

# Workbook



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# Properties of Analytic Functions

## Liouville's Theorem

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### Questions

- 1) Find an entire function  $f$  which satisfies the inequality  $|\sin z - zf(z)| < 2$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .  
Hint: use Liouville's Theorem.
- 2) Find an entire function  $f$  which satisfies  $|\sin^2 z \cdot \cos z - z^2 \cdot f(z)| < 100$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .
- 3) Find an entire function  $f$  which satisfies  $\left| z \cos z + \left( z - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) f(z) \right| < 200$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .
- 4) Find all entire functions  $f(z) = u + iv$  such that  $u \leq 0$  for all  $z$ .  
Hint: consider the function  $e^{f(z)}$ .
- 5) Find all entire functions  $f(z) = u + iv$  such that  $u \geq 0$  for all  $z$ .  
Hint: consider the function  $e^{-f(z)}$ .
- 6) Find all entire functions  $f(z) = u + iv$  such that  $v \geq 0$  for all  $z$ .  
Hint: consider the function  $e^{if(z)}$ .
- 7) Let  $f(z)$  be an entire functions such that  $f(z) = u + iv$  such that  $|f(z)| \geq 1$  for all  $z$ .  
Prove that  $f$  is constant.  
Hint: consider the function  $\frac{1}{f(z)}$ .
- 8) Find all entire functions  $f(z) = u + iv$  such that  $v \leq 0$  for all  $z$ .  
Hint: consider the function  $e^{-if(z)}$ .
- 9) Prove that if  $f(z)$  is entire and satisfies  $|f(z)| \leq 4 + 5|z|^{\frac{4}{5}}$  for all  $z$  then  $f$  is constant.

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- 10)** Prove that if  $f(z)$  is entire and satisfies  $|f(z)| \geq e^{\operatorname{Re}(z)} \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$  then there is a constant  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f(z) = ce^z \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$ .
- 11)** Prove that if  $f(z)$  is entire and satisfies  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(1) = 1$ , then there is a constant  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f(z) \geq 2$ .
- 12)** Prove that if  $f(z)$  is entire and satisfies  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = 2$  then  $f(z) \equiv 2$ .
- 13)** Prove that if  $f(z) = u + iv$  is entire and satisfies  $u \cdot v \geq 0 \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$  then  $f$  is constant.  
Hint: consider  $g(z) = f^2(z)$  and then  $h(z) = e^{ig(z)}$ .
- 14)** Prove that if  $f(z) = u + iv$  is entire and satisfies  $u \geq v \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$  then  $f$  is constant.  
Hint: consider  $g(z) = f(z) + i \cdot f(z)$  and then  $h(z) = e^{-g(z)}$ .
- 15)** Prove no analytic function  $f(z)$  in  $\mathbb{C}^\times = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$  can satisfy  $|f(z)| \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{|z|}} \forall z \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ .  
You may use Riemann's Extension Theorem: If  $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a domain containing  $z_0$ , and if  $g(z)$  is analytic and bounded on  $D - \{z_0\}$ , then  $g$  extends uniquely to an analytic function  $\tilde{g}$  on all of  $D$ .
- 16)** Prove that if  $f(z)$  is entire and  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}, \operatorname{Re} f(z) \leq |f(z)|^2$  then  $f(z) \equiv \text{const}$
- 17)** Prove that if  $f(z)$  is entire and not constant then the image  $f(\mathbb{C})$  is dense in  $\mathbb{C}$   
Definition: a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  is called dense in  $\mathbb{C}$  if  $\forall z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 D(z_0, \varepsilon) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .
- 18)** It is known that there exists an function  $T: \mathbb{C} - (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow D(0, 1)$  satisfying  $T'(z) \neq 0 \forall z$ . [For example  $T(z) = e^{-\sqrt{z}}$  where  $\sqrt{z} \equiv e^{\frac{1}{2}\operatorname{Log}(z)}$ ].  
Suppose that  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} - (-\infty, 0]$  is an entire function. Prove that  $f$  is constant.
- 19)** Let  $f(z)$  be an entire function satisfying  $f(z+1) = f(z)$  and  $f(z+i) = f(z)$  for all  $z$ . Prove that  $f$  is constant.

