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- **Theorem:** f **holomorphic at z_0 and $f'(z_0) \neq 0 \Rightarrow w = f(z)$ conformal.**

Complex Functions and plane transformations

$$f : z \in A \longrightarrow w = f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y) \in B$$

$$z = x + iy$$

$$w = u + iv$$

$$w = f(z)$$

$$\mathbf{T} \begin{cases} u = u(x, y) \\ v = v(x, y) \end{cases}$$

complex function

transformation \mathbf{T} between (x, y) -plane and (u, v) -plane

\mathbf{T} locally invertible

$$\det [J(x_0, y_0)] = \left| \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)}(x_0, y_0) \right| \neq 0$$

$$f'(z_0) \neq 0$$

$$\det [J(x_0, y_0)] \neq 0$$

A and B simply connected domains

\mathbf{T} globally invertible in A

Example: quadratic function

$$w = f(z) = z^2$$

$$z = x + iy$$

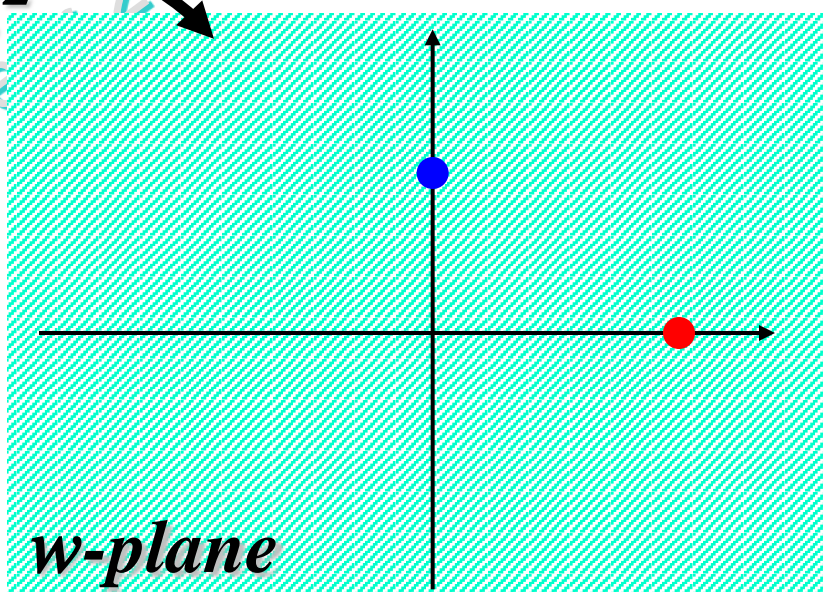
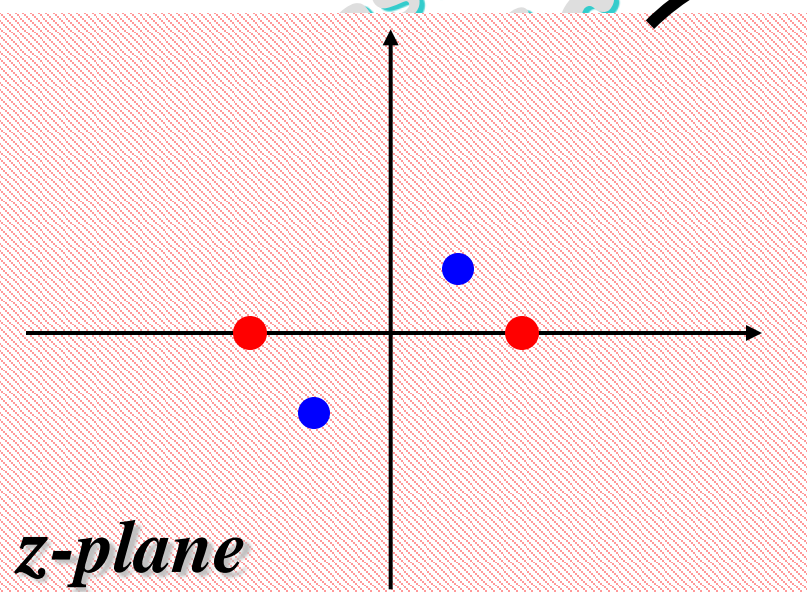
$$w = u + iv$$

$$\mathbf{T} \begin{cases} u = x^2 - y^2 \\ v = 2xy \end{cases}$$

locally invertible in the whole complex plane except at origin



$$|J(x, y)| = \left| \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)}(x, y) \right| = \begin{vmatrix} 2x & -2y \\ 2y & 2x \end{vmatrix} = 4(x^2 + y^2) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow (x, y) \neq (0, 0)$$



