

MATH 475 ASSIGNMENT 15 (SUGGESTED PROBLEMS)  
SPRING 2010  
Prof. Alexander  
Not to turn in.

Section 3.5 #8–12, 15

**HINTS**

(8) See the discussion around Figure 3.7.  $1/(z-1)$  will map each of the circles to a line; you just have to check a couple of points to determine what line it is, in each case. So the region between the circles is mapped to (what region  $R$ ?) Now you need a mapping to take  $R$  to the unit disk. For that, one option is to map  $R$  first to the upper half plane, and then map the upper half plane to the unit disk. It may be useful to remember how the exponential function maps a strip—see section 1.5.

(9) The solution in the back of the book is incorrect: it should be  $\frac{4}{\pi} (\text{Log } z) - i$ . (Thanks to Dayton for noticing.)

**FINAL EXAM NOTES:**

I did not cover the part about circulation produced by an LFT, p. 201–203 in 3.3, so it's not on the final.

**STUDY SUGGESTIONS:**

These are some themes that run through the course, which you should be sure you understand well. I have chosen them because they are not confined to a particular section of the book, but spread over multiple sections.

(A) *Properties of analytic functions:* By definition, “analytic” means “differentiable.” Analytic functions (in a region  $D$ ) satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann equations, and conversely, any function satisfying the Cauchy-Riemann equations is analytic, provided the partial derivatives are continuous (section 2.1.) An analytic function is always differentiable infinitely many times, and it can be expressed as a converging power series (its Taylor series) in a disk around any given point of  $D$  (section 2.4.) Analytic functions are conformal, meaning that if you have 2 curves in the domain that meet at an angle  $\alpha$ , and you use an analytic function to map these curves to another region, then they still meet at the same angle  $\alpha$ . This is because if the derivative at some point, in polar form, is  $re^{i\theta}$ , then the curves are each approximately rotated by angle  $\theta$  (section 3.3.)

(B) *Line integrals and analytic functions:* If a curve  $\gamma$  and its inside are contained in a region

$D$  where  $f$  is analytic, then  $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0$ . The converse is also true for continuous  $f$ : if  $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0$  for all SC curves  $\gamma$  in a domain, then  $f$  is analytic—in fact, it is enough that you get 0 when integrating around triangles. This is Morera’s Theorem, section 2.4. You won’t necessarily get 0 for the integral if  $f$  fails to be analytic everywhere inside  $\gamma$ . For example, if there are poles inside  $\gamma$ , then  $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$  is determined by the residues at those poles. If  $f$  is analytic inside  $\gamma$ , then the values of  $f$  at all points *inside*  $\gamma$  are determined by the values of  $f$  *on*  $\gamma$ , via Cauchy’s Formula (section 2.3.)

(C) *Antiderivatives*: An analytic function in a region  $D$  does not necessarily have an antiderivative that exists in all of  $D$ . (For example, there is  $f(z) = 1/z$  in  $D = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  for which the hoped-for antiderivative  $\log z$  cannot be defined as a continuous function in all of  $D$ .) If  $D$  is simply connected then the antiderivative does exist (section 2.3.) Whenever an antiderivative  $F$  exists, you can evaluate a line integral as  $F(\text{ending point}) - F(\text{starting point})$ .

(D) *Special properties of analytic functions*: There are various properties of analytic functions which do not have analogs in the world of real-valued functions. Here are some: An entire function (i.e. analytic in all  $\mathbb{C}$ ) cannot be bounded (section 2.4.) If a function is analytic in a punctured disk  $0 < |z - z_0| < r$  and stays bounded as  $z \rightarrow z_0$ , then the function actually must have a limit as  $z \rightarrow z_0$  (section 2.5.) Analytic functions satisfy the Argument Principle and Rouché’s Theorem (section 3.1) and Schwarz’s Lemma (section 3.2.) If  $f$  is analytic in a region  $D$ , then  $|f|$  cannot have a local maximum in  $D$  (section 3.2), so if  $\partial D$  is part of the region where  $f$  is analytic, then the maximum of  $|f|$  must occur on  $\partial D$ .