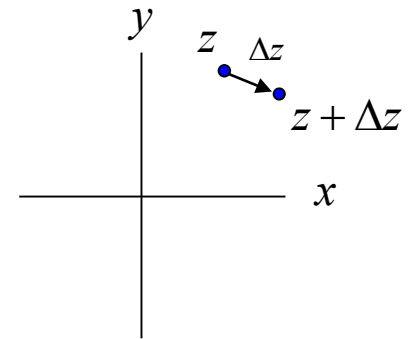




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Notes 2

Differentiation of Functions of a Complex Variable

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Functions of a Complex Variable

- **Function of a complex variable :** $w = f(z)$

$$z = x + iy, \quad w = u + iv$$

$$w = f(z) = u(z) + iv(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$$

$$\text{(e.g., } f(z) = z^2, \quad u(x, y) = x^2 - y^2, \quad v(x, y) = 2xy \text{)}$$

- **Examples of functions :**

$$w = a + bz + cz^2, \quad w = A \sinh(\sqrt{z})$$

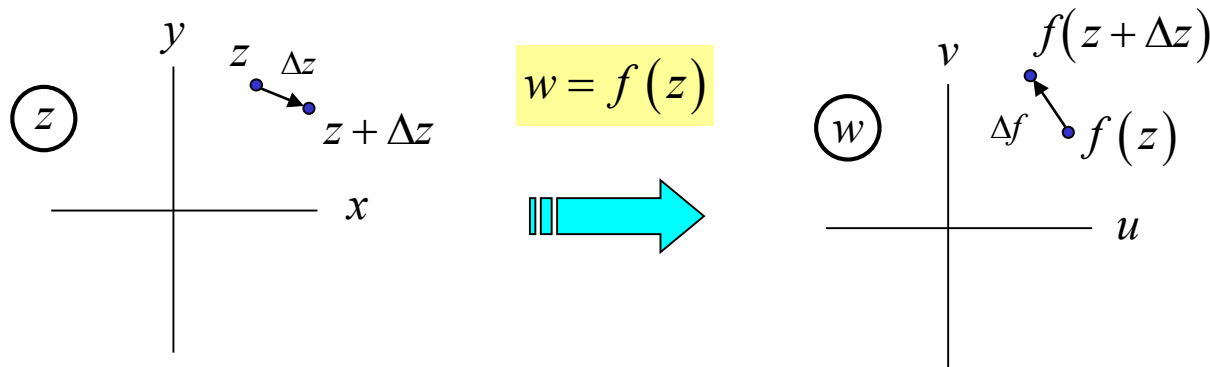
$$w = \frac{a + bz}{c + dz + ez^2}, \quad w = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$$

Differentiation of Functions of a Complex Variable

- **Derivative of a function of a complex variable :**

$$f'(z) = \frac{df}{dz} = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta f}{\Delta z} = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z + \Delta z) - f(z)}{\Delta z}$$

- **To define a unique derivative at a point z , the limit**
 - **must exist at z**
 - **must be independent of the direction of $\Delta z = \arg(\Delta z)$ at z**



The Cauchy – Riemann Conditions

Denote $\Delta z = \Delta x + i\Delta y$

$$w = f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$$

□ **First, let $\Delta z = \Delta x$:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{df}{dz} &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta f}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z + \Delta x) - f(z)}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x + \Delta x, y) - u(x, y)}{\Delta x} + i \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{v(x + \Delta x, y) - v(x, y)}{\Delta x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{df}{dz} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}}$$

□ **Next let $\Delta z = i\Delta y$:**

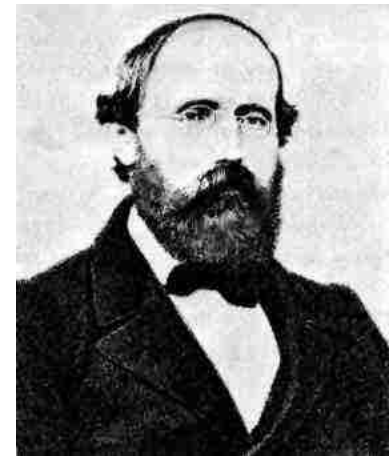
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{df}{dz} &= \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta f}{i\Delta y} = \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z + i\Delta y) - f(z)}{i\Delta y} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x, y + \Delta y) - u(x, y)}{i\Delta y} + i \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{v(x, y + \Delta y) - v(x, y)}{\Delta y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{df}{dz} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}}$$

Question: Is $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$?



