

## MAT3253 Homework 8

Due date: 26 Mar.

**Question 1.** (Brown&Churchill Ex.42.6) Let  $f(z)$  be the branch

$$z^{-1+i} = \exp((-1+i)\log z), \quad (|z| > 0, 0 < \arg z < 2\pi)$$

of the indicated function. Evaluate the contour integral  $\int_C f(z) dz$  when  $C$  is the unit circle  $z = e^{i\theta}$  ( $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ ).

**Question 2.** (Brown&Churchill Ex.42.9) Evaluate the integral

$$I = \int_C \bar{z} dz$$

using the parametric curve  $C$

$$C : z(y) = \sqrt{4-y^2} + iy \quad (-2 \leq y \leq 2).$$

**Question 3.** (Brown&Churchill Ex.43.4) Let  $C_R$  denote the upper half of the circle  $|z| = R$  ( $R > 2$ ), taken in the counterclockwise direction. Show that

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{2z^2 - 1}{z^4 + 5z^2 + 4} \right| \leq \frac{\pi R(2R^2 + 1)}{(R^2 - 1)(R^2 - 4)}$$

Then, by dividing the numerator and denominator on the right here by  $R^4$ , show that the value of the integral tends to zero as  $R$  tends to infinity.

**Question 4.** (Brown&Churchill Ex.45.5) Show that

$$\int_{-1}^1 z^i dz = \frac{1 + e^{-\pi}}{2}(1 - i),$$

where the integrand denotes the principal branch

$$z^i = \exp(i \operatorname{Log}(z)) \quad (|z| > 0, -\pi < \operatorname{Arg}(z) < \pi)$$

(Here, the function  $\operatorname{Log}(z)$  and  $\operatorname{Arg}(z)$  denote the principal value of  $\log$  and  $\arg$ , respectively.)

Hint: Use an anti-derivative of the branch

$$z^i = \exp(i \log z) \quad (|z| > 0, -\frac{\pi}{2} < \arg z < \frac{3\pi}{2})$$

of the same power function.

**Question 5.** (Bak&Newman Chapter 4 Ex.6) Show that, if  $f$  is a continuous real-valued function and  $|f| \leq 1$ , then

$$\left| \int_{|z|=1} f(z) dz \right| \leq 4.$$

(The  $ML$  inequality easily gives  $|\int_{|z|=1} f(z) dz| \leq 2\pi$ . The purpose of this question is to strengthen this bound from  $2\pi$  to 4.)

Hint: Show that

$$\left| \int f \right| \leq \int_0^{2\pi} |\sin t| dt.$$

**Question 6.** (Bak&Newman Chapter 4 Ex.10) Evaluate

(a)  $\int_0^i e^z dz$ .

(b)  $\int_{\pi/2}^{\pi/2+i} \cos 2z dz$ .

**Question 7.** (Bak&Newman Chapter 4 Ex.11) Suppose  $f$  is analytic in a convex region  $D$  and  $|f'| \leq 1$  throughout  $D$ . Prove that  $f$  is a “contraction”; i.e., show that

$$|f(b) - f(a)| \leq |b - a|$$

for all  $a, b \in D$ .