

Theory of Complex Variables - MA 209  
Problem Sheet - 5  
Differentiable, Analytic and Harmonic Functions

- Use definition to find the derivative for the given functions.
  - $f(z) = 9iz + 2 - 3i$
  - $f(z) = z - \frac{1}{z}$
  - $f(z) = z^4 - z^2$
- The function  $f(z) = |z|^2$  is continuous at the origin.
  - Show that  $f$  is differentiable at the origin.
  - Show that  $f$  is not differentiable at any point  $z \neq 0$
- Show that the given function is nowhere differentiable.
  - $f(z) = \bar{z}$
  - $f(z) = |z|$
- Use L'Hopital's rule to compute the limit  
$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \sqrt{2}i} z \frac{z^3 + 5z^2 + 2z + 10}{z^5 + 2z^3}$$
- Determine the points at which the given function is not analytic.  
$$f(z) = \left( \frac{(4+2i)z}{(2-i)z^2 + 9i} \right)^3$$
- Let  $f(z) = z^2$ . Write down the real and imaginary parts of  $f$  and  $f'$ . Repeat the same for  $f(z) = 3iz + 2$ . Make a conjecture about the relationship between real and imaginary parts of  $f$  versus  $f'$ .
- Show that the given function is not analytic at any point.  
$$f(z) = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} + i \frac{y}{x^2+y^2}$$
- Show that the given function is analytic in an appropriate domain and find the derivative of the function in that domain.
  - $f(z) = e^{-x} \cos y - i e^{-x} \sin y$
  - $f(z) = \frac{x^3 + xy^2 + x}{x^2 + y^2} + i \frac{x^2y + y^3 - y}{x^2 + y^2}$
  - $f(z) = \frac{\cos \theta}{r} - i \frac{\sin \theta}{r}$
- Show that the given function is not analytic at any point but is differentiable along the indicated curves and find the derivative of the function on the curve.  
 $f(z) = x^3 - x + y + i(y^3 + 3x^2y - y)$ : coordinate axes
- Show that  $f(z) = z^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is analytic on the domain  $-\pi < \theta < \pi$ .
- Suppose  $f$  is analytic. Can  $g(z) = \overline{f(z)}$  be analytic? Discuss and defend your answer with sound mathematics.
- Verify that the given function  $u$  is harmonic in an appropriate domain  $D$ . Find its harmonic conjugate  $v$  and find an analytic function  $f = u + iv$  satisfying the indicated conditions.  
 $u(x, y) = xy + x + 2y - 5, f(2i) = -1 + 5i$
- Show that  $v(x, y) = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}$  is harmonic in a domain  $D$  not containing the origin.
- Verify that  $u(x, y) = e^{x^2-y^2}$  is harmonic in an appropriate domain  $D$ .