Example: complex conjugate function

$$w = f(z) = \bar{z}$$

$$z = x + iy$$

$$w = u + iv$$

$$\mathbf{T} \begin{cases} u = x \\ v = -y \end{cases}$$

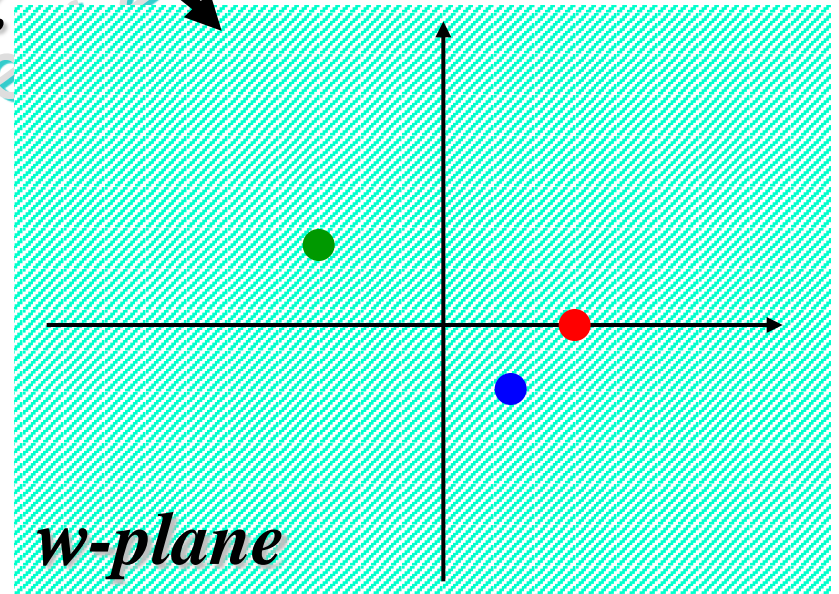
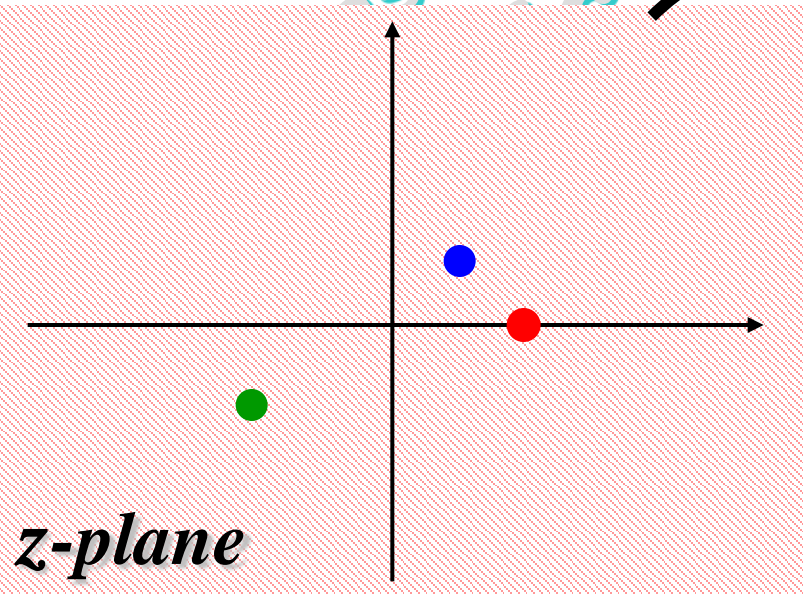
globally invertible in the whole complex plane



$$|J(x, y)| = \left| \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)}(x, y) \right| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -1 \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \forall(x, y)$$

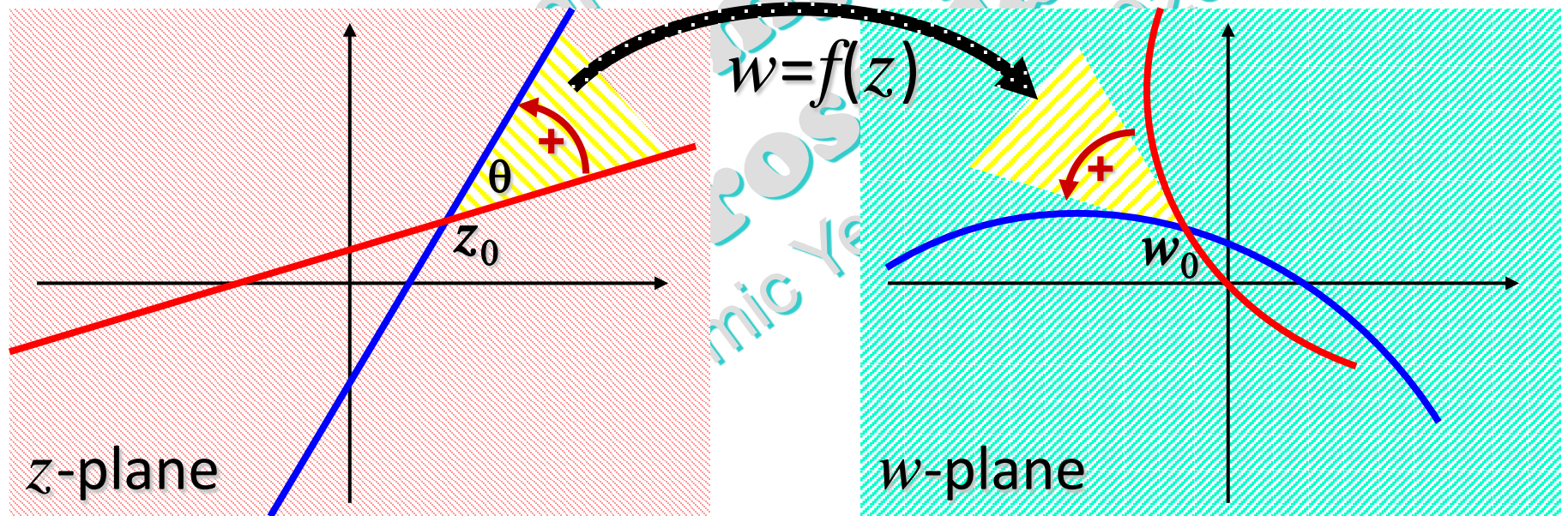


$$w = \bar{z}$$



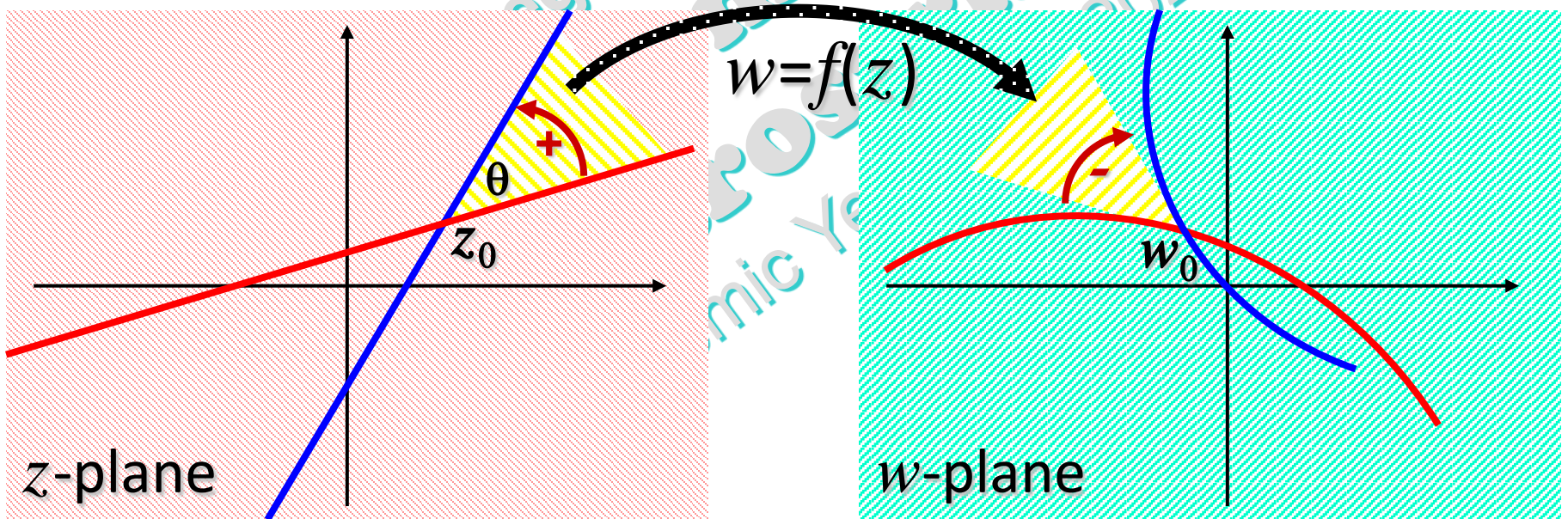
Conformal map

A conformal map $w=f(z)$ preserves the magnitude of local angles and their orientation.



