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#### Abstract

The purpose of this paper is to contribute to development a general theory of dual-complex numbers. We start by define the notion of dualcomplex and their algebraic properties. In addition, we develop a simple mathematical method based on matrices, simplifying manipulation of dual-complex numbers. Inspired from complex analysis, we generalize the concept of holomorphicity to dual-complex functions. Moreover, a general representation of holomorphic dual-complex functions has been obtained. Finally and as concrete examples, some usual complex functions have been generalized to the algebra of dual-complex numbers.


## 1. Introduction

Alternative definitions of the imaginary unit $i$ other than $i^{2}=-1$ can give rise to interesting and useful complex number systems. The 16th-century Italian mathematicians G. Cardan (1501-1576) and R. Bombelli (1526-1572) are thought to be among the first to utilize the complex numbers we know today by calculating with a quantity whose square is -1 . Since then, various people have modified the original definition of the product of complex numbers. The English geometer W. Clifford (1845-1879) and the German geometer E. Study (1862-1930) added still another variant to the complex products, see [3, 12, 16]. The "dual" numbers arose from the convention that $\varepsilon^{2}=0$.

The ordinary, dual number is particular member of a two-parameter family of complex number systems often called binary number or generalized complex number. Which is two-component number of the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
z=x+y \varepsilon \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2}$ and $\varepsilon$ is an nilpotent number i.e. $\varepsilon^{2}=0$ and $\varepsilon \neq 0$.
Thus, the dual numbers are elements of the 2 -dimensional real algebra

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{D}=\mathbb{R}[\varepsilon]=\left\{z=x+y \varepsilon \mid(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2}, \varepsilon^{2}=0 \text { and } \varepsilon \neq 0\right\} . \tag{1.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

This nice concept has lots of applications in many fields of fundamental sciences; such, algebraic geometry, Riemannian geometry, quantum mechanics and astrophysics, we refer the reader to [2, 5, 14, 8, 15 ].

An important point to emphasize is that, what happens if components of dual numbers becom complex numbers. This idea will make the main object of this work.

[^0]The purpose of this work is to contribute to the development of the concept of dual-complex numbers and their holomorphic functions.

In the study of dual-complex functions, natural question arises whether it is possible to extend the concept of holomorphy to dual-complex functions and how can one extend regularly holomorphic complex functions to dual-complex variables.

We Begin by introducing dual-complex numbers and we give some of their basic properties. We define on the algebra of dual-comlex numbers $\mathbb{D C}$ some caracterisctic like conjugations and their associated moduli as well as matrix representation. Also a structure of pseudo-topology is given.

We generalize the notion of holomorphicity to dual-complex functions. To do this, as in complex analysis. We start by study the differentiability of dual-complex functions. The notion of holomorphicity has been introduced and a general representation of holomorphic dual-complex functions was shown. It is proved here that many important properties of holomorphic functions of one complex variable may be extended in the framework of dual-complex analysis.

Further, we also focus on the continuation of complex functions to the algebra $\mathbb{D C}$. We provide the basic assumptions that allow us to extend analytically holomorphic complex functions to the wider dual-complex algebra and we ensure that such an extension is meaningful. As concrete examples, we generalize some usual complex functions to dual-complex variables.

## 2. Dual-Complex Numbers

We introduce the concept of dual-complex numbers as follows.
A dual-complex number $w$ is an ordered pair of complex numbers $(z, t)$ associated with the complex unit 1 and dual unit $\varepsilon$, where $\varepsilon$ is an nilpotent number i.e. $\varepsilon^{2}=0$ and $\varepsilon \neq 0$. A dual-complex number is usually denoted in the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
w=z+t \varepsilon \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

We denote by $\mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$ the set of dual-complex numbers defined as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}=\left\{w=z+t \varepsilon \mid z, t \in \mathbb{C} \text { where } \varepsilon^{2}=0, \varepsilon \neq 0 \text { and } \varepsilon^{0}=1\right\} \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

If $z=x_{1}+i x_{2}$ and $t=x_{3}+i x_{4}$, where $x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}, x_{4} \in \mathbb{R}$, then $w$ can be explicitly written

$$
\begin{equation*}
w=x_{1}+x_{2} i+x_{3} \varepsilon+x_{4} \varepsilon i \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

We will denote by real $(w)$ the real part of $w$ given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{real}(w)=x_{1} \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

$z$ and $t$ are called the complex and dual parts, respectively, of the dual-complex number $w$.

