

ORTHOGONAL CURVES \rightarrow Two Curves are said to be orthogonal to each other when they intersect at right angle at each of their points of intersection.

The analytic function $f(z) = u + iv$ consists of two families of curves $u(x, y) = C_1$ and $v(x, y) = C_2$ which form an orthogonal system.

$$u(x, y) = C_1 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$v(x, y) = C_2 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$m_1 =$ slope of the tangent to the curve $u = C_1$

$m_2 =$ slope of the tangent to the curve $v = C_2$

If we show that $m_1 m_2 = -1$ the result will be proved.

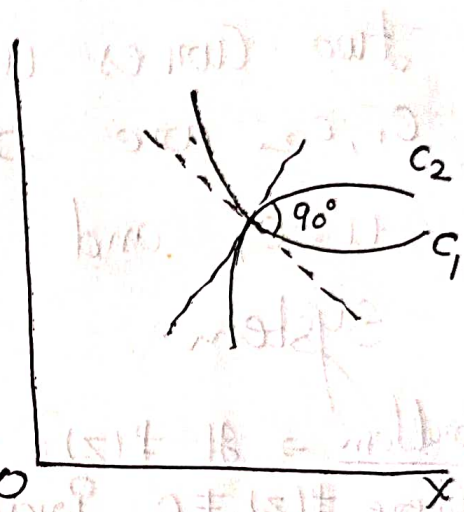
Taking differentiation of $\textcircled{1}$ & $\textcircled{2}$ we get $du = 0, dv = 0$

$$du = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy$$

$$= \cancel{0 dx + 0 dy} = 0 \quad \text{so } \frac{dy}{dx} = - \frac{\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}} = m_1$$

$$dv = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} dy = 0$$

$$m_2 = \frac{dy}{dx} = - \frac{\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial v}{\partial y}} = m_2$$



$$m_1, m_2 = \left[\begin{array}{c} -\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \\ -\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \end{array} \right]$$

Apply C-R Equations

$$m_1, m_2 = -1$$

Since $m_1, m_2 = -1$

two curves $u=c_1$ and $v=c_2$ are orthogonal and c_1, c_2 are parameters.

$u=c_1$ and $v=c_2$ form an orthogonal system.

Problem \Rightarrow If $f(z) = u+iv$ is an analytic function, regular in D where $f(z) \neq 0$ Prove that the curves $u = \text{const}$, $v = \text{const}$ form two orthogonal families. Verify this in case of $f(z) = \sin z$

Proof \rightarrow (i) Proof of above theorem

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\sin y) = \cos y \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\cos x) = -\sin x$$

II $\rightarrow f(z) = \sin z$

$$u+iv = f(z) = \sin z = \sin(\alpha + iy)$$

$$= \sin \alpha \cos iy + \cos \alpha \sin iy$$

$$= \sin \alpha \cosh y + i \cos \alpha \sinh y$$

$$u = \sin \alpha \cosh y = c_1 \text{ say}$$

$$v = \cos \alpha \sinh y = c_2 \text{ say}$$

Differentiate Both w.r.t α

$$\cos \alpha \cosh y + \sin \alpha \sinh y \left(\frac{dy}{d\alpha}\right)_1 = 0$$

$$-\sin \alpha \sinh y + \cos \alpha \cosh y \left(\frac{dy}{d\alpha}\right)_2 = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{d\alpha}\right)_1 = \frac{\cos \alpha \cosh y}{-\sin \alpha \sinh y}$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{d\alpha}\right)_2 = \frac{\sin \alpha \sinh y}{\cos \alpha \cosh y}$$

Multiply these two

$$\left(\frac{dy}{d\alpha}\right)_1 \left(\frac{dy}{d\alpha}\right)_2 = -1$$

Proved