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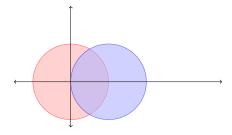
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## Problem 1 Ahlfors Page 96: Problem 1

Map the common part of the disks |z| < 1 and |z - 1| < 1 on the inside of the unit circle. Choose the mapping so that the two symmetries are preserved.

Solution:



Problem 2 Ahlfors Page 96: Problem 2

Map the region between |z|=1 and  $\left|z-\frac{1}{2}\right|=\frac{1}{2}$  on a half plane.

Solution:

Problem 3 Ahlfors Page 97: Problem 3

Map the complement of the arc  $|z|=1,\,y\geq 0$  on the outside of the unit circle so that the points at  $\infty$  correspond to each other

Solution:

Problem 4 Ahlfors Page 108: Problem 1

Compute

$$\int_{\gamma} x dz$$

where  $\gamma$  is the directed line segment from 0 to 1+i.

Solution:

 $\gamma$  is the directed line segment from 0 to 1+i. Hence z=t(1+i) where  $t\in[0,1]$ . Then we have

$$dz = (1+i)dt$$

then

$$\int_{\gamma} x dz = \int_{0}^{1} \Re(t(1+i))(1+i)dt$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} t(1+i)dt$$

$$= (1+i) \int_{0}^{1} t dt$$

$$= (1+i) \left[\frac{t^{2}}{2}\right]_{0}^{1}$$

$$= \frac{1+i}{2}$$

## Problem 5 Ahlfors Page 108: Problem 2

Compute

$$\int_{|z|=r} x dz$$

for the positive sense of the circle, in two ways: first, by use of a parameter, and second, by observing that  $x=\frac{1}{2}(z+\bar{z})=\frac{1}{2}\left(z+\frac{r^2}{z}\right)$  on the circle.

#### Solution:

• Given that |z|=r. Therefore  $z=re^{i\theta}$  where  $\theta\in[0,2\pi].$  Hence

$$dz = ire^{i\theta}d\theta$$

$$\begin{split} \int_{|z|=r} x dz &= \int_0^{2\pi} \Re(re^{i\theta}) \left(ire^{i\theta}d\theta\right) \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \Re(r\left(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta\right)) \left(ir\left(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta\right)\right) d\theta \\ &= ir^2 \int_0^{2\pi} \cos\theta \left(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta\right) d\theta \\ &= ir^2 \left[\int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2\theta d\theta + i\int_0^{2\pi} \cos\theta \sin\theta d\theta\right] \\ &= ir^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (\cos2\theta + 1) d\theta + \frac{i}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin2\theta d\theta\right] \\ &= ir^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta\right] \\ &= ir^2 \frac{1}{2} (2\pi - 0) \\ &= i\pi r^2 \end{split}$$

$$\int_{|z|=r} xdz = \int_{|z|=r} \frac{1}{2} (z + \bar{z}) dz = \int_{|z|=r} \frac{1}{2} \left(z + \frac{r^2}{z}\right) dz$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_{|z|=r} zdz}_{\text{As } f \text{ is analytic}} + \frac{r^2}{2} \int_{|z|=r} \frac{1}{z} dz$$

$$= \frac{r^2}{2} 2\pi i = i\pi r^2$$

### Problem 6 Ahlfors Page 108: Problem 3

Compute

$$\int_{|z|=2} \frac{dz}{z^2 - 1}$$

for the positive sense of the circle.

**Solution:** Given that |z| = 2.

$$\begin{split} \int_{|z|=2} \frac{dz}{z^2 - 1} &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{|z|=2} \frac{(z+1) - (z-1)}{z^2 - 1} dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{|z|=2} \left[ \frac{1}{z-1} - \frac{1}{z+1} \right] dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_{|z|=2} \frac{dz}{z-1} - \int_{|z|=2} \frac{dz}{z+1} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [2\pi i - 2\pi i] = 0 \end{split}$$

#### Problem 7 Ahlfors Page 118: Problem 3

The Jordan curve theorem asserts that every Jordan curve in the plane determines exactly two regions. The notion of winding number leads to a quick proof of one part of the theorem, namely that the complement of a Jordan curve  $\gamma$  has at least two components. This will be so if there exists a point a with  $n(\gamma, a) \neq 0$ .

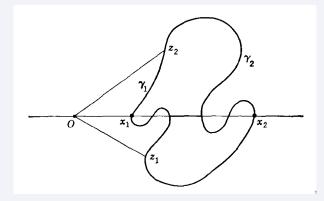
We may assume that  $\Re(z) > 0$  on  $\gamma$ , and that there are points  $z_1, z_2 \in \gamma$  with  $\Im(z_1) < 0, \Im(z)_2 > 0$ . These points may be chosen so that there are no other points of  $\gamma$  on the line segments from 0 to  $z_1$  and from 0 to  $z_2$ . Let  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  be the arcs of  $\gamma$  from  $z_1$  to  $z_2$  (excluding the end points).