### Answer Key

$$1) f(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin z}{z}; & z \neq 0 \\ 1 & ; z = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$2) f(z) = \begin{cases} \left[ \frac{\sin z}{z} \right]^2 \cos z; & z \neq 0 \\ 1 & ; z = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$3) f(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{z \cos z}{\frac{\pi}{2} - z}; & z \neq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \frac{\pi}{2} & ; z = \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$$

4)  $f(z) \equiv a + bi, a \leq 0$

5)  $f(z) = a + bi, a \geq 0$

6)  $f(z) = a + bi, b \geq 0$

7) Proof

8)  $f(z) = a + bi, b \leq 0$

9) Proof

10) Proof

11) Proof

12) Proof

13) Proof

14) Proof

15) Proof

16) Proof

17) Proof

18) Proof

19) Proof

## The Identity Theorem

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### Questions

- 1) Prove that if  $f(z)$  is entire and satisfies  $f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $f(z) \equiv z$ .  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
- 2) Suppose  $f(z)$  is analytic on  $D = D(0, 1)$  and satisfies  $f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n+1} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Find  $f(z)$ .
- 3) Suppose  $f(z)$  is analytic on  $D = D(0, 1.5)$  and satisfies  $f\left(\frac{1}{2n}\right) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{nz}{nz-0.5} dz \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .  
Find  $f(z)$ .
- 4) Suppose  $f(z)$  is analytic on  $D = D(0, 1)$  and satisfies  $f\left(\frac{1}{3n-1}\right) = \frac{2}{n} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Find  $f(z)$ .
- 5) Prove that if  $f(z)$  is analytic on  $D = D(0, 1)$  and satisfies  $f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \sin(\pi n) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$   
then  $f(z) \equiv 0$  in  $D$ .
- 6) Find all analytic functions  $f(z)$  on  $D = D(0, 1)$  which satisfy
$$f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n+1} & ; n = 2k \quad (n \text{ even}) \\ \frac{1}{n+2} & ; n = 2k-1 \quad (n \text{ odd}) \end{cases}$$
- 7) Find an analytic function  $f(z)$  on  $D = D(0, 1)$  which has infinitely many zeros in  $D$ , or prove that no such  $f$  exists. Recall:  $D(0, 1) = \{z \mid |z| < 1\}$  (open unit disk).
- 8) Is there an analytic function  $f(z)$  on  $D = \{z \mid 1 < |z| < 3\}$  such that  $f(x) = |x|^3$  for all real  $x$ , such that  $1 < |x| < 3$ ? Find such an  $f$  or prove that no such  $f$  exists.
- 9) a. Prove the following theorem:  
If  $f(z), g(z)$  are analytic on a domain  $D$  and  $f(z)g(z) \equiv 0$ , then  $f(z) \equiv 0$  or  $g(z) \equiv 0$ .  
b. Let  $f(z), g(z)$  be analytic in a domain  $D$  and let  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$  (arbitrary).  
Prove that if  $(f(z)-a)(g(z)-b) \equiv 0 \forall z \in D$  then  $f(z) \equiv a$  or  $g(z) \equiv b$ .
- 10) Note: This exercise assumes knowledge of the Residue Theorem.  
Suppose that  $f(z)$  is analytic on  $D = D(z_0, R)$ , where  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}, R > 0$ ,  
and that  $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ . Prove that  $\exists r$  such that  $0 < r < R$ 
$$\frac{2\pi i}{f'(z_0)} = \oint_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{1}{f(z)-f(z_0)} dz$$

## Properties of Analytic Functions

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- 11)** Note: This exercises assumes knowledge of Poles [a kind of Isolated Singular Point].  
Define the domain  $D = \{z \mid 0 < |z| < 1\}$ , the punctured (open) unit disk Suppose that:

$f(z)$  is analytic in  $D$ , has a pole at  $z = 0$ , and  $f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

Prove that  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z} \quad \forall z \in D$ .

- 12)** Given an analytic function  $f(z)$  on  $|z| > 1$  such that for all real  $x > 1$ ,  $f(x)$  is real.  
Prove that, for all real  $x < -1$ ,  $f(x)$  is real.

- 13)** Given a continuous function  $f(z)$  on  $D = D(0,1)$  which satisfies  $f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n^2} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

and  $f\left(\frac{i}{2}\right) = 0$ . Prove that  $f$  is not analytic on  $D$ .

- 14)**  $f(z)$  is analytic on  $D = D(0,1)$ , continuous on  $\bar{D}$ , and satisfies  $|f(z)| = 1 \quad \forall z \in \partial D$ .

Notation:  $D: |z| < 1$ ,  $\bar{D}: |z| \leq 1$ ,  $\partial D = 1$

Prove that  $f$  can have only finitely many zeros in  $D$ .

