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Time: 10:00-12:00  
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### Math 202 Complex Analysis – Midterm Exam II – Solutions

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*Cauchy-Riemann Equations:* If  $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$  is holomorphic on a domain, then at every point of that domain we have

$$u_x = v_y, \quad \text{and} \quad u_y = -v_x.$$

In polar coordinates, taking  $z = x + iy = re^{i\theta}$ , these equations have the form

$$ru_r = v_\theta, \quad \text{and} \quad u_\theta = -rv_r.$$

Moreover we have

$$f'(z) = u_x + iv_x = e^{-i\theta}(u_r + iv_r).$$

*Cauchy-Goursat Theorem:* If  $f$  is holomorphic on and inside of the closed contour  $C$ , then

$$\int_C f(z) dz = 0.$$

*Cauchy Integral Formula:* If  $f$  is holomorphic on and inside of the closed contour  $C$ , and if  $z_0$  lies inside  $C$ , then

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz.$$

Moreover, if  $n$  is a positive integer, then

$$f^{(n)}(z_0) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz.$$

*Geometric Series:*  $\frac{1}{1 - z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$  for  $|z| < 1$ .

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**Q-1)** The transformation  $T$  which gives the cross-ratio of  $z, z_1, z_2, z_3$  is given by

$$T(z) = \frac{z - z_1}{z - z_3} \frac{z_2 - z_3}{z_2 - z_1}.$$

(a) Calculate  $T(1 + i, -2i, 1, 4i)$ .

(b) Do the points  $1 + i, -2i, 1, 4i$  lie on a circle?

**Solution:**

**(a)**

If you take  $T(z; z_1, z_2, z_3) = \frac{z - z_1}{z - z_3} \frac{z_2 - z_3}{z_2 - z_1}$ , then a straightforward calculation gives

$$T(1 + i, -2i, 1, 4i) = \frac{46}{25} + \frac{3}{25}i.$$

However, if you take  $T(z_1, z_2, z_3; z) = \frac{z - z_1}{z - z_3} \frac{z_2 - z_3}{z_2 - z_1}$ , then a straightforward calculation gives

$$T(1 + i, -2i, 1, 4i) = \frac{46}{85} - \frac{3}{85}i = \left( \frac{46}{25} + \frac{3}{25}i \right)^{-1}.$$

**(b)**

Four points lie on a circle if and only if their cross-ratio is real. Here the cross-ratio is not real, so these points do not lie on a circle. (No need to do geometric investigation once this cross-ratio is calculated!)

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**Q-2)** Calculate the following numbers and write your answer in the rectangular form, i.e. as  $x + iy$ .

(a)  $\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} + i\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^{2015}$

(b)  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + i\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2015}$

(c)  $\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^{2015}$

(d)  $i^{2015}$

**Solution:**

**(a)**

Note that  $2015 = 8 \times 251 + 7$ . Hence

$$\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} + i\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^{2015} = 2^{2015} \left(e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}\right)^{8 \times 251 + 7} = 2^{2015} e^{i\frac{7\pi}{4}} = \frac{2^{2015}}{\sqrt{2}} - i\frac{2^{2015}}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

**(b)**

Here  $2015 = 12 \times 167 + 11$ . Hence

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + i\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2015} = \left(e^{i\frac{\pi}{6}}\right)^{12 \times 167 + 11} = e^{i\frac{11\pi}{6}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - i\frac{1}{2}.$$

**(c)**

Here  $2015 = 6 \times 335 + 5$ . Hence

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^{2015} = \left(e^{i\frac{\pi}{3}}\right)^{6 \times 335 + 5} = e^{i\frac{5\pi}{3}} = \frac{1}{2} - i\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

**(d)**

Here  $2015 = 4 \times 503 + 3$ . Hence

$$i^{2015} = i^{4 \times 503 + 3} = i^3 = -i.$$

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**Q-3)** Evaluate the integral  $\int_C \frac{z^2}{(z-1)(z-2)(z-3)} dz$ , where  $C$  is the contour given below.

- (a)  $|z| = 1/2$ .
- (b)  $|z| = 3/2$ .
- (c)  $|z| = 5/2$ .
- (d)  $|z| = 7/2$ .

