

# § 1.3 Differentiable functions

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Def 3.1 Let  $G \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be an open set and  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Then  $f$  is

(complex) differentiable at  $z \in G$  provided

$$\lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbb{C}}} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h}$$

exists. When this limit exists, we denote it by  $f'(z)$

and call it the (complex) derivative of  $f$  at  $z$ .

Also,  $f$  is called analytic (or holomorphic) on  $G$

if  $f'(z)$  exists  $\forall z \in G$ .

Notation  $H(G) := \{f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ is holomorphic on } G\}$ .

here,  $G$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

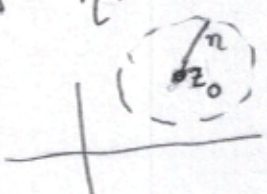
If  $S$  is any subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ , then  $f$  is holomorphic on  $S$

if  $\exists$  open set  $G$  s.t.  $G \supset S$  and  $f \in H(G)$ .

Rmk 3.2

1. Let  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be differentiable at  $z_0 \in G$  w/  $G$  open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Then  $\exists \eta > 0$  s.t. (\*) holds



$$N_\eta(z_0) := \{z_0 + h \mid h \in \mathbb{C}, |h| < \eta\} \subset G$$

$$N_{\eta'}(z_0) := \{z_0 + h \mid h \in \mathbb{C}, 0 < |h| < \eta'\}$$

So for  $h \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $0 < |h| < \eta'$ ,  $f(z_0 + h) = f(z_0) + h f'(z_0) + h E(h)$

and  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} E(h) = 0$ . So  $f$  is continuous at  $z_0$ .

2. Let  $G \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be open,  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $z_0 \in G$ . Then

[  $f$  is differentiable at  $z_0$  w/ derivative  $f'(z_0)$  ]  $\Leftrightarrow$

$$\left[ \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \text{ st if } h \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } 0 < |h| < \delta \text{ then } \left| \frac{f(z_0+h) - f(z_0)}{h} - f'(z_0) \right| < \varepsilon. \right] \quad (*)$$

This motivates the next Theorem.

Thm 3.3 (Cauchy Riemann Equations).

Let  $G \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be an open set and  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be differentiable at  $z = x+iy \in G$

Define  $u, v: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $u(x, y) = \operatorname{Re} [ f(x+iy) ]$   
 $v(x, y) = \operatorname{Im} [ f(x+iy) ]$   
 $\langle \text{so } f(x+iy) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y) \rangle$

Then:

① the 1<sup>st</sup> order partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$ ,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ ,  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$ ,  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$  exist at  $(x, y)$ .

② These partials satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann Equations:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

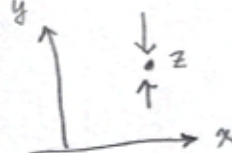
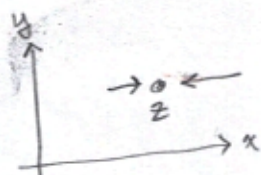
at the point  $(x, y)$ .

added.  $\rightarrow$  ③  $f'(x+iy) = u_x(x, y) + i v_x(x, y)$ .

Pf. LTGB  $G$ . I.I.T.  $\dots$

Idea Have  $z = x + iy$  & want to consider  $z+h$  w/  $h \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $0 < |h| < \text{small}$ . 12

a funky path  $z+h$ .



for (a) path of form  $(x+h) + iy$

for (b) path of form  $x + i(y+h)$

Since  $f'$  exists at  $z = x + iy$ , we get by (\*) applied:

(a) to  $h \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$f'(z) = \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0 \\ h \in \mathbb{R}}} \frac{u(x+h, y) - u(x, y)}{h} + i \frac{v(x+h, y) - v(x, y)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x, y)} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x, y)}$$

(b) to  $h$  of the form  $h = ik$  w/  $k \in \mathbb{R}$

$$f'(z) = \lim_{\substack{k \rightarrow 0 \\ k \in \mathbb{R}}} \frac{u(x, y+k) - u(x, y)}{ik} + i \frac{v(x, y+k) - v(x, y)}{ik}$$

$$= -i \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \Big|_{(x, y)} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \Big|_{(x, y)} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \Big|_{(x, y)} + i \left( \frac{-\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \Big|_{(x, y)}$$

So here if

so the 1<sup>st</sup> order partials of  $u$  &  $v$  exist at  $(x, y)$ ,

Equating the 2 different expressions above for

$f'(z)$  give the C-R Equations.  $\square$

Reading Assignment Ex 3.4 class notes, p5.

