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### Math 503 Complex Analysis - Midterm 2 – Solutions

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**Q-1)** The original proof of the Riemann Mapping Theorem assumes that the proper, connected and simply connected open set  $U$  is bounded. Show that this causes no loss of generality.  
(Of course you cannot use the Riemann Mapping Theorem here!)

**Solution:**

On page 162 of Conway, we showed that if  $b$  is a point in  $U^c$ , complement of  $U$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ , then  $g(z) = \sqrt{z - b}$  is defined and is a one-to-one holomorphic map. Then we showed that the interior of the complement of  $g(U)$  is non-empty, (see equation 4.8 on that page).

So we might as well assume from the start that the complement of  $U$  has non-empty interior. Let  $z_0$  be a point in the interior of  $U^c$ . Then  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z - z_0}$  is a Mobius transformation so  $U$  is biholomorphic to  $f(U)$ . It is clear that  $f(U)$  is bounded even if  $U$  is not.

So we can assume  $U$  is bounded.

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**Q-2)** On the internet find the original proof Riemann gave for his mapping theorem and explain the steps of the proof in your own words.

**Solution:**

Let  $U$  be an open, bounded, connected and simply connected proper subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  with  $\partial U$  smooth.

Fix a point  $z_0 \in U$ .

By Dirichlet principle there is a harmonic function  $u(z)$  on  $U$  such that  $u(z) = -\ln|z - z_0|$  for  $z \in \partial U$ .

Let  $v(z)$  be a harmonic conjugate of  $u(z)$  on  $U$ .

Then check that

$$f(z) = (z - z_0)e^{u(z)+iv(z)}$$

is a one-to-one holomorphic map of  $U$  onto the unit disc.

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**Q-3** Let  $G$  be a simply connected region which is not the whole plane and suppose that  $\bar{z} \in G$  whenever  $z \in G$ . Let  $a \in G \cap \mathbb{R}$  and suppose that  $f: G \rightarrow D = \{z: |z| < 1\}$  is a one-to-one analytic function with  $f(a) = 0$ ,  $f'(a) > 0$  and  $f(G) = D$ . Let  $G_+ = \{z \in G: \text{Im } z > 0\}$ . Show that  $f(G_+)$  must lie entirely above or entirely below the real axis.

*(There are solutions of this on the Internet. Again use your own wording in your solution in a way to show your understanding.)*

**Solution:**

We first prove that  $f(\bar{z}) = \overline{f(z)}$ .

Proof of claim: Define  $g(z) = \overline{f(\bar{z})}$ . If  $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$  and  $g(z) = U(x, y) + iV(x, y)$ , then  $U(x, y) = u(x, -y)$  and  $V(x, y) = -v(x, -y)$ . Checking Cauchy-Riemann conditions we see that  $g$  is holomorphic. By definition  $g$  is one-to-one and onto  $D$ . Check that  $g(a) = 0$  and  $g'(a) = u_x(a, 0) > 0$ , so by the uniqueness claim of Riemann mapping theorem we must have  $g(z) = f(z)$ . Now it follows that  $f(\bar{z}) = \overline{f(z)}$ . This proves the claim.

Since  $G_+$  is open,  $f(G_+)$  is also open. If  $f(G_+)$  does not lie entirely above or below the real line then there exists  $w \in f(G_+)$  such that  $\bar{w}$  is also in  $f(G_+)$ , and  $w \neq \bar{w}$ .

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $G_+$  be such that  $f(\alpha) = w$  and  $f(\beta) = \bar{w}$ . Putting these together we obtain

$$f(\beta) = \bar{w} = \overline{f(\alpha)} = f(\bar{\alpha}).$$

Since  $f$  is one-to-one, we must have  $\bar{\alpha} = \beta$ , but then both of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  cannot be in  $G_+$ . This contradiction shows that  $f(G_+)$  must lie totally above or below the real line.

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**Q-4)** Let  $I_n = \int_0^\infty \frac{\log x}{(1+x^2)^n} dx, n = 2, 3, \dots$

Find a formula in terms of residues for  $I_n$  and using a software to calculate these residues, write the values of  $I_n$  for  $n = 2, \dots, 10$ . (Check privately using the same software that the values of  $I_n$  match your residue calculations.)

