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PM 302 - COMPLEX ANALYSIS

Answer all questions

Time: Three hours

1. (a) Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be an open set and let  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Define what is meant by  $f$  being **analytic** at  $z_0 \in A$ .

(b) Let the function  $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$  be defined throughout some  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood of a point  $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$ . Suppose that the first order partial derivatives of the functions  $u$  and  $v$  with respect to  $x$  and  $y$  exist everywhere in that neighborhood and that they are continuous at  $(x_0, y_0)$ . Prove that, if those partial derivatives satisfy the **Cauchy-Riemann** equations

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

at  $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$ , then the derivative  $f'(z_0)$  exists.

(c) i. Define what is meant by the function  $h : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  being **harmonic**.

ii. Obtain a harmonic conjugate  $v(x, y)$  of a harmonic function  $u(x, y) = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$  such that  $f(x) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$  is analytic.

2. (a) i. Define what is meant by a **path**  $\gamma : [\alpha, \beta] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

ii. For a path  $\gamma$  and a continuous function  $f : \gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , define  $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$ .

(b) Prove that if  $w(t)$  is a continuous complex valued function of  $t$  such that  $\alpha < t < \beta$ , then

$$\left| \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} w(t) dt \right| \leq \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |w(t)| dt.$$

(c) Prove that if  $\gamma$  is a path and  $f$  be a continuous function on  $\gamma$ , then  $|f(z)| \leq M$ , for all  $z \in \gamma$  and  $M \geq 0$  such that  $\left| \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq ML$ , where  $L = \text{Length}(\gamma)$ .

Hence show that

$$\left| \int_{\gamma} \frac{z^{1/2}}{z^2 + 1} \right| \leq \frac{3\sqrt{3}\pi}{8},$$

where  $\gamma$  is the semi circular path given by  $z = 3e^{i\theta}$ ,  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

3. (a) Let  $D(a; r) := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a| < r\}$  denotes the open disc with center  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  and radius  $r > 0$  and let  $f$  be analytic on  $D(a; r)$  and  $0 < s < r$ . Prove **Cauchy's Integral Formula**,

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(a; s)} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz, \quad \text{for } z_0 \in D(a; s),$$

where  $C(a; s)$  denotes the circle with center  $a$  and radius  $s > 0$ .

(b) Let  $C$  be the circle  $|z| = 3$ , described in the positive sense. Show that if

$$g(w) = \int_C \frac{2z^2 - z - 2}{z - w} dz \quad (|w| \neq 3),$$

then  $g(2) = 8\pi i$ . Find the value of  $g(w)$  when  $|w| > 3$ ?

4. (a) Let  $\delta > 0$  and let  $f : D^*(z_0; \delta) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , where  $D^*(z_0; \delta) := \{z : 0 < |z - z_0| < \delta\}$ . Define what is meant by  $f$  has a pole of order  $m$  at  $z_0$ .

(b) Prove that if  $\text{ord}(f, z_0) = m$  then  $f(z) = (z - z_0)^m g(z)$ ,  $\forall z \in D^*(z_0; \delta)$ , for some  $\delta > 0$ , where  $g$  is analytic in  $D^*(z_0; \delta) := \{z : 0 < |z - z_0| < \delta\}$  and  $g(z_0) \neq 0$ .

(c) Prove that if  $f$  has a pole of order  $m$  at  $z_0$ , then

$$\text{Res}(f; z_0) = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \left\{ \frac{d^{m-1}}{dz^{m-1}} h(z) \right\}, \quad \text{where } h(z) = (z - z_0)^m f(z).$$

Show that the residue of the function  $f(z) = \frac{\log z}{(z^2 + 1)^2}$  at  $i$  is  $\frac{\pi + 2i}{8}$ .

5. Let  $f$  be analytic in the upper-half plane  $\{z : \text{Im}(z) \geq 0\}$ , except at finitely many points, none on the real axis. Suppose there exist  $M, R > 0$  and  $\alpha > 1$  such that

$$|f(z)| \leq \frac{M}{|z|^\alpha}, \quad |z| \geq R \quad \text{with } \text{Im}(z) \geq 0.$$

Then prove that

$$I := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

converges (exists) and

$$I = 2\pi i \times \text{Sum of Residues of } f \text{ in the upper half plane.}$$

Hence evaluate the integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 9)} dx.$$

(You may assume without proof the Residue Theorem).

6. (a) State the **Principle of Argument Theorem**.

(b) Prove **Rouche's Theorem**: Let  $\gamma$  be a simple closed path in an open starset  $A$ .  
Suppose that

- i.  $f, g$  are analytic in  $A$  except for finitely many poles, none lying on  $\gamma$ .
- ii.  $f$  and  $f + g$  have finitely many zeros in  $A$ .
- iii.  $|g(z)| < |f(z)|$ ,  $z \in \gamma$ . Then

$$ZP(f + g; \gamma) = ZP(f; \gamma)$$

where  $ZP(f + g; \gamma)$  and  $ZP(f; \gamma)$  denotes the excess number of zeros over poles of  $f + g$  and  $f$  inside  $\gamma$  respectively, where each is counted as many times as its order.

(c) State the **Fundamental Theorem of Algebra**.

(d) Determine the number of zeros of  $z^4 - 2z^3 + 9z^2 + z - 1$  in the circle  $|z| = 2$ .