

THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG  
MATH 2230 (Second Term, 2023-24)  
Complex Variables with Applications  
Midterm 1  
Time: 7-8 p.m, 27th February 2024

Answer all FIVE questions.

- (20 pts) Simplify the expression  $\frac{(\sqrt{3}+i)^9}{(\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{2}i)^2}$  and express the answer in the form  $x + iy$ .
- (20 pts) Simplify the expression  $i^{(1+i)}$  where the power function is defined on the principal branch  $(-\pi < \text{Arg } z < \pi)$  and express the answer in polar form.
- (20 pts) Given the map  $f(z) = \frac{z-i}{z+i}$ ,
  - Find the image of the real axis ( $y = 0$ ) under  $f$ .
  - What is the image of the upper half plane ( $y \geq 0$ )?
- (20 pts) Let  $C$  be the positively oriented circle  $|z| = 4$ 
  - Compute  $\int_C x dz$ , where  $x = \text{Re}(z)$ .
  - Compute  $\int_C \frac{1}{(z+1)^n} dz$ , where  $n > 0$  is a positive integer.
- (20 pts) Show that  $f(z) = (z+1)^2 - 3\bar{z}$  is nowhere complex differentiable.

Q1:  $\sqrt{3} + i = 2e^{\frac{\pi}{6}i}$      $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}i = 2e^{\frac{\pi}{4}i}$

$\therefore \frac{(\sqrt{3} + i)^9}{(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}i)^7} = \frac{2^9 e^{\frac{9\pi}{6}i}}{2^7 e^{\frac{7\pi}{4}i}} = 2^2 e^{\frac{\pi}{2}i} = -128$

Q2:  $i^{(1+i)} = \exp[(1+i) \operatorname{Log} i]$   
 $= \exp[(1+i) (\ln 1 + \frac{\pi}{2}i)]$   
 $= \exp(\frac{\pi}{2}i - \frac{\pi}{2})$   
 $= e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}} i$

Q3:  $w = f(z) = \frac{z-i}{z+i} = 1 - 2i \cdot \frac{1}{z+i}$  ;  $z: \{ \operatorname{Im}(z) \geq 0 \}$  — for (b)  
 (a) is simple boundary

let  $z_1 = z + i$  ,  $w = 1 - 2i \cdot \frac{1}{z_1}$  ;  $z_1: \{ \operatorname{Im}(z_1) \geq 1 \}$

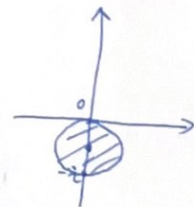
let  $z_2 = \frac{1}{z_1}$  ,  $w = 1 - 2i \cdot z_2$  ;  $z_2: \{ \operatorname{Im}(\frac{1}{z_2}) \geq 1 \}$  let  $z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$

$= \{ \operatorname{Im}(\frac{x_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2} - i \frac{y_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2}) \geq 1 \}$

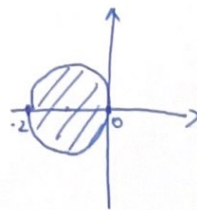
$= \{ -\frac{y_2}{x_2^2 + y_2^2} \geq 1 \}$

$= \{ x_2^2 + y_2^2 + y_2 + \frac{1}{4} \leq \frac{1}{4} \}$

$= \{ x_2^2 + (y_2 + \frac{1}{2})^2 \leq (\frac{1}{2})^2 \} \Leftrightarrow$



let  $z_3 = -2i \cdot z_2$  ,  $w = 1 + z_3$  ;  $z_3:$



w: unit circle and its interior.

Remark for Q3:

① since  $\infty$  is not often considered as a component of  $\mathbb{C}$   
(1.9) should be excluded from the image of  $f(z)$

②  $|f(z)| = \frac{|z-i|}{|z+i|} \leq 1$  is only a necessary condition for the image to be unit circle. you still need to clarify why this mapping is an onto mapping.

Q4: a)  $\int_C x dz = \frac{1}{2} \int_C z + \bar{z} dz$  by Cauchy's theorem

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_C \bar{z} dz \quad z = 4e^{i\theta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} 16i d\theta = 16\pi i$$

b) let  $f(z) \equiv 1$ . Then  $f(z)$  is an entire function, by Cauchy's integral formula.

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

$$\text{so when } n=1, \int_C \frac{f(z)}{z+1} dz = \int_C \frac{1}{z+1} dz = f(-1) \cdot 2\pi i = 2\pi i$$

$$\text{when } n > 1, \int_C \frac{1}{(z+1)^n} dz = f^{(n)}(-1) \cdot \frac{2\pi i}{n!} = 0 \quad \text{since } f^{(n)}(-1) = 0$$

$$Q5: f(x+iy) = (x^2 - x - y^2 + 1) + (2xy + 5y)i$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x-1 \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 2x+5$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \neq \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \text{ for all points on } \mathbb{C} \Rightarrow f \text{ is nowhere differentiable}$$