

Comments on and/or corrections to the questions on this sheet are always welcome, and may be emailed to me at [hkrieger@dpmps.cam.ac.uk](mailto:hkrieger@dpmps.cam.ac.uk).

1. (i) Use the Cauchy integral formula to compute

$$\int_{|z|=1} \frac{e^{\alpha z}}{2z^2 - 5z + 2} dz$$

where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ .

- (ii) By considering the real part of a suitable complex integral, show that if  $r \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\int_0^\pi \frac{\cos n\theta}{1 - 2r \cos \theta + r^2} d\theta = \frac{\pi r^n}{1 - r^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^{2\pi} \cos(\cos \theta) \cosh(\sin \theta) d\theta = 2\pi.$$

2. Find the Laurent expansion (in powers of  $z$ ) of  $1/(z^2 - 3z + 2)$  in each of the regions:

$$\{z : |z| < 1\}; \quad \{z : 1 < |z| < 2\}; \quad \{z : |z| > 2\}.$$

3. Classify the singularities of each of the following functions:

$$\frac{z}{\sin z}, \quad \sin \frac{\pi}{z^2}, \quad \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z^2 + 1}, \quad \frac{1}{z^2} \cos \left( \frac{\pi z}{z + 1} \right).$$

4. Let  $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be an entire function. Prove that if any one of the following conditions hold, then  $f$  is constant:

- (i)  $f(z)/z \rightarrow 0$  as  $|z| \rightarrow \infty$ .
- (ii) There exists  $b \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  such that for every  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $|f(z) - b| > \epsilon$ .
- (iii)  $f = u + iv$  and  $|u(z)| > |v(z)|$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

5. Let  $f : D(a, r) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic, and suppose that  $z = a$  is a local maximum for  $\operatorname{Re}(f)$ . Show that  $f$  is constant.

6. (i) Let  $f$  be an entire function. Show that  $f$  is a polynomial, of degree  $\leq k$ , if and only if there is a constant  $M$  for which  $|f(z)| < M(1 + |z|)^k$  for all  $z$ .

(ii) Show that an entire function  $f$  is a polynomial of positive degree if and only if  $|f(z)| \rightarrow \infty$  as  $|z| \rightarrow \infty$ .

(iii) Let  $f$  be a function which is analytic on  $\mathbb{C}$  apart from a finite number of poles. Show that if there exists  $k$  such that  $|f(z)| \leq |z|^k$  for all  $z$  with  $|z|$  sufficiently large, then  $f$  is a rational function (i.e. a quotient of two polynomials).

7. (i) (Schwarz's Lemma) Let  $f$  be analytic on  $D(0, 1)$ , satisfying  $|f(z)| \leq 1$  and  $f(0) = 0$ . By applying the maximum principle to  $f(z)/z$ , show that  $|f(z)| \leq |z|$ . Show also that if  $|f(w)| = |w|$  for some  $w \neq 0$  then  $f(z) = cz$  for some constant  $c$ .

(ii) Use Schwarz's Lemma to prove that any conformal equivalence from  $D(0, 1)$  to itself is given by a Möbius transformation.

8. (i) Let  $f$  be an entire function such that for every positive integer  $n$ ,  $f(1/n) = 1/n$ . Show that  $f(z) = z$ .

(ii) Let  $f$  be an entire function with  $f(n) = n^2$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Must  $f(z) = z^2$ ?

(iii) Let  $f$  be holomorphic on  $D(0, 2)$ . Show that for some integer  $n > 0$ ,  $f(1/n) \neq 1/(n + 1)$ .

**9.** (Casorati-Weierstrass theorem) Let  $f$  be holomorphic on  $D(a, R) \setminus \{a\}$  with an essential singularity at  $z = a$ . Show that for any  $b \in \mathbb{C}$ , there exists a sequence of points  $z_n \in D(a, R)$  with  $z_n \neq a$  such that  $z_n \rightarrow a$  and  $f(z_n) \rightarrow b$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Find such a sequence when  $f(z) = e^{1/z}$ ,  $a = 0$  and  $b = 2$ .

[A much harder theorem of Picard says that in any neighbourhood of an essential singularity, an analytic function takes *every* complex value except possibly one.]

**10.** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a simply-connected domain which does not contain 0. Show that there exists a branch of the logarithm on  $D$ .

**11.** Show that the power series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^{2^n}$  defines an analytic function  $f$  on  $D(0, 1)$ . Show that  $f$  cannot be analytically continued to any domain which properly contains  $D(0, 1)$ .