AIM Qualifying Exam: Advanced Calculus and Complex Variables

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For full credit, support your answers with appropriate explanations. There are five problems, each worth 20 points.

1. (20 points) A map from the z-plane to the w-plane given by

$$w = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}$$

is called a fractional linear transformation if $ad - bc \neq 0$.

- (a) (10 points) Find a fractional linear transformation that maps $\Im z > 0$ to |w| < 1.
- (b) (10 points) Find a fractional linear transformation that maps |z| < 1 to |w| < 1 such that $z = \frac{1}{2}$ maps to w = 0.
- 2. Consider the polynomial $p(z) = z^3 + 8z + 1$.
 - (a) (10 points) Prove that all roots of p(z) = 0 lie inside |z| < 3.
 - (b) (10 points) Find the number of roots of p(z) = 0 in the region 1 < |z| < 3.
- 3. (20 points) Use complex integration to evaluate

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{(\log x)^2}{1+x^2} \, dx.$$

4. (20 points) The series

$$1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} - \cdots$$

converges by the alternating series test. Describe a way to rearrange (or reorder) the terms of the series so that the rearranged series diverges to $+\infty$.

- 5. Suppose f(x) is continuous for $x \in (0,1)$ and its derivative f'(x) exists for each $x \in (0,1)$.
 - (a) (10 points) Suppose |f'(x)| < B for B finite and $x \in (0,1)$. For any $\epsilon > 0$, prove that there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that if

$$0 < a_1 < b_1 < \dots < a_n < b_n < 1$$

and $\sum_{j=1}^{n} |b_j - a_j| < \delta$ then we must have

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} |f(b_j) - f(a_j)| < \epsilon.$$

(b) (10 points) Give an example for which f(x) and f'(x) are both continuous for $x \in (0,1)$ but the ϵ - δ statement in part (a) is false. An informal explanation of why the example works would suffice.

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