HW4 NAME: ..... due Wednes

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## (a) Prove the Mean Value Theorem:

The value of analytic function  $f(z_0)$  equals the arithmetic mean average of the values of this function on a circle with center at  $z_0$ 

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z_0 + Re^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

(the circle should lie in the analyticity domain, but otherwise the radius R is arbitrary).

- (b) Prove: If f(z) is analytic in a domain D, then |f(z)| cannot attain a strict local maximum in D.
- (c) Give an example of a non-constant function f(z) analytic in a domain D, so that |f(z)| attains a strict local *minimum* in D.

- 2. **{\***}
  - (a) Let f(z) be analytic in a domain D. Definition: A point  $z_0 \in D$  is called a zero of f(z), if  $f(z_0) = 0$ . Prove that any analytic function (not identically equal to zero) can have only isolated zeros (if  $f(z_0) = 0$ , then there exists a positive  $\epsilon$  such that  $f(z) \neq 0$  when  $0 < |z - z_0| < \epsilon$ ). Suggestion: See the proof of the Uniqueness Theorem.
  - (b) Can an analytic function have a non-isolated singularity?

3. (a) Show that the function

$$\Gamma(z) = \int_0^\infty t^{z-1} e^{-t} dt$$

satisfies the functional equation  $\Gamma(z+1) = z\Gamma(z)$  for any complex z whose real part is positive.

- (b) Show that this function generalizes factorial to complex numbers, namely  $\Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$  for any positive integer n.
- 4. {\*} Does there exist another function F(z) which is also analytic in the right half-plane  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > 0$  and coincides with  $\Gamma(z)$  when z is any positive integer?

- 5. Give an example of a power series (over non-negative integer powers) whose radius of convergence R is
  - (a) finite  $R \neq 0$ ,
  - (b)  $R = \infty$ ,
  - (c) R = 0.
- 6. A function f(x) has two power representations in a neighborhood of x = 0

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$
 and  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n x^n$ 

Is it true that  $a_n = b_n$  for all  $n = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ ?

[If this is true, then we can find Taylor series in any way (in particular, without differentiation).]

7.  $\{*\}$  Let the **Euler numbers**  $E_n$  be defined by the power series

$$\frac{1}{\cosh z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{E_n}{n!} z^n.$$

- (a) What is the radius of convergence of this series?
- (b) Determine the first six Euler numbers.

Suggestion: Do not differentiate. Instead, expand  $e^z$ ,  $\cosh z$ ,  $1/\cosh z$  in Taylor series with center at the origin.

8. Suppose a complex function f(z) is differentiable in a domain D of the complex plane. Prove that if the domain D contains annulus

$$A: \quad R_1 < |z - z_0| < R_2$$

 $(z_0 \text{ is an arbitrary complex point, which may or may not belong to } D)$  then the function f(z) can be represented by its Laurent series:

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$
, where  $a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z_0)^{n+1}} d\zeta$ ,

and C is any simple closed curve in A enclosing  $z_0$ .

While making the proof, answer these questions:

- (a) Where does this series converge to f(z)?
- (b) Where does the series converge absolutely?
- (c) Where does the series converge uniformly?
- (d) Is it true that  $a_n n! = f^{(n)}(z_0)$  for positive n?
- (e) Where & why in the proof do you need to consider a smaller annulus A':  $R'_1 < |z z_0| < R'_2$   $(R'_1 > R_1, R'_2 < R_2)$  compared to the original annulus  $A : R_1 < |z z_0| < R_2$ ?

Suggestion: Fix z and consider a smaller annulus  $R'_1 < |z - z_0| < R'_2$  that still contains z. Using Cauchy's formula, represent f(z) as the sum of two integrals: one over circle  $|z - z_0| = R'_1$ , another over circle  $|z - z_0| = R'_2$ . Then use geometric series expansions. To have a little shorter writing, you can take  $z_0 = 0$ .