

Preliminary Examination 1999

Complex Analysis

Do all problems.

Notation:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{R} &= \{ x : x \text{ is a real number} \} & \mathbb{C} &= \{ z : z \text{ is a complex number} \} \\ B(a,r) &= \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - a| < r \} & \text{ann}(a,r_1,r_2) &= \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : r_1 < |z - a| < r_2 \} \\ D &= B(0,1)\end{aligned}$$

For $G \subset \mathbb{C}$, let $\mathcal{A}(G)$ denote the set of analytic functions on G (mapping G to \mathbb{C}) and let $\mathcal{Har}(G)$ denote the set of harmonic functions on G (mapping G to \mathbb{R}).

1. Suppose that the power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ converges for $|z| < R$ where z and the

a_n are complex numbers. If $b_n \in \mathbb{C}$ is such that $|b_n| < n^2 |a_n|$ for all n ,

prove that $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n z^n$ converges for $|z| < R$.

2. Let $f, g \in \mathcal{A}(D)$. For $0 < r < 1$, let $\Gamma_r = \partial B(0,r)$.

a) Prove that the integral $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_r} \frac{1}{w} f(w) g\left(\frac{z}{w}\right) dw$ is independent of r

provided that $|z| < r < 1$ and that it defines an analytic function

$$h(z), \quad |z| < 1.$$

b) Prove or supply a counterexample: if $f \neq 0$ and $g \neq 0$, then $h \neq 0$.

3. Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(D)$. Suppose that $|f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{(1 - |z|)^{1/2}}$. Prove that there exists

a M (independent of f) such that $|f'(z)| \leq \frac{M}{(1 - |z|)^{3/2}}$.

4. Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(D)$ such that $f(D) \subset D$, $f(0) = 0$. Prove for $z \in D$ that
- $$|f(z) + f(-z)| \leq 2|z|^2 \text{ with equality if and only if } f(z) = \lambda z^2 \text{ for some } \lambda$$
- with $|\lambda| = 1$.
5. In which quadrant(s) do the roots of $p(z) = z^4 + 2z + 1$ lie?
6. Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(D)$ and suppose that f is not the identity map. How many fixed points can f have?
7. Let f be an entire function. Suppose that f has a root at $z = +i$ and at $z = -i$. Let
- $$M = \max_{|z|=2} |f(z)| . \text{ Prove that } |f(z)| \leq \frac{M}{3} |z^2 + 1| \text{ on } B(0,2).$$
8. Prove that $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{n^2}\right)$ is an entire function and find its zeros, counting multiplicity.
9. Evaluate $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x^2 + 1} dx$.
10. Let $u \in \mathbf{Har}(\mathbb{C})$. Show that u can be positive on all of \mathbb{C} only if u is constant.