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### Math 202 Complex Analysis – Homework 1 – Solutions

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**Q-1)** Find a complex form for the hyperbola with the real equation  $9x^2 - 4y^2 = 36$ .

**Solution:**

The hyperbola with the canonical equation  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  is the locus of points whose distances from  $(c, 0)$  and  $(-c, 0)$  differ by  $\pm 2a$ , where  $a, b, c > 0$  and  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ . We can write this in complex notation as

$$|z - c| - |z + c| = \pm 2a, \quad \text{where } z = x + iy.$$

In our case  $a = 2$ ,  $b = 3$  and hence  $c = \sqrt{13}$ .

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**Q-2)** Let  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_n$  be complex numbers, where  $n$  is a fixed positive integer. Prove that

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^n a_k b_k \right|^2 \leq \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k|^2 \right) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |b_k|^2 \right).$$

Also find all cases when the equality holds.

**Solution:**

Define the usual Hermitian inner product on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  as follows. If  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ , then define

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x_1 \bar{y}_1 + \dots + x_n \bar{y}_n.$$

Also define the associated norm as

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle},$$

where we take the positive square root.

Now let

$$u = (a_1, \dots, a_n), \quad \text{and} \quad v = (\bar{b}_1, \dots, \bar{b}_n),$$

where the bar denotes the complex conjugate. Note that

$$\|u\|^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k|^2, \quad \text{and} \quad \|v\|^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n |b_k|^2.$$

Therefore we want to show that

$$|\langle u, v \rangle|^2 \leq \|u\|^2 \|v\|^2.$$

First note that if either  $u$  or  $v$  is the zero vector, then the inequality holds trivially, both sides being zero. So assume that neither is zero. Let

$$\lambda = \frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\|v\|^2}, \quad \text{and define the vector} \quad z = u - \lambda v.$$

Note that  $\langle v, z \rangle = 0$ . Hence from  $u = \lambda v + z$  we get

$$\|u\|^2 = |\lambda|^2 \|v\|^2 + \|z\|^2 \geq |\lambda|^2 \|v\|^2 = \frac{|\langle u, v \rangle|^2}{\|v\|^2}.$$

Multiplying all sides by  $\|v\|^2$  we get the required inequality. Note that the equality hold whenever  $z = 0$ , or equivalently when  $u$  and  $v$  are linearly dependent over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

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**Q-3)** Find all positive integers  $n$  such that

$$(1 + i)^{2n} = (1 + i\sqrt{3})^n = 2^n.$$

**Solution:** Note that we have  $(1 + i)^{2n} = 2^n \exp(2i\pi n/4)$ . In order to have  $\exp(2i\pi n/4) = 1$ , we must have  $4|n$ . Similarly  $(1 + i\sqrt{3})^n = 2^n \exp(\pi i n/3)$ , and we must have  $6|n$ . So all multiples of 12 will work.

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**Q-4)** Give an example of a sequence which has the positive integers as its limit points but none of the sequence terms are integers..

**Solution:**

We can define the terms of the sequence in terms of blocks.

First block: 1.01

Second block: 1.001, 2.001

Third block: 1.0001, 2.0001, 3.0001

$n$ -th block:  $1.\underbrace{0\cdots 0}_{n-\text{zeros}}1, 2.\underbrace{0\cdots 0}_{n-\text{zeros}}1, \dots, n.\underbrace{0\cdots 0}_{n-\text{zeros}}1,$

It is now clear that for each integer  $n$ , there is a subsequence converging to  $n$ , and none of the terms is an integer itself.

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**Q-5)** Let  $\{S_n\}$  be a sequence of non-empty compact subsets of  $\mathbb{C}$  such that  $S_{n+1} \subset S_n$  for every  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Prove or disprove that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n = \emptyset$  is possible.

**Solution:**

This is not possible. Define a sequence by choosing  $z_n \in S_n$ . This sequence is bounded since all elements lie in  $S_1$  which is bounded. Being bounded and infinite, this sequence has at least one accumulation point. Let  $z_0$  be an accumulation point of this sequence. Note that  $z_0$  is still an accumulation point of the sequence  $z_n$  after we truncate finitely many terms. In particular the sequence  $z_n, z_{n+1}, \dots$  lies in  $S_n$ , and since  $S_n$  is compact, the accumulation point  $z_0$  is in  $S_n$ , for every  $n$ . Hence  $z_0 \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n$ .