

Question 1. [5]: Show that if  $|z| = 1$ , but  $z \neq 1$ , then  $\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{1-z}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

Let  $z = x+iy$  where  $x^2+y^2=1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{1-z}\right) &= \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{1-x-iy}\right) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1-x+iy}{(1-x-iy)(1-x+iy)}\right) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1-x}{(1-x)^2+y^2} + i\frac{y}{(1-x)^2+y^2}\right) \\ &= \frac{1-x}{1-2x+\underbrace{x^2+y^2}_{=1}} \\ &= \frac{\cancel{1-x}}{2(1-x)} = \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Question 2. [5]: Let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  be real constants. Show that if  $\bar{z}_0$  is a root of

$$z^n + a_1 z^{n-1} + a_2 z^{n-2} + \dots + a_n = 0$$

then so is  $z_0$ .

We have  $(\bar{z}_0)^n + a_1 (\bar{z}_0)^{n-1} + a_2 (\bar{z}_0)^{n-2} + \dots + a_n = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \overline{(\bar{z}_0)^n + a_1 (\bar{z}_0)^{n-1} + a_2 (\bar{z}_0)^{n-2} + \dots + a_n} = \overline{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow z_0^n + a_1 z_0^{n-1} + a_2 z_0^{n-2} + \dots + a_n = 0,$$

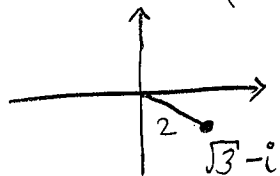
so  $z_0$  is a root

(Here we have used the facts that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) } a \in \mathbb{R} &\Rightarrow \bar{a} = a, \\ \text{(ii) } \overline{(\bar{z})^k} &= (\overline{\bar{z}})^k = z^k. \end{aligned}$$

Question 3. [3]: Determine  $\arg((\sqrt{3}-i)^2)$ .

$\mathbb{C}$ :



$$\therefore \sqrt{3}-i = 2e^{-i\frac{\pi}{6}}$$

$$\therefore (\sqrt{3}-i)^2 = (2e^{-i\frac{\pi}{6}})^2 = 4e^{-i\frac{\pi}{3}}$$

$$\therefore \arg(\sqrt{3}-i)^2 = -\frac{\pi}{3} + 2k\pi, k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Question 4. [4]: Is  $\text{Arg}(\bar{z}) = -\text{Arg}(z)$  for every  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ? Either prove the statement or find a  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  for which the statement is not true.

Statement is false: consider  $z = -1$ ,  $\text{Arg}(z) = \pi$ .

$$\bar{z} = -1, \text{Arg}(\bar{z}) = \pi \neq -\text{Arg}(z).$$

Question 5. [3]: Show that  $\overline{(e^z)} = e^{\bar{z}}$ .

$$\text{Let } z = x + iy.$$

$$e^z = e^x [\cos y + i \sin y]$$

$$\overline{(e^z)} = e^x [\cos y - i \sin y]$$

$$= e^x [\cos(-y) + i \sin(-y)]$$

$$= e^{x-iy} = e^{\bar{z}},$$

Question 6. [5]: Show that  $f(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left( z + \frac{1}{z} \right)$  maps the unit circle  $|z| = 1$  to the interval  $[-1, 1]$  on the real axis.

$$\text{Suppose } |z| = 1, \text{ so } x^2 + y^2 = 1,$$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left( z + \frac{1}{z} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( x + iy + \frac{1}{x + iy} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( x + iy + \frac{x - iy}{x^2 + y^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( x + iy + x - iy \right)$$

$$= x, \text{ and } |z| = 1 \Rightarrow -1 \leq x \leq 1.$$

Question 7. [5]: Let  $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4$  be the fourth roots of  $i$ . Determine the value of the product  $\beta_1 \beta_2 \beta_3 \beta_4$ .

$$i = e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$\therefore i^{\frac{1}{4}} = e^{\frac{i(\frac{\pi}{2} + 2k\pi)}{4}}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

$$\therefore \beta_1 = e^{i\frac{\pi}{8}}, \quad \beta_2 = e^{i\frac{5\pi}{8}}, \quad \beta_3 = e^{i\frac{9\pi}{8}}, \quad \beta_4 = e^{i\frac{13\pi}{8}}$$

$$\therefore \beta_1 \beta_2 \beta_3 \beta_4 = e^{i(1+5+9+13)\frac{\pi}{8}}$$

$$= e^{i\frac{28\pi}{8}}$$

$$= e^{i\frac{24\pi}{8}} e^{i\frac{4\pi}{8}}$$

$$= e^{i3\pi} e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} = \boxed{-i}$$

