

# Holomorphic functional calculus

$A$  ... a Banach algebra with unit  $e$

$x \in A$ ,  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  open set,  $\Omega \supset \sigma(x)$

$\Gamma$  ... a cycle around  $\sigma(x)$  in  $\Omega$ , i.e.

- $\Gamma$  is a cycle in  $\Omega \setminus \sigma(x)$
- $\text{ind}_{\Gamma} z \in \{0, 1\}$  for  $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \langle \Gamma \rangle$
- $\text{ind}_{\Gamma} z = 1$  for  $z \in \sigma(x)$
- $\text{ind}_{\Gamma} z = 0$  for  $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$

The existence of  $\Gamma$  follows from complex analysis

Let  $f$  be a holomorphic function on  $\Omega$ . Define

$$\tilde{f}(x) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) (\lambda e - x)^{-1} d\lambda$$

① The integral exists in Bochner sense by Proposition 17, as  $\lambda \mapsto f(\lambda) (\lambda e - x)^{-1}$  is cts on  $\langle \Gamma \rangle$  by Prop. 8(ii)

② The value of  $\tilde{f}(x)$  does not depend on  $\Gamma$ :

Let  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  be two cycles with the above properties.

Consider the cycle  $\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2$ . Then  $\langle \Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2 \rangle \subset \Omega \setminus \sigma(x)$

$$\forall z \in \sigma(x) \quad \text{ind}_{\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2} z = \text{ind}_{\Gamma_1} z - \text{ind}_{\Gamma_2} z = 1 - 1 = 0$$

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega \quad \text{ind}_{\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2} z = \text{ind}_{\Gamma_1} z - \text{ind}_{\Gamma_2} z = 0 - 0 = 0$$

$\forall \varphi \in A^*$   $\lambda \mapsto f(\lambda) \varphi(\lambda e - x)^{-1}$  is holomorphic  
on  $\Omega \setminus \sigma(x)$  (by Prop. 8(iv))

hence, by Cauchy theorem

$$\int_{\Gamma_1 = \Gamma_2} f(\lambda) \varphi(\lambda e - x)^{-1} d\lambda = 0$$

But, further  $\rightarrow$  ||

$$\varphi\left(\int_{\Gamma_1 = \Gamma_2} f(\lambda) (\lambda e - x)^{-1} d\lambda\right)$$

So, this holds for each  $\varphi \in A^+$ , so

$$0 = \int_{\Gamma_1 = \Gamma_2} f(\lambda) (\lambda e - x)^{-1} d\lambda = \int_{\Gamma_1} f(\lambda) (\lambda e - x)^{-1} d\lambda - \int_{\Gamma_2} f(\lambda) (\lambda e - x)^{-1} d\lambda \quad \checkmark$$

③  $f \mapsto \tilde{f}(x)$  is linear. [This is clear]

④  $f(\lambda) = \lambda^n$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Then  $\tilde{f}(x) = x^n$  (where  $x = e$ )

$\Gamma$  is an entire function, so we can take  $\Omega = \mathbb{C}$  and suppose that  $\Gamma$  is a circle with center 0 and radius  $R > r(x)$  (positively oriented)

Since  $(\lambda e - x)^{-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{\lambda^{k+1}}$ ,  $|\lambda| > r(x)$ , we have, for any  $\varphi \in A^+$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\tilde{f}(x)) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \lambda^n \varphi\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{\lambda^{k+1}}\right) d\lambda = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\varphi(x^k)}{\lambda^{k+1-n}} d\lambda = \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{\varphi(x^k)}{\lambda^{k+1-n}} d\lambda = \varphi(x^n), \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{as } \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{1}{\lambda^{k+1-n}} d\lambda = \begin{cases} 1 & k=n \\ 0 & k \neq n \end{cases}$$

Hence  $\tilde{f}(x) = x^n$   $\checkmark$

(5) It follows that  $\tilde{\text{id}}(z) = z$ ,  $\tilde{1}(z) = e$  and,  
 if  $p$  is a polynomial, then  $\tilde{p}(z) = p(z)$ .  
 So, (5) and (6) are proved