There are many ways to choose the dual unit number $\varepsilon$, see for more details and examples the book of W. B. V. Kandasamy and F. Smarandache [9]. As simple example, we can take the real matrix

$$
\varepsilon=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 0  \tag{2.5}\\
1 & 0
\end{array}\right]
$$

Addition and multiplication of the dual-complex numbers are defined by

$$
\begin{align*}
\left(z_{1}+t_{1} \varepsilon\right)+\left(z_{2}+t_{2} \varepsilon\right) & =\left(z_{1}+z_{2}\right)+\left(t+t_{2}\right) \varepsilon  \tag{2.6}\\
\left(z_{1}+t_{1} \varepsilon\right) \cdot\left(z_{2}+t_{2} \varepsilon\right) & =\left(z_{1} z_{2}\right)+\left(z_{1} t_{2}+z_{2} t_{2}\right) \varepsilon \tag{2.7}
\end{align*}
$$

One can verify, using (2.7), that the power of $w$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
w^{n}=(z+\varepsilon t)^{n}=z^{n}+n z^{n-1} t \varepsilon, \quad n \geq 1 \tag{2.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

The division of two complex-dual numbers can be computed as

$$
\begin{align*}
\frac{w_{1}}{w_{2}} & =\frac{z_{1}+t_{1} \varepsilon}{z_{2}+t_{2} \varepsilon} \\
\frac{\left(z_{1}+t_{1} \varepsilon\right)\left(z_{2}-t_{2} \varepsilon\right)}{\left(z_{2}+t_{2} \varepsilon\right)\left(z_{2}-t_{2} \varepsilon\right)} & =\frac{z_{1}}{z_{2}}+\frac{z_{2} t_{1}-z_{1} t_{2}}{z_{2}^{2}} \varepsilon \tag{2.9}
\end{align*}
$$

The division $\frac{w_{1}}{w_{2}}$ is possible and unambiguous if $\operatorname{Re}\left(w_{2}\right) \neq 0$.
Thus, dual-complex numbers form a commutative ring with characteristic 0 . Moreover the inherited multiplication gives the dual-comlex numbers the structure of 2-dimensional comlex Clifford Algebra and 4-dimensional real Clifford Algebra.

In abstract algebra terms, the dual numbers can be described as the quotient of the polynomial ring $\mathbb{C}[X]$ by the ideal generated by the polynomial $X^{2}$, i.e.

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{D} \mathbb{C} \approx \mathbb{C}[X] / X^{2} \tag{2.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

The algebra $\mathbb{D C}$ is not a division algebra or field since the elements of the form $0+t \varepsilon$ are not invertible. All elements of this form are zero divisors. Hence, we can define the set $\mathcal{A}$ of zero divisors of $\mathbb{D C}$, which can be called the null-plane, by

$$
\mathcal{A}=\{t \varepsilon \mid t \in \mathbb{C}\} .
$$

Thus, $\mathbb{D C}-\mathcal{A}$ is a multiplicative group.
Complex and dual conjugations play an important role both for algebraic and geometric properties of $\mathbb{C}$ and $\mathbb{D}$. For dual-complex numbers, there are five possible conjugations. Let $w=z+t \varepsilon$ a dual-complex number. Then we define the five conjugations as

1. Complex conjugation.

$$
\begin{equation*}
w^{\dagger_{1}}=\bar{z}+\bar{t} \varepsilon \tag{2.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\bar{z}$ represent the standard complex conjugate of the complex number $z$.

