

Homework 3

Handed out: Wednesday, September 21, 2022
Due: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 by 11:59pm

Material covered:

Outcomes 2.4, 3.1–3.3.

Recall that Log denotes the principal branch of the logarithm, defined on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}_-$ (the complex plane excluding the negative real axis) as follows: If $z = re^{i\theta}$ where $r > 0$ and $-\pi < \theta < \pi$, then

$$\text{Log}(z) := \log(r) + i\theta.$$

1. For $a \in \mathbb{C}$, let z^a denote the principal branch of the a -th power, defined for $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}_-$ by

$$z^a = e^{a \text{Log } z}.$$

Find the real and imaginary parts of the following numbers:

a) $\text{Log}(1 - i)$ b) $(1 + i)^i$ c) $i^{1/\pi}$

2. Identify the domains of the following functions, show that they are holomorphic and compute their derivatives.

a) $f(z) = \text{Log}(z^2)$ b) $f(z) = \text{Log}(e^z)$

3. Determine where on the complex plane the following functions are holomorphic. Compute the derivative where it exists.

a) $f(z) = -\text{Im } z + i \text{Re } z$ b) $f(z) = \frac{1}{\sin(z)}$

4. Compute the Wirtinger derivatives $\partial_z f$ and $\partial_{\bar{z}} f$. Use this to determine where the functions are holomorphic, and find the derivative $f'(z)$ where it exists.

a) $f(z) = z + 1/z$ b) $f(z) = z^2|z|^2$

5. Determine where the functions are holomorphic by checking whether the Cauchy–Riemann equations are satisfied.

a) $f(x + iy) = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{iy}{x^2 + y^2}$

b) $f(x + iy) = e^{y^2 - x^2} \cos(2xy) - ie^{y^2 - x^2} \sin(2xy)$