

Complex Analysis
Chapter - 5
Series

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Sec 5.5. Convergence of Sequences

Defn: An infinite sequence $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n$ of complex numbers has a limit z , if for each

$\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists$ a +ve integer ' n_0 ' such that

$$|z_n - z| < \varepsilon \quad \text{whenever } n > n_0$$

When the limit exists, the sequence is said to converge to z . We write

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z.$$

If the sequence has no limit, it diverges.

Theorem: Suppose that $z_n = x_n + iy_n$ ($n=1, 2, \dots$) and $z = x + iy$. Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z \quad \text{iff} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y.$$

Proof.

Suppose $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y$

let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given.

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$, $\exists n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|x_n - x| < \varepsilon/2 \quad \text{whenever } n > n_1$$

Again, since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y$, $\exists n_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|y_n - y| < \varepsilon/2 \quad \text{whenever } n > n_2$$

$$\text{Let } n_0 = \max \{n_1, n_2\}$$

Then $|x_n - x| < \varepsilon/2$ and $|y_n - y| < \varepsilon/2$ whenever $n > n_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } |z_n - z| &= |(x_n + iy_n) - (x + iy)| \\ &= |(x_n - x) + i(y_n - y)| \\ &\leq |x_n - x| + |y_n - y| \\ &< \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2 = \varepsilon \text{ whenever } n > n_0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $\varepsilon > 0$ is arbitrary

$$\therefore \boxed{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z.}$$

Conversely,

$$\text{Suppose } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z$$

Then for each $\varepsilon > 0$ $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|z_n - z| < \varepsilon \text{ whenever } n > n_0$$

$$\text{i.e. } |(x_n + iy_n) - (x + iy)| < \varepsilon \text{ whenever } n > n_0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

But

$$|x_n - x| \leq |(x_n - x) + i(y_n - y)| = |(x_n + iy_n) - (x + iy)|$$

$$\text{and } |y_n - y| \leq |(x_n - x) + i(y_n - y)| = |(x_n + iy_n) - (x + iy)|$$

$\therefore$ from (1), we get

$$|x_n - x| < \varepsilon \text{ and } |y_n - y| < \varepsilon \text{ whenever } n > n_0$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y}$$

Note:

The theorem enables us to write

$$\boxed{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n + iy_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n + i \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n}$$

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Example 1.Show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = i$, where $z_n = \frac{1}{n^3} + i$
 $n \in \mathbb{N}$ 1st method (By defn.)let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given

Consider $|z_n - i| = \left| \frac{1}{n^3} + i - i \right| = \frac{1}{n^3}$

Choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n_0 > \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{\varepsilon}}$

Then $|z_n - i| < \varepsilon$ whenever $n > n_0$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = i$

2nd method (By ~~formula~~ Theorem).

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^3} + i \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^3} + i \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 \\ &= 0 + i \cdot 1 = i. \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.

let $z_n = -2 + i \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$)

By Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(-2 + i \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-2) + i \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} \\ &= -2 + i \cdot 0 \\ &= -2. \end{aligned}$$

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Note: If ~~also~~ we use polar coordinates,
 let us write $z_n = |z_n|$ and $\theta_n = \text{Arg } z_n$, ($n=1,2,\dots$)
 where $\text{Arg } z_n$ denotes principal arguments ($-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$)
 of z_n .

~~Then~~ ~~we have~~ They, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{4 + \frac{1}{n^4}} = 2$

But $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_{2n} = \pi$

And $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_{2n-1} = -\pi$

($n=1,2,3,\dots$)

Note that:

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_{2n} = -2 + i \frac{1}{4n^2} \\ z_{2n-1} = -2 - i \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

We observe that $\lim$ of θ_n doesn't exist as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

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Q1. Use defn of limit of sequences to verify that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = -2 \text{ where } z_n = -2 + i \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}$$

Soln. let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given ($n=1,2,\dots$)

Consider, $|z_n - (-2)| = \left| i \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} \right| = \frac{1}{n^2}$

~~By Archimedean~~ By Archimedean property, we can find $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$
 such that $n_0 > \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}}$

Then $|z_n - (-2)| < \varepsilon$ whenever $n > n_0$

Since $\varepsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = -2$.

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Q2.

Let θ_n ($n=1, 2, \dots$) denote the principal arguments of the numbers $(-\pi < \theta_n \leq \pi)$

$$z_n = 2 + i \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}, \quad (n=1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

Point out why $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_n = 0$.

