

# Tutorial Problems

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1. If  $n$  is a positive integer, show that  $|Im z^n| \leq n |Im z| |z|^{n-1}$ .
2. For distinct complex numbers  $z$  and  $a$ , prove that  $\left| \frac{z^n - a^n}{z - a} \right| \leq \frac{|z|^n - |a|^n}{|z| - |a|}$ .
3. Prove  $\left| \frac{a-b}{1-\bar{a}b} \right| < 1$ , if  $|a| < 1$  and  $|b| < 1$ .
4. Evaluate the expression for  $|z| < 1$  :

$$(1 + z + z^2 + \dots z^9)(1 + z^{10} + \dots z^{90})(1 + z^{100} + \dots + z^{900}) \dots$$

5. Let  $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $|z_1| > |z_2|$ . Show that for all  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$n \left| \frac{z_2}{z_1} \right|^{n-1} < \frac{|z_1|}{|z_1| - |z_2|}$$

6. Show that all circles passing through  $a$  and  $\frac{1}{\bar{a}}$  cut  $|z| = 1$  at right angles.  
( Give a geometric proof)
7. Prove that  $|z - 1| \leq (|z| - 1) + |z| |arg z|$ . Use Geometric arguments.
8. **Circles of Apollonius** Discuss the locus of the points given by  $\left| \frac{z-1}{z+1} \right| = r$ ,  $r \geq 0$ . What happens for  $r = 0, 1$ ?
9. Show that  $z$  and  $z'$  correspond to diametrically opposite points of Riemann Sphere if and only if  $z\bar{z}' = -1$ .
10. For what values of  $z$  is  $\sum \left( \frac{z}{1+z} \right)^n$  convergent?
11. Let  $a_0, a_1, \dots$  be defined by  $1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \dots = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (x - 3)^n$ ,  $x \in (0, 1)$ . Evaluate  $\limsup |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}$ .
12. If  $f(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n z^n$  has radius of convergence  $R > 0$ , show that  $h(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{a_n z^n}{n!}$  is an entire function.
13. Show that there is no power series  $f(z) = \sum c_n z^n$  such that  $f(z) = 1$  for  $z = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots$  and  $f'(0) \neq 0$ .

14. Let  $P(z)$  be a polynomial. Show that if all zeros of  $P(z)$  lie on one side of a line  $L$  then all zeros of  $P'(z)$  also lie on same side of  $L$ . Deduce that (**Gauss-Lucas Theorem**) the smallest convex polygon that contains zeros of  $P(z)$  also contains all zeros of  $P'(z)$ .
15. Let  $f(z)$  be analytic in a region  $D$ , and  $0 \in D$ . Suppose that  $f'(z) = f(z)$ ,  $\forall z \in D$ . Show that  $f(0) = 1$  if and only if  $f(z) = \exp(z)$ .
16. If  $f$  is analytic in a region  $G$  and that every point, either  $f = 0$  or  $f' = 0$ , show that  $f$  is a constant.
17. Discuss :  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} e^z$ .
18. Suppose  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is analytic and that  $G$  is connected. Show that if  $f(z)$  is real for all  $z$  in  $G$  then  $f$  is a constant.
19. Let  $G$  be a region and define  $G^* = \{z : \bar{z} \in G\}$ . If  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is analytic prove that  $f^* : G^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , defined by  $f^*(z) = \overline{f(\bar{z})}$ , is also analytic.
20. Suppose that  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a branch of the logarithm and that  $n$  is an integer. Prove that  $z^n = \exp(nf(z))$  for all  $z$  in  $G$ .
21. Show that the real part of the function  $f(z) = z^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is always positive iff  $f(1) = 1$ .
22. Give the principal branch of  $\sqrt{1-z}$ .
23. For  $r > 0$  let  $A = \{\alpha : \alpha = \exp(\frac{1}{z}), 0 < |z| < r\}$ ; Describe  $A$  geometrically, or give an alternative and 'better' description of it.
24. Prove that there is no branch of logarithm defined on  $G = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$ .
25. For the function,  $f(z) = \frac{\bar{z}^2}{z}$ ,  $z \neq 0$  and  $f(0) = 0$ , Show that the Cauchy Riemann equations are satisfied at  $(0, 0)$  but the function is not differentiable at  $0 + i0$ .
26. Prove :  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} = 4 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{z} \partial z}$ .
27. Let  $f$  be an analytic function,  $f = u + iv$ . Prove that  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = 0$ .
28. If  $f$  is analytic, prove that  $\bar{f}$  is independent of  $z$ .

29. Let  $f(z)$  be an analytic function. Then prove that

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}\right) |f(z)|^2 = 4|f'(z)|^2.$$

30. Show that there is no analytic function  $f = u+iv$  with  $u(x, y) = x^2+y^2$ .

31. Sketch the level curves of real and imaginary parts of  $f(z) = z^2$ . Are they orthogonal to each other? Can you conclude something from this?