## 2. Dual conjugation.

$$
\begin{equation*}
w^{\dagger_{2}}=z-t \varepsilon \tag{2.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

## 3. Coulped conjugation.

$$
\begin{equation*}
w^{\dagger_{3}}=\bar{z}-\bar{t} \varepsilon \tag{2.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

4. Dual-complex conjugation. Suppose that $w \in \mathbb{D C}-\mathcal{A}$. The dual-complex conjuguate of $w$ is caraterized by the relations

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
w w^{\dagger_{4}} \in \mathbb{R}  \tag{2.14}\\
\operatorname{real}(w)=\operatorname{real}\left(w^{\dagger_{4}}\right) .
\end{array}\right.
$$

We can easily verify that

$$
\begin{equation*}
w^{\dagger_{4}}=\bar{z}\left(1-\frac{t}{z} \varepsilon\right) \tag{2.15}
\end{equation*}
$$

## 5. Anti-dual conjugation.

$$
\begin{equation*}
w^{\dagger_{5}}=t-z \varepsilon \tag{2.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

The below Lemma follows.

Proposition 1. Let $w=z+\varepsilon t \in \mathbb{D C}$ be a dual-complex number. Then, the following assertions hold

$$
\begin{gather*}
w+w^{\dagger_{1}}=2 \operatorname{real}(z)+2 \operatorname{real}(t) \varepsilon \in \mathbb{D},  \tag{2.17}\\
w w^{\dagger_{1}}=|z|^{2}+2 \operatorname{Re}(z \bar{t}) \varepsilon \in \mathbb{D},  \tag{2.18}\\
w+w^{\dagger_{2}}=2 z \in \mathbb{C},  \tag{2.19}\\
w w^{\dagger_{2}}=z^{2} \in \mathbb{C},  \tag{2.20}\\
w+w^{\dagger_{3}}=2 \operatorname{real}(z)+2 \operatorname{Im}(t) \varepsilon i  \tag{2.21}\\
w w^{\dagger_{3}}=|z|^{2}-2 \operatorname{Im}(z \bar{t}) \varepsilon i  \tag{2.22}\\
z w^{\dagger_{4}}=\bar{z} w^{\dagger_{2}}, \quad(w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}-\mathcal{A}),  \tag{2.23}\\
w w^{\dagger_{4}}=|z|^{2} \in \mathbb{R}, \quad(w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}-\mathcal{A}),  \tag{2.24}\\
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
z=w-w^{\dagger_{5}} \varepsilon \\
t=w^{\dagger_{5}}+w \varepsilon
\end{array}\right. \tag{2.25}
\end{gather*}
$$

where $|z|$ represents the usual complex modulus of the complex number $z$.
The five kinds of conjugation all have some of the standard properties of conjugations, such as:

Proposition 2. Let $w, w_{1}, w_{2} \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$ are dual-complex numbers. Then

$$
\left.\begin{array}{c}
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
\left(w^{\dagger_{i}}\right)^{\dagger_{i}}=w, i=1, \ldots, 4 \text { where } z \neq 0 \text { for } \dagger_{4} \\
\left(w^{\dagger_{5}}\right)^{\dagger_{5}}=-w .
\end{array}\right. \\
\left(w_{1}+w_{2}\right)^{\dagger_{i}}=w_{1}^{\dagger_{i}}+w_{2}^{\dagger_{i}}, i=1,2,3 \text { and } 5
\end{array}\right\} \begin{gathered}
\left(w_{1} w_{2}\right)^{\dagger_{i}}=w_{1}^{\dagger_{i}} w_{2}^{\dagger_{i}}, i=1, \ldots, 4 \text { where } z \neq 0 \text { for } \dagger_{4} . \\
{\left.\overline{\left(\frac{1}{w}\right.}\right)^{\dagger_{i}}}^{=}=\frac{1}{w^{\dagger_{i}}}, \quad(z \neq 0), i=1, \ldots, 4 .
\end{gathered}
$$

Denoting now by $\dagger_{0}$ the trivial conjugation.

$$
\begin{equation*}
w^{\dagger_{0}}=w \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C} \tag{2.30}
\end{equation*}
$$

