

1. Let $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a k -times continuously differentiable function on a domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$. Show that, for $z_o \in \Omega$, there are complex numbers $(a_{r,s})$ with

$$f(z_o + w) = \sum_{r+s \leq k} a_{r,s} w^r \bar{w}^s + o(|w|^k)$$

as $w \rightarrow 0$. Find the corresponding formulae for $\partial f / \partial z$ and $\partial f / \partial \bar{z}$. Show that when $\partial f / \partial \bar{z} = 0$ on Ω then $a_{r,s} = 0$ for $s > 0$ (so “ f is a function of w alone”).

2. Let $f : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega'; z \mapsto f(z) = w$ and $g : \Omega' \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be smooth functions. Prove the chain rule:

$$\frac{\partial(gf)}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial w} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial \bar{w}} \overline{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} \right)}.$$

3. Let $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ be a power series with radius of convergence $R > 0$. Show that the partial sums converge locally uniformly to f on $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < R\}$ but need not converge uniformly.
4. Let Ω be a domain in \mathbb{C} . For a compact set $K \subset \Omega$ and an open set $U \subset \mathbb{C}$ set

$$M(K, U) = \{f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega) : f(K) \subset U\}.$$

These sets form a sub-basis for a topology on $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$ called the *compact-open* topology. Show that this co-incides with the topology of locally uniform convergence.

5. Every harmonic function $u : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ on the annulus $A = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : r < |z| < R\}$ $0 \leq r < R \leq \infty$ can be expressed as

$$u(z) = b \log |z| + \operatorname{Re} a(z)$$

for some $b \in \mathbb{R}$ and some analytic function $a : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

6. Every harmonic function on a domain Ω is the real part of an analytic function if, and only if, Ω is simply connected.
7. Use Cauchy's representation theorem (Cauchy's Integral Formula) to prove that

$$u(0) = \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\theta}) \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$$

for each function $u \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{D})$. Let T be the Möbius transformation $z \mapsto (z + z_o)/(1 + \bar{z}_o z)$. Show that $z \mapsto u(Tz)$ is in $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{D})$ and hence deduce the Poisson integral formula.

8. Use the residue theorem (or Cauchy's representation formula) to prove that a function f analytic on a domain containing $\overline{\mathbb{D}}$ satisfies

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial \mathbb{D}} \operatorname{Re} f(w) \frac{w+z}{w(w-z)} dw + i \operatorname{Im} f(0)$$

for $z \in \mathbb{D}$. (This is due to Schwarz, 1870.) Deduce the Poisson integral formula.

9. A continuous function $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ on a domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ has the *mean value property* if, for each $z \in \Omega$ there exists $r(z) > 0$ with $\{w : |w - z| < r(z)\} \subset \Omega$ and

$$u(z) = \int_0^{2\pi} u(z + re^{i\theta}) \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$$

for $0 < r < r(z)$. Prove that if such a function has a local maximum at $z \in \Omega$ then it is constant on a neighbourhood of z . Prove that u has the mean value property if, and only if, u is harmonic.

10. For $z \in \mathbb{D}$ find

$$\sup (u(z) : u : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \text{ is harmonic, } u(0) = 1).$$

[Try $u \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{D})$ first.] Which functions attain the supremum? For $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{D}$ find

$$\sup (u(z_2) : u : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \text{ is harmonic, } u(z_1) = 1)$$

and

$$\inf (u(z_2) : u : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \text{ is harmonic, } u(z_1) = 1).$$

11. Show that Harnack's theorem fails if we do not demand that the sequence of harmonic functions is increasing. That is, find a sequence of harmonic functions which converge at each point of a domain to a limit function which is not harmonic.
12. Let p be a polynomial in one complex variable which has no repeated zeros. Show that

$$\{(w, z) : w^2 = p(z)\}$$

is a (connected) Riemann surface. What happens if p does have repeated zeros?

13. Show that

$$R = \{(w, z) \in \mathbb{C}^2 : w^2 = (z - z_1)(z - z_2)(z - z_3)(z - z_4)\}$$

is a Riemann surface provided that the four complex numbers are distinct. Prove that it may be made into a compact Riemann surface by adjoining two points. Prove that this compact surface is homeomorphic to a torus (i.e. $S^1 \times S^1$).

