

Def. Let  $f'(z)$  exist and  $f(z) \neq 0$ .  $\frac{f'}{f}$  is called the logarithmic derivative of  $f$  at  $z$ .

Heuristics. If  $\log f(z)$  is defined, then  $(\log f(z))' = \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}$ .

Observe:  $\frac{(fg)'}{fg} = \frac{f'}{f} + \frac{g'}{g}$ .  $\left(\frac{1}{f}\right)' = -\frac{f'}{f}$ .  $\frac{((z-a)^k)'}{(z-a)^k} = \frac{k}{z-a}$  ( $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ )

Let  $\gamma$  be a curve,  $f \in \mathcal{A}(\gamma)$ ,  $f(z) \neq 0 \forall z \in \gamma$ .

$\Gamma := f \circ \gamma$  - piecewise differentiable curve.

Observe: ( $z(t)$ -parameterization of  $\gamma$ ,  $f(z(t))$ - of  $\Gamma$ ).

$$n(\Gamma, 0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{dw}{w} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_a^b \frac{f'(z(t))z'(t)}{f(z(t))} dt =$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz \text{ - integral of logarithmic derivative.}$$

Let  $\gamma \subset B(z_0, r)$  - closed curve.  $I_{\gamma} := \text{Union of bounded components of } \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma$ .

Observe:  $\text{Cl os } I_{\gamma} = \gamma \cup I_{\gamma}$ , and  $z \notin \text{Cl os } I_{\gamma} \Rightarrow z$  is in unbounded component of  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma \Rightarrow n(\gamma, z) = 0$ .

### Local argument principle

Theorem. Let  $f \in \mathcal{M}(B(z_0, r))$ ,  $\gamma$  - closed curve in  $B(z_0, r)$ .  $f(z) \neq \infty$  on  $\gamma$ .

Then  $n(f \circ \gamma, 0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \sum_{z \in \gamma} \text{ord}(f, z) n(\gamma, z)$

Remark. The sum on R.H.S seems infinite but  $z \notin \text{Cl os } I_{\gamma} \Rightarrow n(\gamma, z) = 0$ , so the sum is finite: compact  $\text{Cl os } I_{\gamma}$  contains only finitely many zeroes and poles. Also, if  $z$  is not zero or pole,  $\text{ord}(f, z) = 0$ .

Proof Take  $r' < r$ , so that  $\gamma \subset B(z_0, r')$ .

Since  $\overline{B(z_0, r')} \subset B(z_0, r)$ , there are finitely many zeroes and poles of  $f$  in  $B(z_0, r')$

Let  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n$  - zeroes and poles of  $f$  in  $B(z_0, r')$ , with algebraic orders  $k_1, \dots, k_n$  respectively.

Observe that the function  $g(z) := (z-z_1)^{-k_1} \dots (z-z_n)^{k_n} f(z)$  is

1)  $g(z) \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r) \setminus \{z_1, \dots, z_n\})$  and  $\frac{f(z)}{z \rightarrow z_j (z-z_j)^{k_j}} - \text{exists, } \neq 0, \infty$ .

1)  $g(z) \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r) \setminus \{z_1, \dots, z_n\})$  and  $\frac{f(z)}{(z-z_j)^{k_j}}$  exists,  $\neq 0, \infty$ .

Thus  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_j} g(z) = \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_j)^{k_j}} \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r))$   $g(z) \neq 0 \quad \forall z \in B(z_0, r)$

So  $\frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r))$

$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{k_j}{z-z_j} + \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{k_j}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z-z_j} + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} dz$$

$\underset{n(\gamma, z_j)}{\quad} \quad \quad \quad \underset{0 \text{ by Cauchy. } \frac{g'}{g} \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r))}{\quad}$

Corollary. Let  $f \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r)))$ ,  $\gamma \subset B(z_0, r)$  - simple closed curve,  $N_f$  - number of zeroes of  $f$  inside  $\gamma$ , counting multiplicity. Then  $n(f \circ \gamma, 0) = N_f$ .

Corollary Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r))$ ,  $\gamma \subset B(z_0, r)$  - closed curve.

Then  $\forall w \in \mathbb{C}$ .  $n(f \circ \gamma, w) = \sum h_j n(\gamma, z_j(w))$ , where  $z_j(w)$  are roots of  $f(z) = w$  with order  $h_j$ .  $w \notin f \circ \gamma$ .

Proof.  $n(f \circ \gamma, w) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)-w} dz$ , so we can apply Local Argument Principle to  $f(z)-w$ .



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Theorem (Local Rouché Thm) Let  $f, g \in A(\mathbb{D}(z_0, r))$ ,  $\gamma$  - simple closed curve in  $B(z_0, r)$ , and

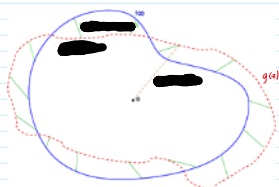
$$\forall z \in \gamma \quad |f(z) - g(z)| < |f(z)|.$$

Then  $f$  and  $g$  have the same number of zeroes ( $N_f$  and  $N_g$ ) inside of  $\gamma$ , counted with multiplicities.

Heuristics. We have to prove:  $N(f \circ \gamma, 0) = N(g \circ \gamma, 0)$  (Argument principle)

But  $g \circ \gamma(t)$  is always at distance  $|f(\gamma(t)) - g(\gamma(t))|$  from  $f(\gamma(t))$ , which is less than distance from  $f(\gamma(t))$  to 0.

So it winds around 0 the same number of times!





Proof.

$$\text{Let } \psi(z) = \frac{g(z)}{f(z)}. \text{ So } \frac{\psi'(z)}{\psi(z)} = \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} - \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}$$

$$O_{\gamma}: |\psi(z)| < 1.$$

$$\text{So } \psi \circ \gamma \in \{|\zeta| < 1\}. \text{ Of } \{|\zeta| < 1\} \Rightarrow n(\psi \circ \gamma, 0) = 0.$$

$$\text{But } 0 = n(\psi \circ \gamma, 0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{\psi'(z)}{\psi(z)} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left( \int_{\gamma} \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} dz - \int_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz \right) =$$

$$N_g - N_f. \quad \blacksquare$$

Another proof of FTA.

$$\text{Let } p(z) = a_d z^d + \underbrace{a_{d-1} z^{d-1} + \dots + a_0}_{q(z)}$$

$$\text{Let } f(z) = a_d z^d.$$

$$\text{Then } \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{q(z)}{f(z)} = \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} \frac{a_k}{a_d} \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} z^{k-d} = 0.$$

$$\text{So for large } R, \text{ if } |z| = R \text{ then } \frac{|p(z) - f(z)|}{|f(z)|} = \frac{|q(z)|}{|f(z)|} < 1.$$

So, by Rouché applied to  $C_R = \{R e^{it}\}$ ,

$$N_p = N_f = d. \quad \blacksquare$$