The following result holds.
Proposition 3. The composition of the conjugates $\dagger_{0}, \dagger_{1}, \dagger_{2}$ and $\dagger_{3}$ gives the four dimensional abelian Klein group:

| $\circ$ | $\dagger_{0}$ | $\dagger_{1}$ | $\dagger_{2}$ | $\dagger_{3}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\dagger_{0}$ | $\dagger_{0}$ | $\dagger_{1}$ | $\dagger_{2}$ | $\dagger_{3}$ |
| $\dagger_{1}$ | $\dagger_{1}$ | $\dagger_{0}$ | $\dagger_{3}$ | $\dagger_{2}$ |
| $\dagger_{2}$ | $\dagger_{2}$ | $\dagger_{3}$ | $\dagger_{0}$ | $\dagger_{1}$ |
| $\dagger_{3}$ | $\dagger_{3}$ | $\dagger_{2}$ | $\dagger_{1}$ | $\dagger_{0}$ |

Elsewhere, we know that the product of a standard complex number with its conjugate gives the square of the Euclidean metric in $\mathbb{R}^{2}$. The analogs of this, for dual-complex numbers, are the following. Let $w=z+\varepsilon t$ a dual-complex number,
then we find

$$
\begin{gather*}
|w|_{\dagger_{1}}^{2}=w w^{\dagger_{1}}=|z|^{2}+2 \operatorname{Re}(z \bar{t}) \varepsilon \in \mathbb{D}  \tag{2.32}\\
|w|_{\dagger_{2}}^{2}=w w^{\dagger_{2}}=z^{2} \in \mathbb{C}  \tag{2.33}\\
|w|_{\dagger_{3}}^{2}=w w^{\dagger_{3}}=|z|^{2}-2 \operatorname{Im}(z \bar{t}) \varepsilon i  \tag{2.34}\\
\text { if } w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}-\mathcal{A} \text { then }|w|_{\dagger_{4}}^{2}=w w^{\dagger_{4}}=|z|^{2} \in \mathbb{R} . \tag{2.35}
\end{gather*}
$$

Remarks here that if $z=0$ then $|w|_{\dagger_{i}}=0, \quad i=1,2,3$. We also admit that if $z=0$ then $|w|_{\dagger_{4}}=0$.

We can then evaluate the inverse of any dual-complex number $w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}-\mathcal{A}$ as follows

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{w}=\frac{w^{\dagger_{2}}}{|w|_{\dagger_{2}}^{2}}=\frac{w^{\dagger_{4}}}{|w|_{\dagger_{4}}^{2}} \tag{2.36}
\end{equation*}
$$

It is also important to know that every dual-complex number has another representation, using matrices.

Introducing the unit dual-complex vector $\mathcal{E}$ defined by

$$
\mathcal{E}=\left[\begin{array}{c}
1  \tag{2.37}\\
i \\
\varepsilon \\
\varepsilon i
\end{array}\right]
$$

Denoting by $\mathcal{G}$ the subset of $\mathcal{M}_{4}(\mathbb{R})$ given by

$$
\mathcal{G}=\left\{A \in \mathcal{M}_{4}(\mathbb{R}) \left\lvert\, A=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
x_{1} & x_{2} & 0 & 0  \tag{2.38}\\
x_{2} & -x_{1} & 0 & 0 \\
x_{3} & x_{4} & x_{1} & x_{2} \\
x_{4} & -x_{3} & x_{2} & -x_{1}
\end{array}\right]\right.\right\}
$$

One can easily verify that $\mathcal{G}$ is a subring of $\mathcal{M}_{4}(\mathbb{R})$ which forms a 4-dimensional real associative and commutative Algebra.

Under the additional condition $x_{1}^{2}+x_{2}^{2} \neq 0, \mathcal{G}$ becomes a subgroup of $G L(4)$.
Let us now define the map

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
\mathcal{N}: \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{\longrightarrow} \mathcal{G},  \tag{2.39}\\
\mathcal{N}\left(x_{1}+x_{2} i+x_{3} \varepsilon+x_{4} \varepsilon i\right)=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
x_{1} & x_{2} & 0 & 0 \\
x_{2} & -x_{1} & 0 & 0 \\
x_{3} & x_{4} & x_{1} & x_{2} \\
x_{4} & -x_{3} & x_{2} & -x_{1}
\end{array}\right]
\end{array}\right.
$$

The following results give us a correspondence between the two algebra $\mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$ and $\mathcal{G}$ via the $\operatorname{map} \mathcal{N}$.

