

Exam Complex Function theory

Code 201500405

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Place : NH-205

Time : 13.45 - 15.45

All answers must be motivated.

The use of a pocket calculator or any other electronic equipment is not allowed.

1. Show, by using the definition, that $f(z)$ is analytic at the origin, where $f(z)$ is given by

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(z)}{z} & z \neq 0, \\ 1 & z = 0. \end{cases}$$

2. Given is the function

$$u(x, y) = -2xy + 2x + 5. \tag{1}$$

(a) Show that u is harmonic on \mathbb{R}^2 .

(b) Suppose that $z = x + iy$ and $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$, with f entire and u given by (1). Find $f(z)$, as function of z , when additionally it is given that $f(0) = 1$.

3. Let α be a complex number. Show that for $z \neq 0$ the following holds,

$$z^{-\alpha} = \frac{1}{z^\alpha},$$

where each power function is given by its principal branch.

4. Let Γ denote the unit circle, i.e., $\Gamma = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$. Does there exist a meromorphic function f with zero being a pole of f , such that the following holds:

$$\oint_{\Gamma} f(z) dz = 0.$$

If yes, construct such a function. If not, prove why.

5. Picard theorem states that a function with an essential singularity assumes every complex number, with possible one exception, as a value in any neighbourhood of this singularity.

Verify Picard's theorem for $e^{1/z}$ near $z = 0$.

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6. Determine the outcome of the following integral

$$\int_{\Gamma} \frac{z^2}{z^2 - 1} dz,$$

where Γ is the contour drawn in Figure 1

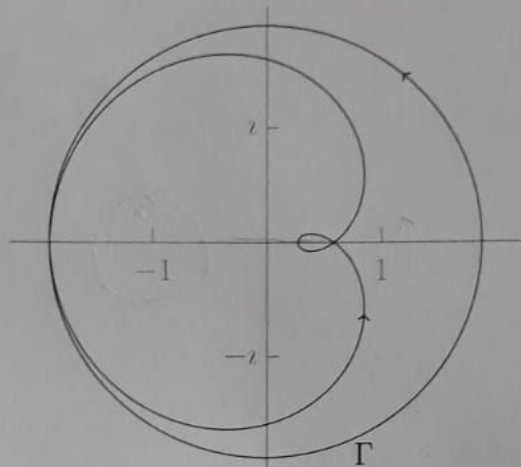


Figure 1: The curve Γ .

7. Let $g(z)$ be an entire function, and define $z_n = n^{-1}$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Show that if $g(z_n) = 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, then g is identically zero.
8. Determine the integral

$$\text{P.V.} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 9)} dx, \quad \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \pi = \frac{1}{8} \pi$$

where P.V. stands for principle value.

9. Suppose that $f(z)$ is analytic on a domain containing the closed unit disc, $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| \leq 1\}$, and satisfies $|f(z)| < 1$ for $|z| = 1$. Show that the equation $f(z) = z$ has exactly one (counting multiplicity) solution inside the open unit disc $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < 1\}$.

Points¹

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¹Total: $36 + 4 = 40$ points