

Complex Variables Qualifying Exam

Fall 1982

1. Show that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+z^2}$ converges uniformly on compact subsets of $1 < |z| < 2$.
2. (Strong Form of Morera) f is continuous in $D = D(0, 1)$ and $\int_{[0, x, x+iy, iy, 0]} f = 0$ whenever $x + iy \in D$.

(i) Show that the function F defined in D by

$$F(z) = \int_{[0, Re z, z]} f$$

satisfies the Cauchy-Riemann Equation.

(ii) Conclude that f is holomorphic in D .

3. Calculate $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\cos(mx)}{x^2+1} dx$ by the method of residues.
4. (Abstract Derivation) Let U be an open subset of \mathbb{C} , $H(U)$ the set of all holomorphic function on U . Suppose that $\Delta : H(U) \rightarrow H(U)$ is a linear map which satisfies

$$\Delta(fg) = \Delta(f) \cdot g + f \cdot \Delta(g) \quad \forall f, g \in H(U).$$

(i) Show that $\Delta(c) = 0$ for all constant functions c .

(ii) Let I denote the identity function on $U : I(z) = z$ for all $z \in U$. Show that

$$\Delta(f) = \Delta(I) \cdot f' \quad \forall f \in H(U).$$

HINT: Given $\lambda \in U$, $f \in H(U)$ write $f(z) = f(\lambda) + (z - \lambda)f'(\lambda) + (z - \lambda)^2 g(z)$ for some $g \in H(U)$, apply Δ and use (i).

5. Show that all the roots of $z^7 - 5z^3 + 12 = 0$, lie between the circles $|z| = 1$ and $|z| = 2$ by using Rouché's Theorem.
6. (Removable Sets) Let f be continuous in $D = D(0, 1)$ and holomorphic in $D \setminus \mathbb{R}$. Show that actually f is holomorphic in D .

HINT: The strong form of Morera's Theorem (earlier problem) is applicable.

7. (i) State Schwarz' Lemma.
(ii) Use (i) to find all the conformal maps of $D(0, 1)$ onto $D(0, 1)$.
8. (Holomorphic Logarithms) f is a zero-free entire function. Show how to find an entire function g such that $f = e^g$.
9. f and g are entire functions which satisfy

$$|f(z)| \leq |g(z)| \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Show that f is a constant multiple of g . (Exercise appropriate caution at the zeros of g .)

10. Evaluate

$$\oint_C \frac{\sin \pi z^2 + \cos \pi z^2}{(z-1)(z-2)} dz,$$

where C is $|z| = 3$.