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University Examinations 2013/2014

FIRSTYEAR, SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR MASTER OF SCIENCE IN  
APPLIED MATHEMATICS

SMA 3106: COMPLEX ANALYSIS I

DATE: APRIL 2014

TIME: 3 HOURS

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INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question *one* and any other *two* questions.

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## QUESTION ONE – (30 MARKS)

- (a) Distinguish between an ordinary point and a singular point. (2 Marks)
- (b) Define a conformal mapping. (2 Marks)
- (c) State the maximum modulus principle. (2 Marks)
- (d) Identify and classify the singularities of the function  $f(z) = \frac{z^2}{(1+z^2)^2}$  hence or otherwise calculate the residue of  $f(z)$  at one of the poles. (5 Marks)
- (e) Test if the function  $u = \frac{x}{|z|^2}$  is harmonic hence find its conjugate function such that  $f(z) = u + iv$  is analytic. (6 Marks)
- (f) Construct a bilinear transformation that maps the points  $z_1 = 1$ ,  $z_2 = -i$  and  $z = 0$  from the  $z$ -plane to the points  $w_1 = 5 + i$ ,  $w_2 = 1 - i$  and  $w_3 = -i$  in the  $w$ -plane. (6 Marks)

(g) Find the image of horizontal straight lines  $\text{Im}(z) = a$  under an inversion. ( $a \neq 0$ ) (5 Marks)

(h) Test the analyticity of  $f(z) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y-b}{x-a}\right)$  (2 Marks)

### QUESTION TWO – (20 MARKS)

(a) Expand the function  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2 - 3iz + z - 3i}$  about  $z = -1$  using Laurent series hence state the disc of convergence. (6 Marks)

(b) Evaluate each of the following integrals

(i)  $\oint_c \frac{\ln z^3}{z+2} dz$  for  $c: |z| = 3$  (6 Marks)

(ii)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin x}{(x^2 + a^2)^2} dx$  (8 Marks)

### QUESTION THREE – (20 MARKS)

(a) Express  $z^\alpha$  as a logarithmic function hence evaluate  $i^{-i}$  where  $\alpha \neq 0$  (4 Marks)

(b) Test if the function  $f(z) = 3z^2 + 4 - 2i$  satisfies the Shwarz reflection principle. (3 Marks)

(c) (i) State the Cauchy's residue theorem. (3 Marks)

(ii) use the residue theorem to evaluate the integral  $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos 3\theta}{5 - 4 \cos \theta} d\theta$  (10 Marks)

### QUESTION FOUR – (20 MARKS)

(a) Define each of the following

(i) Entire function (2 Marks)

(ii) Compact set (2 Marks)

(b) Calculate the residues of the function  $f(z) = \frac{z^2 - 2z}{(z+1)^2(z^2 + 4)}$  at its poles. (5 Marks)

(c) State and prove the Poissons integral formula for a circle given as

$$f(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{R^2 - r^2}{R^2 - r^2 - 2rR \cos(\theta - \Phi)} f(Re^{i\Phi}) d\Phi$$

with the variables used having their usual meaning.

(11 Marks)