Def 3.5 A function  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is entire  $\iff$   $f$  is analytic on  $\mathbb{C}$   
 $\iff f \in H(\mathbb{C})$

Prop 3.6 Let  $G, G_1$  be nonempty open subsets of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

(1) If  $f, g \in H(G)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , then  $f+g, \lambda f, fg \in H(G)$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $(fg)(z) := f(z)g(z)$ .

(2) If  $f \in H(G)$  and  $g \in H(G_1)$  and  $f(G) \subset G_1$ ,

<think: what  $g \circ f: G \xrightarrow{f} G_1 \xrightarrow{g} \mathbb{C}$ >

then  $g \circ f \in H(G)$  and  $(g \circ f)'(z) = g'(f(z))f'(z) \quad \forall z \in G$ .

Pf. Analogous to corresponding proofs for  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued case.

Use Remark 3.2. See class notes p. 6.

Def/Cor 3.7.

(1) A (complex) polynomial  $p: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a function of the form

$$p(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + \dots + a_n z^n \quad \text{for some } n \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  and  $\{a_j\}_{j=0}^n \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ .

Note  $p \in H(\mathbb{C})$ .

(2) A (complex) rational function  $f$  is of the form

$$f(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} \quad \text{where } p, q \text{ are polynomials.}$$

Note that since  $q$  is continuous,  $\mathbb{C} \setminus (q^{-1}(\{0\}))$  is open.

Note  $f \in H(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid q(z) = 0\})$ .

Remark mg 3.1

Let  $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0 \in G \stackrel{\text{open}}{\subseteq} \mathbb{C}$ .

Identify  $G \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  with  $G := \{(x, y) : x + iy \in G\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Note  $G \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  is open  $\Leftrightarrow G \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  is open.

Consider  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and  $u, v: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where

$$f(x + iy) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y).$$

The Cauchy-Riemann Equations for  $f$  are given by :

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

 (CR eq.)

Thm 3.3 says the following

If  $[f \text{ is differentiable at } z_0] \Rightarrow [f \text{ satisfies the (CR eq.) at } z_0]$

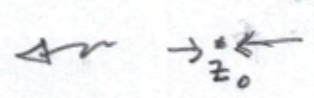
Ex mg 3.2 shows  $\Leftarrow$  fails

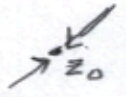
Ex mg 3.2 Consider the function  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  given by

$$f(z) := \begin{cases} \frac{(\bar{z})^2}{z} & \text{i.e. } \frac{x^3 - 3xy^2}{x^2 + y^2} + i \frac{(y^3 - 3x^2y)}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{if } z \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } z = 0 \end{cases}$$

and the point  $z_0 = 0$ . Straightforward calculations show that

(1)  $u_x(0,0) = 1 = v_y(0,0)$  and  $u_y(0,0) = 0 = -v_x(0,0)$

(2)  $\lim_{\mathbb{R} \ni h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h} = 1$   approach  $z_0$  along  $x$ -axis

(3)  $\lim_{\mathbb{R} \ni h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z_0 + (h+ih)) - f(z_0)}{h} = -1$   approach  $z_0$  along line  $x=y$ .

So  $f$  satisfies the CR eq. at  $z_0$  but is not differentiable at  $z_0$ .

Now, Thm 3.13 gives a "partial converse" of Thm 3.3.

Thm 3.13 < Loosely speaking: [CR-eg ⊕ cont!st] ⇒ diff. >

Let  $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0 \in G \stackrel{\text{open}}{\subseteq} \mathbb{C}$ .

