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## HOMEWORK 7

Collaborators\*: TBD

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- 1:** From A&F: 3.5.1 b, c, d (Only consider singularities in the finite complex plane)  
*Solution:*

**2:** From A&F: 3.5.3 a, c, d

*Solution:*

**3:** Introducing the Gamma function: Do A&F: 3.6.6. This is the same Gamma function you may have seen defined as

$$\Gamma(z) = \int_0^{\infty} t^{z-1} e^{-t} dt$$

This better known representation is only valid for  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > 0$ . The representation given here is valid in all of  $\mathbb{C}$ . It takes a bit of work to show that our representation is an analytic continuation of the integral representation (this requires the Dominated Convergence Theorem), but it is quite doable. Not now though.

*Solution:*

4: Consider a sequence of numbers  $(a_n)_{n \geq 0}$  such that  $|a_n| < 1$  and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1 - |a_n|) < \infty.$$

Define a Blaschke factor

$$B(a, z) = \begin{cases} \frac{|a|}{a} \frac{a-z}{1-\bar{a}z} & a \neq 0, \\ z & a = 0. \end{cases}$$

- Show that

$$H(z) = \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} B(a_n, z),$$

defines an analytic function in the open unit disk  $|z| < 1$ .

- Show that  $H(z)$  has zeros at  $z = a_n$  for every  $n$ . It might seem that this construction of an analytic function with an infinite number of zeros in a bounded region implies that  $H(z) = 0$  for all  $z$ . Why is this not the case?

*Solution:*

5: We define the Weierstrass  $\wp$ -function as

$$\wp(z) = \frac{1}{z^2} + \sum_{j,k=-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{(z - j\omega_1 - k\omega_2)^2} - \frac{1}{(j\omega_1 + k\omega_2)^2} \right),$$

where  $(j, k) = (0, 0)$  is excluded from the double sum. Also, you may assume that  $\omega_1$  is a positive real number, and that  $\omega_2$  is on the positive imaginary axis. All considerations below are meant for the entire complex plane, except the poles of  $\wp(z)$ .

- (a) Show that  $\wp(z + M\omega_1 + N\omega_2) = \wp(z)$ , for any two integers  $M, N$ . In other words,  $\wp(z)$  is a doubly-periodic function: it has two independent periods in the complex plane. Doubly periodic functions are called elliptic functions.
- (b) Establish that  $\wp(z)$  is an even function:  $\wp(-z) = \wp(z)$ .
- (c) Find Laurent expansions for  $\wp(z)$  and  $\wp'(z)$  in a neighborhood of the origin in the form

$$\wp(z) = \frac{1}{z^2} + \alpha_0 + \alpha_2 z^2 + \alpha_4 z^4 + \dots$$

and

$$\wp'(z) = -\frac{2}{z^3} + \beta_1 z + \beta_3 z^3 + \dots$$

Give expressions for the coefficients introduced above.

- (d) Show that  $\wp(z)$  satisfies the differential equation

$$(\wp')^2 = a\wp^3 + b\wp^2 + c\wp + d,$$

for suitable choices of  $a, b, c, d$ . Find these constants. You may need to invoke Liouville's theorem to obtain this final result. It turns out that the function  $\wp(z)$  is determined by the coefficients  $c$  and  $d$ , implying that it is possible to recover  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  from the knowledge of  $c$  and  $d$ .

*Solution:*