

This homework is due Wednesday, October 1

1. Let C be the line segment from the point 1 to the point i . By observing that the midpoint of the line segment is the closest point on the line segment to 0, and hence has the smallest modulus, show that

$$\left| \int_C \frac{1}{z^4} dz \right| < 4\sqrt{2}$$

without evaluating the integral.

2. [Exercise 4.11 and 4.12 from the book—but no answers in the back.]

- a) Suppose that $f(z)$ is an analytic function on a convex region D , and that $|f'(z)| < 1$ for $z \in D$. Prove that f is a “contraction” on D . That is, $|f(z) - f(w)| < |z - w|$ for all $z, w \in D$. (Note: A region is convex if for any two points in the region, the line segment between the two points lies entirely in the region.)
- b) Show that for any z and w in the left half-plane ($x < 0$), $|e^z - e^w| < |z - w|$.

3. [Path independence.] Suppose that $f(z)$ is an entire function. Suppose C_1 and C_2 are smooth curves whose endpoints are the same. (That is, if C_1 is given by $z_1 : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and C_2 is given by $z_2 : [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, then $z_1(a) = z_2(c)$, and $z_1(b) = z_2(d)$.) Show that

$$\int_{C_1} f(z) dz = \int_{C_2} f(z) dz$$

(This is easy. Use Propositions 4.12 and 4.15.)

4. Define $f(z) = f(x + iy) = \log|x + iy| + i \arctan(y/x)$, for z in the right half-plane, $x > 0$. (Note that $\arctan(y/x)$ is one of the possible values of $\text{Arg}(x + iy)$, so $f(z)$ is one of the many possible “complex logarithms” of z , for z in the right half-plane. In particular, $e^{f(z)} = z$.)

- a) Use the Cauchy-Riemann equations to check directly that f is analytic.
- b) Check that $f'(z) = 1/z$ for all z in the right half-plane.
- c) Check that $f(e^z) = z$, for all z such that $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \text{Im}(z) < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

- d) Find $\int_C \frac{1}{z} dz$, where C is any path in the right half-plane from the point 1 to the point $1 + i$.

5. We know that a convergent power series with radius of convergence $R > 0$ defines an analytic function on the domain $|z| < R$. We also know that the series converges *uniformly* on disks $|z| < r$ for $0 < r < R$. (See the remark after Theorem 2.8 on page 27.)

- a) Using Proposition 4.11, show that a power series can be *integrated* term by term to get a series that converges to its antiderivative on the domain $|z| < R$.

- b) The series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k z^k$ converges to $f(z) = \frac{1}{1+z}$ for $|z| < 1$. Integrate the series term-by-term to obtain a series for a function $F(z)$ such that $F'(z) = f(z)$ for $|z| < 1$.