Anticonformal map

An anticonformal map $w=f(z)$ preserves the magnitude of local angles but it inverts their orientation.

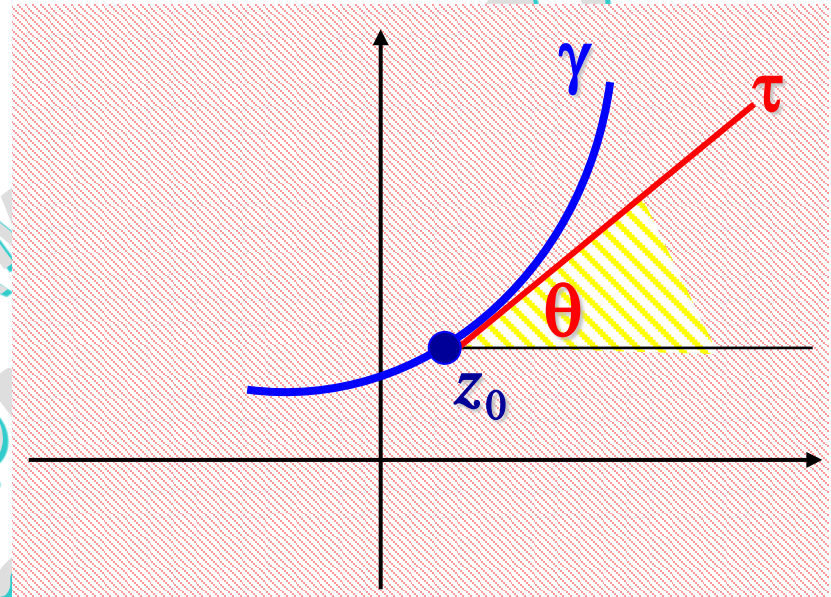


Transformation of local arcs

Let γ be a local arc of a curve:

- contained in a neighbourhood of z_0 ,
- passing through the point z_0 ,
- **regular** (i.e. equipped with a continuous tangent τ at each point):

$$\gamma : z = z(t) = x(t) + iy(t), \quad t \in [a, b]$$
$$z_0 = z(t_0)$$



The parametric equation of the **tangent line τ to γ at z_0** is:

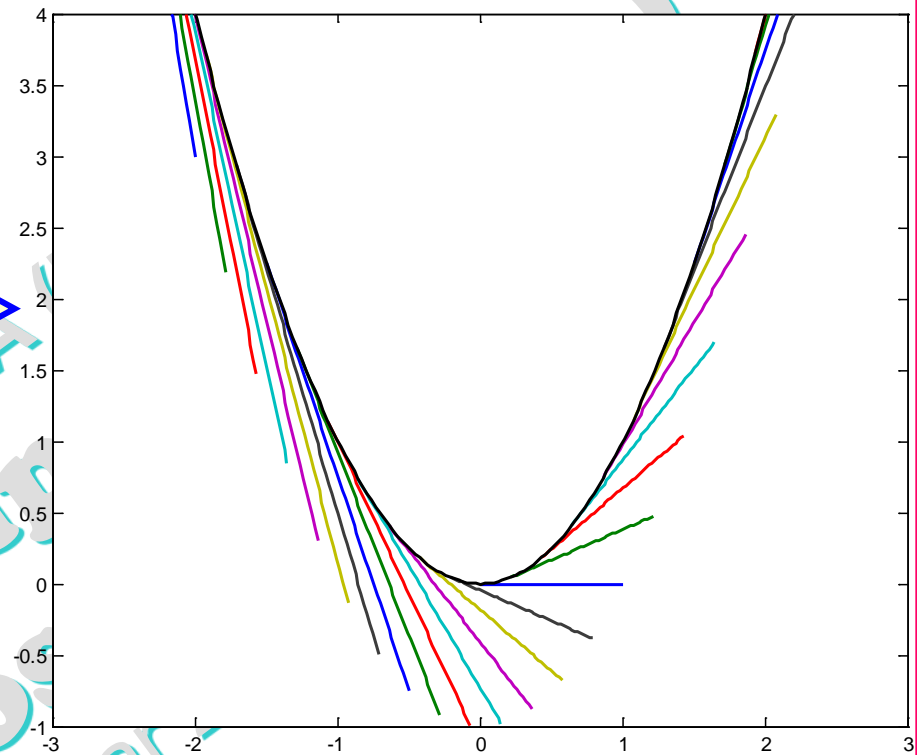
$$\tau : z = z(\rho) = z_0 + \rho z'(t_0), \quad \rho \in]-\infty, +\infty[.$$

By definition, the **tangential angle θ** of the arc γ at z_0 is the angle between the tangent τ and the x -axis:

$$\theta = \arg z'(t_0)$$

Example γ is an arc of parabola of eq.: $z=z(t)=t+it^2$, $t \in [-3,+3]$

an arc of parabola and
some tangent segments



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syms t real; N=197; tt=linspace(-3,3,N);
z=@(t) t+i*t^2; zt=subs(z(t),tt);
zprime=(diff(z(t))); zprimet=subs(zprime,tt);
rho=linspace(0,1,50)'; j=0; step=7;
for h=1:step:N
    j=j+1; tanz(:,j)=zt(h)+rho*zprimet(h);
end
plot(real(tanz),imag(tanz),real(zt),imag(zt),'k');
axis([-3 3 -1 4]); axis('equal')

