

# MATH304

## Homework 2

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1. If  $f(z) = 1/z = u + iv$ , construct several members of the families:  $u(x, y) = \alpha, v(x, y) = \beta$  where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are non-zero constants, showing that they are families of circle.

2. For each of the following functions, examine whether the function is continuous at  $z = 0$ :

$$(a) f(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & z = 0 \\ \frac{\operatorname{Re} z}{|z|} & z \neq 0 \end{cases}; \quad (b) f(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & z = 0 \\ \frac{(\operatorname{Re} z)^2}{|z|} & z \neq 0 \end{cases}.$$

3. A particle moves along a curve  $z = e^{-t}(2 \sin t + i \cos t)$ .

(a) Find a unit tangent vector to the curve at the point where  $t = \pi/4$ .

(b) Determine the magnitudes of velocity and acceleration of the particle at  $t = 0$  and  $\pi/2$ .

4. Consider the function  $f(z) = xy^2 + ix^2y, z = x + iy$ . Find the point set where

(a) the Cauchy-Riemann relations are satisfied;

(b) the function is differentiable;

(c) the function is analytic.

5. Let  $f(z)$  be analytic in a domain  $\mathcal{D}$ . Suppose  $\operatorname{Re} f(z) = [\operatorname{Im} f(z)]^2$  inside  $\mathcal{D}$ , show that  $f(z)$  is constant inside  $\mathcal{D}$ .

6. Find an analytic function  $f(z)$  whose real part  $u(x, y)$  is

(a)  $u(x, y) = y^3 - 3x^2y, f(i) = 1 + i$ ;

(b)  $u(x, y) = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}, f(1) = 0$ ;

(c)  $u(x, y) = (x - y)(x^2 + 4xy + y^2)$ .

7. Find the orthogonal trajectories of the following families of curves:

(a)  $x^3y - xy^3 = \alpha$ ;

(b)  $2e^{-x} \sin y + x^2 - y^2 = \alpha$ ;

(c)  $(r^2 + 1) \cos \theta = \alpha r$ .

8. Let  $\theta = \angle APB$ , which is the angle included between the line segments  $PA$  and  $PA$ . Here,  $A$  and  $B$  are the fixed points  $(-a, 0)$  and  $(a, 0)$ , respectively, and  $P$  is the variable point  $z = x + iy$ . Show that  $\theta(x, y)$  is a harmonic function. Find the corresponding harmonic conjugate  $v$  such that  $\theta + iv$  is an analytic function.

9. If  $u$  and  $v$  are harmonic in a region  $\mathcal{R}$ , prove that

$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}\right) + i\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}\right)$$

is analytic in  $\mathcal{R}$ .

10. Suppose the isothermal lines of a steady state temperature field are the family of curves

$$x^2 + y^2 = \alpha, \quad \alpha > 0.$$

Find the general solution of the temperature function, and the equation of the family of flux lines.