32. Let  $f(z) = z^2; g(z) = 1/z$  and  $a, b, c, d$  be real numbers. Find the images under  $f, g$  of the following subsets of the complex plane.

(i) the real axis, (ii) the imaginary axis,

(iii) the lines  $x = a$ ; (iv) the lines  $y = b$ ;

(v) the first quadrant; (vi) the upper half plane;

(vii) the second quadrant; (viii) first quadrant intersected with unit disc;

(ix) the hyperbolae  $x^2 - y^2 = c$ ; (x) the hyperbolae  $2xy = d$ .

(xi) the circles  $x^2 + y^2 = b^2$ ; (xii) the half-plane  $y > 0$ .

(xiii) the infinite strip  $0 < y < 1$ .

33. Find the image of lines  $x = a$  and  $y = b$  under the map  $f(z) = \sin z$  where  $a, b$  are real numbers.

34. Let  $f(z) = e^z$ . Find the images of lines  $x = a$ , lines  $y = b$ , Strip  $-\pi < \text{Im}z < \pi$ , strip  $a < \text{Re}z < b$  where  $a, b$  are real numbers.

35. Let  $f(z) = \log z$ , the principal branch of logarithm. Find the images of

(i) the sector,  $0 < \text{Arg}z < \alpha$ , where  $\alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$  and

(ii)  $\mathbb{C} - \{z : \text{Re}z \leq 0\}$ .

36. Find a Möbius transformation mapping the set  $A$  onto the set  $B$  where  $A, B$  are given by

(i)  $A = \{z : \text{Re}z \leq 1\}$ ;  $B = \{z : |z - 2| \geq 2\}$ .

(ii)  $A = \{z : \text{Re}z \geq 0, \text{Im}z \geq 0, |z| \geq 1\}$  and  $B = \{z : |z| < 1\}$

(iii)  $A =$  Upper Half plane;  $B =$  interior of unit disc.

(iv)  $A =$  Right Half plane;  $B =$  interior of unit disc.

(v)  $A$  is the strip  $-1 < \text{Re}z < 1$ ;  $B =$  the interior of unit disc.

(vi)  $A$  is the  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \text{Im}z < \frac{\pi}{2}$ ;  $B =$  the interior of unit disc.

37. Find the image of  $\{z : \operatorname{Re} z < 0, |\operatorname{Im} z| < \pi\}$  under the exponential function.
38. Discuss the mapping properties of the function  $z^n$  and  $z^{\frac{1}{n}}$  for  $n \geq 2$ .
39. Evaluate the Cross ratios :  $(0, 1, i, -1)$  and  $(4 + i, 1, 0, \infty)$ .
40. If  $Tz = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$  find  $z_2, z_3, z_4$  in terms of  $a, b, c, d$  such that  $T(z) = (z, z_2, z_3, z_4)$ .
41. Let  $G$  be a region and suppose that  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is analytic such that  $f(G)$  is a subset of a circle. Show that  $f$  is a constant.
42. Does there exist an analytic function  $f$  such that  $f(\frac{1}{n}) = f(\frac{-1}{n}) = \frac{1}{n^2}$ .
43. Does there exist an analytic function  $g$  such that  $g(\frac{1}{n}) = g(\frac{-1}{n}) = \frac{1}{n^3}$ .
44. Let  $f$  be an entire function such that  $f(z+1) = f(z)$  and  $f(z+i) = f(z)$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . Is  $f$  constant? Justify.
45. Let  $G$  be a region and let  $f$  and  $g$  be analytic functions on  $G$  such that  $f(z)g(z) = 0$  for all  $a$  in  $G$ . Show that either  $f \equiv 0$  or  $g \equiv 0$ .
46. Let  $U : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a harmonic function such that  $U(z) \geq 0$  for all  $z$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ ; prove that  $U$  is a constant.
47. Show that if  $f$  and  $g$  are analytic functions on a region  $G$  such that  $\overline{f}g$  is analytic then either  $f$  is a constant or  $g \equiv 0$ .
48. For  $|z| < 1$  define  $f(z) = \exp\{-i \log[i(\frac{z+1}{1-z})]\}$ . Find image of the open unit disc under  $f$ .
49. Let  $f$  be an entire function and suppose there is a constant  $M$ , an  $R > 0$ , and an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that  $|f(z)| \leq M|z|^n$  for  $|z| > R$ . Show that  $f$  is a polynomial of degree  $\leq n$ .
50. Find all entire functions  $f$  such that  $f(x) = e^x$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .
51. Let  $G$  be a region and suppose that  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is analytic and  $z \in G$  such that  $|f(a)| \leq |f(z)|$  for all  $z$  in  $G$ . Show that  $f(a) = 0$  or  $f$  is constant.

