

Homework 1: MATH 6120

Collaboration Policy : You may, in fact are encouraged to, work on the problems with other students. You must write up your solutions by yourself.

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1. Let v, w be distinct points in \mathbb{C} , and $\rho > 0$. Show that the locus of points $z \in \mathbb{C}$ that satisfy

$$|z - v| = \rho|z - w|$$

is a circle or a line.

2. Show that it's impossible to define a *total ordering* on \mathbb{C} , i.e. a relation \succ between complex numbers so that:

- (a) For any $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$, exactly one of the following holds: $z \succ w$, $w \succ z$, or $z = w$.
- (b) For all $z_1, z_2, w \in \mathbb{C}$ the relation $z_1 \succ z_2$ implies $z_1 + w \succ z_2 + w$.
- (c) For all $z_1, z_2, w \in \mathbb{C}$ with $w \succ 0$, the relation $z_1 \succ z_2$ implies $z_1 w \succ z_2 w$.

3. Show that in polar coordinates, the Cauchy-Riemann equations take the form

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial r}.$$

Use these to show that the logarithm function defined by

$$\log z = \log r + i\theta \quad \text{where} \quad z = re^{i\theta} \quad \text{with} \quad -\pi < \theta < \pi$$

is holomorphic in the region $r > 0$ and $-\pi < \theta < \pi$.

4. Consider the function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ given by $f(x + iy) = \sqrt{|x||y|}$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that f satisfies the Cauchy-Riemann equations at 0, but f is not holomorphic at 0.
5. Let $U \subset \mathbb{C}$ open, and $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic. Show that if $\operatorname{Re}(f)$ is constant, then f is constant.