

COMPLEX ANALYSIS - EXERCISE SHEET 5

- IDENTITY THEOREM, MAXIMUM PRINCIPLE, SCHWARZ' LEMMA -

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TUTORIAL

Exercise 1 (REFLECTION PRINCIPLE)

Let U be a region which is symmetric with respect to the involution $z \mapsto \bar{z}$. Denote the open upper half plane by $H = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Im } z > 0\}$ and set

$$U_0 := U \cap \mathbb{R}, \quad U_1 := U \cap H \quad \text{and} \quad U_2 := U \cap \bar{H}.$$

Let $f: U_0 \cup U_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be continuous, real-valued on U_0 and holomorphic on U_1 . Then

$$\tilde{f}: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad z \mapsto \begin{cases} f(z) & \text{for } z \in U_0 \cup U_1, \\ f(\bar{z}) & \text{for } z \in U_2 \end{cases}$$

is holomorphic.

Exercise 2

Let $G \subset \mathbb{C}$ be a region and $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ a holomorphic map. Is it possible that $|f|$ attains its maximum or minimum on G ? What about extrema of $\text{Re}(f)$ and $\text{Im}(f)$?

Exercise 3

Let \mathbb{D} be the open unit disc and $f: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ holomorphic and $z_0 = 0$ a zero of order $n \geq 1$. Show that:

$$|f^{(n)}(0)| \leq n! \quad \text{and} \quad |f(z)| \leq |z|^n \quad \text{for all } z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Show further that if $|f^{(n)}(0)| = n!$ or $|f(z_0)| = |z_0|^n$ for some $z_0 \neq 0$ then there exists $a \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|a| = 1$ such that $f(z) = az^n$.

Exercise 4

Show that there exists no entire function $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with

$$f\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{n}{2n-1} \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

HOMWORK

Exercise 1

8 points

Let G be a region and $f : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ a holomorphic map. Let $M := \{z \in G \mid f(z) \in \mathbb{R}\}$ and $z_0 \in M$. Prove the following statements:

1. If $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ then there exists a neighborhood V of z_0 in G such that $M \cap V$ is the image of a curve $\gamma :]0, 1[\rightarrow G$.
2. If $f'(z_0) = 0$ and $\text{Ord}(f - f(z_0), z_0) = n \geq 2$ then there exists a neighborhood V of z_0 in G such that $M \cap V$ is the union of n curves. Furthermore, the intersection angles of these curves at z_0 are multiples of $\frac{2\pi}{n}$.

Calculate and draw the set M for the following maps: \exp , $z \mapsto z^3$ and \sin .

Exercise 2

6 points

Let $f : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow U = f(\mathbb{D}) \subset \mathbb{C}$ a biholomorphic map. Show that

$$|f'(0)| \geq \text{dist}(f(0), \partial U),$$

where $\text{dist}(z_0, \partial U) = \inf\{|z - z_0| \mid z \in \partial U\}$.

Hint: Use Schwarz' Lemma for a suitable map.

Exercise 3

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If $f(z)$ is an entire function such that $f(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathbb{R}$ and $f(i\mathbb{R}) \subset i\mathbb{R}$, show that f is odd: $f(-z) = -f(z)$.