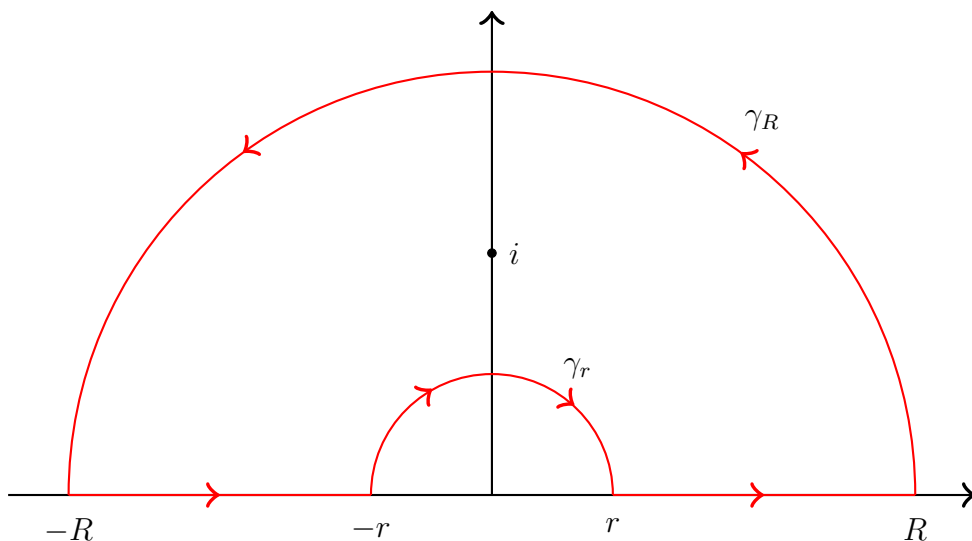
**Solution:**

First notice that by a change of variables we observe that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\log x}{(1+x^2)} dx = - \int_1^\infty \frac{\log x}{(1+x^2)} dx,$$

so  $I_1 = 0$

Next let  $f(z) = \frac{\log z}{(1+z^2)^n}$  and integrate  $f$  around the following path.



Letting  $\rho = r$  or  $R$ , we see that

$$\left| \int_{\gamma_\rho} f(z) dz \right| \leq \frac{\pi \rho^2 (\log \rho + \pi)}{|1 - \rho^2|^n}.$$

The expression on the right goes to zero when  $\rho \rightarrow 0$  for  $n \geq 1$ , and it still goes to zero when  $\rho \rightarrow \infty$  when  $n > 1$ .

On  $[-R, -r]$  we have

$$\int_{-R}^{-r} f(z) dz = \int_r^R \frac{\log x}{(1+x^2)^n} dx + i\pi \int_r^R \frac{dx}{(1+x^2)^n} = \int_r^R \frac{\log x}{(1+x^2)^n} dx + i\pi \frac{\pi}{2^{2n-1}} \frac{(2n-2)!}{[(n-1)!]^2},$$

where the last equality is derived in class.

Letting  $\gamma_{r,R}$  be the above path with  $0 < r < 1 < R$ , we have

$$\int_{\gamma_{r,R}} f(z) = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}(f, i).$$

Putting these together we have

$$I_n = \pi i \operatorname{Res}(f, i) - i \frac{\pi^2}{2^{2n}} \frac{(2n-2)!}{[(n-1)!]^2}.$$

To calculate the residue let  $g(z, n) = \frac{\log z}{(z+i)^n}$ . Then

$$\operatorname{Res}(f, i) = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \left( \frac{\partial^{n-1}}{\partial z^{n-1}} g(z, n) \Big|_{z=i} \right).$$

Finally we have

$$I_n = i \frac{\pi}{(n-1)!} \left( \frac{\partial^{n-1}}{\partial z^{n-1}} g(z, n) \Big|_{z=i} \right) - i \frac{\pi^2}{2^{2n}} \frac{(2n-2)!}{[(n-1)!]^2}, \text{ for } n > 1.$$

The right hand side does give a real number and in fact a negative real number!

$$I_2 = -\frac{1}{4} \pi \quad I_3 = -\frac{1}{4} \pi \quad I_4 = -\frac{23}{96} \pi \quad I_5 = -\frac{11}{48} \pi \quad I_6 = -\frac{563}{2560} \pi$$

$$I_7 = -\frac{1627}{768} \pi \quad I_8 = -\frac{88069}{430080} \pi \quad I_9 = -\frac{1423}{7168} \pi \quad I_{10} = -\frac{1593269}{8257536} \pi \quad I_{11} = -\frac{7759469}{41287680} \pi$$

Recall that  $I_1 = 0$ .