

Complex Analysis

Homework 15: 4.1) 32, 48, 49

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32) Write the principal value of $\text{Ln}[(1+i)^4]$ in the form $a+ib$:

We know for a complex number z that $\text{Ln}(z) = \log_e |z| + i\text{Arg}(z)$. First let us find $\log_e |z|$.

$$\begin{aligned}\log_e |z| &= \log_e |(1+i)^4| \\ &= \log_e [|1+i|^4] \\ &= \log_e \sqrt{2}^4 \\ &= \log_e 4\end{aligned}$$

We will keep this in exact form to preserve meaning. Now we find $\text{Arg}(z)$. First we find $\text{Re}(z)$.

$$\begin{aligned}(1+i)^4 &= 1 + 4i + 6i^2 + 4i^3 + 1 \\ &= 2 - 6 + 4i - 4i \\ &= -4\end{aligned}$$

So $\text{Re}(z) = -4$. Now we find $\text{Arg}(z)$ using $\text{Re}(z) = |z| \cos(\theta)$ (Note that we already found $|z| = 4$):

$$\begin{aligned}\theta &= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\text{Re}(z)}{|z|} \right) \\ &= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-4}{4} \right) \\ &= \cos^{-1}(-1) \\ &= \pi\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\text{Arg}(z) = \pi$, and so the principal value of $\text{Ln}[(1+i)^4]$ is

$$\text{Ln}(z) = \log_e 4 + \pi i$$

48) Using de Moivre's formula, $(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta)$, prove that $(e^z)^n = e^{nz}$ where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Let $z = x + iy$ be an element of \mathbb{C} and $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. We see

$$\begin{aligned}(e^z)^n &= \left(e^x (\cos(y) + i \sin(y)) \right)^n \\ &= e^{nx} (\cos(y) + i \sin(y))^n \\ &= e^{nx} (\cos(ny) + i \sin(ny)) \\ &= e^{nx+iny} \\ &= e^{n(x+iy)} \\ &= e^{nz}\end{aligned}$$

That is, $(e^z)^n = e^{nz}$.

49) Determine where the complex function $e^{\bar{z}}$ is analytic.

We see

$$\begin{aligned}e^{\bar{z}} &= e^{x-iy} \\ &= e^x \cos(y) + ie^x \sin(y)\end{aligned}$$

Thus for $f(z) = e^{\bar{z}}$, $u(x, y) = e^x \cos(y)$ and $v(x, y) = e^x \sin(y)$. We see the first order partial derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned}u_x &= e^x \cos(y) & v_x &= e^x \sin(y) \\ u_y &= -e^x \sin(y) & v_y &= e^x \cos(y)\end{aligned}$$

We see the Cauchy-Riemann equations state that

$$u_x = e^x \cos(y) = e^x \cos(y) = v_y$$

and

$$u_y = -e^x \sin(y) = -e^x \sin(y) = -v_x$$

thus the Cauchy-Riemann equations are satisfied everywhere in the complex plane.

Note that the first order partial derivatives of u and v are also continuous. Let us examine the second order partial derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned}u_{xx} &= e^x \cos(y) & v_{xx} &= e^x \sin(y) \\ u_{yy} &= -e^x \cos(y) & v_{yy} &= -e^x \sin(y) \\ u_{xy} &= -e^x \sin(y) & v_{xy} &= e^x \cos(y)\end{aligned}$$

Since all of the first and second order partials of u and v are continuous, and u and v satisfy the C-R equations, u and v are harmonic conjugates. Therefore, $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y) = e^{\bar{z}}$ is analytic in \mathbb{C} .