## Spring 2016 Math 511 Homework 1 Solution

1. Show that a cubic equation  $E_1: t^3 + at^2 + bt + c = 0$  can be transformed into an equation of the form  $E_2: x^3 + px = q$  by a substitution of t = x - a/3. Suppose  $\alpha^3$  and  $\beta^3$  are the roots of the equation  $z^2 - qz - p^3/27 = 0$  with  $\alpha\beta = -p/3$ . Show that  $x = \alpha + \beta$  is a solution of  $E_2$ . Hence, give the solutions of  $E_1$  in terms of a, b and c.

**Solution:** By the substituting t = (x - a/3) into  $E_1$ , we have

$$t^{3} + at^{2} + bt + c = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x - a/3)^{3} + a(x - a/3)^{2} + b(x - a/3) + c = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x^{2} - 3(a/3)x^{2} + 3(a/3)^{2}x - (a/3)^{3}) + a(x^{2} - 2(a/3)x + (a/3)^{2}) + b(x - a/3) + c = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x^{3} + px = q$$

with 
$$p = b - \frac{a^2}{3}$$
 and  $q = \frac{ab}{3} - \frac{2a^3}{27} - c$ .

Suppose  $\alpha^3$  and  $\beta^3$  are the roots of the equation  $z^2 - qz - p^3/27 = 0$  with  $\alpha\beta = -\frac{p}{3}$ .

Then we have  $\alpha^3 + \beta^3 = q$ . Putting  $x = \alpha + \beta$ , we have

$$x^{3} + px$$

$$= (\alpha + \beta)^{3} + p(\alpha + \beta)$$

$$= \alpha^{3} + \beta^{3} + 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta) + p(\alpha + \beta)$$

$$= q - p(\alpha + \beta) + p(\alpha + \beta)$$

$$= q$$

The solution of the equation  $z^2 - qz - p^3/27 = 0$  are

$$z = \frac{q \pm \sqrt{q^2 + 4p^3/27}}{\frac{2}{2}}$$

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$$= \frac{9ab - 2a^3 - 27c \pm 3^{3/2}\sqrt{4a^3c + 4b^3 + 27c^2 - a^2b^2 - 18abc}}{54}$$

Therefore,

$$\alpha = \sqrt[3]{\frac{9ab - 2a^3 - 27c + 3^{3/2}\sqrt{4a^3c + 4b^3 + 27c^2 - a^2b^2 - 18abc}}{54}} \text{ and } \beta = \sqrt[3]{\frac{9ab - 2a^3 - 27c - 3^{3/2}\sqrt{4a^3c + 4b^3 + 27c^2 - a^2b^2 - 18abc}}{54}}$$

Note that if  $\alpha^3$  and  $\beta^3$  are the roots of the equation  $z^2 - qz - p^3/27 = 0$ , then we have  $\alpha^3\beta^3 = -p^3/27$ . So the condition  $\alpha\beta = -\frac{p}{3}$  represents a specific choice of the

cube roots of  $\alpha^3$  and  $\beta^3$  in (1). If  $(\alpha, \beta)$  satisfies the above conditions, then the pairs  $(\alpha e^{i2\pi/3}, \beta e^{-i2\pi/3})$  and  $(\alpha e^{-i2\pi/3}, \beta e^{i2\pi/3})$  will also satisfy the above conditions

Hence, the solution for t is given by

$$t = \sqrt[3]{\frac{9ab - 2a^3 - 27c + 3^{3/2}\sqrt{4a^3c + 4b^3 + 27c^2 - a^2b^2 - 18abc}}{54}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{9ab - 2a^3 - 27c - 3^{3/2}\sqrt{4a^3c + 4b^3 + 27c^2 - a^2b^2 - 18abc}}{54}} - \frac{a}{3}$$

where the cube roots are chosen as explained above.

2. Find all solutions of the equation  $x^3 - 15x - 4 = 0$  directly. (Hint: The equation has one integer root.) Then compare them with the solutions using the formula found in 1. For each solution, find the corresponding  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  as given in 1.

