

# Suggested problems for Exam 1

## 1 Starters and appetizers

The core problems:

- **17.1**  
1,5,15,23,27,33,37,39
- **17.2**  
5,9,15,17,23,30,33,39
- **17.3**  
1,5,7,11,15,18,23
- **17.4**  
3,9,17,19,26,29,35,43
- **17.5**  
1,3,9,11,15,17,21,27
- **17.6**  
5,11,15,21,25,31,36,41,43,47 (Ignore the problems about Logarithms)

## 2 More problems from the textbook

- **17.1**  
13,14,16,30,32,35,36,40
- **17.2**  
3,11,20,21,33
- **17.3**  
9,13,24,25,26
- **17.4**  
10,13,14,19,24,25,34, 38,44
- **17.5**  
2,4,6,13,18, 19,29

### 3 Algebraic Operations with Complex Numbers

1) Write the numbers

$$1, -1, i, -i, 1+i, 1-i, -1+i, \frac{1-i\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{2}{1-i\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1-i}{1+i}$$

in trigonometric form, i.e., in the form  $re^{i\phi}$ .

2) How many distinct numbers are there in the sequence:

$$a_n = \left( \frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)^n, n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

3) Find the roots:

$$\sqrt{i}, \sqrt[3]{-i}, \sqrt[8]{-1}, \sqrt[5]{1-i}, \sqrt[7]{\frac{1}{1-i}}, \sqrt[3]{\frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}}, \sqrt[4]{\frac{2}{1-i\sqrt{3}}}$$

using de Moivre's formula.

4) Let the function  $e^{i\alpha}$  be defined as:  $e^{i\alpha} := \cos \alpha + i \sin \alpha$  for all real  $\alpha$ . Prove Euler's formulas:

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{e^{i\alpha} + e^{-i\alpha}}{2}, \sin \alpha = \frac{e^{i\alpha} - e^{-i\alpha}}{2i}$$

5) Prove that  $e^{i\alpha}e^{i\beta} = e^{i(\alpha+\beta)}$ .

6) Prove that the complex conjugate of a sum, difference, product, and ratio of two complex numbers is the sum, difference, product, and ratio of the complex conjugates of these numbers.

7) Is the equality

$$\operatorname{Re}(zw) = \operatorname{Re}(z)\operatorname{Re}(w)$$

(always) true?

8) Write the numbers  $\frac{1}{i}, \frac{1}{1-i}$  in the form  $a + ib, a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .

### 4 Some geometry with complex numbers

1) Give three different descriptions of the unit circle in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

2) Draw all the solutions of the equations  $z^3 - 1 = 0, z^5 - 1 = 0, z^n - 1 = 0$ .

3) Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ . Describe the set of complex numbers

$$z = \lambda a + (1 - \lambda)b, \lambda \in [0, 1]$$

Is it closed, open, neither, both? Draw a picture.

4) Describe the following subsets of the complex plane, and for each of them determine if it is open/closed/both/neither and draw a picture.

$$0 \leq \operatorname{Im} z \leq 1$$

$$\operatorname{Re} z < 3$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{z} > 0$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{z} = 1$$

$$|z - a| = R, R > 0$$

$$|z - a| \geq R, R \geq 0$$

$$|z - i| + |z + i| = R, R > 0$$

$$|z - i| - |z + i| = R, R > 0$$

5) Show that every circle is given by an equation of the form

$$z\bar{z} + lz + \bar{l}\bar{z} + m = 0$$

where  $m$  is a real number and  $m < |l|^2, l \in \mathbb{C}$ . Conversely, show that every such equation is an equation of a circle.

6) Show that

$$z = a + Re^{i\phi}, 0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi$$

is a parametric equation of a circle with centre  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  and radius  $R$ .

7) Prove that the equation

$$Az - \bar{A}\bar{z} + B = 0, A \neq 0, \operatorname{Re} B = 0$$

is a cartesian equation of line.

## 5 Differentiability and Analyticity

1) *Without* using the Cauchy-Riemann equations prove that the function  $f(z) = \operatorname{Re} z$  is not differentiable at any point, while the function  $g(z) = |z|^2$  has  $\mathbb{C}$ -derivative only at  $z = 0$ .

2) When do we call a function *analytic*? Give a sufficient condition for analyticity. When is an  $\mathbb{R}$ -differentiable function  $\mathbb{C}$ -differentiable? When is a  $\mathbb{C}$ -differentiable function  $\mathbb{R}$ -differentiable?

3) Find the points of  $\mathbb{C}$ -differentiability and analyticity of the function

$$f(z) = \bar{z}(z - 1)(z - 2)$$

4) Consider the function  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $f(x, y) = \langle u(x, y), v(x, y) \rangle$ , where  $u = x^3 + y \sin(x), v = x \tan(y)$ . Compute the differential  $df$  at the points  $(0, 0)$  and  $(1, 1)$ . Find the linearization of  $f$  at these points, i.e., a linear function  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ , which approximates  $f$  up to first order. Where is it continuous?  $\mathbb{R}$ -differentiable?  $\mathbb{C}$ -differentiable? Analytic?

5) Prove that if *both*  $f(z)$  and  $\overline{f(z)}$  are analytic in a domain,  $G$ , then  $f$  is a constant.

6) Given the function  $u(x, y)$ , find an analytic function  $f = u + iv$ , i.e., find a

harmonic conjugate of  $u$ , where:

$$u(x, y) = 2x(1 - y)$$

$$u(x, y) = \sinh(x) \sin(y)$$