

Final Exam, December 19, 2013

- Instructions.** 1. Closed book. Two 3.5in. \times 5in. sheet (four sides) of notes from home.
 2. No electronics, phones, cameras, ... etc.
 3. **Show work and explain clearly.**
 4. There are 9 questions on 9 pages. 50 points total.

1. (5 points). Suppose that $\mathcal{R} \subset \mathbb{C}$ is a nice bounded domain with boundary oriented in the standard way. Show that

$$\oint_{\partial\mathcal{R}} x \, dz = i \text{Area}(\mathcal{R}).$$

Hint. This tests the derivation of Cauchy's Theorem.

Solution. Green's Theorem that asserts that

$$\oint_{\partial\mathcal{R}} P(x, y) \, dx + Q(x, y) \, dy = \int \int_{\mathcal{R}} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \, dx \, dy.$$

Write $x \, dz = x(dx + i \, dy)$ and apply the formula with $P = x$, $Q = ix$ to find

$$\oint_{\partial\mathcal{R}} x \, dz = \int \int_{\mathcal{R}} i \, dx \, dy = i \text{Area}(\mathcal{R}).$$

2. (4 points). Is there a nonempty open disk D on which the function

$$\left(\frac{x^2}{2} + xy\right) + i\left(xy + \frac{y^2}{2}\right)$$

is analytic?

Solution. The Cauchy-Riemann equations assert that $f_x + i f_y = 0$ for analytic functions. Compute

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = (x + y) + iy, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x + i(x + y).$$

Therefore

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0 + i(x + y).$$

This vanishes only on the line $x + y = 0$ and therefore on no nonempty open disk.

Discussion. The Cauchy-Riemann equations at a point don't yield anything. Analyticity at a point **means** in a disk with center at the point.

3. (4+2 points). i. Define with integer $n \geq 1$,

$$g(z) := z^n + \frac{1}{z-i}.$$

For $R > 2$, how many times does the image by $g(z)$ of the circle $\{|z| = R\}$ wind around the origin in the positive sense? Explain.

ii. How many roots z of $g(z) = 0$ are there in the complex plane?

Solution. i. On $|z| = R > 1$ one has

$$|z^n| = R^n, \quad |1/(z-i)| \leq 1/(R-1).$$

For $R > 2$ the first is strictly larger than the second.

The dog on a leash principal implies that the image by g winds that same number of times as the image by z^n . The image by z^n winds n times. **Ans.** $= n$.

ii. The argument principal asserts that this winding number is equal to the number of zeroes minus the number of poles.

There is one simple pole at $z = i$. Therefore

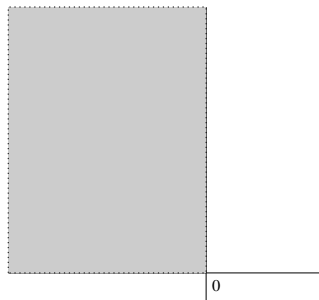
$$n = \text{number of zeros} - \text{number of poles} = \text{number of zeros} - 1.$$

There are $n + 1$ zeros.

Alternate. $p(z) := (z-i)g(z) = (z-i)z^n + 1$ is a polynomial of degree $n + 1$ so has exactly $n + 1$ roots.

Since $p(i) = 1 \neq 0$ it follows that p has exactly $n + 1$ roots in $\mathbb{C} \setminus i$. Therefore g also has $n + 1$ roots in $\mathbb{C} \setminus i$. Since i is not a root of g this counts the roots of g . Note the care needed to treat the danger of division by zero when passing from p to g .

4. (2+2 points). Define $\arg(z)$ in the slit plane $\mathbb{C} \setminus]-\infty, 0]$ by $-\pi < \arg(z) < \pi$. Define the analytic $\ln(z) = \ln|z| + i \arg(z)$ on the slit plane. Then $G(z) := \ln(z) - i\pi$ is analytic in the quadrant $\{z = x + iy : x < 0, 0 < y\}$. G is continuous up to the boundary of the quadrant on the x -axis with real values there.



- i. By what formula does $G(z)$ continue analytically to the left half plane $\{x < 0\}$?
 ii. Compute the value of the continuation $G(-1 - i)$.

Solution. i. In the left half plane the values of $G(z)$ in $\text{Im } z < 0$ are computed from the values in $\text{Im } z > 0$ from the formula

$$G(z) = \overline{G(\bar{z})}.$$

This identity then holds throughout the left half plane.

- ii. Compute

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{G(-1 - i)} &= \overline{G(\overline{-1 - i})} = G(-1 + i) \\ &= \ln(-1 + i) - i\pi = ((\ln \sqrt{2}) + i3\pi/4) - i\pi \\ &= \ln \sqrt{2} - i\pi/4. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $G(-1 - i) = \ln \sqrt{2} + i\pi/4$.

