

## Exercises involving elementary functions

1. *This question was in the class test in Dec 2022 and was worth 24 marks.*

Determine the partial fraction representation of each of the following 3 functions and state the residue at any pole.

$$f_1(z) = \frac{1}{(2z+1)(z-1)},$$

$$f_2(z) = \frac{-3z^2 + 4z + 3}{z^2(z+1)},$$

$$f_3(z) = \frac{z^3}{(z+2)^5}.$$

2. *This question was in the class test in Dec 2021 and was worth 25 marks.*

In this question the functions  $f_1(z)$ ,  $f_2(z)$  and  $f_3(z)$  that you consider depends on the 5th digit of your 7-digit student id..

If the 5th digit is one of the digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 then your functions  $f_1(z)$ ,  $f_2(z)$  and  $f_3(z)$  are as follows.

$$f_1(z) = \frac{-13-z}{z^2+z-6}, \quad f_2(z) = \frac{9}{z^2(3+z)}, \quad f_3(z) = \frac{(z+2)^3}{(z-1)^3}.$$

If the 5th digit is one of the digits 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 then your functions  $f_1(z)$ ,  $f_2(z)$  and  $f_3(z)$  are as follows.

$$f_1(z) = \frac{6z-19}{z^2-3z-4}, \quad f_2(z) = \frac{1}{z(z-1)^2}, \quad f_3(z) = \frac{(z+1)^3}{(z-3)^3}.$$

- (i) For your version of  $f_1(z)$  and  $f_2(z)$  determine the partial fraction representation in each case and state the residue at each pole.  
 (ii) For your version of  $f_3(z)$  determine the residue at the pole.

3. *This question was in the class test in Jan 2021 and was worth 22 marks.*

In the following there are three rational functions  $f_1(z)$ ,  $f_2(z)$  and  $f_3(z)$  that you need to consider and your version of these depends on the 6th digit of your 7-digit student id. as follows.

If the 6th digit is one of 0, 3, 6, 9 then you have

$$f_1(z) = \frac{5z-i}{z^2+1}, \quad f_2(z) = \frac{1}{z^3-8}, \quad f_3(z) = \frac{z^4-2z^3}{(z+1)^3}.$$

If the 6th digit is one of 1, 4, 7 then you have

$$f_1(z) = \frac{7z - 2i}{z^2 + 4}, \quad f_2(z) = \frac{1}{z^3 + 8}, \quad f_3(z) = \frac{z^5}{(z - 1)^3}.$$

If the 6th digit is one of 2, 5, 8 then you have

$$f_1(z) = \frac{-z - 9i}{z^2 + 9}, \quad f_2(z) = \frac{1}{z^4 - 1}, \quad f_3(z) = \frac{-z^4 + 3z^3}{(z - 1)^3}.$$

- For your version of  $f_1(z)$  determine the partial fraction representation and state the residue at any pole.
- For your version of  $f_2(z)$  state in cartesian form the points where it has simple poles and determine the residue at one of these points.
- For your version of  $f_3(z)$  determine the residue at the pole of the function.

4. *This question was in the class test in 2019/2020 and was worth 25 marks.*

Let

$$f_1(z) = \frac{2z}{z^2 - 3z + 2}, \quad f_2(z) = \frac{16}{z^2(z - 4)} \quad \text{and} \quad f_3(z) = \frac{z^4}{(z - 2)^3}.$$

- Determine the partial fraction representation of  $f_1(z)$  and state the residue at each pole.
- Determine the partial fraction representation of  $f_2(z)$  and state the residue at each pole.
- Determine the residue of  $f_3(z)$  at  $z = 2$ .

5. *This question was in the class test in 2018/2019 and was worth 20 marks.*

Let  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  denote the following rational functions.

$$f_1(z) = \frac{z + 11}{(z - 1)(z + 2)}, \quad f_2(z) = \frac{4z(2z - 1)}{(z - 1)^2(z + 1)}.$$

In each case determine the partial fraction representation and state the residue at any pole.

6. Let

$$R(z) = \frac{p(z)}{(z - z_1)^{r_1}(z - z_2)^{r_2} \cdots (z - z_n)^{r_n}}$$

denote a rational function in which  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  are distinct points, where each  $r_k \geq 1$  is an integer and where  $p(z)$  is a polynomial which is non-zero at these  $n$  points. What can you say about the order of the poles of  $R'(z)$  and  $R''(z)$  and what can you say about the residues of the function  $R'(z)$ ?