**Solution:** The integer solution of  $x^3 - 15x - 4 = 0$  must be a factor of 4. Therefore, the only possible choices are  $\pm 1$ ,  $\pm 2$ ,  $\pm 4$ . Since  $4^3 - 15(4) - 4 = 0$ , x = 4 is a solution. We have

$$x^{3} - 15x - 4 = (x - 4)(x^{2} + 4x + 1) = (x - 4)(x + 2 + \sqrt{3})(x + 2 - \sqrt{3})$$

Therefore, x = 4,  $-2 - \sqrt{3}$ ,  $2 + \sqrt{3}$  are the solutions of the equation.

By the result in 1, we consider the equation  $z^2 - 4z - \frac{(-15)^3}{27} = 0 \Leftrightarrow z^2 - 4z + 125 = 0$ .

Solution of this quadratic equation is given by  $z = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(125)}}{2} = 2 \pm 11i$ .

To find  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  satisfying  $\alpha^3=2+11i$  and  $\beta^3=2-11i$  with  $\alpha\beta=15/3=5$ , let  $\alpha=a+ib$ , with  $a,\ b\in\mathbb{R}$ . Then we have

$$(a+ib)^3 = 2+11i \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a^3 - 3ab^2 = 2 & (1) & \text{and} \\ 3a^2b - b^3 = 11 & (2) \end{cases}$$

Also,

$$a^{2} + b^{2} = |\alpha|^{2} = (2^{2} + 11^{2})^{1/3} = 5$$
 (3)

 $(3) \Rightarrow a^2 = 5 - b^2$ . Putting back to (2), we have

$$3(5-b^2)b - b^3 = 11 \Rightarrow 4b^3 - 15b + 11 = 0$$

Clearly, b=1 is a solution. Then by (3), we have  $a^2=5-1=4$ . Then (1) implies

$$4a - 3a = 2 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

Check that  $\alpha = 2 + i$  satisfies  $\alpha^3 = 2 + 11i$  and  $\beta = 2 - i$  satisfies  $\beta^3 = 2 - 11i$  and  $\alpha\beta = 5$ . So we have

|          | α        | = | 2+i | $(2+i)e^{2\pi i/3}$  | $(2+i)e^{4\pi i/3}$  |
|----------|----------|---|-----|----------------------|----------------------|
|          | β        | = | 2-i | $(2-i)e^{-2\pi i/3}$ | $(2-i)e^{-4\pi i/3}$ |
| $\alpha$ | $+\beta$ | = | 4   | $-2-\sqrt{3}$        | $-2+\sqrt{3}$        |

3. Let S be the sphere of radius 1, centered at the origin in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and N=(0,0,1). For each point P(x,y,z) on  $S\setminus\{N\}$ , let the ray (half line) from N through P intersects the X-Y plane at Q(u,v,0). Express 1) x,y, and z in terms of u and v; and v in terms of v, v, and v.

**Solution:** The ray from N through Q is given by the parametric equations:

$$(X, Y, Z) = (0, 0, 1) + ((u, v, 0) - (0, 0, 1))t \Rightarrow \begin{cases} X = ut \\ Y = vt \\ Z = 1 - t \end{cases}$$

This ray intersects S at

$$(ut)^{2} + (vt)^{2} + (1-t)^{2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (u^{2} + v^{2} + 1)t^{2} + 1 - 2t = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (u^{2} + v^{2} + 1)t^{2} = 2t$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{2}{(u^{2} + v^{2} + 1)}$$

because t=0 corresponds to N. Therefore, we have

$$x = \frac{2u}{(u^2 + v^2 + 1)}, \ y = \frac{2v}{(u^2 + v^2 + 1)}, \ z = 1 - \frac{2}{(u^2 + v^2 + 1)} = \frac{(u^2 + v^2 - 1)}{(u^2 + v^2 + 1)}$$

From  $z = 1 - t \Rightarrow t = 1 - z$ , we have

$$u = \frac{x}{t} = \frac{x}{1-z}$$
, and  $v = \frac{y}{t} = \frac{y}{1-z}$ 

4. Prove Lagrange's Identity:

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^{n} z_j w_j \right|^2 = \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} |z_j|^2 \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} |w_j|^2 \right) - \sum_{1 \le j < k \le n} |z_j \overline{w_k} - \overline{w_j} z_k|^2$$

and from this deduce the Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality in Proposition 1.2.4.

