

A Futher Identity and a Recurrence Relation on the Coefficient of a Holomorphic Function Several Complex Variables

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Abstract: In this paper, we reviewed the work of Adepoju et al [1] and also corrected some mistakes in the paper. We then used this known result to obtain our own results using the well known Legendre duplicating formula.

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I. Review

In this section, we review the work of Adepoju et al [1] and we expatiate more on the proof of the result. Adepoju et al [1] proved the result as follows;

$$\text{Let } S_n = \sum_{i+j+k=n} \binom{i+j}{i} \binom{j+k}{j} \binom{k+i}{k} \quad (1.0)$$

where the summation is taken over all non-negative integers i, j, k such that $i+j+k=n$ and S_n is the coefficient of the holomorphic function

$$f(z, w) = (1+z)^i (1+w)^j (2+z+w)^{n-i}, \quad (1.1)$$

Then

$$S_n - S_{n-1} = \binom{2n}{n} \quad (1.2)$$

For a fixed i , let $i+j+k=n$

$$\therefore S_n = \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} \binom{i+j}{i} \binom{n-i}{j} \binom{n-j}{i}$$

$$\text{Now let } \sigma_{n,i} = \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} \binom{i+j}{i} \binom{n-i}{j} \binom{n-j}{i} \quad (1.3)$$

$$\therefore S_n = \sum_{i=0}^n \sigma_{n,i} \quad (1.4)$$

We consider a holomorphic function of the form

$$\begin{aligned} f(z, w) &= (1+z)^i (1+w)^j (2+z+w)^{n-i} = (1+z)^i (1+w)^j (1+z+1+w)^{n-i} \\ &= \cancel{(1+z)^i} (1+w)^j (1+z)^{n-i} \left(1 + \frac{1+w}{1+z}\right)^{n-i} = (1+w)^j (1+z)^n \left(1 + \frac{1+w}{1+z}\right)^{n-i} \\ &= (1+w)^j (1+z)^n \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} \binom{n-i}{j} \left(\frac{1+w}{1+z}\right)^j = \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} \binom{n-i}{j} (1+w)^{j+i} (1+z)^{n-j} \end{aligned}$$

$$f(z, w) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} \binom{n-i}{j} \binom{i+j}{i} i^{i+j-i} w^i \sum_{m=0}^{n-j} \binom{n-j}{m} i^{n-j-m} z^m$$

Since m is a dummy variable, let $m = i$

$$\therefore f(z, w) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-j} \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} \binom{i+j}{i} \binom{n-i}{j} \binom{n-j}{i} w^i z^i$$

Hence the coefficient of $w^i z^i$ in $f(w, z)$ is

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n-i} \binom{i+j}{i} \binom{n-i}{j} \binom{n-j}{i} = \sigma_{n,i} \tag{1.5}$$

From Cauchy formula for double complex variables, (1.5) becomes

$$\sigma_{n,i} = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi i}\right)^2 \oint_{C_r} \oint_{C_r} \frac{f(z, w)}{w^{i+1} z^{i+1}} dw dz = \frac{-1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{C_r} \oint_{C_r} \frac{(1+z)^i (1+w)^i (2+z+w)^{n-i}}{w^{i+1} z^{i+1}} dw dz \tag{1.6}$$

Now, $C_r : |z| = r, \quad 0 < r < 1$ and $\Gamma = C_r \times C_r$, (10) becomes

$$\sigma_{n,i} = \frac{-1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{(1+z)^i (1+w)^i (2+z+w)^{n-i}}{w^{i+1} z^{i+1}} dw dz$$

From (1.4) we have that $S_n = \sum_{i=0}^n \sigma_{n,i}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore S_n &= \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{-1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{(1+z)^i (1+w)^i (2+z+w)^{n-i}}{(wz)^{i+1}} dw dz \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(1+z)^i (1+w)^i}{(wz)^i (zw)} \times \frac{(2+z+w)^n}{(2+z+w)^i} dw dz \\ \Rightarrow S_n &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(2+z+w)^n}{wz} \left[\frac{(1+z)(1+w)}{(wz)(2+z+w)} \right]^i dw dz \end{aligned}$$