14. Prove that $\pi_1(R, z_0)$ is a group. Show that $\pi_1(R, z)$ is isomorphic to $\pi_1(R, z_0)$ for any $z \in R$. (The isomorphism is not natural.) Calculate $\pi_1(R, z_0)$ for the following Riemann surfaces: (a) \mathbb{D} , (b) an annulus, (c) a torus, (d) $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$.
15. Let $\psi : (M, w_o) \rightarrow (R, z_o)$ be a regular covering of R and $\pi : (\hat{R}, \hat{z}_o) \rightarrow (R, z_o)$ a universal covering. Then there is a covering $f : (\hat{R}, \hat{z}_o) \rightarrow (M, w_o)$. Prove that the following two conditions are equivalent.
- (a) If $T \in \text{Aut } \pi$ then there is a unique $S \in \text{Aut } \psi$ with $Sf = fT$.
- (b) $\text{Aut } f = \{T \in \text{Aut } \pi : fT = f\}$ is a normal subgroup of $\text{Aut } \pi$ and the quotient $\text{Aut } \pi / \text{Aut } f$ is isomorphic to $\text{Aut } \psi$.
16. Show that \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{D} are all simply connected and that no two of them are conformally equivalent.
17. Exhibit explicitly a universal covering $\pi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \{z \in \mathbb{C} : r < |z| < 1\}$ for each $0 \leq r < 1$. Identify the group $\text{Aut } \pi$. [Hint: exp.]
18. Exhibit explicitly a universal covering $\pi : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < |z| < \infty\}$. Identify the group $\text{Aut } \pi$.
19. Prove that the Study metric is indeed a metric.
20. Show that for $T \in \text{GL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ the map $[\mathbf{z}] \mapsto [T\mathbf{z}]$ is a continuous map from $\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{C}^2)$ to itself. When is it an isometry?
21. If \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} is an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{C}^2 prove that the map

$$\theta : \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{C}^2) \setminus [\mathbf{u}] ; [\mathbf{z}] \mapsto \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{z} \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{z} \rangle}$$

is a chart for the Riemann surface $\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{C}^2)$. What are the transition maps for two such charts?

22. [This assumes a little knowledge of algebraic geometry.] Let $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{C}^N$ be a row vector. Then $\mathbf{z}^* \mathbf{z} = \bar{\mathbf{z}}^t \mathbf{z}$ is in the real vector space $\text{Her}(N)$ of Hermitian matrices. What is the dimension of the real projective space $\mathbb{P}(\text{Her}(N))$? Show that

$$J : \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{C}^N) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\text{Her}(N)) ; [\mathbf{z}] \mapsto [\mathbf{z}^* \mathbf{z}]$$

is a well defined, injective map and that its image is a projective variety (i.e. the set where a collection of homogeneous polynomials vanish). When $N = 2$, the image is a conic in $\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{R}^4)$ isomorphic to the sphere. [Thus J generalizes the identification of $\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{C}^2)$ with S^2 .]

23. A *divisor* on a compact Riemann surface is a function $d : R \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ which is zero except at a finite set of points. These form a commutative group \mathcal{D} . The map

$$\delta : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \quad ; \quad d \mapsto \sum (d(z) : z \in R)$$

is a homomorphism. Let \mathcal{D}_0 be its kernel.

- (a) Let f be a meromorphic function on R which is not identically zero, so $f \in \mathcal{M}(R)^\times$. Then f has finitely many zeros and poles. Let (f) be the divisor which is $\deg f(z)$ at any zero z , $-\deg f(z)$ at any pole z , and zero elsewhere. Show that this gives a homomorphism of commutative groups

$$\mathcal{M}(R)^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0 \quad ; \quad f \mapsto (f).$$

Find the kernel of this homomorphism. The quotient $\mathcal{D}_0 / \{(f) : f \in \mathcal{M}(R)^\times\}$ is called the *divisor class group* of R .

- (b) Show that the divisor class group of \mathbb{P} is trivial.

Let $T : z \mapsto (az + b)/(cz + d)$ be a Möbius transformation.

24. Consider the chordal metric on \mathbb{P} and show that T multiplies the length of an infinitesimally short curve at z by the factor

$$\frac{|T'(z)|(1 + |z|^2)}{1 + |T(z)|^2} = \frac{|ad - bc|(1 + |z|^2)}{|az + b|^2 + |cz + d|^2}.$$

Show that the maximum and minimum values of this quantity are

$$s + \sqrt{s^2 - 1} \quad \text{and} \quad s - \sqrt{s^2 - 1}$$

where

$$s = \frac{|a|^2 + |b|^2 + |c|^2 + |d|^2}{2|ad - bc|}.$$

[Hint: Think about \mathbb{P} as $\mathbf{P}(\mathbb{C}^2)$.]

25. Let $Z(T) = \{S \in \text{Möb} : ST = TS\}$.
- (a) Show that $Z(T)$ is a subgroup of Möb.
- (b) Find which groups (up to isomorphism) can arise as $Z(T)$ for some Möbius transformation T .
26. Let A be a 2×2 complex matrix with trace equal to 0. Show that the series

$$\exp A = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} A^n$$

converges and prove the following properties.

- (a) If $AB = BA$ then $\exp(A + B) = \exp A \exp B$.
- (b) $\{\exp tA : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is a commutative group under multiplication of matrices.
- (c) The function $f(t) = \det \exp tA$ satisfies $f'(t) = f(t) \operatorname{tr} A = 0$. Hence $\exp tA \in SL(2, \mathbb{C})$.

Let $\exp tA$ now denote the Möbius transformation determined by the matrix $\exp tA$. Show that every Möbius transformation is equal to $\exp A$ for some matrix A . Is the choice of A unique? For $z \in \mathbb{P}$ the images of z under the Möbius transformations $\exp tA$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}$ trace out a curve. Which curves can arise in this way? Sketch examples. (The groups $\{\exp tA : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ for some A are the 1-parameter subgroups of the Lie group Möb.)