7. Let

$$q(z) = (z - z_1)^{r_1} (z - z_2)^{r_2} \cdots (z - z_n)^{r_n}$$

where  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  are distinct points. What can you say about the multiplicity of the zeros of  $q'(z)$  at the points  $z_1, \dots, z_n$ ? Using a derivation based on partial fractions show that

$$\frac{q'(z)}{q(z)} = \frac{r_1}{z - z_1} + \frac{r_2}{z - z_2} + \cdots + \frac{r_n}{z - z_n}.$$

(Observe that the result is consistent with the result in an exercise of the previous exercise sheet which involved a proof by induction.)

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8. *This question was in the class test in Dec 2022 and was worth 16 marks.*

(a) Give in cartesian form the principal values of the following.

- i.  $\text{Log}(1 + i\sqrt{3})$ .
- ii.  $i^{1/2}$ .

In the above Log denotes the principal value logarithm.

In your answer you must give an exact representation of the real and imaginary parts which may involve the square root of a positive number,  $\pi$  and the natural logarithm of a positive number.

(b) Let  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ . Give in cartesian form the principal value of  $i^\alpha$  when  $\alpha = e^{i\theta}$ . Give all values of  $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$  such that  $i^\alpha$  is pure imaginary.

Full reasoning must be given to get all the marks.

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9. *This question was in the class test in Dec 2021 and was worth 9 marks.*

This question is for all student numbers.

Let  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  be defined as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \tanh(z) = \frac{\sinh(z)}{\cosh(z)} = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{e^z + e^{-z}}, \\ g(z) &= \coth(z) = \frac{\cosh(z)}{\sinh(z)} = \frac{e^z + e^{-z}}{e^z - e^{-z}}. \end{aligned}$$

Give the location of all the zeros and all the poles of both  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$ .

Consider the straight line segment

$$\Gamma = \left\{ iy : \frac{\pi}{4} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{3} \right\}.$$

Describe as concisely as possible the image of  $\Gamma$  under the function  $f(z)$ .

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10. *This question was in the class test in Jan 2021 and was worth 8 marks.*

Let  $z = x + iy$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . The definition of  $e^z$ ,  $\cosh(z)$  and  $\sinh(z)$  are respectively

$$e^z = e^x(\cos(y) + i \sin(y)), \quad \cosh(z) = \frac{1}{2}(e^z + e^{-z}), \quad \sinh(z) = \frac{1}{2}(e^z - e^{-z}).$$

In the following you need to show an identity and which one you need to show depends on the 6th digit of your 7-digit student id..

If the 6th digit is one of the digits 0, 2, 4, 6, 8 then show that

$$\sinh(z + i\pi/3) + \sinh(z - i\pi/3) = \sinh(z).$$

If the 6th digit is one of the digits 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 then show that

$$\cosh(z + i\pi/3) + \cosh(z - i\pi/3) = \cosh(z).$$

11. *The following was in the class test in 2019/2020 and was worth 13 marks.*

Let  $z = x + iy$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Given that

$$e^z = e^x(\cos(y) + i \sin(y)) \quad \text{and} \quad \cosh(z) = \frac{e^z + e^{-z}}{2}$$

show that

$$\cosh(x + iy) = \cosh(x) \cos(y) + i \sinh(x) \sin(y).$$

Let  $a > 0$  and let

$$z_1 = a + i\frac{\pi}{2}, \quad z_2 = i\frac{\pi}{2}, \quad z_3 = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad z_4 = a.$$

State the image of each point  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$ ,  $z_3$  and  $z_4$  under the mapping  $\cosh(z)$ .

Describe, as concisely as possible, the image of the polygonal path  $z_1$  to  $z_2$ ,  $z_2$  to  $z_3$  and  $z_3$  to  $z_4$  under the mapping  $\cosh(z)$ . You need to justify your answer.