Let  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  with  $f = u + iv$  where  $u = \text{Re} f$  and  $v = \text{Im} f$   
and  $u, v : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Let the partial derivatives  $u_x, u_y, v_x, v_y$  :

- (1) satisfy the CR-eg. at  $z_0$
- (2) exist on  $G$
- (3) are continuous at  $z_0$ .

Then (4)  $f$  is differentiable at  $z_0$ .

(5)  $f'(z_0) = u_x(x_0, y_0) + i v_x(x_0, y_0)$ .

↓<sup>(1)</sup>

(6)  $f'(z_0) = v_y(x_0, y_0) - i u_y(x_0, y_0)$ . □

Well, to prove Thm 3.13 we will use the following lemma.

Lemma 3.12

Let:  $(x_0, y_0) \in G \stackrel{\text{open}}{\subseteq} \mathbb{R}^2$

$u : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$u_x, u_y : G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  exist and are continuous at  $(x_0, y_0)$

Then  $\exists N_\epsilon((0,0)) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  and function  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 : N_\epsilon((0,0)) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  st,

(1) for  $h = (h_1, h_2) \in N_\epsilon((0,0))$

(1)  $u(x_0 + h_1, y_0 + h_2) - u(x_0, y_0) = h_1 u_x(x_0, y_0) + h_2 u_y(x_0, y_0) + \underbrace{h_1 \epsilon_1(h) + h_2 \epsilon_2(h)}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{think of as "error term"}}$

(2)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow (0,0)} \epsilon_j(h) = 0$  for  $j = 1, 2$ .

Pf. This is a basic result from undergraduate Vector Calculus.  
See Class Script, p 7, for a proof.

Apply Lemma 3.12

(1) to  $u$  and find the corresponding  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 : N_{\varepsilon_u}((0,0)) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

(2) to  $v$  and find the corresponding  $\varepsilon_3, \varepsilon_4 : N_{\varepsilon_v}((0,0)) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Let work on  $N_\varepsilon((0,0))$  where  $\varepsilon = \min(\varepsilon_u, \varepsilon_v)$ . So, for  $i=1,2,3,4$

•  $\varepsilon_j : N_\varepsilon((0,0)) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

•  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon_j(h) = 0$ .

Write  $h = h_1 + i h_2 \in N_\varepsilon((0,0)) \stackrel{\text{identified}}{\cong} \mathbb{C}$ . Let's compute:

$$\frac{f(z_0+h) - f(z_0)}{h} = \frac{f((x_0+h_1) + i(y_0+h_2)) - f(x_0 + i y_0)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{[u(x_0+h_1, y_0+h_2) - u(x_0, y_0)] + i [v(x_0+h_1, y_0+h_2) - v(x_0, y_0)]}{h}$$

Lemma 3.12

$$\stackrel{\text{Lemma 3.12}}{=} \frac{h_1}{h} u_x(x_0, y_0) + \frac{h_2}{h} \underbrace{u_y(x_0, y_0)}_{-v_x(x_0, y_0) = i \cdot v_x(x_0, y_0)} + \frac{h_1}{h} \varepsilon_1(h) + \frac{h_2}{h} \varepsilon_2(h)$$

$$+ i \left[ \frac{h_1}{h} v_x(x_0, y_0) + \frac{h_2}{h} \underbrace{v_y(x_0, y_0)}_{\substack{\text{CR} \\ u_x(x_0, y_0)}} + \frac{h_1}{h} \varepsilon_3(h) + \frac{h_2}{h} \varepsilon_4(h) \right]$$

$$= \frac{h_1 + i h_2}{h} u_x(x_0, y_0) + i \left[ \frac{h_1 + i h_2}{h} v_x(x_0, y_0) \right] + \frac{h_1}{h} \varepsilon_1(h) + \frac{h_2}{h} \varepsilon_2(h) + \frac{i h_1}{h} \varepsilon_3(h) + \frac{i h_2}{h} \varepsilon_4(h)$$

$|\frac{h_1}{h}| \leq 1$        $|\frac{h_2}{h}| \leq 1$

$$\xrightarrow{h \rightarrow 0} u_x(x_0, y_0) + i v_x(x_0, y_0).$$



Here

Here is the "full story"

Thm 3.11

Let  $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0 \in G \subset \mathbb{C}$ .