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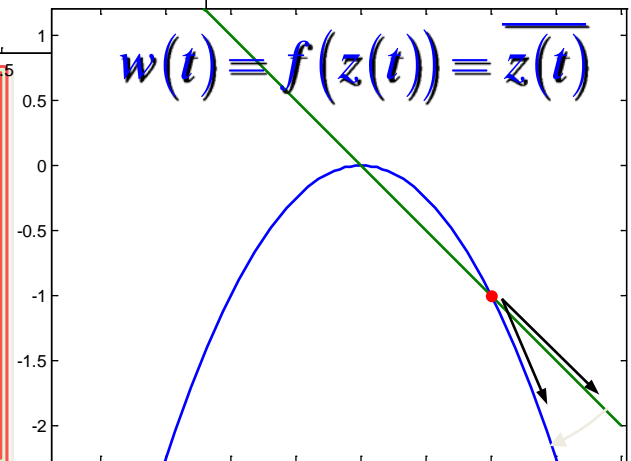
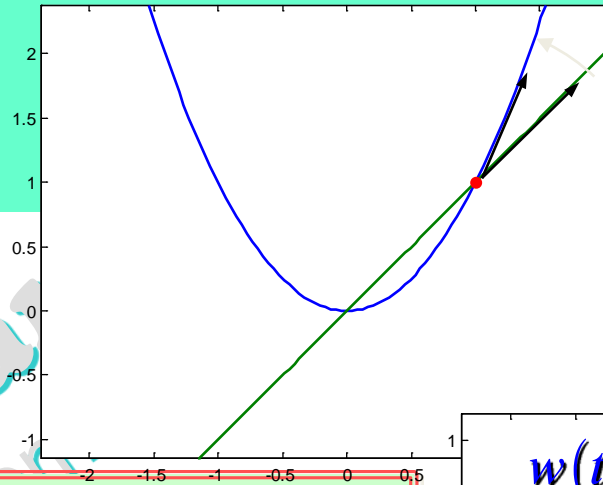
$$\tau : z = z(\rho) = z_0 + \rho z'(t_0), \quad \rho \in \mathbb{R}$$

Exercises

Change the previous symbolic code into numerical code, by approximating derivatives by means of **difference quotients**.

Compute the angle between the line, of eq.: $z_1=t+it$, and the parabola, of eq.: $z_2=t+it^2$, at their intersection point $P(1,1)$, and the angle between their image curves by means of the following mappings:

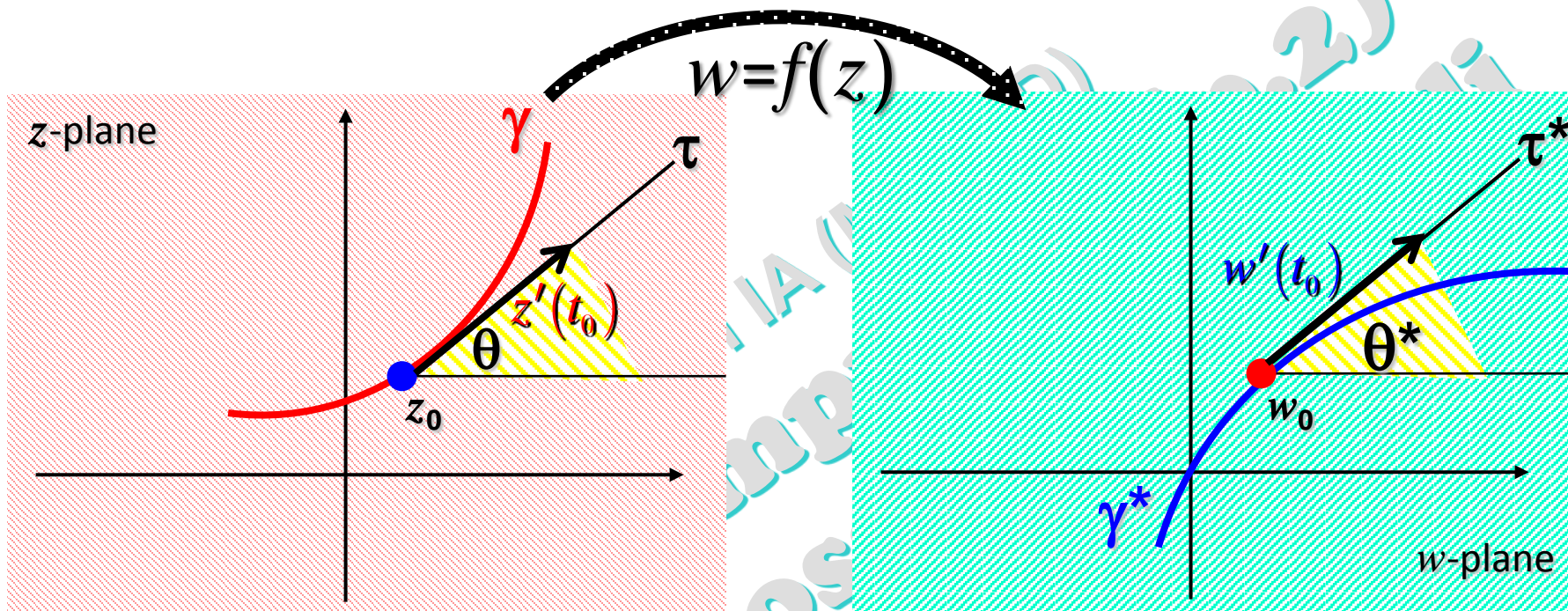
1. $w = f(z) = 2z - 1$
2. $w = f(z) = \bar{z}$



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z1=@(t) t+i*t;    z2=@(t) t+i*t.^2;
N=99; tt=linspace(-2,2,N);
z1t=z1(tt);    z2t=z2(tt); z0=1+i;
plot(real(z1t),imag(z1t),real(z2t),imag(z2t), ...
      real(z0),imag(z0),'.r'); axis('equal')
...
fz=@conj; w0=fz(z0); w1t=fz(z1t); w2t=fz(z2t);
plot(...)
    