Soln.

$$\theta_n = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{(-1)^n}{2n^2} \right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_{2n} = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_{2n-1} = 0$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Note that} \\ z_{2n} = 2 + i \frac{1}{n^2} \\ z_{2n-1} = 2 - i \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_n = 0 \quad (n=1, 2, \dots)$$

Q3.

Show that, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |z_n| = |z|$.

Soln.

Suppose that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z$.

Then for each $\varepsilon > 0$ $\exists$ a +ve integer n_0 such that

$$|z_n - z| < \varepsilon \quad \text{whenever } n > n_0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

We know that

$$||z_n| - |z|| \leq |z_n - z|$$

$$\therefore ||z_n| - |z|| < \varepsilon \quad \text{whenever } n > n_0 \quad (\text{Using (1)})$$

~~So~~ Since $\varepsilon > 0$ is arb.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |z_n| = |z|.$$

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Q5.
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Show that a limit of convergent sequence of Complex numbers is unique.

Do yourself (Easy).

Q9
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Every convergent sequence is bounded.

(a)

Suppose $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z$

For $\varepsilon = 1$, $\exists$ a +ve integer n_0 s.t.

$$|z_n - z| < 1 \text{ whenever } n > n_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } |z_n| &= |z + (z_n - z)| \\ &\leq |z| + |z_n - z| \\ &< |z| + 1 \text{ whenever } n > n_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } M = \max \{ |z|, |z_1|, \dots, |z_{n_0}|, |z| + 1 \}$$

$$\text{Then } |z_n| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

(b) ~~Alternative~~ Alternative Method

Suppose $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z$.

Let $z_n = x_n + iy_n$ and $z = x + iy$

$$\text{Then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y$$

Since $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are convergent sequences of real numbers

$\therefore \exists M_1, M_2 > 0$ s.t.

$$|x_n| \leq M_1, |y_n| \leq M_2 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Every convergent sequence} \\ \text{is bounded in the theory} \\ \text{of sequences of real no.s.} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_n + iy_n| \leq |x_n| + |y_n| \leq M_1 + M_2 = M \text{ (say)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|z_n| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}}$$

Sec 5.6. Convergence of Series

An infinite series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n + \dots$$

of complex numbers converges to the sum S if the sequence

$$S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N z_n = z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_N \quad (N=1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

of partial sums converges to S .

We then write
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S.$$

We note that since a sequence can have at most one limit, a series can have at most one sum.

When a series doesn't converge, we say it diverges.

Theorem: Suppose that $z_n = x_n + iy_n$ ($n=1, 2, 3, \dots$) and $S = X + iY$.

Then
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S \Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = X \text{ and } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n = Y.$$

Proof. Let $S_N = X_N + iY_N$ be the sequence of partial sums of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n$ where $X_N = \sum_{n=1}^N x_n$ & $Y_N = \sum_{n=1}^N y_n$

We know that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N = S \Leftrightarrow \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} X_N = X \text{ and } \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} Y_N = Y.$$

$$\text{ex. } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S \Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = X \text{ and } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n = Y. \quad (8)$$

Remark: The theorem tells us that one can write

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x_n + i y_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n + i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$$

whenever it is known that the two series on the right converge or that the one on the left does.

Corollary 1: If a series of complex numbers converges, the n^{th} term converges to zero as n tends to infinity.

Proof. Assume that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n$ converges

$$\text{where } z_n = x_n + i y_n$$

Then by ~~above~~ preceding theorem,

each of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$ converges.

From the calculus of real numbers, we have

$$x_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ and } y_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n + i \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = 0 + i \cdot 0 = 0.$$

Corollary 2: The absolute convergence of a series of complex numbers implies the convergence of that series.

Proof. Suppose that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n$ converges absolutely

$$\text{i.e. } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |z_n| \text{ converges.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{x_n^2 + y_n^2} \text{ Converges} \quad (z_n = x_n + iy_n) \quad (9)$$

Since $|x_n| \leq \sqrt{x_n^2 + y_n^2}$ and $|y_n| \leq \sqrt{x_n^2 + y_n^2}$

$\therefore$ By Comparison Test

~~Series~~ $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n|$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |y_n|$ are convergent

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \text{ and } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n \text{ are cgt. (By Absolute convergence in Real Calculus)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n + i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n \text{ Converges}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n \text{ Converges.}$$

Remark: In establishing the ~~fact~~ fact that the sum of a series is a given number S , it is often convenient to define remainder ρ_N after N terms, using the partial sums S_N

$$\text{i.e. } \rho_N = S - S_N$$

$$\text{Thus } S = S_N + \rho_N$$

$$\text{and since } |S_N - S| = |\rho_N - 0|.$$

We can see that

"a series converges to a number S iff the sequence of remainders tends to zero".

