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**Math 8150 Homework Assignment 1**

*Due during lecture on 1/24/2020. Late homework will not be accepted*

1. Describe geometrically the sets of points  $z$  in the complex plane defined by the following relations:
  - (a)  $|z - 1| = 1$ .
  - (b)  $|z - 1| = 2|z - 2|$ .
  - (c)  $1/z = \bar{z}$ .
  - (d)  $\operatorname{Re}(z) = 3$
  - (e)  $\operatorname{Im}(z) = a$  with  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .
  - (f)  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > a$  with  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .
  - (g)  $|z - 1| < 2|z - 2|$ .

2. Prove that  $|z_1 + z_2| \geq ||z_1| - |z_2||$  and explain when equality holds.
3. Prove that the equation  $z^3 + 2z + 4 = 0$  has its roots outside the unit circle. [Hint: what is the maximum value of the modulus of the first two terms if  $|z| \leq 1$ ]
4. (a) Prove that if  $|w_1| = c|w_2|$  where  $c > 0$ , then  $|w_1 - c^2 w_2| = c|w_1 - w_2|$ .  
 (b) Prove that if  $c > 0$ ,  $c \neq 1$  and  $z_1 \neq z_2$ , then  $|\frac{z - z_1}{z - z_2}| = c$  represents a circle. Find its center and radius. [Hint: an easy way is to use part (a)]
5. (a) Let  $z, w$  be complex numbers, such that  $\bar{z}w \neq 1$ . Prove that

$$|\frac{w - z}{1 - \bar{w}z}| < 1 \quad \text{if } |z| < 1 \text{ and } |w| < 1,$$

and also that

$$|\frac{w - z}{1 - \bar{w}z}| = 1 \quad \text{if } |z| = 1 \text{ or } |w| = 1.$$

- (b) Prove that for fixed  $w$  in the unit disk  $\mathbb{D}$ , the mapping

$$F : z \mapsto \frac{w - z}{1 - \bar{w}z}$$

satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $F$  maps  $\mathbb{D}$  to itself and is holomorphic.
  - (ii)  $F$  interchanges 0 and  $w$ , namely,  $F(0) = w$  and  $F(w) = 0$ .
  - (iii)  $|F(z)| = 1$  if  $|z| = 1$ .
  - (iv)  $F : \mathbb{D} \mapsto \mathbb{D}$  is bijective. [Hint: Calculate  $F \circ F$ .]
6. Use  $n$ -th roots of unity (i.e. solutions of  $z^n - 1 = 0$ ) to show that

$$2^{n-1} \sin \frac{\pi}{n} \sin \frac{2\pi}{n} \cdots \sin \frac{(n-1)\pi}{n} = n.$$

[Hint:  $1 - \cos 2\theta = 2 \sin^2 \theta$ ,  $\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$ .]

7. Prove that  $f(z) = |z|^2$  has a derivative only at  $z = 0$ , but nowhere else.
8. Let  $f(z)$  be analytic in a domain. Prove that  $f(z)$  is a constant if it satisfies any of the following conditions:
- (a)  $|f(z)|$  is constant;
  - (b)  $\operatorname{Re}(f(z))$  is constant;
  - (c)  $\arg(f(z))$  is constant;
  - (d)  $\overline{f(z)}$  is analytic;
- How do you generalize (a) and (b)?
9. Let  $f(z)$  be analytic. Show that  $\overline{f(\bar{z})}$  is also analytic.
10. (a) Show that in polar coordinates, the Cauchy-Riemann equations take the form

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}$$

- (b) Use these equations to show that the logarithm function defined by

$$\log z = \log r + i\theta \quad \text{where } z = re^{i\theta} \text{ with } -\pi < \theta < \pi$$

- is a holomorphic function in the region  $r > 0$ ,  $-\pi < \theta < \pi$ . Also show that  $\log z$  defined above is not continuous in  $r > 0$ .
11. Prove that the distinct complex numbers  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$  and  $z_3$  are the vertices of an equilateral triangle if and only if

$$z_1^2 + z_2^2 + z_3^2 = z_1z_2 + z_2z_3 + z_3z_1.$$