

Graphs of holomorphic functions

$V \subset \mathbb{C}$ open $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic

$$X = \text{graph}(f) = \{ (z, f(z)) \mid z \in V \} \subset \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$\pi: \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad \pi(z, w) = z$$

Atlas w/ one chart $\varphi = \pi|_X: X \rightarrow V$

Smooth affine plane curves $\mathbb{C}^2 = \text{"affine plane"}$

let $f(z, w) \in \mathbb{C}[z, w]$ be a polynomial in two variables

let $X = V(f) := \{ (z, w) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid f(z, w) = 0 \}$
be the vanishing locus of f .

X is called an affine plane curve ("curve" b/c 1-dim over \mathbb{C})

Def f is nonsingular if f , $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$, and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial w}$ never vanish simultaneously: i.e.

$$f(p) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(p) \neq 0 \text{ or } \frac{\partial f}{\partial w}(p) \neq 0$$

If f is nonsingular we call $X = V(f)$ nonsingular or smooth.

Theorem If f is nonsingular then $X = V(f)$ is a Riemann surface. (possibly disconnected)

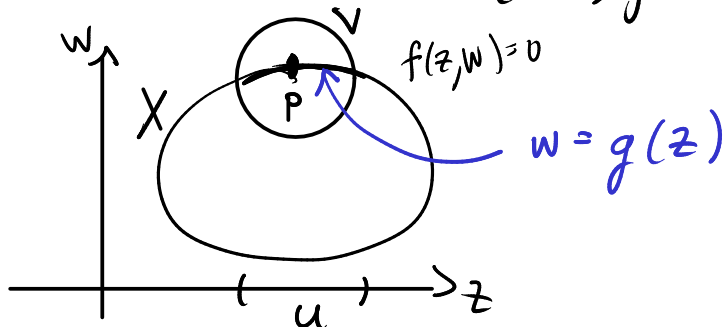
Theorem (Holomorphic implicit function theorem)

Let $f(z,w)$ be a polynomial, $X = V(f) = \{(z,w) \mid f(z,w) = 0\}$.

Let $p = (z_0, w_0) \in X$.

If $\frac{\partial f}{\partial w}(p) \neq 0$, then $\exists U \subset \mathbb{C}$ open, $z_0 \in U$
 $V \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ open, $(z_0, w_0) \in V$
 and $g: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic,

such that $X \cap V = \{(z, g(z)) \mid z \in U\}$



That is, near a point where $\frac{\partial f}{\partial w} \neq 0$, $f(z,w) = 0$ defines w as a function of z , and X is locally a graph $w = g(z)$.

Similarly, near a point where $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \neq 0$, $f(z,w) = 0$ defines z as a function of w , and X is locally a graph $z = h(w)$.

Proof that f nonsingular $\Rightarrow X = V(f)$ is a Riemann surface.

Let $p \in X$. If $\frac{\partial f}{\partial w}(p) \neq 0$, then implicit function theorem says

$$X \cap V = \{(z, g(z)) \mid z \in U\} \text{ open in } \mathbb{C}$$

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open in X

$\pi_z: X \cap V \rightarrow U$ projection to z coord.
is a chart.

If $\frac{\partial f}{\partial w}(p) = 0$, then $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(p) \neq 0$ (f is nonsingular)

$$X \cap V = \{ (h(w), w) \mid w \in U \}$$

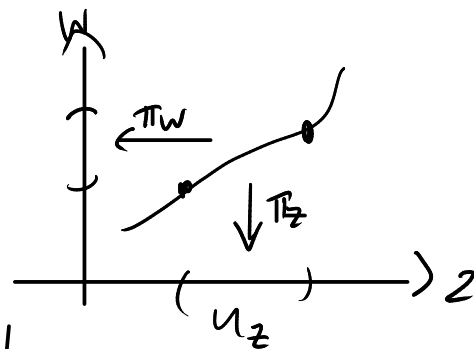
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Compatibility: $X \cap V \xrightarrow{\pi_w} U_w$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \cap V & \xrightarrow{\pi_w} & U_w \\ \pi_z \downarrow & \nearrow & \\ U_z & & \end{array}$$

$$\pi_w \circ \pi_z^{-1}$$

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 f is holomorphic!



QED.

More generally, give any f nonsingular or not, $X = V(f)$

we define
singular locus

$$X^{\text{sing}} := \{ p \in X \mid \frac{\partial f}{\partial w}(p) = 0 \text{ and } \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(p) = 0 \}$$

smooth locus

$$X^{\text{smooth}} := X \setminus X^{\text{sing}}$$

We have shown X^{smooth} is a Riemann surface. (possibly disconnected)

Def $f(z, w)$ is reducible if $f(z, w) = g(z, w)h(z, w)$
where g and h are nonconstant polynomials
otherwise f is irreducible.

Theorem If $f(z, w)$ is irreducible, then $X = V(f) \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ is connected.

The proof of this theorem is surprisingly nontrivial - omitted for now.
[Shafarevich's proofs use either a weak form of Riemann-Roch
or Noether's Normalization lemma]

Example: If $h(z)$ has distinct roots, then
 $f(z,w) = w^2 - h(z)$ is irreducible and nonsingular

$\Rightarrow X = \{(z,w) \mid w^2 = h(z)\}$ is a connected Riemann surf.