5. (6 points). Evaluate

$$\oint_{|z-3|=1} \frac{\cos z}{\sin z} dz.$$

Solution. The sin function in the denominator has simple zeros at the points $z = n\pi$ for integer n . The cos in the numerator does not vanish at these points so they are simple poles of $\cos z / \sin z$.

The contour encloses only the pole at $z = \pi$. The residue theorem implies that

$$\oint_{|z-3|=1} \frac{\cos z}{\sin z} dz = 2\pi i \text{Res}(\cos z / \sin z, z = \pi).$$

Since $\cos \neq 0$ at the simple poles, the residue is given by the value of $\cos(z) / \sin'(z)$ evaluated at $z = \pi$. Since $\sin' = \cos$, the residue is equal to 1.

Ans. $2\pi i$.

Alternate. The residue can be computed by expanding cos and sin in Taylor series about $z = \pi$. Those series are quickly computed using

$$\begin{aligned} \cos z &= \cos((z - \pi) + \pi) = -\cos(z - \pi) = -\left(1 - \frac{(z - \pi)^2}{2!} + \dots\right), \\ \sin z &= \sin((z - \pi) + \pi) = -\sin(z - \pi) = -\left((z - \pi) - \frac{(z - \pi)^3}{3!} + \dots\right). \end{aligned}$$

6. (8 points). Evaluate exactly

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{1 + x^4} dx.$$

You may leave the answer as a complicated algebraic expression in complex numbers.

Solution. The function

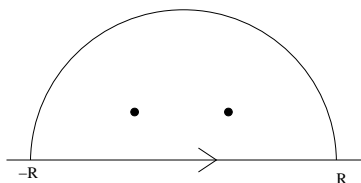
$$f(z) = \frac{z^2}{1+z^4}$$

has poles at the roots of the denominator that are the fourth roots of -1 , $(\pm 1 \pm i)/\sqrt{2}$. These poles are on the vertices of a square centered at the origin and sides parallel to the axes.

The integrand is infinitely differentiable on the x axis and for $|z| > 1$,

$$|f(z)| \leq \frac{|z|^2}{|z|^4 - 1}.$$

Thus the integral is absolutely convergent by comparison at $\pm\infty$ with the integral of $1/x^2$. Apply the Residue Theorem to the open half disk $\mathcal{R} := \{|z| < R, \text{Im } z > 0\}$ with $R > 1$.



The function f is analytic in \mathcal{R} and on the boundary with the exception of isolated singularities at the poles $(\pm 1 + i)/\sqrt{2}$. The Residue Theorem implies that

$$\oint_{\partial\mathcal{R}} \frac{z^2}{1+z^4} dz = 2\pi i \left(\text{Res}(f, (1+i)/\sqrt{2}) + \text{Res}(f, (-1+i)/\sqrt{2}) \right).$$

Take the limit $R \rightarrow \infty$. On the circular boundary of length πR one has $|f| \leq R^2/(R^4-1)$ so the integral over that boundary tends to zero. The integral over the part of the boundary on the x -axis converges to the desired integral so

$$\text{Ans.} = 2\pi i \left(\text{Res}(f, (1+i)/\sqrt{2}) + \text{Res}(f, (-1+i)/\sqrt{2}) \right).$$

Let $g(z) = z^2$ and $h(z) = 1 + z^4$. Since g is non zero and h has a simple zero at each of the poles the residue at a root ω of -1 is given by

$$\frac{g(\omega)}{h'(\omega)} = \frac{\omega^2}{4\omega^3} = \frac{1}{4\omega} = \frac{\bar{\omega}}{4},$$

since $|\omega| = 1$.

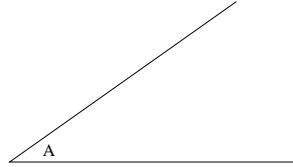
Therefore

$$\text{Ans.} = \frac{2\pi i}{4} \left(\frac{(1+i)}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{(-1+i)}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = \frac{2\pi i}{4} \frac{(-2i)}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

7. (5 points). Define the argument to have values in $] - \pi, \pi[$. The sector with angular opening A is the set

$$\left\{ z : 0 < \arg z < A \right\}, \quad 0 < A < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

A sketch follows.

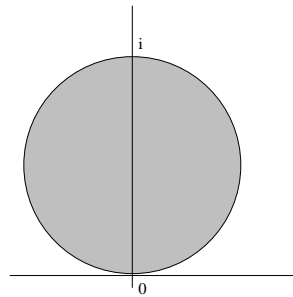


Find a one to one conformal mapping from the sector to an open disk.