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Law on transformation of local arcs (1/5)



γ is a smooth arc through z_0

γ^* is the image of γ by $w=f(z)$

$$\gamma: z = z(t), \quad t \in [a, b]$$

$$z_0 = z(t_0) \quad a < t_0 < b$$

$$\gamma^*: w = w(t) = f(z(t)), \quad t \in [a, b]$$

$$w_0 = f(z_0) = f(z(t_0))$$

The tangent τ to γ at z_0 has equation

$$\tau: z = z(\rho) = z_0 + \rho \cdot z'(t_0), \quad \rho \in \mathbb{R}$$

and the **angle** θ of γ at z_0 is given by

$$\theta = \arg z'(t_0)$$

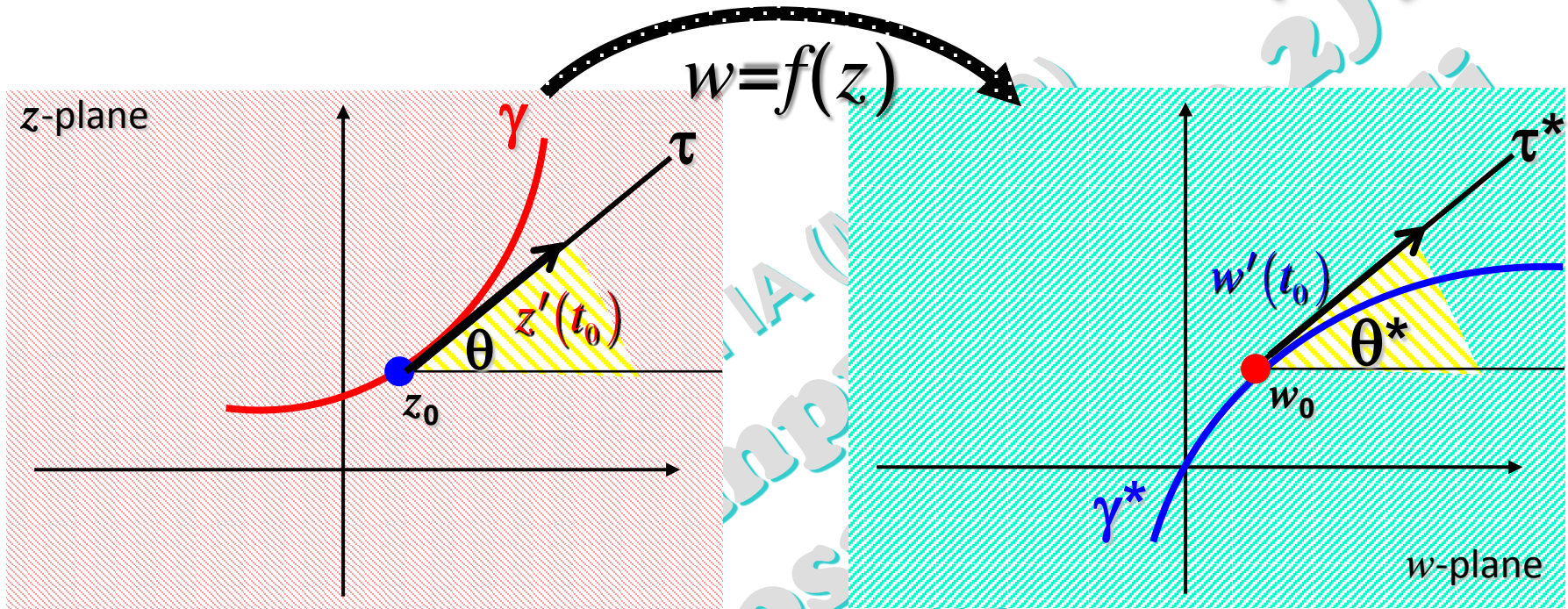
The tangent τ^* to γ^* at w_0 has equation

$$\tau^*: w = w(\rho) = w_0 + \rho \cdot w'(t_0), \quad \rho \in \mathbb{R}$$

and the **angle** θ^* of γ^* at w_0 is given by

$$\theta^* = \arg w'(t_0)$$

Law on local arc transformation (2/5)



γ is a smooth arc through z_0

γ^* is the image of γ by $w=f(z)$

$$\gamma: z = z(t), \quad t \in [a, b]$$

$$z_0 = z(t_0) \quad a < t_0 < b$$

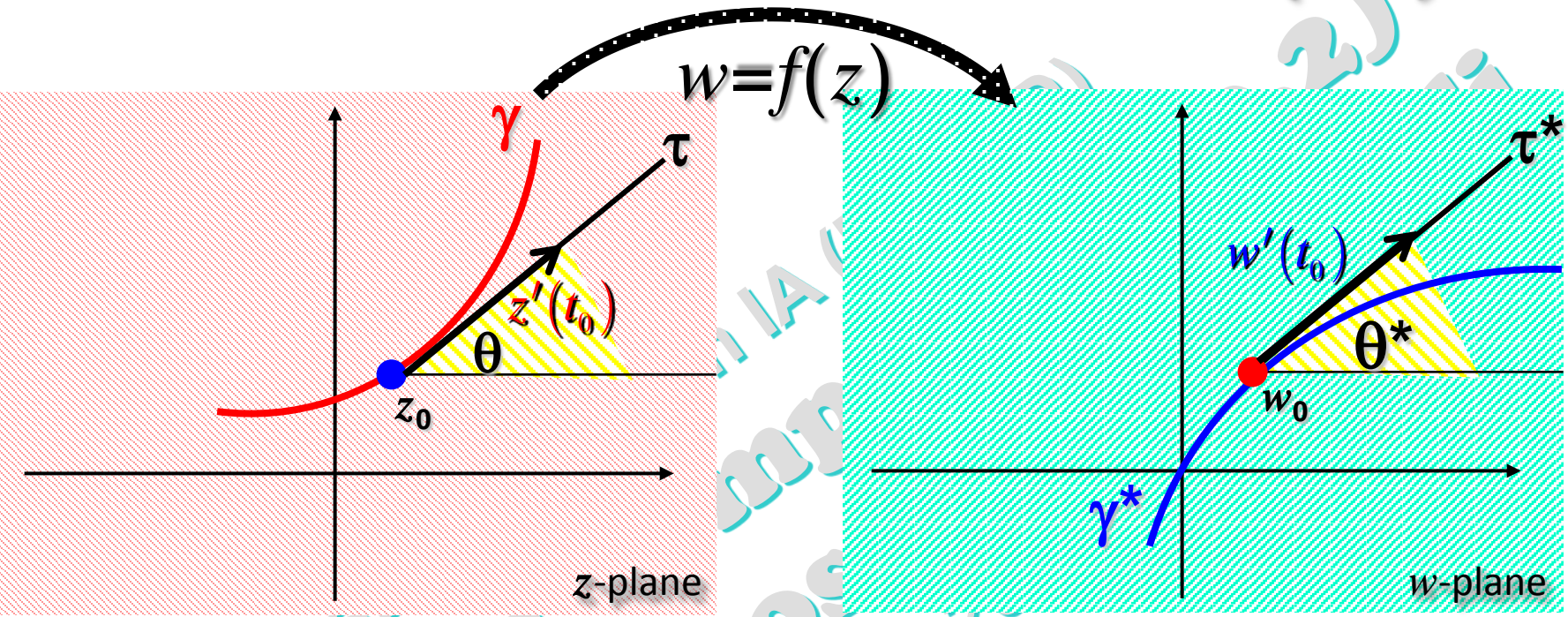
$$\gamma^*: w = w(t) = f(z(t)), \quad t \in [a, b]$$

$$w_0 = f(z_0) = f(z(t_0))$$

If γ is a regular curve and $f(z)$ is holomorphic, then γ^* is regular.

