

PROBLEMS (4)

1. In each one of the following, express the function f in the form $u + iv$ by giving explicit formulae for u and v :

- (A) $f(z) = \sin z$.
- (B) $f(z) = \cos z$.
- (C) $f(z) = \sinh z$.
- (D) $f(z) = \cosh z$.
- (E) $f(z) = \exp z^2$.
- (F) $f(z) = z^3 + z$.

2. Prove that $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, defined by $f(z) = \bar{z}$ is nowhere differentiable .

3. Prove that $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, defined by $f(z) = x^3 + (1 - y)^3 i$ is differentiable only at $z = i$. Evaluate $f'(i)$.

4. Prove that $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, defined by

$$f(z) = x^3 y^2 + x^2 y^3 i$$

is differentiable exactly on the real and imaginary axes. Evaluate the derivative of f at such points.

5. Consider $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3(1+i) - y^3(1-i)}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{for } z \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } z = 0 \end{cases}$$

- (A) Prove that f is a continuous function,
- (B) Prove that the real and imaginary parts of f satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations at $z = 0$.
- (C) Prove that $f(z)$ is not differentiable at $z = 0$.

6. Prove that the real and imaginary parts of the function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by

$$f(z) = \sqrt{|xy|}$$

satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations at $z = 0$ but f is not differentiable at $z = 0$.

7. Prove that $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} \exp\left(\frac{1}{z^4}\right) & \text{for } z \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } z = 0 \end{cases}$$

satisfies the Cauchy-Riemann equations at any $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Is $f(z)$ differentiable at $z = 0$?

8. Consider $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3 y(y - xi)}{x^6 + y^2} & \text{for } z \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } z = 0 \end{cases}$$

Prove that

$$\frac{f(z) - f(0)}{z} \rightarrow 0$$

as $z \rightarrow 0$ along any line through $z = 0$ but $f(z)$ is not differentiable at $z = 0$.

9.¹ Given the harmonic function $U : \Omega \subseteq_{op} \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ in each one of the following cases, construct a harmonic function $V : \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f = U + iV : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is differentiable :

(A) $U = x^3 - 3xy^2 + 1$, $\Omega = \mathbb{C}$.

(B)

$$U = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \Omega = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}.$$

(C) $U = e^x(x \cos y - y \sin y)$, $\Omega = \mathbb{C}$.

(D)

$$U = \sqrt{\frac{x + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{2}}, \quad \Omega = \mathbb{C} - (\infty, 0].$$

(E)

$$U = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right), \quad \Omega = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re}(z) > 0\}.$$

(F)

$$U = \frac{x \log(x^2 + y^2)}{2} - y \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right), \quad \Omega = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re}(z) > 0\}.$$

10.² Let $f = u + iv : \Omega \subseteq_{open} \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be differentiable as a function of x, y at $a \in \Omega$ and

$$M_{\epsilon, a} = \left\{ \frac{f(z) - f(a)}{z - a} \mid 0 < |z - a| < \epsilon \right\}$$

for any $\epsilon > 0$ with $V(a, \epsilon) \subseteq \Omega$. Prove that the set

$$\mathfrak{M}_a = \bigcap_{V(a, \epsilon) \subseteq \Omega} \overline{M}_{\epsilon, a}$$

is a circle of center

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) + i \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \right]_{z=a}$$

¹E. Freitag, R. Busam : *Funktionentheorie*.

²A. I. Markouchevitch (Ed.) : *Fonctions d'une variable complexe. Problèmes contemporaines*.

and radius $|B|$ where

$$B = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) + i \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \right]_{z=a} .$$

11.³ Identifying the division ring \mathbb{H} of quaternions with \mathbb{R}^4 as usual, consider a function

$$f : \Omega \subseteq_{op} \mathbb{H} \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}$$

where

$$f = U + Vi + Wj + Yk$$

for some $U, V, W, Y : \Omega \subseteq_{op} \mathbb{H} \simeq \mathbb{R}^4 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$. f is said to be **differentiable on the right** at $\mathbf{a} \in \Omega$ if

$$\lim_{\mathbf{q} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} \left(f(\mathbf{q}) - f(\mathbf{a}) \right) \left(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{a} \right)^{-1}$$

exists. Similarly f is **differentiable on the left** at $\mathbf{a} \in \Omega$ if

$$\lim_{\mathbf{q} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} \left(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{a} \right)^{-1} \left(f(\mathbf{q}) - f(\mathbf{a}) \right)$$

exists.

(A) If f is differentiable on the right at $\mathbf{a} \in \Omega$, prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial W}{\partial z} &= \frac{\partial Y}{\partial t} \\ -\frac{\partial U}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} &= -\frac{\partial W}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial Y}{\partial z} \\ -\frac{\partial U}{\partial z} &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial W}{\partial x} &= -\frac{\partial Y}{\partial y} \\ -\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} &= \frac{\partial W}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial Y}{\partial x} \end{aligned}$$

at \mathbf{a} .

(B) Show that $f : \mathbb{H} \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}$ defined by $f(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{q}^2$ is differentiable on the right only at $\mathbf{q} = 0$.

³C. A. Devaurs : The quaternion calculus. *American Mathematical Monthly* 80(1973)475-500