## **Solution:**

$$\begin{split} & \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n} z_{j} w_{j} \right|^{2} \\ &= \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n} z_{j} w_{j} \right| \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n} \overline{z_{j} w_{j}} \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n} |z_{j} w_{j}|^{2} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n} z_{j} w_{j} \overline{z_{k} w_{k}} + \overline{z_{j} w_{j}} z_{k} w_{k} \right| \\ &= \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} |z_{j}|^{2} \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} |w_{j}|^{2} \right) - \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n} \left( |z_{j}|^{2} |w_{k}|^{2} + |z_{k}|^{2} |w_{j}|^{2} \right) + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n} \left( z_{j} w_{j} \overline{z_{k} w_{k}} + \overline{z_{j} w_{j}} z_{k} w_{k} \right) \\ &= \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} |z_{j}|^{2} \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} |w_{j}|^{2} \right) - \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n} \left( |z_{j}|^{2} |w_{k}|^{2} + |z_{k}|^{2} |w_{j}|^{2} - z_{j} w_{j} \overline{z_{k} w_{k}} - \overline{z_{j} w_{j}} z_{k} w_{k} \right) \\ &= \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} |z_{j}|^{2} \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} |w_{j}|^{2} \right) - \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n} \left( z_{j} \overline{w_{k}} - \overline{w_{j}} z_{k} \right) \left( \overline{z_{j}} w_{k} - w_{j} \overline{z_{k}} \right) \\ &= \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} |z_{j}|^{2} \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} |w_{j}|^{2} \right) - \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n} |z_{j} \overline{w_{k}} - \overline{w_{j}} z_{k} \right|^{2} \end{split}$$

Since 
$$\sum_{1 \le j < k \le n} |z_j \overline{w_k} - \overline{w_j} z_k|^2 \ge 0$$
, we have  $\left| \sum_{j=1}^n z_j w_j \right|^2 \le \left( \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j|^2 \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n |w_j|^2 \right)$ 

## 5. Compute the following derivatives:

(a) 
$$\frac{\partial^{3}}{\partial x^{2} \partial y} (3z^{2}\overline{z}^{4} - 2z^{3}\overline{z} + z^{4} - \overline{z}^{5})$$
Solution: Using  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{z}}$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} = i\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{z}}\right)$ , we have
$$\frac{\partial^{3}}{\partial x^{2} \partial y} \left(3z^{2}\overline{z}^{4} - 2z^{3}\overline{z} + z^{4} - \overline{z}^{5}\right)$$

$$= i\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{z}}\right)^{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{z}}\right) \left(3z^{2}\overline{z}^{4} - 2z^{3}\overline{z} + z^{4} - \overline{z}^{5}\right)$$

$$= i\left(\frac{\partial^{3}}{\partial z^{3}} + \frac{\partial^{3}}{\partial z^{2} \partial \overline{z}} - \frac{\partial^{3}}{\partial z \partial \overline{z}^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{3}}{\partial \overline{z}^{3}}\right) \left(3z^{2}\overline{z}^{4} - 2z^{3}\overline{z} + 4z^{4} - \overline{z}^{5}\right)$$

$$= i\left((-12\overline{z} + 24z\right) + (24\overline{z}^{3} - 12z) - (72z\overline{z}^{2}) - (72z^{2}\overline{z} - 60\overline{z}^{2})\right)$$

$$= 12i\left(z - 6z\overline{z}^{2} - 6z^{2}\overline{z} - \overline{z} + 5\overline{z}^{2} + 2\overline{z}^{3}\right)$$

$$= 12\left((6x^{2}y + 10xy - 2y - 2y^{3}) + i(5x^{2} - 10x^{3} - 18xy^{2} - 5y^{2})\right)$$