(6) We prove (d), i.e.  $\tilde{f}(\mu e) = f(\mu)e$  whenever  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$

$\Gamma \cap \Omega(\mu e) = \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $\Gamma$  is the circle centered  
 at  $\mu$  with positive orientation and radius  $r > 0$   
 s.t.  $\overline{U(\mu, r)} \subset \Omega$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \tilde{f}(\mu e) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) (\lambda e - \mu e)^{-1} d\lambda = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(\lambda)}{\lambda - \mu} \cdot e \, d\lambda \\ &= f(\mu)e \quad \text{by the Cauchy formula} \end{aligned}$$

(7) Let  $f \in H(\Omega)$ ,  $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $g(\lambda) = (\mu - \lambda)f(\lambda)$ .

$$\text{Then } \tilde{g}(x) = (\mu e - x) \tilde{f}(x)$$

Let us first assume that  $\mu \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega(x)$ .

Then  $\mu \in \mathcal{B}(x)$ , so  $(\mu e - x)^{-1}$  exists

Fix  $\varphi \in A^*$ . Define  $\psi(y) = \varphi((\mu e - x) \cdot y)$ ,  $y \in A$

Then  $\psi \in A^*$ ,  $\|\psi\| \leq \|\varphi\| \cdot \|\mu e - x\|$

$$\varphi(\tilde{g}(x)) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} g(\lambda) \cdot \varphi((\lambda e - x)^{-1}) \, d\lambda =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \cdot (\mu - \lambda) \cdot \varphi((\mu e - x)^{-1} (\lambda e - x)^{-1}) \, d\lambda =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \cdot \varphi((\mu - \lambda) (\mu e - x)^{-1} (\lambda e - x)^{-1}) \, d\lambda$$

Prop 2(ii)

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \cdot \varphi((\lambda e - x)^{-1} - (\mu e - x)^{-1}) \, d\lambda$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \psi(\lambda e^{-x}) d\lambda - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \psi((\mu e^{-x})^{-1})$$

$$= \psi(\tilde{f}(x)) - 0$$

↙ Cauchy theorem

$$= \psi((\mu e^{-x}) \tilde{f}(x)).$$

$$\psi \in A^+ \text{ arbitrary} \Rightarrow \tilde{g}(x) = (\mu e^{-x}) \tilde{f}(x).$$

Next, if  $\mu \in \sigma(x)$ , fix  $\mu_0 \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \sigma(x)$

$$\text{Then } (\mu - \lambda)f(\lambda) = \underbrace{(\mu_0 - \lambda)f(\lambda)}_{g_1(\lambda)} + \underbrace{(\mu - \mu_0)f(\lambda)}_{g_2(\lambda)}$$

$$\tilde{g}_1(x) = (\mu_0 e^{-x}) \tilde{f}(x) \text{ by the first part}$$

$$\tilde{g}_2(x) = (\mu - \mu_0) \tilde{f}(x) \text{ by linearity (see 3)}$$

again using linearity, we see that

$$\tilde{g}(x) = \tilde{g}_1(x) + \tilde{g}_2(x) = (\mu e^{-x}) \tilde{f}(x)$$

$$\textcircled{8} \quad f \in H(\Omega), \mu \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega, g(\lambda) = \frac{f(\lambda)}{\lambda - \mu} \Rightarrow \tilde{g}(x) = (\mu e^{-x})^{-1} \tilde{f}(x)$$

$$\text{By } \textcircled{7} \text{ we have } \tilde{f}(x) = (\mu e^{-x}) \tilde{g}(x), \mu \in \rho(x) \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow \tilde{g}(x) = (\mu e^{-x})^{-1} \tilde{f}(x)$$

$$\textcircled{9} \quad f \in H(\Omega), p \text{ polynomial} \Rightarrow p \cdot \tilde{f}(x) = p(x) \cdot \tilde{f}(x)$$

By induction from  $\textcircled{7}$  and using (c)

$$\textcircled{10} \quad f(\lambda) = \frac{(\lambda - \zeta_1) \dots (\lambda - \zeta_n)}{(\lambda - \theta_1) \dots (\lambda - \theta_m)}, \quad \zeta_1 \dots \zeta_n \in \mathbb{C}, \theta_1 \dots \theta_m \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega(x)$$