Let  $\sigma_1$  be the closed curve that consists of the line segment from 0 to  $z_1$  followed by  $\gamma_1$  and the segment from  $z_2$  to 0, and let  $\sigma_2$  be constructed in the same way with  $\gamma_2$  in the place of  $\gamma_1$ . Then  $\sigma_1 - \sigma_2 = \gamma$  or  $-\gamma$ .

The positive real axis intersects both  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  (why?). Choose the notation so that the intersection  $x_2$  farthest to the right is with  $\gamma_2$  (Figure). Prove the following:

- (a)  $n(\sigma_1, x_2) = 0$ , hence  $n(\sigma_1, z) = 0$  for  $z \in \gamma_2$ ;
- (b)  $n(\sigma_1, x) = n(\sigma_2, x) = 1$  for small x > 0 (Lemma 2);
- (c) the first intersection  $x_1$  of the positive real axis with  $\gamma$  lies on  $\gamma_1$ ;
- (d)  $n(\sigma_2, x_1) = 1$ , hence  $n(\sigma_2, z) = 1$  for  $z \in \gamma_1$ ;

(e) there exists a segment of the positive real axis with one end point on  $\gamma_1$ , the other on  $\gamma_2$ , and no other points on  $\gamma$ . The points x between the end points satisfy  $n(\gamma, x) = 1$  or -1.



Solution:

Problem 8 Ahlfors Page 120: Problem 1

Compute

$$\int_{|z|=1} \frac{e^z}{z} dz$$

**Solution:**  $f(z) = e^z$  is analytic on  $\mathbb{C}$ . By Cauchy's Integral Formula we have

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=1} \frac{f(\zeta)d\zeta}{\zeta - z} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=1} \frac{e^{\zeta}d\zeta}{\zeta - z}$$

Hence

$$1 = e^{0} = f(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=1} \frac{e^{\zeta}}{\zeta} d\zeta \iff \int_{|z|=1} \frac{e^{z}}{z} dz = 2\pi i$$

Problem 9 Ahlfors Page 120: Problem 2

Compute

$$\int_{|z|=2} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1}$$

by decomposition of the integrand in partial fractions.

Solution:

$$\begin{split} \int_{|z|=2} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} &= \frac{1}{2i} \int_{|z|=2} \frac{(z+i) - (z-i)}{(z+i)(z-i)} dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \int_{|z|=2} \left[ \frac{1}{z-i} - \frac{1}{z+i} \right] dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \int_{|z|=2} \frac{1}{z-i} dz - \int_{|z|=2} \frac{1}{z+i} dz \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} [2\pi i - 2\pi i] = 0 \end{split}$$

## Problem 10 Ahlfors Page 120: Problem 3

Compute

$$\int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{|dz|}{|z-a|^2}$$

under the condition  $|a| \neq \rho$ . Hint: make use of the equations  $z\bar{z} = \rho^2$  and

$$|dz| = -i\rho \frac{dz}{z}.$$

**Solution:** We have  $|dz| = -i\rho \frac{dz}{z}$ . Therefore

$$\begin{split} \int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{|dz|}{|z-a|^2} &= -i\rho \int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{dz}{z|z-a|^2} = -i\rho \int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{dz}{z(z-a)(\overline{z}-\overline{a})} \\ &= -i\rho \int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{dz}{(z-a)\left(z\overline{z}-\overline{a}z\right)} \\ &= -i\rho \int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{dz}{(z-a)\left(\frac{\rho^2}{z}z-\overline{a}z\right)} \\ &= -i\rho \int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{dz}{(z-a)\left(\rho^2-\overline{a}z\right)} \end{split}$$

Now if  $\rho < |a|$ , then  $|z - a|^2 > 0$ . Hence the function  $\frac{1}{(z-a)(\rho^2 - \overline{a}z)}$  is analytic and its integral along  $|z| = \rho$  is 0

If  $\rho > |a|$  then if  $\rho^2 \neq \overline{a}z$  because if it is then

$$\rho^2 \neq \overline{a}z \iff |z| = \frac{\rho^2}{|a|} \iff \rho = \frac{\rho^2}{|a|} \iff |a| = \rho$$

which is not possible. Hence  $f(z) = \frac{1}{\rho^2 - \overline{a}z}$  is analytic in the  $\rho$ -disk. Hence

$$\int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{dz}{\rho^2 - \overline{a}z} = 0$$

. Then by Cauchy's Integral Formula we have

$$f(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{f(z)dz}{z-a} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{dz}{(z-a)\left(\rho^2 - \overline{a}z\right)} \iff$$

Therefore we have

$$\int_{|z|=\rho} \frac{|dz|}{|z-a|^2} = -i\rho f(a) 2\pi i = -i\rho \frac{2\pi i}{\rho^2 - a\overline{a}} = \frac{2\pi\rho}{\rho^2 - a\overline{a}}$$

#### Problem 11 Ahlfors Page 123: Problem 1

Compute

$$\int_{|z|=1} e^z z^{-n} dz, \quad \int_{|z|=2} z^n (1-z)^m dz, \quad \int_{|z|=\rho} |z-a|^{-4} |dz| (|a| \neq \rho).$$

