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Notations

- $\operatorname{Re}(z)$ : the real part of a complex number  $z$
- $\operatorname{Im}(z)$ : the imaginary part of a complex number  $z$
- $\mathbb{C}$ : the complex plane
- $\widehat{\mathbb{C}} = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ : the Riemann sphere
- $\Delta = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ : the open unit disk
- $\operatorname{Aut}(\Omega)$ : the group of all conformal automorphisms of a domain  $\Omega$
- $\mathcal{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Im}(z) > 0\}$ : the upper half-plane

**PART I: Answer any TWO questions.**

1. State and prove *Picard's little theorem*.
2. Give precise statements of the following: (i) the *Riemann mapping theorem*; (ii) the *Mittag-Leffler theorem*; (iii) the *Weierstrass theorem* (on zeros of a holomorphic function in a region); (iv) *Runge's theorem*; (v) the *Monodromy theorem*.
3. Suppose  $\{u_n\}$  is a sequence of harmonic functions in a region  $G \subset \mathbb{C}$  such that  $u_1 \leq u_2 \leq u_3 \leq \dots$ . Show that  $\{u_n\}$  converges to a harmonic function or to  $+\infty$ , uniformly on compact subsets of  $G$ .
4. (i) Show that the sum of the residues of an elliptic function is zero.  
(ii) Show that a non-constant elliptic function has as many poles as zeros, counting multiplicity.

**PART II: Answer any TWO questions.**

1. Let  $f$  be holomorphic in  $\Delta$  and  $|f(z)| \leq 1$ . If  $z_0 \in \Delta$ , show that

$$\frac{|f(z) - f(z_0)|}{|z - z_0|} \leq \frac{2}{1 - |z_0||z|}$$

for all  $z \neq z_0$ .

2. Let  $f(z)$  be holomorphic in  $\Delta$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}f(z) > 0$ , and  $f(0) > 0$ . Show that

$$f(0) \frac{1 - |z|}{1 + |z|} \leq |f(z)| \leq f(0) \frac{1 + |z|}{1 - |z|}$$

for all  $z$  in  $\Delta$ .

3. If  $f \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{U})$ , show that

$$f(z) = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}$$

where  $a, b, c, d$  are real and  $ad - bc = 1$ .

**PART III: Answer any FOUR questions.**

1. How many zeros does the equation

$$z^5 + iz^3 - 4z + i = 0$$

have in the annulus  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 < |z| < 2\}$ ?

2. Evaluate the following definite integral

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^6}.$$

3. Prove that every holomorphic function on  $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$  whose singularities are poles is a rational function. That is, it has the form  $P(z)/Q(z)$ , where  $P$  and  $Q$  are polynomials.

4. If  $z_n = i/n$ , show that the product  $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + z_n)$  diverges while the product  $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} |1 + z_n|$  converges.

5. Suppose  $p$  is an isolated singularity of a holomorphic function  $f$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(f) \geq 0$  in some punctured neighborhood of  $p$ . Show that  $p$  is a removable singularity.

6. Suppose  $\mathcal{F}$  is a normal family of holomorphic functions defined in a fixed domain. Show that for each integer  $k \geq 1$  the  $k$ -th derivative family  $\mathcal{F}_k = \{f^{(k)} : f \in \mathcal{F}\}$  is normal.