COMPLEX FUNCTIONS: ASSIGNMENT 4

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Exercise 2.

Prove that the following functions are harmonic and find their conjugates.

(2)
$$u(x,y) = e^{-x}(x \sin y - y \cos y)$$

Solution 2.

(2)

$$u(x,y) = e^{-x}(x\sin y - y\cos y)$$

Therefore,

$$u_{x} = -e^{-x}(x \sin y - y \cos y) + e^{-x}(\sin y)$$

$$\therefore u_{xx} = e^{-x}(x \sin y - y \cos y) - e^{-x}(\sin y) - e^{-x} \sin y$$

$$= e^{-x}(x \sin y - y \cos y - 2 \sin y)$$

$$u_{y} = e^{-x}(x \cos y - \cos y + y \sin y)$$

$$u_{yy} = e^{-x}(-x \sin y + \sin y + y \cos y)$$

$$= e^{-x}(-x \sin y + 2 \sin y + y \cos y)$$

Therefore,

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

Therefore, the function is harmonic.

Exercise 3.

Express $\Re(\sin z)$ and $\Im(\sin z)$ as real functions dependent on x and y where z=x+iy. Simplify your answer using the definitions of the hyperbolic trigonometric functions.

Solution 3.

$$\begin{split} \Re(\sin z) &= \Re\left(\frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}\right) \\ &= \Re\left(\frac{e^{i(x+iy)} - e^{-i(x+iy)}}{2i}\right) \\ &= \Re\left(\frac{e^{ix-y} - e^{-ix+y}}{2i}\right) \\ &= \Re\left(\frac{e^{ix}e^{-y} - e^{-ix}e^{y}}{2i}\right) \\ &= \Re\left(\frac{e^{-y}\cos x + ie^{-y}\sin x - e^{y}\cos(-x) - ie^{y}\sin(-x)}{2i}\right) \\ &= \Re\left(\frac{e^{-y}\cos x - e^{y}\cos(-x)}{2i} + i\frac{e^{-y}\sin x - e^{y}\sin(-x)}{2i}\right) \\ &= \Re\left(\frac{e^{-y}\sin x + e^{y}\sin x}{2} - i\frac{e^{-y}\cos x - e^{y}\cos x}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{e^{-y}\sin x + e^{y}\sin x}{2} \end{split}$$

$$\Im(\sin z) = \Im\left(\frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}\right)$$

$$= \Im\left(\frac{e^{i(x+iy)} - e^{-i(x+iy)}}{2i}\right)$$

$$= \Im\left(\frac{e^{ix-y} - e^{-ix+y}}{2i}\right)$$

$$= \Im\left(\frac{e^{ix}e^{-y} - e^{-ix}e^{y}}{2i}\right)$$

$$= \Im\left(\frac{e^{-y}\cos x + ie^{-y}\sin x - e^{y}\cos(-x) - ie^{y}\sin(-x)}{2i}\right)$$

$$= \Im\left(\frac{e^{-y}\cos x - e^{y}\cos(-x)}{2i} + i\frac{e^{-y}\sin x - e^{y}\sin(-x)}{2i}\right)$$

$$= \Im\left(\frac{e^{-y}\sin x + e^{y}\sin x}{2} - i\frac{e^{-y}\cos x - e^{y}\cos x}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{e^{y}\cos x - e^{-y}\cos x}{2}$$

Exercise 4.

Find the image of the strip $|y| < \pi$ under the map $f(z) = e^z$.

Solution 4.

$$f(z) = e^z$$

$$= e^{x+iy}$$

$$= e^x e^{iy}$$

Therefore, as $|y| < \pi$,

$$-\pi < y < \pi$$
$$\therefore e^{-i\pi} < e^{iy} < e^{i\pi}$$

Therefore, the image is a disk with radius e^x , except for the negative real axis.

Therefore, as $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$, the image of the strip is $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}^-$.

Exercise 6.

Prove the following identities.

(1)
$$\cos^2 z + \sin^2 z = 1$$

$$(2) \sin z \cos w = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sin(z+w) + \sin(z-w) \right)$$

Solution 6.

(1)

$$\cos^{2} z + \sin^{2} z = \left(\frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}\right)^{2}$$

$$= \frac{e^{2iz} + 2 + e^{-2iz}}{4} - \frac{e^{2iz} - 2 + e^{-2iz}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{4}{4}$$

$$= 1$$

$$\sin z \cos w = \left(\frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}\right) \left(\frac{e^{iw} + e^{-iw}}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{e^{iz+iw} + e^{iz-iw} - e^{-iz+iw} - e^{-iz-iw}}{4i}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{e^{iz+iw} - e^{-iz-iw}}{2i} + \frac{e^{iz-iw} - e^{-iz+iw}}{2i}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sin(z+w) + \sin(z-w)\right)$$