Theorem 4. $\mathcal{N}$ is an isomorphism of rings.
From now on we denote by $\mathcal{P}$ the map

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
\mathcal{P}: \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}_{+},  \tag{2.40}\\
\mathcal{P}(w)=|w|_{\dagger_{4}}=|z|
\end{array}\right.
$$

It is easy to verify that

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
\mathcal{P}\left(w_{1}+w_{2}\right) \leq \mathcal{P}\left(w_{1}\right)+\mathcal{P}\left(w_{2}\right) \quad \forall w_{1}, w_{2} \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}  \tag{2.41}\\
\mathcal{P}\left(w_{1} w_{2}\right)=\mathcal{P}\left(w_{1}\right) \mathcal{P}\left(w_{2}\right) \quad \forall w_{1}, w_{2} \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C} \\
\mathcal{P}(w) \geq 0 \text { with } \mathcal{P}(w)=0 \text { iff } w \in \mathcal{A}
\end{array}\right.
$$

This implies in particular

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
\mathcal{P}\left(\lambda w_{2}\right)=|\lambda| \mathcal{P}\left(w_{2}\right) \quad \forall w_{1}, w_{2} \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}, \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C},  \tag{2.42}\\
\mathcal{P}\left(\alpha w_{2}\right)=|\operatorname{Re}(\alpha)| \mathcal{P}\left(w_{2}\right) \quad \forall w_{1}, w_{2} \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}, \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{D},
\end{array}\right.
$$

So, $\mathcal{P}$ defines a pseudo-modulus on $\mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$. It inducess a structure of pseudo-topology over the algebra $\mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$.

The following result holds.
Proposition 5. Let $w \in \mathbb{D C}$ be a dual-complex number and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$
\begin{gather*}
\mathcal{P}(w)=|\operatorname{det}(\mathcal{N}(w))|^{\frac{1}{2}},  \tag{2.43}\\
\mathcal{P}\left(w^{\dagger_{i}}\right)=\mathcal{P}(w), \quad i=1, \ldots, 4 .  \tag{2.44}\\
\mathcal{P}\left(w^{n}\right)=\mathcal{P}(w)^{n},  \tag{2.45}\\
\mathcal{P}\left(\frac{1}{w}\right)=\frac{1}{\mathcal{P}(w)}, \quad(w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}-\mathcal{A}) . \tag{2.46}
\end{gather*}
$$

Thus, we can construct the dual-complex disk and dual-complex sphere of centre $w_{0}=z_{0}+t_{0} \varepsilon \in \mathbb{D C}$ and radius $r>0$, respectively, as follows

$$
\begin{align*}
D\left(w_{0}, r\right) & =\left\{w=z+t \varepsilon \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C} \mid p\left(w-w_{0}\right)<r\right\} \approx D_{c}\left(z_{0}, r\right) \times \mathbb{C}  \tag{2.47}\\
S\left(w_{0}, r\right) & =\left\{w=z+t \varepsilon \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C} \mid p\left(w-w_{0}\right)=r\right\} \approx S_{c}\left(z_{0}, r\right) \times \mathbb{C} \tag{2.48}
\end{align*}
$$

where $D_{c}\left(z_{0}, r\right)$ and $S_{c}\left(z_{0}, r\right)$ are, repectively, the complex disk and complex sphere of centre $z_{0}$ and radius $r>0$.
$S\left(w_{0}, r\right)$ can be also called the complex Galilean sphere.
Definition 1. 1. We say that $\Omega$ is a dual-complex subset of $\mathbb{D C}$ if there exists a subset $O \subset \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Omega=O+\mathbb{C} \varepsilon \approx O \times \mathbb{C} \tag{2.49}
\end{equation*}
$$

$O$ is called the generator of $\Omega$.
2. We say that $\Omega$ is an open dual-complex subset of $\mathbb{D C}$ if the generator of $\Omega$ is an open subset of $\mathbb{C}$.
3. $\Omega$ is said to be a closed dual-complex subset of $\mathbb{D C}$ if his complement is an open subset of $\mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$.

Note that the algebra $\mathbb{D C}$ equipped with the previous pseudo-topology is not Hausdorff space.

