

# mathematical methods - week 5

## Complex integration

**Georgia Tech PHYS-6124**

**Homework HW #5**

due Monday, September 23, 2019

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== show all your work for maximum credit,  
== put labels, title, legends on any graphs  
== acknowledge study group member, if collective effort  
== if you are LaTeXing, here is the [source code](#)

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Exercise **5.1** *More holomorphic mappings*

10 (+6 bonus) points

Total of 10 points = 100 % score. Extra points accumulate, can help you later if you miss a few problems.

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## Week 5 syllabus

September 16, 2019

**Mon** Goldbart [pages 1/400 - 1/580](#)

**Wed** Goldbart [pages 2/10 - 2/96](#) (contour integration)

**Fri** Goldbart pages 2/130 - 2/150; 2/270 - 2/280 (derivation of Cauchy Theorem)

**Optional reading**

- Goldbart [pages 3/10 - 3/140](#) (Cauchy contour integral)
- Grigoriev [pages 3.1 - 3.3](#) (Cauchy contour integral)
- Arfken and Weber [1] ([click here](#)) Chapter 6 sects. 6.3 - 6.4, on Cauchy contour integral

**Question 5.1.** Henriette Roux asks

**Q** What do you mean when you write “Determine the possibilities” in exercise 5.1 (b)?

**A** Fair enough. I rewrote the text in the exercise.

**References**

- [1] G. B. Arfken and H. J. Weber, *Mathematical Methods for Physicists: A Comprehensive Guide*, 6th ed. (Academic, New York, 2005).

**Exercises**

5.1. **More holomorphic mappings.** Needham, pp. 211-213

- (a) **(bonus)** Use the Cauchy-Riemann conditions to verify that the mapping  $z \mapsto \bar{z}$  is not holomorphic.
- (b) The mapping  $z \mapsto z^3$  acts on an infinitesimal shape and the image is examined. It is found that the shape has been rotated by  $\pi$ , and its linear dimensions expanded by 12. Determine the possibilities for the original location of the shape, i.e., find all values of the complex number  $z$  for which an infinitesimal shape at  $z$  is rotated by  $\pi$ , and its linear dimensions expanded by 12. Hint: write  $z$  in polar form, first find the appropriate  $r = |z|$ , then find all values of the phase of  $z$  such that  $\arg(z^3) = \pi$ .
- (c) Consider the map  $z \mapsto \bar{z}^2/z$ . Determine the geometric effect of this mapping. By considering the effect of the mapping on two small arrows emanating from a typical point  $z$ , one arrow parallel and one perpendicular to  $z$ , show that the map fails to produce an *amplitwist*.

- (d) The interior of a simple closed curve  $\mathcal{C}$  is mapped by a holomorphic mapping into the exterior of the image of  $\mathcal{C}$ . If  $z$  travels around the curve counterclockwise, which way does the image of  $z$  travel around the image of  $\mathcal{C}$ ?
- (e) Consider the mapping produced by the function  $f(x + iy) = (x^2 + y^2) + i(y/x)$ .
- Find and sketch the curves that are mapped by  $f$  into horizontal and vertical lines. Notice that  $f$  appears to be conformal.
  - Now show that  $f$  is *not* in fact a conformal mapping by considering the images of a pair of lines (e.g., one vertical and one horizontal).
  - By using the Cauchy-Riemann conditions confirm that  $f$  is not conformal.
  - Show that no choice of  $v(x, y)$  makes  $f(x + iy) = (x^2 + y^2) + iv(x, y)$  holomorphic.
- (f) **(bonus)** Show that if  $f$  is holomorphic on some connected region then each of the following conditions forces  $f$  to reduce to a constant:
- $\operatorname{Re} f(z) = 0$ ;
  - $|f(z)| = \text{const.}$ ;
  - $\bar{f}(z)$  is holomorphic too.
- (g) **(bonus)** Suppose that the holomorphic mapping  $z \mapsto f(z)$  is expressed in terms of the modulus  $R$  and argument  $\Phi$  of  $f$ , i.e.,  
 $f(z) = R(x, y) \exp i\Phi(x, y)$ .  
 Determine the form of the Cauchy-Riemann conditions in terms of  $R$  and  $\Phi$ .
- (h)
  - By sketching the image of an infinitesimal rectangle under a holomorphic mapping, determine the local magnification factor for the area and compare it with that for an infinitesimal line. Re-derive this result by examining the Jacobian determinant for the transformation.
  - Verify that the mapping  $z \mapsto \exp z$  satisfies the Cauchy-Riemann conditions, and compute  $(\exp z)'$ .
  - (bonus)** Let  $S$  be the square region given by  $A - B \leq \operatorname{Re} z \leq A + B$  and  $-B \leq \operatorname{Im} z \leq B$  with  $A$  and  $B$  positive. Sketch a typical  $S$  for which  $B < A$  and sketch the image  $\tilde{S}$  of  $S$  under the mapping  $z \mapsto \exp z$ .
  - (bonus)** Deduce the ratio  $(\text{area of } \tilde{S})/(\text{area of } S)$ , and compute its limit as  $B \rightarrow 0^+$ .
  - (bonus)** Compare this limit with the one you would expect from part (i).