

Midterm 2 Review Questions

1. Show that

$$\int_{|z|=1} z^\alpha dz = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{2\pi i\alpha} - 1}{\alpha + 1}, & \alpha \neq -1 \\ 2\pi i, & \alpha = -1. \end{cases}$$

for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$, where z^α is such that $1^\alpha = 1$ and the contour begins at $z = 1$.

2. Assuming that none of the points 0 , i and $-i$ lie on the closed contour C calculate all possible values of the integral

$$\int_C \frac{dz}{z(1+z^2)}$$

depending on the location of the contour C .

3. Evaluate the integral

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{ze^z}{(z-a)^3} dz$$

given that the point a is located inside C .

4. (Morera's Theorem) Suppose that $f(z)$ is continuous in a region U and for every rectangle with sides parallel to the coordinate axes contained in U

$$\int_\Gamma f(z) dz = 0,$$

where Γ denotes the boundary of the rectangle. Show that f is analytic in U .

5. Suppose that a series $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j(z)$ of analytic functions over a region U converges uniformly for z in U .

(a) Show that the sum of the series $f(z)$ is analytic in U .

(b) Show that the derivatives of f can be obtained by

$$f^{(k)} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_j^{(k)}$$

(c) If each f_j has the form $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{nj}(z - z_0)^n$ then

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n,$$

where $a_n = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_{nj}$.

Hints: (a) Use the result of the previous problem (or any version of Morera's Theorem). (b) Use Cauchy's Integral Formula and its extensions for the derivatives. (c) Use that $a_n = \frac{1}{n!} f^n(z_0)$.]

6. Let $f(z)$ be an entire function, with $|f(z)| \leq C|z|$ for all z , where C is a constant. Show that $f(z) = Az$, where A is a constant.

7. Suppose that f is an entire function with $f(z) = f(iz)$ for all z . Prove that $g(z) = f(\sqrt[4]{z})$ is entire, and

$$\frac{g^{(n)}(0)}{n!} = \frac{f^{(4n)}(0)}{(4n)!}.$$

8. Suppose u is harmonic in a region $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ and v is a harmonic conjugate of u .

(a) Show that v is unique up to an additive constant.

(b) Show that $-u$ is a harmonic conjugate of v .

9. Verify that the following functions are harmonic, and find their harmonic conjugates:

(a) $u(x, y) = e^{-y} \sin x$

(b) $u(x, y) = x^3 y - xy^3$

(c) $u(x, y) = \arctan(x/y)$, $y > 0$.

10. Suppose $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ is a region and C is a closed simple contour contained in U with its interior.

(a) If u is harmonic in U show that $\int_C \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} ds = 0$.

(b) If g is harmonic in U and $\frac{\partial g}{\partial n} = 0$ on C then g is constant inside C .

11. Given the function $f(z) = \frac{1}{z(1+z^2)}$ expand it in a Laurent series into powers of z in the regions

(a) $|z| < 1$

(b) $|z| > 1$.

12. Determine all singularities of the functions in $\overline{\mathbb{C}}$, classify them, and find principal parts of Laurent series about each singularity that admits a Laurent expansion:

(a) $\frac{e^{2z} - 1 - 2z}{z^4}$

(c) $\frac{1}{\sin z}$.

(b) $\frac{z^{1/3} - 1}{z - 1}$.

(d) e^{-1/z^2} .

13. Suppose f is such that the only singularities of f in $\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ (including a possible one at $z = \infty$) are poles. Show that $f(z)$ must be a rational function of z .

14. Suppose $f(z)$ is analytic for $0 < |z - z_0| < \rho$ except for a sequence of poles $z_n \rightarrow z_0$. Let $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < |z - z_0| < \rho, \forall n \ z \neq z_n\}$. Show that $f(U)$ is dense in \mathbb{C} .

15. Determine all singular points of the functions, and describe the regions in which analytic continuations can be obtained. In which case(s) are analytic continuations unique?

(a) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^{2n}, |z| < 1$

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, |z| < 1$

16. Show that the function $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^{n!}$ has the unit circle $|z| = 1$ as its natural boundary.

17. Evaluate the contour integral using binomial expansion and Cauchy's Integral Formula:

$$\int_{|z|=1} \left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right)^{2n} \frac{dz}{z}.$$

Use this result to establish the following real formula:

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^{2n} \theta \, d\theta = \frac{(2n)!}{4^n (n!)^2}$$

18. Use techniques of complex integration to evaluate:

(a) $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos x}{(1+x^2)^2} dx$

(b) $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$