

Suggested solutions

Analytic function theory, MMG700, Exam Jan 3 2018

1. See the literature.
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3. (a) The derivative of φ is $1/(z+1)^2 \neq 0$. Hence φ is conformal.
(b) The image of the real axis is either a line or a circle since φ is a Möbius transformation. Since $\varphi(x) \in \mathbb{R}$ if $x \in \mathbb{R}$ it follows that the image of the real axis is the real axis.
The image of the unit circle is also either a line or a circle. Since -1 is on the unit circle and $\varphi(-1) = \infty$, the image of the unit circle must be a line. Moreover, $\varphi(i) = (1+i)/2$ and $\varphi(1) = 1/2$ and so it follows that the image of the unit circle is the line given by $\operatorname{Re} z = 1/2$.
(c) See the literature.
4. For z with $|z| = 2$ we have

$$|4z^2 + z + 1| \leq 4 \cdot 2^2 + 2 + 1 = 19 < 32 = |z^5|.$$

By Rouché's theorem z^5 and $z^5 + 4z^2 + z + 1$ have the same number of zeros in $D(0, 2)$. Hence, $z^5 + 4z^2 + z + 1$ has 5 zeros in $D(0, 2)$.

For z with $|z| = 1$ we have

$$|z^5 + z + 1| \leq 3 < 4 = |4z^2|.$$

Rouché's theorem therefore gives that $4z^2$ and $z^5 + 4z^2 + z + 1$ have the same number of zeros in $D(0, 1)$. Thus, $z^5 + 4z^2 + z + 1$ has 2 zeros in $D(0, 1)$.

We conclude that $z^5 + 4z^2 + z + 1$ has $5 - 2 = 3$ zeros in the annulus $\{z; 1 < |z| < 2\}$.

5. We begin by doing a partial fraction decomposition:

$$\frac{1}{(z-1)(z-i)} = \frac{1+i}{2} \left(\frac{1}{z-1} - \frac{1}{z-i} \right).$$

Next, since $|1/z| < 1$ if $|z| > 1$, we get

$$\frac{1}{z-1} = \frac{1}{z} \frac{1}{1-1/z} = \frac{1}{z} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (1/z)^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^{-k-1}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{z-i} = \frac{1}{z} \frac{1}{1-i/z} = \frac{1}{z} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (i/z)^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} i^k z^{-k-1}$$

with convergence in $\{z; |z| > 1\}$. Hence,

$$\frac{1}{(z-1)(z-i)} = \frac{1+i}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (1-i^k) z^{-k-1}.$$

6. The function $z^2(1+z^2)$ has a double zero at $z=0$ and simple zeros at $z=\pm i$. $\tan(z/2)$ is holomorphic and $\neq 0$ in neighborhoods of these points, is $\neq 0$ at $z=\pm i$, and has a simple zero at $z=0$ since $\sin(z/2)$ has. It follows that f has poles of order 1 at $z=0$ and $z=\pm i$. Notice that these poles are in $D(0,2)$.

Since $\tan(z/2) = \sin(z/2)/\cos(z/2)$ we see that f also has singularities where $\cos(z/2)$ has zeros, i.e., at $z = \pi + 2k\pi$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Since $(\cos(z/2))' = -\sin(z/2)/2$ and $\sin(z/2) \neq 0$ for $z = \pi + 2k\pi$ it follows that f has poles of order 1 at $z = \pi + 2k\pi$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Notice that these points are not in $D(0,2)$.

By Residue rule 1c we get

$$\operatorname{Res}(f; 0) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z \frac{\tan(z/2)}{z^2(1+z^2)} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(z/2)}{z} \frac{1}{(1+z^2)\cos(z/2)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

and, by Residue rule 1a or 1c,

$$\operatorname{Res}(f; \pm i) = \left. \frac{\tan(z/2)}{z^2(z \pm i)} \right|_{z=\pm i} = \dots = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1-e}{1+e}.$$

The Residue theorem therefore gives

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|z|=2} f(z) dz &= 2\pi i (\operatorname{Res}(f; 0) + \operatorname{Res}(f; i) + \operatorname{Res}(f; -i)) = 2\pi i \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1-e}{1+e} \right) \\ &= i\pi \frac{3-e}{1+e}. \end{aligned}$$

7. Set $\varphi(a) = \int_0^\infty \frac{\cos(ax)}{1+x^2} dx$. Since \cos is an even function we have $\varphi(a) = \varphi(-a)$; it is therefore enough to compute $\varphi(a)$ for $a \geq 0$. We may notice that

$$\varphi(0) = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = [\arctan x]_0^\infty = \pi/2,$$

but it will also follow below that $\varphi(0) = \pi/2$.

Set $f(z) = \frac{e^{iaz}}{1+z^2}$, let $\Gamma_1(R) = [-R, R]$, and notice that

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos(ax)}{1+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\cos(ax)}{1+x^2} dx = \operatorname{Re} \left(\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Gamma_1(R)} f(z) dz \right) \quad (*)$$

since $\cos(ax)/(1+x^2)$ is even and integrable on \mathbb{R} . Let $\Gamma_2(R)$ be the upper half of the circle given by $|z|=R$ oriented counterclockwise. For $R > 1$ the cycle $\Gamma_1(R) + \Gamma_2(R)$ encloses the simple pole of f at $z=i$ but no other pole of f . We have

$$\operatorname{Res}(f; i) = \left. \frac{e^{iaz}}{z+i} \right|_{z=i} = \frac{e^{-a}}{2i}$$

and so the Residue theorem gives

$$\int_{\Gamma_1(R)} f(z) dz + \int_{\Gamma_2(R)} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \frac{e^{-a}}{2i} = \pi e^{-a}.$$

For z on $\Gamma_2(R)$ we have $\text{Im } z \geq 0$ and so, since $a \geq 0$, $|e^{iaz}| = e^{\text{Re}(iaz)} = e^{-a\text{Im } z} \leq 1$. Therefore,

$$\left| \int_{\Gamma_2(R)} f(z) dz \right| \leq \pi R \sup_{z \in \Gamma_2(R)} \left| \frac{e^{iaz}}{1+z^2} \right| \leq \frac{\pi R}{1+R^2} \rightarrow 0$$

as $R \rightarrow \infty$. Hence,

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Gamma_1(R)} f(z) dz = \pi e^{-a}$$

and so, by (*),

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos(ax)}{1+x^2} dx = \text{Re} \frac{\pi e^{-a}}{2} = \frac{\pi e^{-a}}{2}$$

for $a \geq 0$. We conclude that $\varphi(a) = \pi e^{-|a|}/2$ for any $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

8. Set $f(z) := \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = (u'_x - iu'_y)/2$. Since u is harmonic,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} = \Delta u / 4 = 0,$$

and so f is holomorphic. Thus, f^2 is holomorphic. Since

$$f^2 = (u'_x - iu'_y)^2 / 4 = ((u'_x)^2 - (u'_y)^2 - 2iu'_x u'_y) / 4$$

and since the real and imaginary part of a holomorphic function is harmonic it follows that $(u'_x)^2 - (u'_y)^2$ and $u'_x u'_y$ are harmonic.