We discuss now some properties of dual-complex functions. We investigate the continuity of dual-complex functions and the differentiability in the dual-complex sense, which can be also called holomorphicity, as in complex case. In the following definitions, we suppose that $\mathbb{D C}$ is equipped with the usual topology of $\mathbb{C}^{2}$.
Definition 2. A dual-complex function is a mapping from a subset $\Omega \subset \mathbb{D C}$ to $\mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$.
Let $\Omega$ be an open subset of $\mathbb{D C}, w_{0}=z_{0}+\varepsilon t_{0} \in \Omega$ and $f: \Omega \longrightarrow \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$ a dual-complex function.

Definition 3. We say that the dual-complex function $f$ is continuous at $w_{0}=$ $z_{0}+t_{0} \varepsilon$ if

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{w \rightarrow w_{0}} f(w)=f\left(w_{0}\right) \tag{2.50}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the limit is calculated coordinate by coordinate, this means that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{w \rightarrow w_{0}} f(w)=\lim _{z \rightarrow z_{0}, t \rightarrow t_{0}} f(w)=f\left(w_{0}\right) \tag{2.51}
\end{equation*}
$$

Definition 4. The function $f$ is continuous in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{D C}$ if it is continuous at every point of $\Omega$.

Definition 5. The dual-complex function $f$ is said to be differentiable in the dualcomplex sense at $w_{0}=z_{0}+t_{0} \varepsilon$ if the following limit exists

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d f}{d w}\left(w_{0}\right)=\lim _{z \rightarrow z_{0}, t \rightarrow t_{0}} \frac{f(w)-f\left(w_{0}\right)}{w-w_{0}} \tag{2.52}
\end{equation*}
$$

$\frac{d f}{d w}\left(w_{0}\right)$ is called the derivative of $f$ at the point $w_{0}$.
If $f$ is differentiable for all points in a neighbourhood of the point $w$ then $f$ is called holomorphic at $w$.

Definition 6. The function $f$ is holomorphic in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{D C}$ if it is holomorphic at every point of $\Omega$.

In the following results we generalize the Cauchy-Riemann formulas to dualcomplex functions.

Theorem 6. Let $f$ be a dual-complex function in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{D C}$, which can be written in terms of its complex and dual parts as

$$
\begin{equation*}
f=p+q \varepsilon \tag{2.53}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then, $f$ is holomorphic in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{D C}$ if and only if the derivative of $f$ satisfies

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d f}{d w}=\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}=\frac{\partial p}{\partial z}+\frac{\partial q}{\partial z} \varepsilon \tag{2.54}
\end{equation*}
$$

Corollary 7. Let $f$ be a dual-complex function in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{D C}$, which can be written in terms of its complex and dual parts as $f=p+q \varepsilon$ and suppose that the partial derivatives of $f$ exist. Then,

1. $f$ is holomorphic in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$ if and only it satisfies

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{D}(f)=0 \tag{2.56}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathcal{D}$ is the differential operator

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{D}(f)=-\varepsilon \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}+\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \tag{2.57}
\end{equation*}
$$

2. $f$ is holomorphic in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$ if and only if its complex and dual parts satisfy the following generalized Cauchy-Riemann equations,

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
\frac{\partial p}{\partial z}=\frac{\partial q}{\partial t}  \tag{2.58}\\
\frac{\partial p}{\partial t}=0
\end{array}\right.
$$

Furthermore, as in complex analysis, the Cauchy-Riemann equations can be also reformulated using the partial derivative with respect to the anti-dual conjugate. For this, we can write using the formula (2.25)

$$
\left\{\begin{align*}
d z & =d w-d w^{\dagger_{5}} \varepsilon  \tag{2.59}\\
d t & =d w^{\dagger_{5}}+d w \varepsilon
\end{align*}\right.
$$

Replacing in the total differential of $f$, we find

$$
\begin{equation*}
d f=\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}+\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \varepsilon\right) d w+\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}-\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \varepsilon\right) d w^{\dagger_{5}} \tag{2.60}
\end{equation*}
$$

This allows us to properly introduce the differential operators $\frac{\partial}{\partial w}$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial w^{\dagger} 5}$ as

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
\frac{\partial}{\partial w}=\frac{\partial}{\partial z}+\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \varepsilon  \tag{2.61}\\
\frac{\partial}{\partial w^{\dagger 5}}=\frac{\partial}{\partial t}-\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \varepsilon
\end{array}\right.
$$