The tangent τ^* to γ^* at w_0 has equation $\tau^*: w = w(\rho) = w_0 + \rho \cdot w'(t_0)$, $\rho \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\theta^* = \arg w'(t_0)$

Law on local arc transformation (3/5)



In the z -plane, around z_0 :

γ = smooth arc at z_0

$$\gamma: z = z(t), \quad t \in [a, b]$$

$$\tau: z = z(\rho) = z_0 + \rho z'(t_0), \quad \rho \in \mathbb{R}$$

τ = tangent at z_0

In the w -plane, around w_0 :

γ^* = image arc

$$\gamma^*: w = w(t) = f(z(t)), \quad t \in [a, b]$$

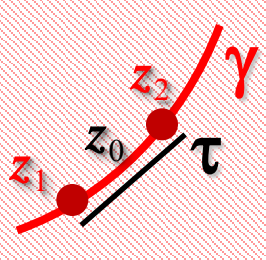
$$\tau^*: w = w(\rho) = w_0 + \rho w'(t_0), \quad \rho \in \mathbb{R}$$

τ^* = tangent at w_0



$$w'(t_0) = f'(z_0) \cdot z'(t_0), \quad f'(z_0) \neq 0$$

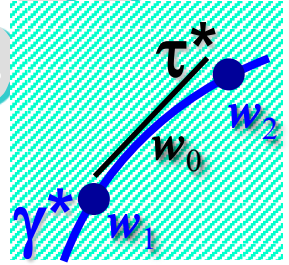
Law on local arc transformation (4/5)



In the z -plane, let z_1 and z_2 be two points on γ very close to z_0 so that the chord between them can be considered equal to a tangent segment on τ .

$$w'(t_0) = f'(z_0) \cdot z'(t_0), \quad f'(z_0) \neq 0$$

↑ related to the map at that point
↑ related to the curve at that point

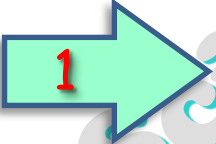


$$z_2 - z_1 = z(\rho_2) - z(\rho_1) = [z_0 + \rho_2 z'(t_0)] - [z_0 + \rho_1 z'(t_0)] = [\rho_2 - \rho_1] z'(t_0)$$

$$w_2 - w_1 = w(\rho_2) - w(\rho_1) = [\rho_2 - \rho_1] w'(t_0) = [\rho_2 - \rho_1] z'(t_0) f'(t_0) = [z_2 - z_1] f'(z_0)$$

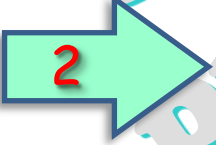
$$w_2 - w_1 = [z_2 - z_1] f'(z_0)$$

by the equality between complex numbers, we get



Law on infinitesimal angles:

$$\theta^* = \arg[w_2 - w_1] = \theta + \arg f'(z_0)$$



Law on infinitesimal magnitudes:

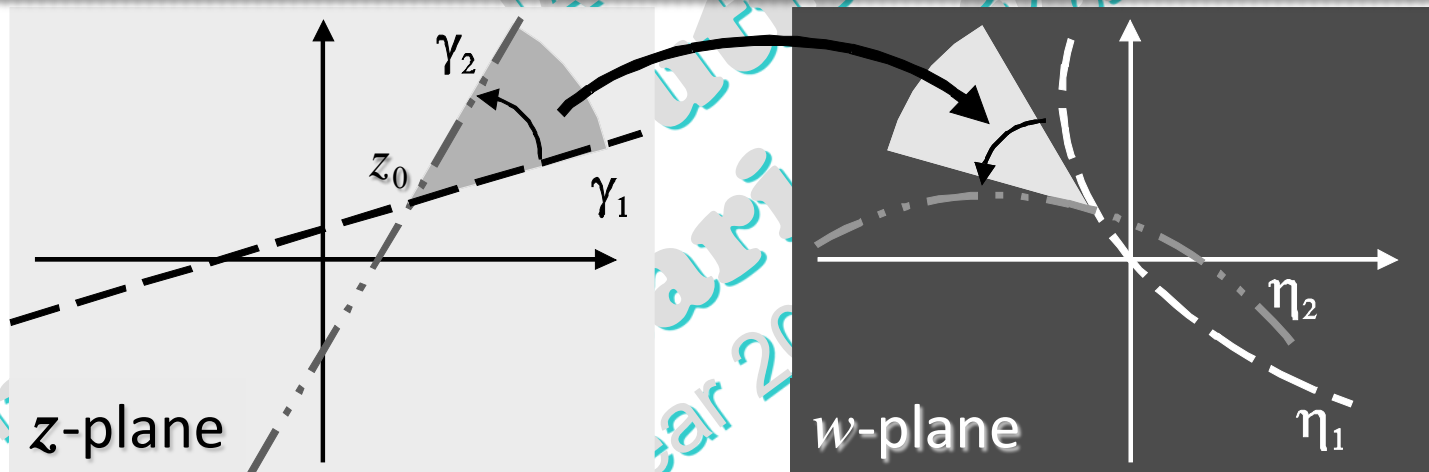
$$l^* = |w_2 - w_1| = l \cdot |f'(z_0)|$$

Consequences of the Law on infinitesimal angles:

$$\theta^* = \arg[w_2 - w_1] = \theta + \arg f'(z_0)$$

Theor.

