## University of British Columbia Math 301

## Midterm 2

**Date:** March 22, 2016 **Time:** 11:00 - 11:50pm

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## Instructions:

- 1. No notes, books or calculators are allowed.
- 2. Read the questions carefully and make sure you provide all the information that is asked for in the question.
- 3. Show all your work. Answers without any explanation or without the correct accompanying work could receive no credit, even if they are correct.
- 4. Answer the questions in the space provided. Continue on the back of the page if necessary.

Question	Points	Score
1	17	
2	10	
3	8	
4	5	
Total:	40	

1. Let R' be the region  $0 < u < \frac{\pi}{2}, 0 < v < \ln(2)$  in the w = u + iv plane. The map

 $\cos(w) = \cos(u + iv) = \cos(u)\cosh(v) - i\sin(u)\sinh(v)$ 

maps R' to the region R in the z = x + iy plane shown on the right.



Figure 1: The regions R' and R

(a) (4 points) The corners of R' map to the points A = 0, B, C and D on the boundary of R. Find the values of the points B, C and D in the z = x + iy plane. Indicate which corner maps to which of these points by labeling the corners of R' with A', B', C' or D'.

**Solution:** First compute the images of points on the left. We have  $\cos(0) = 1$ ,  $\cos(\pi/2) = 0$ ,  $\cos(i \ln(2)) = \cosh(\ln(2)) = (e^{\ln(2)} + e^{-\ln(2)})/2 = (2 + 1/2)/2 = 5/4$ ,  $\cos(\pi/2 + i \ln(2) = -i \sinh(\ln(2)) = -3i/4$ . Examining these points we see that A = 0, B = 1, C = 5/4 and D = -3i/4 so that  $A' = \pi/2$ , B' = 0,  $C' = i \ln(2)$  and  $D' = \pi/2 + i \ln(2)$ 

(b) (5 points) Solve the equation  $\cos(w) = (e^{iw} + e^{-iw})/2 = z$  for w to obtain a formula for the (multivalued) inverse map  $w = \cos^{-1}(z)$ . Let f(z) be the the branch obtained by choosing the principal branches for the roots and logarithms in your formula. Verify that this choice of branch maps R to R' by showing that f(A) (= f(0)) is one of the corners of R'.

**Solution:** The equation can be written  $(e^{iw})^2 - 2ze^{iw} + 1 = 0$  so that  $e^{iw} = z \pm (z^2 - 1)^{1/2}$  (where we choose the principal branch of the square root, and then  $\pm$  gives both branches). So  $w = \cos^{-1}(z) = -i\log(z\pm(z^2-1)^{1/2})$  as a multivalued function. Choosing principal branches gives  $f(z) = -i\log(z + (z^2 - 1)^{1/2})$ . We know that  $(-1)^{1/2} = i = e^{i\pi/2}$  (principal branch). So  $f(A) = f(0) = -i\log(e^{i\pi/2}) = -i^2\pi/2 = \pi/2 = A'$ .

(c) (3 points) Suppose that R represents a plate that is insulated along the segment [A, B] and the curve joining C to D, while the temperature is held at 0° on [A, D] and at 100° on [B, C]. What boundary conditions are satisfied by the harmonic function  $\phi(x, y)$  on R that represents the steady state temperature distribution?

**Solution:** The boundary conditions are  $\phi = 0$  on [A, D],  $\phi = 100$  on [B, C] and  $\partial \phi / \partial n = 0$  on [A, B] and on the boundary curve joining C to D.

(d) (5 points) We know that  $\phi(x, y)$  corresponds to a harmonic function  $\Phi(u, v)$  under the map f(z). Indicate the boundary conditions satisfied by  $\Phi(u, v)$  on the boundary of R'. Find  $\Phi(u, v)$  and write the solution  $\phi(x, y)$  in terms of  $\Phi$  and u(x, y), v(x, y), where f(x+iy) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y). You need not calculate u(x, y) and v(x, y).