Hence, Cauchy-Riemann formulas have the particular compact form

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\partial f}{\partial w^{\dagger_{5}}}=0 \tag{2.62}
\end{equation*}
$$

Theorem 8. The function $f$ is holomorphic in the open subset $\Omega \subset \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$, (with respect to the topology of $\mathbb{C}^{2}$ ), if and only if there exists a pair of complex functions $p$ and $r$, such that $p \in \mathrm{C}^{2}\left(P_{z}(\Omega)\right)$ and $r \in \mathrm{C}^{1}\left(P_{z}(\Omega)\right)$, where $P_{z}$ is the projection with respect to the first complex variable $z$, so that the function $f$ has the explicite expression

$$
\begin{equation*}
f(w)=p(z)+\left(\frac{d p}{d z} t+r(z)\right) \varepsilon \quad \forall w \in \Omega \tag{2.63}
\end{equation*}
$$

Remark 1. The formula (2.63) gives, taking into account the fact that $\frac{d f}{d w}=\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d f}{d w}=\frac{d p}{d z}+\left(\frac{d^{2} p}{d z^{2}} t+\frac{d r}{d z}\right) \varepsilon \tag{2.64}
\end{equation*}
$$

In particular, since $p$ and $r$ are holomorphic from Cauchy's integral formula $f$ is analytic in $\Omega$ and we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d^{m} f}{d w^{m}}=\frac{d^{m} p}{d z^{m}}+\left(\frac{d^{m+1} p}{d z^{m+1}} t+\frac{d^{m} r}{d z^{m}}\right) \varepsilon \quad \forall m \geq 1 \tag{2.65}
\end{equation*}
$$

In the following theorem we give two basic results concerning the continuation of holomorphic dual-complex functions and that of holomorphic complex functions to dual-complex numbers.

Theorem 9. 1. Let $f$ be an holomorphic dual-complex function in an open subset $\Omega \subset \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$. Then, $f$ can be holomorphically extended to the open dual-complex subset $P_{z}(\Omega)+\mathbb{C} \varepsilon$.
2. Let $f$ be an holomorphic complex function in an open subset $O \subset \mathbb{C}$. Then, there exists a unique holomorphic dual-complex function $F$ defined in the open dualcomplex subset $O+\mathbb{C} \varepsilon$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
F(z)=f(z) \quad \forall z \in O \tag{2.66}
\end{equation*}
$$

and we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
F(z+t \varepsilon)=f(z)+\frac{d f}{d z} t \varepsilon \quad \forall z+t \varepsilon \in O+\mathbb{C} \varepsilon \tag{2.67}
\end{equation*}
$$

The proof follows directly from the previous theorem.

## 3. Usual dual functions

We can think of applying the statement of theorem 10 , which asserts that any holomorphic complex function can be holomorphically extended to dual-complex numbers, to build dual-complex functions similar to the usual complex functions, obtained as their extensions.
3.1. The dual-complex Exponential function. The complex exponential function $e^{z}$ defined for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$ can be extended to the algebra $\mathbb{D C}$ as follows

$$
\begin{equation*}
\exp (w)=e^{w}=e^{z}+e^{z} t \varepsilon=e^{z}(1+t \varepsilon) \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

The derivative of $e^{w}$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d e^{w}}{d z}=\frac{d e^{z}}{d x}+\frac{d e^{z}}{d x} t \varepsilon=e^{w} \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C} \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

By recurrence, we find

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d^{n} e^{w}}{d z^{w}}=e^{w} \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \tag{3.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Thus, any dual number $w=z+t \varepsilon \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}-\mathcal{A}$ has the exponential representation

$$
\begin{equation*}
w=z e^{\frac{t}{z} \varepsilon} \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Denoting by $\arg _{d}$ the complex number, called the dual argument of the dualcomplex number $w$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\arg _{d} w=\frac{t}{z}, \quad w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}-\mathcal{A} \tag{3.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Some properties are collected in the followings.
Proposition 10. 1. $e^{w_{1}+w_{2}}=e^{w_{1}} e^{w_{2}}$.
2. $e^{-w}=\frac{1}{e w}$.
3. $e^{w} \neq 0 \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}$.