Solution. The mapping $z \mapsto z^{\pi/A}$ maps the sector to the upper half plane.

The mapping $z \mapsto 1/(z - i) := k(z)$ maps the upper half plane to the inside of the circle that is the image of the real axis. That is a disk. That answers the question.

Continuing one could identify the circle by noting that it contains $0 = k(\infty)$. And it contains the point $i = k(0)$. The mapping $k(z)$ preserves the imaginary axis. Since the imaginary axis is perpendicular to the x axis their images are also perpendicular. Therefore the circle is perpendicular to the imaginary axis. The circle is $D := \{|z - (i/2)| = 1/2\}$ sketched below.



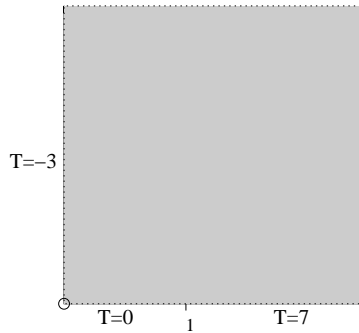
The mapping

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{z^{\pi/A} - i}$$

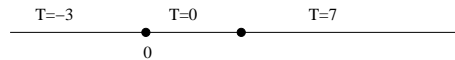
maps the sector conformally to the disk D .

8. (6 points). Find the unique bounded steady temperature distribution (a.k.a. harmonic function) in the positive quadrant $\{z = x + iy : x > 0 \ y > 0\}$ with temperature equal to -3 on the strictly positive y -axis, and on the x -axis has temperatures equal to 0 on $]0, 1[$

and equal to 7 on the segment $]1, \infty[$.



Solution. The map $z \mapsto z^2$ takes the quadrant problem to the corresponding upper halfspace problem with boundary values sketched below.



Define the argument function to take values $0 \leq \arg \leq \pi$ in the upper half plane. Seek a solution of the form

$$A \arg(z - 0) + B \arg(z - 1) + C.$$

On the interval $]1, \infty[$ the two args vanish and one finds that

$$C = 7.$$

On the interval $]0, 1[$ the first arg vanishes and one finds

$$B\pi + C = 0, \quad B = \frac{-7}{\pi}.$$

On the interval $] - \infty, 0[$ one finds

$$A\pi + B\pi + C = -3 \quad A = \frac{-3}{\pi}.$$

The solution of the halfspace problem is

$$\frac{-3}{\pi} \arg(z - 0) + \frac{-7}{\pi} \arg(z - 1) + 7.$$

A (and therefore the) solution of the quadrant problem is therefore

$$\mathbf{Ans.} = \frac{-3}{\pi} \arg(z^2 - 0) + \frac{-7}{\pi} \arg(z^2 - 1) + 7.$$

For the problem 9 it may be useful to recall that $(z + z^{-1})/2$ is a conformal map from $\{\operatorname{Im} z > 0, |z| > 1\}$ to the upper half space that leaves ± 1 fixed and maps the intervals $] - \infty, -1[$ and $[1, \infty[$ to themselves.

9. (5+1 points) **i.** Define the argument to have values in $] - \pi, \pi[$ and suppose that $0 < B < \pi$ Find a nonzero irrotational incompressible flow in the region

$$\Omega := \left\{ z : 0 < \arg z < B, \quad 1 < |z| < \infty \right\},$$

with flow parallel to the boundary at all boundary points.

ii. If $G(z) = \phi + i\psi$ is the complex potential, it is true that one of ϕ, ψ is constant on the boundary. Which one and why?

Solution. i. The map $z \mapsto z^{\pi/B}$ maps the region to the part of the upper halfspace exterior to the unit disk.

The map $z \mapsto (z + z^{-1})/2$ maps this region to the upper half space.

Therefore the map

$$H(z) := \left(\frac{z^{\pi/B} + z^{-\pi/B}}{2} \right)$$

maps the sector to the upper half space.

The function z is the complex potential of flow in the upper half space that is tangent to the boundaries. Therefore $H(z)$ is the complex potential of a flow in Ω that is tangent to the boundaries. If $H = \phi + i\psi$ the velocity field of the irrotational incompressible flow is

$$\nabla(\operatorname{Re} H) = \nabla\phi.$$

ii. The level sets of ψ are streamlines. So the boundary is level set of ψ when the boundary is connected.

Discussion. The velocity field constructed is **not** bounded. As in the Fluid Flow handout, one can show that there does not exist a bounded nonzero incompressible irrotational flow tangent to boundary.