

**Preview of the Final Examination**

The final examination takes place in the usual classroom from 3:00 to 5:00 on the afternoon of Friday, December 12. Please bring your own paper to the exam.

**Part I** I will choose six of the following twelve items and ask you to state three of those six.

- The Cauchy–Riemann equations.
- The formula for the radius of convergence of a power series.
- Some version of Cauchy’s integral formula that applies to disks.
- Some version of Cauchy’s theorem that applies to an annulus.
- Morera’s theorem.
- Cauchy’s estimate for derivatives at the center of a disk.
- Liouville’s theorem.
- Some version of the maximum modulus theorem.
- The argument principle.
- Some version of Rouché’s theorem.
- Some version of the open mapping theorem.
- The residue theorem.

**Part II** I will choose six of the following twelve problems and ask you to solve three of those six.

- Problem 1 on the August 2008 qualifying exam: Find the Laurent series of  $\frac{1}{z(z-1)(z-2)}$  valid in the annulus  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 < |z| < 2\}$ .
- Problem 3 on the August 2008 qualifying exam: If  $f$  and  $g$  are zero-free holomorphic functions on the unit disk such that  $\frac{f'(1/n)}{f(1/n)} = \frac{g'(1/n)}{g(1/n)}$  for every positive integer  $n$ , then what can be said about the relation between  $f$  and  $g$ ? Prove your claim.
- Problem 4 on the January 2009 qualifying exam: Prove that if  $a$  is an arbitrary complex number, and  $n$  is an integer greater than 1, then the polynomial  $1 + z + az^n$  has at least one zero in the disk where  $|z| \leq 2$ .  
Hint: The product of the zeroes of a monic polynomial of degree  $n$  equals  $(-1)^n$  times the constant term.

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- Problem 8 on the January 2009 qualifying exam: Suppose  $f$  is holomorphic in the vertical strip where  $|\operatorname{Re}(z)| < \pi/4$ , and  $|f(z)| < 1$  for every  $z$  in the strip, and  $f(0) = 0$ . Prove that  $|f(z)| \leq |\tan(z)|$  for every  $z$  in the strip.
- Problem 5 on the August 2009 qualifying exam: Suppose that  $f$  is holomorphic in the disk where  $|z| < R$ , and  $|f(z)| < M$  for every  $z$  in this disk. Suppose additionally that there is a point  $z_0$  in the disk for which  $f(z_0) = 0$ . Prove that

$$|f(z)| \leq \frac{MR|z - z_0|}{|R^2 - z\bar{z}_0|} \quad \text{when } |z| < R, \text{ and } |f'(z_0)| \leq \frac{MR}{R^2 - |z_0|^2}.$$

- Problem 2 on the January 2010 qualifying exam: Suppose that  $f$  has an isolated singularity at the point  $a$ , and  $f'/f$  has a first-order pole at  $a$ . Prove that  $f$  has either a pole or a zero at  $a$ .
- Problem 3 on the January 2010 qualifying exam: Prove that all the zeroes of the function  $\tan(z) - z$  are real.
- Problem 10 on the January 2010 qualifying exam: Prove that if  $f$  has isolated singularities at  $\pm a$ , then  $\operatorname{Res}(f, a) = -\operatorname{Res}(f, -a)$  if  $f$  is even, and  $\operatorname{Res}(f, a) = \operatorname{Res}(f, -a)$  if  $f$  is odd.
- Problem 3 on the August 2010 qualifying exam: Calculate the “Fresnel integrals”

$$\int_0^{\infty} \sin(x^2) dx \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^{\infty} \cos(x^2) dx,$$

which play an important role in diffraction theory. (You may assume known that  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2/2} dx = \sqrt{2\pi}$ .)

- Problem 10 on the August 2010 qualifying exam: Prove that if  $f$  is meromorphic in a complex domain  $\Omega$ , then so is  $f'$ .
- Problem 4 on the January 2011 qualifying exam: Suppose  $\Omega$  is a connected open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ , and  $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a nonconstant harmonic function. Prove that  $u(\Omega)$ , the image of  $u$ , is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- Problem 6 on the January 2011 qualifying exam: Suppose  $f$  is a holomorphic function (not necessarily bounded) on  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ , the open unit disk, such that  $f(0) = 0$ . Prove that the infinite series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(z^n)$  converges uniformly on compact subsets of the open unit disk.