(b) 
$$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial z \partial \overline{z}^3} (xy^2)$$

**Solution:** Using  $x = \frac{z + \overline{z}}{2}$ ,  $y = \frac{z - \overline{z}}{2i}$ , we have  $xy^2 = -\frac{z^3 - z^2\overline{z} - z\overline{z}^2 + \overline{z}^3}{8}$ . Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial z \partial \overline{z}^3} \left( x y^2 \right) = \frac{\partial^4}{\partial z \partial \overline{z}^3} \left( -\frac{z^3 - z^2 \overline{z} - z \overline{z}^2 + \overline{z}^3}{8} \right) = 0$$

6. Find two real valued harmonic functions u and v on  $\mathbb{C}$  such that  $u \cdot v$  is not harmonic.

**Solution:** Take u(x,y)=x=v(x,y). Then  $\Delta u=0=\Delta v$  but  $\Delta uv=2\neq 0$ .

7. Suppose u and v are two real valued harmonic functions on  $\mathbb{C}$  such that u + iv is holomorphic. Prove that  $u \cdot v$  is harmonic.

**Solution:** u+iv is holomorphic  $\Rightarrow (u+iv)^2 = u^2 - v^2 + i(2uv)$  holomorphic. Therefore, 2uv is harmonic  $\Rightarrow uv$  is harmonic.

You can also prove it directly:

Suppose u + iv is holomorphic. Then  $u_x = v_y$  and  $u_y = -v_x$ . We have

$$(uv)_x = uv_x + vu_x \Rightarrow (uv)_{xx} = uv_{xx} + 2u_xv_x + vu_{xx}$$

Similarly,  $(uv)_{yy} = uv_{yy} + 2u_yv_y + vu_{yy}$ . Hence,

$$\Delta(uv) = (uv)_{xx} + (uv)_{yy} 
= uv_{xx} + vu_{xx} + 2u_xv_x + uv_{yy} + vu_{yy} + 2u_yv_y 
= u(v_{xx} + v_{yy}) + v(u_{xx} + u_{yy}) + 2u_xv_x - 2v_xu_x 
= 0$$

8. Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be an open set. Let  $z_0 \in U$  and r > 0 and assume that  $\{z : |z - z_0| \le r\} \subseteq U$ . For j a positive integer, compute

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( z_0 + re^{i\theta} \right)^j d\theta \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \overline{\left( z_0 + re^{i\theta} \right)^j} d\theta .$$

Use these results to prove that if u is a harmonic polynomial on U, then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u \left( z_0 + re^{i\theta} \right) d\theta = u(z_0).$$

**Solution:** We are going to prove by induction on j that for  $j \geq 1$ ,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (z_0 + re^{i\theta})^j d\theta = z_0^j \text{ and } \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \overline{(z_0 + re^{i\theta})^j} d\theta = \overline{z}_0^j$$

For 
$$j = 1$$
,  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (z_0 + re^{i\theta}) d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} (z_0 \theta - ire^{i\theta}]_0^{2\pi} = z_0$ .

Suppose the result holds for some  $j \geq 1$ . Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} (z_0 + re^{i\theta})^{j+1} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{2\pi} z_0 (z_0 + re^{i\theta})^j d\theta + \int_{0}^{2\pi} re^{i\theta} (z_0 + re^{i\theta})^j d\theta \right)$$

$$= z_0 \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} (z_0 + re^{i\theta})^j d\theta \right) + \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( (-i) \frac{(z_0 + re^{i\theta})^{j+1}}{j+1} \right]_{0}^{2\pi}$$

$$= z_0 (z_0^j) + 0$$

$$= z_0^{j+1}$$

The proof for the second integral is similar.

