

**Complex Variables**  
**Preliminary Exam**  
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**Directions:** Do all of the following eight problems. **Show all your work and justify your answers.** Each problem is worth 10 points.

**Notation:**  $\mathbb{C}$  — the complex plane;  $\mathbb{Z}$  — the set of integers;  $\mathbb{D} := \{z : |z| < 1\}$  — the unit disk;  $\Re(z)$  and  $\Im(z)$  denote the real part of  $z$  and the imaginary part of  $z$ , respectively.

1. Let  $f(z) = e^z$ .

(a) Use the Cauchy-Riemann Equations to prove that  $f(z)$  is analytic on  $\mathbb{C}$ .

(b) Prove that  $f(z)$  is conformal at every point  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

(c) Prove that  $f(z)$  is one-to-one on the domain  $D$ , where

$$D := \{z = x + iy : -\infty < x < \infty, x < y < x + 2\pi\}.$$

2. (a) State Liouville's Theorem.

(b) Show that there is no non-constant bounded analytic function on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$ .

(c) Give an example of a function  $f(z)$  which is analytic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$  but is not entire.

3. Let

$$f(z) = \cot z + \cos\left(\frac{1}{1-z}\right) - \frac{1}{z}.$$

Locate and classify all the singularities of  $f(z)$  (including any singularity at  $z = \infty$ ) as isolated or non-isolated. Further, classify the isolated singularities by type (removable, pole, essential). Calculate the residues of  $f(z)$  at its poles.

4. Let

$$f(z) = \frac{cz^2 - cz + 1}{z^2(z-1)},$$

where  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  is constant.

(a) Find the principal part of the Laurent expansion of  $f(z)$  convergent in the domain  $D := \{z : 0 < |z| < 1\}$ .

(b) Find all values of  $c$  for which  $f(z)$  has a primitive in  $D$ .

5. Let

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} \sin z & \text{if } \Im(z) \geq 0 \\ 1/\sin z & \text{if } \Im(z) < 0. \end{cases}$$

Prove that there is a sequence of polynomials  $p_n(z)$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  such that  $p_n(z)$  converges to  $f(z)$  point-wise on  $\mathbb{C}$ .

6. Use the Residue Theorem to evaluate the integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin x}{x^2 - 2x + 10} dx.$$

7. Let  $g(z)$  be analytic on the disk  $\{z : |z| < 2\}$ . Suppose that  $g(z) \neq 0$  for all  $z$  such that  $|z| = 1$  and  $\Re\left(\frac{\sin(z^2)}{g(z)}\right) > 0$  for all  $z$  such that  $|z| = 1$ . Find the number of zeros (counting multiplicity) of  $g(z)$  in the unit disk  $\mathbb{D}$ .

8. Let  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{D})$  be the set of analytic functions on the unit disk. Let  $F$  be the set of all functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{D})$  such that  $f(0) = 1$  and  $|\arg(f(z))| < \pi/4$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ . Use Schwarz's lemma to find

$$\max_{f \in F} |f(1/2)|.$$