Then  $\tilde{f}(x) = (x - \theta_1 e)^{-1} \dots (x - \theta_m e)^{-1} (x - \xi_1 e) \dots (x - \xi_n e)$

[By induction from (7) and (8)]

(11)  $f \in H(\Omega)$ ,  $g \in H(\Omega)$ ,  $g$  a rational function

$$\Rightarrow \widetilde{fg}(x) = \tilde{g}(x) \cdot \tilde{f}(x)$$

[Using (10), (7), (8) and induction]

(12) We prove (e):  $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} f$  on  $\Omega$ ,  $f_n \in H(\Omega)$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{f}_n(x) \rightarrow \tilde{f}(x) \text{ in the norm of } A$$

•  $f \in H(\Omega)$  by Weierstrass theorem

•  $\varphi \in A^*$ ,  $\|\varphi\| \leq 1$ . Then:

$$\|\varphi(\tilde{f}_n(x))\| = \left\| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \cdot \varphi((\lambda e - x)^{-1}) d\lambda \right\| \leq$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \text{length}(\Gamma) \cdot \max_{\lambda \in \Gamma} \|f(\lambda) \cdot \varphi((\lambda e - x)^{-1})\|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \text{length}(\Gamma) \cdot \max_{\lambda \in \Gamma} (|f(\lambda)| \cdot \|\varphi\| \cdot \|(\lambda e - x)^{-1}\|)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \text{length}(\Gamma) \cdot \max_{\lambda \in \Gamma} \|(\lambda e - x)^{-1}\| \cdot \max_{\lambda \in \Gamma} |f(\lambda)|$$

$C$ , a constant not depending on  $\varphi$  and  $f$

(Corollary II.2)

• So, by H-B thm, we have

$$\|\tilde{f}_n(x)\| \leq C \cdot \max_{\lambda \in \Gamma} |f(\lambda)|$$

Finally, if  $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} f$  on  $\Omega$ , then  $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} f$  on  $\langle \Omega \rangle$   
 (as  $\langle \Omega \rangle$  is compact),

so  $f_n - f \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} 0$  on  $\langle \Omega \rangle$ , so

$$\| \widehat{f_n(x)} - \widehat{f(x)} \| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{by the estimate.} \quad \downarrow$$

$$(13) \quad f, g \in H(\Omega) \Rightarrow \widehat{fg}(x) = \widehat{f}(x) \cdot \widehat{g}(x)$$

$\Gamma$  Runge theorem  $\Rightarrow \exists f_n \in H(\Omega)$  rational functions  
 $f_n \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} f$  on  $\Omega$

Then  $f_n g \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} fg$  on  $\Omega$ . So,

$$\widehat{fg}(x) \stackrel{(12)}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \widehat{f_n g}(x) \stackrel{(11)}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \widehat{f_n}(x) \widehat{g}(x) =$$

$$\stackrel{(12)}{=} \widehat{f}(x) \widehat{g}(x). \quad \downarrow$$

(14) We have proved (a). It follows from (3) and (13) and (6)

(15) We prove (f) :  $\widehat{f}(x) \in G(A) \Leftrightarrow \forall \lambda \in \sigma(x) : f(\lambda) \neq 0$

$\Leftarrow$  :  $\frac{1}{f}$  is holomorphic on an open set containing  $\sigma(x)$

$$1 = f \cdot \frac{1}{f} = \widehat{f} \cdot \widehat{\frac{1}{f}}, \quad \text{so} \quad e = \widehat{1}(x) = \widehat{f}(x) \cdot \widehat{\frac{1}{f}}(x)$$

$$= \widehat{\frac{1}{f}}(x) = \widehat{\frac{1}{f}}(x)$$

$$\text{So, } \widehat{\frac{1}{f}}(x) = (\widehat{f}(x))^{-1}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Suppose  $\exists \lambda_0 \in \sigma(x) : f(\lambda_0) = 0$ . Then  $\exists g \in H(\Omega)$ ,

$$f(\lambda) = (\lambda - \lambda_0) g(\lambda) \Rightarrow \widehat{f}(x) = (x - \lambda_0 e) \widehat{g}(x)$$