52. Let  $p(z)$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  and let  $R > 0$  be sufficiently large so that  $p$  never vanishes in  $\{z : |z| > R\}$ . If  $\gamma(t) = Re^{it}, 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ , show that  $\int_{\gamma} \frac{p'(z)}{p(z)} dz = 2\pi in$ .
53. Let  $f$  be analytic on  $D = B(0; 1)$  and suppose  $|f(z)| \leq 1$  for  $|z| < 1$ . Show that  $|f'(0)| \leq 1$ .
54. Let  $G$  be region and suppose  $f_n : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is analytic for each  $n \geq 1$ . Suppose that  $\{f_n\}$  converges uniformly to a function  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Show that  $f$  is analytic.
55. Show that if  $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a continuous function such that  $f$  is analytic off  $[-1, 1]$  then  $f$  is an entire function.
56. Prove that an entire function has a removable singularity at infinity iff it is a constant.
57. Prove that an entire function has a pole at infinity of order  $m$  iff it is a polynomial of degree  $m$ ,
58. Characterize those rational functions which have a removable singularity at infinity
59. Characterize those rational functions which have a pole of order  $m$  at infinity.
60. If  $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is analytic except for poles show that the poles of  $f$  cannot have a limit point in  $G$ .
61. Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and show that

$$\exp\left\{\frac{1}{2}\lambda\left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right)\right\} = a_0 + \sum_{n \geq 1} a_n\left(z^n + \frac{1}{z^n}\right)$$

for  $0 < |z| < \infty$ , where for  $n \geq 0$ ,

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} e^{\lambda \cos t} \cos nt dt.$$

62. Determine the regions in which the functions  $f(z) = \sin\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^{-1}$  and  $g(z) = \int_0^1 (t-z)^{-1} dt$  are analytic. Do they have any isolated singularities? Do they have any singularities that are not isolated?
63. Suppose that  $f$  has a simple pole at  $z = a$  and  $g$  is analytic in an open set containing  $a$ . Show that  $\text{Res}(fg; a) = g(a)\text{Res}(f; a)$ .
64. Let  $\lambda > 1$  and show that the equation  $\lambda - z - e^{-z} = 0$  has exactly one solution in the half plane  $\{z = x + iy : x > 0\}$ . Show that this solution must be real.
65. Suppose  $f$  is analytic in  $\overline{B}(0; 1)$  and satisfied  $|f(z)| < 1$  for  $|z| = 1$ . Find the number of solutions (counting multiplicities) of the equation  $f(z) = z^n$  where  $n$  is an integer larger than or equal to 1.
66. Let  $f$  be meromorphic on  $G$ ; show that neither the poles nor the zeros of  $f$  have a limit point in  $G$ .
67. Find number of zeros of the polynomial  $z^7 - 4z^3 + z + 1$  inside the open unit disc.
68. Find number of zeros of  $z^8 - z^7 - 4z^2 - 1$  in the annulus  $1 < |z| < 2$ .
69. Suppose  $|f(z)| \leq 1$  for  $|z| < 1$  and  $f$  is analytic. By considering  $g : D \rightarrow D$  defined by  $g(z) = \frac{f(z)-a}{1-\overline{a}f(z)}$  where  $a = f(0)$ , prove that

$$\frac{|f(0)|-|z|}{1+|f(0)||z|} \leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{|f(0)|+|z|}{1-|f(0)||z|}$$

70. Does there exist an analytic function  $f : D \rightarrow D$  with  $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{4}$  and  $f'\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{2}{3}$ , where  $D$  is the open unit disc.
71. Suppose  $f : D \rightarrow D$  satisfies  $\text{Re } f(z) \geq 0$  for all  $z$  in  $D$  and suppose that  $f$  is analytic.
- (a) Show that  $\text{Re } f(z) > 0$  for all  $z$  in  $D$ .
- (b) By using an appropriate Möbius transformation, prove that if  $f(0) = 1$  then,

$$\frac{1-|z|}{1+|z|} \leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{1+|z|}{1-|z|}$$

72. Let  $f$  be analytic in  $D = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  and suppose that  $|f(z)| \leq M$  for all  $z$  in  $D$ . If  $f(z_k) = 0$  for  $1 \leq k \leq n$  show that

$$|f(z)| \leq M \prod_{k=1}^n \left| \frac{z-z_k}{1-\bar{z}_k z} \right|.$$

73. Suppose  $f$  is analytic in some region containing  $\overline{B(0;1)}$  and  $|f(z)| = 1$  where  $|z| = 1$ . Find a formula for  $f$ . (Hint : First consider the case where  $f$  has no zeros in  $B(0;1)$ ).