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### Math 202 Complex Analysis – Homework 2 – Solutions

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**Q-1** Prove or disprove Exercise 2.31 (8) on page 48: "Consider two antipodal points  $(x, y, u)$  and  $(-x, -y, -u)$  on the Riemann sphere. Show that their stereographic projections  $z$  and  $z'$  are related by  $zz' = -1$ ".

**Solution:**

This is wrong. What is correct is  $z\bar{z}' = -1$ . This can be seen either by directly writing down formulas or by a geometrical observation: The triangle in space formed by  $z$ ,  $z'$  and  $N$ , the North pole, is a right triangle and has its hypotenuse in the plane passing through the origin. The line joining  $N$  to the origin is perpendicular to the hypotenuse. By Thales we know that  $|z||z'| = 1$ . So we know that if  $z = re^{i\theta}$ , then  $z' = (1/r)e^{i(\theta+\pi)} = -(1/r)(1/e^{-i\theta})$ , from which it follows that  $z' = -1/\bar{z}$ .

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**Q-2)** Fix four distinct points  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let  $\lambda = (z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4)$  be their cross-ratio. Let  $S_4$  be the permutation group on  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ , and define  $\lambda_\sigma = (z_{\sigma(1)}, z_{\sigma(2)}, z_{\sigma(3)}, z_{\sigma(4)})$  be the corresponding cross-ratio for  $\sigma \in S_4$ . Find all  $\lambda_\sigma$ .

**Solution:**

A direct calculation will give that  $\{\lambda_\sigma \mid \sigma \in S_4\} = \{\lambda, \frac{1}{\lambda}, 1 - \lambda, \frac{1}{1 - \lambda}, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - 1}, \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda}\}$ .

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**Q-3)** Find all zeros of  $\sin z$  and  $\cos z$  in the complex plane.

**Solution:**

Since  $\sin z = \sin x \cosh y + i \cos x \sinh y = 0$  has only the solutions  $x = n\pi$  and  $y = 0$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , the only zeros of the complex sine function are those of the real sine function.

On the other hand since  $\cos z = \sin(z - \frac{\pi}{2})$ , the only zeros of the complex cosine function are those of the real one.

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**Q-4)** For any  $z \neq 0$  in the complex plane, calculate  $(\exp \circ \log)(z)$  and  $(\log \circ \exp)(z)$ .

**Solution:**

We have  $(\exp \circ \log)(z) = z$  and  $(\log \circ \exp)(z) = z + i2n\pi$ .

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**Q-5)** Calculate all values of  $i^{i^i}$  and  $|i^{i^i}|$

**Solution:**

We have  $i^i = \exp(i \log i) = \exp(i[i(\pi/2 + 2n\pi)])$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Hence  $i^{i^i} = \exp(i^i \log i) = \exp(e^{-\pi/2 - 2n\pi}[i(\pi/2 + 2n\pi)])$ . In the second log we choose the same branch as the previous log, so we use the same integer  $n$ . It now follows from the expression for  $i^{i^i}$  that  $|i^{i^i}| = 1$