$(x - \lambda_0 e)$  not invertible  $\Rightarrow \widehat{f}(x)$  not invertible  $\downarrow$

(16) We know (g) :  $\sigma(\tilde{f}(z)) = f(\sigma(z))$

$$\Gamma \lambda_0 \in \sigma(\tilde{f}(z)) \Leftrightarrow \lambda_0 e - \tilde{f}(z) \notin \zeta(z)$$

$$\parallel$$

$$(\lambda_0 - f(z))$$

$$\stackrel{(+)}{\Leftrightarrow} \exists \lambda \in \sigma(z) : (\lambda_0 - f)(\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists \lambda \in \sigma(z) : f(\lambda) = \lambda_0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda_0 \in f(\sigma(z))$$

(17) We know (h) :  $f \in H(\Omega)$ ,  $\Omega' \supset f(\sigma(z))$  open,  $g \in H(\Omega')$

$$\Rightarrow \widetilde{g \circ f}(z) = \tilde{g}(\tilde{f}(z))$$

By (g) we know  $\sigma(f(z)) = f(\sigma(z))$ . Let  $\Gamma_1$  be a cycle in  $\Omega'$  around  $\sigma(f(z)) = f(\sigma(z))$ .

$\Omega'_0 := \{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid \langle \Gamma_1, \lambda \rangle = 1 \}$ . Then  $\Omega'_0$  is open,  $\sigma(f(z)) \in \Omega'_0 \subset \Omega'$ .

Let  $\Omega_0 = \{ \lambda \in \Omega ; f(\lambda) \in \Omega'_0 \}$ . Then  $\Omega_0$  is open (as  $\Omega$  and  $\Omega'_0$  are open and  $f$  is cts),  $\sigma(z) \in \Omega_0 \subset \Omega$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \uparrow & \nwarrow \text{clear} & \\ \lambda \in \sigma(z) & \Rightarrow & f(\lambda) \in f(\sigma(z)) = \sigma(f(z)) \in \Omega'_0 \end{array}$$

Let  $\Gamma_2$  be a cycle in  $\Omega_0$  around  $\sigma(z)$ .

Then, given  $\varphi \in A^*$ , we have

$$\varphi(\tilde{g}(\tilde{f}(z))) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_1} g(\lambda) \cdot \varphi((\lambda e - \tilde{f}(z))^{-1}) d\lambda =$$

$$\stackrel{(u)}{=} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_1} g(\lambda) \cdot \varphi \left( \widetilde{\left( \frac{1}{\lambda - s} \right)}(x) \right) d\lambda =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_1} g(\lambda) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_2} \frac{1}{\lambda - f(\mu)} \cdot \varphi((\mu e - x)^{-1}) d\mu \right) d\lambda =$$

$$\boxtimes = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_2} \varphi((\mu e - x)^{-1}) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_1} \frac{g(\lambda)}{\lambda - f(\mu)} d\lambda \right) d\mu =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_2} \varphi((\mu e - x)^{-1}) g(H(\mu)) d\mu$$

=  $g(H(\mu))$  by the Cauchy formula:

•  $g$  is holomorphic on  $\mathcal{D}$

•  $d\mu|_{\Gamma_2} = 0$  for  $z \in \mathcal{D} \setminus \mathcal{D}$

$$= \widetilde{g \circ f}(x)$$

•  $\text{ind}_{\Gamma_2} f(\mu) = 1$  as  $f(\mu) \in \mathcal{R}_0'$

$\boxtimes$  Fubini theorem:

$$(\lambda, \mu) \mapsto \varphi((\mu e - x)^{-1}) \frac{g(\lambda)}{\lambda - f(\mu)} \text{ is cts on } \langle \Gamma_1 \rangle + \langle \Gamma_2 \rangle$$

If we use the definition of path integral, we obtain a bounded measurable function on a product of two compact subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  (fin. b unions of intervals), so cts is integrable.