Augustin-Louis Cauchy



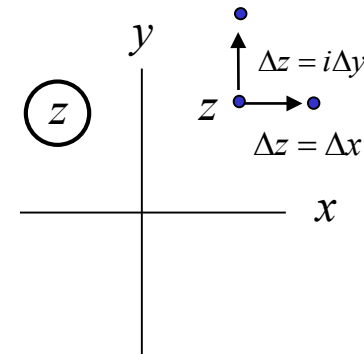
Bernhard Riemann

The Cauchy – Riemann Conditions (cont.)

□ **We found**

$$\frac{df}{dz} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}}_{\Delta z = \Delta x}$$

$$\frac{df}{dz} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}}_{\Delta z = i\Delta y}$$



- **For a unique derivative, these expressions must be equal. That is, a *necessary* condition for the existence of a derivative of function of a complex variable is that**

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \& \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

Cauchy-Riemann equations

- **We've proved that if $\frac{df}{dz}$ exists \Rightarrow Cauchy - Riemann conditions.**

The Cauchy – Riemann Conditions (cont.)

- Next, we prove that Cauchy - Riemann conditions $\Rightarrow \frac{df}{dz}$ exists (sufficiency):

$$\frac{\Delta f}{\Delta z} = \frac{\Delta u + i\Delta v}{\Delta z} \approx \frac{\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\Delta x + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\Delta y\right) + i\left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}\Delta x + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}\Delta y\right)}{\Delta x + i\Delta y}$$

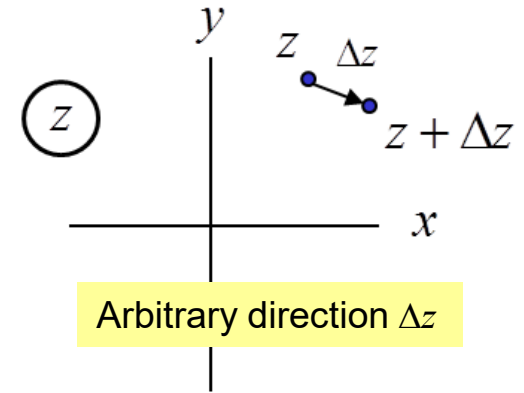
$$= \frac{\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}\right)\Delta x + \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial y}\right)\Delta y}{\Delta x + i\Delta y}$$

Use C.R. conditions

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}\right)\Delta x + \left(-\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + i\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)\Delta y}{\Delta x + i\Delta y}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}\right)\Delta x + \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}\right)(i\Delta y)}{\Delta x + i\Delta y}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}\right)\cancel{(\Delta x + i\Delta y)}}{\cancel{\Delta x + i\Delta y}} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}, \text{ independent of } \arg(\Delta z) = \tan^{-1} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$



Total differentials :

$$\Delta u(x, y) \approx \frac{\partial u(x, y)}{\partial x} \Delta x + \frac{\partial u(x, y)}{\partial y} \Delta y$$

$$\Delta v(x, y) \approx \frac{\partial v(x, y)}{\partial x} \Delta x + \frac{\partial v(x, y)}{\partial y} \Delta y$$

The Cauchy – Riemann Conditions (cont.)

Hence, we have the following equivalent statements:

- $\frac{df}{dz}$ exists \Leftrightarrow Cauchy - Riemann conditions.

or

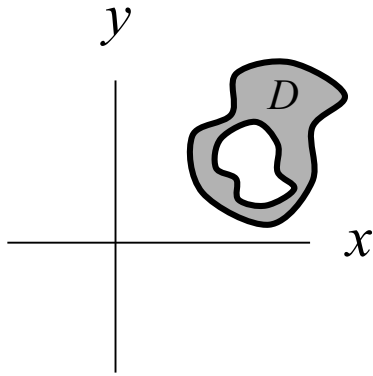
- $\frac{df}{dz}$ exists *if and only if* (iff) the Cauchy - Riemann conditions hold.

or

- The Cauchy - Riemann conditions are a *necessary and sufficient* condition for the existence of the derivative $\frac{df}{dz}$ of a complex variable f .

The Cauchy – Riemann Conditions (cont.)

- We say that a function is "analytic" at a point if the derivative exists there (and at all points in some neighborhood of the point).