Hint: use the Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem:

Every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

### Answer Key

- 1) Proof
- 2) Proof
- 3)  $f(z) = \frac{z}{1+z}$
- 4)  $f(z) = z$
- 5)  $f(z) = 6 \frac{z}{z+1}$
- 6) Proof
- 7) No such  $f$  exists.
- 8)  $f(z) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{1-z}\right)$ , for example.
- 9) No such  $f$  exists.
- 10) Proof
- 11) Proof
- 12) Proof
- 13) Proof
- 14) Proof



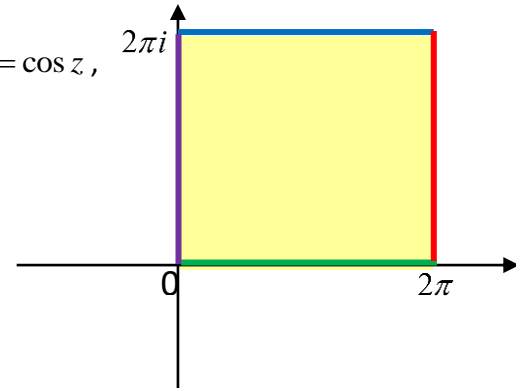
## The Maximum and Minimum Modulus Principles

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### Questions

- 1) Let  $f(z) = e^{-z^2}$  in  $D = D(0,1)$ . Does  $|f|$  have a maximum value in  $D$ ? If so, find it.
- 2) Let  $f(z) = e^{-z^2}$  and let  $D = D(0,3)$ . Does  $f$  have a maximum value in  $\bar{D}$ ? If so, find it.
- 3) True or False? If  $f(z)$  is bounded on the domain  $|z| > 1$ , it must be constant.

- 4) Find the maximum value (if it exists) of  $|f(z)|$ , where  $f(z) = \cos z$ , on the set  $K = \{z = x + iy \mid 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi, 0 \leq y \leq 2\pi\}$ .



- 5) Let  $D = D(0,1)$  and let  $f(z) = e^{z^2}$  in  $\bar{D}$ . Does  $f$  have a maximum value in  $\bar{D}$ ? If so, find it and where it occurs.
- 6) Let  $f$  be analytic on  $|z| < R$  and continuous on  $K : |z| \leq R$  such that  $|f(z)| > a$  on  $\partial K : |z| = R$  and  $|f(0)| < a$ , for some  $a > 0$ . Prove that  $f$  has at least one zero in  $|z| < R$ .
- 7) Prove:
  - a. If  $f(z)$  is a nonconstant analytic function on an open set  $D$  and  $f(z) \neq 0$ , then  $|f(z)|$  can't have a local minimum in  $D$ .
  - b. Let  $f(z)$  be an analytic function on an open set  $D$  such that  $f(z) \neq 0$ .
  - c. If  $|f(z)|$  has a local minimum in  $D$ , then  $f(z)$  is a constant function.
  - d. If  $f(z)$  is analytic on a bounded open set  $D$ , and is nonzero and continuous on  $\bar{D}$ , then  $|f(z)|$  achieves its minimum on  $\partial D$ .
- 8) Let  $f(z)$  be analytic and nonzero on  $K : |z| \leq 1$  and suppose that  $|f(z)| = 1$  on  $\partial K : |z| = 1$ .
  - a. Prove that  $f(z)$  is constant.
  - b. Is the conclusion still true if we drop the requirement that  $f(z)$  be nonzero?

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9) Let  $f(z) = u + iv$  be analytic on a bounded open set  $D$ , and continuous on  $\bar{D}$ .  
Prove that  $u(x, y)$  attains its maximum on  $\partial D$ .

10) Let  $f(z) = u + iv$  be analytic on a bounded open set  $D$ , and continuous on  $\bar{D}$ .  
Prove that  $u(x, y)$  attains its minimum on  $\partial D$ .

11) Let  $f(z), g(z)$  be analytic on  $D: |z| < 1$ , and continuous on  $\bar{D}: |z| \leq 1$ ,  
for all  $z$  in  $\partial D: |z| = 1$  we have  $\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)\} = \operatorname{Re}\{g(z)\}$ .  
Prove:  $f(z) \equiv g(z) + i \cdot c$  on  $\bar{D}$  where  $c$  is a real constant.

12) Let  $p(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k z^k$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  ( $a_n \neq 0$ ) such that  $|p(z)| = 1$  on  $|z| = 1$ .