Example. Show that $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z}$ whenever $|z| < 1$

$$\text{Let } S_N = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} z^n = 1 + z + z^2 + \dots + z^{N-1} \quad (z \neq 1)$$

be the sequence of partial sums of the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$

$$\text{Now, } S_N = \frac{1 - z^N}{1 - z}$$

$$\text{If } S = \frac{1}{1-z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } f_N(z) &= S(z) - S_N(z) = \frac{1}{1-z} - \frac{1 - z^N}{1-z} \\ &= \frac{z^N}{1-z} \quad (z \neq 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore |f_N(z)| = \frac{|z|^N}{|1-z|}$$

Since $|z| < 1$

$$\therefore |z|^N \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\therefore \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} |f_N(z)| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z} \text{ whenever } |z| < 1.}$$

Q4.

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Consider $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z}$ whenever $|z| < 1$ — (1)

Let $z = re^{i\theta}$ where $0 < r < 1$

Then show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n \cos n\theta = \frac{r \cos \theta - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos \theta + r^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n \sin n\theta = \frac{r \sin \theta}{1 - 2r \cos \theta + r^2}$$

when $0 < r < 1$.

Soln.

Since $z = re^{i\theta}$ where $0 < r < 1$

$\therefore |z| = r < 1$

Then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z}$ (from (1)) — (*)

(*) can further be written as

$$1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z} - 1 = \frac{z}{1-z} \quad \text{--- (**)}$$

Consider L.H.S. of (**)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (re^{i\theta})^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n e^{in\theta} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n (\cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n \cos n\theta + i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n \sin n\theta \end{aligned}$$

Now, Consider R.H.S. of (**),

$$\frac{z}{1-z} = \frac{re^{i\theta}}{1-re^{i\theta}} = \frac{re^{i\theta}}{1-re^{i\theta}} \times \frac{1-re^{-i\theta}}{1-re^{-i\theta}}$$

$$= \frac{ze^{i\theta} - z^2}{1 - z(e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}) + z^2}$$

$$= \frac{z \cos \theta - z^2 + iz \sin \theta}{1 - 2z \cos \theta + z^2}$$

Thus,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n \cos n\theta + i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n \sin n\theta = \frac{z \cos \theta - z^2}{1 - 2z \cos \theta + z^2} + i \frac{z \sin \theta}{1 - 2z \cos \theta + z^2}$$

Equating real and imaginary parts, we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n \cos n\theta = \frac{z \cos \theta - z^2}{1 - 2z \cos \theta + z^2}$$

$$\text{and } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n \sin n\theta = \frac{z \sin \theta}{1 - 2z \cos \theta + z^2}.$$

Q6. Show that if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S$ then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{z}_n = \bar{S}$.

Soln. Suppose that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S$

$$\text{let } z_n = x_n + iy_n$$

$$\text{and } S = X + iY$$

Then by Theorem $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = X$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n = Y$.

Consider

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{z}_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x_n - iy_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [x_n + i(-y_n)] = X - iY = \bar{S}$$

($\because \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-y_n) = -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n = -Y$)

Q7. let 'c' denote any complex number. Show that
 if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S$ then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c z_n = c S$

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Try yourself.

Q8. Show that if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} w_n = T$
 then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (z_n + w_n) = S + T$.

Soln. Suppose that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} w_n = T$

let $z_n = x_n + i y_n$, $S = X + i Y$

and $w_n = u_n + i v_n$, $T = U + i V$

Since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = S$, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = X \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n = Y$$

Again, since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} w_n = T$, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n = U \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n = V$$

Since $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x_n + u_n) = X + U$

and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (y_n + v_n) = Y + V$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(x_n + u_n) + i (y_n + v_n)] = (X + U) + i (Y + V)$$

ie. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(x_n + i y_n) + (u_n + i v_n)] = (X + i Y) + (U + i V)$

or $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (z_n + w_n) = S + T$.