## Problem 1:

Let  $f \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$  be such that  $f(1/\nu) = (-1)^{\nu}/\nu$  for all  $\nu \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Consider the sequences  $\langle a_n \rangle = \frac{1}{2n}$  and  $\langle b_n \rangle = \frac{1}{2n+1}$ . We know  $f(a_n)$  and  $f(b_n)$ , and both sequences converge to 0. So by the uniqueness theorem, f is uniquely determined by either one of these sequences. Yet, the holomorphic function g(z) = z matches  $f(a_n)$  at all points, and h(z) = -z matches  $f(b_n)$  at all points; this contradicts the uniqueness theorem.

## Problem 2:

Consider  $z^7 - 2z^5 + 6z^3 - z + 1$ .

First, on  $\partial D_1(0)$ ,  $|z^7 - 2z^5 + 6z^3| \ge 3$  and  $|-z + 1| \le 2$ . So by Rouche's Theorem,  $z^7 - 2z^5 + 6z^3$  and  $z^7 - 2z^5 + 6z^3 - z + 1$  have the same number of zeroes on  $D_1(0)$ .

Now,  $z^7 - 2z^5 + 6z^3$  has three zeroes (up to multiplicity) on  $D_1(0)$ ;  $z^7 - 2z^5 + 6z^3 = z^3(z^4 - 2z^2 + 6) = z^3(z^2 - 1 + i\sqrt{20})(z^2 - 1 - i\sqrt{20})$ . The zeroes are 0 (Having multiplicity 3) and four other complex numbers whose values have absolute value greater than 1 (this is clear by inspection.)

So  $z^7 - 2z^5 + 6z^3 - z + 1$  has three zeroes on  $D_1(0)$ .

## Problem 3:

Let u be harmonic on  $A_{r,R}$ , the open annulus with inner radius r and outer radius R.

Consider  $u_z$ ; this is holomorphic on the annulus. So  $u_z$  has a local primitive on the annulus.

So there is a g such that  $g' - \log |z| = u_z$ . So  $(g + \overline{g} - u - c \log |z|)_z = 0$ . Define  $v = g + \overline{g} - u - c \log |z|$ . Then  $v_x - iv_y = 0$ . But  $v_x$  and  $v_y$  are

both real. So  $v_x = v_y = 0$ . So v is constant, D, on the annulus.

So  $0 = g + \overline{g} - u - c \log |z| - D$ . That is,  $u = g + \overline{g} - c \log |z| = 2\text{Re}(g) - c \log |z|$ , which is equivalent to the desired result.

## Problem 4:

We proceed by induction. (I have a feeling that there's a proof directly from some deep theorem of Algebra, but I don't know any Algebra. :()

Let Q be a polynomial of degree 2. Note that in this case, we have the desired result if  $\sum_{z_i} \frac{1}{Q'(z_j)} = 0$ , where  $\{z_j\}$  is the set of zeroes of Q. Now, say

that  $Q(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{2} a_k z^k$ , so that  $Q'(z) = 2a_2 z + a_1$ . Then we have:

$$\sum_{z_j} \frac{1}{Q'(z_j)} = \frac{1}{2a_2z_1 + a_1} + \frac{1}{2a_2z_2 + a_1}$$

$$= \frac{(2a_2z_1 + a_1) + (2a_2z_2 + a_1)}{(2a_2z_1 + a_1)(2a_2z_2 + a_1)}$$

$$= \frac{2(a_2(z_1 + z_2) + a_1)}{(2a_2z_1 + a_1)(2a_2z_2 + a_1)}$$

The numerator vanishes, because the zeroes of Q are given by

$$z_j = \frac{-a_1 \pm \sqrt{a_1^2 - 4a_0 a_2}}{2a_2}$$

So that

$$a_2(z_1 + z_2) + a_1 = 0$$

Next, let it be that  $\sum_{z_j} \frac{z_j^{\alpha}}{Q'(z_j)} = 0$  when the degree of Q is less than N (where  $\{z_j\}$  is the set of zeroes of Q and with  $\alpha \leq \deg(Q) - 2$ , and where Q only has simple zeroes). Let Q be a polynomial of degree N with only simple zeroes. Then there is a polynomial q with  $Q = q(z - z_N)$ . Also,  $Q' = q + q'(z - z_N)$  by the product rule. Also note that  $q(z_j) = 0$  if  $z_j$  is any one of Q's zeroes except for  $z_N$ . So,

$$\begin{split} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \frac{z_{j}^{\alpha}}{Q'(z_{j})} &= \sum_{j=1}^{N} \frac{z_{j}^{\alpha}}{q(z_{j}) + (z_{j} - z_{N})q'(z_{j})} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \frac{z_{j}^{\alpha}}{(z_{j} - z_{N})q'(z_{j})} + \frac{z_{N}^{\alpha}}{q(z_{N})} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \frac{(z_{j} - z_{N})^{\alpha} + P(z_{j})}{(z_{j} - z_{N})q'(z_{j})} + \frac{z_{N}^{\alpha}}{q(z_{N})} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \frac{(z_{j} - z_{N})^{\alpha-1}}{q'(z_{j})} + \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \frac{P(z_{j})}{(z_{j} - z_{N})q'(z_{j})} + \frac{z_{N}^{\alpha}}{q(z_{N})} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \frac{P(z_{j})}{(z_{j} - z_{N})q'(z_{j})} + \frac{z_{N}^{\alpha}}{q(z_{N})} \end{split}$$

= 0 (I'm not sure how the last step works out, but this is the idea.)

Where P(z) is some polynomial depending on  $z_N$ . So, by induction,  $\sum_{z_i} \frac{z_j^{\alpha}}{Q'(z_j)} = 0$  (where  $\{z_j\}$  is the set of zeroes of Q and with  $\alpha \leq \deg(Q) - 2$ , and where Q only has simple zeroes), which is equivalent to our result.