Question 8. [5]: Show that  $f(x + iy) = x^2 + y^2 + y - 2 + ix$  is nowhere analytic.

$$\text{Here, } u(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + y - 2$$

$$v(x, y) = x$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} u_x = 2x, \quad v_y = 0 \\ u_y = 2y + 1, \quad -v_x = -1 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{all first partial} \\ \text{derivatives continuous} \\ \text{on } \mathbb{R}^2. \end{array}$$

$$u_x = v_y \Rightarrow x = 0$$

$$u_y = -v_x \Rightarrow y = -1$$

- $\therefore$   $f$  is differentiable at the single point  $z_0 = -i$   
 $\therefore$   $f$  is not analytic at any  $z \neq z_0$ , and not analytic on any neighbourhood of  $z_0$ , so  $f$  is nowhere analytic.

Question 9. [5]: Show that  $f(x + iy) = 3x^2 + 2x - 3y^2 - 1 + i(6xy + 2y)$  is entire.

$$u(x, y) = 3x^2 + 2x - 3y^2 - 1$$

$$v(x, y) = 6xy + 2y$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 6x + 2 = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -6y = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{all first partial} \\ \text{derivatives continuous} \\ \text{on } \mathbb{R}^2. \end{array}$$

- $\therefore$   $f$  is differentiable at every  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  
 so  $f$  is entire.

**Question 10. [5]:** Show that if  $z_1 + z_2$  and  $z_1 \bar{z}_2$  are both real, then either  $z_1 = -z_2$  or  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are both real.

$$\text{Let } z_1 = x_1 + iy_1, \quad z_2 = x_2 + iy_2.$$

$$z_1 + z_2 \text{ real} \Rightarrow (x_1 + x_2) + i(y_1 + y_2) \text{ real}$$

$$z_1 \bar{z}_2 \text{ real} \Rightarrow (x_1 + iy_1)(x_2 - iy_2) \text{ real} \Rightarrow (x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2) + i(x_2 y_1 - x_1 y_2) \text{ real}$$

Suppose  $z_1, z_2$  are not both real; we must show  $z_1 = -z_2$ .

$z_1, z_2$  not both real  $\Rightarrow y_1 y_2 \neq 0$ ; without loss of generality  
suppose  $y_2 \neq 0$ .

$$\text{Now } z_1 + z_2 \text{ real} \Rightarrow y_1 + y_2 = 0 \Rightarrow y_1 = -y_2.$$

$$z_1 \bar{z}_2 \text{ real} \Rightarrow x_2 y_1 - x_1 y_2 = 0 \Rightarrow -x_2 y_2 - x_1 y_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -x_2 = x_1 \quad \text{upon dividing by } y_2 \neq 0.$$

$$\text{So } y_1 = -y_2 \quad \& \quad x_1 = -x_2,$$

$$\text{i.e. } z_1 = x_1 + iy_1 = -x_2 - iy_2 = -z_2 \quad \text{as required.}$$

**Question 11. [5]:** Show that if both  $f(z)$  and  $\overline{f(z)}$  are analytic in a domain  $D$  then  $f(z)$  must be constant in  $D$ .

$$\text{Let } f(z) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y).$$

$$f \text{ analytic} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} u_x = v_y & \textcircled{1} \\ u_y = -v_x & \textcircled{2} \end{cases} \text{ throughout } D,$$

$$\overline{f(z)} = u(x, y) - i v(x, y)$$

$$\overline{f} \text{ analytic} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} u_x = -v_y & \textcircled{3} \\ u_y = v_x & \textcircled{4} \end{cases} \text{ throughout } D.$$

$$\textcircled{1} \& \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow v_y = 0 \Rightarrow u_x = 0 \text{ throughout } D.$$

$$\textcircled{2} \& \textcircled{4} \Rightarrow v_x = 0 \Rightarrow u_y = 0 \text{ throughout } D.$$

$\therefore u_x = u_y = 0$  on  $D$ , so  $u(x, y)$  is constant on  $D$ ;

$v_x = v_y = 0$  on  $D$ , so  $v(x, y)$  is constant on  $D$ ;

$\therefore f(z) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y)$  is constant on  $D$ .