

M.Sc. Sem-II, Paper VI (Complex Analysis)Power seriesSome definitions

(1) A subset $G \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is open if, for each $z \in G$, there is an $\epsilon > 0$ such that $B(z; \epsilon) \subseteq G$. The point z_0 is said to be an interior point of the set $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ if there exists an $\epsilon > 0$ such that $B(z_0; \epsilon) \subseteq S$. Further interior of S , written $\text{int} S$, is the set $\bar{S} = \bigcap \{G : G \text{ is open and } G \subseteq S\}$. The closure of $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, denoted by \bar{S} , is the set $\bar{S} = \bigcap \{F : F \text{ is closed and } F \supseteq S\}$. The boundary of S , denoted by ∂S and defined by $\partial S = \bar{S} \cap (\overline{\mathbb{C} - S})$. Further, a subset S is dense if $\bar{S} = \mathbb{C}$.

(2) A metric space (X, d) is connected if the only subsets of X which are both open and closed are X and the empty set. Further, a subset $S \subseteq X$ is connected if the metric space (S, d) is connected.

(3) If G is an open set in \mathbb{C} and $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, then f is differentiable at a point $a \in G$ if $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$ exists. It is denoted by $f'(a)$ and called derivative of f at a .

(4) If f is differentiable on G , then we define $f': G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. If f' is continuous then we say that f is continuously differentiable.

(5) ~~Successive~~ A differentiable function such that each successive derivative is again differentiable is called infinitely differentiable.

(6) A function $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is analytic if f is continuously differentiable on G .

Power Series:- A series ⁽²⁾ of the form $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z-a)^n$ where $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, \dots$ are constants, is called Power series about a .

Example. The geometrical series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ is power series about 0 and for $|z| < 1$, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z}$.

Theorem:- For given power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z-a)^n$ define a number $0 \leq R \leq \infty$ by $\frac{1}{R} = \limsup |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}$, then

(a) If $|z-a| < R$, the series converges absolutely.

(b) If $|z-a| > R$, the term of series become unbounded and so series diverges.

(c) If $0 < r < R$, then the series converges uniformly on $\{z: |z-a| \leq r\}$.

Moreover the number R is the only number having properties (a) and (b).

Proof:- we may suppose that $a=0$.

(a) If $|z| < R$, then there is an r such that $|z| < r < R$, ($\frac{1}{r} > \frac{1}{R}$). Thus by definition of limit sup, there is an integer N such that

$$|a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} < \frac{1}{r} \text{ for all } n \geq N.$$

$$|a_n| < \frac{1}{r^n} \text{ for all } n \geq N.$$

$$|a_n z^n| < \left(\frac{|z|}{r}\right)^n \text{ for all } n \geq N.$$

Thus the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ is dominated by the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{|z|}{r}\right)^n$. Since the geometric series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{|z|}{r}\right)^n$ converges for $|z| < r$, the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ converges absolutely for each $|z| < R$.