

Assignment 11.

Schwarz Lemma. Laurent Series.

This assignment is due Wednesday, April 13. Collaboration is welcome. If you do collaborate, make sure to write/type your own paper.

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) This problem is empty.

2. LAURENT SERIES

NOTATION. We sometimes write $\sum_{\mathbb{Z}}$ instead of $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$.

TERMINOLOGY. If for some function f it happens that $f(z) = \sum_{\mathbb{Z}} a_n (z - z_0)^n$ with $0 < |z - z_0| < R$, we say that $\sum_{\mathbb{Z}} a_n (z - z_0)^n$ is a Laurent expansion of f at z_0 . If the $f(z) = \sum_{\mathbb{Z}} c_n z^n$ in an annulus $r < |z| < \infty$, we say that $\sum_{\mathbb{Z}} c_n z^n$ is a Laurent expansion of f at infinity.

- (3) Suppose f has a Laurent expansion

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

in an annulus $r < |z - z_0| < \infty$. Prove that $f(z)$ can be also represented in the form

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{a}_n z^n$$

in an annulus $\tilde{r} < |z| < \infty$ for some \tilde{r} .

COMMENT. This problem justifies use of the term “Laurent expansion at ∞ ” without specifying center z_0 , since by the statement above we can choose any z_0 we like (usually, we like 0).

(*Hint:* Directly use Laurent Series theorem.)

- (4) 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) $|a| < |z|$.

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(5) 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.)

(6) Expand the function

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

in a Laurent series in the annuli

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

(*Hint*: Use Weierstrass theorem to take derivative of $\frac{1}{z-a}$.)

(7) Expand each of the following functions in a Laurent series at the indicated points:

- (a) $\frac{1}{z^2+1}$ at $z = i$ and $z = \infty$,
- (b) $z^2 e^{1/z}$ at $z = 0$ and $z = \infty$.