Let  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  with  $f = u + iv$  where  $u = \text{Re } f$  and  $v = \text{Im } f$ .

Then TFAE.

(i)  $f$  is (complex) differentiable at  $z_0$

(ii)  $f$  is real differentiable at  $z_0$  and the CR-eg. hold at  $(x_0, y_0)$

↳ See Class Script Def 3.8.

Remark You are not responsible for Thm 3.11. I just thought you might want to see an TFAE statement between (complex) differentiability and CR-eg. You can read up on this in Class Script p 6-7.

Remark The below corollary to Thm 3.13 show "just how right/clever/etc" the definition of  $e^{x+iy} := e^x \cos y + i e^x \sin y$  is.

Cor 3.14 Let  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be given by  $f(z) = e^z$ . Then:

(1)  $f$  is entire (i.e.  $f \in H(\mathbb{C})$ )

(2)  $f'(z) = e^z \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Proof. Note  $f = u + iv$  where  $u(x, y) = e^x \cos y$  and  $v(x, y) = e^x \sin y$ .  
By Thm 3.13, it suffices to show that  $f$  satisfies the CR-eg. on all of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Claim  $u_x = v_y$

A direct calculation gives  $u_x = e^x \cos y$  and  $v_y = e^x \cos y$ . 😊

Claim  $u_y = -v_x$

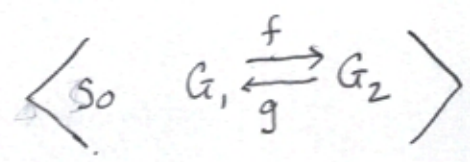
A direct calculation gives  $u_y = -e^x \sin y$  and  $v_x = e^x \sin y$ . 😊

Claim.  $u_x, v_y, u_y, v_x$  are continuous on  $\mathbb{C}$ . ☺



Prop 3.15

Let:  $G_1, G_2$  open  $\subset \mathbb{C}$



$f: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  be continuous

$g: G_2 \rightarrow G_1$  be continuous,  $g \in H(G_2)$ ,  $g'(z) \neq 0 \forall z \in G_2$ .

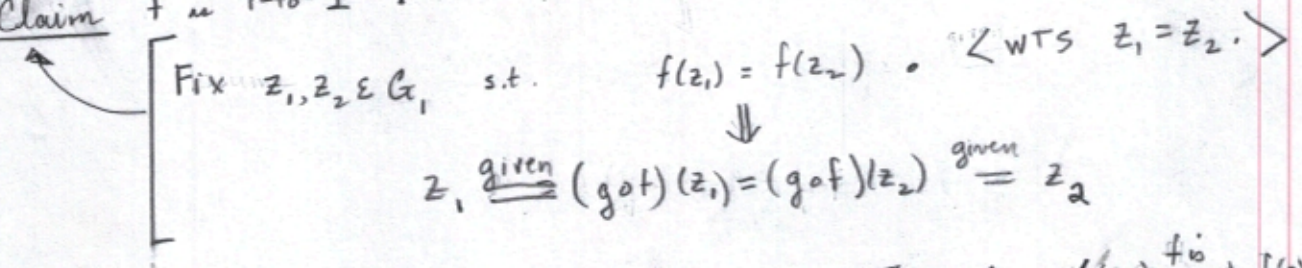
$$g(f(z)) = z \quad \forall z \in G_1$$

Then (1)  $f \in H(G_1)$

$$(2) f'(z) = \frac{1}{g'(f(z))} = \frac{1}{(g' \circ f)(z)} \quad \forall z \in G_1$$

Pf. LTAGB  $G_1$ .

Claim  $f$  is 1-to-1. To show:  $z_1 = z_2$



Fix  $z_0 \in G_1$ . Find  $\epsilon > 0$  st  $N_\epsilon(z_0) \subset G_1$ . Then  $\langle z \in N'_\epsilon(z_0) \xrightarrow{f} f(z) - f(z_0) \neq 0 \rangle$

$$1 = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{g(f(z)) - g(f(z_0))}{f(z) - f(z_0)} \cdot \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} \xrightarrow{\lim} g'(f(z_0)) \cdot f'(z_0)$$

$\forall z \in N'_\epsilon(z_0)$

Cor 3.16 Let  $G \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be open and connected.  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a branch of the logarithm on  $G$ .

