

Tame complex analysis and o-minimality

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Describe the development of complex analysis within the o-minimal framework. In the setting of a real closed field and its algebraic closure one obtains analogues of classical results, as well as strong variants, due to the o-minimality assumption.

- ▶ In the first part we give an overview of some definitions and results from the general theory.
- ▶ In the second part we outline in details a particular classical complex analytic construction, and point out how it can be viewed within the o-minimal setting.

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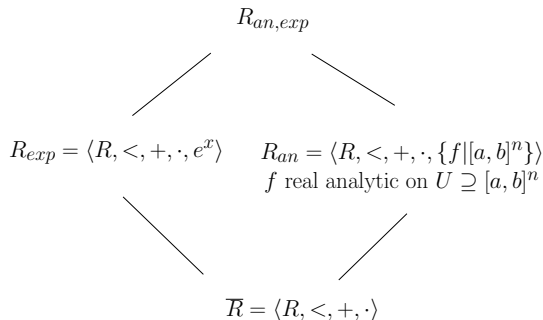


Figure: O-minimal structures over $R = \mathbb{R}$

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Some analogues of classical results

- ▶ The derivative of a definable K -holomorphic function is K -holomorphic.
- ▶ **The Maximum Principle:** A definable continuous f on a closed disc, which is K -holomorphic on the interior, attains $\max |f(z)|$ on the boundary.
- ▶ **The Identity Theorem:** If f and all its derivatives at 0 vanish then f vanishes in a neighborhood of 0 .

Main idea: Instead of power series and integration (**not available!**), we use “Topological Analysis”.

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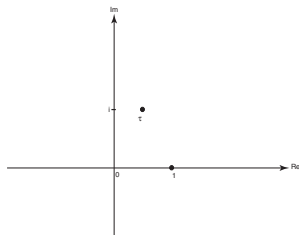
Let $\mathcal{H} = \{\tau \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(\tau) > 0\}$ be the upper half plane and $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$.

Let $\Lambda_\tau = \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\tau$ and $\mathcal{E}_\tau = (\mathbb{C}, +)/(\Lambda_\tau, +)$ be the corresponding torus.

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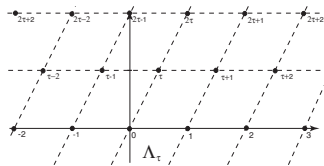
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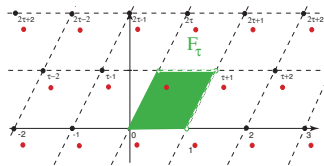
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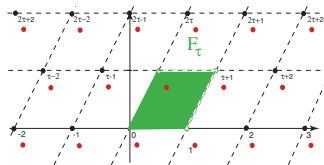
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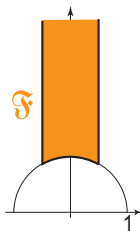
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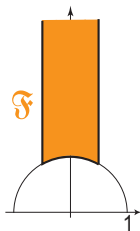
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