

**Assignment 11.**

Schwarz Lemma. Laurent Series.

This assignment is due Wednesday, April 17 (counting extra extension, but not counting regular one-week extension. If you choose to take regular one-week extension, that will make this HW due Wednesday, April 24.). Collaboration is welcome. If you do collaborate, make sure to write/type your own paper.

Please note that Problem 2 is excluded from the denominator of the grade.

1. SCHWARZ LEMMA

REMINDER. **Schwarz Lemma.** Let  $f(z)$  be a function analytic on the disc  $K : |z| < R$ ,  $f(0) = 0$  and suppose that  $|f(z)| \leq M < \infty$  for all  $z \in K$ . Then  $|f(z)| \leq \frac{M}{R}|z|$  for all  $z \in K$ . Moreover,  $|f'(0)| \leq \frac{M}{R}$ . Either equality is achieved if and only if  $f$  is a linear function  $f(z) = e^{i\alpha} \frac{M}{R} z$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- (1) (a) Find a Möbius transformation  $g$  that sends the disc  $K : |z| < R$  bijectively to itself, and sends 0 to  $a \in K$ .
- (b) Generalize Schwarz Lemma to the case  $f(a) = 0$  ( $a \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $|a| < R$ ).  
(*Hint:* Consider  $f(g(z))$ , where a Möbius transformation  $g$  is picked so that Schwarz Lemma applies to  $f(g)$ .)
- (2) Let  $f$  be a function  $f : \overline{H} \rightarrow \overline{H}$ , where  $H$  is the right half plane  $H = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re} z > 0\}$ . Suppose  $f$  is bijective, analytic on  $H$ , continuous on  $\overline{H}$ , and  $f(1) \in \mathbb{R}$ . Prove that for every  $z \in H$ ,

$$\left| \frac{f(z) - f(1)}{f(z) + f(1)} \right| \leq \frac{z - 1}{z + 1}.$$

(*Hint:* Show that  $w(z) = \frac{z-1}{z+1}$  is a bijection between  $H$  and unit disc. Apply Schwarz Lemma to an appropriate function.)

COMMENT. By using same sort of tricks (composing and precomposing with appropriate Möbius transformations), one can prove (and it is a nice exercise to do so) the following *Schwarz-Pick* theorem:

If  $f$  is a bijective map from the closed unit disc  $\overline{D}$  to itself, analytic on  $D$ , and continuous on  $\overline{D}$ , then for all  $z_1, z_2, z \in D$

$$\left| \frac{f(z_1) - f(z_2)}{1 - \overline{f(z_1)}f(z_2)} \right| \leq \left| \frac{z_1 - z_2}{1 - \overline{z_1}z_2} \right| \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{|f'(z)|}{1 - |f(z)|^2} \leq \frac{1}{1 - |z|^2}.$$

(By the way: is  $\left| \frac{z_1 - z_2}{1 - \overline{z_1}z_2} \right|$  a metric? If it is, how can one interpret the first inequality?)

## 2. LAURENT SERIES

(3) Expand the function

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-a)} \quad (a \in \mathbb{C}, a \neq 0)$$

in a Laurent series in the annuli

- (a)  $0 < |z| < |a|$ ,
- (b)  $|a| < |z|$ .

(4) Expand the function

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-a)(z-b)} \quad (a, b \in \mathbb{C}, 0 < |a| < |b|)$$

in a Laurent series in the annuli

- (a)  $0 < |z| < |a|$ ,
- (b)  $|a| < |z| < |b|$ ,
- (c)  $|b| < |z|$ .

(*Hint:* Decompose into elementary fractions and use the previous problem.)

(5) Expand the function

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-a)^k}, \quad (a \in \mathbb{C}, a \neq 0, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}, k > 0)$$

in a Laurent series in the annuli

- (a)  $0 < |z| < |a|$ ,
- (b)  $|a| < |z|$ .

(*Hint:* Use Weierstrass theorem).