

Example. When we talk about the residue of a complex function  $f$  at an isolated singularity  $z_0$ , this notion depends on our choice of coordinate.

(Residue as value of  $a_{-1}$  in the Laurent expansion of  $f$  at  $z_0$ .) Laurent expansion is different in different coordinate systems.

Better to think of the residue of the hol. 1-form  $f(z)dz$ . (Residue as  $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z)dz$

where  $\gamma$  is a small anticlockwise loop around  $z_0$  with  $\text{wind}(\gamma, z_0) = 1$ .)

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Every connected  
Riemann surface can be written  
as  $S/\Gamma$  where  $S \stackrel{\cong}{=} \mathbb{R}$  is simply connected  
and  $\Gamma$  is acting by holomorphic  
automorphisms.

We claim that every simply  
connected Riemann surface is  $S^2$ ,  
 $\mathbb{C}$  or the disk. We will now  
describe these automorphism groups.

Automorphisms of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Prop. Every automorphism of  $\mathbb{C}P^1$  has the

form  $z \mapsto \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$ .

Proof. Say  $f: \mathbb{C}_\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_\infty$  is a holomorphic automorphism.  $f$  is in particular a meromorphic function so  $f(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}$  by our previous theorem.

Now  $f(z) = w$  has only one solution

$$\frac{P(z)}{Q(z)} = w.$$

May assume that  $P, Q$  have distinct roots.

Roots of  $P$  map to  $w$ . Plus ~~just~~ one root

$$P(z) = c(z-z_0)^n, \quad Q(z_0) \neq 0.$$

The value of  $\frac{P}{Q}$  at  $z_0$  is  $w$ . Since  $\frac{P}{Q}$  is an automorphism  $V_P(z_0) = n = 1$ .

So  $P$  is linear.

$$\begin{aligned} c(z-z_0)^n (a_0 + a_1(z-z_0) + \dots) \\ = c \cdot a_0 (z-z_0)^n + \dots \end{aligned}$$

We continue with the disks.

Without loss of generality we can consider the unit disk in  $\mathbb{C}$  which we write as  $\Delta$ .

Schwarz's lemma. Suppose  $f: \Delta \rightarrow \Delta$  is holomorphic and that  $f(0) = 0$ . Then either

(1)  $|f(z)| < |z|$  for every non-zero  $z$  in  $\Delta$  or

(2)  $f(z) = e^{i\theta} z$  for some real constant  $\theta$ .

In addition we have  $|f'(0)| \leq 1$ . If equality holds we are in case (1) above otherwise we are in case 2.

Proof.  $f(z) = a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$   
 $= z(a_1 + a_2 z + \dots)$   
 $= z \cdot g(z)$   $g$  holomorphic

For  $r < 1$  we can apply the maximum principle to  $g$  on the disk  $D_r = \{z \mid |z| \leq r\}$  and obtain

$$|g(z)| \leq \sup_{|w|=r} |g(w)| < \frac{1}{r} \quad (*)$$

since on  $D_r$ :

$$\begin{aligned} 1 > |f(z)| &= |z \cdot g(z)| = |z| \cdot |g(z)| \\ &= r \cdot |g(z)| \end{aligned}$$

hence max occurs on  $\partial D_r$  by the maximum principle.

(Note that there are two versions of the maximum principle. Here we are using the version which says that a cont. fun. on the closed disk which is holomorphic in the interior takes its maximum on the boundary.)

(Below we use a refined version which implies that if a holomorphic function on the open disk achieves its maximum then it is constant.)

Letting  $r \rightarrow 1$  in equation \* we get

$|g(z)| \leq 1$  in  $\Delta$ , note in particular that  
 $|g(0)| = |f'(0)| \leq 1$ .

If  $|g| = 1$  at some point of the open disk  $\Delta$  then by the second version of the maximum principle  $g$  is constant  $g(z) = c$ . Plus  $|c| = 1$  and  $c = e^{i\theta}$ .

$g$  is constant by the <sup>refined</sup> maximum principle and  $g(z) = e^{i\theta} z$  so (2)

holds. Otherwise  $|g| < 1$  and (1) holds.

To prove the last two statements note that  $g$  is defined and holomorphic on  $\Delta$  and since  $f(z) = z \cdot g(z)$  we have  $f'(0) = g(0)$ .

If  $|f'(0)| = 1$  then  $|g|$  achieves its maximum in  $\Delta$  and we are in case 2. If  $|f'(0)| < 1$  then  $|g(0)| < 1$  then  $|g(z)|$  cannot be 1 at any  $z \in \Delta$

so we are in case 1.

Theorem. The elements of  $\text{Aut}(\Delta)$  are precisely the Möbius transformations of the form

$$f(z) = \frac{az + \bar{c}}{cz + \bar{a}} \text{ with } |a|^2 - |c|^2 = 1.$$

Proof. Elements of this form form a group.