Suppose u is a harmonic polynomial on U. Then from the proof of Lemma 1.4.5, we have  $a_j, b_k \in \mathbb{C}, 0 \leq j \leq m$  and  $1 \leq k \leq n$  such that,,  $u(z, \overline{z}) = a_0 + \sum_{j=1}^m a_j z^j + \sum_{k=1}^n b_k \overline{z}^k$ . Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} u \left(z_{0} + re^{i\theta}\right) d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} a_{0} + \sum_{j=1}^{m} a_{j} \left(z_{0} + re^{i\theta}\right)^{j} + \sum_{k=1}^{n} b_{k} \overline{\left(z_{0} + re^{i\theta}\right)^{k}} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{2\pi} a_{0} d\theta + \sum_{j=1}^{m} a_{j} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \left(z_{0} + re^{i\theta}\right)^{j} d\theta + \sum_{k=1}^{n} b_{k} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \overline{\left(z_{0} + re^{i\theta}\right)^{k}} d\theta \right)$$

$$= a_{0} + \sum_{j=1}^{m} a_{j} z_{0}^{j} + \sum_{k=1}^{n} b_{k} \overline{z}_{0}^{k}$$

$$= u(z_{0})$$

9. Prove that if f is holomorphic on an open set  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  and f is nonvanishing, then

$$\Delta\left(|f|^p\right) = p^2|f|^{p-2} \left|\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}\right|^2$$
, for all  $p > 0$ .

**Solution:** Since  $(|f|^p)_x = p|f|^{p-1}|f|_x$  and  $(|f|^p)_y = p|f|^{p-1}|f|_y$ , by linearity, we have  $(|f|^p)_z = p|f|^{p-1}|f|_z$ .

For p=2, we have  $2|f||f|_z=(|f|^2)_z=(f\overline{f})_z=f(\overline{f})_z+\overline{f}f_z=\overline{f}f_z$  because f is holomorphic  $\Rightarrow (\overline{f})_z=\overline{(f_{\overline{z}})}=0$ .

Therefore we have

$$(|f|^p)_z = p|f|^{p-1}|f|_z = p|f|^{p-1}\frac{\overline{f}f_z}{2|f|} = \frac{p|f|^{p-2}\overline{f}f_z}{2}$$

Then, taking complex conjugate, we have

$$(|f|^p)_{\overline{z}} = \frac{p|f|^{p-2}f\overline{f_z}}{2}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{split} &\Delta\left(|f|^{p}\right)\\ &=\ 4\left((|f|^{p})_{z}\right)_{\overline{z}}\\ &=\ 4\left(\frac{p|f|^{p-2}\overline{f}f_{z}}{2}\right)_{\overline{z}}\\ &=\ 2p\left((|f|^{p-2})_{\overline{z}}\overline{f}f_{z}+|f|^{p-2}\left(\overline{f}\right)_{\overline{z}}f_{z}+|f|^{p-2}\overline{f}\left(f_{z}\right)_{\overline{z}}\right) \ \text{ by product rule}\\ &=\ 2p\left(\frac{(p-2)|f|^{p-4}f\overline{f_{z}}}{2}\overline{f}f_{z}+|f|^{p-2}\overline{(f)_{z}}f_{z}+0\right) \ \text{ because } (f_{z})_{\overline{z}}=(f_{\overline{z}})_{z}=0\\ &=\ p\left((p-2)|f|^{p-4}|f|^{2}|f_{z}|^{2}+2|f|^{p-2}|f_{z}|^{2}\right)\\ &=\ p^{2}|f|^{p-2}|f_{z}|^{2} \end{split}$$

You can also do it as follows:

Let f = u + iv. Then

$$|f|^2 = u^2 + v^2 \Rightarrow 2|f||f|_x = 2uu_x + 2vv_x \Rightarrow |f|_x = \frac{uu_x + vv_x}{|f|}$$

Similarly,  $|f|_y = \frac{uu_y + vv_y}{|f|}$ . Therefore,

$$(|f|^p)_x = p|f|^{p-1}|f|_x = p|f|^{p-2} (uu_x + vv_x)$$

$$\Rightarrow (|f|^p)_{xx} = p(p-2)|f|^{p-4} (uu_x + vv_x)^2 + p|f|^{p-2} (uu_{xx} + u_x^2 + vv_{xx} + v_x^2)$$

