

# Functions of several complex variables and their critical points

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Below  $\mathbb{k}$  is one of  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$ , and  $R$  is one of  $C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n, 0)$ ,  $\mathbb{k}[[\underline{x}]]$ ,  $\mathbb{k}\{\underline{x}\}$ .

- (1) We have defined the group actions  $\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{K} \circ R$ . (Verify that these are indeed group-actions.)
- (a) Suppose  $f(o) = 0$  and  $f'|_o = 0$ . Write down the transformation rule for the matrix  $f^{(2)}|_o$  under the  $\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{K}$ -actions. Verify:  $\text{rank}(f^{(2)}|_o)$  is  $\mathcal{K}$ -invariant.  
For  $\mathbb{k} = \mathbb{R}$  denote by  $(n_+, n_0, n_-)$  the number of the positive/zero/negative eigenvalues of  $f^{(2)}|_o$ . Verify: the triple  $(n_+, n_0, n_-)$  is preserved under  $\mathcal{R}$ -equivalence.  
Verify: the numbers  $n_0, |n_+ - n_-|$  are preserved under  $\mathcal{K}$ -equivalence.
- (b) Define  $\mathcal{R}^{(j)} := \{g \in \mathcal{R} \mid g(\underline{x}) - \underline{x} \in \mathfrak{m}^j \cdot R^{\oplus n}\}$ . Prove:  $\mathcal{R}^{(j)} \triangleleft \mathcal{R}$  (a normal subgroup). Describe/identify the group  $\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{R}^{(1)}$ .
- (c) Similarly, define  $\mathcal{K}^{(j)}$ , prove that  $\mathcal{K}^{(j)} \triangleleft \mathcal{K}$ , and describe/identify  $\mathcal{K}/\mathcal{K}^{(1)}$ .
- (d) Prove:  $x^3 + y^4 \stackrel{\mathcal{R}}{\sim} x^3 + y^4 + x^2y^2 + xy^3$ ,  $x^p + y^p \stackrel{\mathcal{R}}{\sim} x^p + y^p + y^a x^{p-1} + x^b y^{p-1}$ , for  $a, b \geq \frac{p-1}{2}$ .
- (e) (Here  $\mathbb{k} = \mathbb{C}$ .) Let  $f_t = x^p + y^q + z^r + txyz$ , with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r} < 1$ . Prove that  $f_t \stackrel{\mathcal{K}}{\sim} f_1$  for any  $t \neq 0$ .  
Give a condition on  $t, t'$  to ensure  $f_t \stackrel{\mathcal{R}}{\sim} f_{t'}$ .
- (f) Disprove: i.  $\phi(\text{Jac}(f)) = \text{Jac}(\phi(f))$  for  $\phi \in \mathcal{R}$ . ii.  $\phi(\text{Jac}(f)) = \text{Jac}(\phi(f))$  for  $\phi \in \mathcal{K}$ .  
iii.  $\phi((f) + \text{Jac}(f)) = \mathcal{K} \cdot \phi(f) + \text{Jac}(\mathcal{K} \cdot \phi(f))$ . (What is the geometric interpretation?)
- (g) (Is there an equivalence weaker than  $\mathcal{K}$ ?) Suppose for a certain equivalence  $\sim$  on  $R$  holds: if  $f \sim g$  then  $V(f), V(g) \subset (\mathbb{k}^n, o)$  differ by a change of variables. Prove: if  $f \sim g$  are square-free then  $f \stackrel{\mathcal{K}}{\sim} g$ .
- (h) Let  $f = f_p + f_{>p}$  and  $g = g_p + g_{>p}$ . Prove: if  $f \stackrel{\mathcal{R}}{\sim} g$  then  $f_p \stackrel{GL_n(\mathbb{k})}{\sim} g_p$ , where  $n$  is the number of variables and the action  $GL_n(\mathbb{k}) \circ \mathbb{k}^n$  is the usual one.  
Similarly prove: if  $f \stackrel{\mathcal{K}}{\sim} g$  then  $f_p \stackrel{GL_n(\mathbb{k})}{\sim} (\pm)g_p$ .  
( $V(f_p) \subset \mathbb{k}^n$  is called the tangent cone of  $V(f)$ , and  $\mathcal{K}$ -equivalence acts linearly on  $V(f_p)$ .)
- (i) Prove that the  $\mathcal{K}$ -orbits of the sets  $\{x^4\} + \mathfrak{m}^5$ ,  $\{x^3y\} + \mathfrak{m}^5$ ,  $\{x^2y^2\} + \mathfrak{m}^5$  are disjoint.
- (2) Below we assume:  $f \in R = \mathbb{k}[[\underline{x}]]$  and the derivation  $D = \sum \phi_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \in \text{Der}_{\mathbb{k}}(R)$  satisfies  $D(\mathfrak{m}) \subseteq \mathfrak{m}^2$ .
- (a) (i) Prove:  $e^D(f)$  is a well defined power series,  $e^D(f \cdot g) = e^D(f) \cdot e^D(g)$ , and  $e^D(f(\underline{x})) = f(e^D(\underline{x}))$ .  
(ii) Disprove:  $e^D(f(\underline{x})) = f(\underline{x} + \phi)$   
(iii) Suppose  $e^{D_1}(f) = e^{D_2}(f)$  for any  $f \in R$ . Prove:  $D_1 = D_2$ .
- (b) Let  $\{D_j\}$  be a sequence of derivations satisfying:  $D_j(\mathfrak{m}) \subseteq \mathfrak{m}^{1+j}$ . Prove:  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} (e^{D_j} e^{D_{j-1}} \dots e^{D_1})$  exists and is an automorphism of  $R$ .
- (c) Let  $f \in \mathbb{k}\{x\}$ , with the radius of convergence  $r$ . For which  $a \in \mathbb{k}$  is  $e^{a \frac{d}{dx}}(f)$  a well defined power series?
- (3) (a) Find the order of  $\mathcal{R}$ -determinacy in the following cases  
i.  $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^k$ , ii.  $f(x, y, z) = x^3 + y^3 + z^3$ .  
(b) Let  $f(x, y) = f_3(x, y) + f_{>3}(x, y)$ . Suppose  $f_3$  splits into 3 (pairwise) independent linear forms.  
Prove:  $f \stackrel{\mathcal{R}}{\sim} xy(x - y)$ .  
(c) We have proved the determinacy theorem for  $\mathcal{R}$ -equivalence. Finish the proof for  $\mathcal{K}$ -equivalence.  
(d) Define the filtration topology on  $R$  via the basic open sets:  $\{f\} + \mathfrak{m}^j$ , for  $f \in R$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ .  
Verify:  $f$  is finitely  $\mathcal{R}$  (resp.  $\mathcal{K}$ )-determined iff the orbit  $\mathcal{R} \cdot f$  (resp.  $\mathcal{K} \cdot f$ ) is open in this topology.
- (4) (a) Verify:  $\dim R/\text{Jac}(f) < \infty$  iff for some  $a$  holds:  $\dim R/\mathfrak{m}^a \cdot \text{Jac}(f) < \infty$ .  
(b) Verify:  $\dim R/\text{Jac}(f) + (f) < \infty$  iff for some  $a$  holds:  $\dim R/\mathfrak{m}^a \cdot (\text{Jac}(f) + (f)) < \infty$ .  
(c) Verify: if  $\mu(f) < \infty$  then the critical locus of  $f$  is (set-theoretically) a point. Prove the converse statement for  $R = \mathbb{C}\{\underline{x}\}$ . Does the converse statement hold also for  $R = \mathbb{R}\{\underline{x}\}$ ?