Using the sum of n th of geometric progression, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{(2+z+w)^n}{wz} \left(\frac{1 - \left[\frac{(1+z)(1+w)}{zw(2+z+w)} \right]^{n+1}}{1 - \frac{(1+z)(1+w)}{zw(2+z+w)}} \right) dw dz \\ S_n &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{(2+z+w)^n}{wz} \frac{(zw)(2+z+w)}{(zw)^{n+1} (2+z+w)^{n+1}} \left(\frac{(zw)^{n+1} (2+z+w)^{n+1} - (1+z)^{n+1} (1+w)^{n+1}}{zw(2+z+w) - (1+z)(1+w)} \right) dw dz \end{aligned}$$

$$S_n = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{1}{(zw)^{n+1}} \left(\frac{(zw)^{n+1} (2+z+w)^{n+1} - (1+z)^{n+1} (1+w)^{n+1}}{zw(2+z+w) - (1+z)(1+w)} \right) dw dz$$

But $zw(2+z+w) - (1+z)(1+w) = (zw-1)(1+z+w)$

$$\therefore S_n = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{(zw)^{n+1} (2+z+w)^{n+1} - (1+z)^{n+1} (1+w)^{n+1}}{(zw)^{n+1} (zw-1)(1+z+w)} dw dz$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \left[\frac{(zw)^{n+1} (2+z+w)^{n+1}}{(zw)^{n+1} (zw-1)(1+z+w)} - \frac{(1+z)^{n+1} (1+w)^{n+1}}{(zw)^{n+1} (zw-1)(1+z+w)} \right] dw dz \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{1}{(zw-1)(1+z+w)} \left[(2+z+w)^{n+1} - \frac{(1+z)^{n+1} (1+w)^{n+1}}{(zw)^{n+1}} \right] dw dz \end{aligned} \tag{1.7}$$

$$S_{n-1} = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{1}{(zw-1)(1+z+w)} \left((2+z+w)^n - \frac{(1+z)^n (1+w)^n}{(zw)^n} \right) dw dz \tag{1.8}$$

Hence (1.7) – (1.8) becomes

$$S_n - S_{n-1} = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{1}{(zw-1)(1+z+w)} \left((2+z+w)^{n+1} - (2+z+w)^n - \frac{(1+z)^{n+1} (1+w)^{n+1}}{(zw)^{n+1}} + \frac{(1+z)^n (1+w)^n}{(zw)^n} \right) dw dz$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{1}{(zw-1)(1+z+w)} \left[(2+z+w)^n (2+z+w) - \frac{(1+z)^n (1+w)^n}{(zw)^n} \left(\frac{(1+z)(1+w)}{zw} - 1 \right) \right] dw dz$$

$$S_n - S_{n-1} = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{1}{(zw-1)} \left[(2+z+w)^n - \frac{(1+z)^n (1+w)^n}{(zw)^{n+1}} \right] dw dz$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{-1}{(1-zw)} \left[(2+z+w)^n - \frac{(1+z)^n (1+w)^n}{(zw)^{n+1}} \right] dw dz$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \left[\frac{(1+z)^n (1+w)^n}{(zw)^{n+1} (1-zw)} - \frac{(2+z+w)^n}{(1-zw)} \right] dw dz$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{(1+z)^n (1+w)^n}{(zw)^{n+1} (1-zw)} dw dz + \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{(2+z+w)^n}{(1-zw)} dw dz$$

The second integral has a singular point at $zw=1$ which lies outside the path $\Gamma = C_r \times C_r$; $0 < r < 1$, thereby holomorphic inside the path Γ . Hence by Cauchy's theorem, the second integral becomes zero.

$$S_n - S_{n-1} = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{(1+z)^n (1+w)^n (1-zw)^{-1}}{z^{n+1} w^{n+1}} dw dz \tag{1.8}$$

In view of (1.6), the R.H.S of (1.8) is the coefficient of $z^n w^n$ in the expansion of the function

$g(z, w) = (1+z)^n (1+w)^n (1-zw)^{-1}$ in the powers of z and w . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} g(z, w) &= \left[\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} z^k \right] \left[\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} w^k \right] \left[\frac{1}{1-zw} \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 w^k z^k \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (zw)^n \right) = \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 w^k z^k \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} w^n z^n \right) \end{aligned}$$

The coefficient of $z^n w^n$ in the expansion is $\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2$ (1.9)

Comparing (1.8) and (1.9) (that are both coefficients of $z^n w^n$), we have that

$$S_n - S_{n-1} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 \tag{1.10}$$

We now need to show that

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 = \binom{2n}{n}$$

Now, we consider the identity

$$(1+x)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^n = \left(\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^{2n}$$

Applying binomial expansion for the identity, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k \right] \left[\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{-k} \right] &= \sum_{k=0}^{2n} \binom{2n}{k} (\sqrt{x})^{2n-k} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^k \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 &= \sum_{k=0}^{2n} \binom{2n}{k} (x)^{n-\frac{k}{2}} (x)^{\frac{k}{2}} = \sum_{k=0}^{2n} \binom{2n}{k} x^{n-k} \\ \therefore \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 &= \sum_{k=0}^{2n} \binom{2n}{k} x^{n-k} \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we apply Verdemonde's identity $\binom{m+n}{r} = \sum_{k=0}^r \binom{m}{k} \binom{n}{r-k}$

This can be proved by the usual binomial theorem, hence applying this identity, we obtain

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 = \binom{2n}{n}$$

Therefore, (1.10) becomes

$$S_n - S_{n-1} = \binom{2n}{n}$$

This completes the proof.