12. Show that if  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  then

$$\left| \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + iy\right) \right| = 1.$$

Describe in words the set

$$G = \left\{ \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + iy\right) : -\infty < y < \infty \right\}.$$

13. *The following was in the class test in 2018/2019 and was worth 16 marks.*

The complex  $\cos$ ,  $\sin$ ,  $\cosh$  and  $\sinh$  functions are defined by

$$\cos(z) = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}, \quad \sin(z) = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}, \quad \cosh(z) = \frac{e^z + e^{-z}}{2}, \quad \sinh(z) = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2}.$$

- (a) By using these definitions and properties of the exponential function show that for all complex numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$

$$2 \sin\left(\frac{z_1 + z_2}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{z_1 - z_2}{2}\right) = \cos(z_2) - \cos(z_1).$$

- (b) By making use of the identities above (including part (a)), or otherwise, explain why

$$\cos(z) - \cosh(z) = 0$$

has solutions  $z = (1 - i)k\pi$  and  $z = (1 + i)k\pi$  for all integers  $k$ .

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14. *The following was in the class test in 2017/2018 and was worth 8 marks.*

It can be shown that  $\tan z$  can be written as

$$\tan z = (-i) \left( \frac{1 - e^{-2iz}}{1 + e^{-2iz}} \right).$$

By using this expression, or otherwise, describe in words the following sets.

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= \{\tan(iy) : y \in \mathbb{R}\}, \\ S_2 &= \{\tan(\pi/2 + iy) : y > 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

In your answer you need to indicate if the set is part of the real axis, or part of the imaginary axis or any other line segment.

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15. Give the definition of the principal value of  $z^\alpha$  and show that

$$\frac{d}{dz} z^\alpha = \alpha z^{\alpha-1}.$$


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16. *This question was in the class test in Dec 2021 and was worth 9 marks.*

This question is for all student numbers.

Let  $z = re^{i\theta}$  where  $r > 0$  and  $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$ .

- (i) In terms of  $r$  and  $\theta$  give the real and imaginary parts and the magnitude of  $(\text{Log}(z))^2$ . Here  $\text{Log}(z)$  means the principal valued logarithm.
- (ii) Show that the principal value of  $z^{1+i}$  is real when  $r$  and  $\theta$  satisfy  $re^\theta = e^\pi$ .
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17. *This question was in the class test in Jan 2021 and was worth 12 marks.*

In the following you should attempt either part (a) or part (b) depending on the 5th digit of your 7-digit student id..

(a) If the 5th digit is one of the numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 then you do this case.

(i) Let  $z_1 = \sqrt{3} + i$  and  $z_2 = z_1^7$ . With  $\text{Log}$  denoting the principal value logarithm determine  $\text{Log}(z_1)$  and  $\text{Log}(z_2)$  stating your answer in cartesian form.

(ii) Let

$$\Gamma = \{z = re^{2\pi i/3} : 0 < r < \infty\}.$$

Give in polar form the image set  $\{w = f(z) : z \in \Gamma\}$  when  $f(z)$  denotes the principal value complex power

$$f(z) = z^{2+i},$$

i.e. the complex exponent is  $2 + i$ .

Give any value of  $r \in (0, \infty)$  such that the value is pure imaginary.

(b) If the 5th digit is one of the numbers 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 then you do this case.

(i) Let  $z_1 = 1 + \sqrt{3}i$  and  $z_2 = z_1^5$ . With  $\text{Log}$  denoting the principal value logarithm determine  $\text{Log}(z_1)$  and  $\text{Log}(z_2)$  stating your answer in cartesian form.

(ii) Let

$$\Gamma = \{z = re^{5\pi i/6} : 0 < r < \infty\}.$$

Give in polar form the image set  $\{w = f(z) : z \in \Gamma\}$  when  $f(z)$  denotes the principal value complex power

$$f(z) = z^{3+i},$$

i.e. the complex exponent is  $3 + i$ .

Give any value of  $r \in (0, \infty)$  such that the value is real.

18. (a) Give in cartesian form the value of  $\text{Log}(2 - 2i)$ .

(b) Let  $z = re^{i\theta}$  with  $r > 0$  and with  $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$ . As concisely as possible, give an expression for the imaginary part of the principal value of  $z^{2i}$ . Explain why the imaginary part of the principal value of  $z^{2i}$  is 0 when  $r = e^{3\pi/2}$ .

19. Let  $z = x + iy = re^{i\theta}$  with  $x, y, r, \theta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $r > 0$  and  $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$ .

(a) In terms of  $x$  and  $y$  give the real part of the principal value of  $i^z$ .

(b) In terms of  $r$  and  $\theta$  give the imaginary part of the principal value of  $z^i$ .