



Math 311 - Spring 2014

Assignment # 2

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Question 1. [p 29, #2]

In each case, find all of the roots in rectangular coordinates, exhibit them as vertices of certain squares, and point out which is the principal root:

(a) $(-16)^{1/4}$; (b) $(-8 - 8\sqrt{3}i)^{1/4}$.

Ans: (a) $\pm\sqrt{2}(1+i)$, $\pm\sqrt{2}(1-i)$; (b) $\pm(\sqrt{3}-i)$, $\pm(1+\sqrt{3}i)$.

Question 2. [p 30, #3]

In each case, find all of the roots in rectangular coordinates, exhibit them as vertices of certain regular polygons, and identify the principal root:

(a) $(-1)^{1/3}$; (b) $8^{1/6}$.

Ans: (b) $\pm\sqrt{2}$, $\pm\frac{1+\sqrt{3}i}{\sqrt{2}}$, $\pm\frac{1-\sqrt{3}i}{\sqrt{2}}$.

Question 3. [p 33, #1]

Sketch the following sets and determine which are domains:

(a) $|z - 2 + i| \leq 1$; (b) $|2z + 3| > 4$; (c) $\text{Im } z > 1$;
(d) $\text{Im } z = 1$; (e) $0 \leq \arg z \leq \pi/4$ ($z \neq 0$); (f) $|z - 4| \geq |z|$.

Ans: (b), (c) are domains.

Question 4. [p 33, #4]

In each case, sketch the closure of the set:

(a) $-\pi < \arg z < \pi$ ($z \neq 0$); (b) $|\text{Re } z| < |z|$;
(c) $\text{Re} \left(\frac{1}{z} \right) \leq \frac{1}{2}$; (d) $\text{Re} (z^2) > 0$.

Question 5. [p 37, #2]

Write the function $f(z) = z^3 + z + 1$ in the form $f(z) = u(x, y) + i v(x, y)$.

Ans: $(x^3 - 3xy^2 + x + 1) + i(3x^2y - y^3 + y)$.

Question 6. [p 37, #3]

Suppose that $f(z) = x^2 - y^2 - 2y + i(2x - 2xy)$, where $z = x + iy$. Use the expressions (see Sec. 5)

$$x = \frac{z + \bar{z}}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad y = \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2i}$$

to write $f(z)$ in terms of z and simplify the result.

Ans: $\bar{z}^2 + 2iz$.

Question 7. [p 44, #1]

By referring to Example 1 in Sec. 13, find a domain in the z plane whose image under the transformation $w = z^2$ is the square domain in the w plane bounded by the lines $u = 1$, $u = 2$, $v = 1$, and $v = 2$. (See Fig. 2, Appendix 2.)

Question 8. [p 44, #3]

Sketch the region onto which the sector $r \leq 1$, $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/4$ is mapped by the transformation

$$(a) \ w = z^2; \quad (b) \ w = z^3; \quad (c) \ w = z^4.$$