II. Our Main Results

In this section, we obtained a recurrence relation and a further identity based on the result of Adepoju [1], which serves as an improvement on the results. Our results and the proof are stated in the following theorems;

Theorem 2.1

Let S_n be defined as in (1.1) and (1.2), then we have the identity

$$S_{n+\frac{1}{2}} - S_{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)\binom{2n}{n}\pi} \tag{2.1}$$

Proof of theorem (2.1)

We recall from the identity in (1.2), that is $S_n - S_{n-1} = \binom{2n}{n}$, this can be written as

$$S_n - S_{n-1} = \binom{2n}{n} = {}^{2n}C_n = \frac{(2n)!}{(2n-n)!n!} = \frac{(2n)!}{[n!]^2}$$

Now, replacing n by $n + \frac{1}{2}$, we have

$$S_{n+\frac{1}{2}} - S_{n-\frac{1}{2}} = {}^{2(n+\frac{1}{2})}C_{n+\frac{1}{2}} = {}^{2n+1}C_{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{[2(n+\frac{1}{2})]!}{[(n+\frac{1}{2})!]^2} = \frac{[2n+1]!}{[(n+\frac{1}{2})!]^2}$$

Recall from gamma function, $n! = \Gamma(n+1)$ and $\Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)$, hence we have that

$$S_{n+\frac{1}{2}} - S_{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\Gamma(2n+1+1)}{[\Gamma(n+\frac{1}{2}+1)]^2} = \frac{(2n+1)\Gamma(2n+1)}{[(n+\frac{1}{2})\Gamma(n+\frac{1}{2})]^2} = \frac{4\Gamma(2n+1)}{(2n+1)\Gamma^2(n+\frac{1}{2})}$$

Applying Legendre duplicating formula, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n+\frac{1}{2}} - S_{n-\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{4\Gamma(2n+1)}{(2n+1)\left[\frac{(2n)!\sqrt{\pi}}{2^{2n}n!}\right]^2} = \frac{2^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)\pi\frac{\Gamma(2n+1)}{(n!)^2}} = \frac{2^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)\pi\frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2}} \\ \Rightarrow S_{n+\frac{1}{2}} - S_{n-\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{2^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)\pi\frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2}} = \frac{2^{4n+2}}{(2n+1)\pi\binom{2n}{n}} \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

Theorem 2.2

Let S_n be defined as in (1.1) and (1.2), then we have the recurrence relation

$$(n+1)S_{n+1} + 2(2n+1)S_{n-1} = (5n+3)S_n \tag{2.2}$$

Proof of Theorem 2.2

From the result $S_n - S_{n-1} = \binom{2n}{n}$, we replacing n by $n + 1$ to get

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{n+1} - S_n &= \binom{2n+2}{n+1} = {}^{2n+2}C_{n+1} \\
 \Rightarrow S_{n+1} - S_n &= {}^{2n+2}C_{n+1} = \frac{(2n+2)!}{(2n+2-n-1)!(n+1)!} = \frac{(2n+2)!}{[(n+1)!]^2} \\
 \Rightarrow S_{n+1} - S_n &= \left\{ \frac{(2n+2)(2n+1)}{(n+1)^2} \right\} \left\{ \frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2} \right\} = \left\{ \frac{(2n+2)(2n+1)}{(n+1)^2} \right\} \binom{2n}{n} \\
 &= \left\{ \frac{2(2n+1)}{(n+1)} \right\} \{S_n - S_{n-1}\} \\
 \Rightarrow (n+1)S_{n+1} - (n+1)S_n &= 2(2n+1)S_n - 2(2n+1)S_{n-1} \\
 \Rightarrow (n+1)S_{n+1} + 2(2n+1)S_{n-1} &= (5n+3)S_n
 \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

III. Conclusion

Base on our results, we conclude that our results are improvement of the work of Adepoju et al [1]. Also for further research, applying the solution of difference equation method to the recurrence relation (2.2), the actual expression of S_n can be found.

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