**Solution:** We have  $\Phi = 0$  on [A', D'],  $\Phi = 100$  on [B', C'] and  $\partial \phi / \partial n = \partial \phi / \partial u = 0$  on [A', B'] and [C', D']. The solution is  $\Phi(u, v) = 100(1 - 2u/\pi)$  so that

 $\phi(x, y) = 100(1 - 2u(x, y)/\pi).$ 



2. (a) (5 points) Find a fractional linear transformation that maps the shaded region between the circles to the strip  $0 < \text{Im} z < \pi$ 

**Solution:** A FLT that maps  $2 \mapsto \infty$ ,  $0 \mapsto 0$  and  $1 + i \mapsto \alpha$  where  $\alpha > 0$  is given by  $z \mapsto i\alpha z/(z-2)$ . Under this transformation, the inner circle maps to the real line, while the outer circle maps to a parallel line. We can vary which line by adjusting  $\alpha$ . Since  $-2 \mapsto i\alpha/2$  we must choose  $\alpha = 2\pi$ . Thus an FLT with the required properties is

$$z \mapsto \frac{2\pi i z}{z-2}.$$

If we follow this by a translation in a real direction we will get other FLT's that also work, namely

 $z \mapsto \frac{2\pi i z}{z-2} + a = \frac{(2\pi i + a)z - 2a}{z-2}$ 

for any  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(b) (5 points) Find a conformal map f(z) that maps the shaded region between the circles to the upper half plane.

**Solution:** The exponential function maps the strip  $0 < \text{Im } z < \pi$  to the upper half plane. Therefore the function obtained by following one of the transformations in (a) with the exponential map, e.g.,

$$f(z) = e^{2\pi i z/(z-2)},$$

does the job.

3. (a) (5 points) Show that the complex velocity potential  $\Omega(z) = v_0(z + a^2/z)$ , where  $v_0 > 0$  and a > 0, represents ideal fluid flow around the obstacle  $|z| \le a$ . What is the velocity of the flow in the limit  $|z| \to \infty$ ? Where are the stagnation points (where the velocity is zero)?

**Solution:** The complex velocity is given by  $\overline{\Omega'(z)} = v_0(1 - \overline{a}^2/\overline{z}^2)$ . So the limiting velocity is

$$\lim_{|z|\to\infty} v_0(1-\overline{a}^2/\overline{z}^2) = v_0.$$

The stagnation points occur when  $\overline{\Omega'(z)} = 0$ . This happens when  $z = \pm a$ .

(b) (3 points) Let  $\Omega(z)$  be as above and consider  $\Omega(iz)$ . Does this complex velocity potential also represent ideal fluid flow around the obstacle  $|z| \leq a$ ? Give a reason.

**Solution:** We can write points on the boundary of the obstacle as  $z = ae^{i\theta}$  for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ . For these points z we have

$$\Omega(iz) = v_0(iae^{i\theta} + a^2/(iae^{i\theta})) = v_0ia(e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}) = -2v_0a\sin(\theta)$$

so that for these points z,  $\text{Im}(\Omega(iz)) = 0$ . This shows that this complex velocity does represent ideal fluid flow around the obstacle.

4. (5 points) How many zeros does  $p(z) = z^6 - 4z^4 + z^3 - i$  have inside the unit circle?

**Solution:** Let  $f(z) = z^6 - 4z^4 = z^4(z^2 - 4)$ . If we count with multiplicity, f(z) has four zeros inside the unit circle. On the boundary where |z| = 1 we have  $|f(z)| \ge 4|z|^4 - |z|^6 = 4 - 1 = 3$ . On the other hand  $g(z) = +z^3 - i$  satisfies  $|g(z)| \le |z|^3 + 1 = 2$  on the boundary. Thus |g(z)| < |f(z)| on the boundary. Then Rouché's theorem implies that f(z) + g(z) = p(z) also has 4 zeros inside the unit circle, counted with multiplicity.