MATH 372 Section S17N01 Introductory Complex Variables Jan – Apr 2017



Time & Location: Mon & Wed 10:30-11:30,

Fri 11:30-12:30, all in Bldg 370 Rm 111

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This page will be updated regularly with announcements, handouts, homework

assignments and solutions.

Prerequisite: B- or better in both Math 123 and Math 200.

Text: Fundamentals of Complex Analysis with Applications to Engineering and

Science, third edition, by E.B. Saff and A.D. Snider

Course Outline: This is a first course in complex variables, an extension of calculus to the field

of complex numbers (numbers of the form a+ib where a and b are real and i is such that $i^2=-1$). This extension leads to many surprising and deep results in

calculus, differential equations and number theory. Topics include

1. Complex Numbers: basic properties and algebra

2. Analytic Functions, derivatives

3. Elementary Functions

4. Complex Integration

5. Series Representations of Analytic Functions

6. Residue Theory

Homework Assignments:

Approximately eight problem sets will be assigned and collected for grading. These problem sets are worth 40% of your final grade. In addition, from the textbook I will assign supplementary practice exercises which should be completed to refine your understanding. The supplementary problems will not be graded, however they may appear on the term tests or final exam. Answers to odd numbered textbook problems are in the back of the book.

Collaborative problem solving on homework assignments is permitted (encouraged even!), however your handed-in solutions must be written up independently. Evidence of plagiarism on an assignment will result in a zero

grade or other measures (see **Academic Misconduct** below).

Tests: We will have two 50 minute class tests given on **Fri Feb 3 and Fri Mar 17**.

Each test is worth 10% of your final grade.

Final Exam: There will be a comprehensive final exam in April worth 40% of your grade. The

exam period is Apr 18-27 2017. Travel plans should not be made until the final exam schedule is released, which is at least one month before exams begin. In no event will the final exam be rescheduled to accommodate travel

plans.

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Grading Homework: 40%
Summary: Class Tests (2): 20%
Final Exam: 40%

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Grading Scale: 90-100% A+ 76-79% B+ 64-67% C+ 50-54% D 85-89% A 72-75% B 60-63% C 0-49% F

80-84% A- 68-71% B- 55-59% C-

Academic Incidents of cheating or other academic misconduct carry severe consequences and will be dealt with seriously. Refer to VIU Policy 99.01 and Procedure

99.01.001.

Calculators: A basic scientific (non-financial, non-calculus, non-programmable, non-

graphing) calculator may be used for tests and the final exam.

Cell Phones & Turn off and put away before class. Cell phones may NOT be used as clocks or

Music Players: calculators during tests.

Formula Sheets: A single double-sided letter-size "cheat sheet" containing formulae, theory and

numerical values may be used for tests. The cheat sheet may not contain worked examples and must be submitted when you hand in your test.