

### Class Exercise

1. **Prove the following limits:** (a)  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \operatorname{Re} z = \operatorname{Re} z_0$ ;  
(b)  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \bar{z} = \overline{z_0}$ ;  
(c) If  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = w_0$ , then  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} |f(z)| = |w_0|$ .
2. **Show that the derivative  $f'(z)$  does not exist at any point  $z$  for the following functions:**  
(a)  $f(z) = \operatorname{Re}(z)$ ;  
(b)  $f(z) = \operatorname{Im}(z)$ .
3. **Evaluate the following limits:**  
(c)  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{\bar{P}(z)}{Q(z)}$ , where  $P(z)$  and  $Q(z)$  are polynomials, and  $Q(z_0) \neq 0$ .

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**Sol:**

**(a)**

The  $\delta - \epsilon$  definition states:

$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = f(z_0)$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|z - z_0| < \delta \implies |f(z) - f(z_0)| < \epsilon$ .

Here,  $f(z) = \operatorname{Re} z$ , and  $|f(z) - f(z_0)| = |\operatorname{Re} z - \operatorname{Re} z_0|$ .

Since  $|\operatorname{Re} z - \operatorname{Re} z_0| \leq |z - z_0|$  (a basic property of the real part of a complex number), choosing  $\delta = \epsilon$  guarantees that:

$$|z - z_0| < \delta \implies |\operatorname{Re} z - \operatorname{Re} z_0| < \epsilon.$$

Thus, by the  $\delta - \epsilon$  definition,

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \operatorname{Re} z = \operatorname{Re} z_0.$$

**(b)**

The complex conjugate of  $z$  is given by  $\bar{z} = x - iy$ , where  $z = x + iy$ . We aim to prove that:

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \bar{z} = \bar{z}_0.$$

From the  $\delta - \epsilon$  definition, we need to show:

$$|z - z_0| < \delta \implies |\bar{z} - \bar{z}_0| < \epsilon.$$

The distance between  $\bar{z}$  and  $\bar{z}_0$  is:

$$|\bar{z} - \bar{z}_0| = |(x - iy) - (x_0 - iy_0)| = |(x - x_0) - i(y - y_0)|.$$

By the definition of the modulus of a complex number:

$$|\bar{z} - \bar{z}_0| = \sqrt{(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2} = |z - z_0|.$$

Thus, choosing  $\delta = \epsilon$  guarantees that:

$$|z - z_0| < \delta \implies |\bar{z} - \bar{z}_0| < \epsilon.$$

Therefore, by the  $\delta - \epsilon$  definition:

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \bar{z} = \bar{z}_0.$$

**(c)**

We are given that  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = w_0$ , which means:

For every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|z - z_0| < \delta \implies |f(z) - w_0| < \epsilon$ .

The key inequality is:

$$||f(z)| - |w_0|| \leq |f(z) - w_0|.$$

This tells us that the distance between  $|f(z)|$  and  $|w_0|$  is at most the distance between  $f(z)$  and  $w_0$ . Therefore:

$$|z - z_0| < \delta \implies ||f(z)| - |w_0|| \leq |f(z) - w_0| < \epsilon.$$

This means that for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  (the same  $\delta$  as for  $|f(z) - w_0| < \epsilon$ ) such that:

$$|z - z_0| < \delta \implies ||f(z)| - |w_0|| < \epsilon.$$

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2. Show that the derivative  $f'(z)$  does not exist at any point  $z$  for the following functions:

(a)  $f(z) = \operatorname{Re}(z)$ ;

(b)  $f(z) = \operatorname{Im}(z)$ .

**Sol:**

**(a)**

The derivative is defined as:

$$f'(z) = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta z},$$

where:

$$\Delta w = f(z + \Delta z) - f(z).$$

For  $f(z) = \operatorname{Re}(z)$ , the real part of  $z = x + iy$  is  $\operatorname{Re}(z) = x$ . Therefore:

$$\Delta w = \operatorname{Re}(z + \Delta z) - \operatorname{Re}(z).$$

Let  $z = x + iy$  and  $\Delta z = \Delta x + i\Delta y$ . Then:

$$\operatorname{Re}(z + \Delta z) = \operatorname{Re}((x + \Delta x) + i(y + \Delta y)) = x + \Delta x.$$

Thus:

$$\Delta w = \operatorname{Re}(z + \Delta z) - \operatorname{Re}(z) = (x + \Delta x) - x = \Delta x.$$

The derivative becomes:

$$\frac{\Delta w}{\Delta z} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta z}.$$

Now,  $\Delta z = \Delta x + i\Delta y$ . We evaluate  $\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta z}$  along different paths.

1. **Horizontal path** ( $\Delta z = \Delta x + i0$ ):

- Here,  $\Delta z = \Delta x$ , so:

$$\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta z} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta x} = 1.$$

2. **Vertical path** ( $\Delta z = 0 + i\Delta y$ ):

- Here,  $\Delta z = i\Delta y$ , so:

$$\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta z} = \frac{\Delta x}{i\Delta y}.$$

Since  $\Delta x = 0$  along the vertical path, we have:

$$\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta z} = 0.$$

Since the limit depends on the path, the derivative  $f'(z)$  does **not exist** at any point  $z$  for  $f(z) = \operatorname{Re}(z)$ .

(b)

For  $f(z) = \text{Im}(z)$ , the imaginary part of  $z = x + iy$  is  $\text{Im}(z) = y$ . Then:

$$\Delta w = \text{Im}(z + \Delta z) - \text{Im}(z).$$

Let  $z = x + iy$  and  $\Delta z = \Delta x + i\Delta y$ . Then:

$$\text{Im}(z + \Delta z) = \text{Im}((x + \Delta x) + i(y + \Delta y)) = y + \Delta y.$$

Thus:

$$\Delta w = \text{Im}(z + \Delta z) - \text{Im}(z) = (y + \Delta y) - y = \Delta y.$$

The derivative becomes:

$$\frac{\Delta w}{\Delta z} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta z}.$$

Now,  $\Delta z = \Delta x + i\Delta y$ . We evaluate  $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta z}$  along different paths.

1. **Horizontal path** ( $\Delta z = \Delta x + i0$ ):

- Here,  $\Delta z = \Delta x$ , so:

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta z} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}.$$

Since  $\Delta y = 0$  along the horizontal path, we have:

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta z} = 0.$$

2. **Vertical path** ( $\Delta z = 0 + i\Delta y$ ):

- Here,  $\Delta z = i\Delta y$ , so:

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta z} = \frac{\Delta y}{i\Delta y}.$$

Simplify:

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta z} = \frac{\Delta y}{i\Delta y} = \frac{1}{i} = -i.$$

Since the limit depends on the path, the derivative  $f'(z)$  does **not exist** at any point  $z$  for  $f(z) = \text{Im}(z)$ .

3. Evaluate the following limits:

(c)  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}$ , where  $P(z)$  and  $Q(z)$  are polynomials, and  $Q(z_0) \neq 0$ .

**Sol:**

**(c)**

1. **Given:**

- $P(z)$  and  $Q(z)$  are polynomials, and  $Q(z_0) \neq 0$ .
- The function is  $f(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}$ , and we need to evaluate its limit as  $z \rightarrow z_0$ .

2. **Using Theorem 2:**

- The limit of a quotient is the quotient of the limits (if the denominator is not zero).
- Polynomials are continuous, so  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} P(z) = P(z_0)$  and  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} Q(z) = Q(z_0)$ .

3. **Step-by-step:**

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)} = \frac{\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} P(z)}{\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} Q(z)} = \frac{P(z_0)}{Q(z_0)}.$$

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