

Assignment 3 - Derivatives of Complex Functions

Due February 12th

1. (0.5 pts each) Use the limit definition of derivative to prove the following:
 - a) $f(z) = z^n$, $f'(z) = nz^{n-1}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$
 - b) $h(z) = af(z) + bg(z)$, $h'(z) = af'(z) + bg'(z)$ with $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ constant
2. (1 pt) Let $p(z) = a_0 + a_1z + \dots + a_nz^n$ with $a_0, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{C}$ constant. Show that p is entire and $p'(z) = a_1 + 2a_2z + \dots + na_nz^{n-1}$.
3. (1 pt) Use the complex L'Hopital's rule to compute $\lim_{z \rightarrow i} \frac{z^3 - z^2 + z - 1}{z^3 + z^2 + z + 1}$
4. (1 pt) Let $f(x + iy) = x^2 + iy^2$. Use the cartesian Cauchy-Riemann equations to determine where f is differentiable, where it is analytic and what the derivative is where it exists.
5. (1 pt) Let $f(re^{i\theta}) = re^{i2\theta}$. Use the polar Cauchy-Riemann equations to determine where f is differentiable, where it is analytic and what the derivative is where it exists.