- $f(z)$ is said to be "analytic" in a domain D if the derivative exists at each point in D .
- The theory of complex variables largely exploits the remarkable properties of analytic functions.
- The terms "holomorphic", "regular", and "differentiable" are also used instead of "analytic."

Applying the Cauchy – Riemann Conditions

◇ Example 1:

$$f(z) = z = (x + iy) = \underbrace{x}_{u(x,y)} + i \underbrace{y}_{v(x,y)}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1 = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0 = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \quad \checkmark$$

⇒ C.R. conditions hold everywhere (for z finite)

⇒ z is analytic everywhere

◇ Example 2:

$$f(z) = z^* = (x + iy)^* = \underbrace{x}_{u(x,y)} + i \underbrace{(-y)}_{v(x,y)}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1 \neq \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -1 \quad \times$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0 = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \quad \checkmark$$

⇒ C.R. conditions hold *nowhere*

⇒ z^* is analytic nowhere

Applying the Cauchy – Riemann Conditions (cont.)

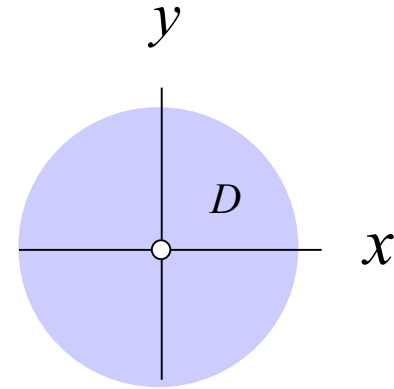
◇ Example 3:

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{x+iy} = \frac{x-iy}{x^2+y^2}$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{x}{x^2+y^2}}_{u(x,y)} + i \underbrace{\left(\frac{-y}{x^2+y^2}\right)}_{v(x,y)}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\cancel{x^2} + y^2 - \cancel{2x^2}}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{-x^2 - \cancel{y^2} + \cancel{2y^2}}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{-2xy}{(x^2+y^2)^2} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \quad \checkmark \Rightarrow \text{C.R. conditions hold everywhere except } x=y=0 \text{ (} z=0 \text{)}.$$



$\frac{1}{z}$ is analytic except at $z=0$

$$\Rightarrow D: |z| > 0$$

$f(z)$ is analytic everywhere except at $z=0$. The point $z=0$ is called a "singularity."

A singularity is a point where the function is not analytic.

Applying the Cauchy – Riemann Conditions (cont.)

◇ Example 4 :

$$f(z) = \sin(z) = \sin(x + iy) = \sin x \cos(iy) + \sin(iy) \cos x$$

$$\text{but } \cos(iy) = \frac{e^{i(iy)} + e^{-i(iy)}}{2} = \frac{e^{-y} + e^y}{2} = \cosh y,$$

$$\sin(iy) = \frac{e^{i(iy)} - e^{-i(iy)}}{2i} = -i \frac{e^{-y} - e^y}{2} = i \sinh y$$

$$\text{so } \sin(z) = \sin(x + iy) = \underbrace{\sin x \cosh y}_{u(x,y)} + i \underbrace{\sin x \sinh y}_{v(x,y)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \cos x \cosh y = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \checkmark \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \sin x \sinh y = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \quad \checkmark$$

\Rightarrow **C.R. conditions hold for all finite z**

$$\text{Now use: } f'(z) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \cos x \cosh y - i \sin x \sinh y$$

$$= \cos x \cos(iy) - \sin x \sin(iy)$$

$$= \cos(x + iy)$$

$$= \cos z$$

\Rightarrow

$$f'(z) = \frac{d}{dz} \sin(z) = \cos z$$

Differentiation Rules (cont.)

◇ Example

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dz}(z^2) &= \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{(z + \Delta z)^2 - (z)^2}{\Delta z} = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cancel{(z)^2} + 2z\Delta z + (\Delta z)^2 - \cancel{(z)^2}}{\Delta z} \\ &= 2z + \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \Delta z \\ &= 2z\end{aligned}$$

Note: The above “brute-force” derivation, directly using the definition of the derivative, is exactly what is done in usual calculus, with x being used there instead of z .

Differentiation Rules

- It is relatively simple to prove on a case - by - case basis that practically all formulas for differentiating functions of real variables also apply to the corresponding function of a complex variable :

$$\frac{d z^n}{dz} = n z^{n-1}, \quad \frac{d e^{az}}{dz} = a e^{az}, \quad \frac{d \sin z}{dz} = \cos z, \quad \frac{d \cos z}{dz} = -\sin z, \quad \text{etc.}$$

$\frac{d}{dz}(z^n) = n z^{n-1} \Rightarrow$ every polynomial of degree N , $P_N(z)$,
in z is analytic (differentiable).