Similarly, 
$$(|f|^p)_{yy} = p(p-2)|f|^{p-4} (uu_y + vv_y)^2 + p|f|^{p-2} (uu_{yy} + u_x^2 + vv_{yy} + v_y^2).$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{split} &\Delta\left(|f|^{p}\right) \\ &= p(p-2)|f|^{p-4}\left((uu_{x}+vv_{x})^{2}+(uu_{y}+vv_{y})^{2}\right) \\ &+p|f|^{p-2}\left(u\left(u_{xx}+u_{yy}\right)+v\left(v_{xx}+v_{yy}\right)+\left(u_{x}^{2}+v_{x}^{2}+u_{y}^{2}+v_{y}^{2}\right)\right) \\ &= p(p-2)|f|^{p-4}\left((uu_{x}+vv_{x})^{2}+(-uv_{x}+vu_{x})^{2}\right)+2p|f|^{p-2}\left(u_{x}^{2}+v_{x}^{2}\right) \\ &= p|f|^{p-4}\left[(p-2)\left(u^{2}u_{x}^{2}+2uvu_{x}v_{x}+v^{2}v_{x}^{2}+u^{2}v_{x}^{2}-2uvu_{x}v_{x}+v^{2}u_{x}^{2}\right) \\ &+2\left(u^{2}+v^{2}\right)\left(u_{x}^{2}+v_{x}^{2}\right)\right] \\ &= p|f|^{p-4}\left[(p-2)\left(u^{2}+v^{2}\right)\left(u_{x}^{2}+v_{x}^{2}\right)+2\left(u^{2}+v^{2}\right)\left(u_{x}^{2}+v_{x}^{2}\right)\right] \\ &= p|f|^{p-4}\left[p\left(u^{2}+v^{2}\right)\left(u_{x}+iv_{x}\right)\left(u_{x}-iv_{x}\right)\right] \\ &= p^{2}|f|^{p-2}\left|\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}\right|^{2} \qquad (f \text{ holomorphic } \Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = u_{x}+iv_{x}) \end{split}$$

10. An open subset U of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is said to be **star-shaped** if there exists  $(a,b) \in U$  such that for every  $(x,y) \in U$ , the line segment joining (a,b) to (x,y)

$$r(t) = (a + t(x - a), b + t(y - b)), 0 \le t \le 1$$

is contained in U. Suppose U is star-shaped and  $f, g \in C^1(U)$  satisfies  $f_y = g_x$ . Show that the function  $h(x,y) = \int_0^1 (f(r(t)), g(r(t))) \cdot r'(t) dt$  satisfies  $h_x = f$  and  $h_y = g$ . (Hint: Show that  $h_x = \int_0^1 \frac{d(t f(r(t)))}{dt} dt$  and  $h_y = \int_0^1 \frac{d(t g(r(t)))}{dt} dt$ .)

Solution: Let

$$h(x,y)$$

$$= \int_0^1 (f(r(t)), g(r(t))) \cdot r'(t) dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (f(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)), g(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b))) \cdot ((x-a), (y-b)) dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (x-a)f(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) + (y-b)g(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) dt$$

Then

$$h_{x}$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} f(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) + (x-a)tf_{x}(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) dt + \int_{0}^{1} (y-b)tg_{x}(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) dt$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} f(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) + (x-a)tf_{x}(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) dt + \int_{0}^{1} (y-b)tf_{y}(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) dt$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \frac{d(t \cdot f(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)))}{dt} dt$$

$$= t \cdot f(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b))]_{0}^{1}$$

$$= f(x,y)$$

$$h_{y}$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} t(x-a)f_{y}(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) dt + \int_{0}^{1} g(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) dt$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{1} g(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) + (y-b)tg_{y}(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) dt$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{1} g(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) + (y-b)tg_{y}(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)) dt$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \frac{d(t \cdot g(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b)))}{dt} dt$$

$$= t \cdot g(a+t(x-a), b+t(y-b))]_{0}^{1}$$

$$= g(x,y)$$