Proposition 11. 1. The map $\arg _{d}:(\mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}-\mathcal{A},.) \longrightarrow(\mathbb{C},+)$ is a morphism of groups where the kernel is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{ker}\left(\arg _{d}\right)=\mathbb{C}^{*} \tag{3.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

2. $\left\{\begin{array}{c}w^{\dagger_{1}}=\bar{z} e^{\overline{\arg _{d}(w)} \varepsilon}, \\ w^{\dagger_{2}}=z e^{-\left(\arg _{d} w\right) \varepsilon}, \\ w^{\dagger_{3}}=\bar{z} e^{-\arg _{d}(w) \varepsilon}, \\ w^{\dagger_{4}}=\bar{z} e^{-\left(\arg _{d} w\right) \varepsilon} .\end{array}\right.$
3.2. The dual-complex Trigonometric functions. The trigonometric functions: sine, cos, etc, have their dual-complex analogues. In fact, we can define them by the formulas

$$
\begin{align*}
& \sin w=\sin z+(\cos z) t \varepsilon \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C},  \tag{3.7}\\
& \cos w=\cos z-(\sin z) t \varepsilon \forall z \in \mathbb{D}, \tag{3.8}
\end{align*}
$$

The below properties can be mostly deduced from the previous definition.
Proposition 12. 1. sin and $\cos$ are $2 \pi$-periodic functions.
2. $\sin (-w)=-\sin w, \quad \cos (-w)=\cos w$.
3. $\sin \left(w_{1}+w_{2}\right)=\sin w_{1} \cos w_{2}+\cos w_{1} \sin w_{2}$.
4. $\cos \left(w_{1}+w_{2}\right)=\cos w_{1} \cos w_{2}-\sin w_{1} \sin w_{2}$.
5. $\sin ^{2} w+\cos ^{2} w=1$.
6. $\frac{d \sin w}{d w}=\cos w$.
7. $\frac{d \cos w}{d w}=-\sin w$.
8. $\sin w=\frac{e^{i w}-e^{-i w}}{2 i}$.
9. $\cos w=\frac{e^{i w}+e^{-i w}}{2}$.
3.3. The dual-complex Hyperbolic functions. The dual-complex hyperbolic functions are defined by

$$
\begin{align*}
& \sinh w=\sinh z+(\cosh z) t \varepsilon \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}  \tag{3.9}\\
& \cosh w=\cosh z+(\sinh z) t \varepsilon \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C} \tag{3.10}
\end{align*}
$$

These are equivalent, as in the complex case, to

$$
\begin{align*}
& \sinh w=\frac{e^{w}-e^{-w}}{2} \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}  \tag{3.11}\\
& \cosh w=\frac{e^{w}+e^{-w}}{2} \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C} \tag{3.12}
\end{align*}
$$

The following collects some basic properties.
Proposition 13. 1. $\sinh (-w)=-\sinh w, \cosh (-w)=\cosh w$.
2. $\cosh ^{2} w-\sinh ^{2} w=1$.
3. $\frac{d \sinh w}{d w}=\cosh w$.
4. $\frac{d \cosh w}{d w}=\sinh w$.
5. $\sinh (i w)=i \sin w$ and $\cosh (i w)=\cos w$.
3.4. The dual Logarithmic function. We define the dual Logarithmic function by the formula

$$
\begin{equation*}
\log w=\log z+\frac{t}{z} \varepsilon=\log z+\left(\arg _{d} w\right) \varepsilon \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{D} \mathbb{C}-\mathcal{A} \tag{3.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

It is straightforward to verify that dual Logarithmic function, satisfies some properties, given by
Proposition 14. 1. $\log \left(\frac{1}{w}\right)=-\log w$.
2. $\log \left(w_{1} w_{2}\right)=\log \left(w_{1}\right)+\log \left(w_{2}\right)$.
3. If $\arg (z) \in]-\pi, \pi]$, (principal representation), then $e^{\log w}=\log \left(e^{w}\right)=w$.
5. $\frac{d \log w}{d z}=\frac{1}{w}$.

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