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## University Examinations 2011/2012

FIRST YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF  
SCIENCE IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS

### SMA 3106: COMPLEX ANALYSIS I

DATE: AUGUST 2011

TIME: 3 HOURS

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

#### QUESTION ONE – (30 MARKS)

- (a) Express  $z^k$  as a logarithmic function hence simplify the expression  $(-i)^{3i}$   
(4 Marks)
- (b) Prove that the function  $u(x, y) = e^{-x}(x \sin y - y \cos y)$  is harmonic hence find the conjugate function of  $u$ .  
(8 Marks)
- (c) Prove that for closed polygons whose interior angles are  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  we have the sum  
$$\left(\frac{a_1}{\pi} - 1\right) + \left(\frac{a_2}{\pi} - 1\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{a_n}{\pi} - 1\right) = -2$$
  
(3 Marks)
- (d) Calculate the residues of the function  $f(z) = \frac{z^2 - 2z}{(z+1)^2(z^2+4)}$  at each of its singularities hence (or otherwise) evaluate the integral  
$$f(z) = \oint \frac{z^2 - 2z}{(z+1)^2(z^2+4)} dz$$
 where  $c: |z| = 3$   
(8 Marks)
- (e) Show that a function  $f(z) = z^2$  maps lines parallel to the real axis in the  $z$  plane to parabolas in the  $w$  plane. Sketch these parabolas.  
(7 Marks)

**QUESTION TWO – (20 MARKS)**

(a) Show that the functions  $f_1(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z+2i)^n}{(1+2i)^{n+1}}$  and  $f_2(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$  are analytic continuations of each other hence sketch the common region. (8 Marks)

(b) State and prove the Poisson's integral formula for a circle given as

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

where the given variables have their usual meaning. (12 Marks)

**QUESTION THREE – (20 MARKS)**

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

(b) Show that under an inversion points inside a circle in the Z-Plane are mapped to points outside a circle in the W-Plane. (9 Marks)

(c) Find a Laurent series expansion of  $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z+1)(z-3i)}$  about  $z = -1$  in the punctured disc  $0 < |z + 1| < \sqrt{10}$  (8 Marks)

**QUESTION FOUR – (20 MARKS)**

(a) Define the following terms with respect to complex functions  
(i) Isogonal (2 Marks)

(ii) Meromorphic (2 Marks)

(b) Prove that a necessary condition for a function to be harmonic in a region is that it is analytic in that region. (9 Marks)

(c) Construct a linear fractional transformation mapping the points  $z_1 = 1$   $z_2 = -i$  and  $z_3 = 0$  to  $w_1 = 5 + i$   $w_2 = 1 - i$  and  $w_3 = -i$  (7 Marks)