

Math 542 Comprehensive Examination
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Solve **any eight** of the following **nine** problems.

\mathbb{D} denotes the open unit disc in the complex plane \mathbb{C} .

1. Compute

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(ax)}{(1+x^2)^2} dx,$$

justifying the relevant estimates. Here a denotes a positive constant.

2. How many roots of the equation

$$z^4 + 3z - 5 = 0$$

are there in the annulus $A = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 < |z| < 2\}$?

3. Find a conformal map of $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(z) > 0, |z| < 1\}$ onto $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < \text{Im}(z) < 1\}$.

4. Suppose that $f : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ is an analytic function.

(i) Prove that

$$\left| \frac{f(z_1) - f(z_2)}{1 - \overline{f(z_1)}f(z_2)} \right| \leq \left| \frac{z_1 - z_2}{1 - \overline{z_1}z_2} \right| \quad \text{for all } z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}.$$

(ii) Prove that

$$|f'(z_0)| \leq \frac{1 - |f(z_0)|^2}{1 - |z_0|^2} \quad \text{for all } z_0 \in \mathbb{D}.$$

5. Suppose that f is an entire function and there $A, R_0 > 0$ positive constants and m positive integer such that

$$|f(z)| \leq A|z|^m \quad \text{whenever } |z| \geq R_0.$$

Prove that f is a polynomial of degree at most m .

6. Show that for each $\delta \in (0, 1)$ there exists a constant $C = C(\delta) > 0$ such that, for every harmonic function $u : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$,

$$\sup_{|z| \leq \delta} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right| \leq C.$$

Provide an explicit value for $C(\delta)$.

7. Let f be a bounded analytic function on \mathbb{D} with $f(0) \neq 0$. Assume that the set (s_n) of zeros of f (repeated with multiplicities) is infinite. Prove that

$$\sum_n (1 - |s_n|) < \infty.$$

8. Let $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence in \mathbb{D} such that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |a_n|) < \infty.$$

Find a sequence $(b_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ such that

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(b_n \frac{a_n - z}{1 - \bar{a}_n z} \right)$$

converges uniformly on compact sets in \mathbb{D} to an analytic function f whose only zeroes are a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots

9. Let $M > 0$. Prove that

$$\mathfrak{F} = \left\{ f : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : f \text{ analytic, } \sup_{0 \leq r < 1} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{it})| dt \leq M \right\}$$

is a normal family.