If $f(z)$ is holomorphic at z_0 and $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ then the map $w=f(z)$ is conformal at z_0



Proof:

Let α be the angle between two curves (γ_1 and γ_2) which are intersecting at z_0 :

$$\alpha = \theta_2 - \theta_1$$

Let α^* (image of α) be the angle between the curves (η_1 and η_2) which are the images of γ_1 and γ_2 by means of $w=f(z)$:

$$\alpha^* = \theta_2^* - \theta_1^*$$

Then

$$\alpha^* = \theta_2^* - \theta_1^* = [\theta_2 + \arg f'(z_0)] - [\theta_1 + \arg f'(z_0)] = \alpha$$

Law on local arc transformation (5/5)

The map $w=f(z)$ locally behaves as:

Law on infinitesimal angles:

$$\theta^* = \theta + \arg f'(z_0) \longleftarrow \text{rotation by angle } \arg f'(z_0)$$

Law on infinitesimal magnitudes:

$$l^* = l \cdot |f'(z_0)| \longleftarrow \text{homothety with factor } |f'(z_0)|$$

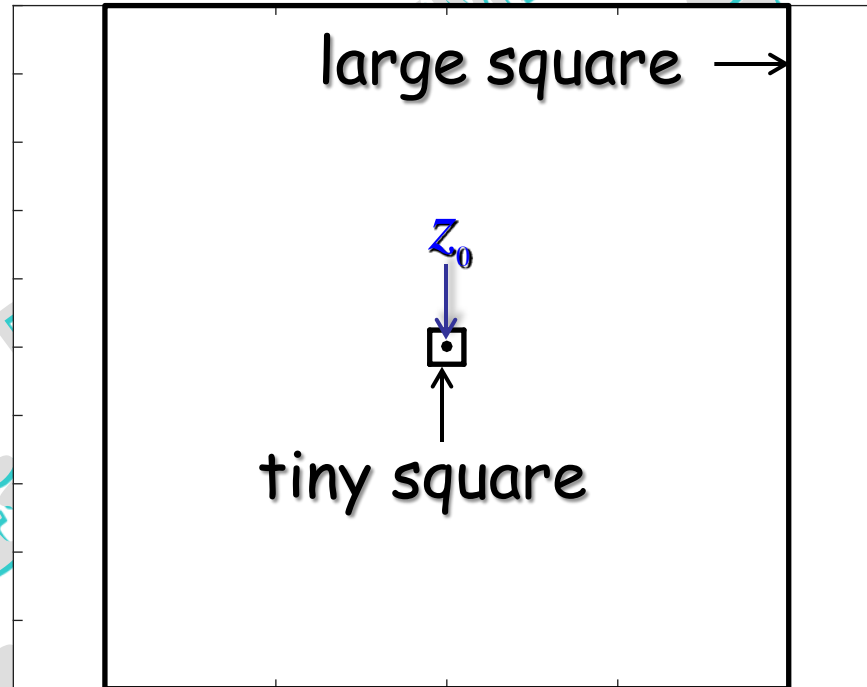
Geometric interpretation of derivative of a complex function

If $f(z)$ is holomorphic, then the map $w=f(z)$, at each point such that $f'(z) \neq 0$, can be **locally** considered as the **composition of a rotation** (by an angle $\arg f'(z)$) **and a homothety** (with a factor $|f'(z)|$).

Example: what does "local behavior" mean? (1/3)

map $w = f(z) = z^2$ $f'(z) = 2z \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow z \neq 0$

We consider two squares around z_0 :



Then we transform both of them:

1. by means of: $w = z^2$

2. by means of: $W = w_0 + f'(z_0)[z - z_0]$

$$|f'(z_0)| e^{i \arg f'(z_0)}$$

homothety rotation

and compare their images.

Example: what does "local behavior" mean? (2/3)

$$w = f(z) = z^2 \quad f'(z) = 2z$$

2 maps:

$$\diamond w_k = z_k^2$$

$$\diamond W_k = w_0 + f'(z_0)[z_k - z_0]$$

$$|f'(z_0)| e^{i \arg f'(z_0)}$$

Locally it behaves as the composition of a **homothety** and a **rotation**.

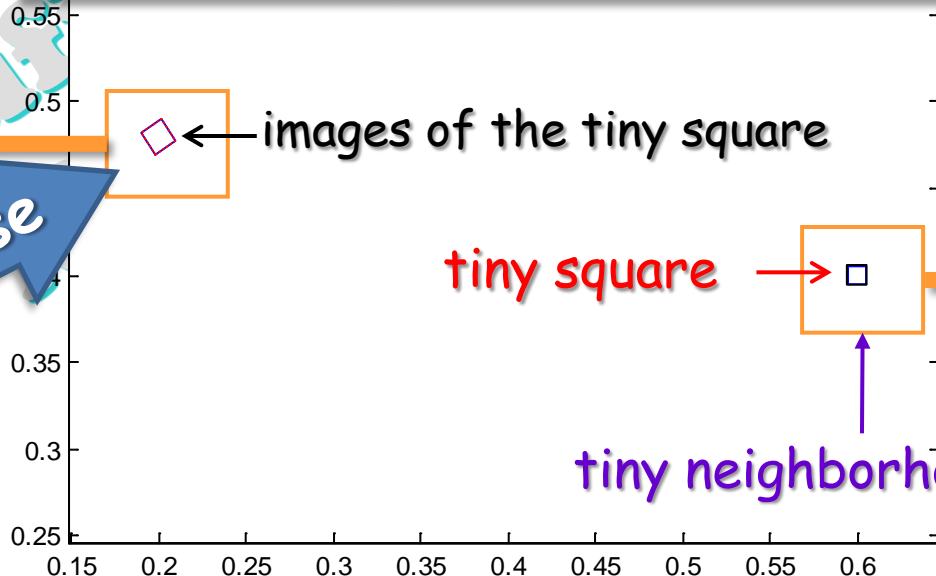
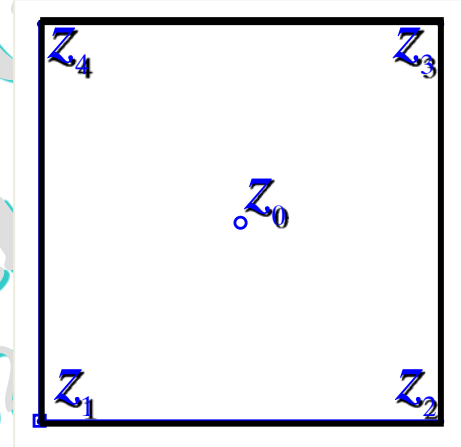
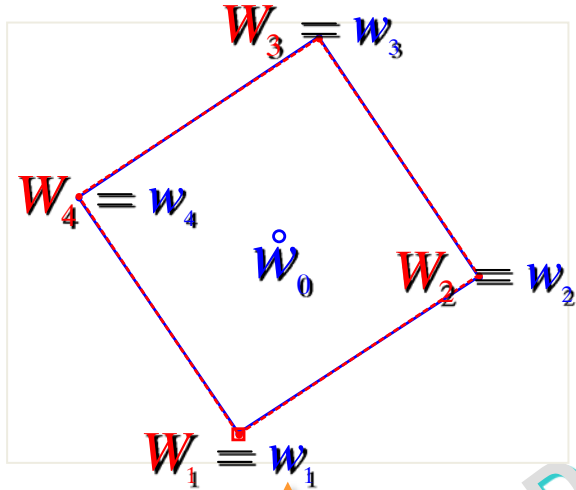
zoom