\Rightarrow every rational function $\frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}$ in z is analytic except
where $Q(z)$ vanishes.

Differentiation Rules

- Replacing x by z in the usual derivations for functions of a real variable, we find practically all differentiation rules for functions of a complex variable turn out to be identical to those for real variables :

$$\frac{d(f(z) \pm g(z))}{dz} = f'(z) \pm g'(z)$$

$$\frac{d(f(z)g(z))}{dz} = f'(z)g(z) + f(z)g'(z)$$

$$\frac{d\left(\frac{f(z)}{g(z)}\right)}{dz} = \frac{g f' - f g'}{(g)^2}$$

A Theorem Related to z^*

If $f = f(z, z^*)$ is analytic, then

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} = 0$$

(An analytic function cannot vary with z^* , and therefore cannot be a function of z^* , except in a trivial way.)

All functions that contain z^* are therefore not analytic, except for some trivial cases (where the function does not really vary with z^*).

A Theorem Related to z^* (cont.)

Examples:

$$f(z) = z^* \text{ is analytic nowhere, since } \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} = 1 \neq 0 \text{ (not independent of } z^*)$$

$$f(z) = \sin z^* \text{ is not analytic, since } \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} = \cos z^* \neq 0 \text{ (unless } z = (2n+1)\pi/2 \text{)}$$

$$f(z) = |z|^2 = zz^* \text{ is not analytic, since } \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} = z \neq 0 \text{ (unless } z = 0 \text{)}$$

$$f(z) = \sin(z) + \cos(z^*) \text{ is not analytic, since } \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} = -\sin(z^*) \neq 0 \text{ (unless } z = n\pi \text{)}$$

$$f(z) = \frac{z^*}{z^*} = 1 \text{ is analytic everywhere, since } \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z^*}(1) = 0$$

Proof of z^* Theorem

□ **C.R. conditions :**

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

If $f = f(z, z^*)$ is analytic, then

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} = 0$$

(An analytic function cannot vary with z^* , and therefore cannot really be a function of z^* , except in a trivial way.)

Note that

$$z = x + iy, \quad z^* = x - iy$$

Treating z and z^* as independent variables :

$$\frac{\partial u(z, z^*)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \underbrace{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}}_{=1} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z^*} \underbrace{\frac{\partial z^*}{\partial x}}_{=1} \stackrel{\text{C.R. conds.}}{=} \frac{\partial v(z, z^*)}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \underbrace{\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}}_{=i} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial z^*} \underbrace{\frac{\partial z^*}{\partial y}}_{=-i}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z^*} = i \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z^*} \right)} \quad (1)$$

A Theorem Related to z^* (cont.)

Similarly,

$$\frac{\partial v(z, z^*)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \underbrace{\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}}_{=1} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial z^*} \underbrace{\frac{\partial z^*}{\partial x}}_{=1} \stackrel{\text{C.R. conds.}}{=} -\frac{\partial u(z, z^*)}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \underbrace{\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}}_{=i} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial z^*} \underbrace{\frac{\partial z^*}{\partial y}}_{=-i}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial z^*} = -i \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial z^*} \right)} \quad (2)$$

Next, consider

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial z^*} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial z^*} = \overbrace{-i \left(\frac{\cancel{\partial y}}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial z^*} \right) + \cancel{\frac{\partial u}{\partial z}}}_{\text{from (2)}} + \overbrace{i \frac{\cancel{\partial y}}{\partial z} - \left(\cancel{\frac{\partial u}{\partial z}} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z^*} \right)}_{\text{from (1)}} \\ &= - \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z^*} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial z^*} \right) = - \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is independent of z^*

Entire Functions

A function that is analytic everywhere in the finite* complex plane is called “entire”.

- **Typical functions that are entire**
(analytic everywhere in the finite complex plane):

$$1, z, z^2, z^3, z^4, z^5, \dots, z^n, \dots$$

$$e^z, \sin z, \cos z, \sinh z, \cosh z$$

- **Typical functions analytic *almost* everywhere:**

$$\frac{1}{z^2}, \frac{1}{z^2 - 1}, z^{1/2}, \tan z, \cot z, \tanh z, \coth z$$

* A function is said to be analytic everywhere in the finite complex plane if it is analytic everywhere except possibly at infinity.