Prove that  $|p(z)| \leq |z|^n$  on  $|z| \geq 1$ .

Hint: show that  $f(z) = z^n p\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$  on  $\mathbb{C}^\times$  can be extended to an entire function.

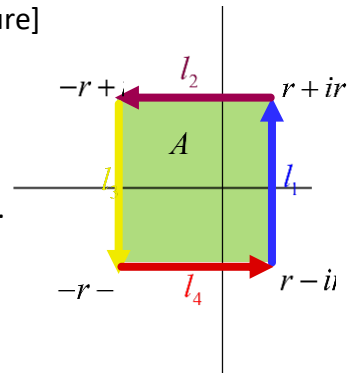
13) Let  $f(z)$  be continuous on the compact set  $A = \{z = x + iy \mid -r \leq x \leq r, -r \leq y \leq r\}$  ( $r > 0$ ),  
and analytic on  $A^\circ$ . We can write  $\partial A = l_1 \cup l_2 \cup l_3 \cup l_4$ , where [see picture]

$$l_1 = \{r + iy \mid -r \leq y \leq r\} \quad l_3 = \{-r + iy \mid -r \leq y \leq r\}$$

$$l_2 = \{x + ir \mid -r \leq x \leq r\} \quad l_4 = \{x - ir \mid -r \leq x \leq r\}$$

Prove that  $|f(0)| \leq \frac{1}{4} \left( \max_{z \in l_1} |f(z)| + \max_{z \in l_2} |f(z)| + \max_{z \in l_3} |f(z)| + \max_{z \in l_4} |f(z)| \right)$ .

Hint:  $g(z) = \frac{1}{4} [f(z) + f(-z) + f(iz) + f(-iz)]$



14) Prove that if  $A \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  is open and  $f(z)$  is analytic and nonconstant on  $A$  then  $f(A)$  is open.

15) Let  $D = D(0,1) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < 1\}$  and let  $f$  be a function such that:

- $f$  is analytic on  $D$
- $|f(z)| \leq 1$  for all  $z \in D$
- $f(0) = 0$

Prove that  $|f(z)| \leq |z| \forall z \in D$  and that  $|f'(0)| \leq 1$ .

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**16)** Suppose that  $f(z)$  is analytic on  $\overline{D(0,1)} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| \leq 1\}$  and  $|f(z)| = 1$  when  $|z| = 1$ .  
Suppose, in addition, that  $f(z) = 0 \Leftrightarrow z = 0$ .  
Prove that  $f(z) \equiv c \cdot z^k$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**17)** Suppose  $f(z)$  is analytic on the annulus  $A = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 < |z| < 2\}$  and continuous on  $\bar{A}$ .  
Suppose, in addition, that  $|f(z)| = 1$  on  $|z| = 1$  and that  $|f(z)| = 8$  on  $|z| = 2$ .  
Prove that  $|f(z)| \leq |z|^3$  for all  $z \in A$ .

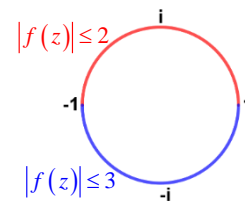
**18)** Suppose  $f(z)$  is analytic on  $|z| \leq 1$  and satisfies:

a.  $|f(z)| \leq 2$  on  $\{z \mid \operatorname{Im} z \geq 0 \text{ and } |z| = 1\}$

b.  $|f(z)| \leq 3$  on  $\{z \mid \operatorname{Im} z \leq 0 \text{ and } |z| = 1\}$

Prove that  $|f(0)| \leq \sqrt{6}$ .

Hint: consider  $g(z) = f(z) \cdot f(-z)$ .



**19)** Let  $f(z)$  be analytic and nonzero  $D = D(0,1)$ .

Prove that there exists a sequence  $\{z_n\} \subseteq D$  such that:  $|z_n| \rightarrow 1$  and  $\{f(z_n)\}$  is bounded.

### Answer Key

- 1) Proof
- 2) No maximum.
- 3)  $e^9$
- 4) False. Example,  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$ .
- 5)  $\cosh 2\pi \approx 268$
- 6) Maximum is  $e$ . Occurs at  $z = \pm 1$ .
- 7) Proof
- 8) Proof
- 9) a. Proof                      b. No
- 10) Proof
- 11) Proof
- 12) Proof
- 13) Proof
- 14) Proof
- 15) Proof
- 16) Proof
- 17) Proof
- 18) Proof
- 19) Proof