very close

images of the tiny square

tiny square

tiny neighborhood of z_0



Example: what does "local behavior" mean? (3/3)

$$w = f(z) = z^2$$

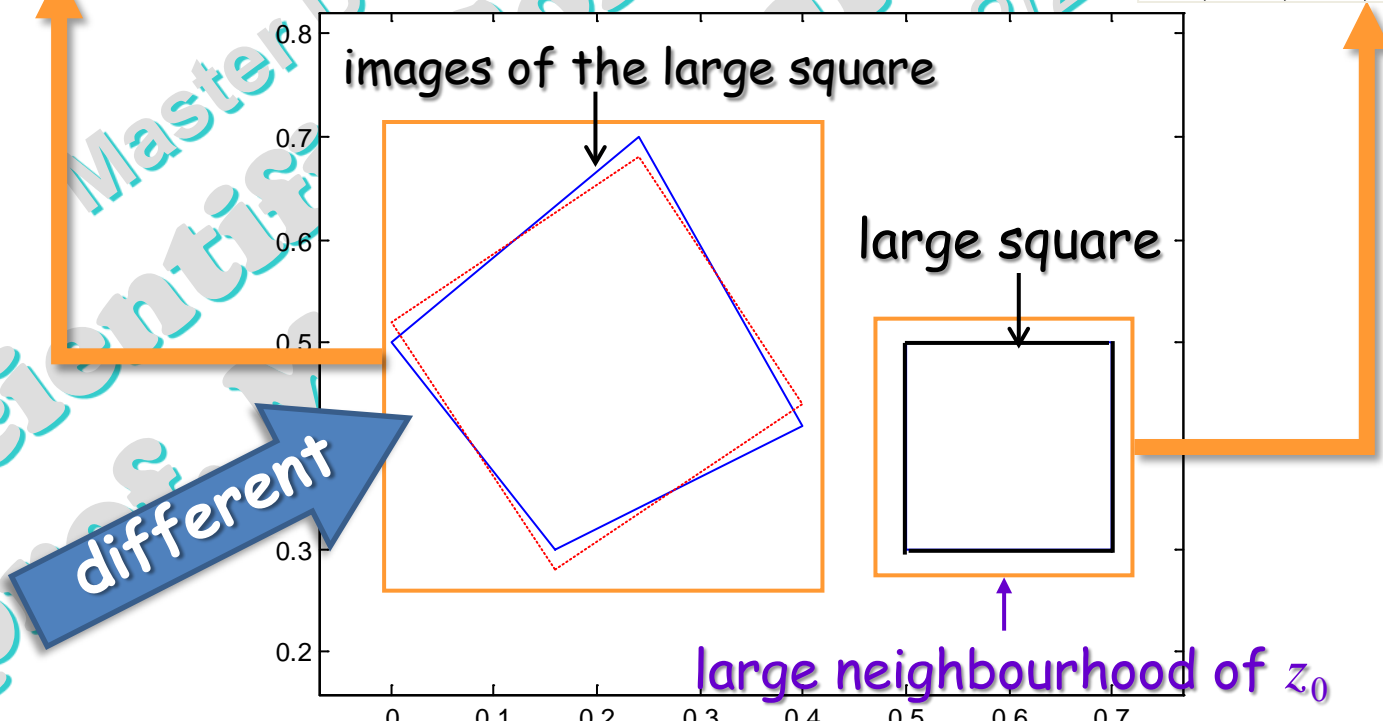
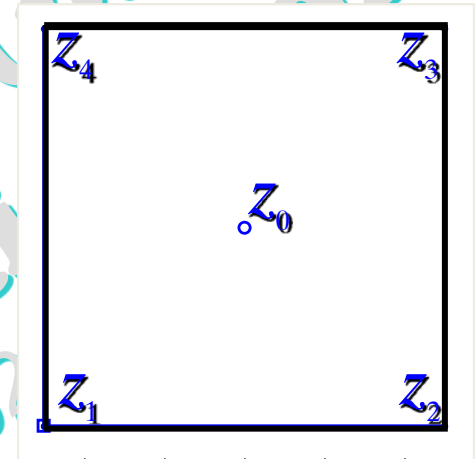
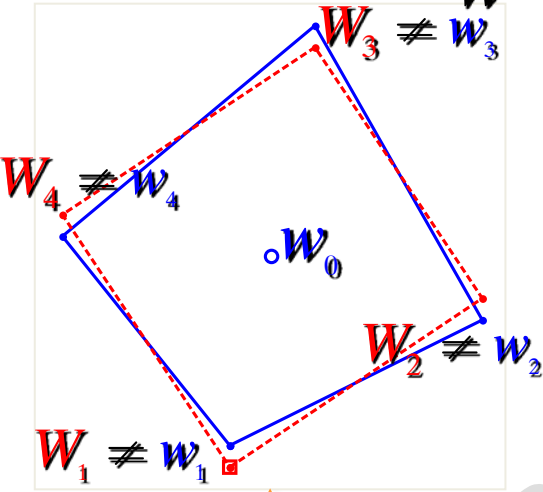
$$f'(z) = 2z$$

2 maps:

$$\diamond w_k = z_k^2$$

$$\diamond W_k = w_0 + f'(z_0)[z_k - z_0]$$

$$|f'(z_0)| e^{i \arg f'(z_0)}$$



Critical points of a transformation

Given a transformation $w = f(z)$, all the points such that $f'(z) = 0$ are said **critical points**.

At each critical point:

- ❖ the transformation is **non-invertible**;
- ❖ the transformation is **non-conformal**.