**Solution:**

As a preparation for the solution set

$$f(z) = \frac{z^2}{(z-1)(z-2)(z-3)}, \quad f_1(z) = \frac{z^2}{(z-2)(z-3)}, \quad f_2(z) = \frac{z^2}{(z-1)(z-3)}, \quad f_3(z) = \frac{z^2}{(z-1)(z-2)}.$$

Moreover let  $C_k$  be the circle with center  $k$  and radius  $1/2$ , for  $k = 1, 2, 3$ . Now set

$$J = \int_C \frac{z^2}{(z-1)(z-2)(z-3)} dz, \quad \text{and} \quad J_k = \int_{C_k} \frac{f_k(z)}{z-k} dz, \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, 3.$$

Note that we have

$$f(z) = \frac{f_k(z)}{z-k} \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, 3.$$

Now we are ready for the solution.

**(a)**

Inside  $|z| = 1/2$ ,  $f$  is holomorphic, so by Cauchy-Goursat theorem we have  $J = 0$ .

**(b)**

Inside  $|z| = 3/2$ , the only singularity of  $f$  is at  $z = 1$ , so by Cauchy Integral Formula we have

$$J = J_1 = 2\pi i f_1(1) = (2\pi i) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \pi i.$$

**(c)**

Inside  $|z| = 5/2$ , the singularities of  $f$  are at  $z = 1$  and at  $z = 2$ , so by Cauchy Integral Formula we have

$$J = J_1 + J_2 = 2\pi i [f_1(1) + f_2(2)] = (2\pi i) \left[\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + (-4)\right] = -7\pi i.$$

**(d)**

Inside  $|z| = 7/2$ , the singularities of  $f$  are at  $z = 1$ ,  $z = 2$  and at  $z = 3$ , so by Cauchy Integral Formula we have

$$J = J_1 + J_2 + J_3 = 2\pi i [f_1(1) + f_2(2) + f_3(3)] = (2\pi i) \left[\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + (-4) + \frac{9}{2}\right] = 2\pi i.$$

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**Q-4)** Write the Laurent series of  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2 - 3z + 2}$  converging on the annulus  $1 < |z| < 2$ .

**Solution:**

First note that  $1 < |z| < 2$  implies that  $\left|\frac{z}{2}\right| < 1$  and  $\left|\frac{1}{z}\right| < 1$ . Next we observe that

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

Then we use geometric series to write

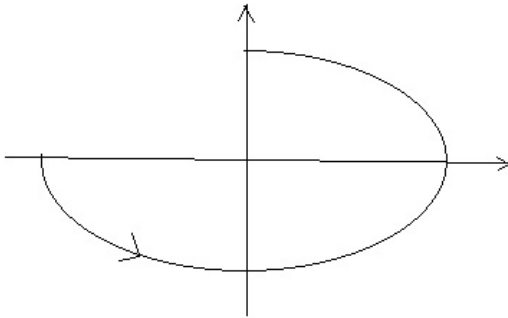
$$f(z) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^n - \frac{1}{z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z^n}.$$

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**Q-5)** Let  $C$  be the contour along the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$  going from  $z = -5$  to  $z = 2i$ , see figure below.  
Evaluate the following path integral.

$$\int_C z dz.$$



**Solution:**

Method 1

The integrand is analytic so the integral is path independent. The integral thus depends only at the end points. Using the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus for analytic functions we get

$$\int_C z dz = \left( \frac{z^2}{2} \Big|_{-5}^{2i} \right) = -\frac{29}{2}.$$

Method 2

Since the integrand function  $z$  is holomorphic, its path integrals depend only at end points. So we choose a simpler path joining the points  $-5$  and  $2i$ . Consider the path

$$z = t + i\left(\frac{2}{5}t + 2\right), \quad t \in [-5, 0].$$

Then we have

$$z dz = \left( t + i\left(\frac{2}{5}t + 2\right) \right) \times \left( 1 + \frac{2}{5}i \right) dt = \left[ \left( \frac{21t - 20}{25} \right) + \left( \frac{4t + 10}{5} \right) i \right] dt.$$

Finally

$$\int_C z dz = \int_{-5}^0 \left[ \left( \frac{21t - 20}{25} \right) + \left( \frac{4t + 10}{5} \right) i \right] dt = -\frac{29}{2}.$$

Method 3

We directly use the definition of path integral to calculate the given integral.

$$z = 5 \cos \theta + 2i \sin \theta \quad \text{for } \theta \in [-\pi, \frac{\pi}{2}], \quad \text{and } dz = (-5 \sin \theta + 2i \cos \theta) d\theta.$$

Finally we get

$$\int_C z dz = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi/2} \left( -\frac{29}{2} \sin 2\theta + 10i \cos 2\theta \right) d\theta = \left( \left[ \frac{29}{4} \cos 2\theta + 5i \sin 2\theta \right] \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi/2} \right) = -\frac{29}{2}.$$