Analytic at infinity: Let $w = 1/z$ Is the function analytic at $w = 0$?

Combinations of Analytic Functions

Combinations of functions:

- **Finite linear combinations of analytic functions are analytic :**

If $f(z), g(z), h(z)$ are analytic

$\Rightarrow af(z) + bg(z) + ch(z)$ is analytic

- **Composite combinations of analytic functions are analytic :**

If $f(z), g(z)$ are analytic

$\Rightarrow f(g(z))$ is analytic

Combinations of Analytic Functions (cont.)

Infinite series:

- ***Infinite series* may be :**
 - **Analytic everywhere**
 - **Analytic somewhere**

The “somewhere” might depend on the form used to represent the function.

Example:

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

$$f(z) = 1 + z + z^2 + z^3 + \dots, \quad |z| < 1$$

The first form is analytic everywhere except $z = 1$.

The second form is analytic for $|z| < 1$ (the series does not converge on or outside the unit circle).

Combination of Analytic Functions (cont.)

Examples

Composite functions of analytic functions are also analytic.

$$f(z) = z^2$$

$$g(z) = \sin z$$

$$h(z) = g(f(z)) = \sin(z^2) \quad \text{analytic}$$

Derivatives of analytic functions are also analytic (proof given later).

$$f(z) = \sin z$$

$$f'(z) = \cos z \quad \text{analytic}$$

Derivatives of Analytic Function

Important theorem (proven later)

The derivative of an analytic function is also analytic.

$f(z)$ is analytic



$f'(z)$ is analytic



$f''(z)$ is analytic



Hence, all derivatives of an analytic function are also analytic.

Real and Imaginary Parts of Analytic Functions Are Harmonic Functions

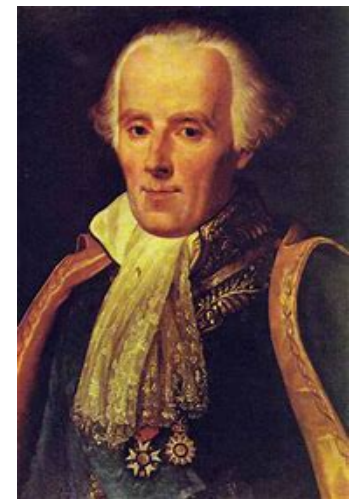
Assume an analytic function: $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$

$$\rightarrow \nabla^2 u(x, y) = \nabla^2 v(x, y) = 0$$

The functions u and v are harmonic (i.e., they satisfy Laplace's equation)

Notation:
$$\begin{cases} u = u(z) = u(x, y) \\ v = v(z) = v(x, y) \end{cases}$$

This result is extensively used in conformal mapping to solve electrostatics and other problems involving the 2D Laplace equation (discussed later).



Pierre-Simon Laplace

Real and Imaginary Parts of Analytic Functions Are Harmonic Functions (cont.)

Proof

f is analytic $\Rightarrow df/dz$ is also analytic (see slide 23)

Analytic $\Rightarrow \frac{df}{dz} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} - i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ (Notation: $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$)

Denote $f'(z) \equiv U + iV$

We have: $U(x, y) = \operatorname{Re}(f'(z)) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$; $V(x, y) = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$

Apply the C.R. conditions to $f'(z)$:

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla^2 u = 0}$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla^2 v = 0}$$

Real and Imaginary Parts of Analytic Functions Are Harmonic Functions (cont.)

Example: $w = f(z) = z^2$

$$w = u + iv = (x + iy)^2 = (x^2 - y^2) + i(2xy)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} u(x, y) = x^2 - y^2 \\ v(x, y) = 2xy \end{cases}$$

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 2 - 2 = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 v = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = 0 + 0 = 0$$

Real and Imaginary Parts of Analytic Functions Are Harmonic Functions (cont.)

Example: $w = f(z) = \sin(z)$

$$w = u + iv = \sin(x + iy) = \sin x \cosh y + i \cos x \sinh y$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} u(x, y) = \sin x \cosh y \\ v(x, y) = \cos x \sinh y \end{cases}$$

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = -\sin x \cosh y + \sin x \cosh y = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 v = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = -\cos x \sinh y + \cos x \sinh y = 0$$