

Math 360 Homework 3

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Problem 1: Find a value of z for which $1^z \neq 1$.

Note that we must not use the Principal log, otherwise $1^z \cong 1$. Thus, recall that

$$\log(z) = \log_e|z| + i(\text{Arg}(z) + 2k\pi) \quad (1)$$

and

$$z^c = \exp(c \log(z)). \quad (2)$$

Then

$$(1 + 0i)^c = \exp(c[\log_e|1| + i(\text{Arg}(1 + 0i) + 2k\pi)]) \quad (3)$$

$$= \exp(ic(\text{Arg}(1 + 0i) + 2k\pi)) \quad (4)$$

$$= e^{ic(0+2k\pi)}. \quad (5)$$

Then

$$2cik\pi \neq 0. \quad (6)$$

So letting $c = a + bi$,

$$(a + bi)(2i\pi k) = -2b\pi k + i(2a\pi k). \quad (7)$$

(7) is nonzero for any nonzero b and $a \in \mathbb{Z}$. So any $z = a + bi$ where $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $b \neq 0 \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ will work.

Problem 2: Explain why $\sin(z)$ and $\cos(z)$ are unbounded as complex functions.

Recall that

$$\cos(z) = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2} = \frac{e^{-b+ai} + e^{b-ai}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} [e^{-b}(\cos(a) + i\sin(a)) + e^b(\cos(a) - i\sin(a))] \quad (8)$$

and

$$\sin(z) = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i} = \frac{e^{-b+ai} - e^{b-ai}}{2i} = \frac{1}{2i} [e^{-b}(\cos(a) + i\sin(a)) - e^b(\cos(a) - i\sin(a))] \quad (9)$$

Then we can take the limit as $b \rightarrow \pm\infty$ and get:

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} [e^{-b}(\cos(a) + i\sin(a)) + e^b(\cos(a) - i\sin(a))] = \frac{1}{2}e^\infty(\cos(a) - i\sin(a)) = \infty \quad (10)$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} [e^{-b}(\cos(a) + i\sin(a)) + e^b(\cos(a) - i\sin(a))] = \frac{1}{2}e^\infty(\cos(a) + i\sin(a)) = \infty \quad (11)$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1}{2i} [e^{-b}(\cos(a) + i\sin(a)) - e^b(\cos(a) - i\sin(a))] = \frac{1}{2i}e^\infty(\cos(a) + i\sin(a)) = \infty \quad (12)$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1}{2i} [e^{-b}(\cos(a) + i\sin(a)) - e^b(\cos(a) - i\sin(a))] = \frac{1}{2i}e^\infty(\cos(a) - i\sin(a)) = \infty. \quad (13)$$

So $\sin(z)$ and $\cos(z)$ are unbounded complex functions.

Problem 3: Prove that $\cos(2z) = \cos^2(z) - \sin^2(z)$ holds for any $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Recall equations (8) and (9) which say that

$$\cos(z) = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2} \quad (14)$$

and

$$\sin(z) = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}. \quad (15)$$

It follows then that

$$\cos^2(z) = \left[\frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2} \right]^2 \quad (16)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}[e^{2iz} + e^{-2iz} + 2e^{iz-iz}] \quad (17)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}[e^{2iz} + e^{-2iz} + 2] \quad (18)$$

and

$$\sin^2(z) = \left[\frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i} \right]^2 \quad (19)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4}[e^{2iz} + e^{-2iz} - 2e^{iz-iz}] \quad (20)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4}[e^{2iz} + e^{-2iz} - 2] \quad (21)$$

Then,

$$\cos^2(z) - \sin^2(z) = \frac{1}{4}[(e^{2iz} + e^{-2iz} + 2)] - (-[e^{2iz} + e^{-2iz} - 2]) \quad (22)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}[2e^{2iz} + 2e^{-2iz} + 2 - 2] \quad (23)$$

$$= \frac{e^{2iz} + e^{-2iz}}{2} \quad (24)$$

$$= \cos(2z) \quad (25)$$

as desired.

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Problem 4: Find all values of z which satisfy $\text{Log}(z) = \frac{i\pi}{4}$.

Recall that

$$\text{Log}(z) = \ln|z| + i\text{Arg}(z). \quad (26)$$

Then

$$\ln|z| = 0 \Rightarrow |z| = 1 \quad (27)$$

$$\text{and} \quad (28)$$

$$i\text{Arg}(z) = i\frac{\pi}{4} \Rightarrow \text{Arg}(z) = \frac{\pi}{4}. \quad (29)$$

Notably, the only point in \mathbb{C} with magnitude 1 and Argument $\frac{\pi}{4}$ is $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}i$. So $z = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}i$.