Then (1)  $f \in H(G)$

$$(2) f'(z) = \frac{1}{z} \quad \forall z \in G.$$

Pf. Apply Prop 3.15 w/  $g(z) = e^z$ .

Def. Let  $G \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  open  
 $u: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Then  $u$  is harmonic on  $G$  provided:

(1) 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> order partial derivatives of  $u$  exist and are continuous on  $G$

(2)  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$  on  $G$

Laplace's equation.

Emk ① Let  $f = u + iv \in H(G)$  with  $G \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  open. (CR eqs hold on  $G$  (Thm 3))

② Let  $u$  and  $v$  have continuous 2<sup>nd</sup> order partial deriv.  
 < later we will show  $f \in H(G) \Rightarrow$  this holds >

Well then

③  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \stackrel{CR}{=} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \Rightarrow$   
 $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \stackrel{CR}{=} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = -\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0. \Rightarrow u$  is harmonic.

④ Similarly  $v$  is harmonic on  $G$ .

Def. Let  $G \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ , Functions  $u, v: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are harmonic conjugates on  $G$  provided.

(1)  $u$  and  $v$  are harmonic on  $G$ ,

(2)  $u + iv \in H(G)$ ,

So For  $u, v: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  w/  $G \stackrel{\text{open}}{\subseteq} \mathbb{R}^2$  :

$u$  is the harmonic conjugate of  $v$

$$\Leftrightarrow u + iv \in H(G)$$

Thm Let  $N_\epsilon((x_0, y_0)) := D \stackrel{\text{open}}{\subseteq} \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Let  $u: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be harmonic.

Then  $\exists v: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  st  $v$  is harmonic &  $u + iv \in H(D)$ .

Sketch of Proof <Vector Calculus>

Consider the differential  $P dx + Q dy$   
ii  $-\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$   $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$

Since  $u$  is harmonic;

(1)  $P$  and  $Q$  have cont. partial deriv. in  $D$

$$(2) \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$$

$$\parallel \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \parallel \parallel \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \parallel$$

So By advanced calculus,  $\exists v: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  st

$$dv = P dx + Q dy$$

$$\text{So } \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = P \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \quad \& \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = Q \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

So  $u + iv \in H(D)$   $\leftarrow$  by Thm 3.13:  $[CR \oplus \text{cont} + \text{diff}] \Rightarrow \text{diff}$

In fact  $v(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) = \int_{(x_0, y_0)}^{(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})} [-u_y(x, y) dx + u_x(x, y) dy]$ .  
A line integral.

Example Construct an analytic function whose real part is

$$u(x, y) = x^3 - 3xy^2 + y.$$

Claim  $u$  is harmonic on  $\mathbb{C}$ ,

$$\begin{array}{l}
 u_x = 3x^2 - 3y^2 \\
 u_{xx} = 6x \\
 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} u_x = -6y
 \end{array}
 \quad \left| \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 u_y = -6xy + 1 \\
 u_{yy} = -6x \\
 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u_y = -6y
 \end{array}
 \right.$$

So 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> partial deriv. are cont. on  $\mathbb{C}$ .  
Let's check Laplace's eq.

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 6x - 6x = 0 \rightarrow \text{☺}$$

Now we want to find the harmonic conjugate  $v$  of  $u$ .

(1)  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \stackrel{CR}{=} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 3x^2 - 3y^2$

(2)  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \stackrel{CR}{=} -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 6xy - 1$

(3)  $v(x, y) = \int \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} dy \stackrel{(1)}{=} \int (3x^2 - 3y^2) dy = 3x^2 y - y^3 + g(x)$   
find him next  $\uparrow$

(4)  $6xy - 1 \stackrel{(2)}{=} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \stackrel{(3)}{=} 6xy + g'(x) \Rightarrow g'(x) = -1$

(5)  $g'(x) = -1 \Rightarrow g(x) = -x + C$

So  $v(x, y) = 3x^2 y - y^3 - x + C$