

18.04 Midterm 1 Review Session

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1. Basic complex arithmetic
 - 1.1. Find real and imaginary parts of a complex number.
 - 1.2. Express a complex number in polar form.
 - 1.3. Euler's formula; doing trigonometry using the exponential function; hyperbolic sine and cosine.
 - 1.4. Finding n^{th} roots of a complex number.
2. More complex arithmetic
 - 2.1. $\arg(z)$ and its branches; principal branch of $\arg(z)$; continuity of $\arg(z)$.
 - 2.2. $\log(z)$ and its branches.
 - 2.3. Complex powers; computing the power coming from the principal branch of $\log(z)$.
3. Complex functions as mappings
 - 3.1. Behavior of horizontal/vertical/radial lines or circles under complex mappings.
 - 3.2. Behavior of regions of the complex plane under complex mappings.
4. Analytic functions
 - 4.1. Definition of complex derivative; understand directly from the definition of the complex derivative why \bar{z} is not analytic.
 - 4.2. Understand difference between continuity and differentiability.
 - 4.3. Cauchy-Riemann equations; use CR equations to show that a function is analytic at some point; use CR to show that a function is not analytic at some point.
 - 4.4. For $f = u + iv$ analytic, express f' only in terms of u (and its partials) or v (and its partials).
 - 4.5. Region of analyticity for compositions of functions.
5. Line integrals
 - 5.1. Compute line integrals explicitly.
 - 5.2. Fundamental theorem of complex line integrals; using the fundamental theorem even in certain situations where the integrand is not analytic.
 - 5.3. Path independence and Cauchy's theorem; simple connectedness.
 - 5.4. Using Cauchy's theorem even in certain situations where f is not analytic on a simply connected region by splitting up the contour.
 - 5.5. Extended Cauchy's theorem; reducing certain integrals over more general contours to integrals over circles.
6. Cauchy's integral formula (for derivatives)
 - 6.1. Evaluating integrals using Cauchy's integral formula (for derivatives); isolating singularities by splitting the contour.
 - 6.2. Computing real integrals using Cauchy's integral formula (for derivatives); triangle inequality for integrals.
7. More applications of Cauchy's formula
 - 7.1. Analyticity of complex derivatives.
 - 7.2. Cauchy's inequality.
 - 7.3. Liouville's theorem.
 - 7.4. Mean value property.
 - 7.5. Maximum modulus principle; finding the minimum modulus in certain situations.

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