(13) We prove (i):  $g$  commutes with  $x \Rightarrow g$  commutes with  $\widetilde{f}(x)$

$$\square \varphi \in A^* \dots \text{ define } \psi_1(z) = \varphi(yz), z \in A, \psi_2(z) = \varphi(zy), z \in A \\ \Rightarrow \psi_1, \psi_2 \in A^*$$

$$\varphi(y \widetilde{f}(x)) = \psi_1(\widetilde{f}(x)) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \psi_1((\lambda e - x)^{-1}) d\lambda = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \varphi(y(\lambda e - x)^{-1}) d\lambda$$



$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\sigma(x)} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \varphi((\lambda - x)^{-1} y) d\lambda &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \varphi_2((\lambda - x)^{-1}) = \\ &= \varphi_2(\tilde{f}(x)) = \varphi(\tilde{f}(x)y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ yx = xy \Rightarrow f(\lambda - x) = (\lambda - x)y \Rightarrow (\lambda - x)^{-1}y = y(\lambda - x)^{-1} \right]$$

$$\text{Hence, } \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{A}^*: \varphi(y \tilde{f}(x)) = \varphi(\tilde{f}(x)y). \text{ So, } y \tilde{f}(x) = \tilde{f}(x)y.$$

(19) Remarks:

• It may happen that  $f = g$  on  $\sigma(x)$ , but  $\tilde{f}(x) \neq \tilde{g}(x)$

$$\left[ \text{Example: } A = \mathbb{N}_2, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ Then } \sigma(x) = \{0\}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(\lambda) &= 1 \\ g(\lambda) &= \lambda^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow f(0) = g(0) = 0.$$

$$\text{So, } f = g \text{ on } \sigma(x), \text{ but}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(x) &= x \\ g(x) &= x^2 = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} f(x) \neq g(x)$$

•  $f \mapsto \tilde{f}$  need not be one-to-one, i.e.

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \tilde{g}(x) \not\Rightarrow f = g \text{ on a nbhd of } \sigma(x)$$

$$\left[ \text{As above, } A = \mathbb{N}_2, \quad x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(\lambda) = 0, \quad g(\lambda) = \lambda^2. \text{ Then } \tilde{f}(x) = \tilde{g}(x) = 0 \right]$$

$$\bullet \tilde{f}(x) = \tilde{g}(x) \Rightarrow f = g \text{ on } \sigma(x)$$

$$\left[ h = f - g \Rightarrow \tilde{h}(x) = 0 \Rightarrow h(\sigma(x)) = \sigma(\tilde{h}(x)) = \sigma(0) = \{0\}$$

$$\Rightarrow h = 0 \text{ on } \sigma(x) \Rightarrow f = g \text{ on } \sigma(x). \right]$$

• Holomorphic calculus in non-unital algebras :

$A$   $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra without unit,  $x \in A$ ,  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  open,  $\sigma(x) \subset \Omega$ .

Consider  $A^+$  and identify  $A$  with  $\tilde{A} = \{(a, 0) : a \in A\}$

Recall that  $\sigma(x) = \sigma_{A^+}(x, 0)$ .

So,  $\forall f \in H(\Omega)$  we may define  $\tilde{f}(x) := \tilde{f}(x, 0) \in A^+$

Further  $\tilde{f}(x) \in \tilde{A} \iff f(0) = 0$

Observe that  $0 \in \sigma(x) \subset \Omega$ , so  $f(0)$  is defined

Further, define  $\varphi \in (A^+)^*$  by  $\varphi(a, \epsilon) = \epsilon$ ,  $(a, \epsilon) \in A^+$

$$\text{Then } \varphi(\tilde{f}(x)) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \cdot \varphi((1-x-\lambda)^{-1}) d\lambda =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} f(\lambda) \underbrace{\varphi((1-x, \lambda)^{-1})}_{= \frac{1}{\lambda} \text{ by the def. of } \varphi} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(\lambda)}{\lambda} = f(0)$$

Cancel formula  
 $0 \in \sigma(x) \subset \Omega$ ,  $\text{ind}_\rho = 1$

In particular  $\tilde{f}(x) \in \tilde{A} \iff \varphi(\tilde{f}(x)) = 0 \iff f(0) = 0$

Conclusion: The holomorphic calculus works also in algebras without unit, but only for functions satisfying  $f(0) = 0$ .