

Complex analysis for EE, 2012-13, problem set 7

1. Suppose a function  $f$  is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n\}$ . Show that there exist entire functions  $f_0, f_1, \dots, f_n$  such that  $f(z) = f_0(z) + f_1\left(\frac{1}{z-z_1}\right) + \dots + f_n\left(\frac{1}{z-z_n}\right)$ .
2. Suppose  $f$  is holomorphic in  $\mathbb{C}$ , except perhaps at finitely many poles, and either has a pole at infinity or the limit  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z)$  exists. Such a function is called *meromorphic* on the Riemann sphere. Show that  $f$  is a rational function (hint: isolate the poles of  $f$  to arrive by an entire function  $g$  such that  $f(z) = g(z) / \prod_{j=1}^n (z - z_j)^{m_j}$ . Next, what can you say about  $g$ 's zeroes?)
3. Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded region, and let  $F \subseteq \Omega$  be closed. Show that there does not exist a function  $f$  with infinitely many poles in  $F$  that is otherwise holomorphic on  $\Omega$ .
4. Find the residues at the poles of the following functions:

- (a)  $\frac{1}{z^3(z^2+1)}$
- (b)  $\frac{1}{z(3-z)}$
- (c)  $\frac{1}{1-z+z^2}$
- (d)  $\frac{1}{(z^2+z+1)^3}$
- (e)  $\frac{e^{iz}}{\cosh(z)}$
- (f)  $\frac{1}{(z^2+1)\sin(\pi z)}$
- (g)  $\frac{1}{z^4 \sin(z)}$
- (h)  $\tan(z)^2$

5. By converting each integral into one along the unit circle, prove the following identities:

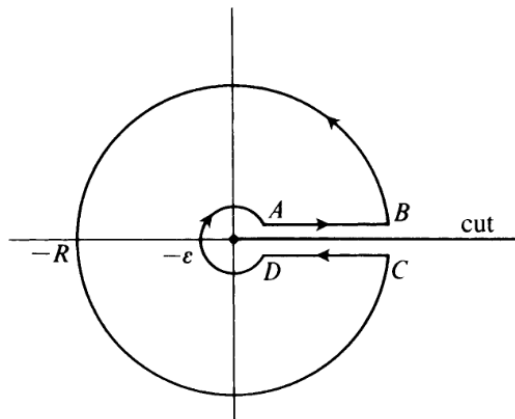
- (a)  $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{5+4 \cos \theta} d\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$
- (b)  $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{1+a \cos \theta} d\theta = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{1-a^2}}$ , where  $-1 < a < 1$
- (c)  $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{(1+2a \cos \theta + a^2)^2} d\theta = \frac{2\pi(1+a^2)}{(1-a^2)^3}$ , where  $-1 < a < 1$

6. By integrating along a rectangle which rests upon the real axis, show that  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{\alpha x}}{1+e^x} dx = \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi\alpha)}$ , where  $0 < \alpha < 1$ .

7. Evaluate the following integrals

- (a)  $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^{10}+x^5+1}$ .
- (b)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-i\omega x}}{x^4+x^3+x^2+x+1} dx$

8. A keyhole contour is described in the following image:



In this next exercise, we take  $R = 1$ , and suppose  $f$  is holomorphic in some neighborhood of the closed unit disk. We take  $\log z$  to be the analytic branch of logarithm in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus [0, \infty)$ .

- (a) Show that

$$\int_{AB} f(z)(\log z - i\pi)dz = \int_{\varepsilon}^1 f(x+i\delta)(\log(x+i\delta) - \pi i)dx \xrightarrow{\delta \rightarrow 0} \int_{\varepsilon}^1 f(x)(\log(x) - \pi i)dx,$$

and that

$$\int_{CD} f(z)(\log z - i\pi)dz = - \int_{\varepsilon}^1 f(x-i\delta)(\log(x-i\delta) - \pi i)dx \xrightarrow{\delta \rightarrow 0} - \int_{\varepsilon}^1 f(x)(\log(x) + \pi i)dx.$$

- (b) By also allowing  $\varepsilon$  to tend to zero, show that  $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z)(\log z - \pi i)dz = \int_0^1 f(x)dx$ , where  $\gamma(\theta) = e^{i\theta}$ ,  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ .
- (c) Use that observation to prove the bound  $\left| \int_0^1 f(x)dx \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(e^{i\theta})d\theta|$  (you can prove a strong inequality as well).

9. By integrating along a keyhole curve, compute the following integrals:

- (a)  $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln(x)^2}{1+x+x^2} dx$
- (b)  $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln(1+x^2)}{x^{1+\alpha}} dx$ , where  $0 < \alpha < 2$  (hint: you might convert this integral into a more comfortable form)
- (c)  $\int_0^{\infty} x^{\alpha} \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx$ , where  $-1 < \alpha < 1$ ,  $p, q$  are polynomials with  $\deg q \geq 2 + \deg p$ , and  $q$  has no real zeroes. Here, the answer should naturally be given in terms of  $p, q$ .

10. (a) How many roots of the equation  $z^7 - 2z^5 + 6z^3 - z + 1 = 0$  lie inside the unit disc?
- (b) How many roots of the equation  $z^4 + 8z^3 + 3z^2 + 8z + 3 = 0$  lie in the right half plane?
- (c) For how many  $z$  with  $\operatorname{Re}(z) \geq 0$  is it true that  $e^{iz} = z^2 + 2$ ?

- (d) For any  $x > 1$ , show that there exists a unique solution to the equation  $e^{-z} = x - z$  in the right half plane, and that this solution is real.
11. Suppose  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is holomorphic, and  $f(a) = w$  for some  $a \in \Omega$ . Suppose  $g(z) = f(z) - b$  has a zero of order 2 at  $a$ . Show that there exists a disk  $D_r(b)$  and an open set  $U$  such that for any  $c$  in the punctured disk  $D'_r(b)$ , the equation  $f(z) = c$  has two *distinct* roots in  $U$ .
12. Let  $u : \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined as the angle between the segments  $[0, x + iy]$  and  $[x + iy, 1]$ . Show that  $u(x, y)$  is harmonic.