

**Problem (Problem 1):** Let  $(a_n)_n$  be a sequence for which  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^2$  is finite. For each positive  $N$ , define  $f_N(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ , and define  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ .

(a) Show that  $f$  is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{D}$ .

(b) For each  $r \in (0, 1)$ , determine in terms of  $(a_n)_n$  the integral

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f_N(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta.$$

(c) For each  $r \in (0, 1)$ , determine in terms of  $(a_n)_n$  the integral

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta.$$

(d) Determine in terms of  $(a_n)_n$  the limit

$$\lim_{r \nearrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta.$$

**Solution:**

(a) Let  $0 < r < 1$ . Since each  $f_N$  is analytic, we can use the Cauchy Integral Formula to compute  $a_N$  explicitly, yielding

$$\begin{aligned} |a_N| &= \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f_N(\xi)}{\xi^{N+1}} d\xi \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{r^N} \sup_{|z|=r} |f_N(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if we are able to show that the value

$$\sup_{|z|=r} |f_N(z)|$$

is uniformly bounded by a constant for all  $N$ , we will be able to use the Cauchy–Hadamard theorem to show that  $\limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} |a_N|^{1/N} \leq 1$ . Toward this end, we use the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, which yields

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{|z|=r} |f_N(z)| &= \sup_{|z|=r} \left| \sum_{n=0}^N a_n z^n \right| \\ &\leq \sup_{|z|=r} \left( \sum_{n=0}^N |a_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left( \sum_{n=0}^N |z|^{2n} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \sup_{|z|=r} \underbrace{\left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 \right)^{1/2}}_{=:K} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |z|^{2n} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \frac{K}{(1 - |r|^2)^{1/2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since we have established this uniform bound, we thus find that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  has radius of convergence at least 1, so  $f$  is analytic on  $\mathbb{D}$ , hence holomorphic on  $\mathbb{D}$ .

(b) We write out the integral to yield

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f_N(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \sum_{n=0}^N a_n r^n e^{in\theta} \right) \overline{\left( \sum_{m=0}^N a_m r^m e^{im\theta} \right)} d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=0}^N \sum_{m=0}^N a_n \overline{a_m} r^{m+n} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(n-m)\theta} d\theta \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^N |a_n|^2 r^{2n}. \end{aligned}$$

(c) Since  $f$  is holomorphic with radius of convergence at least 1, the series expression on  $S(0, r)$  converges uniformly, so that we may exchange sum and integral. This yields

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_n \overline{a_m} r^{m+n} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(n-m)\theta} d\theta \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 r^{2n}. \end{aligned}$$

(d) Since the sequence  $(a_n)_n$  is square-summable, the limit is well-defined, and we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{r \nearrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta &= \lim_{r \nearrow 1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 r^{2n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^2. \end{aligned}$$

**Problem (Problem 2):** Let  $\varphi: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be continuous, and define  $f: \mathbb{C} \setminus [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by

$$f(z) = \int_0^1 \frac{\varphi(t)}{t-z} dt.$$

Show that  $f$  is holomorphic and determine the derivative of  $f$  in terms of  $\varphi$ .

**Problem (Problem 3):** Let  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be entire.

- (a) Suppose there exist  $C, R > 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|f(z)| \leq C|z|^n$  for all  $|z| > R$ . Show that  $f$  is a polynomial of degree at most  $n$ .
- (b) Suppose that  $g: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is also entire and  $|f(z)| \leq |g(z)|$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . Show that there exists some  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$  such that  $f(z) = \alpha g(z)$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .
- (c) Suppose that there exists some  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(\mathbb{C}) \cap \{re^{i\theta} \mid r > 0\} = \emptyset$ . Show that  $f$  is constant.

**Solution:**

(a) Let  $r > R$ . Then, by the Cauchy estimate, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} |f^{(n+1)}(0)| &\leq \frac{(n+1)!}{r^{n+1}} \sup_{|z|=r} |f(z)| \\ &\leq \frac{(n+1)!}{r^{n+1}} \sup_{|z|=r} (C|z|^n) \\ &= \frac{C(n+1)!}{r}, \end{aligned}$$

so since  $r$  is arbitrary and  $f$  is entire, we find that  $f^{(n+1)}(0) = 0$ , so that the power series expansion of  $f$  about 0 terminates beyond  $n + 1$ , meaning that  $f$  is a polynomial of degree at most  $n$ .

- (b) If  $g$  is 0, then we are done. Else, assume that  $g$  is not identically zero. Observe that if  $g$  is everywhere non-vanishing, then the function  $\frac{f(z)}{g(z)}$  is entire, and satisfies

$$\left| \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right| \leq 1,$$

hence  $\frac{f(z)}{g(z)} = \alpha$  for some  $\alpha$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$ .

Now, if  $g(z)$  does admit zeros, they must be isolated zeros, or else by the identity theorem, we would have that  $g$  is identically zero on  $\mathbb{C}$ . Letting

$$h(z) = \frac{f(z)}{g(z)},$$

we see that  $h$  admits isolated singularities at the zeros of  $g$ . In punctured neighborhoods of these zeros,  $h$  is bounded by assumption, so each of these singularities is removable. Therefore,  $h$  can be extended to an entire function,  $k(z)$ , satisfying

$$|k(z)| \leq 1$$

for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . Thus, by Liouville's Theorem, it follows that  $k(z) = \alpha$  for some  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\alpha| \leq 1$ . In particular, whenever  $g(z) \neq 0$ , we have  $f(z) = \alpha g(z)$ , and clearly if  $g$  is zero, so too is  $f$ . Thus, we have established the desired result.

- (c) Suppose  $f(\mathbb{C}) \cap \{re^{i\theta} \mid r > 0\} = \emptyset$ . For  $s > 0$ , Cauchy's Estimate gives

$$|f'(0)| \leq \frac{1}{s^2} \sup_{|z|=s} |f(z)|.$$