#### Solution:

• Let  $f(z)e^z$  Then we have

$$e^{z} = f^{((n-1))}(z) = \frac{(n-1)!}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=1} \frac{f(\zeta)d\zeta}{(\zeta-z)^{n}} = \frac{(n-1)!}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=1} \frac{e^{\zeta}d\zeta}{(\zeta-z)^{n}}$$

Therefore

$$f(0) = e^{0} = 1 = \frac{(n-1)!}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=1} \frac{e^{z}}{z^{n}} dz \iff \int_{|\zeta|=1} \frac{e^{z}}{z^{n}} dz = \frac{2\pi i}{(n-1)!}$$

## Problem 12 Ahlfors Page 123: Problem 2

Prove that a function which is analytic in the whole plane and satisfies an inequality  $|f(z)| < |z|^n$ for some n and all sufficiently large |z| reduces to a polynomial.

Solution:

# Problem 13 Ahlfors Page 123: Problem 3

If f(z) is analytic and  $|f(z)| \leq M$  for  $|z| \leq R$ , find an upper bound for  $|f^{(n)}(z)|$  in  $|z| \leq \rho < R$ .

Solution:

Problem 14 Ahlfors Page 123: Problem 4

If f(z) is analytic for |z| < 1 and  $|f(z)| \le 1/(1-|z|)$ , find the best estimate of  $|f^{(n)}(0)|$  that Cauchy's inequality will yield.

**Solution:** We have

$$f^{(n)}(z) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{|s|=a} \frac{f(s)ds}{(s-z)^{n+1}}$$

Claim:  $|f^{(n)}(z)| \le (n+1)!e$ Proof: Let for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $|z| = 1 - \frac{1}{k} = r_k$ . Then

$$|f(z)| \le \frac{1}{1 - |z|} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{k}} = k$$

Then we have

$$\left|f^{(n)}(0)\right| = \left|\frac{n!}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=r_k} \frac{f(z)dz}{z^{n+1}}\right| \leq \frac{n!}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=r_k} \frac{|f(z)|}{|z|^{n+1}} |dz| \leq \frac{n!}{2\pi} \frac{k}{r_k^{n+1}} 2\pi r_k = \frac{kn!}{\left(1-\frac{1}{k}\right)^{n+1}} = \frac{n!k^{n+2}}{(k-1)^{n+1}} = \frac{n!k^{n+2}}{(k-1$$

Now taking k = n + 1 we have

$$\left| f^{(n)}(0) \right| \le \frac{n!(n+1)^{n+2}}{n^{n+1}} = (n+1)! \frac{(n+1)^{n+1}}{n^{n+1}} = (n+1)! \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{n+1} \le (n+1)! e^{-n!}$$

Hence we have the best estimate of  $|f^{(n)}(0)|$  which is  $|f^{(n)}(0)| \leq (n+1)!e$ 

# Problem 15 Ahlfors Page 123: Problem 5

Show that the successive derivatives of an analytic function at a point can never satisfy  $|f^{(n)}(z)| >$  $n!n^n$ . Formulate a sharper theorem of the same kind.

**Solution:** We have

$$f^{(n)}(z) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{|s|=\rho} \frac{f(s)ds}{(s-z)^{n+1}}$$

Hence

$$\left| f^{(n)}(z) \right| = \left| \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \int_{|s|=\rho} \frac{f(s)ds}{(s-z)^{n+1}} \right| \le \frac{n!}{2\pi} \int_{|s|=\rho} \left| \frac{f(s)ds}{(s-z)^{n+1}} \right| = \frac{n!}{2\pi} \int_{|s|=\rho} \frac{|f(s)|}{|s-z|^{n+1}} |ds|$$

Since f is continuous in the  $\rho$ -disk it is bounded by some value M. Therefore

$$\left|f^{(n)}(z)\right| \leq \frac{n!}{2\pi} \int_{|s|=\rho} \frac{|f(s)|}{|s-z|^{n+1}} |ds| \leq \frac{n!}{2\pi} \int_{|s|=\rho} \frac{M}{|s-z|^{n+1}} |ds| \leq \frac{Mn!}{2\pi} \frac{1}{|\rho-z|^{n+1}} 2\pi \rho = Mn! \frac{\rho}{|\rho-z|^{n+1}} \frac{1}{|\rho-z|^{n+1}} \frac{$$

Since  $\rho > |z|$  we have

$$\left| f^{(n)}(z) \right| \le M n! \frac{\rho}{|\rho - z|^{n+1}} \le M n! \frac{\rho}{(|\rho| - |z|)^{n+1}} \le M n! \frac{\rho}{(|\rho|)^{n+1}} = \frac{M n!}{\rho^n}$$

Using the given inequality we have

$$n!n^n < \left| f^{(n)}(z) \right| \le \frac{Mn!}{\rho^n} \iff n!n^n < \frac{Mn!}{\rho^n} \iff (n\rho)^n < M$$

which is not possible as  $n \to \infty$ . Hence f doesn't satisfy  $|f^{(n)}(z)| > n!n^n$